

# **Debian Edu / Skolelinux Squeeze 6.0.7+r1 utgivelsesmanual**

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## 1 Utgivelsesmanual for Debian Edu 6.0.7+r1 kodenavn Squeeze



Dette er utgivelsesmanualen for Debian Edu Squeeze versjon 6.0.7+r1.

Versjonen på <http://wiki.debian.org/DebianEdu/Documentation/Squeeze> er en wikiside og oppdateres ofte.

[Translations](#) are part of the `debian-edu-doc` package which can be installed on a webserver, and is available [online](#).

## 2 Om Debian Edu og Skolelinux

Debian Edu aka Skolelinux is a Linux distribution based on Debian providing an out-of-the box environment of a completely configured school network.

Immediately after installation a school server running all services needed for a school network is set up (see the next chapter [details of the architecture of this setup](#)), just waiting for users and machines being added via Gosa<sup>2</sup>, a comfortable Web-UI, or any other LDAP editor. A netbooting environment is prepared using PXE, so after initial installation of the main server from CD, DVD or usbstick all other machines can be installed via the network, this includes roaming workstations (ones that can be taken away from the school network, usually laptops or netbooks) as well as PXE booting for diskless machines like traditional thin-clients.

Several educational applications like celestia, drgeo, gcompris, geogebra, kalzium, kgeography and solfege are included in the default desktop setup, which can be extended easily and almost endlessly via the Debian universe.

### 2.1 Litt historie og hvorfor to navn

[Skolelinux](#) is a Linux distribution created by the Debian Edu project. As a [Debian Pure Blends](#) distribution it is an official [Debian](#) subproject.

Skolelinux er en versjon av Debian GNU/Linux og gir skolen din et IT-system ferdig oppsatt og tilpasset skoler.

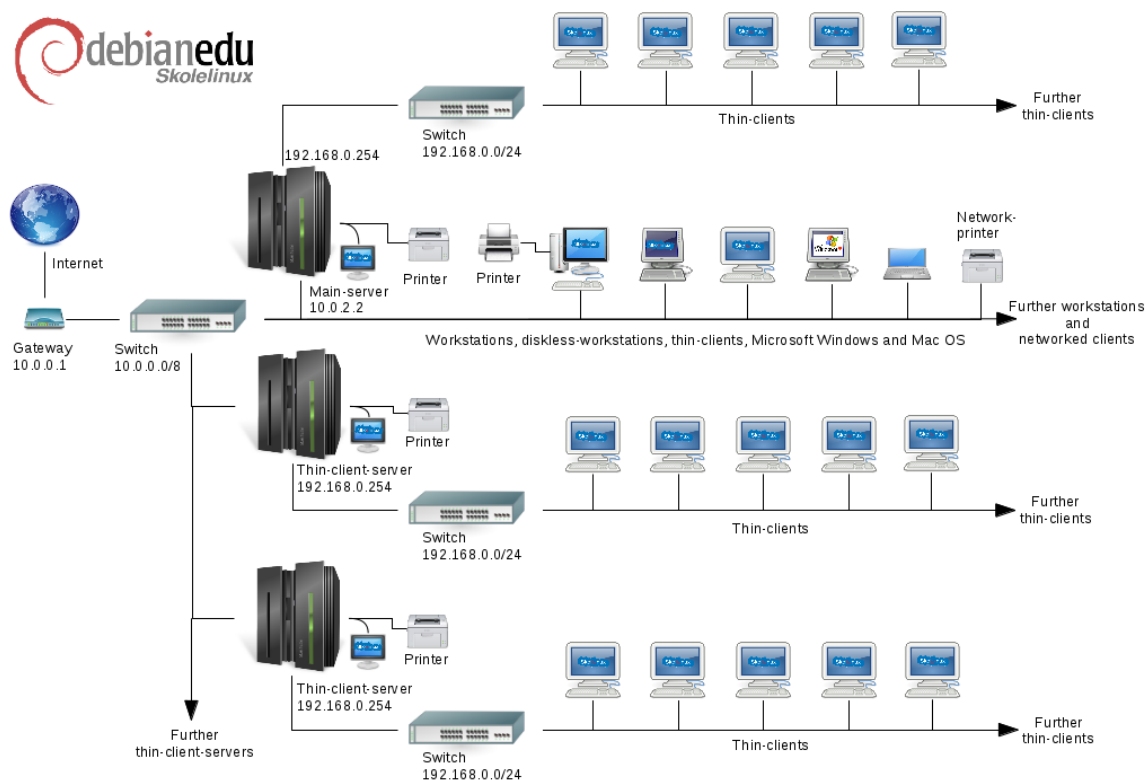
The Skolelinux project in Norway was founded on Juli 2nd 2001 and about the same time Raphael Herzog started Debian-Edu in France. Since 2003 both projects are united, but both names stayed. Skole"and (Debian-)Éducation"are just two well understood terms in these regions.

The main target group in Norway initially were schools serving the 6-16 years age bracket. Today the system is in use in several countries around the world, with most installations in Norway, Spain, Germany and France.

### 3 Arkitektur

Denne delen av dokumentet beskriver nettverksarkitekturen og tjenester som skolelinuxinstallasjonen tilbyr.

### 3.1 Nettverk



Figuren er en skisse over den forventede nettverkstopologien. Standardoppsettet til et skolelinuxnettverk forventer at det er en (og bare en) hovedtjener, men det er tillatt å legge til både normale arbeidsstasjoner og tynnklienttjenere (med tilhørende tynnklienter). Antallet arbeidsstasjoner kan være stort eller lite alt etter behovet (fra null til veldig mange). Det samme gjelder for tynnklienttjenere. Hver enkel tynnklienttjener er på et adskilt nettverk slik at nettverkstrafikken mellom tynnklienter og tynnklienttjenere ikke forstyrrer resten av nettverkstjenestene.

Grunnen til at det bare kan være en hovedtjener i hvert skolenettverk er at hovedtjeneren tilbyr DHCP, og det kan bare være en maskin som gjør det i et nettverk. Det er mulig å flytte tjenester fra hovedtjeneren til andre maskiner ved å sette opp tjenesten på en annen maskin, og så oppdatere DNS-oppsettet slik at DNS-aliaset for den tjenesten peker til rett maskin.

In order to simplify the standard setup of Skolelinux, the Internet connection runs over a separate router. It is possible to set up Debian with both a modem and an ISDN connection; however, no attempt is made to make such a setup work out of the box for Skolelinux (the setup needed to adjust the default situation to this should be documented separately).

### 3.1.1 The default network setup

DHCPD on Tjener serves the 10.0.0.0/8 network, providing a syslinux menu via PXE-boot where you can choose whether to install a new server/workstation, boot a thin client or a diskless workstation, run memtest, or boot from the local hard disk.

This is designed to be modified - that is, you can have the NFS-root in syslinux point to one of the LTSP servers or change next-server in DHCP to have clients directly boot via PXE from the terminal server.

DHCPD on the LTSP servers only serves a dedicated 192.168.0.0/24 network on the second interface and should seldom need to be changed.



### 3.1.2 Hovedtjener

A Skolelinux network needs one main server (also called tjener"which is Norwegian and means server") which per default has the IP address 10.0.2.2 and is installed by selecting the main server profile. It's possible (but not required) to also select and install the thin-client-server and workstation profiles in addition to the main server profile.

### 3.1.3 Tjenester som kjører på hovedtjeneren

With the exception of the control of the thin-clients, all services are initially set up on one central computer (the main server). For performance reasons, the thin-client-server should be a separate machine (though it is possible to install both the main server and thin-client server profiles on the same machine). All services are allocated a dedicated DNS-name and are offered exclusively over IPv4. The allocated DNS name makes it easy to move individual services from the main-server to a different machine, by simply stopping the service on the main-server, and changing the DNS configuration to point to the new location of the service (which should be set up on that machine first, of course).

To ensure security all connections where passwords are transmitted over the network are encrypted, so no passwords are sent over the network as plain text.

Below is a table of the services that are set up by default in a Skolelinux network and the DNS name of each service. If possible all configuration files will refer to the service by name (without the domain name) thus making it easy for schools to change either their domain (if they have an own DNS domain) or the IP addresses they use.

Tabell over tjenester		
Tjenestebeskrivelse	Common name	DNS service name
Sentralisert logging	rsyslog	syslog
Domain Name Service	DNS (BIND)	domain
Automatisk nettverksoppsett for maskiner	DHCP	bootps
Klokkesynkronisering	NTP	ntp
Home Directories via Network File System	SMB / NFS	homes
Elektronisk postkontor	IMAP/POP3 (Dovecot)	postoffice
Katalogtjeneste	OpenLDAP	ldap
Brukeradministrasjon	GOsa <sup>2</sup>	---
Web Server	Apache/PHP	www
Sentral sikkerhetskopi	sl-backup, slbackup-php	backup
Web Cache	Proxy (Squid)	webcache
Utskrift	CUPS	ipp
Secure Remote Login	OpenSSH	ssh
Automatisk oppsett	Cfengine	cfengine
Tynnklienttjener(e)	LTSP	ltsp

Machine and Service Surveillance with Error Reporting, plus Status and History on the Web. Error Reporting by email	munin, nagios and site-summary	munin, nagios and site-summary
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Personal files for each user are stored in their home directories, which are made available by the server. Home directories are accessible from all machines, giving users access to the same files regardless of which machine they are using. The server is operating system agnostic, offering access via NFS for Unix clients, SMB for Windows and Macintosh clients.

By default email is set up for local delivery (i.e. within the school) only, though email delivery to the wider Internet may be set up if the school has a permanent Internet connection. Mailing lists are set up based on the user database, giving each class their own mailing list. Clients are set up to deliver mail to the server (using 'smarthost'), and users can [access their personal mail](#) through either POP3 or IMAP.

All services are accessible using the same username and password, thanks to the central user database for authentication and authorisation.

For å øke ytelsen på sider som ofte blir besøkt blir det brukt en mellomtjener (proxy) som mellomlagrer filer lokalt (Squid). I tillegg til å kontrollere internettrafikk i ruterer gjør dette det også mulig å kontrollere internettilgang på individuelle maskiner.

Network configuration on the clients is done automatically using DHCP. Normal clients are allocated IP addresses in the private subnet 10.0.0.0/8, while thin clients are connected to the corresponding thin-client-server via the separate subnet 192.168.0.0/24 (this is to ensure that the network traffic of the thin clients doesn't interfere with the rest of the network services).

Centralised logging is set up so that all machines send their syslog messages to the server. The syslog service is set up so that it only accepts incoming messages from the local network.

Som standard er DNS-tjeneren satt opp med et domene bare for intern bruk (\*.intern) fram til et ekte («eksternt») DNS-domene kan settes opp. DNS-tjeneren er satt opp som en mellomlagrende DNS-tjener slik at alle maskiner på nettverket kan bruke den som hoved DNS-tjener.

Pupils and teachers have the ability to publish websites. The web server provides mechanisms for authenticating users, and for limiting access to individual pages and subdirectories to certain users and groups. Users will have the ability to create dynamic web pages, as the web server will be programmable on the server side.

Information on users and machines can be changed in one central location, and is made accessible to all computers on the network automatically. To achieve this a centralised directory server is set up. The directory will have information on users, user groups, machines, and groups of machines. To avoid user confusion there won't be any difference between file groups, mailing lists, and network groups. This implies that groups of machines which are to form network groups will use the same namespace as user groups and mailing lists.

Administration of services and users will mainly be via the web, and follow established standards, functioning well in the web browsers which are part of Skolelinux. The delegation of certain tasks to individual users or user groups will be made possible by the administration systems.

In order to avoid certain problems with NFS, and to make it simpler to debug problems, the different machines need synchronised clocks. To achieve this the Skolelinux server is set up as a local Network Time Protocol (NTP) server, and all workstations and clients are set up to synchronise with the server. The server itself should synchronise its clock via NTP against machines on the Internet, thus ensuring the whole network has the correct time.

Printers are connected where convenient, either directly onto the main network, or connected to a server, workstation or thin-client-server. Access to printers can be controlled for individual users according to the groups they belong to; this will be achieved by using quota and access control for printers.

### 3.1.4 LTSP tjenere (tynnklienttjener(e))

Et Skolelinuxnett kan ha mange LTSP-tjenere (tynnklienttjenere), som installeres ved å velge profilen tynnklienttjener.

Tynnklienttjeneren er satt opp til å motta syslog fra klientene og videresende disse meldingene til den sentrale mottakeren for syslogmeldinger.

### 3.1.5 Tynnklienter

A thin client setup enables ordinary PCs to function as (X-)terminals. This means that the machine boots from a diskette or directly from the server using network-PROM (or PXE) without using the local client hard drive. The

thin client setup used is that of the Linux Terminal Server Project (LTSP).

Thin clients are a good way to make use of older, weaker machines as they effectively run all programs on the LTSP server. This works as follows: the service uses DHCP and TFTP to connect to the network and boot from the network. Next, the file system is mounted via NFS from the LTSP server, and finally the X Window System is started. The display manager (LDM) connects to the LTSP server via SSH with X-forwarding. This way all data is encrypted on the network. For very old thin clients which are too slow for the encryption this can be set to the behavior from former versions, which is to use a direct X connection via XDMCP.

### 3.1.6 Arbeidstasjoner uten harddisk

Arbeidstasjoner uten harddisk blir også omtalt som halvtykke klienter. I denne manualen benyttes begrepet diskless arbeidsstasjon

A diskless workstation runs all software on the PC without a locally installed operating system. This means that client machines boot directly from the server's hard drive without running software installed on a local hard drive.

Diskless workstations are an excellent way of reusing newer hardware with the same low maintenance cost as with thin clients. Software is administered and maintained on the server with no need for local installed software on the clients. Home directories and system settings are stored on the server too.

Arbeidstasjoner uten harddisk ble introdusert som en del av Linux Terminal Server Project (LTSP) med versjon 5.0.

### 3.1.7 Nettverksklienter

The term networked clients is used in this manual to refer to both thin clients and diskless workstations, as well as computers running Mac OS or Windows.

## 3.2 Administrasjon

All the Linux machines that are installed by means of a Skolelinux CD or DVD will be administrable from a central computer, most likely the server. It will be possible to log in to all machines via SSH, and thereby have full access to the machines.

We use cfengine to edit configuration files. These files are updated from the server to the clients. In order to change the client configuration, it suffices to edit the server configuration and let the automation distribute the changes.

All user information is kept in an LDAP directory. Updates of user accounts are made against this database, which is used by the clients for user authentication.

### 3.2.1 Installasjon

Currently there are two types of installation media: netinst CD and multi-arch DVD. Both types can also be booted from USB sticks.

The aim is to be able to install a server from a CD/DVD type medium once, and install all other clients over the network by booting from the network.

DVD-installasjonen fungerer uten tilgang til Internet.

The installation should not ask any questions, with the exception of desired language (e.g. Norwegian Bokmal, Nynorsk, Sami) and machine profile (server, workstation, thin client server). All other configuration will be set up automatically with reasonable values, to be changed from a central location by the system administrator subsequent to the installation.

### 3.2.2 Oppsett av tilgang til filsystem

Each Skolelinux user account is assigned a section of the file system on the file server. This section (home directory) contains the user's configuration files, documents, email and web pages. Some of the files should be set to have read access for other users on the system, some should be readable by everyone on the Internet, and some should not be accessible for reading by anyone but the user.

To ensure that all disks that are used for user directories or shared directories can be uniquely named across all the computers in the installation, they can be mounted as `/skole/host/directory/`. Initially, one directory is created on the file server, `/skole/tjener/home0/`, in which all the user accounts are created. More directories may then be created when needed to accommodate particular user groups or particular patterns of usage.

To enable shared access to files under the normal UNIX permissions system, users need to be in supplementary shared groups (such as students) as well as the personal primary group that they're in by default. If users have an

appropriate umask to make newly created items group-accessible (002 or 007), and if the directories they're working in are setgid to ensure the files inherit the correct group-ownership, the result is controlled file sharing between the members of a group.

The initial access settings for newly created files are a matter of policy. The Debian default umask is 022 (which would not allow group-access as described above), but Debian Edu uses a default of 002 - meaning that files are created with read access for everybody, which can later be removed by explicit user action. This can alternatively be changed (by editing `/etc/pam.d/common-session`) to a umask of 007 - meaning read access is initially blocked, necessitating user action to make them accessible. The first approach encourages knowledge sharing, and makes the system more transparent, whereas the second method decreases the risk of unwanted spreading of sensitive information. The problem with the first solution is that it is not apparent to the users that the material they create will be accessible to all other users. They can only detect this by inspecting other users' directories and seeing that their files are readable. The problem with the second solution is that few people are likely to make their files accessible, even if they do not contain sensitive information and the content would be helpful to inquisitive users who want to learn how others have solved particular problems (typically configuration issues).

## 4 Systemkrav

There are different ways of setting up a Skolelinux solution. It can be installed on just one standalone PC, or as a region-wide solution at many schools operated centrally. This flexibility makes a huge difference to the configuration of network components, servers and client machines.

### 4.1 Maskinvarekrav

The purpose of the different profiles is explained in the [network architecture](#) chapter.

- The computers running Debian Edu / Skolelinux must have either i386 or amd64 processors.
- tynnklienttjenere trenger to nettverkskort ved bruk av standard nettverksarkitektur:
  - eth0 is connected to the main network (10.0.0.0/8),
  - eth1 brukes for å dele ut tynnklientnettet (192.168.0.0/24).
- Vurder å ha 2 GB RAM for 30 klienter og 4 GB RAM for 50-60 klienter.
- Disk space requirements depend on profiles used, but any disk larger than 15 GiB will be sufficient for a workstation or standalone installation, 20 GiB for a thin-client server and at least 30 GiB on the main server. As usual with disk space on a main-server, it's the bigger the better".
- Tynnklienter kan kjøres på så lite som 64 MB RAM og 133 MHz, men 128MB RAM og raskere prosessor anbefales.
  - for å kjøre Icedove/Firefox og OpenOffice.org, så anbefales det minimum 128 MB RAM.
- For workstations, diskless workstations and standalone PCs, 800 MHz, 256 MiB RAM are minimum requirements, though 512 or 1024 MiB RAM will perform considerably better. Just a faster CPU will speed things up.
  - Swapping over the network is automatically enabled; the swap size is 32 MiB, and if you need more you can tune this by editing `/etc/ltsp/nbdswpd.conf` on tjener to set the `SIZE` variable. Please *tune up the swap size* either locally on the PC or on the server.
    - \* If your diskless workstations have hard drives, it is recommended to use them for swap as it is a lot faster than network swapping.
  - På arbeidsstasjoner med lite minne (RAM), kan stavekontrollen i OpenOffice.org føre til at klienten henger hvis vekselminnet (swap) er for lite. I slike tilfeller så må system administrator deaktivere stavekontrollen i OpenOffice.org eller elevene må drepe OpenOffice-prosessen, noe som kan resultere i tap av arbeid. Å sette opp minimum 512 MB vekselminne på en arbeidsstasjon med 256 MB RAM løser problemet, og stavekontroll skal nå kjøre helt fint.
- Bærbare har samme systemkrav som arbeidsstasjoner siden de bare er flyttbare arbeidsstasjoner.

## 4.2 Maskinvare som er bekreftet å virke

A list of tested hardware is provided at <http://wiki.debian.org/DebianEdu/Hardware/>. This list is not nearly complete 😊

<http://wiki.debian.org/InstallingDebianOn> is an effort to document how to install, configure and use Debian on some specific hardware, allowing potential buyers to know if that hardware is supported and existing owners to know how to get the best out of that hardware.

An excellent database of hardware supported by Debian is online at <http://kmuto.jp/debian/hcl/>.

## 5 Requirements for network setup

### 5.1 Standard oppsett

Når man bruker standard oppsett for nettverksarkitekturen, så brukes disse reglene:

- You need exactly one main server, the tjener.
- You can have up to 50 (diskless) workstations on the main network.
- You can have up to 20 LTSP servers on the main network.
- You can have hundreds of thin clients and/or diskless workstations on each LTSP server network.
- You can have hundreds of other machines which will have dynamic IP addresses assigned.
- For access to the Internet you need a router/gateway (see below).

### 5.2 Internett-ruter

A router/gateway, connected to the Internet on the external interface and running on the IP address 10.0.0.1 with netmask 255.0.0.0 on the internal interface, is needed to connect to the Internet.

The router should not run a DHCP server, it can run a DNS server, though this is not needed and will not be used.

If you are looking for a router firewall solution capable of running on an old PC, we recommend [IPCop](#) or [floppyfw](#).

If you need something for an embedded router or accesspoint we recommend using [OpenWRT](#), though of course you can also use the original firmware. Using the original firmware is easier; using OpenWRT gives you more choices and control. Check the OpenWRT webpages for a list of [supported hardware](#).

It is possible to use a different network setup (there is a [documented procedure](#) to do this), but if you are not forced to do this by an existing network infrastructure, we recommend against doing so and recommend you stay with the default [network architecture](#).

## 6 Installation and download options

### 6.1 Hvor finner man mer informasjon

We recommend that you read or at least take a look at the [release notes for Debian Squeeze](#) before you start installing a system for production use. Please give Debian Edu/Skolelinux a try, it should just work. 😊

⚠ Be sure to read the [getting started](#) chapter of this manual, though, as it explains how to log in for the first time. Even more information about the Debian Squeeze release is available in its [installation manual](#).

### 6.2 Last ned et installasjonsmedium for Debian Edu 6.0.7+r1 Kodnavn Squeeze

#### 6.2.1 DVD for i386, amd64

The multi-architecture DVD ISO image is 4.4 GiB large and can be used for installation of amd64 and i386 machines. It can be downloaded over FTP, HTTP or rsync via:

- [debian-edu-6.0.7+r1-DVD.iso](#)  
[debian-edu-6.0.7+r1-DVD.iso](#)

```
rsync ftp.skolelinux.org::skolelinux-cd/debian-edu-6.0.7+r1-DVD.iso deb  
ian-edu-6.0.7+r1-DVD.iso
```

### 6.2.2 CD for i386, amd64

The netinstall CD, which can be used for installation of i386 and amd64 as well, is available via

- [debian-edu-6.0.7+r1-CD.iso](#)  
[debian-edu-6.0.7+r1-CD.iso](#)

```
rsync ftp.skolelinux.org::skolelinux-cd/debian-edu-6.0.7+r1-CD.iso debian-  
edu-6.0.7+r1-CD.iso
```

### 6.2.3 Source DVD

The sources are available via

- [debian-edu-6.0.7+r1-source-DVD.iso](#)  
[debian-edu-6.0.7+r1-source-DVD.iso](#)

```
rsync ftp.skolelinux.org::skolelinux-cd/debian-edu-6.0.7+r1-source-DVD.iso  
debian-edu-6.0.7+r1-source-DVD.iso
```

## 6.3 Be om en CD/DVD i posten

For those without a fast Internet connection, we can offer a CD or DVD sent for the cost of the CD or DVD and shipping. Just send an email to [cd@skolelinux.no](mailto:cd@skolelinux.no) and we will discuss the payment details (for shipping and media)



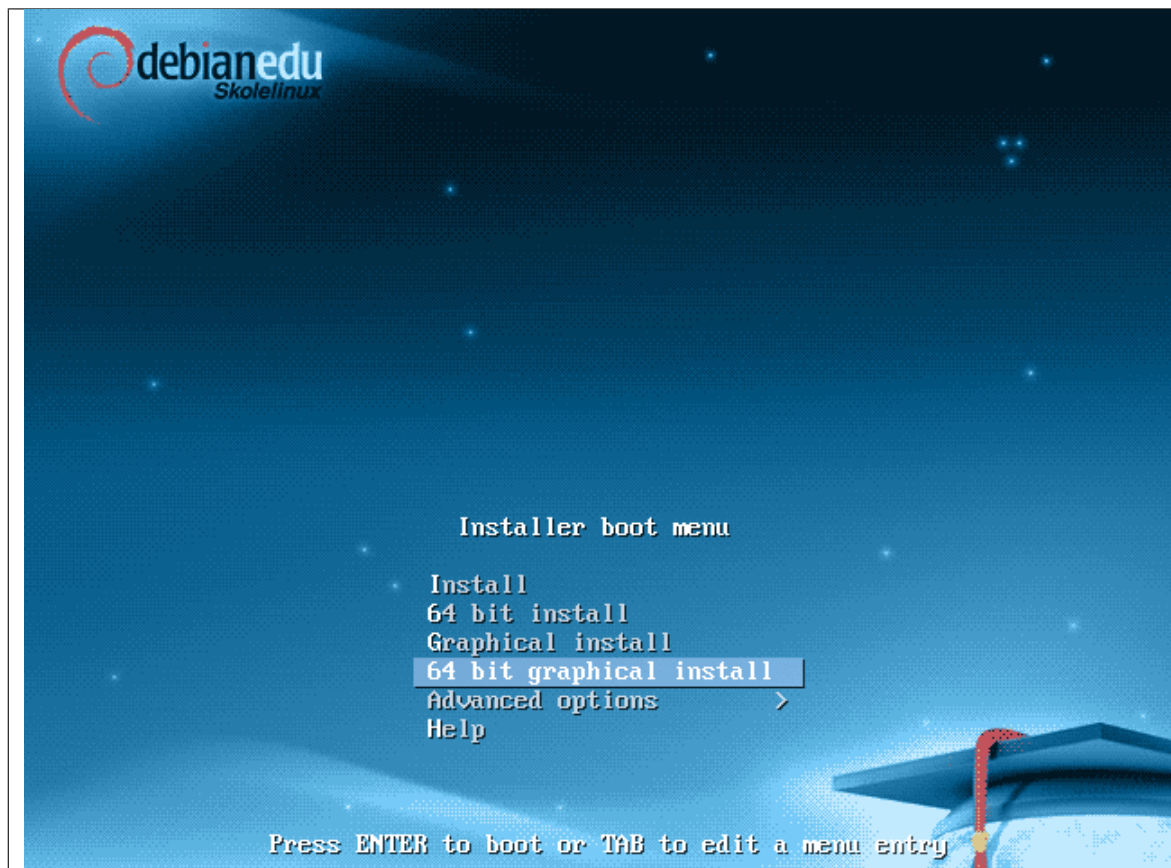
Remember to include the address you want the CD or DVD to be sent to in the email.

## 6.4 Installasjon av DebianEdu

When you do a Debian Edu installation, you have a few options to choose from. Don't be afraid; there aren't many. We have done a good job of hiding the complexity of Debian during the installation and beyond. However, Debian Edu is Debian, and if you want there are more than 15,000 packages to choose from and a billion configuration options. For the majority of our users, our defaults should be fine.

### 6.4.1 Velg type installasjon

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**Install** is the default text mode installation on i386 and amd64.

**64 bit install** does an amd64 text-mode install.

**Graphical install** uses the GTK installer where you can use the mouse.

**64 bit graphical install** uses the amd64 GTK installer where you can use the mouse.

**Advanced options >** gives a sub menu with more detailed options to choose

**Help** gives some hints on using the installer





**Back..** brings back to the main menu.

**Expert install** gives access to all available questions in text mode.

**Rescue mode** makes this install medium become a rescue disk for emergency tasks.

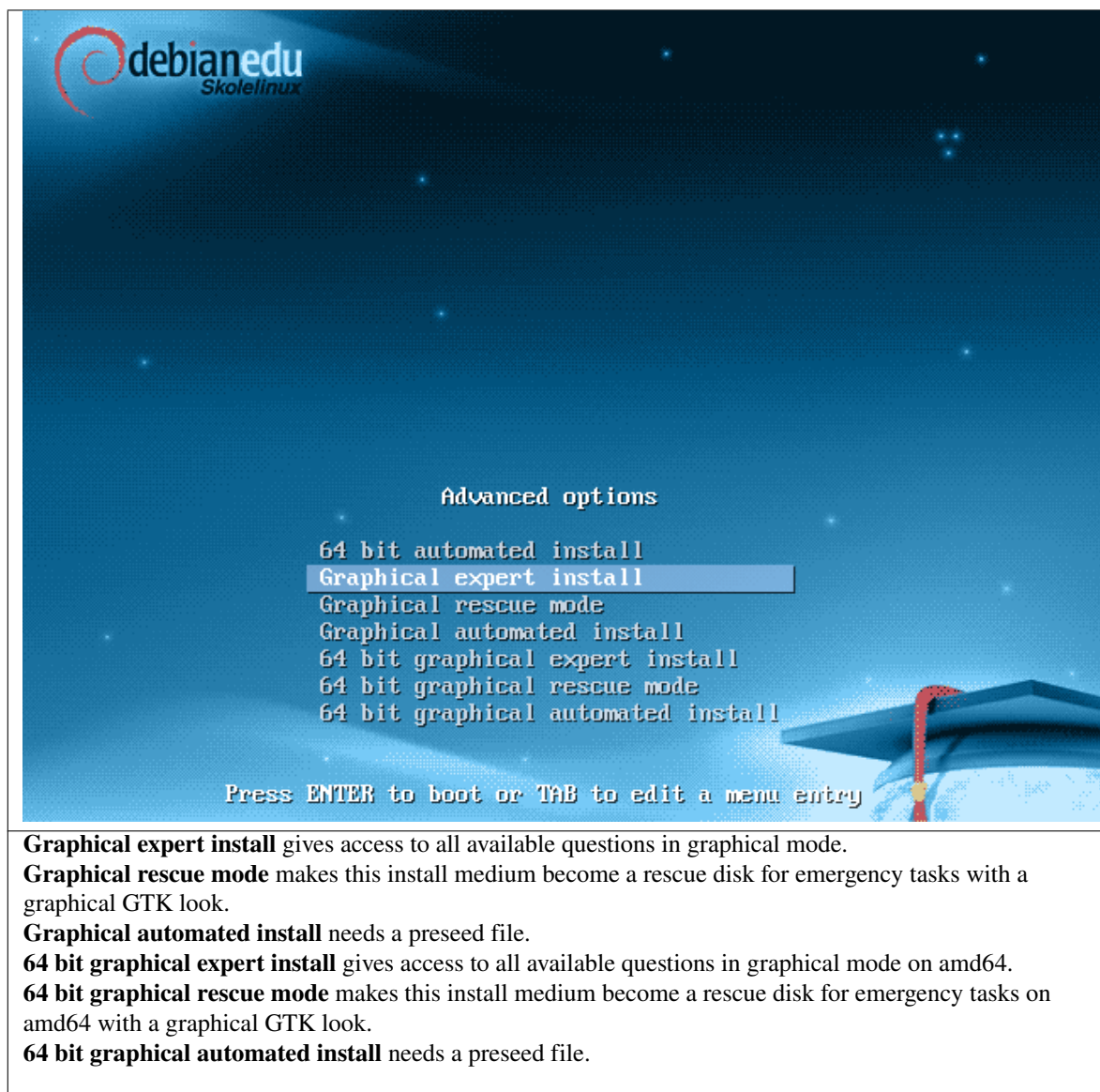
**Automated install** needs a preseed file.

**64 bit expert install** gives access to all available questions in text mode on amd64.

**64 bit rescue mode** makes this install medium become a rescue disk for emergency tasks on amd64.

**64 bit automated install** needs a preseed file.





```

Welcome to Debian GNU/Linux! F1

This is a Debian 6.0 (squeeze) installation CD-ROM.
It was built 20120215-07:49; d-i 20110106+squeeze4.

HELP INDEX

KEY      TOPIC

<F1>     This page, the help index.
<F2>     Prerequisites for installing Debian.
<F3>     Boot methods for special ways of using this CD-ROM
<F4>     Additional boot methods; rescue mode.
<F5>     Special boot parameters, overview.
<F6>     Special boot parameters for special machines.
<F7>     Special boot parameters for selected disk controllers.
<F8>     Special boot parameters for the install system.
<F9>     How to get help.
<F10>    Copyrights and warranties.

Press F2 through F10 for details, or ENTER to boot: _

```

This Help screen is self explaining and enables the <F>-keys on the keyboard for getting more detailed help on the topics described.

**6.4.1.1 Additional boot parameters for installations** On i386/amd64, boot options can be edited by pressing the TAB key in the boot menu.

- The multi-architecture DVD defaults to using amd64-installgui on 64-bit x86 machines, and installgui on 32-bit x86 machines.
- If you want to boot the amd64 text mode with the multi-architecture DVD, that would be amd64-install.
- På samme måte kan du skrive amd64-expertgui for å få GUI-versjonen på amd64.
- If you want to boot the i386 mode with the multi-arch DVD on an amd64 machine you need to manually select install (text mode) or expertgui (graphical mode).
- You can use an existing HTTP proxy service on the network to speed up the installation of the main server profile from CD. Add mirror/http/proxy=http://10.0.2.2:3128/ as an additional boot parameter.
- If you have already installed the main server profile on a machine, further installations should be done via PXE, as this will automatically use the proxy of the main server.
- To install the **GNOME** desktop instead of the **KDE** desktop, add desktop=gnome to the kernel boot parameters. This option is only available when installing from CD, not when installing from DVD.
- To install the **LXDE** desktop instead, add desktop=lxde to the kernel boot parameters. This option is only available when installing from CD, not when installing from DVD.

## 6.4.2 The installation process

Remember the **system requirements** and make sure you have at least two network cards (NICs) if you plan on setting up a thin client server.

- Velg et språk (for installasjonen og det installerte systemet)
- Choose a location which normally should be the location where you live.
- Choose a keyboard keymap (the country's default is usually fine)
- Velg profil(er) fra denne listen:

#### – Main-Server

- \* This is the main server (tjener) for your school providing all services pre-configured to work out of the box. You must only install one main server per school! This profile does not include a graphical user interface. If you want a graphical user interface, then select Workstation or Thin-Client-Server in addition to this one.

#### – Workstation

- \* A computer booting from its local hard drive, and running all software and devices locally like an ordinary computer, except that user logins are authenticated by the main server, where the users' files and desktop profile are stored.

#### – Roaming workstation

- \* Same as workstation but capable of authentication using cached credentials, meaning it can be used outside the school network. The users' files and profiles are stored on the local disk. Notebooks and laptops should select this profile and not 'Workstation' or 'Standalone' as suggested in earlier releases.

#### – Thin-Client-Server

- \* A thin client (and diskless workstation) server, also called a LTSP server. Clients without hard drives boot and run software from this server. This computer needs two network cards, a lot of memory, and ideally more than one processor or core. See the chapter about [networked clients](#) for more information on this subject. Choosing this profile also enables the workstation profile (even if it is not selected) - a thin client server can always be used as a workstation, too.

#### – Standalone

- \* An ordinary computer that can function without a main server (that is, it doesn't need to be on the network). Includes laptops.

#### – Minimal

- \* This profile will install the base packages and configure the machine to integrate into the Debian Edu network, but without any services and applications. It is useful as a platform for single services manually moved out from the main-server.

The **Main Server**, **Workstation** and **Thin Client Server** profiles are preselected. These profiles can be installed on one machine together if you want to install a so called *combined main server*. This means the main server will be a thin client server and also be used as a workstation. This is the default choice, since we assume most people will install [via PXE](#) afterwards. Please note that you must have 2 network cards installed in a machine which is going to be installed as a combined main server or as a thin client server to become usefull after the installation.

- Say "yes" or not to automatic partitioning. Be aware that saying "yes" will destroy all data on the hard drives! Saying no on the other hand will require more work - you will need to make sure that the required partitions are created and are big enough.
- Please say "yes" to submitting information to <http://popcon.skolelinux.org/> to allow us to know which packages are popular and should be kept for future releases. Although you don't have to, it is a simple way for you to help. 😊
- Wait. If the selected profiles include Thin-client-server then the installer will spend quite some time at the end, Finishing the installation - Running debian-edu-profile-udeb...
- Vær glad

### 6.4.3 Notes on some characteristics

**6.4.3.1 En kommentar om bærbare maskiner** Most likely you will want to use the 'Roaming workstation' profile (see above). Be aware that all data is stored locally (so take some extra care over backups) and login credentials are cached (so after a password change, logins may require your old password if you have not connected your laptop to the network and logged in with the new password).

**6.4.3.2 En kommentar om DVD-installasjon** After you install from a DVD, `/etc/apt/sources.list` will only contain sources from the DVD. If you have an Internet connection, we strongly suggest adding the following lines to it so that available security updates can be installed:

```
deb http://ftp.debian.org/debian/ squeeze main
deb http://security.debian.org/ squeeze/updates main
deb http://ftp.skolelinux.org/skolelinux squeeze local
```

The DVD only works with KDE desktop installations. If you want to install other desktop options, use the netinst images or PXE installation.

**6.4.3.3 En kommentar om CD-installasjon** A netinst installation (which is the type of installation our CD provides) will fetch some packages from the CD and the rest from the net. The amount of packages fetched from the net varies from profile to profile:

FIXME Check these numbers for Squeeze. They are 2012-01-22 for Lenny.

- Main server: 8 out of 115 MiB downloaded.
- Hovedtjener og tynnklienttjener: 618 av 1082 MiB lastet ned.
- Hovedtjener og arbeidstasjon: 618 av 1081 MiB lastet ned.
- Tynnklienttjener: 618 av 1052 MiB lastet ned.
- Arbeidstasjon: 618 av 1051 MiB lastet ned.
- Frittstående: 618 av 1020 MiB lastet ned.
- Barebone: 12 av 83 MiB lastet ned.

**6.4.3.4 En kommentar om RAID-kontrollere** When using a USB drive to add missing firmware during install, with some RAID-controllers GRUB is installed to the USB drive. So a reboot after installation results in a GRUB error. A workaround for this problem is to remove the USB drive after the firmware is loaded, and preferably before partitioning starts.

More information is available in [Debian-Edu bug #1395](#) and Debian bug [516280](#).

**6.4.3.5 En kommentar om installasjon av tynnklienttjenere** First of all, this profile name is confusing for historic reasons. Currently this profile actually installs an LTSP server environment for thin-clients and for workstations. Debian bug [588510](#) has been filed to change the name of the profile into a better suited one.

Providing the kernel boot parameter `edu-skip-ltsp-make-client` makes it possible to skip the step which converts the LTSP chroot from a thin-client chroot into a combined thin-client/diskless workstation chroot.

This is useful in certain situations, such as if you want a pure thin client chroot or if there is already a diskless chroot on another server, which can be rsynced. For these situations skipping this step will cut down the installation time considerably.

Except for the longer installation time there is no harm in always creating combined chroots, which is why this is done by default.

## 6.4.4 Installation using USB sticks instead of CD/DVDs

Since the Squeeze release it is possible to directly copy the CD/DVD `.iso` images to a USB stick and boot from them. Simply execute a command like this, just adapting the file and device names to your needs:

```
sudo dd if=debian-edu-amd64-i386-XXX.iso of=/dev/sdX bs=1024
```

Depending on which image you choose, the USB stick will behave just like a CD or DVD.

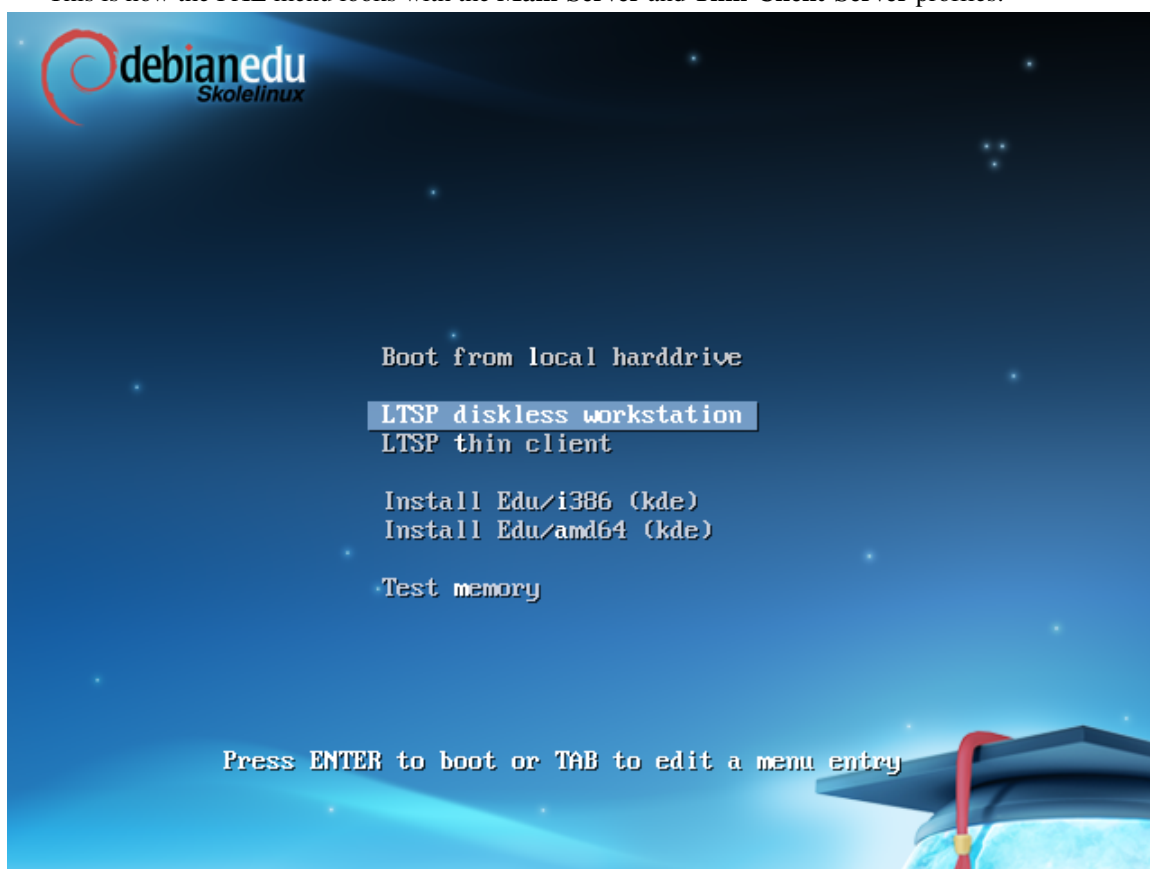
## 6.4.5 Installasjon over nettverket (PXE) og booting av diskløse arbeidsstasjoner.

For this installation method it is required that you have a running main server. When clients boot via the main network, a new PXE menu with installer and boot selection options is displayed. If PXE installation fails with an error message claiming a `XXX.bin` file is missing, then most probably the client's network card requires non-free firmware. In this case the Debian Installer's `initrd` must be modified. This can be achieved by executing the command: `/usr/share/debian-edu-config/tools/pxe-addfirmware` on the server.

This is how the PXE menu looks with the **Main-Server** profile only:



This is how the PXE menu looks with the **Main-Server** and **Thin-Client-Server** profiles:



This setup also allows diskless workstations and thin clients to be booted on the main network. Diskless workstations must be added with GOSa<sup>2</sup> just like normal workstations or thin client servers.

More information about network clients can be found in the [Network clients HowTo](#) chapter.

**6.4.5.1 Modifisering av PXE installasjoner** The PXE installation uses a debian-installer preseed file, which can be modified to ask for more packages to install.

En linje slik som dette må legges til i tjener: `/etc/debian-edu/www/debian-edu-install.dat`

```
d-i pkgsel/include string my-extra-package(s)
```

The PXE installation uses `/var/lib/tftpboot/debian-edu/install.cfg` and the preseeding file in `/etc/debian-edu/www/debian-edu-install.dat`. These files can be changed to adjust the pre-seeding used during installation, to avoid more questions when installing over the net. Another way to achieve this is to provide extra settings in `/etc/debian-edu/pxeinstall.conf` and `/etc/debian-edu/www/debian-edu-install.dat.local` and to run `/usr/sbin/debian-edu-pxeinstall` to update the generated files.

Further information can be found in the [manual of the Debian Installer](#).

For å slå av eller endre bruken av proxy når du installerer fra PXE, må linjene som inneholder `mirror/http/proxy`, `mirror/ftp/proxy` og `preseed/early_command` i tjener: `/etc/debian-edu/www/debian-edu-install.dat` endres. For å slå av bruken av proxy når du installerer, sett '#' foran de første 2 linjene, og fjern `"export xhttp_proxy="http://webcache:3128";` delen fra den siste linjen.

Some settings can not be preseeded because they are needed before the preseeding file is downloaded. These are configured in the PXElinux-based boot arguments available from `/var/lib/tftpboot/debian-edu/install.cfg`. Language, keyboard layout and desktop are examples of such settings.

## 6.4.6 Tilpassede CD/DVD-plater

Creating custom CDs or DVDs can be quite easy since we use the [debian installer](#), which has a modular design and other nice features. [Preseeding](#) allows you to define answers to the questions normally asked.

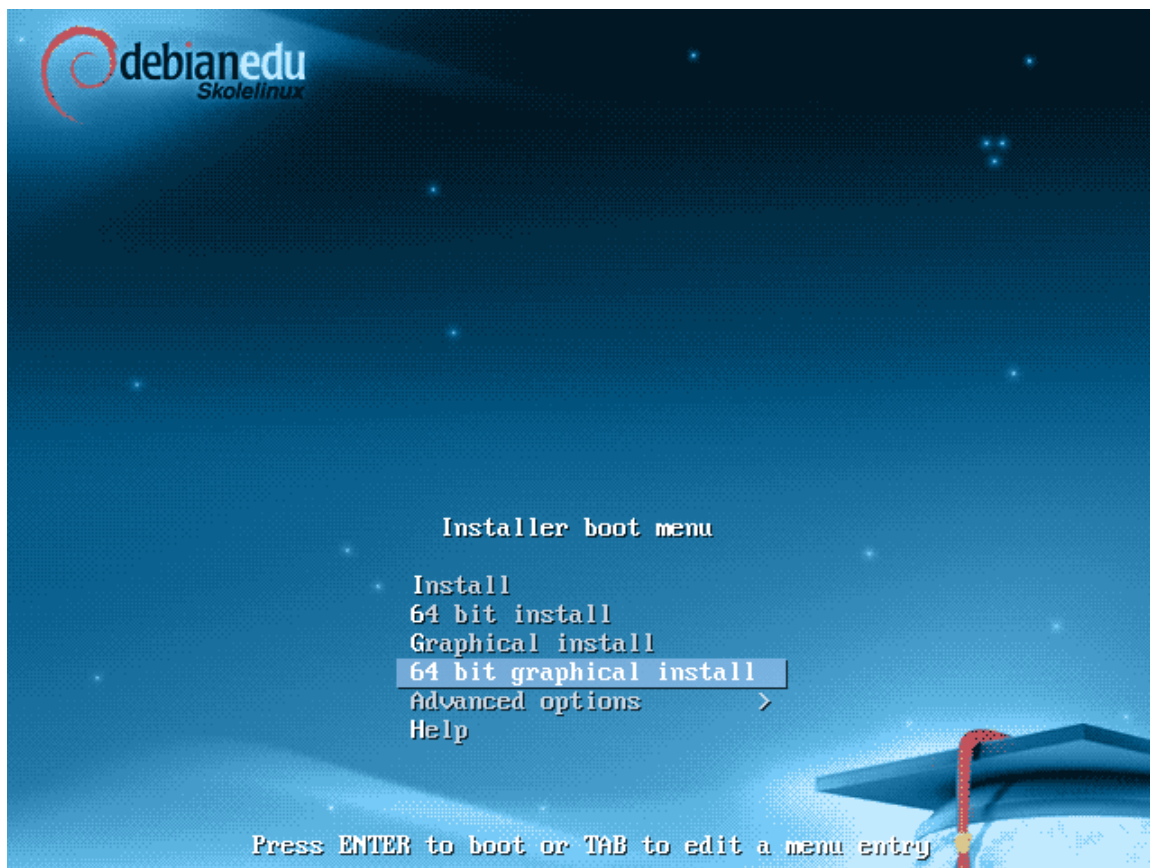
Så alt du behøver gjøre er å lage en preseedingfil med dine svar (dette er beskrevet i vedlegget til manualen for debian installer) og [remaster CD/DVDen](#).

## 6.5 Skjermbilder av installasjonen

The text mode and the graphical installation are functionally identical - only the appearance is different. The graphical mode offers the opportunity to use a mouse, and of course looks much nicer and more modern. Unless the hardware has trouble with the graphical mode, there is no reason not to use it.

So here is a screenshot tour through a graphical Main-Server + Workstation + Thin Client Server installation and how it looks at the first boot of the tjener, a PXE boot on the workstation network and on the thinclient network:

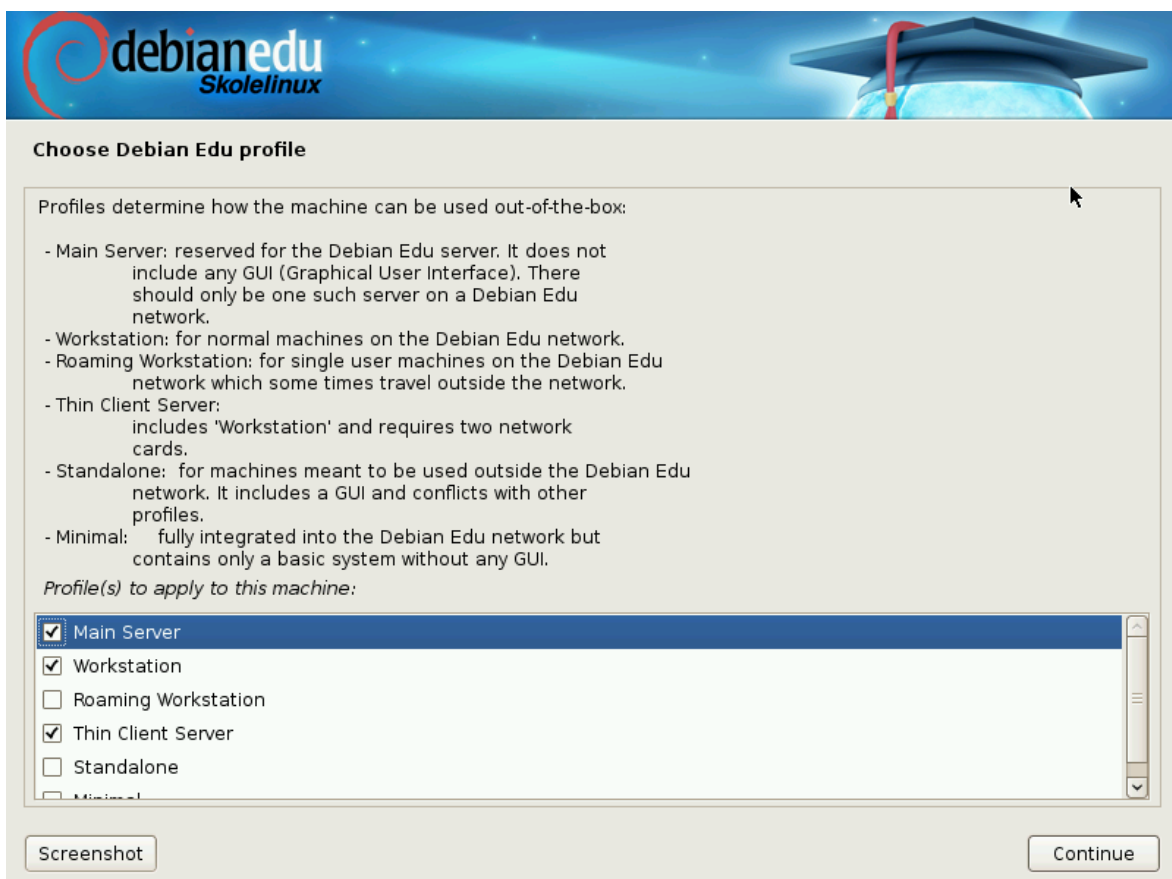
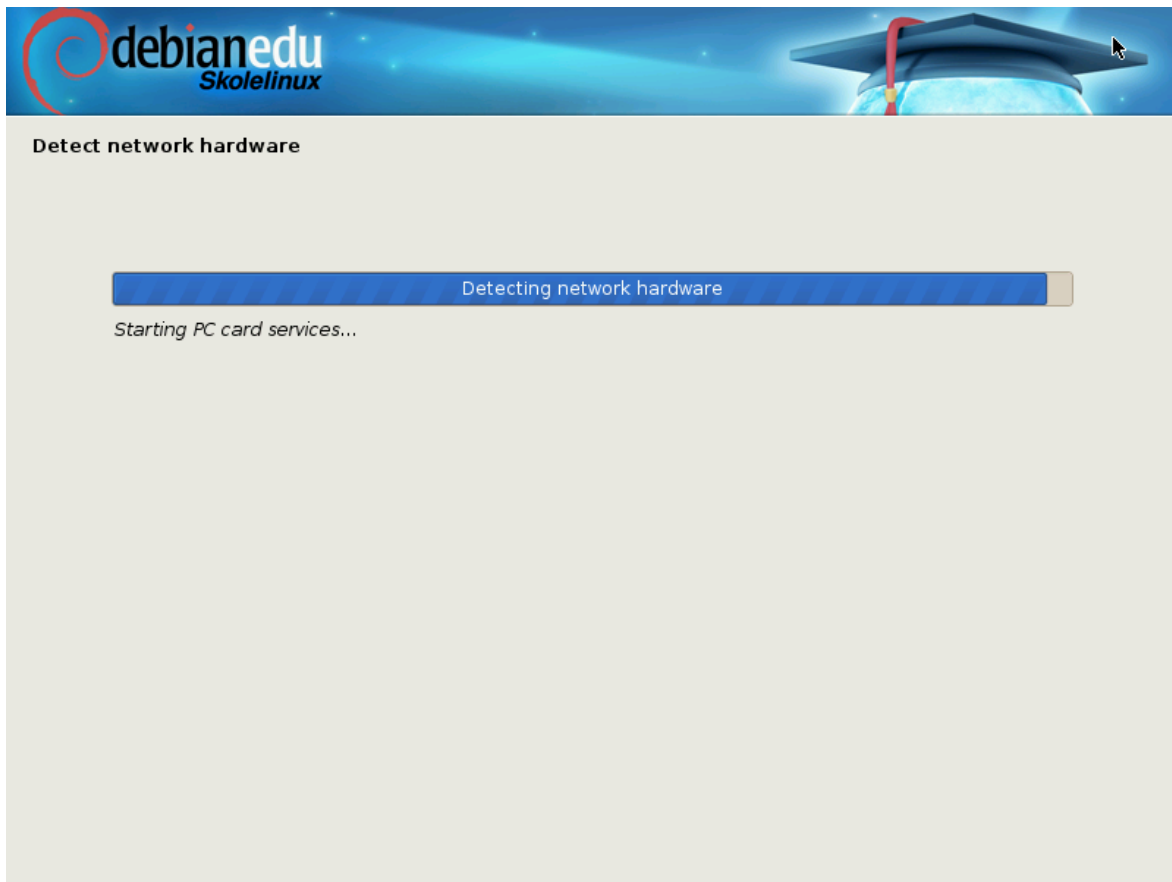

















### Participate in the package usage survey?

The system may anonymously supply the distribution developers with statistics about the most used packages on this system. This information influences decisions such as which packages should go on the first distribution CD.

If you choose to participate, the automatic submission script will run once every week, sending statistics to the distribution developers. The collected statistics can be viewed on <http://popcon.debian.org/>.

This choice can be later modified by running "dpkg-reconfigure popularity-contest".


*Participate in the package usage survey?*

☐ No

☒ Yes

Screenshot

Continue



### Set up users and passwords

You need to set a password for 'root', the system administrative account. A malicious or unqualified user with root access can have disastrous results, so you should take care to choose a root password that is not easy to guess. It should not be a word found in dictionaries, or a word that could be easily associated with you.

A good password will contain a mixture of letters, numbers and punctuation and should be changed at regular intervals.

The root user should not have an empty password. If you leave this empty, the root account will be disabled and the system's initial user account will be given the power to become root using the "sudo" command.

Note that you will not be able to see the password as you type it.

*Root password:*

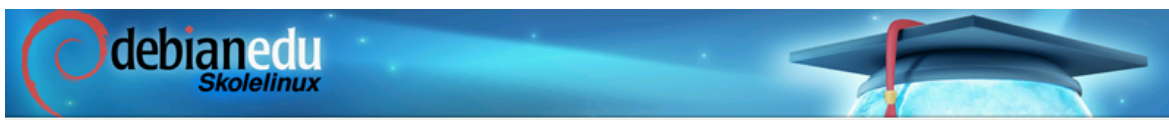
Please enter the same root password again to verify that you have typed it correctly.

*Re-enter password to verify:*

Screenshot

Go Back

Continue



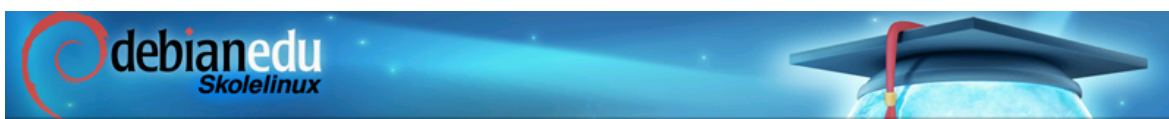
### Set up users and passwords

A user account will be created for you to use instead of the root account for non-administrative activities.

Please enter the real name of this user. This information will be used for instance as default origin for emails sent by this user as well as any program which displays or uses the user's real name. Your full name is a reasonable choice.

*Full name for the new user:*

Screenshot Go Back Continue




### Set up users and passwords

Select a username for the new account. Your first name is a reasonable choice. The username should start with a lower-case letter, which can be followed by any combination of numbers and more lower-case letters.

*Username for your account:*

Screenshot Go Back Continue




### Set up users and passwords

A good password will contain a mixture of letters, numbers and punctuation and should be changed at regular intervals.  
*Choose a password for the new user:*

Please enter the same user password again to verify you have typed it correctly.  
*Re-enter password to verify:*

[Screenshot](#) [Go Back](#) [Continue](#)

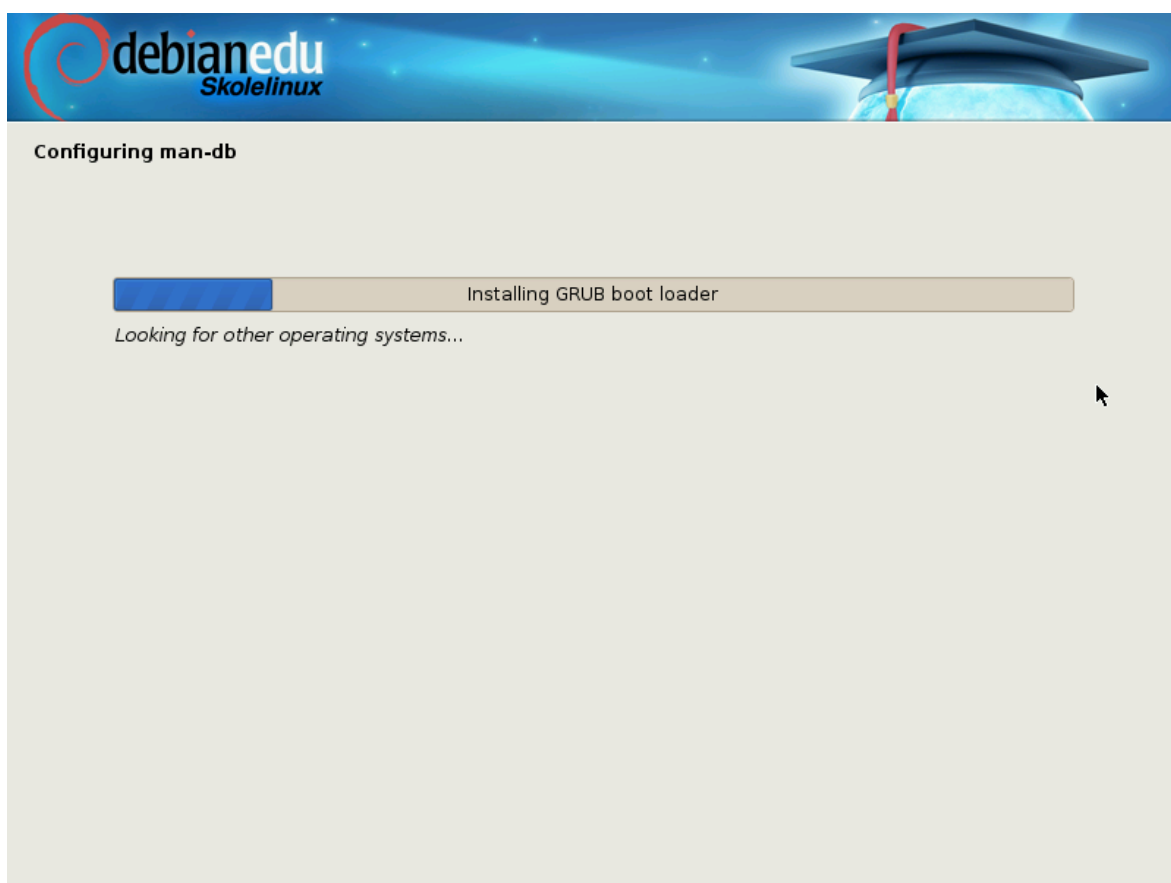


### Install the base system

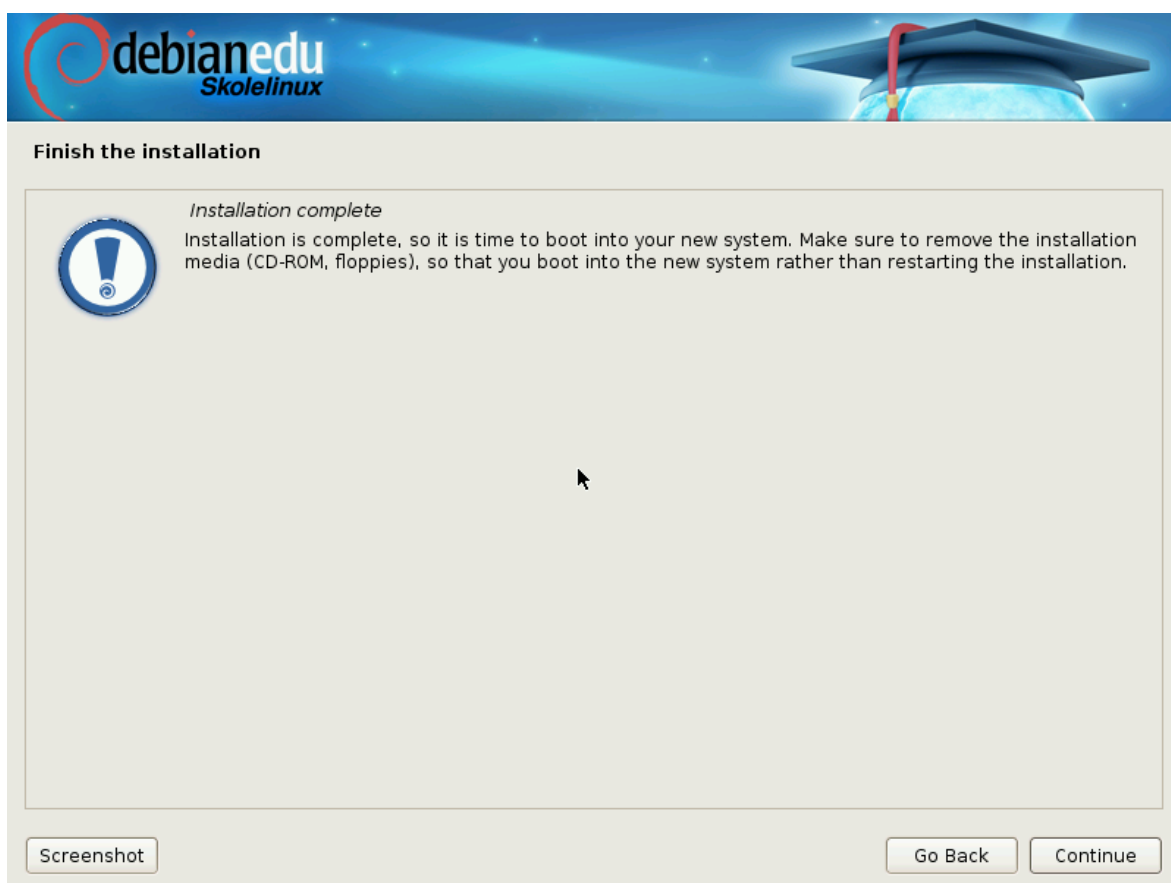
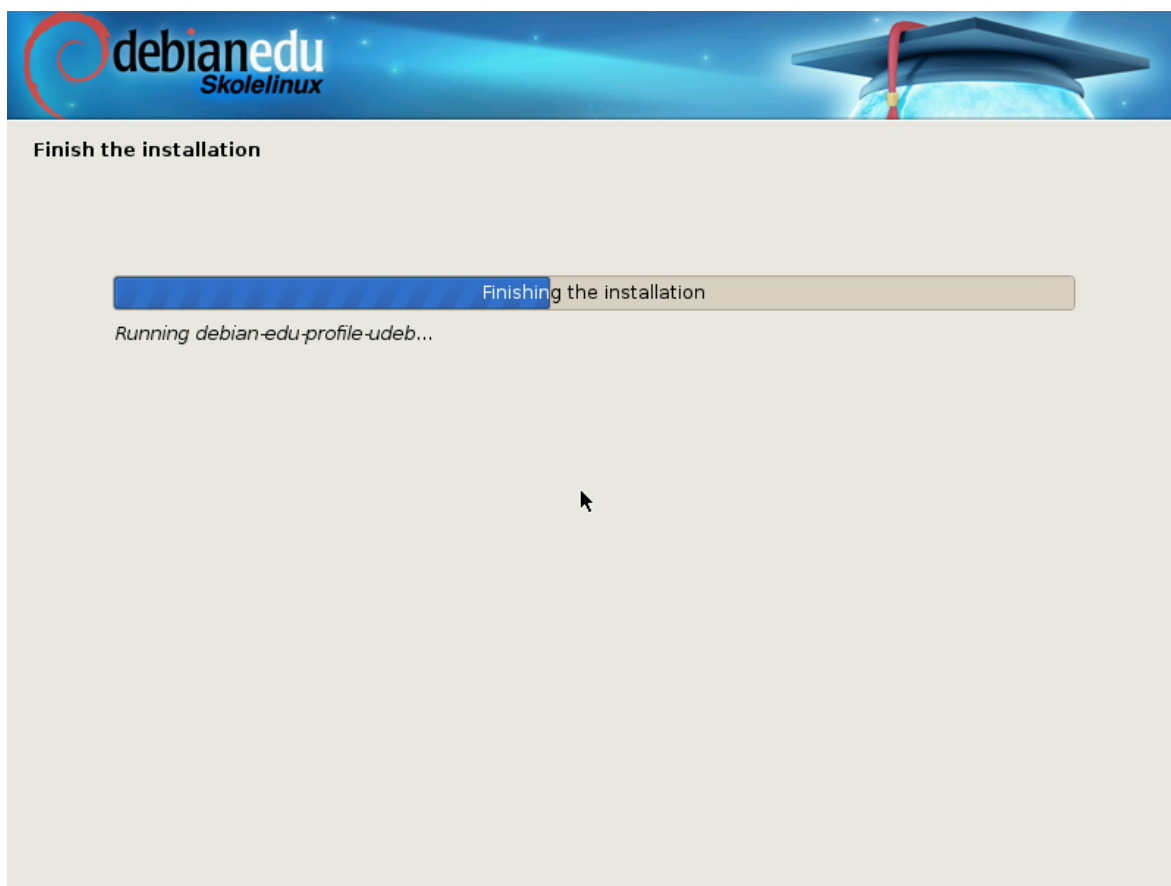
Installing the base system

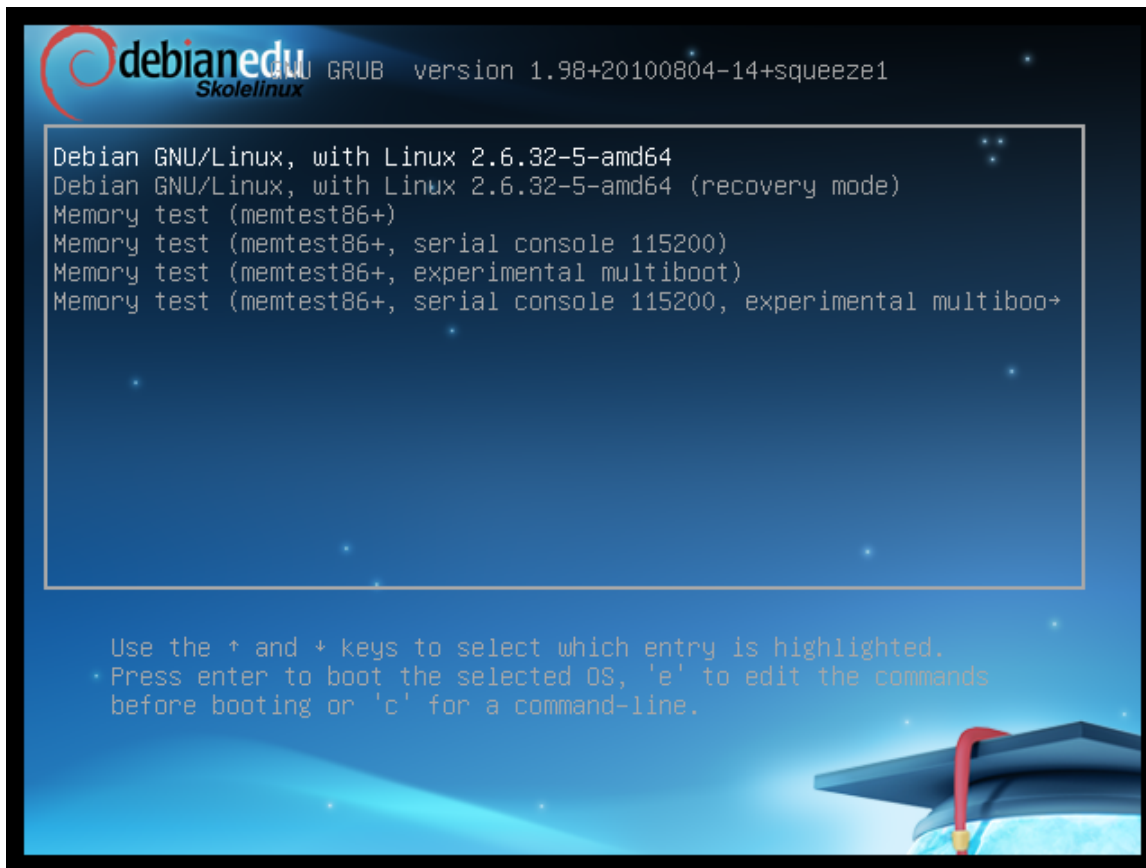
*Extracting base-passwd...*

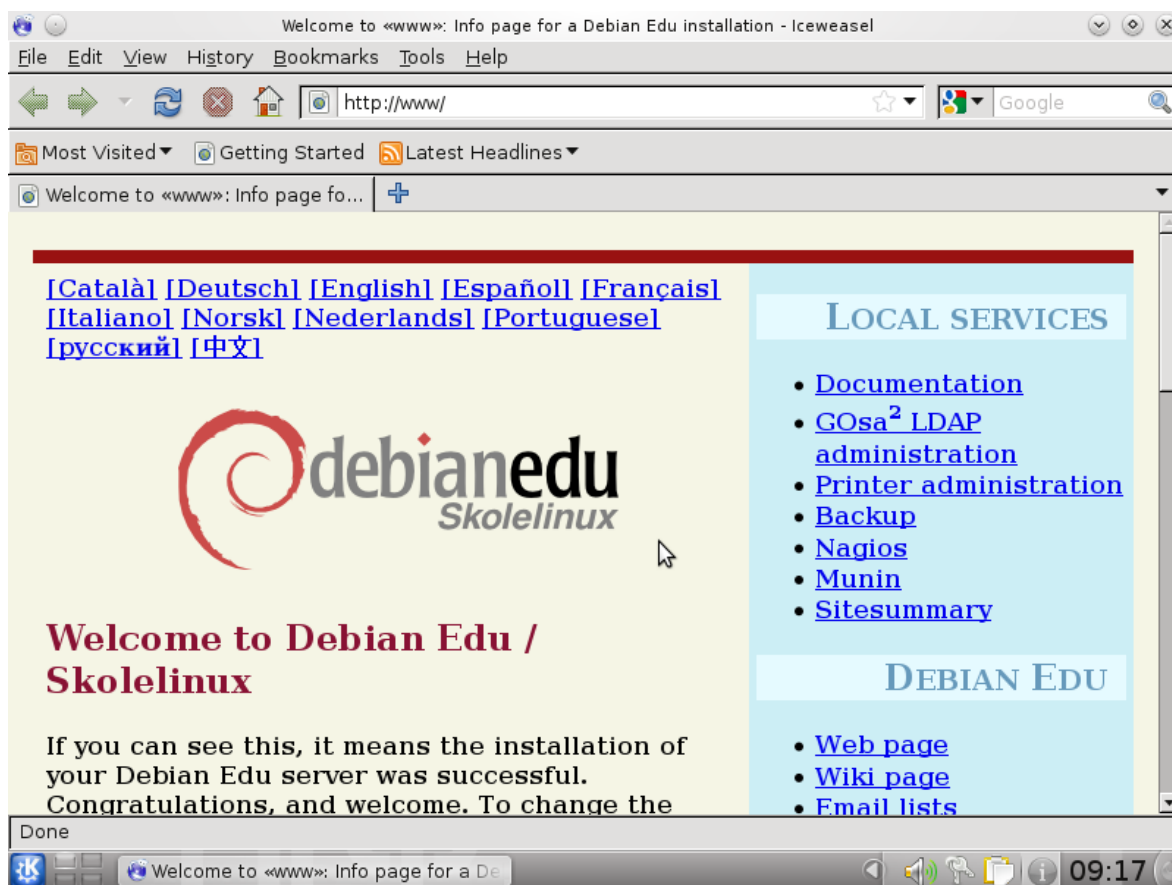


















## 7 Komme igang

### 7.1 Minimumssteg for å komme igang

During installation of the main server a first user account was created. In the following text this account will be referenced as first user". The first user can use `sudo` to become root.

Etter installasjonen, de første tingene du trenger å gjøre som den første brukeren er:

1. Logg inn på tjeneren - med root-kontoen kan du ikke bruke grafisk innlogging.
2. Add users with GOSa<sup>2</sup>
3. Add workstations with GOSa<sup>2</sup>

Adding users and workstations is described in detail below, so please read this chapter completely. It covers how to perform these minimum steps correctly as well, as other stuff that everybody will probably need to do.

The [HowTo](#) chapter covers more tips and tricks and some frequently asked questions.





### 7.1.1 Tjenester som kjører på hovedtjeneren

There are several services running on the main server which can be managed via a web management interface. We'll describe each service below.

## 7.2 Introduksjon til GOsa<sup>2</sup>

GOsa<sup>2</sup> is a web based management tool that helps to manage some important parts of your Debian Edu setup. With GOsa<sup>2</sup> you can manage (add, modify, or delete) these main groups:

- Brukeradministrasjon
- Gruppeadministrasjon
- NIS Netgroup Administrator
- Maskinadministrasjon
- DNS Administrasjon
- DHCP Administration

For GOsa<sup>2</sup> access you need the Skolelinux main server and a (client) system with a web browser installed which can be the main server itself if it was installed as a so called combined server (main server + thin client server + workstation). If all of the mentioned before is not available, see: [Installing a graphical environment on the main-server to use GOsa<sup>2</sup>](#).

From a web browser use the URL <https://www.gosa> for GOsa<sup>2</sup> access, and log in as the first user.

- If you are using a new Debian Edu Squeeze machine, the site certificate will be known by the browser.
- Otherwise, you will get an error message about the SSL certificate being wrong. If you know you are alone on your network, just tell the browser to accept it and ignore that.

For general information on GOsa<sup>2</sup> have a look at: <https://oss.gonicus.de/labs/gosa/wiki/documentation>.

### 7.2.1 GOsa<sup>2</sup> Login plus Overview



After logging in to GOsa<sup>2</sup> you will see the overview page of GOsa<sup>2</sup>.

Next, you can choose a task in the menu or click any of the task icons on the overview page. For navigation, we recommend using the menu on the left side of the screen, as it will stay visible there on all administration pages offered by GOsa<sup>2</sup>.

In Debian Edu, account, group, and system information is stored in an LDAP directory. This data is used not only by the main server, but also by the (diskless) workstations, the thin client servers and the Windows machines on the network. With LDAP, account information about students, pupils, teachers, etc. only needs to be entered once. After information has been provided in LDAP, the information will be available to all systems on the whole Skolelinux network.

GOsa<sup>2</sup> is an administration tool that uses LDAP to store its information and provide a hierarchical department structure. To each department you can add user accounts, groups, systems, netgroups, etc. Depending on the structure of your institution, you can use the department structure in GOsa<sup>2</sup>/LDAP to transfer your organisational structure into the LDAP data tree of the Debian Edu main server.

A default Debian Edu main server installation currently provides two departments: Teachers and Students, plus the base level of the LDAP tree. Student accounts are intended to be added to the Studentsdepartment, teachers to the Teachersdepartment; systems (servers, Skolelinux workstations, Windows machines, etc.) are currently added to the base level. Find your own scheme for customising this structure.

Depending on the task that you want to work on (manage users, manage groups, manage systems, etc.) GOsa<sup>2</sup> presents you with a different view on the selected department (or the base level).

## 7.3 User Management with GOsa<sup>2</sup>

First, click on "Users" in the left navigation menu. The right side of the screen will change to show a table with department folders for Students and Teachers and the account of the GOsa<sup>2</sup> Super-Administrator (the first created user). Above this table you can see a field called *Base* that allows you to navigate through your tree structure (move your mouse over that area and a drop-down menu will appear) and to select a base folder for your intended operations (e.g. adding a new user).



### 7.3.1 Legge til brukere

Next to that tree navigation item you can see the "Actions" menu. Move your mouse over this item and a submenu appears on screen; choose "Create" here, and then "User". You will be guided by the user creation wizard.

- The most important thing to add is the template (newstudent or newteacher) and the full name of your user (see image).
- As you follow the wizard, you will see that GOsa<sup>2</sup> generates a username automatically based on the real name. It automatically chooses a username that doesn't exist yet, so multiple users with the same full name are not a problem. Note that GOsa<sup>2</sup> can generate invalid usernames if the full name contains non-ASCII characters.
- If you don't like the generated username you can select another username offered in the drop-down box, but you do not have a free choice here in the wizard. (Username generation can be customized in `/etc/gosa/gosa.conf`, changing e.g. the default entry `idGenerator="{%givenName[3-6]}{%sn[3-6]}"` to `idGenerator="{%givenName[1]}{%sn[22]}{id!2}"` would generate the username `pmuster` for a user `Peter Muster` and `pmuster01` for the next user with the same full name. The maximum length for usernames in this case would be 25; see `man 5 gosa.conf` for more details. Backup `gosa.conf` before editing it!)
- When the wizard has finished, you are presented with the GOsa<sup>2</sup> screen for your new user object. Use the tabs at the top to check the completed fields.

After you have created the user (no need to customise fields the wizard has left empty for now), click on the "Ok" button in the bottom-right corner.

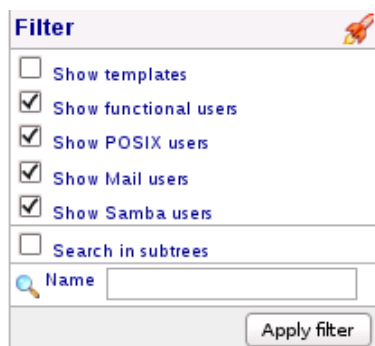
As the last step GOsa<sup>2</sup> will ask for a password for the new user. Type that in twice and then click "Set password" in the bottom-right corner.

If all went well, you can now see the new user in the user list table. You should now be able to log in with that username on any Skolelinux machine within your network.

**Please note:** If Squeeze/r0 was used to install the main server, all user passwords except that one for the first user will expire in only 2 days. To fix this, please execute the following script in a terminal. This script is included in `r1`.

```
#!/bin/bash
#
# /usr/share/debian-edu-config/tools/password-fix-squeeze-r0
#
# Fix password expiring after 2 days (#664596) incorrectly introduced
# in Debian Edu Squeeze up to r0; for new users the password will
# never expire. For existing users this will be the case after they've
# changed their password. Give old users the chance to change the
# password, exclude not affected accounts: templates and first user.
#
for i in $(getent passwd | grep home0 | egrep -v 'newteacher|newstudent' | \
  cut -d: -f1); do
  kadmin.local -q "modprinc -pwexpire 7000days $i"
done
kadmin.local -q "modpol -maxlife 0secs users"
```

### 7.3.2 Search, modify and delete users



To modify or delete a user, use GOsa<sup>2</sup> to browse the list of users on your system. On the very right of the screen you will find the Filterbox, a search tool provided by GOsa<sup>2</sup>. If you don't know the

exact location of your user account in your tree, change to the base level of the GOsa<sup>2</sup>/LDAP tree and search there with the option marked "[x] Search in subtrees".

When using the Filterbox, results will immediately appear in the middle of the text in the table list view. Every line represents a user account and the items farthest to the right on each line are little icons that provide actions for you: edit, lock, set password, restore snapshot (greyed out if no snapshot was taken before), take snapshot and delete.

A new page will show up where you can directly modify information about the user, change the password of the user and modify the list of groups the user belongs to.

**Manage users**

uid=harhir,ou=people,dc=skole,dc=skolelinux,dc=no

Generic **Unix** Samba NIS Netgroup ACL References

**Personal information**

Last name\* Hirsch  
 First name\* Harry  
 Login\* harhir  
 Personal title  
 Academic title  
 Date of birth  
 Sex  
 Preferred language  
 Base /

Address  
 Private phone  
 Homepage  
 Password storage ssha  
 Certificates Edit certificates...  
 Restrict login to  
 IP or network Add

**Organizational information**

Organization  
 Department  
 Department No.  
 Employee No.  
 Employee type  
 Manager

Room No.  
 Phone  
 Mobile  
 Pager  
 Fax

Location  
 State  
 Address

Ok Apply Cancel

### 7.3.3 Set password

The students can change their own passwords by logging into GOsa<sup>2</sup> with their own usernames. A logged-in student will be presented with a very minimal version of GOsa<sup>2</sup> that only allows access to the student's own account data sheet and to the set-password dialog.

Teachers logged in under their own usernames have special privileges in GOsa<sup>2</sup>. They are shown a more privileged view of GOsa<sup>2</sup>, and can change the passwords for all student accounts. This may be very handy during class.

To administratively set a new password for a user

1. search for the user to be modified, as explained above
2. click on the key symbol at the end of the line that the username is shown in
3. on the page subsequently presented you can set a new password chosen by yourself

**Manage users**

uid=harhir,ou=people,dc=skole,dc=skolelinux,dc=no

To change the user password use the fields below. The changes take effect immediately. Please memorize the new password, because the user wouldn't be able to login without it.  
 Changing the password affects your authentication on mail, proxy, samba and unix services.

New password  
 Repeat new password  
 Strength

Set password Cancel

### Beware of security implications due to easy to guess passwords!

#### 7.3.4 Avansert brukerhåndtering

It is possible to mass-create users with GOsa<sup>2</sup> by using a CSV file, which can be created with any good spreadsheet software (for example `oocalc`). At least, entries for the following fields have to be provided: uid, last name (sn) and first name (givenName). Make sure that there are no duplicate entries in the uid field. Please note that the check for duplicates must include already existing uid entries in LDAP (which could be obtained by executing `getent passwd | grep tjener/home | cut -d" :f1` on the command line).

These are the format guidelines for such a CSV file (GOsa<sup>2</sup> is quite intolerant about them):

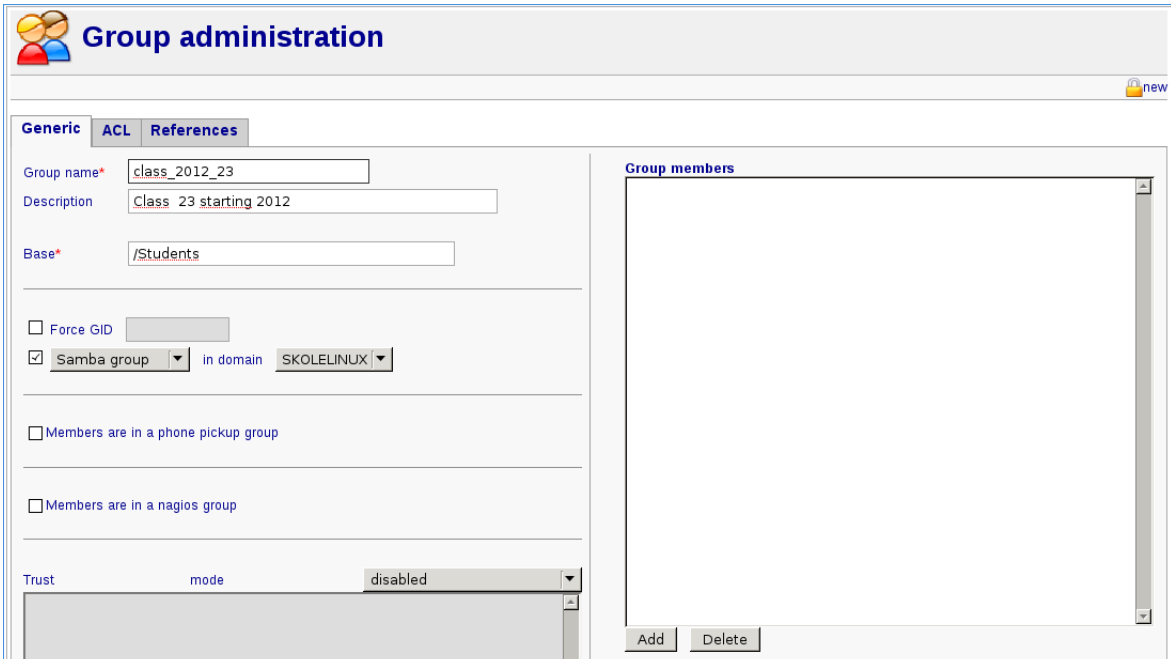
- Use "," as field separator
- Do not use quotes
- The CSV file **must not** contain a header line (of the sort that normally contains the column names)
- The order of the fields is not relevant, and can be defined in GOsa<sup>2</sup> during the mass import

The mass import steps are:

1. click the LDAP Managerlink in the navigation menu on the left
2. click the "Import" tab in the screen on the right
3. browse your local disk and select a CSV file with the list of users to be imported
4. choose an available user template that should be applied during mass import (such as NewTeacher or New-Student)
5. click the "Import" button in the bottom-right corner

It's a good idea to do some tests first, preferably using a CSV file with a few fictional users, which can be deleted later.

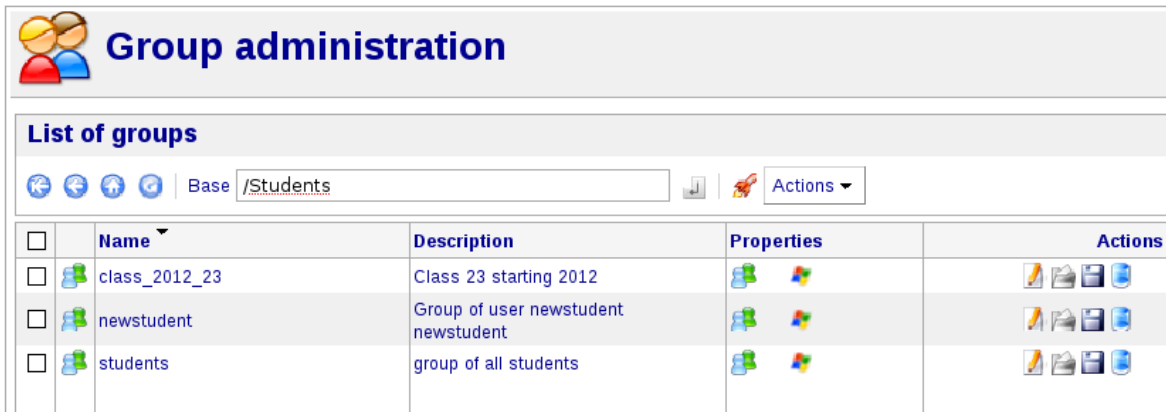
## 7.4 Group Management with GOsa<sup>2</sup>



The screenshot shows the 'Group administration' web interface. The 'Generic' tab is active, displaying the following fields and options:

- Group name\***:
- Description**:
- Base\***:
- ☐ Force GID
- ☒ Samba group
- ☐ Members are in a phone pickup group
- ☐ Members are in a nagios group
- Trust mode**:

On the right side, there is a 'Group members' section with an empty list and 'Add' and 'Delete' buttons at the bottom.



The management of groups is very similar to the management of users.

You can enter a name and a description per group. Make sure that you choose the right level in the LDAP tree when creating a new group.

By default, the appropriate Samba group isn't created. If you forgot to check the Samba group option during group creation, you can modify the group later on.

Adding users to a newly created group takes you back to the user list, where you most probably would like to use the filter box to find users. Check the LDAP tree level, too.

Gruppene du legger til i gruppehåndteringen er også vanlige unix-grupper, så du kan bruke dem til filrettigheter også.

#### 7.4.1 Gruppehåndtering med kommandolinjen

```
# List existing group mapping between UNIX and Windows groups.
net groupmap list

# Add your new or otherwise missing groups:
net groupmap add unixgroup=NEW_GROUP type=domain ntgroup="NEW_GROUP"\
    comment="DESCRIPTION OF NEW GROUP"
```

This is explained in more detail in the [HowTo/NetworkClients](#) chapter of this manual.

## 7.5 Machine Management with GOsa<sup>2</sup>

Machine management basically allows you to manage all networked devices in your Debian Edu network. Every machine added to the LDAP directory using GOsa<sup>2</sup> has a hostname, an IP address, a MAC address and a domain name (which is usually "intern"). For a fuller description of the Debian Edu architecture see the [architecture](#) chapter of this manual.

To add a machine, use the GOsa<sup>2</sup> main menu, systems, add. (Choose netdevice, not server as that will leave you with a system object that can't be erased with GOsa<sup>2</sup>. You can use an IP address/hostname from the preconfigured address space 10.0.0.0/8. Currently there are only two predefined fixed addresses: 10.0.2.2 (tjener) and 10.0.0.1 (gateway). The addresses from 10.0.16.20 to 10.0.31.254 (roughly 10.0.16.0/20 or 4000 hosts) are reserved for DHCP and are assigned dynamically.

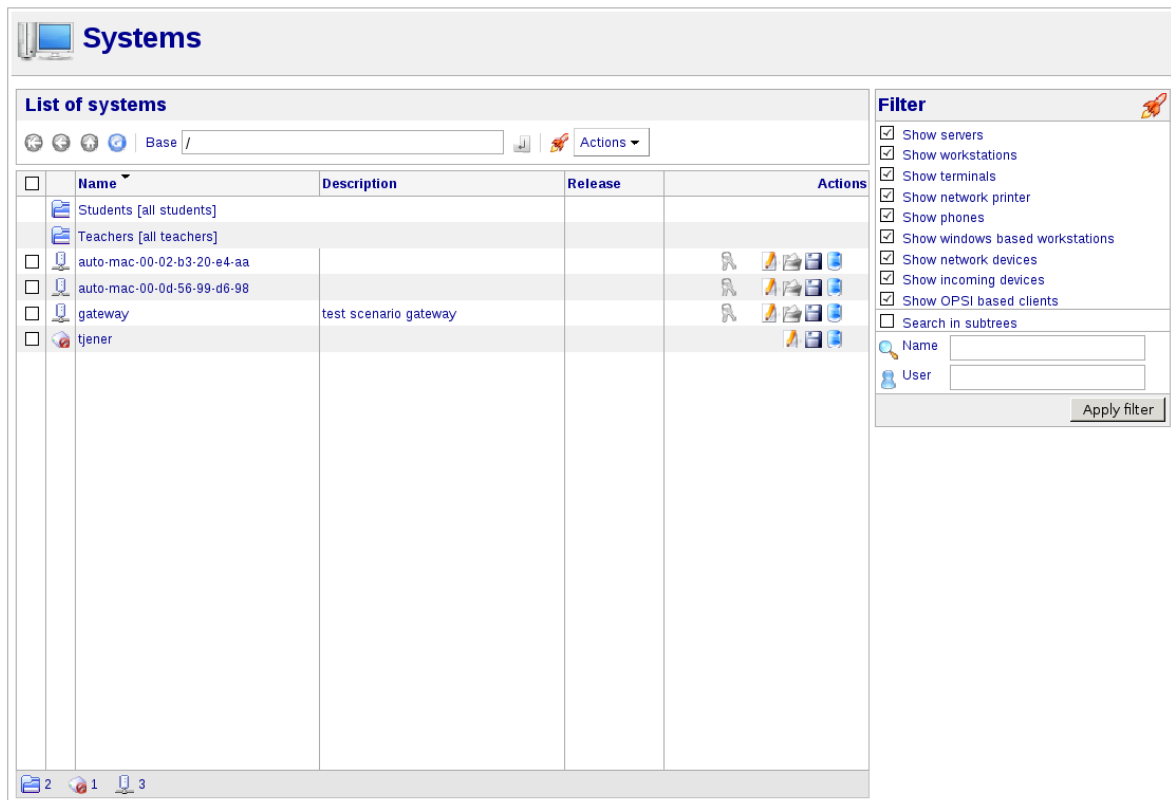
To assign a host with the MAC address 52:54:00:12:34:10 a static IP address in GOsa<sup>2</sup> you have to enter the MAC address, the hostname and the IP; alternatively you might click the `Propose ip` button which will show the first free fixed address in 10.0.0.0/8, most probably something like 10.0.0.1 if you add the first machine this way. It may be better to first think about a suited range for your network.

If the machines have booted as thin clients/diskless workstations or have been installed using any of the networked profiles, the `sitesummary2ldapdhcp` script can be used to automatically add machines to GOsa<sup>2</sup>. Please note, that the IP addresses shown after usage of `sitesummary2ldapdhcp` belong to the dynamic IP range. These systems can then be modified though to suite your network. A few screenshots show how this may be done.

```
root@tjener:~# sitesummary2ldapdhcp -a
info: Create GOSa machine for auto-mac-00-02-b3-20-e4-aa [10.0.16.25] id ether ↔
      -00:02:b3:20:e4:aa.
info: Updating machine tjener.intern [10.0.2.2] id ether-00:04:76:d3:28:b7.
info: Create GOSa machine for auto-mac-00-0d-59-99-d6-98 [10.0.16.26] id ether ↔
      -00:0d:59:99:d6:98.
```

Enter password if you want to activate these changes, and ^c to abort.

Connecting to LDAP as cn=admin,ou=ldap-access,dc=skole,dc=skolelinux,dc=no  
enter password:



**Systems**

**List of systems**

Base /  Actions

<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	Description	Release	Actions
<input type="checkbox"/>	Students [all students]			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Teachers [all teachers]			
<input type="checkbox"/>	auto-mac-00-02-b3-20-e4-aa			
<input type="checkbox"/>	auto-mac-00-0d-56-99-d6-98			
<input type="checkbox"/>	gateway	test scenario gateway		
<input type="checkbox"/>	tjener			

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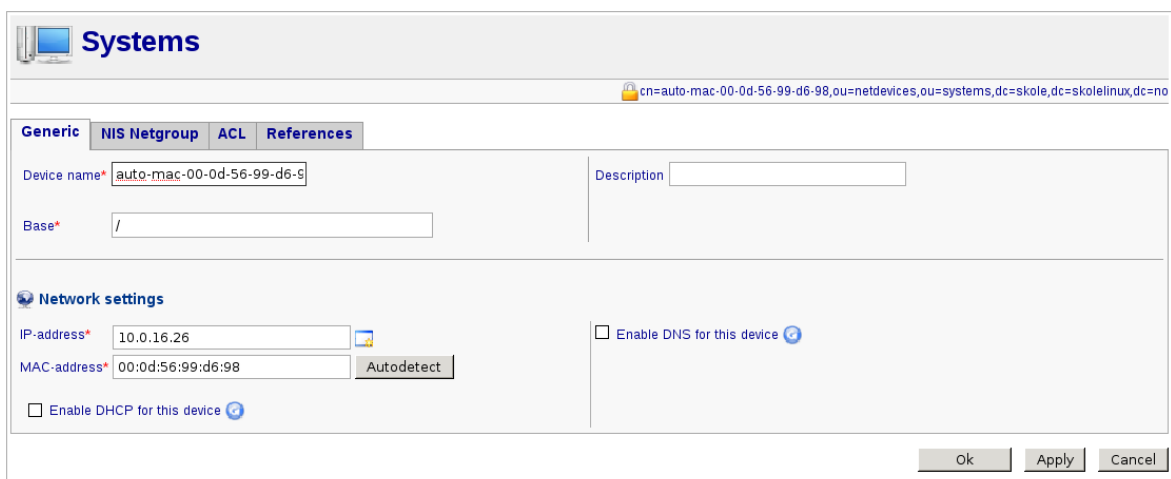
**Filter**

- ☒ Show servers
- ☒ Show workstations
- ☒ Show terminals
- ☒ Show network printer
- ☒ Show phones
- ☒ Show windows based workstations
- ☒ Show network devices
- ☒ Show incoming devices
- ☒ Show OPSI based clients
- ☐ Search in subtrees

Name

User

Apply filter



**Systems**

cn=auto-mac-00-0d-56-99-d6-98,ou=netdevices,ou=systems,dc=skole,dc=skolelinux,dc=no

**Generic** **NIS Netgroup** **ACL** **References**

Device name\*  Description

Base\*

**Network settings**

IP-address\*

MAC-address\*  Autodetect

☐ Enable DHCP for this device

☐ Enable DNS for this device

Ok Apply Cancel

**Systems**

cn=auto-mac-00-0d-56-99-d6-98,ou=netdevices,ou=systems,dc=skole,dc=skolelinux,dc=no

**Generic** | **NIS Netgroup** | **ACL** | **References**

Device name\* ws02 Description dell box (thin client / discless ws)

Base\* /

**Network s**

IP-address\* 10.0.16.26

MAC-address\* 00:0d:56:99:d6:98

☒ Enable DNS for this device  TJENER/intern

☒ Enable DHCP for this device  (tjener) dhcp

**Systems**

cn=auto-mac-00-0d-56-99-d6-98,ou=netdevices,ou=systems,dc=skole,dc=skolelinux,dc=no

**Generic** | **NIS Netgroup** | **ACL** | **References**

**Please select the desired NIS Netgroups**

Base /

<input type="checkbox"/>	Common name	Description
<input type="checkbox"/>	Students [all students]	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Teachers [all teachers]	
<input type="checkbox"/>	all-hosts	All netgroup members
<input type="checkbox"/>	cups-queue-autoflush-hosts	Flush CUPS print queues automatically every night
<input type="checkbox"/>	cups-queue-autoreenable-hosts	Re-enable CUPS print queues automatically every hour
<input type="checkbox"/>	fsautoresize-hosts	Run debian-edu-fsautoresize automatically
<input type="checkbox"/>	ltsp-server-hosts	All LTSP-servers
<input type="checkbox"/>	netblock-hosts	Hosts where network blocking should be enabled
<input type="checkbox"/>	printer-hosts	All machines with a printer
<input type="checkbox"/>	server-hosts	All servers
<input type="checkbox"/>	shutdown-at-night-hosts	Enable shutdown-at-night automatically
<input type="checkbox"/>	winstation-hosts	All MS Windows workstations
<input type="checkbox"/>	workstation-hosts	All workstations

**Filter**

☐ Search in subtrees

Name

A cronjob updating DNS runs every hour; `su -c ldap2bind` can be used to trigger the update manually.

### 7.5.1 Søk etter og slett maskiner

Searching for and deleting machines is quite similar to searching for and deleting users, so that information is not repeated here.

### 7.5.2 Endre eksisterende maskiner / nettgruppeshåndtering

After adding a machine to the LDAP tree using GOsa<sup>2</sup>, you can modify its properties using the search functionality and clicking on the machine name (as you would with users).

The format of these system entries is similar to the one you already know from modifying user entries, but the fields mean different things in this context.

For example, adding a machine to a NetGroup does not modify the file access or command execution permissions for that machine or the users logged in to that machine; instead it restricts the services that machine can use on your main-server.

The default installation provides the NetGroups

- cups-queue-autoflush-hosts
- cups-queue-autoreenable-hosts
- fsautoresize-hosts

- ltsp-server-hosts
- netblock-hosts
- printer-hosts
- server-hosts
- shutdown-at-night-hosts
- winstation-hosts
- workstation-hosts

Currently the `NetGroup` functionality is used for

- NFS.
  - The home directories are exported by the main-server to be mounted by the workstations and the LTSP servers. For security reasons, only hosts within the `workstation-hosts`, `ltsp-server-hosts` and `server-hosts` `NetGroups` can mount the exported NFS shares. So it is rather important to remember to configure these kinds of machines properly in the LDAP tree using `GOsa²` and to configure them to use static IP addresses from LDAP. ⚠ Remember to configure workstations and ltsp-servers properly with `GOsa²`, or your users won't be able to access their home directories.
- fs-autoresize
  - Debian Edu machines in this group will automatically resize LVM partitions that run out of space.
- shutdown at night
  - Debian Edu machines in this group will automatically shut down at night to save energy.
- CUPS (`cups-queue-autoflush-hosts` and `cups-queue-autoreenable-hosts`)
  - Debian Edu machines in these groups will automatically flush all print queues every night, and re-enable any disabled print queue every hour.
- netblock-hosts
  - Debian Edu machines in this group will only be allowed to connect to machines on the local network. Combined with web proxy restrictions this might be used during exams.

Another important part of machine configuration is the 'Samba host' flag (in the 'Host information' area). If you plan to add existing Windows systems to the Skolelinux Samba domain, you need to add the Windows host to the LDAP tree and set this flag to be able to join the Windows host to the domain. For more information about adding Windows hosts to the Skolelinux network see the [HowTo/NetworkClients](#) chapter of this manual.

## 8 Printer Management

For Printer Management point your web browser to <https://www:631> This is the normal CUPS management interface where you can add/delete/modify your printers and can clean up the printing queue. Changes that require a root login need SSL encryption.

## 9 Clock synchronisation

The default configuration in Debian Edu is to keep the clocks on all machines synchronous but not necessarily correct. NTP is used to update the time. The clocks will be synchronised with an external source by default. This can cause machines to keep the external Internet connection open if it is created when used.

⚠ If you use dialup or ISDN and pay per minute, you want to change this default setting.

To disable synchronisation with an external clock, the file `/etc/ntp.conf` on the main-server and all clients and LTSP chroots need to be modified. Add comment ("`#`") marks in front of the `server` entries. After this, the NTP server needs to be restarted by running `/etc/init.d/ntp restart` as root. To test if a machine is using the external clock sources, run `ntpq -c lpeer`.

## 10 Utvide oppfylte partisjoner

Because of a possible bug with automatic partitioning, some partitions might be too full after installation. To extend these partitions, run `debian-edu-fsautoresize -n` as root. See the Resizing Partitions" HowTo in the [administration HowTo chapter](#) for more information.

## 11 Maintenance

### 11.1 Oppdatere programvaren

This section explains how to use `aptitude upgrade`.

Using `aptitude` is really simply. To update a system you need to execute two commands on the command line as root: `aptitude update` (which updates the lists of available packages) and `aptitude upgrade` (which upgrades the packages for which an upgrade is available).

Det er også en god idé å installere `cron-apt` og `apt-listchanges` og sette de opp til å sende e-post til en adresse du leser.

`cron-apt` will notify you once a day via email about any packages that can be upgraded. It does not install these upgrades, but does download them (usually in the night), so you don't have to wait for the download when you do `aptitude upgrade`.

Automatic installation of updates can be done easily if desired, it just needs the `unattended-upgrades` package to be installed.

`apt-listchanges` can send new changelog entries to you via email, or alternatively display them in the terminal when running `aptitude` or `apt-get`.

#### 11.1.1 Hold deg oppdatert vedrørende sikkerhetsoppdateringer.

Running `cron-apt` as described above is a good way to learn when security updates are available for installed packages. Another way to stay informed about security updates is to subscribe to the [Debian security-announce mailinglist](#), which has the benefit of also telling you what the security update is about. The downside (compared to `cron-apt`) is that it also includes information about updates for packages which aren't installed.

### 11.2 Håndtering av sikkerhetskopier

For backup management point your browser to <https://www.slbackup-php>. Please note that you need to access this site via SSL, since you have to enter the root password there. If you try to access this site without using SSL it will fail.

By default tjener will back up `/skole/tjener/home0,/etc/,/root/.svk` and LDAP to `/skole/backup` which is under the LVM. If you only want to have spare copies of things (in case you delete them) this setup should be fine for you.

 Be aware that this backup scheme doesn't protect you from failing hard drives.

If you want to back up your data to an external server, a tape device or another hard drive you'll have to modify the existing configuration a bit.

Hvis du ønsker å gjenopprette en komplett folder anbefales det å bruke kommandolinja:

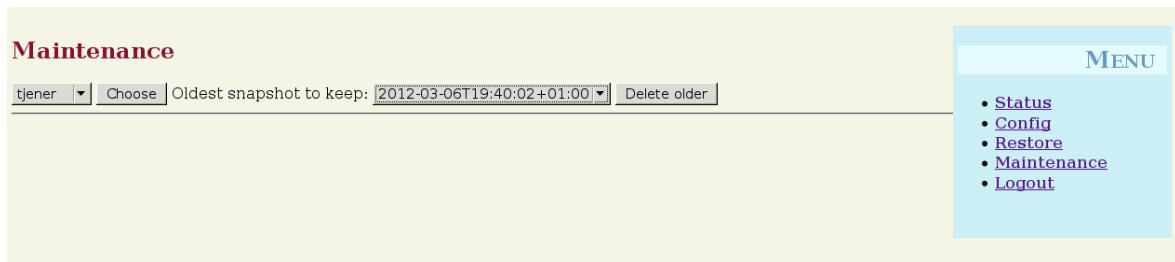
```
$ sudo rdiff-backup -r <date> \
/skole/backup/tjener/skole/tjener/home0/user \
/skole/tjener/home0/user_<date>
```

This will leave the content from `/skole/tjener/home0/user` for `<date>` in the folder `/skole/tjener/home0/user_<date>`

If you want to restore a single file, then you should be able to select the file (and the version) from the web interface, and download only that file.

If you want to get rid of older backups, choose "Maintenance" in the menu on the backup page and select the oldest snapshot to keep:





## 11.3 Tjenerovervåkning

### 11.3.1 Munin

The Munin trend reporting system is available from <https://www.munin/>. It provides system status measurement graphs on a daily, weekly, monthly and yearly basis, and provides the system administrator with help when looking for bottlenecks and the source of system problems.

The list of machines being monitored using Munin is generated automatically, based on the list of hosts reporting to sitesummary. All hosts with the package `munin-node` installed are registered for Munin monitoring. It will normally take one day from a machine being installed until Munin monitoring starts, because of the order the cron jobs are executed. To speed up the process, run `sitesummary-update-munin` as root on the sitesummary server (normally the main-server). This will update the `/etc/munin/munin.conf` file.

The set of measurements being collected is automatically generated on each machine using the `munin-node-configure` program, which probes the plugins available from `/usr/share/munin/plugins/` and symlinks the relevant ones to `/etc/munin/plugins/`.

Information about Munin is available from <http://munin.projects.linpro.no/>.

### 11.3.2 Nagios

Nagios system and service monitoring is available from <https://www.nagios3/>. The set of machines and services being monitored is automatically generated using information collected by the sitesummary system. The machines with the profile Main-server and Thin-client-server receive full monitoring, while workstations and thin clients receive simple monitoring. To enable full monitoring on a workstation, install the `nagios-nrpe-server` package on the workstation.

The username is `nagiosadmin` and the default password is `skolelinux`. For security reasons, avoid using the same password as root. To change the password you can run the following command as root:

```
htpasswd /etc/nagios3/htpasswd.users nagiosadmin
```

By default Nagios does not send email. This can be changed by replacing `notify-by-nothing` with `host-notify-by-email` and `notify-by-email` in the file `/etc/nagios3/sitesummary-template-contacts.cfg`.

The Nagios configuration file used is `/etc/nagios3/sitesummary.cfg`. The sitesummary cron job generates `/var/lib/sitesummary/nagios-generated.cfg` with the list of hosts and services to monitor.

Extra Nagios checks can be put in the file `/var/lib/sitesummary/nagios-generated.cfg.post` to get them included in the generated file.

Information about Nagios is available from <http://www.nagios.org/> or in the `nagios3-doc` package.

**11.3.2.1 Common Nagios warnings and how to handle them** Here are instructions on how to handle the most common Nagios warnings.

**11.3.2.1.1 DISK CRITICAL - free space: /usr 309 MB (5% inode=47%):** The partition (`/usr/` in the example) is too full. There are in general two ways to handle this: (1) remove some files or (2) increase the size of the partition. If the partition is `/var/`, purging the APT cache by calling `apt-get clean` might remove some files. If there is more room available in the LVM volume group, running the program `debian-edu-fsautoresize` to extend the partitions might help. To run this program automatically every hour, the host in question can be added to the `fsautoresize-hosts` netgroup.

**11.3.2.1.2 APT CRITICAL: 13 packages available for upgrade (13 critical updates).** New package are available for upgrades. The critical ones are normally security fixes. To upgrade, run 'apt-get upgrade && apt-get dist-upgrade' as root in a konsole or log in via ssh to do the same. On thin client servers, remember to also update the LTSP chroot using `ltsp-chroot apt-get update && ltsp-chroot apt-get upgrade`.

If you do not want to manually upgrade packages and trust Debian to do a good job with new versions, you can install the `unattended-upgrades` package and configure it to automatically upgrade all new packages every night. This will not upgrade the LTSP chroots.

To upgrade the LTSP chroot, one can use `ltsp-chroot apt-get update && ltsp-chroot apt-get upgrade`. On 64-bit servers, one will have to add `-a i386` as an argument to `ltsp-chroot`. It is a good idea to update the chroot when updating the host system.

**11.3.2.1.3 WARNING - Reboot required : running kernel = 2.6.32-37.81.0, installed kernel = 2.6.32-38.83.0** The running kernel is older than the newest installed kernel, and a reboot is required to activate the newest installed kernel. This is normally fairly urgent, as new kernels normally show up in Debian Edu to fix security issues.

**11.3.2.1.4 WARNING: CUPS queue size - 61** The printer queues in CUPS have a lot of jobs pending. This is most likely because of a unavailable printer. Disabled print queues are enabled every hour on hosts that are member of the `cups-queue-autoreenable-hosts` netgroup, so for such hosts no manual action should be required. The print queues are emptied every night on hosts that are member of the `cups-queue-autoflush-hosts` netgroup. If a host have a lot of jobs in their queue, consider adding this host to one or both of these netgroups.

### 11.3.3 Sitesummary

Sitesummary brukes til å samle informasjon fra alle datamaskiner i nettverket, og sender dette til en sentral server. Informasjonen som er samlet er tilgjengelig i `/var/lib/sitesummary/entries/` Scripts som finnes i `/usr/lib/sitesummary/` muliggjør generering av ulike rapporter.


En enkel rapport fra sitesummary er tilgjengelig fra <https://www/sitesummary/>.

Noe dokumentasjon for sitesummary er tilgjengelig fra <http://wiki.debian.org/DebianEdu/HowTo/SiteSummary>.

## 11.4 Mer informasjon om ulike måter å tilpasse DebianEdu/Skolelinux på.

More information about Debian Edu customisations useful for system administrators can be found in the [Administration Howto chapter](#).

## 12 Oppgraderinger

 Before reading this upgrade guide, please note that live updates to your production servers are carried out at your own risk. **Debian Edu/Skolelinux comes with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY, to the extent permitted by applicable law.**

Please read this chapter completely before attempting to upgrade.

### 12.1 Generelle betraktninger om oppgradering

Upgrading Debian from one distribution to the next is generally rather easy. For Debian Edu this is unfortunately not yet true as we heavily modify configuration files in ways we shouldn't. (See Debian bug [311188](#) for more information.) Upgrading is still possible but may require some work.


I hovedsak: Oppgradering av servere er mer vanskelig enn arbeidsstasjonene, og hovedserveren er den vanskeligste å oppgradere. De diskløse maskinene er enkle, da deres chroot miljø kan bli slettet og gjenopprettet hvis du ikke har modifisert dem. Hvis du har, er chroot egentlig en workstation chroot uansett og er relativt enkel p oppgradere.

If you want to be sure that after the upgrade everything works as before, you should test the upgrade on a test system or systems configured the same way as your production machines. There you can test the upgrade without risk and see if everything works as it should.

Make sure to also read the information about the current Debian Stable release in its [installation manual](#).

It may also be wise to wait a bit and keep running Oldstable for a few weeks longer, so that others can test the upgrade and document any problems they experience. The Oldstable release of Debian Edu will receive continued support for some time after the next Stable release, but when Debian **ceases support for Oldstable**, Debian Edu will necessarily do the same.

## 13 Upgrades from Debian Edu Lenny

 Be prepared: make sure you have tested the upgrade from Lenny in a test environment or have backups ready to be able to go back.

### 13.1 Standard upgraderings metode

1. Edit `/etc/apt/sources.list` and replace all occurrences of `lenny` with `squeeze`.
2. run `apt-get update`
3. run `apt-get upgrade`
4. run `apt-get dist-upgrade`

### 13.2 LDAP service needs to be reconfigured

The LDAP setup has changed a lot from Lenny to Squeeze. The way users accounts, passwords, network settings, services and machines are treated is quite different now. So LDAP has to be rebuild from scratch. There's a script `ldap-debian-edu-install` (in `/usr/bin`) that could be used to achieve this. Read the comment at the beginning of that script carefully before doing anything.

### 13.3 Gjenoppretter LTSP chroot

LTSP chroot vil bli gjenopprettet på LTSP-server(ene). Den nye chroot vil automatisk støtte både tynn-klienter og diskløse klienter/arbeidsstasjoner.

Remove `/opt/ltsp/i386` (or `/opt/ltsp/amd64`, depending on your setup). If you have enough disk-space, consider backing it up.

Gjenopprett chroot ved å kjøre `debian-edu-ltsp` som root.

Of course you can also upgrade the chroot as usual.

## 14 Upgrades from older Debian Edu / Skolelinux installations (before Lenny)

To upgrade from any older release, you will need to upgrade to the Lenny-based Debian Edu release first, before you can follow the instructions provided above. Instructions are given in the **Manual for Debian Edu Lenny** about how to upgrade to Lenny from the previous release, Etch, and the Etch manual covers the one before that!

## 15 Veiledning

- HowTos for [general administration](#)
- HowTos for [the desktop](#)
- HowTos for [networked clients](#)
- HowTos for [Samba](#)
- HowTos for [teaching and learning](#)
- HowTos for [users](#)

## 16 Veiledninger for generell administrasjon

The [Getting Started](#) and [Maintenance](#) chapters describe how to get started with Debian Edu and how to do the basic maintenance work. The howtos in this chapter have some more "advanced tips and tricks".

### 16.1 Configuration history: tracking /etc/ using the git version control system

With the introduction of `etckeeper` in Debian Edu Squeeze (previous versions used `etcinsv` which was removed from Debian), all files in `/etc/` are tracked using `git` as a version control system.

This makes it possible to see when a file is added, changed and removed, as well as what was changed if the file is a text file. The git repository is stored in `/etc/.git/`.

Every hour, any changes are automatically recorded, allowing configuration history to be extracted and reviewed.

To look at the history, the command `etckeeper vcs log` is used. To check the differences between two points in time, a command like `etcinsv vcs diff` can be used.

See the output of `man etckeeper` for more information.

Liste over nyttige kommandoer:

```
etckeeper vcs log
etckeeper vcs status
etckeeper vcs diff
etckeeper vcs add .
etckeeper vcs commit -a
man etckeeper
```

#### 16.1.1 Eksempel på bruk

On a freshly installed system, try this to see all changes done since the system was installed:

```
etckeeper vcs log
```

See which files are currently not tracked and which are not up-to-date:

```
etckeeper vcs status
```

For å melde inn en fil manuelt, fordi du ikke vil vente en time:

```
etckeeper vcs commit -a /etc/resolv.conf
```

### 16.2 Endre størrelse på partisjoner

In Debian Edu, all partitions other than the `/boot/` partition are on logical LVM volumes. With Linux kernels since version 2.6.10, it is possible to extend partitions while they are mounted. Shrinking partitions still needs to happen while the partition is unmounted.

It is a good idea to avoid creating very large partitions (over, say, 20GiB), because of the time it takes to run `fsck` on them or to restore them from backup if the need arises. It is better, if possible, to create several smaller partitions than one very large one.

The helper script `debian-edu-fsautoresize` is provided to make it easier to extend full partitions. When invoked, it reads the configuration from `/usr/share/debian-edu-config/fsautoresizetab`, `/site/etc/fsautoresizetab` and `/etc/fsautoresizetab`. It then proposes to extend partitions with too little free space, according to the rules provided in these files. If run with no arguments, it will only show the commands needed to extend the file system. The argument `-n` is needed to actually execute these commands to extend the file systems.

The script is executed automatically every hour on every client listed in the `fsautoresize-hosts` netgroup.

When the partition used by the Squid proxy is resized, the value for cache size in `etc/squid/squid.conf` needs to be updated as well. The helper script `/usr/share/debian-edu-config/tools/squid-update-cachedir` is provided to do this automatically, checking the current partition size of `/var/spool/squid/` and configuring Squid to use 80% of this as its cache size.

### 16.2.1 Logical Volume Management

Logical Volume Management (LVM) enables resizing the partitions while they are mounted and in use. You can learn more about LVM from the [LVM HowTo](#).

To extend a logical volume manually you simply tell the `lvextend` command how large you want it to grow to. For example, to extend `home0` to 30GB you use the following commands:

```
lvextend -L30G /dev/vg_system/skole+tjener+home0
resize2fs /dev/vg_system/skole+tjener+home0
```

To extend `home0` by 30G, you insert a '+' (-L+30G)

## 16.3 Installing a graphical environment on the main-server to use GOsa<sup>2</sup>

If you (probably accidentally) installed a pure main-server profile and don't have a client with a web-browser handy, it's easy to install a minimal desktop on the main server using this command sequence in a (non-graphical) shell as the user you created during the main server's installation (first user):

```
$ sudo apt-get update
$ sudo apt-get install gnome-session gnome-terminal iceweasel xorg
# after installation, start a graphical session for the first user
$ startx
```

## 16.4 Using ldapvi


**ldapvi** is a tool to edit the LDAP database with a normal text editor on the commandline.

The following needs to be executed:

```
ldapvi --ldap-conf -ZD '(cn=admin)'
```

Note: `ldapvi` will use whatever is the default editor. By executing `export EDITOR=vim` in the shell prompt one can configure the environment to get a vi clone as editor.

To add an LDAP object using `ldapvi`, use object sequence number with the string `add` in front of the new LDAP object.

 Warning: `ldapvi` is a very powerful tool. Be careful and don't mess up the LDAP database.

## 16.5 jxplorer, an LDAP GUI

If you prefer a GUI to work with the LDAP database, check out the `jxplorer` package.

## 16.6 ldap-createuser-krb, a command-line tool

`ldap-createuser-krb` is a small command line tool to create LDAP users and set their passwords in Kerberos. It's mostly useful for testing, though.

## 16.7 Using stable-updates (formerly known as volatile)

Since the Squeeze release, Debian has included packages formerly maintained in `volatile.debian.org` in the 2011 created [stable-updates suite](#).

While you can use `stable-updates` directly, you don't have to: `stable-updates` are pushed into the stable suite regularly when stable pointreleases are done, which roughly happens every two months.

## 16.8 Using backports.debian.org to install newer software

You are running Debian Edu because you prefer the stability of Debian Edu. It runs great; there is just one problem: sometimes software is a little bit more outdated than you like. This is where `backports.debian.org` steps in.

Backports are recompiled packages from Debian testing (mostly) and Debian unstable (in a few cases only, e.g. security updates), so they will run without new libraries (wherever this is possible) on a stable Debian distribution like Debian Edu. **We recommend you to pick out individual backports which fit your needs, and not to use all backports available there.**

Using `backports.debian.org` is simple:

```
echo "deb http://backports.debian.org/debian-backports squeeze-backports main ←
      contrib non-free" >> /etc/apt/sources.list
apt-get update
```

Previously, extra configuration was needed to get updates installed automatically for installed backports, but since 2011 the **squeeze-backports suite** renders this unnecessary.

## 16.9 Upgrading with a CD or DVD ROM

If you want to upgrade from one version to another (for example from Squeeze 6.0.6 to 6.0.7) but you do not have Internet connectivity, only physical media, follow these steps:

Insert the CD/DVD-ROM in the drive, mount it and use the apt-cdrom command:

```
mount /media/cdrom
apt-cdrom add -m
```

To quote the apt-cdrom(8) man page:

- apt-cdrom is used to add a new CDROM to APTs list of available sources. apt-cdrom takes care of determining the structure of the disc as well as correcting for several possible mis-burns and verifying the index files.
- It is necessary to use apt-cdrom to add CDs to the APT system, it cannot be done by hand. Furthermore each disk in a multi-cd set must be inserted and scanned separately to account for possible mis-burns.

Then run these two commands to upgrade the system:

```
apt-get update
apt-get upgrade
```

## 16.10 Java

### 16.10.1 kjører frittstående Java applikasjoner

Frittstående Java-applikasjoner er støttet rett ut av boksen med pakken OpenJDK Java runtime.

### 16.10.2 Running Java applications in the web browser

Running Java applets in the browser are supported out of the box by the OpenJDK Java runtime.

## 16.11 Oppretter en mappe på alle brukeres hjemmeområde

With this script the administrator can create a folder in each user's home directory and set access permissions and ownership.

I eksemplet nedenfor med gruppe=teachers og tillatelser=2770, kan en bruker lever inn en oppgave ved å lagre fila i mappa "oppgaverder lærerne har fått skrevetilgang slik at de kan legge til kommentarer.

```
#!/bin/bash
home_path="/skole/tjener/home0"
shared_folder="assignments"
permissions="2770"
created_dir=0
for home in $(ls $home_path); do
    if [ ! -d "$home_path/$home/$shared_folder" ]; then
        mkdir $home_path/$home/$shared_folder
        chmod $permissions $home_path/$home/$shared_folder
        #set the right owner and group
        #"username" = "group name" = "folder name"
        user=$home
        group=teachers
        chown $user:$group $home_path/$home/$shared_folder
        ((created_dir+=1))
    else
        echo -e "the folder $home_path/$home/$shared_folder already exists.\n"
```

```
fi
done
echo "$created_dir folders have been created"
```

## 16.12 Enkel tilgang til USB-enheter og CD-ROM(er)/DVD(er)

When users insert a USB drive or DVD/CDROM into a (diskless) workstation, a popup window appears asking what to do with it, just like in any other normal installation.


When users insert a USB drive or DVD/CDROM into a thin client there is only a notify-window showing up for a few seconds. The media is automatically mounted and it is possible to access it browsing to the /media/\$user folder. This is quite difficult for many non experienced users.

It is possible to have the default KDE file manager Dolphin showing up if KDE (or LDXE, if installed in parallel to KDE) is in use as desktop environment. To configure this, simply execute /usr/share/debian-edu-config/ltspfs-mounter-kde enable on the terminal server. (When using Gnome, device icons will be placed on the desktop allowing easy access).

In addition the following script could be used to create the symlink "media" for all users in their home folder for easy access to USB drives, CDROM/DVD or whatever media is connected to the thin client. This might come in handy if users want to edit files directly on their plugged in media.

```
#!/bin/bash
home_path="/skole/tjener/home0"
shared_folder="media"
permissions="775"
created_dir=0;
for home in $(ls $home_path); do
    if [ ! -d "$home_path/$home/$shared_folder" ]; then
        ln -s /media/$home $home_path/$home/$shared_folder
        ((created_dir+=1))
    else
        echo -e "the folder $home_path/$home/$shared_folder already exists.\n"
    fi
done
echo "$created_dir folders has been created"
```

### 16.12.1 En liten advarsel om flyttbare medier på LTSP-tjenere.

 Warning: When inserted into an LTSP server USB drives and other removable media cause popup messages on remote LTSP clients.

If remote users acknowledge the popup or use pmount from the console, they can even mount the removable devices and access the files.

Dette er registrert som [Debian Edu bug #1376](#).

## 16.13 Automatisk opprydding av prosesser som er til overs

killer er et perl-script som fjerner bakgrunns-prosesser. Dette er prosesser som hører til brukere som ikke lenger er logget inn på en maskin. Killer kjøres av Cron en gang i timen.

For å installere, kjør følgende som root:

```
apt-get install killer
```

## 16.14 Automatic installation of security upgrades

unattended-upgrades is a Debian package which will install security (and other) updates automatically. If you plan to use it, you should have some means to monitor your systems, such as installing the apt-listchanges package and configuring it to send you emails about updates. And there is always /var/log/dpkg.log.

To install these packages run the following command as root:

```
apt-get install unattended-upgrades apt-listchanges
```



## 16.15 Automatisk nedstenging av maskiner for natten

It is possible to save energy and money by automatically turning client machines off at night and back on in the morning. The package will try to turn off the machine every hour on the hour from 16:00 in the afternoon, but will not turn it off if it seems to have users. It will try to tell the BIOS to turn on the machine around 07:00 in the morning, and the main-server will try to turn on machines from 06:30 by sending wake-on-lan packets. These times can be changed in the crontabs of individual machines.

Some considerations should be kept in mind when setting this up:

- The clients should not be shut down when someone is using them. This is ensured by checking the output from `who`, and as a special case, checking for the LDM ssh connection command to work with LTSP thin clients.
- To avoid blowing electrical fuses, it is a good idea to make sure all clients do not start at the same time.
- There are two different methods available to wake up clients. One uses a BIOS feature and requires a working and correct hardware clock, as well as a motherboard and BIOS version supported by `nvrwakeup`; the other requires clients to have support for wake-on-lan, and the server to know about all the clients that need to be woken up.

### 16.15.1 Slik setter du opp shutdown-at-night

On clients that should turn off at night, touch `/etc/shutdown-at-night/shutdown-at-night`, or add the hostname (that is, the output from `'uname -n'` on the client) to the netgroup `shutdown-at-night-hosts`. Adding hosts to the netgroup in LDAP can be done using the `Gosa`<sup>2</sup> web tool. The clients might need to have wake-on-lan configured in the BIOS. It is also important that the switches and routers used between the wake-on-lan server and the clients will pass the WOL packets to the clients even if the clients are turned off. Some switches fail to pass on packets to clients that are missing in the ARP table on the switch, and this blocks the WOL packets.

To enable wake-on-lan on the server, add the clients to `/etc/shutdown-at-night/clients`, with one line per client, IP address first, followed by MAC address (ethernet address), separated by a space; or create a script `/etc/shutdown-at-night/clients-generator` to generate the list of clients on the fly.

Her er et eksempel på `/etc/shutdown-at-night/clients-generator` for bruk sammen med `site-summary`:

```
#!/bin/sh
PATH=/usr/sbin:$PATH
export PATH
sitesummary-nodes -w
```

et alternativ hvis nettgruppen er brukt for å aktivere shutdown-at-night på klienter, er dette skriptet som bruker nettgruppeverktøyet fra `ng-utils` pakken:

```
#!/bin/sh
PATH=/usr/sbin:$PATH
export PATH
netgroup -h shutdown-at-night-hosts
```

## 16.16 Access Debian-Edu servers located behind a firewall

To access machines behind a firewall from the Internet, consider installing the package `autossh`. It can be used to set up an SSH tunnel to a machine on the Internet that you have access to. From that machine, you can access the server behind the firewall via the SSH tunnel.

## 16.17 Installing additional service machines for spreading the load from main-server

In the default installation, all services are running on the main-server, tjener. To simplify moving some to another machine, there is a *minimal* installation profile available. Installing with this profile will lead to a machine, which is part of the Debian Edu network, but which doesn't have any services running (yet).

These are the required steps to setup a machine dedicated to some services:

- installer *minimal* profilen ved å bruke *debian-edu-expert* oppstartsalget

- installer pakkene for tjenesten
- sette opp tjenesten
- slå av tjenesten på hovedtjeneren
- update DNS (via LDAP/GOSA<sup>2</sup>) on main-server

## 16.18 Veiledninger fra wiki.debian.org

Veiledninger fra <http://wiki.debian.org/DebianEdu/HowTo/> er enten bruker- eller utviklerorientert. La oss flytte de brukerorienterte veiledningene hit (og slette dem derfra)! (Men først må vi spørre forfatterne (se historien til disse sidene for å finne dem) om dem synes det er greit å flytte veiledningen og utgi dem under GPL.)

- <http://wiki.debian.org/DebianEdu/HowTo/AutoNetRespawn>
- <http://wiki.debian.org/DebianEdu/HowTo/BackupPC>
- <http://wiki.debian.org/DebianEdu/HowTo/ChangeIpSubnet>
- <http://wiki.debian.org/DebianEdu/HowTo/SiteSummary>
- [http://wiki.debian.org/DebianEdu/HowTo/Squid\\_LDAP\\_Authentication](http://wiki.debian.org/DebianEdu/HowTo/Squid_LDAP_Authentication)

## 17 Veiledninger for skrivebordet

### 17.1 Modifying the KDM login screen

Customisations to the KDM login screen are made by adding a file in `/etc/default/kdm.d/` specifying variables to override the default.

Her er et eksempel som aktiverer temaet i desktop-base-pakken:

```
USETHEME="true"
THEME="/usr/share/apps/kdm/themes/debian-moreblue"
```

Se på koden i `/etc/init.d/kdm` for å informasjon om hvordan disse variablene blir brukt.

### 17.2 Using KDE, Gnome and LXDE together

If you want to use Gnome or LXDE instead of KDE, follow the [installation instructions](#).

To install other desktop environments after installation, simply use `apt-get`:

```
apt-get install gnome lxde
```

Users will then be able to choose the desktop environment via the login manager before logging in. The usage of LXDE as default on thin clients can be forced; see [networked clients](#) for details.

### 17.3 Flash

The free software flash-player `gnash` is installed by default, but switching to Adobe Flash is an option. To install the (non-free) Adobe Flash Player web browser plugin, install the `flashplugin-nonfree` Debian package from `contrib`. This requires `contrib` enabled in `/etc/apt/sources.list`.

### 17.4 Avspilling av DVD

`libdvdcss` is needed for playing most commercial DVDs. For legal reasons it's not included in Debian (Edu). If you are legally allowed to use it, you can use the packages from `deb-multimedia.org`. Add the multimedia repository (as described in the following section) and install the required libraries:

```
apt-get install libdvdcss2 w32codecs
```

## 17.5 Etter å ha lagt til multimediaarkivet:

For å bruke [www.deb-multimedia.org](http://www.deb-multimedia.org) så kan du besøke hjemmesiden og finne et nettarkiv, eller du kan legge til

```
# install the debian-keyring securely:
apt-get install debian-keyring
# fetch the deb-multimedia key insecurely:
gpg --keyserver pgpkeys.pca.dfn.de --recv-keys 1F41B907
# check securely if the key is correct and add it to the keyring used by APT if ←
it is:
gpg --keyring /usr/share/keyrings/debian-keyring.gpg --check-sigs 1F41B907 && gpg ←
--export 1F41B907 | apt-key add -
# add repository to sources.list - please check the homepages for mirrors!
echo "deb http://deb-multimedia.org squeeze main" >> /etc/apt/sources.list
# update the list of available packages:
apt-get update
```

## 17.6 Håndskrevne fonter

Pakken `ttf-linux`, (som er installert som standard), installerer fonten "Abecedariosom er en fin håndskriftfont for barn. Denne fonten har flere varianter som kan bli brukt av barn: prikket, og med linjer.

# 18 Veiledninger for nettverksklienter

## 18.1 Introduction to thin clients and diskless workstations

One generic term for both thin clients and diskless workstations is *LTSP client*. **LTSP is the Linux Terminal Server Project**.

### Tynnklient

- A thin client setup enables an ordinary PC to function as an (X-)terminal, where all software runs on the LTSP server. This means that this machine boots from a diskette or directly from the server using network-PROM (or PXE) without using a local client hard drive.

### Diskløs arbeidsstasjon:

- A diskless workstation runs all software locally. The client machines boot directly from the LTSP server without a local hard drive. Software is administered and maintained on the LTSP server, but it runs on the diskless workstation. Home directories and system settings are stored on the server too. Diskless workstations are an excellent way of reusing newer hardware with the same low maintenance cost as with thin clients.

LTSP client boot will fail if the client's network card requires a non-free firmware. A PXE installation can be used for troubleshooting problems with netbooting a machine; if the Debian Installer complains about a missing `XXX.bin` file then non-free firmware has to be added to the `initrd` used by LTSP clients.

In this case execute the following commands on an LTSP server.

```
# First get information about firmware packages
apt-get update && apt-cache search ^firmware-

# Decide which package has to be installed for the network card(s).
# Most probably this will be firmware-linux-nonfree
# Things have to take effect in the LTSP chroot for architecture i386
ltsp-chroot -a i386 apt-get update
ltsp-chroot -a i386 mkdir /tmp/user 2> /dev/null
ltsp-chroot -a i386 mkdir /tmp/user/0 2> /dev/null
ltsp-chroot -d -a i386 apt-get -y -q install <package name>

# copy the new initrd to the server's tftboot directory
ltsp-update-kernels
```

### LTSP client kernel

- In order to support older hardware the package `linux-image-486` is installed by default. If all LTSP client machines support the 686 processor architecture the `linux-image-686` package could be installed in the chroot.

Make sure to execute `ltsp-update-kernels` after installation.

### 18.1.1 Machine type selection based on the network

Each LTSP server has two ethernet cards: one configured in the 10.0.0.0/8 subnet (which is shared with the main server), and another forming a local 192.168.0.0/24 subnet (a separate subnet for each LTSP server).

Diskless workstations get IP addresses assigned in the private subnet 10.0.0.0/8, while thin clients are connected in the separate subnet 192.168.0.0/24.

## 18.2 Konfigurering av PXE-menyen

The PXE configuration is generated using the script `debian-edu-pxeinstall`. It allows some settings to be overridden by adding a file `/etc/debian-edu/pxeinstall.conf` with replacement values.

### 18.2.1 Modifisering av PXE installasjonen

PXE-innstillingsmuligheten er som standard tilgjengelig for alle som kan PXE-starte en maskin. For å passordbeskytte PXE-innstillingsvalgene, en fil `/var/lib/tftpbboot/menupassword.cfg` kan bli laget med innhold lignende dette:

```
MENU PASSWD $4$NDk00TUzNTQ1NTQ5$7d6KvAlVCJKRKiJtVSPfveuWPM$
```

The password hash should be replaced with an MD5 hash for the desired password.

The PXE installation will inherit the language, keyboard layout and mirror settings from the settings used when installing the main-server, and the other questions will be asked during installation (profile, popcon participation, partitioning and root password). To avoid these questions, the file `/etc/debian-edu/www/debian-edu-install.dat` can be modified to provide preselected answers to debconf values. Some examples of available debconf values are already commented in `/etc/debian-edu/www/debian-edu-install.dat`. Your changes will be lost as soon as `debian-edu-pxeinstall` is used to recreate the PXE-installation environment. To append debconf values to `/etc/debian-edu/www/debian-edu-install.dat` during recreation with `debian-edu-pxeinstall`, add the file `/etc/debian-edu/www/debian-edu-install.dat.local` with your additional debconf values.

### 18.2.2 Adding a custom repository for PXE installations

For adding a custom repository add something like this to `/etc/debian-edu/www/debian-edu-install.dat.local`:

```
#add the skole projects local repository
d-i apt-setup/local1/repository string http://example.org/debian stable ↵
    main contrib non-free
d-i apt-setup/local1/comment string Example Software Repository
d-i apt-setup/local1/source boolean true
d-i apt-setup/local1/key string http://example.org/key.asc
```

and then run `/usr/sbin/debian-edu-pxeinstall` once.

### 18.2.3 Endrer PXE-menyen på en LTSP-server

The PXE menu allows network booting of LTSP clients, the installer and other alternatives. The file `/var/lib/tftpbboot/pxelinux.cfg/default` is used by default if no other file in that directory matches the client, and out of the box it is set to link to `/var/lib/tftpbboot/debian-edu/default-menu.cfg`.

If all clients should boot as diskless workstations instead of getting the full PXE menu, this can be implemented by changing the symlink:

```
ln -s /var/lib/tftpbboot/debian-edu/default-diskless.cfg /var/lib/tftpbboot/ ↵
    pxelinux.cfg/default
```

If all clients should boot as thin clients instead, change the symlink like this:

```
ln -s /var/lib/tftpboot/debian-edu/default-thin.cfg /var/lib/tftpboot/pxelinux. ←
    cfg/default
```

See also the PXELINUX documentation at <http://syslinux.zytor.com/wiki/index.php/PXELINUX>.

If clients on the 192.168.x.x interface of a thin client server should boot as diskless workstations instead of thin clients, edit

```
/var/lib/tftpboot/ltsp/i386/pxelinux.cfg/default
```

and add a '3' (no quotes) to the end of the kernel argument line, to specify runlevel 3.

The file should then look like this:

```
default ltsp

label ltsp
kernel vmlinuz
append ro initrd=initrd.img boot=nfs quiet 3
```

When adding such a workstation in GOSa<sup>2</sup>, use an IP address matching the LTSP server interface IP address on the thin client net (by default 192.168.0.254, dynamic dhcp range starting at 192.168.0.20).

#### 18.2.4 Adskilte hoved- og LTSP-tjenere

For performance and security considerations it might be desired to set up a separate main server which doesn't act as LTSP server.

To have ltspserver00 serve diskless workstations on the main (10.0.0.0/8) network, when tjener is not a combined server, follow these steps:


- copy the ltsp directory from /var/lib/tftpboot on ltspserver00 to the same directory on tjener.
- copy /var/lib/tftpboot/debian-edu/default-diskless.cfg to the same directory on tjener.
- edit /var/lib/tftpboot/debian-edu/default-diskless.cfg to use the IP address of ltspserver00; the following example uses 10.0.2.10 for the IP address of ltspserver00 on the main network:

```
DEFAULT ltsp/i386/vmlinuz initrd=ltsp/i386/initrd.img nfsroot=10.0.2.10:/opt/ ←
    ltsp/i386 boot=nfs ro quiet 3
```

- set the symlink in /var/lib/tftpboot/pxelinux.cfg on tjener to point to /var/lib/tftpboot/debian-edu/default-diskless.cfg.

### 18.3 Endre nettverksoppsett

The debian-edu-config package comes with a tool which helps in changing the network from 10.0.0.0/8 to something else. Have a look at /usr/share/debian-edu-config/tools/subnet-change. It is intended for use just after installation on the main server, to update LDAP and other files that need to be edited to change the subnet.


 Note that changing to one of the subnets already used elsewhere in Debian Edu will not work. 192.168.1.0/24 is already set up as the thin client network. Changing to this subnet will require manual editing of configuration files to remove duplicate entries.

There is no easy way to change the DNS domain name. Changing it would require changes to both the LDAP structure and several files in the main server file system. There is also no easy way to change the host and DNS name of the main server (tjener.intern). To do so would also require changes to LDAP and files in the main-server and client file system. In both cases the Kerberos setup would have to be changed, too.

## 18.4 LTSP i detalj

### 18.4.1 LTSP client configuration in LDAP (and `lts.conf`)

To configure specific thin clients with particular features, you can add settings in LDAP or edit the file `/opt/ltsp/i386/etc/lts.conf`.

 We recommend to configure clients in LDAP (and not edit `lts.conf` directly--however, configuration web-forms for LTSP are currently not available in GOSa<sup>2</sup>, you have to use a plain LDAP browser/explorer or `ldapvi`), as this makes it possible to add and/or replace LTSP servers without loosing (or having to redo) configuration.

The default values in LDAP are defined in the `cn=ltspConfigDefault,ou=ltsp,dc=skole,dc=skolelinux,dc=no` LDAP object using the `ltspConfig` attribute. One can also add host specific entries in LDAP.

Install the package `ltsp-docs` and run "man `lts.conf`" to have a look at available configuration options (see `/usr/share/doc/ltsp/LTSPManual.html` for detailed information about LTSP).

The default values are defined under `[default]`; to configure one client, specify it in terms of its MAC address or IP address like this: `[192.168.0.10]`.

Example: To make the thin client `ltsp010` use 1280x1024 resolution, add something like this:

```
[192.168.0.10]
X_MODE_0 = 1280x1024
X_HORZSYNC = "60-70"
X_VERTREFRESH = "59-62"
```

et sted nedenfor standardinnstillingene.

To force usage of a specific xserver on an LTSP client, set the `XSERVER` variable. For example:

```
[192.168.0.11]
XSERVER = nvidia
```

Depending on what changes you make, it may be necessary to restart the client.

To use IP addresses in `lts.conf` you need to add the client MAC address to your DHCP server. Otherwise you should use the client MAC address directly in your `lts.conf` file.

### 18.4.2 Force all thin clients to use LXDE as default desktop environment

Make sure that LXDE is installed on the thin client server; then add a line like this below `[default]` in `lts.conf`:

```
LDM_SESSION=/usr/bin/startlxde
```

Note, that users will still be able to select other installed desktop environments using the Settings feature of LDM.

### 18.4.3 Load-balancing LTSP servers

**18.4.3.1 Del 1** It is possible to set up the clients to connect to one of several LTSP servers for load-balancing. This is done by providing `/opt/ltsp/i386/usr/share/ltsp/get_hosts` as a script printing one or more servers for LDM to connect to. In addition to this, each LTSP chroot needs to include the SSH host key for each of the servers.

First of all, you must choose one LTSP server to be the load-balancing server. All the clients will PXE-boot from this server and load the Skolelinux image. After the image is loaded, LDM chooses which server to connect to by using the `get_hostscript`. How this is done you decide later on.

The load-balancing server must be announced to the clients as the `next-server` via DHCP. As DHCP configuration is in LDAP, modifications have to be done there. Use `ldapvi --ldap-conf -ZD '(cn=admin)'` to edit the appropriate entry in LDAP. (Enter the main server's root password at the prompt; if `VISUAL` isn't set, the default editor will be `nano`.) Search for a line reading `dhcpStatements:next-server tjener`. `Next-server` should be the IP address or hostname of the server you chose to be the load-balancing server. If you use hostname you must have a working DNS. Remember to restart the DHCP service.

Now you have to move your clients from the 192.168.1.0 network to the 10.0.0.0 network; attach them to the backbone network instead of the network attached to the LTSP server's second network card. This is because when you use load-balancing, the clients need direct access to the server chosen by LDM. If you leave your clients on the 192.168.1.0 network, all of the clients' traffic will go through that server before it reaches the chosen LDM server.

**18.4.3.2 Del 2** Now you have to make a `get_hostsscript` that prints a server for LDM to connect to. The parameter `LDM_SERVER` overrides this script. In consequence, this parameter must not be defined if the `get_hosts` is going to be used. The `get_hosts` script writes on the standard output each server IP address or host name, in random order.


Rediger `/opt/ltsp/i386/etc/lts.conf` og legg til noe som dette:

```
MY_SERVER_LIST = "xxxx xxxx xxxx"
```

Replace `xxxx` with either the IP addresses or hostnames of the servers as a space-separated list. Then, put the following script in `/opt/ltsp/i386/usr/lib/ltsp/get_hosts` on the server you chose to be the load-balancing server.

```
#!/bin/bash
# Randomise the server list contained in MY_SERVER_LIST parameter
TMP_LIST=""
SHUFFLED_LIST=""
for i in $MY_SERVER_LIST; do
    rank=$RANDOM
    let "rank %= 100"
    TMP_LIST="$TMP_LIST\n${rank}_${i}"
done
TMP_LIST=$(echo -e $TMP_LIST | sort)
for i in $TMP_LIST; do
    SHUFFLED_LIST="$SHUFFLED_LIST $(echo $i | cut -d_ -f2)"
done
echo $SHUFFLED_LIST
```

**18.4.3.3 Del 3** Now that you've made the `get_hostsscript`, it's time to make the SSH host key for the LTSP chroots. This can be done by making a file containing the content of `/opt/ltsp/i386/etc/ssh/ssh_known_hosts` from all the LTSP servers that will be load-balanced. Save this file as `/etc/ltsp/ssh_known_hosts.extra` on all load-balanced servers. The last step is very important because `ltsp-update-sshkeys` runs every time a server is booted, and `/etc/ltsp/ssh_known_hosts.extra` is included if it exists.

 If you save your new host file as `/opt/ltsp/i386/etc/ssh/ssh_known_hosts`, it will be erased when you reboot the server.

There are some obvious weaknesses with this setup. All clients get their image from the same server, which causes high loads on the server if many clients are booted at the same time. Also, the clients require that server to be always available; without it they cannot boot or get an LDM server. Therefore this setup is very dependent on one server, which isn't very good.

Your clients should now be load-balanced!

#### 18.4.4 Lyd med LTSP-klienter

LTSP thin clients support three different audio systems for applications: ESD, PulseAudio and ALSA. ESD and PulseAudio support networked audio and are used to pass audio from the server to the clients. ALSA is configured to redirect its sound via PulseAudio. For selected applications only supporting the OSS audio system, a wrapper is created by `/usr/sbin/debian-edu-ltsp-audiodivert` to redirect their sound to PulseAudio. Run this script without arguments to get a list of applications with such redirection enabled.

LTSP diskløse arbeidsstasjoner takler lyd lokalt, og har ikke behov for spesial- oppsett for nettverkslyd.

#### 18.4.5 Oppgradere LTSP-miljøet

Det er nyttig å oppgradere LTSP-miljøet med nye pakker ganske ofte for å være sikker på at sikkerhetsoppdateringer og forbedringer gjøres tilgjengelig. For å oppgradere kjøres disse kommandoene som bruker `root` på hver LTSP-tjener:

```
ltsp-chroot -a i386 # this does "chroot /opt/ltsp/i386" and more, ie it also ↔
    prevents daemons from being started
aptitude update
aptitude upgrade
aptitude dist-upgrade
exit
```




**18.4.5.1 Installing additional software in the LTSP environment** To install additional software for an LTSP client you must perform the installation inside the chroot of the LTSP server.

```
ltsp-chroot -a i386
## optionally, edit the sources.list:
#editor /etc/apt/sources.list
aptitude update
aptitude install $new_package
exit
```

## 18.4.6 Vis innlogging og sikkerhet

Skolelinux has added several security features on the client network preventing unauthorised superuser access, password sniffing, and other tricks which may be used on a local network. One such security measure is secure login using SSH, which is the default with LDM. This can slow down some client machines which are more than about ten years old, with as little as a 160 MHz processor and 32 MB RAM. Although it's not recommended, you can add the value True in the `/opt/ltsp/i386/etc/lts.conf` file on the server:


```
LDM_DIRECTX=True
```

 **Warning:** The above protects initial login, but all activities after that use unencrypted networked X. Passwords (except the initial one) will travel in cleartext over the network, as well as anything else.

Note: Since such ten-year-old thin clients may also have trouble running newer versions of OpenOffice.org and Firefox/Iceweasel due to pixmap caching issues, you may consider running thin clients with at least 128 MB RAM, or upgrade the hardware, which will also give you the benefit of being able to use them as diskless workstations.

## 18.5 Erstatte LDM med KDM

Since version 3.0 Skolelinux has been running LDM as its login manager, which uses a secure SSH tunnel to log in. Switching to KDM also requires a switch to XDMCP, which uses lower CPU resources on the clients and on the server.

 **Warning:** XDMCP does not use encryption. Passwords will travel in cleartext over the network, as well as anything else.

 **Note:** local devices with `ltspfs` will stop working without LDM.

For å sjekke om XDMCP kjører, kjør denne kommandoen fra en arbeidsstasjon:

```
X -query ltspserverXX
```

If you are on the thin client network, run this command:

```
X -query 192.168.0.254
```

The goal is to let your realthin client contact the xdmcp-server on 192.168.0.254 (given a standard Skolelinux configuration).

If for some reason XDMCP is accessible on your server which runs KDM, add the following to `/etc/kde3/kdm/Xaccess`:

```
* # any host can get a login window
```

The star before the comment '#' is important; the rest is a comment, of course 😊

Then turn on XDMCP in KDM with the command:

```
sudo update-ini-file /etc/kde3/kdm/kdmrc Xdmcp Enable true
```

Finally, restart KDM by running:

```
sudo invoke-rc.d kdm restart
```

(with thanks to Finn-Arne Johansen)

## 18.6 Koble windowsmaskiner til nettverket / integrering av windows

### 18.6.1 Bli med i domenet

For Windows clients the Windows domain SKOLELINUX is available to be joined. A special service called Samba, installed on the main-server tjener, enables Windows clients to store profiles and user data, and also authenticates the users during the login.

Allowing a Windows client to join the domain requires steps described in the [Debian Edu Squeeze Samba Howto](#).

Windows will sync the profiles of domain users on every Windows login and logout. Depending on how much data is stored in the profile, this could take some time. To minimise the time needed, deactivate things like local cache in browsers (you can use the Squid proxy cache installed on tjener instead) and save files into the H: volume rather than under "My Documents".

**18.6.1.1 Brukergrupper i Windows** Groupmaps must also be added for any other user group you add through GOSa<sup>2</sup>. If you want your user groups to be available in Windows, e.g. for netlogon scripts or other group dependant actions, you can add them using variations of the following command. Samba will function without these groupmaps, but Windows machines won't be group-aware.

```
/usr/bin/net groupmap add unixgroup=students \
    type=domain ntgroup="students" \
    comment="All students in the school"
```

FIXME: would it be better to explain user groups in Windows first with GOSa<sup>2</sup>, and then with an example for the command line?

Hvis du ønsker å sjekke brukergrupper i Windows må du laste ned verktøyet IFMEMBER.EXE fra Microsoft. Så kan du benytte dette i for eksempel et pålogginsscript som ligger på tjeneren i /etc/samba/netlogon/LOGON.BAT.

### 18.6.2 XP Home

Users bringing in their XP laptops from home can still connect to tjener using their skolelinux credentials, provided the workgroup is set to SKOLELINUX. However, they may need to disable the Windows firewall before tjener will appear in Network Neighbourhood (or whatever it's called now).

### 18.6.3 Håndtere roaming-profiler

Roaming profiles contain user work environments which include desktop items and settings. Examples include personal files, desktop icons and menus, screen colours, mouse settings, window size and position, application configurations, and network and printer connections. Roaming profiles are available wherever the user logs on, provided the server is available.

Since the profile is copied from the server to the machine during logon, and copied back to the server during logout, a large profile can make Windows login/logout painfully slow. There can be many reasons for a large profile, but the most common problem is that users save their files on the Windows desktop or in the "My Documents" folder instead of in their home directory. Also, some badly designed programs use the profile to store data and as scratch space.

*The educational approach:* one way to deal with overlarge profiles is to explain the situation to the users. Tell them not to store huge files on the desktop, and if they fail to listen, it's their own fault when login is slow.

*Tweaking the profile:* a different approach to dealing with the problem is to remove parts of the profile, and redirect other parts to regular file storage. This moves the workload from the users to the administrator, while adding complexity to the installation. There are at least three ways to edit the parts that are removed from the roaming profile.

**18.6.3.1 Example smb.conf files for roaming profiles** You should hopefully find an example smb.conf in your preferred language delivered by the installation on tjener under /usr/share/debian-edu-config/examples/. The source file is in English and is called smb-roaming-profiles-en.conf; look for a file with the appropriate code in the filename (the German translation, for example, will be named smb-roaming-profiles-de.conf). Inside the config file are a lot of explanations which you should have a look at.

**18.6.3.2 Machine policies for roaming profiles** du kan redigere regler for maskiner og kopiere de til alle andre maskiner.

1. Pick a freshly installed Windows computer, and run `gpedit.msc`
2. Under the selection "User Configuration> Administrative Templates> System> "User Profiles> Exclude directories in roaming profile", you can enter a semicolon-separated list of directories to exclude from the profile. The directories are internationalised and must be written in your own language the way they are in the profile. Examples of directories to exclude are:
  - log / logg
  - Locale setting / Lokale innstillinger
  - Temporary Internet Files / Midlertidige Internettfiler
  - My Documents / Mine Dokumenter
  - Applications Data / Applikasjonsdata
  - Temporary Internet Files / Midlertidige Internettfiler
3. Lagre endringer, og forlat editoren.
4. Copy `c:\windows\system32\GroupPolicy` to all other Windows machines.
  - It's a good idea to copy it to your Windows OS deployment system to have it included at install time.

**18.6.3.3 Global policies for roaming profiles** By using the legacy Windows policy editor (`poedit.exe`), you can create a Policy file (`NTConfig.pol`) and put it in your netlogon share on tjener. This has the advantage of working almost instantly on all Windows machines.

For some time, the policy editor standalone download has been removed from the Microsoft web site, but it's still available as part of the ORK Tools.

With `poedit.exe` you can create `.pol` files. If you put such a file on tjener as `/etc/samba/netlogon/NTLOGON.POL` it will automatically be read by Windows machines and temporarily overwrite the registry, thus applying the changes.

To make sensible use of `poedit.exe` you also need to download appropriate `.adm` files for your operating system and applications; otherwise you cannot define many settings in `poedit.exe`.

Be aware that the new group policy tools, `gpedit.msc` and `gpmc.msc`, cannot create `.pol` files; they either only work for the local machine or need an Active Directory server.

If you understand German, <http://gruppenrichtlinien.de> is a very good web site on this topic.

**18.6.3.4 Redigere windowsregisteret** Du kan redigere registeret på den lokale maskinen, og kopiere denne registernøkkelen til andre maskiner.

1. Start registereditoren
2. Naviger til `HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Software\Microsoft\Windows NT\CurrentVersion\Winlogon`
3. Use the menu Edit menu> New> String Value".
4. Kall den `ExcludeProfileDirs`
5. Enter a semicolon-separated list of paths to exclude (in the same way as for a machine policy)
6. Now you can choose to export this registry key as a `.reg` file. Mark a selection, right-click, and select Export".
7. Save the file and you can double click it, or add it to a script to spread it to other machines.

Kilder:

- <http://technet2.microsoft.com/windowsserver/en/technologies/featured/gp/default.aspx>
- <http://www.samba.org/samba/docs/man/Samba-HOWTO-Collection/PolicyMgmt.html>
- <http://isg.ee.ethz.ch/tools/realmen/det/skel.en.html>
- <http://www.css.taylor.edu/~nehresma/samba.html>

### 18.6.4 Redirecting profile directories

Sometimes just removing directories from the profile is not enough. You may find that users lose files because they mistakenly save things into "My Documents" when this is not saved in the profiles. You may also want to redirect the directories used by some badly programmed applications to normal network shares.

**18.6.4.1 Redirecting using machine policies** All the instructions given above about machine policies apply here too. You can use `gpedit.msc` to edit the policy and copy it to all machines. The redirection should be available under "User Configuration> Windows Settings> Folder Redirection". Directories that it can be useful to redirect include Desktop and "My Documents".

One thing to remember is that if you enable folder redirection, those folders are automatically added to the synchronised folders list. If you do not want this, you should disable it via one of the following routes:

- "User Configuration> Administrative Templates> Network> Offline Files"
- "Computer Configuration> Administrative Templates> Network> Offline Files"

**18.6.4.2 Redirecting using global policies** FIXME explain how to use profiles from global policies for Windows machines in the skolelinux network

### 18.6.5 Unngå roaming-profiler

**18.6.5.1 Disabling roaming using a local policy** Using local policies, you can disable the roaming profile on individual machines. This is often wanted on special machines - for instance on dedicated machines, or machines that have lower than usual bandwidth.

You can use the machine policy method describe above; the key is in "Administrative Templates> System> User Profiles> Only allow local profiles".

**18.6.5.2 Disabling roaming using global policies** FIXME: Hva er nøkkelen for roaming profile for den globale policyeditoren

**18.6.5.3 Disabling roaming in smb.conf** If, perhaps, everyone has their own dedicated machine, and nobody else is allowed to touch it, editing the Samba configuration will let you disable roaming profiles for the entire network. You can alter the `smb.conf` file on tjener, unsetting the logon path and logon home variables, then restart samba.

```
logon path = ""
logon home = ""
```

## 18.7 Remote Desktop

### 18.7.1 Remote Desktop Service

Beginning with this release, choosing the thin client server profile or the combined server profile installs `xrdp`, a package which uses the Remote Desktop Protocol to present a graphical login to a remote client. Microsoft Windows users can connect to the thin client server running `xrdp` without installing additional software - they simply start a Remote Desktop Connection on their Windows machine and connect.

Additionally, `xrdp` can connect to a VNC server or another RDP server.

Noen kommuner tilbyr skrivebordstilkopling over nettverket slik at studenter og lærere kan få tilgang til Skolelinux hjemmefra på hjemme-PC som kjører Windows, Mac eller Linux.

### 18.7.2 Available Remote Desktop clients

- `freerdp-x11` is installed by default and is capable of RDP and VNC.
  - RDP - the easiest way to access Windows terminal server. An alternative client package is `rdesktop`.
  - VNC client (Virtual Network Computer) gives access to Skolelinux remotely. An alternative client package is `xvncviewer`.

- NX graphical client gives students and teachers access to Skolelinux remotely on Windows, Mac or Linux PC. One municipality in Norway has provided NX support to all students since 2005. They report that the solution is stable.
- [Veiledning for Citrix ICA-klient](#) å kople til Windows terminaltjenere fra Skolelinux.

## 18.8 Veiledninger fra wiki.debian.org

Veiledninger fra <http://wiki.debian.org/DebianEdu/HowTo/> er enten bruker- eller utviklerorientert. La oss flytte de brukerorienterte veiledningene hit (og slette dem derfra)! (Men først må vi spørre forfatterne (se historien til disse sidene for å finne dem) om dem synes det er greit å flytte veiledningen og utgi dem under GPL.)

- <http://wiki.debian.org/DebianEdu/HowTo/LocalDeviceLtspsfs>
- <http://wiki.debian.org/DebianEdu/HowTo/LtspDisklessWorkstation>

## 19 Samba in Debian Edu

Samba (v3) in Debian Edu Squeeze has been fully prepared for use as an NT4-style domain controller with Windows XP, Windows Vista and Windows 7 as clients. After a machine has joined the domain, this machine can be fully managed with GOsa<sup>2</sup>.

### 19.1 Getting Started

This documentation presumes that you have installed the Debian Edu main server and maybe also a Debian Edu workstation to verify that working under Debian Edu/Skolelinux works for you. We presume that you have already created some users that can flawlessly use the Debian Edu workstation. We also presume that you have a Windows XP/Vista/7 workstation at hand, so you can test access to the Debian Edu main server from a Windows machine.

After installation of the Debian Edu main server the Samba host \\TJENER should be visible in your Windows Network Neighbourhood. Debian Edu's Windows domain is SKOLELINUX. Use a Windows machine (or a Linux system with smbclient) to browse your Windows/Samba network environment.

1. START -> Run command
2. enter \\TJENER and press return
3. -> a Windows Explorer window should open and show the netlogon share on \\TJENER, and maybe printers you already have configured for printing under Unix/Linux (CUPS queues).

#### 19.1.1 Accessing files via Samba

Student and teacher user accounts that have been configured via GOsa<sup>2</sup> should be able to authenticate against \\TJENER\\HOMES or \\TJENER\\<username> and access their home directories with Windows machines **not** joined to the Windows SKOLELINUX domain.

1. START -> Run command
2. enter \\TJENER\\HOMES or \\TJENER\\<username> and press return
3. enter your login credentials (username, password) in the authentication dialog window that appears
4. -> a Windows Explorer window should open and show files and folders in your Debian Edu home directory.

By default only the [homes] and the [netlogon] shares are exported; further share examples for students and teachers can be found in `/etc/samba/smb-debian-edu.conf` on your Debian Edu main server.

## 19.2 Domain Membership

To use Samba on TJENER as a domain controller, your network's Windows workstations have to join the SKOLELINUX domain provided by the Debian Edu main server.

The first thing you have to do is to enable the SKOLELINUX\Administrator account. This account is not intended for day-to-day usage; its current main purpose is to add Windows machines to the SKOLELINUX domain. To enable this account log on to TJENER as the first user (created during main server installation) and run this command:

- `$ sudo smbpasswd -e Administrator`

The password of SKOLELINUX\Administrator has been preconfigured during the main server's installation. Please use the system's root account when authenticating as SKOLELINUX\Administrator.

Once you are done with your administrative work make sure to disable the SKOLELINUX\Administrator account again:

- `$ sudo smbpasswd -d Administrator`

### 19.2.1 Windows hostname

Make sure your Windows machine has the name that you want to use in the SKOLELINUX domain. If not, rename it first (and then reboot). The NetBIOS host name of the Windows machine will later on be used in GOsa<sup>2</sup> and cannot be changed there (without breaking the domain membership for this machine).

### 19.2.2 Joining the SKOLELINUX Domain with Windows XP

Joining Windows XP machines (tested with Service Pack 3) works out of the box.

NOTE: Windows XP Home does not support domain membership; Windows XP Professional is required here.

1. log on to the Windows XP machine as Administrator (or any other account with Administrator privileges)
2. click on Start then right-click on "Computer" and click on Properties"
3. select tab "Computer Name" and click on "Change..."
4. under "Member of", select the radio button beside Domain:", type SKOLELINUX and then click "OK"
5. a pop up box will request to enter credentials of an account with rights to join the domain. Type username SKOLELINUX\Administrator and the root password, click "OK"
6. a confirmation pop up box will welcome you to the SKOLELINUX domain. Clicking on "OK", will result in having another message informing that a reboot for the machine is required to apply the changes. Click on "OK"

After the reboot, when you login the first time, click on the "Options >>" button and select the domain SKOLELINUX instead of the local domain (this computer")

If joining the domain has been successful you should then be able to view the host details within GOsa<sup>2</sup> (under the menu section Systems").

### 19.2.3 Joining the SKOLELINUX Domain with Windows Vista/7

Joining Windows Vista/7 machines to the SKOLELINUX domain requires the installation of a registry patch on the Windows Vista/7 client. This patch is provided at this location:

- `\\tjener\netlogon\win7+samba_domain-membership\Win7_Samba3DomainMember.reg`

For further information please consult the included README\_Win7-Domain-Membership.txt in the same folder. Make sure you apply this patch as a local Administrator of the Windows system.

After applying the above patch and rebooting the client system you should be able to join the SKOLELINUX domain:

1. click on Start then right-click on "Computer" and click on Properties"

2. the basic system information page will open. Under "Computer name, domain, and workgroup settings", click on "Change Settings"
3. on the System Properties page, click on "Change..."
4. under "Member of", select the radio button beside Domain:", type SKOLELINUX and then click "OK"
5. a pop up box will request to enter credentials of an account with rights to join the domain. Type username SKOLELINUX\Administrator and the root password, click "OK"
6. a confirmation pop up box will welcome you to the SKOLELINUX domain. Clicking on "OK", will result in having another message informing that a reboot for the machine is required to apply the changes. Click on "OK"

After the reboot, when you login the first time, click on the "Options >>button and select the domain SKOLELINUX instead of the local domain (this computer")

If joining the domain has been successful you should then be able to view the host details within GOsa<sup>2</sup> (under the menu section Systems").

### 19.3 First Domain Logon

Debian Edu ships some logon scripts that pre-configure the Windows user profile on first logon. When logging on to a Windows workstation that has joined the SKOLELINUX domain for the first time the following tasks are run:

1. copy the user's Firefox profile to a separate location and register that with Mozilla Firefox on Windows
2. set up Web-Proxy and start page in Firefox
3. set up Web-Proxy and start page in IE
4. add a MyHome icon to the Desktop that points to drive H: and opens Windows Explorer on double-click

Other tasks are run on every logon. For further information on this, please refer to the `/etc/samba/netlogon` folder on your Debian Edu main server.

## 20 Veiledninger for undervisning og læring

All the Debian packages on this page can be installed by running either `aptitude install <package>` or `apt-get install <package>` (as root).

### 20.1 moodle

**Moodle** is a free, Open Source course management system - software designed using sound pedagogical principles to help educators create effective online learning communities. You can download and use it on any computer (including webhosts), yet it can scale from a single-teacher site to a University with 200,000 students. Some schools in France use Moodle to keep track of students' facilities and credit points.


Det er **Moodle nettsteder** over hele verden, men mest konsentrert i Europa og Nord Amerika. se på et nettsted for en **institusjon** nær deg for å få et eksempel på hva Moodle er. Mer informasjon er tilgjengelig på **prosjektsiden for moodle**, inkludert **dokumentasjon** og **støttesider**.

### 20.2 Teaching Prolog

**SWI-Prolog** is an open source implementation of the programming language Prolog, commonly used for teaching and semantic web applications.

### 20.3 Overvåkning av elever

Some schools use control tools like **Controlaula** or **iTALC** to supervise their students. See also the **iTALC Wiki** (and the documentation in bug [511387](#)).

 **Warning:** make sure you know the status of the laws about monitoring and restricting computer users' activities in your jurisdiction.



## 20.4 Restricting pupils' network access

Some schools use **Squidguard** or **Dansguardian** to restrict Internet access.

## 20.5 Smart-Board integration

Some schools use the products of **Smarttech** for their teaching. You need a workstation with drivers and software for this, Smarttech has published some working non-free Software in a Debian Repository as a download. A local copy of this repository needs to be put inside the school network, so that the smartboard software could be installed on our machines. So teachers and pupils can prepare for class on every computer:

### 20.5.1 Providing the repository on tjener

Download the repository as a tar.gz file from [http://smarttech.com/us/Support/Browse+Support/Download+Software/Software/SMART+Notebook+collaborative+learning+software/Previous+versions/SMART+Notebook+10\\_2+for+Linux](http://smarttech.com/us/Support/Browse+Support/Download+Software/Software/SMART+Notebook+collaborative+learning+software/Previous+versions/SMART+Notebook+10_2+for+Linux).

```
# move the tar.gz file to a repository directory on the school network's webroot ↵
    (by default located on tjener):
root@tjener:~#
mkdir /etc/debian-edu/www/debian
mv smartnotebook10_2spldebianrepository.tar.gz /etc/debian-edu/www/debian
# change into the new directory
root@tjener:~# cd /etc/debian-edu/www/debian
# extract the file
root@tjener:~# tar xzvf smartnotebook10_2spldebianrepository.tar.gz
```

### 20.5.2 Add the needed packages to the PXE installation image

Add the following lines to `/etc/debian-edu/www/debian-edu-install.dat.local`:

```
d-i apt-setup/local1/repository string http://www/debian/ stable non-free
d-i apt-setup/local1/comment string SMART Repo
d-i apt-setup/local1/key string http://www/debian/swbuild.asc
d-i pkgsel/include string smart-activation,smart-common,smart-gallerysetup,smart- ↵
    hwr,smart-languagesetup,smart-notebook,smart-notifier,smart-product-drivers
```

Update the preseed file:

```
/usr/sbin/debian-edu-pxeinstall
```

After this, new installations via PXE will have the **SmartBoard** software installed.

### 20.5.3 Adding the SmartBoard software manually after installation

The following instructions are for updating LTSP chroots.

Using an editor add the following lines to `/etc/apt/sources.list` in the chroot:

```
### SMART Repo
deb http://www/debian/ stable non-free
```

Start the editor like this:

```
ltsp-chroot -a i386 editor /etc/apt/sources.list
```

Add the repository key and install the software:

```
ltsp-chroot -a i386 wget http://www/debian/swbuild.asc
ltsp-chroot -a i386 apt-key add swbuild.asc
ltsp-chroot -a i386 rm swbuild.asc
# update the dpkg database and install the wanted packages
ltsp-chroot -a i386 aptitude update
ltsp-chroot -a i386 aptitude install smart-activation,smart-common,smart- ↵
    gallerysetup,smart-hwr,smart-languagesetup,smart-notebook,smart-notifier, ↵
    smart-product-drivers
```

## 20.6 Veiledninger fra wiki.debian.org

The HowTos from <http://wiki.debian.org/DebianEdu/HowTo/> are either user- or developer-specific. Let's move the user-specific HowTos over here (and delete them over there)! (But first ask the authors if they are happy with moving them and putting them under the GPL - see the page histories to find them.)

- <http://wiki.debian.org/DebianEdu/HowTo/TeacherFirstStep> -uferdig men interessant

## 21 Veiledninger for brukere

### 21.1 Endre passord

Every user should change her or his password by using GOSa<sup>2</sup>. To do so, just use a browser and go to <https://www.gosa/>.

Using GOSa<sup>2</sup> to change the password ensures that Kerberos (krbPrincipalKey), LDAP (userPassword) and Samba (sambaNTPassword and sambaLMPassword) passwords are the same.

Changing passwords using PAM is working (ie at the KDM/GDM login prompt), but this will only update the Kerberos password, and not the Samba and GOSa<sup>2</sup> (LDAP) password. So after you changed your password at the login prompt, you really should also change it using GOSa<sup>2</sup>.

### 21.2 Using email

All users can send and receive mails within the internal network. To allow mail outside the internal network, the administrator needs to configure the mailserver `exim4` to suit the local situation, starting with `dpkg-reconfigure exim4-config`.

Every user who wants to use KMail needs to configure it as follows.

Start KMail, click "Next" in the Account Wizard, select IMAP as account type, click "Next". Enter real name and e-mail address `username@postoffice.intern`, click "Next". Check if the username is correct, don't enter the password, click "Next". (Kerberos provides single sign on concerning SMTP and IMAP, so you don't have to enter your password.) Enter `postoffice.intern` twice as server name, click "Finish". Close the tip of the day. Click "Settings" in the KMail menu, select "Configure KMail...", then click on "Accounts". Click "Modify...", then "Continue to accept the certificate problem and Forever", "OK", "Apply" and once more "OK". That's it!

Now send a test email to yourself. (This will create the IMAP folders on the server.) Wait a little bit, then click "Check Mail" in the KMail menu. There should be your recently sent email in the inbox below of "intern".

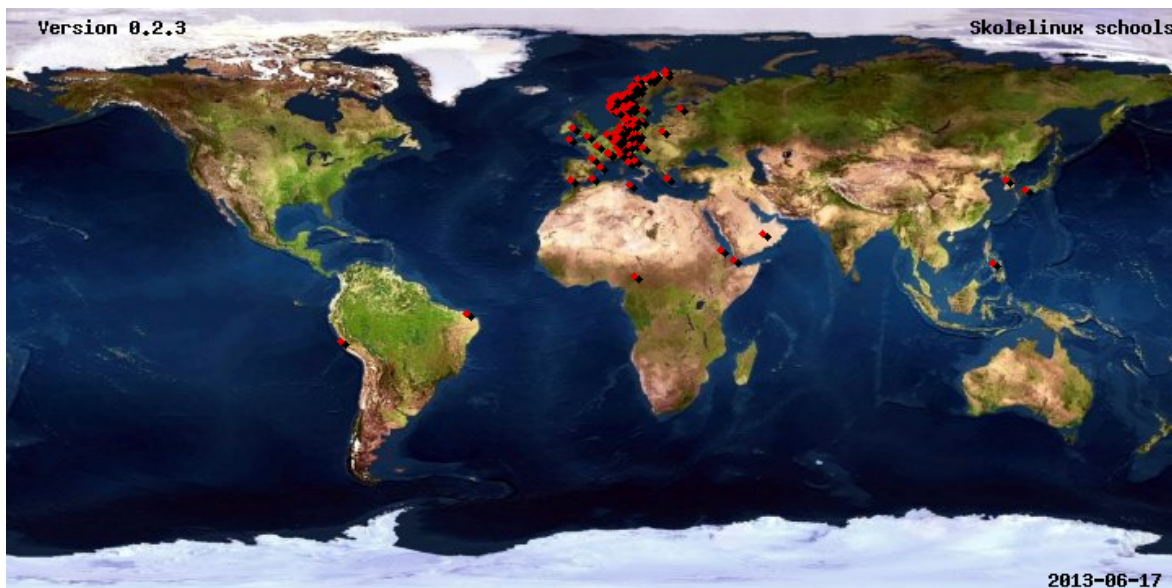
### 21.3 Volume control

On thin clients, `pavucontrol` or `alsamixer` (but not `kmix`) can be used to change audio volume.

On other machines (workstations, LTSP servers, and diskless workstations), `kmix` or `alsamixer` can be used.

## 22 Bidra

### 22.1 La oss vite at du er der



There are Debian Edu users all over the world. A very easy form of contribution is to let us know you exist and use Debian Edu - this motivates us very much and therefore is already a valuable contribution. 😊

Debian Edu-prosjektet har en database over skoler og brukere av systemet for å hjelpe brukere til å finne hverandre, og også til å ha en idé om hvor brukerne av distribusjonen er lokalisert. Det er fint om vi får vite om din installasjon, ved å registrere den i databasen. For å registrere skolen din, [bruk dette skjemaet](#).

### 22.2 Bidra lokalt

Currently there are local teams in Norway, Germany, the region of Extremadura in Spain, Taiwan and France. "Isolated" contributors and users exist in Greece, the Netherlands, Japan and elsewhere.

The [support chapter](#) has explanations and links to localised resources, as *contribute* and *support* are two sides of the same coin.

### 22.3 Bidra globalt

Internationally we are organised into various [teams](#) working on different subjects.

Most of the time, the [developer mailing list](#) is our main medium for communication, though we have monthly IRC meetings on #debian-edu on irc.debian.org and even, less frequently, real gatherings, where we meet each other in person. [New contributors](#) should read our <http://wiki.debian.org/DebianEdu/ArchivePolicy>.

En fin måte å få med seg hva som foregår i utviklingen av Debian Edu er å melde seg på [e-postlisten for innmeldinger av bidrag](#).

### 22.4 Dokumentasjonskrivere og oversettere

This document needs your help! First and foremost, it is not finished yet: if you read it, you will notice various FIXMEs within the text. If you happen to know (a bit of) what needs to be explained there, please consider sharing your knowledge with us.

The source of the text is a wiki and can be edited with a simple webbrowser. Just go to <http://wiki.debian.org/DebianEdu/Documentation/Squeeze/> and you can contribute easily. Note: a user account is needed to edit the pages; you need to [create a wiki user](#) first.

Another very good way to contribute and to help users is by translating software and documentation. Information on how to translate this document can be found in the [translations chapter](#) of this book. Please consider helping the translation effort of this book!

## 23 Støtte

### 23.1 Frivillighetsbasert støtte

#### 23.1.1 På engelsk

- <http://wiki.debian.org/DebianEdu>
- <https://init.linpro.no/mailman/skolelinux.no/listinfo/admin-discuss> - support mailing list
- #debian-edu on irc.debian.org - IRC channel, mostly development related; do not expect real time support even though it frequently happens 😊

#### 23.1.2 På norsk

- <https://init.linpro.no/mailman/skolelinux.no/listinfo/bruker> - support mailing list
- <https://init.linpro.no/mailman/skolelinux.no/listinfo/linuxiskolen> - mailing list for the development member organisation in Norway (FRISK)
- #skolelinux on irc.debian.org - IRC channel to support Norwegian users

#### 23.1.3 På tysk

- <http://www.skolelinux.de/mailman/listinfo/user> - support mailing list
- <http://wiki.skolelinux.de> - wiki with lots of HowTos etc.
- #skolelinux.de on irc.debian.org - IRC channel to support German users

#### 23.1.4 På fransk

- <http://lists.debian.org/debian-edu-french> - support mailing list

#### 23.1.5 På spansk

- <http://www.skolelinux.es> - Spanish portal

### 23.2 Profesjonell support

Lists of companies providing professional support are available from <http://wiki.debian.org/DebianEdu/Help/ProfessionalHelp>.

## 24 New features in Debian Edu Squeeze

### 24.1 Changes for Debian Edu 6.0.7+r1 Codename Squeezereleased 2013-03-03

- Debian Edu 6.0.7+r1 Codename Squeeze" is an incremental update to Debian Edu 6.0.4+r0, containing all the changes between Debian 6.0.4 and 6.0.7 as well as the following changes:
- sitesummary was updated from 0.1.3 to 0.1.8
  - Make Nagios configuration more robust and efficient
  - Comply with 3.X kernel
- debian-edu-doc from 1.4~20120310~6.0.4+r0 to 1.4~20130228~6.0.7+r1
  - Minor updates from the wiki
  - Danish translation now complete
- debian-edu-config from 1.453 to 1.455

- Fix /etc/hosts for LTSP diskless workstations. Closes: #699880
  - Make ltsp\_local\_mount script work for multiple devices.
  - Correct Kerberos user policy: don't expire password after 2 days. Closes: #664596
  - Handle '#' characters in the root or first users password. Closes: #664976
  - Fixes for gosa-sync:
    - \* Don't fail if password contains "
    - \* Don't disclose new password string in syslog
  - Fixes for gosa-create:
    - \* Invalidate libnss cache before applying changes
    - \* Multiple failures during mass user import into GOSa<sup>2</sup>
  - gosa-netgroups plugin: don't erase entries of attribute type "memberNisNetgroup". Closes: #687256
  - First user now uses the same Kerberos policy as all other users
  - Add Danish web page
- debian-edu-install from 1.528 to 1.530
    - Improve preseeding support and documentation

## 24.2 New features for Debian Edu 6.0.4+r0 Codename Squeezereleased 2012-03-11

### 24.2.1 User visible changes

- Updated artwork and new Debian Edu / Skolelinux logo, visible during installation, in the login screen and as desktop wallpaper.
- Replace LWAT with GOSa<sup>2</sup> as the LDAP administration interface. See below and the [Getting started chapter](#) of the manual for more information on GOSa<sup>2</sup>.
- See below for a list of updated software.
- Show welcome page to users when they first log in. This default start page for Iceweasel is fetched from LDAP at installation and boot time for networked profiles. Set to <http://www.skolelinux.org/> for Standalone installations.
- New LXDE desktop option, in addition to KDE (default) and Gnome. As the Gnome option, the LXDE desktop option is only supported by the CD installation method.
- Speed up LTSP client boot.
- Provide a KDE menu entry for changing the password in GOSa<sup>2</sup>.
  - For more information on how to change passwords (including expired passwords at the KDM/GDM login prompt), please see the [HowTos for users](#) chapter of the manual.
- Add link to <http://linuxsignpost.org/> on the start page shown to new users.
- All LTSP servers are also [RDP servers](#) by default.
- Improve handling of removable media on thin clients. Show desktop notification longer when inserting new media and provide an option to start dolphin when such media is inserted.

### 24.2.2 Installation changes

- New version of debian-installer from Debian Squeeze, see [installation manual](#) for more details.
- Since root logins are no longer allowed when using gdm/kdm, a user in LDAP is set up during installation of the Main Server. This user is up as GOSA<sup>2</sup> administrator and is also granted sudo access. The Debian Edu menu reordering has been enabled as well, by adding the user also to the `teachers` group.
- The `.iso` images can directly be copied onto USB sticks, for example by using `dd` or even `cat`..
- New roaming workstation profile for laptops.
- Device access for all users is handled by [PolicyKit](#), and no extra group memberships are needed to get access to devices.
- A warning will be issued when installing on too small disks for the selected profile.
- Simplify partitioning for Standalone installs to only have a separate `/home/` but no separate `/usr` anymore.
- More tests in the test suite, and correct some of the tests that failed earlier.
- Make sure to report an error and abort the installation when trying to use the `netinst` images without a working Internet connection, instead of silently installing a broken system.

### 24.2.3 Software updates

- Everything which is new in Debian Squeeze:
  - compatibility with the FHS v2.3 and software developed for version 3.2 of the LSB.
  - Linux kernel 2.6.32
  - Desktop environments KDE Plasma<sup>4</sup> 4.4 and GNOME 2.30
  - Web browser Iceweasel 3.5
  - OpenOffice.org 3.2.1
  - Educational toolbox GCompris 9.3
  - Music creator Rosegarden 10.04.2
  - Image editor Gimp 2.6.10
  - Virtual universe Celestia 1.6.0
  - Virtual stargazer Stellarium 0.10.4
  - Debian Squeeze includes over 10,000 new packages available for installation, including the browser Chromium
  - More information about Debian Squeeze 6.0 is provided in the [release notes](#) and the [installation manual](#).

### 24.2.4 Infrastructural changes

- The 10.0.0.0/8 network is used instead of 10.0.2.0/23, and the default gateway is 10.0.0.1/8, not 10.0.2.1/8 as used in the past.
  - The dynamic DHCP range was extended on the backbone network to around 4k IP addresses, and around 200 IP addresses for the thin client network.
  - The DHCP network for 10.0.0.0/8 has been renamed from `barebone` to `intern`
  - There are no pre-defined host entries for client systems in DNS anymore (`staticXX`, ..., `dhcpYY`...)
- MIT Kerberos5 used for user authentication, enabled for:
  - PAM
  - IMAP
  - SMTP

- NFSv4, but without added Kerberos privacy/integrity/authentication. The machines still have to be added to the `workstation` netgroup to be able to mount the home directories
- Full Samba NT4 domain support for Windows XP/Vista/7
- A complete PXE boot environment is setup when installing from the DVD, so that further installations can be done using PXE network installs only. A new script `pxe-addfirmware` is provided to support more hardware models needing firmware.
- Remove all hard coded settings on workstations, and configure workstations and roaming workstations using settings detected from the environment using DNS, DHCP and LDAP. See this [blog post with more information on the changes](#).

#### 24.2.5 Documentation and translation updates

- Translation updates for the templates used in the installer. These templates are now available in 28 languages.
- The Debian Edu Squeeze Manual has generally been cleaned up and improved. A proof-read with corrections was done by a native English linguist.
- The Debian Edu Squeeze Manual is fully translated to German, French, Italian and Danish (new). Partly translated versions exist for Norwegian Bokmal and Spanish.
- Improvements to many language tasks, especially French and Danish.
- Improvements to the welcome web page shown at first logins.
  - Add new Japanese, Portuguese and Catalan translations of the welcome web page.

#### 24.2.6 Regressions

- **CD and DVD installs are different** - the DVD is only suitable for installing a KDE environemnt.
- Drop support for `powerpc` architecture from `netinst` installation CDs. It is still possible to run Debian Edu on `powerpc`, but installation is less automated.
- Drop `gtick` in the default installation, because it doesn't work on thin clients (BTS #566335).

#### 24.2.7 New administration tool: GOsa<sup>2</sup>

- `gosa` (2.6.11-3+squeeze1~edu+1) from the upcoming 6.0.5 Debian point release, with:
  - Fix DHCP host removal. Closes: #650258
  - Backport user generator unicode character transliteration. Closes: #657086
- Customized GOsa<sup>2</sup> configuration to better suit the Debian Edu network architecture.
  - GOsa<sup>2</sup> updates DNS and NFS exports immediately when a system is updated in LDAP, making diskless workstations work right after they are added to the required netgroup.
- Provide script `sitesummary2ldapdhcp` to update or populate GOsa<sup>2</sup> with system objects using information gathered by `sitesummary`, to make it easier to add new computers to the network.

#### 24.2.8 More software changes

- Add video editor `Kdenlive` 0.7.7 and interactive geometry tool `Geogebra` 3.2.42
- Change default package manager from `adept` to `synaptic`, to avoid getting two graphical package managers installed by default.
- Install `openoffice.org-kde` by default ensure `OoO` uses KDE file dialogs in KDE.
- Change video player setup to install different players in KDE (`dragonplayer`), `Gnome` (`totem`) and `LXDE` (`totem`).



- Add KDE tools freespacenotifier, kinfocenter, update-notifier-kde to the default KDE installation.
- Replace network-manager-kde with plasma-widget-networkmanagement in the standalone KDE profile
- Install usb-modeswitch on laptops to handle dual mode USB devices.
- Add cifs-utils to the default installation to ensure SMB mounting can work in any profile.
- Drop octave, gpsscorrelate, qlandkartegt, viking, starplot, kig, kseg, luma, and valgrind from the default installation and the DVD to make room for higher priority packages.
- Drop libnss-mdns from stationary profiles, to make sure DNS is the authoritative source of host names.
- `freerdp-x11` is installed by default as RDP and VNC client. (Previously `rdesktop` was installed instead.)

#### 24.2.9 Other LDAP related changes

- Make the LDAP server handle more clients after increasing the server's file descriptor limit from 1024 to 32768.
- Add code to re-enable stopped CUPS queues every hour on the Main Server, and flush all CUPS queues every night. Both can be disabled in LDAP.
- Provide network blocking / exam mode by default, controlled by LDAP. In addition to network blocking, changes to the Squid proxy configuration is needed.
- Enable automatic extending of full file systems on the Main Server by default. This can be disabled in LDAP.
- Change SSL certificate name used by the LDAP server and adjust clients to use the new name to be able to enable certificate checking on clients.
- Switch PowerDNS to use strict LDAP mode, to allow us to simplify the LDAP setup used for DNS.
- Simplify autofs LDAP rules to make sure they work with extra home directory partitions exported from the main-server without any changes.
- Make backup system more robust in handling LDAP database dump and restart.

#### 24.2.10 Other changes

- Root logins are denied for both KDM and GDM - see above and [Getting started](#) for details.
- Clients set up to shut down at night will stay up for at least an hour if they are turned on manually between 16:00 and 07:00.
- Additionally use local NTP clock on the main-server to ensure clients and server sync clocks also when disconnected from the Internet.
- Access to Debian repositories is always done via a proxy on the main server - read more about the implementation details [using DHCP and WPAD](#)
- The `home0` partition is mounted `nosuid`, to increase security.
- Change KDE/Akonadi configuration to reduce the disk footprint of every user from 144 to 24 MiB.
- New tool `notify-local-users` to send desktop notification to all logged in users on a machine. Useful for thin client servers.



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- `git clone git://anonscm.debian.org/debian-edu/debian-edu-doc.git`

Then edit the file `documentation/debian-edu-squeeze/debian-edu-squeeze-manual.$CC.po` (replacing `$CC` with your language code). There are many tools for translating available; we suggest using `lokalize`.

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- `git pull`

Read `/usr/share/doc/debian-edu-doc/README.debian-edu-squeeze-manual-translations` to find information how to create a new PO file for your language if there isn't one yet, and how to update translations.

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If you are new to Git, look at the [Pro Git](#) book; it has a chapter on the [recording changes to the repository](#). Also you might want to look at the `gitk` package that provides a GUI for Git.

Meld fra om eventuelle problemer.

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### 28.1 Utgivelsesmanual for Debian Edu 6.0.7+r1 kodenavn Squeeze

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## 29 Appendix B - no Debian Edu Live CD/DVDs for Squeeze yet

 Debian Edu Live CD/DVDs for Squeeze are not available at the moment.

### 29.1 Egenskaper ved frittstående-disken

- Nesten alle pakker fra frittståendeprofilen
- Alle pakker fra pakkesamlingen for bærbare
- KDE skrivebordsprofilen for studenter/elever.

### 29.2 Aktiverer oversettelser og regional støtte

To activate a specific translation, boot using `locale=ll_CC.UTF-8` as a boot option, where `ll_CC.UTF-8` is the locale name you want. To activate a given keyboard layout, use the `keyb=KB` option where `KB` is the desired keyboard layout. More information on this feature [is available from the live CD build script documentation](#). Here is a list of commonly used locale codes:


Spåk (Region)	Lokalkode	Tastaturutlegg
Norsk bokmål	nb_NO.UTF-8	no
Norsk nynorsk	nn_NO.UTF-8	no
Tysk	de_DE.UTF-8	de
Fransk (Frankrike)	fr_FR.UTF-8	fr
Gresk (Hellas)	el_GR.UTF-8	el
Japansk	ja_JP.UTF-8	jp
Nordsamisk (Norge)	se_NO	no(smi)

En fullstendig liste over lokalkoder er tilgjengelig i `/usr/share/i18n/SUPPORTED`, men bare UTF-8 lokalkoder er støttet av liveCD/DVDer. Ikke alle lokaler har oversettelser installert, men navn på tastaturutlegget finner man i `/usr/share/keymaps/i386/`.

### 29.3 Ting man må vite

- The password for the user is "user"; root has no passwd set.

### 29.4 Kjente problemer med CD/DVDen

-  There are no squeeze images yet 😞

### 29.5 Last ned

The image is 1.2 GiB and would be (but currently isn't) available via [FTP](#), [HTTP](#) or rsync from `ftp.skolelinux.org` under `cd-squeeze-live/`.

## 30 Appendix C - Features in older releases

### 30.1 New in Debian Edu 5.0.6+edu1 Codename Lennyreleased 2010-10-05

- Everything that is new in Debian [5.0.5](#) and [5.0.6](#), which includes support for some new hardware. 5.0.5 and 5.0.6 are maintenance releases and generally don't add new features

- Several bugfixes, including fixes for Skolelinux bugs #1436, #1427, #1441, #1413, #1450 and Debian bugs #585966, #585772, #585968, #586035 and #585966 plus several which were not filed
- Merge new web pages from Squeeze - the text is the same, but it provides a new translation for zh, complete translations for all included languages (de, es, fr, it, nb, nl, ru, zh), and a rename of the .no page to .nb to reflect the language used
- Debian-edu-install: Slovak translation added, updates to German, Basque, Italian, Bokmal, Vietnamese and Chinese translations.
- Debian-edu-doc: improvements to Italian, Bokmal and German translations as well as overall content and layout
- Sitesummary: various improvements; most notably, several Nagios checks were added to monitor system health
- Shutdown-at-night: fix #1435 (did not work with the LDAP host groups populated by lwat).

### 30.2 New features in Debian Edu 5.0.4+edu0 Codename Lenny released 2010-02-08

- Everything that is new in Debian 5.0.4; see the [following paragraph](#) for details.
- More than 80 applications relevant for education are included based on user feedback and user statistics (through [Debian Edu popularity contest](#)). The full list of packages is given in the [task overview page](#).
- Skrivebordet er forbedret, og har som standard snarveier til GCompris, Kalzium, KGeography, KMplot, KStars, Stopmotion og OpenOffice writer + Impress.
- Dynamiske skrivebordsikoner og menyer som justerer seg basert på brukergruppe.
- Gnome added as a supported desktop; see the [Installation chapter](#) to learn how to install with GNOME instead of KDE as desktop.
- Støtte for over 50 ulike språk.
- Forbedret system for brukeradministrasjon og maskingjennkjenning.
- Forbedret oppsett av diskløse arbeidsstasjoner og tynnklienter.
- Ny oppstartsmeny som lar brukerne velge mellom diskløs arbeidsstasjon, tynnklient eller arbeidsstasjon.
- Mulighet for diskløse arbeidsstasjoner er installert, men ikke aktivert på alle tjenere med LTSP -profil.
- Main-server is set up as a PXE server for booting thin clients and diskless workstations, and for installing to clients' hard or flash drives.
- The configuration for DNS and DHCP is stored in LDAP and can be edited using lwat. The DNS server has been switched from bind9 to powerdns.
- LDAP server for directory services (NSS) is located using a SRV record in DNS instead of hardcoding the 'ldap' DNS name. LDAP server for password checks (PAM) is still using the hardcoded 'ldap' DNS name.
- Multi-architecture (amd64/i386/powerpc) net installer CD.
- (Most) Packages are downloaded over the Internet.
- Multi-architecture (amd64/i386) installer DVD capable of installing without network.
- PulseAudio is provided in addition to ALSA and OSS for sound on workstations and diskless workstation machines.
- Profilen *Barebone* er døpt om til *Minimal*, for bedre å illustrere hva den innebærer.
- Konfigurasjon av Nagios3 er nå automatisk satt opp av Sitesummary

- per-bruker filen `~/ .xsession-errors` er nå trunket automatisk når bruker logger inn, for å unngå å fylle opp hjemme- mappenens partrisjon med logger som vokser uendelig. Brukeren kan slå av dette ved å lage `~/ .xsession-errors-enable`. Systemets administrator kan konfigurere systemet til å omdirigere filen til `/dev/null` ved å endre `/etc/X11/Xsession.d/05debian-edu-truncate-xerrorlog`.
- For å forenkle installasjonen av Skolelinux/DebianEdu på maskinvare som trenger ufrie drivere, så inneholder CD og DVD følgende drivere: `firmware-bnx2`, `firmware-bnx2x`, `firmware-ipw2x00`, `firmware-iwlwifi`, `firmware-qlogic` and `firmware-ralink`.

### 30.3 Nye egenskaper i Debian 5.0.4 som Skolelinux/Debian Edu 5.0.4+edu0 er basert på

- Ny Linuxkjerne 2.6.26 har støtte for mer maskinvare
- With this release, Debian GNU/Linux updates from X.Org 7.1 to X.Org 7.3 (which includes support of newer hardware) and now includes the desktop environments KDE 3.5.10 and GNOME 2.22. Updates of other desktop applications include Iceweasel (version 3.0.6, which is the unbranded Firefox web browser) and Icedove (version 2.0.0.19, which is the unbranded Thunderbird mail client) as well as upgrades to Evolution 2.22.3, **OpenOffice.org** 2.4.1, and Pidgin 2.4.3 (formerly known as Gaim). SWI-prolog is back.
- Installasjon fra CD/DVD fra Windows
- Byttet fra `sysklogd` til `rsyslog` for innhenting av `syslog`.
- For mer informasjon kan du se på siden **New in Lenny** på [wiki.debian.org](http://wiki.debian.org)

### 30.4 Nye egenskaper i «3.0r1 Terra»-utgaven 2007-12-05

- Forbedret dokumentasjon med oppdaterte oversettelser til tysk, norsk bokmål og italiensk.
- Includes more than 40 bug fixes, improvements and security updates that came to our attention after the 3.0r0 release

### 30.5 Nye egenskaper i «3.0r0 Terra»-utgaven 2007-07-22

- Basert på Debian 4.0 Etch, gitt ut 2007-04-08
- Grafisk installasjonsprogram med musstøtte
- Oppstartsbilde med `usplash`
- LSB 3.1-kompatibel
- Linux kjerneversjon 2.6.18
  - Støtte for SATA-kontrollere og harddisker
- X.org versjon 7.1.
- KDE skrivebordsmiljø versjon 3.5.5
- OpenOffice.org versjon 2.0.
- LTSP5 (versjon 0.99debian12)
- Automatisk sporing av installerte maskiner ved hjelp av `Sitesummary`.
- Automatisk oppsett av `munin` med hjelp fra `Sitesummary`.
- Automatisk versjonskontroll av oppsettsfiler i `/etc/` ved hjelp av `svk`.
- File systems can be extended while the file system is mounted.
  - Support for automatically extending file systems based on predefined rules.
- Støtte for lokale enheter på tynnklienter.

- Nye prosessorarkitekturer: amd64 (fullt støttet) og powerpc (eksperimentell støtte, installasjonsmedia starter bare opp på underarkitekturen newworld)
- Flerarkitektur-DVD for i386, amd64 og powerpc
- Tilbakeskritt: CD-installasjonen krever internettilgang under installasjon. Tidligere versjoner kunne installeres fra en CD uten internettilgang.
- Regresjon: `webmin` er nå fjernet fra Debian på grunn av problemer med å støtte det. Vi har lagt til et nytt nettbasert brukeradministrasjonsverktøy som heter `lwat`. Det har ikke har den samme funksjonalitet som `wlws`, det gamle brukeradministrasjonsverktøyet. Men `wlws` krever `webmin`.
- Regression: `swi-prolog` is not part of Etch, but was part of Sarge. The [HowTo teach and learn](#) Chapter describes how to install `swi-prolog` on Etch.

### 30.6 Fremtrukne egenskaper i 2.0 utgaven 2006-03-14

- Basert på Debian 3.1 Sarge, gitt ut 2005-06-06
- Linux kjerneversjon 2.6.8
- XFree86 versjon 4.3.
- KDE versjon 3.3.
- OpenOffice.org 1.1.

### 30.7 Egenskaper i «1.0 Venus»-utgaven 2004-06-20

- Basert på Debian 3.0 Woody, gitt ut 2002-07-19.
- Linux kjerneversjon 2.4.26
- XFree86 versjon 4.1.
- KDE versjon 2.2.

### 30.8 More information on even older releases

More information on even older releases can be found at <http://developer.skolelinux.no/info/cdbygging/news.html>.