VMWare Server 2.0

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Installation memo of VMWare Server 2.0.2 build-203138 on Ubuntu 9.10.

Installation script
https://help.ubuntu.com/community/VMware/Server
  Without this I got a compile error while running vmware-config.pl

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- *VMWare Server (formerly VMWare GSX Server) is free, and VMWare ESX is not.*
- *VMWare Workstation is also not free.*

Boot you virtual machine from a physical disk partition.
Before VMWare Server version 2.0 (including v1.0, and GSX server), there was a option to select physical disk during the process of creating a new virtual machine. For version 2.0, the feature seems disappeared. But you can add a physical disk by adding a **passthrough SCSI Device**. To figure out which device points to which disk, you can check *dmesg* on your host.

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dmesg |grep sg
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I successfully boot my guest Ubuntu on my physical disk. But I failed to boot Windows XP, which gives me a blue screen after the windows logo screen. Here is a link which tell me to prepare a profile on the gust XP, but It didn't help. Finally, I just gave up to cut off the loss of time. http://www.vmware.com/support/gsx3/doc/disks_dualboot_gsx.html