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Chapter 1.
DGX SOFTWARE FOR RED HAT ENTERPRISE LINUX 7 OVERVIEW

NVIDIA provides a NVIDIA® DGX™ software stack targeted for installation on DGX systems installed with Red Hat Enterprise Linux. The software stack provides the same features and functionality that are provided by the original DGX OS server software built upon the Ubuntu operating system. See also the DGX Software on Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7 Installation Guide.
The DGX Software for Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7 - Version EL7-18.11- is available.

Software Contents
The following table provides version information for software included in the DGX Software Stack for Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7 and Red Hat-derived operating systems.

Unlike the DGX OS shipped with the NVIDIA DGX-1, the DGX software stack for Red Hat-derived operating systems does not include the Mellanox OpenFabrics Enterprise Distribution (MLNX_OFED) for Linux. This is due to the likelihood of the MLNX_OFED kernel being out of sync with the Red Hat distribution kernel. This can result in system instability. To use InfiniBand on the DGX-1, see the DGX Software for Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7 Installation Guide for instructions.

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TensorRT | 5.0.2.6-1
CUDA Toolkit | 10.0

Compatibility

NVIDIA has validated and tested the DGX Software version EL7-18.11 on the

- NVIDIA DGX-1 (Tesla V100) with
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.5.

2.1. Known Issues

- Black screen on BMC Remote Console with Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.5
- NVSM CLI Returns HTTP Code 500 Error After Hot-Plugging a Previously Removed SSD

2.1.1. Black Screen on BMC Remote Console with Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.5

Issue

After installing Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.5 and booting to the command line, the video output might display only a black screen and not show any regular characters (only bold or colored characters might be printed).

Workaround

Provide the additional ast.modeset=0 option to the kernel as follows.

1. Boot the system, then select Install Red Hat Enterprise Linux 7.5 from the grub menu and then press ‘e’ to edit the boot command.
2. Move the cursor down to the boot command line and add `ast.modeset=0` anywhere after the Linux boot image name “`linuxefi /vmlinuz-<version>`” as indicated in the following image.

3. Press **Ctrl-x** to boot the kernel with the modified setting.

   All characters should now be visible during the boot process and terminal log-in.

   Until you complete the installation of the “DGX Configurations” software group, you will need to perform these steps any time you reboot the system. After installing
the “DGX Configurations” software group, the software adds the modeset setting permanently and you no longer need to perform the steps manually.

2.1.2. NVSM CLI Returns HTTP Code 500 Error After Hot-Plugging a Previously Removed SSD

**Issue**

After removing one of the cache SSDs from the DGX-1, checking the status using NVSM CLI, and then hot-plugging the SSD back in, NVSM CLI reports an HTTP code 500 error. Example, where drive 20:4 is the reinserted SSD (20 is the enclosure ID and 4 is the drive slot):

```
  nvsm-> show /systems/localhost/storage/drives/20:4
/systems/localhost/storage/drives/20:4
ERROR:nvsm:Bad HTTP status code "500" from NVSM backend: Internal Server Error
```

**Explanation and Workaround**

After re-inserting the SSD back into the system, NVSM recognizes the drive but fails to get full device information from storCLI. Additionally, the RAID controller sets the array to offline and marks the re-inserted SSD as Unconfigured_Bad (UBad). This prevents the RAID 0 array from being recreated.

To correct this condition,

1. Set the drive back to a good state.

   ```
   # sudo /opt/MegaRAID/storcli/storcli64 /c0/e<enclosure_id>/s<drive_slot> set good force
   ```

2. Run the script to recreate the array.

   ```
   # sudo configure_raid_array.py -c -f
   ```
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