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Subject: Re: Linux Mandriva

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I've tried many distributions until now but Gentoo wasn't one of them. I've remained with Ubuntu for Desktop because Fedora wasn't worked all the time for me, Debian was to "heavy" (Lenny come with 5 DVD IIRC), Linspire and Slax were not on my taste, and i've remained with Ubuntu because I've done some contributions to it and it was "a better Linux" when i was started mainly using Linux. Mandriva was installed at University as second O.S. and i've tried it live this week at home. I have to say that first Linux distribution which was installed on my PC. was RedHat Linux, so maybe that's why i dislike using RPM based distributions because of troubles related to RPM packages i've had using RedHat some years ago.

I will try Gentoo too to see what it can do.

If others have other suggestions, i mainly looking at distro to:

be programmer friendly

have latest Gnome(currently i'm using it) or latest KDE by default(perhaps XFCE could be an option, but speed doesn't matter)

don't use RPM packages (use \*.gz(source), \*.deb or other "internationally" format)

Upp run on it

is fast (including load, unload)

have support for my wireless network card(if i will use it on notebook)

i can't think now at more details...