

Cisco UCS Scale-Up Solution for SAP HANA on Cisco UCS M5 Rack Servers with SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 15 for SAP Applications

Design and deploy an SAP HANA solution based on standalone Cisco UCS C-Series M5 rack servers with SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 15 for SAP Applications



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Executive summary

Organizations in every industry are generating and using more data than ever before: from customer transactions and supplier delivery information to real-time user-consumption statistics. Without reliable infrastructure that can store, process, and analyze big data sets in real time, companies cannot use this information to their advantage. The Cisco® Scale-Up Solution for SAP HANA with the Cisco Unified Computing System™ (Cisco UCS®) using the Cisco UCS M5 rack server helps companies more easily harness information and make better business decisions that let them stay ahead of the competition. Our solutions help improve access to all your data to accelerate business decision making with policy-based, simplified management, lower deployment risk, and reduced total cost of ownership (TCO). Our innovations help enable you to unlock the intelligence in your data and interpret it with a new dimension of context and insight to help you gain a sustainable, competitive business advantage.

The Cisco solution for SAP HANA with the Cisco UCS C-Series M5 rack-mount server provides a robust platform for SAP HANA workloads in a single node.

Solution overview

This section introduces the solution discussed in this document.

Introduction

The Cisco UCS C480 M5 Rack Server supports the SAP HANA scale-up solution with prevalidated, ready-to-deploy infrastructure. Solution configuration and validation requires less time and is less complex than with a traditional data center deployment. The reference architecture discussed in this document demonstrates the resiliency and ease of deployment of an SAP HANA solution.

SAP HANA is SAP's implementation of in-memory database (IMDB) technology. The SAP HANA database takes advantage of the low-cost main memory (RAM), faster access, and data-processing capabilities of multicore processors to provide better performance for analytical and transactional applications. SAP HANA offers a multiple-engine, query-processing environment that supports relational data (with both row- and column-oriented physical representations in a hybrid engine) as well as graph and text processing for semistructured and unstructured data management within the same system. SAP HANA combines software components from SAP optimized for certified hardware. However, this solution has a preconfigured hardware setup and preinstalled software package that is dedicated to SAP HANA.

SAP HANA Tailored Datacenter Integration (TDI) offers a more open and flexible way to integrate SAP HANA into the data center by reusing existing enterprise storage hardware, thereby reducing hardware costs. With the introduction of SAP HANA TDI for shared infrastructure, the Cisco UCS Integrated Infrastructure solution provides the advantages of an integrated computing, storage, and network stack and the programmability of Cisco UCS. SAP HANA TDI enables organizations to run multiple SAP HANA production systems on a shared infrastructure. It also enables customers to run SAP application servers and an SAP HANA database hosted on the same infrastructure.

For more information about SAP HANA, see the SAP help portal: <http://help.sap.com/hana/>.

Audience

The intended audience for this document includes sales engineers, field consultants, professional services staff, IT managers, partner engineers, and customers deploying the Cisco solution for SAP HANA. External references are provided wherever applicable, but readers are expected to be familiar with the technology, infrastructure, and database security policies of the customer installation.

Purpose of this document

This document describes the steps required to deploy and configure a Cisco data center solution for SAP HANA. This document showcases one of the variants of Cisco's solution for SAP HANA. Although readers of this document are expected to have sufficient knowledge to install and configure the products used, configuration details that are important to the deployment of this solution are provided in this document.

What's new in this release?

Design and deploy a SAP HANA scale-up solution based on the standalone Cisco UCS C480 M5 Rack Server with SUSE Linux Enterprise Server (SLES) 15 for SAP Applications.

Solution summary

This section briefly describes the components of the solution.

Cisco UCS C480 M5 Rack Server

The Cisco Scale-Up Solution for SAP HANA uses the Cisco UCS C480 M5 Rack Server. Tables 1, 2, and 3 summarize the server specifications and show proposed disk configurations for the SAP HANA use case.

Table 1. Overview of Cisco UCS C480 M5 Rack Server configuration

| | | |
|---|--|--|
| CPU specifications | 2.70-GHz Intel® Xeon® Platinum 8280L processor: Quantity 2 or 4 | |
| Possible memory configurations | Analytics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 16-GB DDR4: Quantity 12 (192 GB) • 32-GB DDR4: Quantity 12 (384 GB) • 32-GB DDR4: Quantity 24 (768 GB) • 64-GB DDR4: Quantity 24 (1.5 TB) • 128-GB DDR4: Quantity 24 (3 TB) | SAP Business Suite on SAP HANA (SoH): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 16-GB DDR4: Quantity 12 (192 GB) • 32-GB DDR4: Quantity 12 (384 GB) • 32-GB DDR4: Quantity 24 (768 GB) • 64-GB DDR4: Quantity 24 (1.5 TB) • 128-GB DDR4: Quantity 24 (3 TB) • 128-GB DDR4: Quantity 48 (6 TB) |
| Hard-disk drive (HDD) type and quantity | Any of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1.8-TB 10,000-rpm SAS drive: Quantity 20 • 3.8-TB solid-state disk (SSD): Quantity 8 • 3.8-TB SSD: Quantity 3 (up to 1.5-TB memory configurations) | |
| BIOS | C480M5.4.0.4b.0.0407190307 | |
| Cisco Integrated Management Controller (IMC) firmware | 4.0(4b) | |
| LSI MegaRAID controller | Cisco 12-Gbps SAS modular RAID controller | |
| Network card | Cisco UCS Virtual Interface Card (VIC) 1385: Quantity 1 For 10-Gbps connectivity: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Onboard Intel 1 Gigabit Ethernet controller: Quantity 2 • Onboard Intel 10BASE-T Ethernet controller: Quantity 2 | |
| Power supply | Redundant power supplies: Quantity 4 | |

Table 2. Cisco UCS C480 M5 proposed disk layout

| Disk | Disk type | Drive group | RAID level | Virtual drive |
|---|------------|-------------|------------|---------------|
| Slot (1 through 20) | SAS HDD | DG0 | 50 | VD0 |
| Slot (1 through 8) | SSD | DG0 | 5 | VD0 |
| Slot (1 through 3; up to 1.5 TB of RAM) | SSD | DG0 | 5 | VD0 |

Table 3. Cisco UCS C480 M5 proposed disk configuration

| Drives used | RAID type | Used for | File system |
|---|---|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Any of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 20 x 1.8-TB SAS HDD • 8 x 3.8-TB SSD • 3 x 3.8-TB SSD | Any of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RAID 50 • RAID 5 • RAID 5 | Operating system | Ext3 |
| | | Data file system | XFS |
| | | Log file system | XFS |
| | | SAP HANA shared file system | XFS |

Cisco UCS C240 M5 Rack Server

The Cisco Scale-Up Solution for SAP HANA can also be deployed on the Cisco UCS C240 M5 Rack Server. Tables 4, 5, and 6 summarize the server specifications and show proposed disk configurations for the SAP HANA use case.

Table 4. Overview of Cisco UCS C240 M5 Rack Server configuration

| | |
|---|--|
| CPU specifications | 2.70-GHz Intel Xeon Platinum 8280L processor: Quantity 2 |
| Possible memory configurations | Analytics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 16-GB DDR4: Quantity 12 (192 GB) • 32-GB DDR4: Quantity 12 (384 GB) • 32-GB DDR4: Quantity 24 (768 GB) • 64-GB DDR4: Quantity 24 (1.5 TB) • 128-GB DDR4: Quantity 24 (3 TB) |
| Hard-disk drive (HDD) type and quantity | Any of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1.8-TB 10,000-rpm SAS drive: Quantity 20 • 3.8-TB solid-state disk (SSD): Quantity 8 • 3.8-TB SSD: Quantity 3 (up to 1.5-TB memory configurations) |
| BIOS | C480M5.4.0.4b.0.0407190307 |
| Cisco Integrated Management Controller (IMC) firmware | 4.0(4b) |
| Network card | Cisco UCS Virtual Interface Card (VIC) 1385: Quantity 1 For 10-Gbps connectivity: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Onboard Intel 1 Gigabit Ethernet controller: Quantity 2 • Onboard Intel 10BASE-T Ethernet controller: Quantity 2 |
| Power supply | Redundant power supplies: Quantity 2 |

Table 5. Cisco UCS C240 M5 proposed disk layout

| Disk | Disk type | Drive group | RAID level | Virtual drive |
|---|------------|-------------|------------|---------------|
| Slot (1 through 20) | SAS HDD | DG0 | 50 | VD0 |
| Slot (1 through 8) | SSD | DG0 | 5 | VD0 |
| Slot (1 through 3; up to 1.5 TB of RAM) | SSD | DG0 | 5 | VD0 |

Table 6. Cisco UCS C240 M5 proposed disk configuration

| Drives used | RAID type | Used for | File system |
|---|---|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Any of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 20 x 1.8-TB SAS HDD • 8 x 3.8-TB SSD • 3 x 3.8-TB SSD | Any of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RAID 50 • RAID 5 • RAID 5 | Operating system | Ext3 |
| | | Data file system | XFS |
| | | Log file system | XFS |
| | | SAP HANA shared file system | XFS |

Cisco UCS C220 M5 Rack Server

The Cisco Scale-Up Solution for SAP HANA can also be deployed on the Cisco UCS C220 M5 Rack Server. Tables 7, 8, and 9 summarize the server specifications and show proposed disk configurations for the SAP HANA use case.

Table 7. Overview of Cisco UCS C220 M5 Rack Server configuration

| | |
|---|--|
| CPU specifications | 2.70-GHz Intel Xeon Platinum 8280L processor: Quantity 2 |
| Possible memory configurations | Analytics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 16-GB DDR4: Quantity 12 (192 GB) • 32-GB DDR4: Quantity 12 (384 GB) • 32-GB DDR4: Quantity 24 (768 GB) • 64-GB DDR4: Quantity 24 (1.5 TB) • 128-GB DDR4: Quantity 24 (3 TB) |
| Hard-disk drive (HDD) type and quantity | Any of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3.8-TB solid-state disk (SSD): Quantity 8 • 3.8-TB SSD: Quantity 3 (up to 1.5-TB memory configurations) |
| BIOS | C480M5.4.0.4b.0.0407190307 |
| Cisco Integrated Management Controller (IMC) firmware | 4.0(4b) |
| Network card | Cisco UCS Virtual Interface Card (VIC) 1385: Quantity 1 For 10-Gbps connectivity: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Onboard Intel 1 Gigabit Ethernet controller: Quantity 2 • Onboard Intel 10BASE-T Ethernet controller: Quantity 2 |
| Power supply | Redundant power supplies: Quantity 2 |

Table 8. Cisco UCS C220 M5 proposed disk layout

| Disk | Disk type | Drive group | RAID level | Virtual drive |
|---|-----------|-------------|------------|---------------|
| Slot (1 through 8) | SSD | DG0 | 5 | VD0 |
| Slot (1 through 3; up to 1.5 TB of RAM) | SSD | DG0 | 5 | VD0 |

Table 9. Cisco UCS C220 M5 proposed disk configuration

| Drives used | RAID type | Used for | File system |
|--|--|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Any of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8 x 3.8-TB SSD • 3 x 3.8-TB SSD | Any of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RAID 5 • RAID 5 | Operating system | Ext3 |
| | | Data file system | XFS |
| | | Log file system | XFS |
| | | SAP HANA shared file system | XFS |

Infrastructure overview

The Cisco Scale-Up Solution for SAP HANA uses the Cisco UCS M5 generation of Cisco UCS C-Series Rack Servers.

Cisco UCS C480 M5 Rack Server

The Cisco UCS C480 M5 Rack Server (Figure 1) can be deployed as a standalone server or in a Cisco UCS managed environment. When used in combination with Cisco UCS Manager, the C480 M5 brings the power and automation of unified computing to enterprise applications, including Cisco SingleConnect technology, drastically reducing switching and cabling requirements. Cisco UCS Manager uses service profiles, templates, and policy-based management to enable rapid deployment and help ensure deployment consistency. It also enables end-to-end server visibility, management, and control in both virtualized and bare-metal environments.

The C480 M5 is a storage- and I/O-optimized enterprise-class rack server that delivers industry-leading performance for:

- IMDBs
- Big data analytics
- Virtualization and virtual desktop infrastructure (VDI) workloads
- Bare-metal applications

It delivers outstanding levels of expandability and performance for standalone or Cisco UCS managed environments in a 4-rack-unit (4RU) form factor. And because of its modular design, you pay for only what you need.

The C480 M5 offers these capabilities:

- Latest Intel Xeon Scalable processors with up to 28 cores per socket and support for two- or four-processor configurations
- 2933-MHz DDR4 memory and 48 DIMM slots for up to 6 TB of total memory
- 12 PCI Express (PCIe) 3.0 slots
- Six x8 full-height, full-length slots
- Six x16 full-height, full-length slots
- Flexible storage options with support up to 32 small-form-factor (SFF) 2.5-inch, SAS, SATA, and PCIe Non-Volatile Memory Express (NVMe) disk drives
- Cisco 12-Gbps SAS modular RAID controller in a dedicated slot
- Internal Secure Digital (SD) and M.2 boot options
- Dual embedded 10 Gigabit Ethernet LAN-on-motherboard (LOM) ports

Figure 1. Cisco UCS C480 M5 Rack Server



Cisco UCS C240 M5 Rack Server

The Cisco UCS C240 M5 Rack Server (Figure 2) is a 2-socket, 2RU rack server offering industry-leading performance and expandability. It supports a wide range of storage and I/O-intensive infrastructure workloads, from big data and analytics to collaboration. Cisco UCS C-Series Rack Servers can be deployed as standalone servers or as part of a Cisco UCS managed environment to take advantage of Cisco's standards-based unified computing innovations that help reduce customers' TCO and increase their business agility.

In response to ever-increasing computing and data-intensive real-time workloads, the enterprise-class C240 M5 server extends the capabilities of the Cisco UCS portfolio in a 2RU form factor. It incorporates the Intel Xeon Scalable processors, supporting up to 20 percent more cores per socket, twice the memory capacity, and five times more NVMe PCIe SSDs than the previous generation of servers. These improvements deliver significant performance and efficiency gains that will improve your application performance. The C240 M5 delivers outstanding storage expandability with exceptional performance, with:

- Latest Intel Xeon Scalable CPUs with up to 28 cores per socket
- Up to 24 DDR4 DIMMs for improved performance
- Intel 3D XPoint-ready support, with built-in support for next-generation nonvolatile memory technology
- Up to 26 hot-swappable SFF 2.5-inch drives, including 2 rear hot-swappable SFF drives (up to 10 support NVMe PCIe SSDs on the NVMe-optimized chassis version), or 12 large-form-factor (LFF) 3.5-inch drives plus 2 rear hot-swappable SFF drives
- Support for a 12-Gbps SAS modular RAID controller in a dedicated slot, leaving the remaining PCIe Generation 3.0 slots available for other expansion cards
- Modular LOM (mLOM) slot that can be used to install a Cisco UCS VIC without consuming a PCIe slot, supporting dual 10- or 40-Gbps network connectivity
- Dual embedded Intel x550 10GBASE-T LOM ports
- Modular M.2 or SD cards that can be used for bootup
- High performance for data-intensive applications

The Cisco UCS C240 M5 Rack Server is well-suited for a wide range of enterprise workloads, including:

- Big data and analytics
- Collaboration

- Small and medium-sized business (SMB) databases
- Virtualization and consolidation
- Storage servers
- High-performance appliances

C240 M5 servers can be deployed as standalone servers or in a Cisco UCS managed environment. When used in combination with Cisco UCS Manager, the C240 M5 brings the power and automation of unified computing to enterprise applications, including Cisco SingleConnect technology, drastically reducing switching and cabling requirements.

Cisco UCS Manager uses service profiles, templates, and policy-based management to enable rapid deployment and help ensure deployment consistency. It also enables end-to-end server visibility, management, and control in both virtualized and bare-metal environments.

Figure 2. Cisco UCS C240 M5 Rack Server



Cisco UCS C220 M5 Rack Server

The Cisco UCS C220 M5 Rack Server (Figure 3) is among the most versatile general-purpose enterprise infrastructure and application servers in the industry. It is a high-density 2-socket rack server that delivers industry-leading performance and efficiency for a wide range of workloads, including virtualization, collaboration, and bare-metal applications. The Cisco UCS C-Series Rack Servers can be deployed as standalone servers or as part of Cisco UCS to take advantage of Cisco's standards-based unified computing innovations that help reduce customers' TCO and increase their business agility.

The Cisco UCS C220 M5 server extends the capabilities of the Cisco UCS portfolio in a 1RU form factor. It incorporates the Intel Xeon Scalable processors, supporting up to 20 percent more cores per socket, twice the memory capacity, 20 percent greater storage density, and five times more PCIe NVMe SSDs than the previous generation of servers. These improvements deliver significant performance and efficiency gains that will improve your application performance. The C220 M5 server delivers outstanding levels of expandability and performance in a compact package, with:

- Latest Intel Xeon Scalable CPUs with up to 28 cores per socket
- Up to 24 DDR4 DIMMs for improved performance
- Intel 3D XPoint-ready support, with built-in support for next-generation nonvolatile memory technology
- Up to 10 SFF 2.5-inch drives or 4 LFF 3.5-inch drives (77 TB of storage capacity with all NVMe PCIe SSDs)

- Support for a 12-Gbps SAS modular RAID controller in a dedicated slot, leaving the remaining PCIe Generation 3.0 slots available for other expansion cards
- mLOM slot that can be used to install a Cisco UCS VIC without consuming a PCIe slot, supporting dual 10- or 40-Gbps network connectivity
- Dual embedded Intel x550 10GBASE-T LOM ports
- High performance for data-intensive applications

The Cisco UCS C220 M5 Rack Server is well-suited for a wide range of enterprise workloads, including:

- Big data and analytics
- Collaboration
- SMB databases
- Virtualization and consolidation
- Storage servers
- High-performance appliances

C220 M5 servers can be deployed as standalone servers or in a Cisco UCS managed environment. When used in combination with Cisco UCS Manager, the C220 M5 brings the power and automation of unified computing to enterprise applications, including Cisco SingleConnect technology, drastically reducing switching and cabling requirements.

Cisco UCS Manager uses service profiles, templates, and policy-based management to enable rapid deployment and help ensure deployment consistency. It also enables end-to-end server visibility, management, and control in both virtualized and bare-metal environments.

Figure 3. Cisco UCS C220 M5 Rack Server



Solution design

This section describes the SAP HANA system requirements defined by SAP and the architecture of the Cisco UCS solution for SAP HANA.

SAP HANA system

An SAP HANA scale-up system on a single server is the simplest of the SAP HANA installation types. You can run an SAP HANA system entirely on one host and then scale the system up as needed. All data and processes are located on the same server and can be accessed locally. For this option the network must have at least one 1 Gigabit Ethernet access network and one 10 Gigabit Ethernet storage network.

Hardware requirements for the SAP HANA database

SAP defines hardware and software requirements for running SAP HANA systems. For the latest information about the CPU and memory configurations supported for SAP HANA, see

<https://www.sap.com/dmc/exp/2014-09-02-hana-hardware/enEN/appliances.html>.

Note: This document does not cover the updated information published by SAP. Additional information is available at

<http://saphana.com/>.

File system layout

Figures 4, 5, and 6 show the file system layouts and the storage sizes required to install and operate SAP HANA. When installing SAP HANA on a host, specify the mount point for the installation binaries (/hana/shared/<SID>), data files (/hana/data/<sid>), and log files (/hana/log/<sid>), where sid is the instance identifier of the SAP HANA installation.

Figure 4. Proposed disk layout with partition mapping with 20 SAS drives

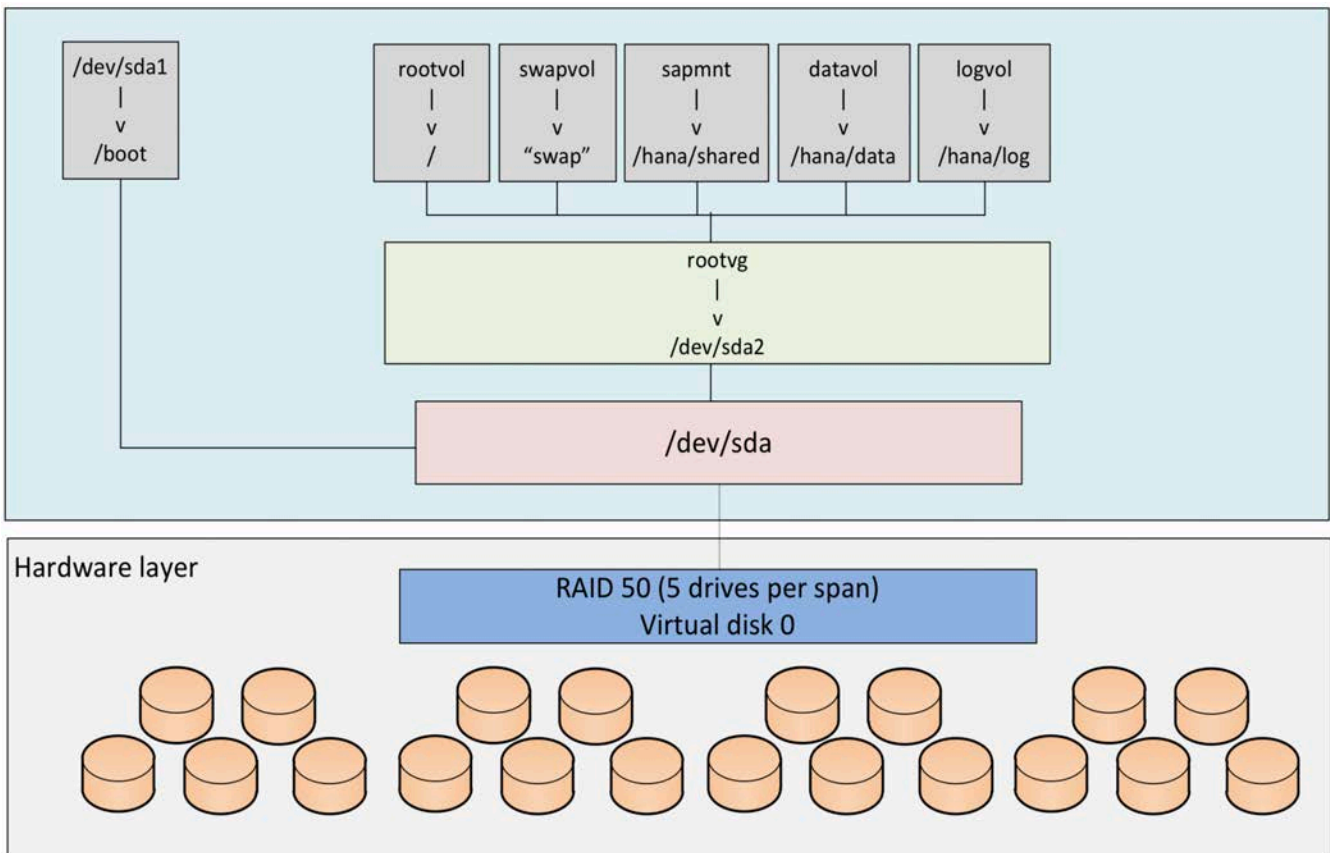


Figure 5. Proposed disk layout with partition mapping with 8 SSD drives

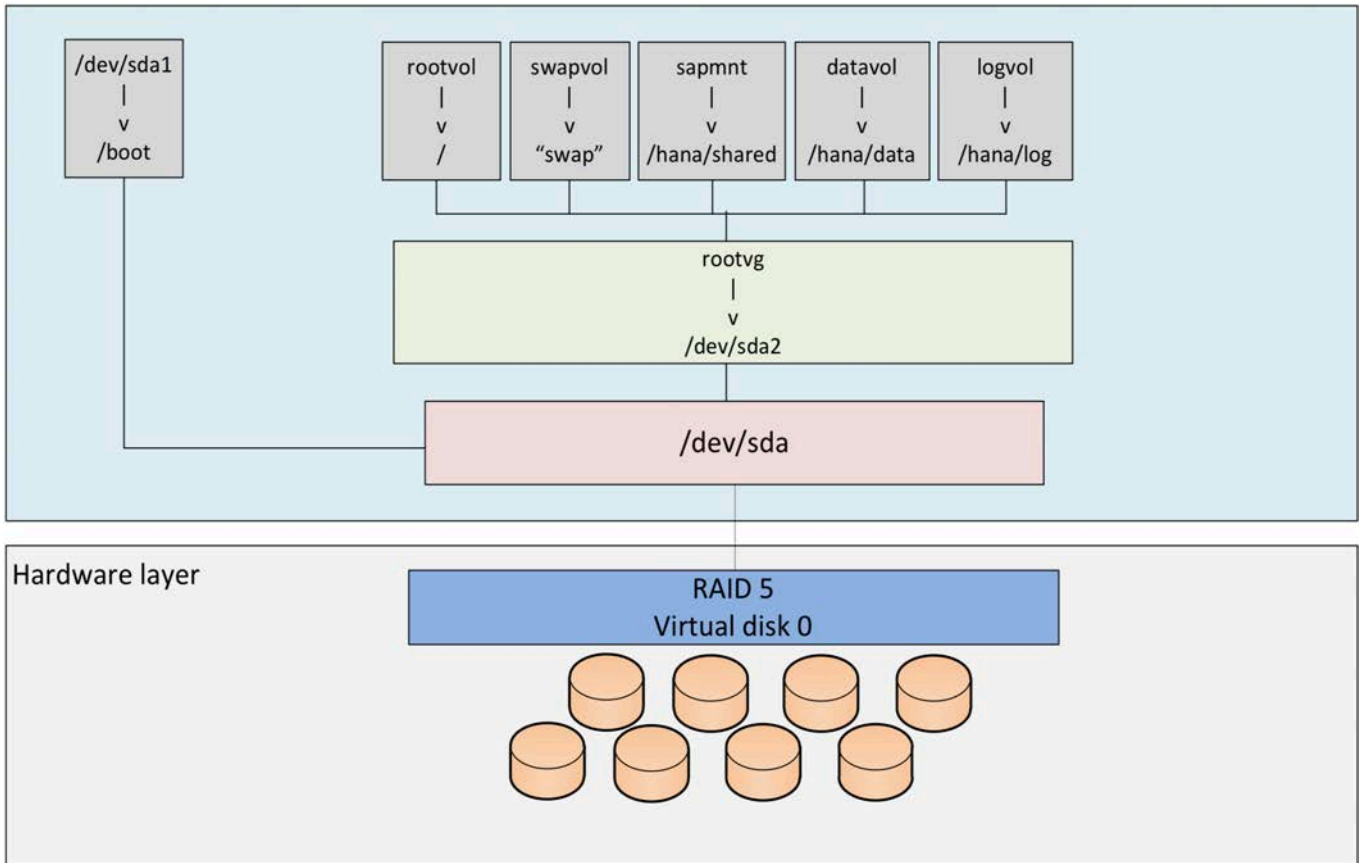
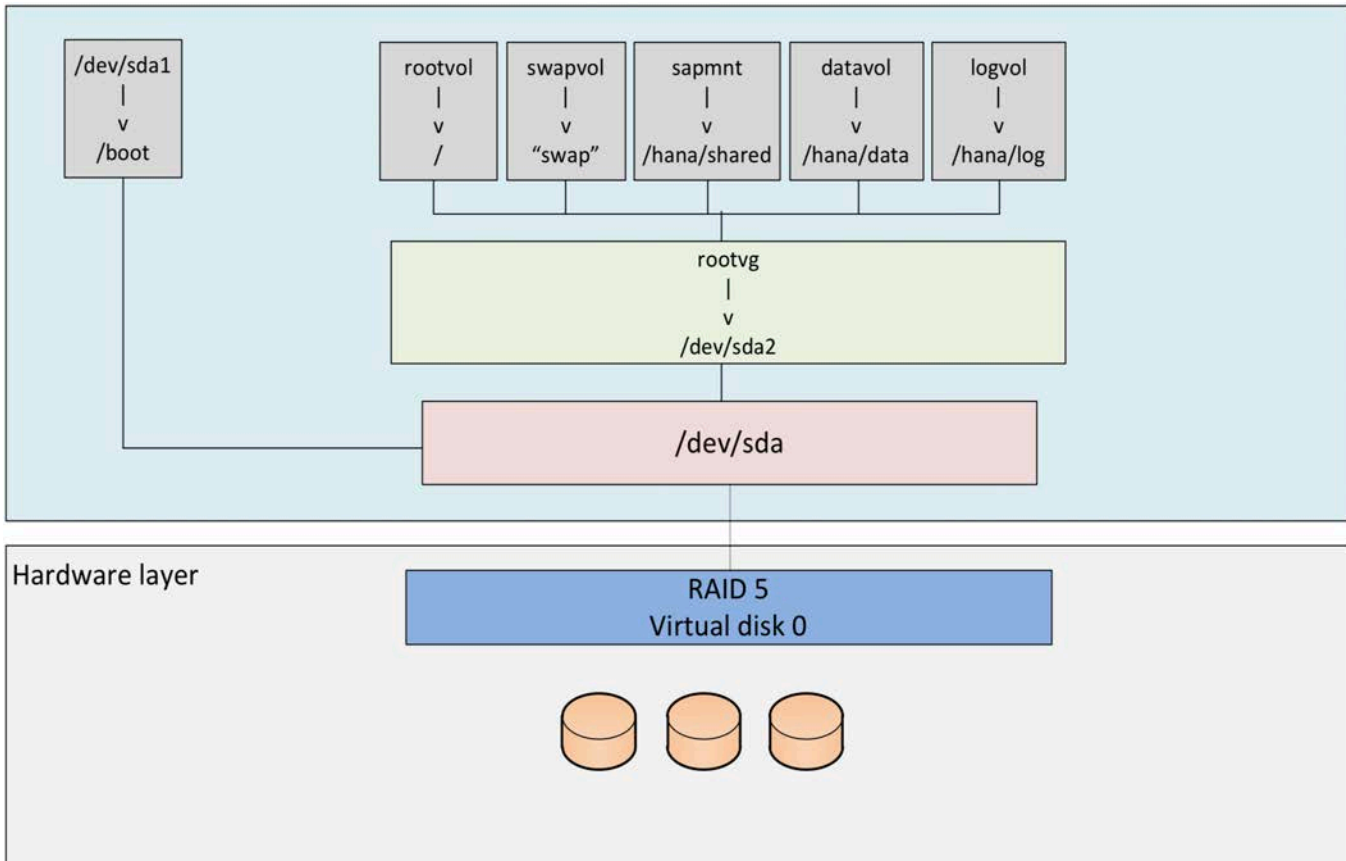


Figure 6. Proposed disk layout with partition mapping with 3 SSD drives (up to 1.5-TB memory configurations)



The storage size for the file system is based on the amount of memory on the SAP HANA host. Here are some sample file system sizes for a single-node system with 3 TB of memory:

- /hana/shared: 1 x memory (3 TB)
- /hana/data: 3 x memory (9 TB)
- /hana/log: 1 x memory (512 GB)

Note: For solutions based on the Intel Xeon Platinum processor, the size of the log volume (/hana/log) must be as follows:

- Half of the server memory for systems of 256 GB of memory or less
- Minimum of 512 GB for systems with 512 GB of memory or more

Operating system

SAP HANA supports the following operating systems:

- SUSE Linux Enterprise Server (SLES) for SAP Applications
- Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL) for SAP Applications

Note: This document provides installation steps for SLES for SAP 15.

Deployment hardware and software

This section is intended to enable you to fully configure the customer environment. In this process, various steps require you to insert customer-specific naming conventions, IP addresses, and VLAN schemes, as well as to record appropriate MAC addresses. Table 10 lists the configuration variables that are used throughout this document. You can complete this table using your specific site variables and use it in implementing the configuration steps presented in this document.

Table 10. Configuration variables

| Variable | Description | Customer implementation value |
|-----------------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| <<var_cimc_ip_address>> | Cisco UCS C480 M5 server's IMC IP address | |
| <<var_cimc_ip_netmask>> | Cisco UCS C480 M5 server's IMC network netmask | |
| <<var_cimc_gateway_ip>> | Cisco UCS C480 M5 server's IMC network gateway IP address | |
| <<var_raid50_vd_name>> | Name for virtual drive VD0 during RAID configuration | |
| <<var_hostname.domain>> | SAP HANA node's fully qualified domain name (FQDN) | |
| <<var_sys_root-pw>> | SAP HANA node's root password | |
| <<var_lvm_vg_name>> | SAP HANA node's OS logical volume management (LVM) volume group name | |
| <<var_mgmt_ip_address>> | SAP HANA node's management and administration IP address | |
| <<var_mgmt_nw_netmask>> | SAP HANA node's management network netmask | |
| <<var_mgmt_gateway_ip>> | Cisco UCS C480 M5 server's management and administrative network gateway IP address | |
| <<var_mgmt_netmask_prefix>> | Netmask prefix in Classless Inter-Domain Routing (CIDR) notation | |

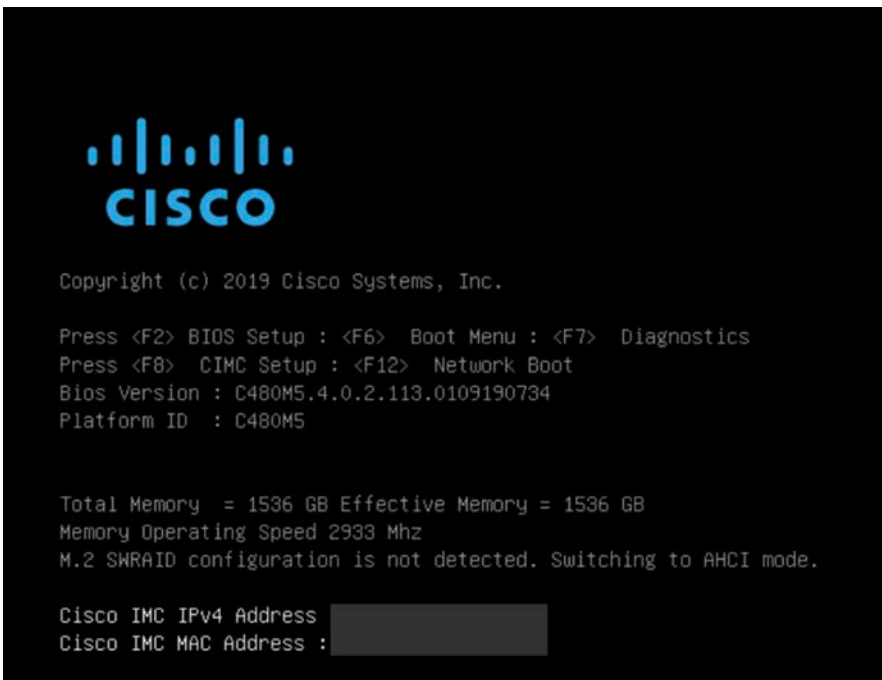
Preparing the SAP HANA scale-up node

This section discusses how to prepare the SAP HANA scale-up node for the SAP HANA installation.

Configuring the Cisco Integrated Management Controller

To configure the on-board IMC, you should connect a keyboard, video, and mouse (KVM) switch to the server.

1. After everything is connected, turn on the power to the server (Figures 7 and 8).

Figure 7. BIOS POST screen**Figure 8.** Bios POST screen (continued)

2. Press F8 to display the IMC configuration (Figure 9).

Figure 9. Cisco UCS C480 IMC configuration view (local display)

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Cisco IMC Configuration Utility Version 2.0 Cisco Systems, Inc.
*****
NIC Properties
NIC mode                               NIC redundancy
Dedicated:      [X]                   None:           [X]
Shared LOM:     [ ]                   Active-standby: [ ]
Cisco Card:     [ ]                   Active-active:  [ ]
  Slot 1:       [ ]                   VLAN (Advanced)
  Slot 2:       [ ]                   VLAN enabled:   [ ]
                                           VLAN ID:       1
                                           Priority:      0

Shared LOM Ext: [ ]

IP (Basic)
IPV4:           [X]   IPV6:   [ ]
DHCP enabled   [ ]
CIMC IP:
Prefix/Subnet: ██████████
Gateway:
Pref DNS Server: 0.0.0.0
Smart Access USB
Enabled        [ ]
*****
<Up/Down>Selection  <F10>Save  <Space>Enable/Disable  <F5>Refresh  <ESC>Exit
<F1>Additional settings

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3. Use the console network IP address <<var_cimc_ip_address>>, netmask <<var_cimc_ip_netmask>>, and gateway <<var_cimc_gateway>> for the IPv4 settings of the IMC. Select None for network interface card (NIC) redundancy.
4. Press F10 to save configuration and exit the utility.
5. Open a web browser on a computer on the same network with Java and Adobe Flash installed.
6. Enter the IMC IP address of the Cisco UCS C480 M5 server: http://<<var_cimc_ip_address>>.
7. Enter the login credentials as updated in the IMC configuration. The default user name and password are **admin** and **password** (Figure 10).

Figure 10. Cisco IMC login screen

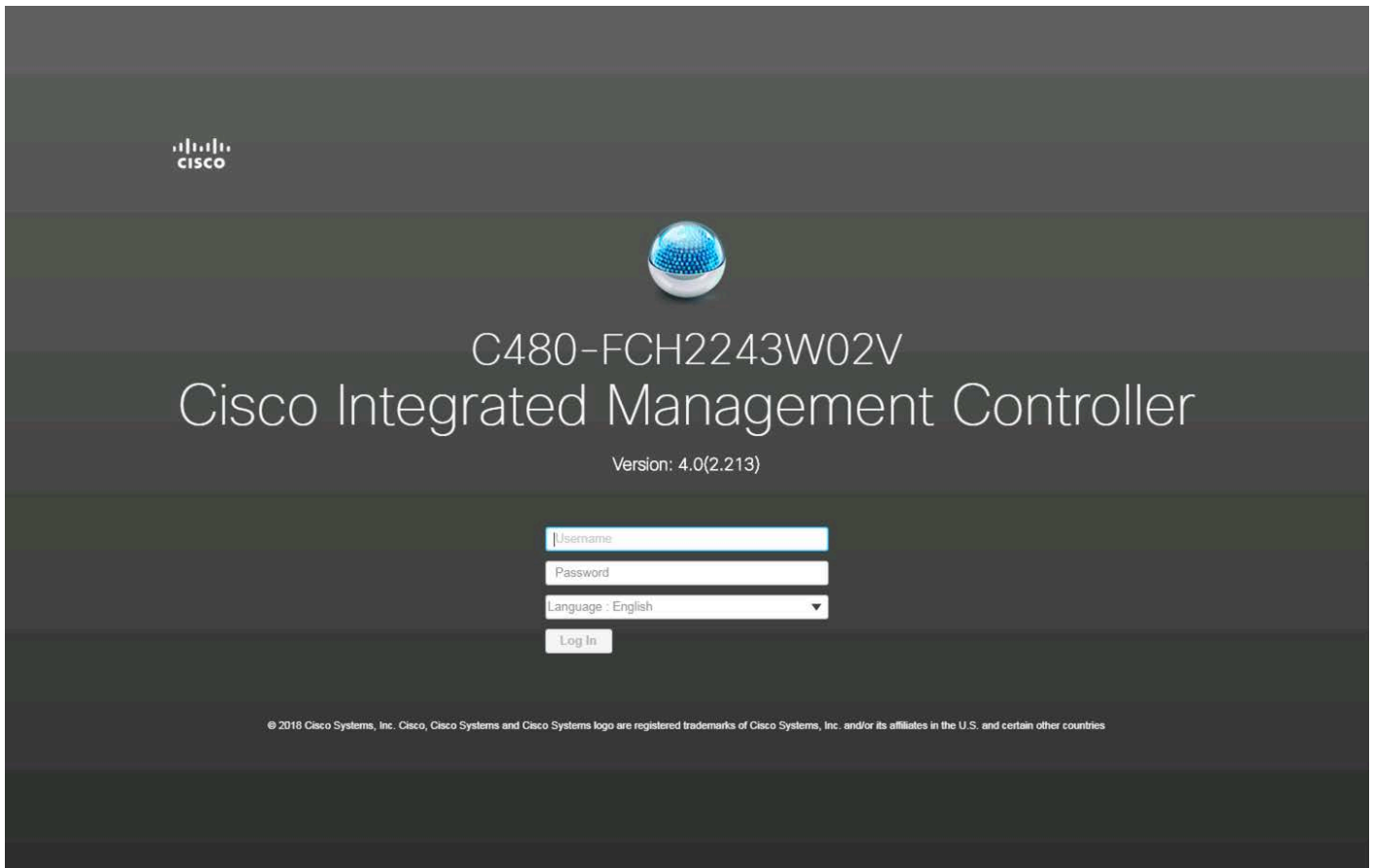
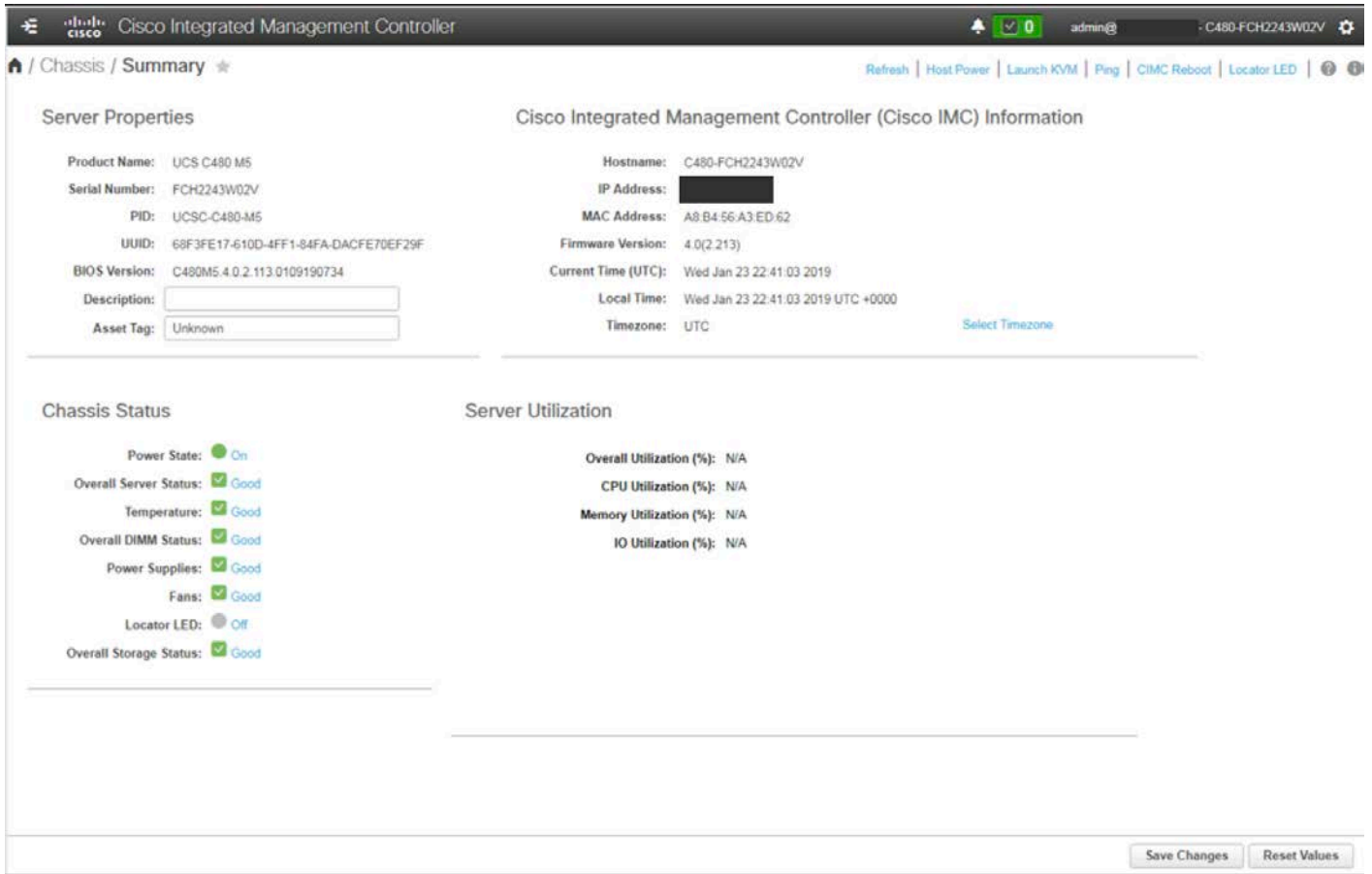


Figure 11 shows the results.

Figure 11. Cisco IMC summary screen

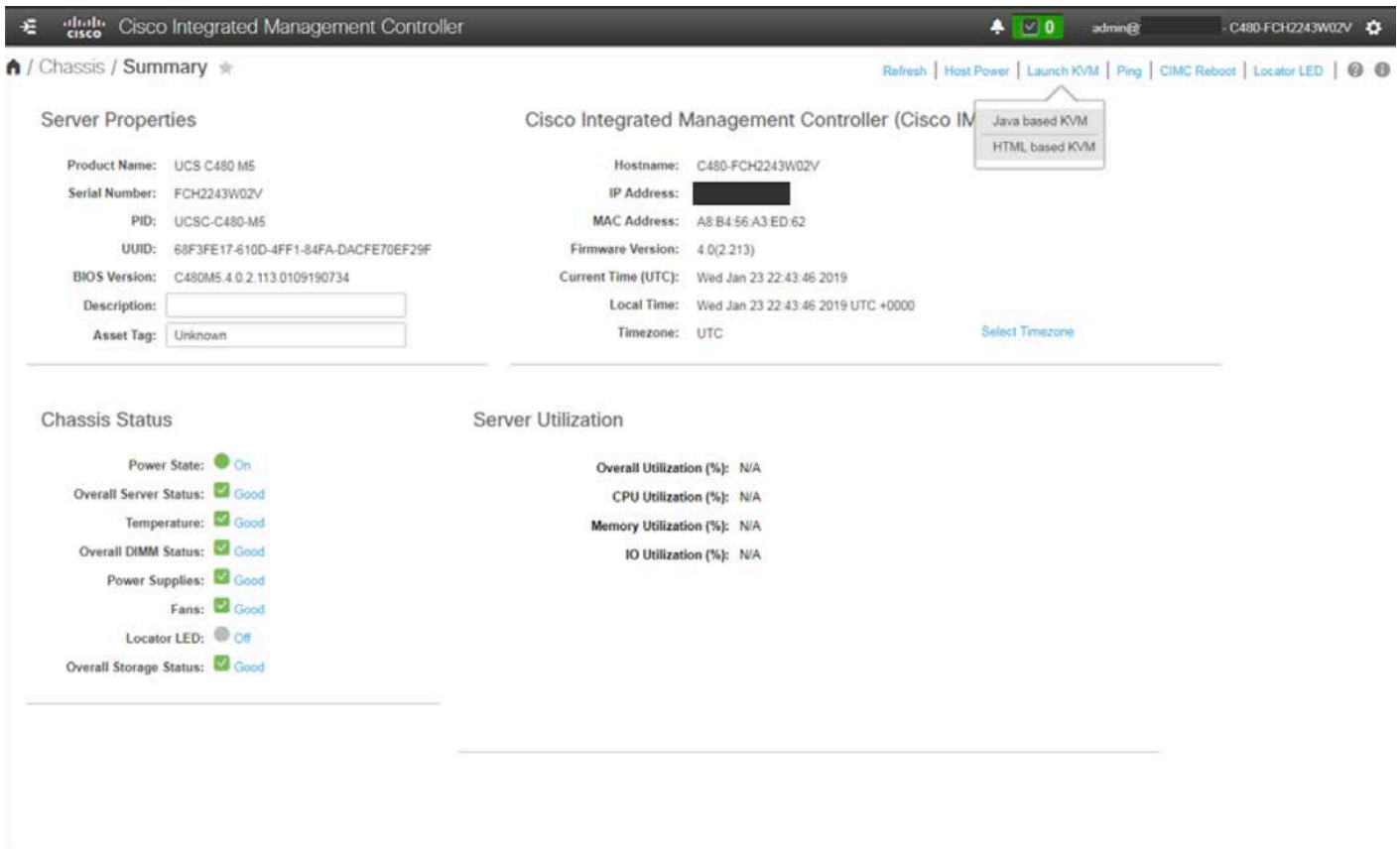


Launching the KVM console

You next need to launch the KVM console and map the SLES 15 for SAP DVD ISO file for the installation.

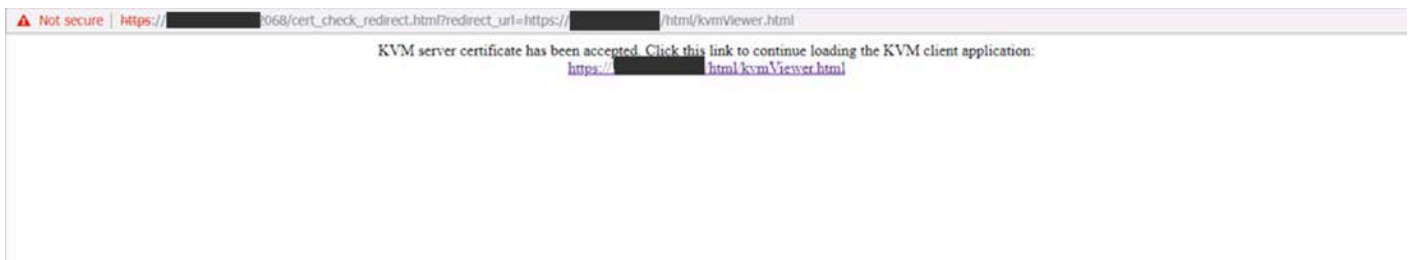
1. Click Launch KVM in the top-left corner of the IMC home screen (Figure 12).
Starting with Cisco IMC Release 3.0, two options are available for launching the KVM: one using the Java console and another using the browser-based HTML KVM console. In this example, the HTML KVM console has been used.

Figure 12. Cisco IMC home screen

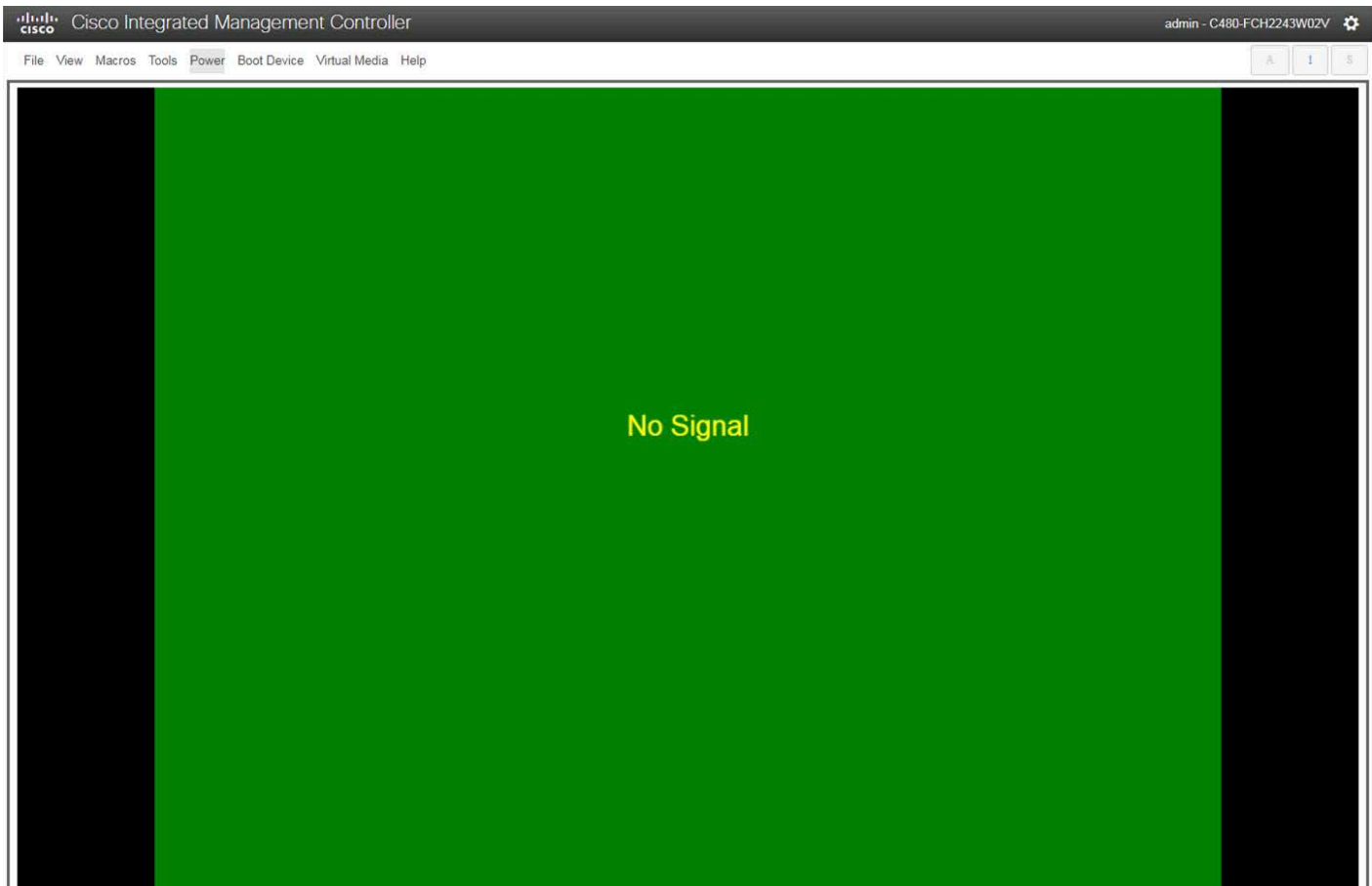


2. After you select the HTML-based console, a certificate confirmation window appears. Click the provided hyperlink to continue (Figure 13).

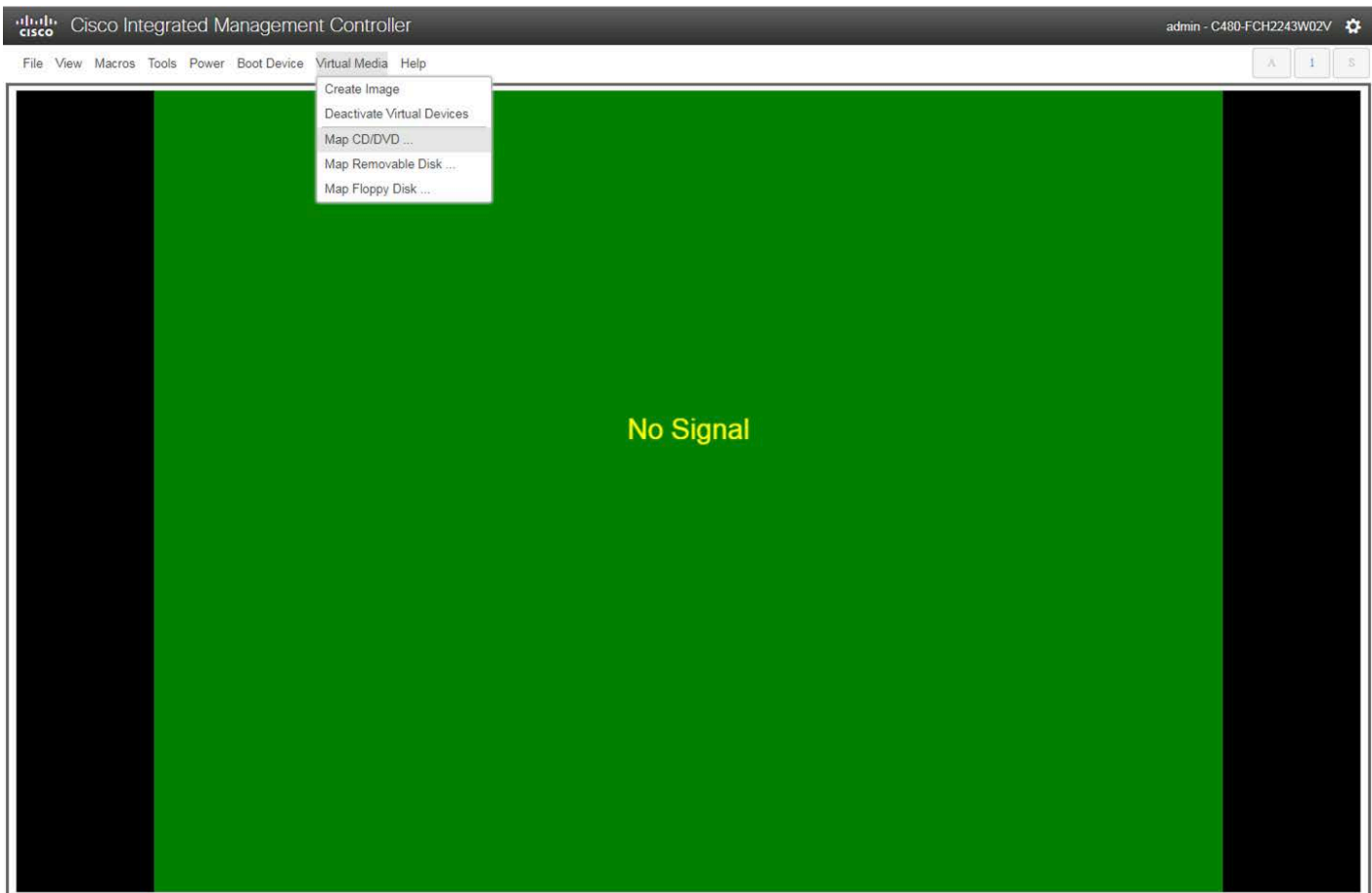
Figure 13. Click the hyperlink to load the KVM application



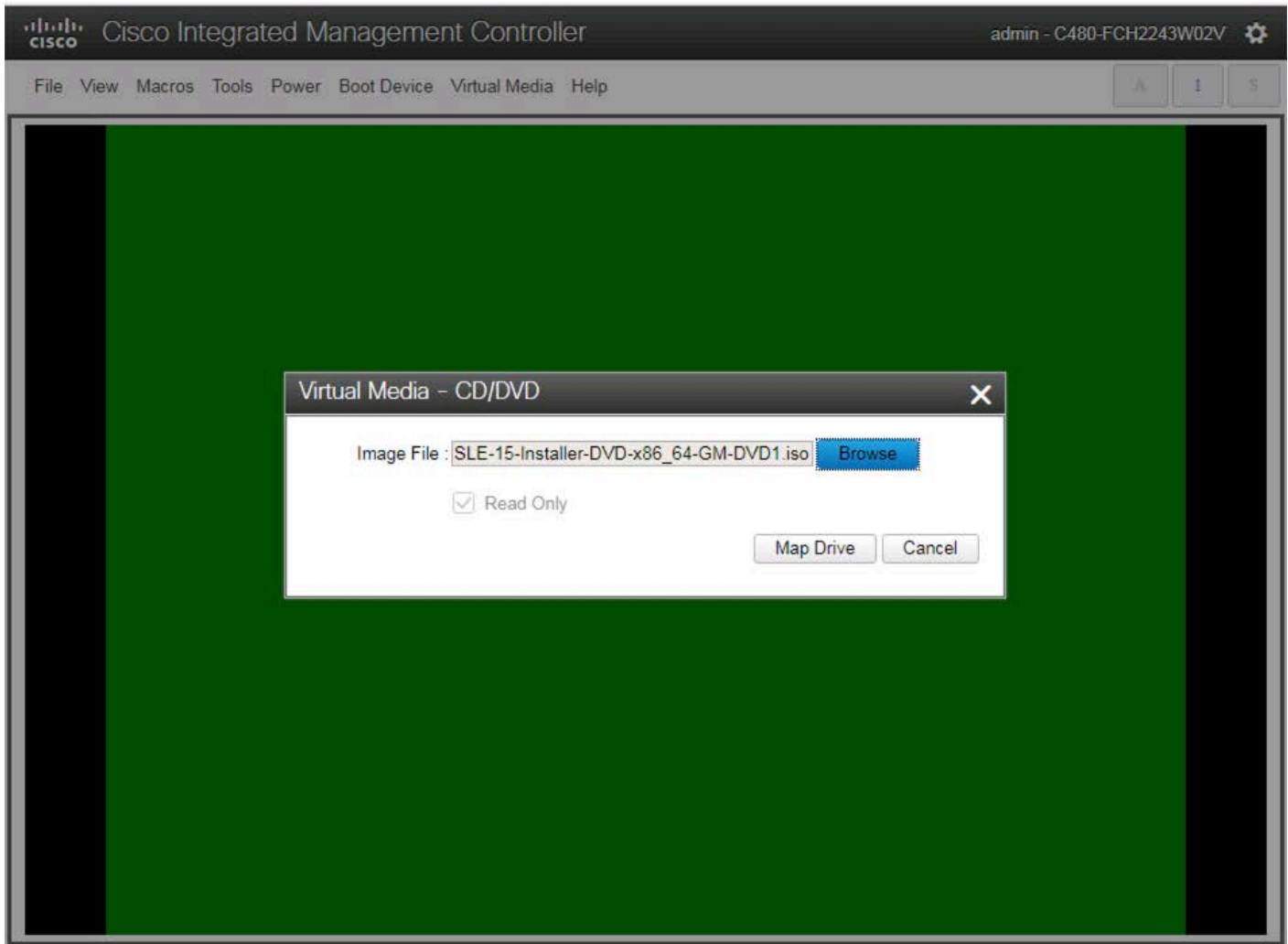
The KVM window will appear (Figure 14).

Figure 14. KVM window

3. In the menu bar at the top of the KVM window, choose Virtual Media > Activate Virtual Devices > Map CD/DVD (Figure 15).

Figure 15. Beginning the CD/DVD mapping process

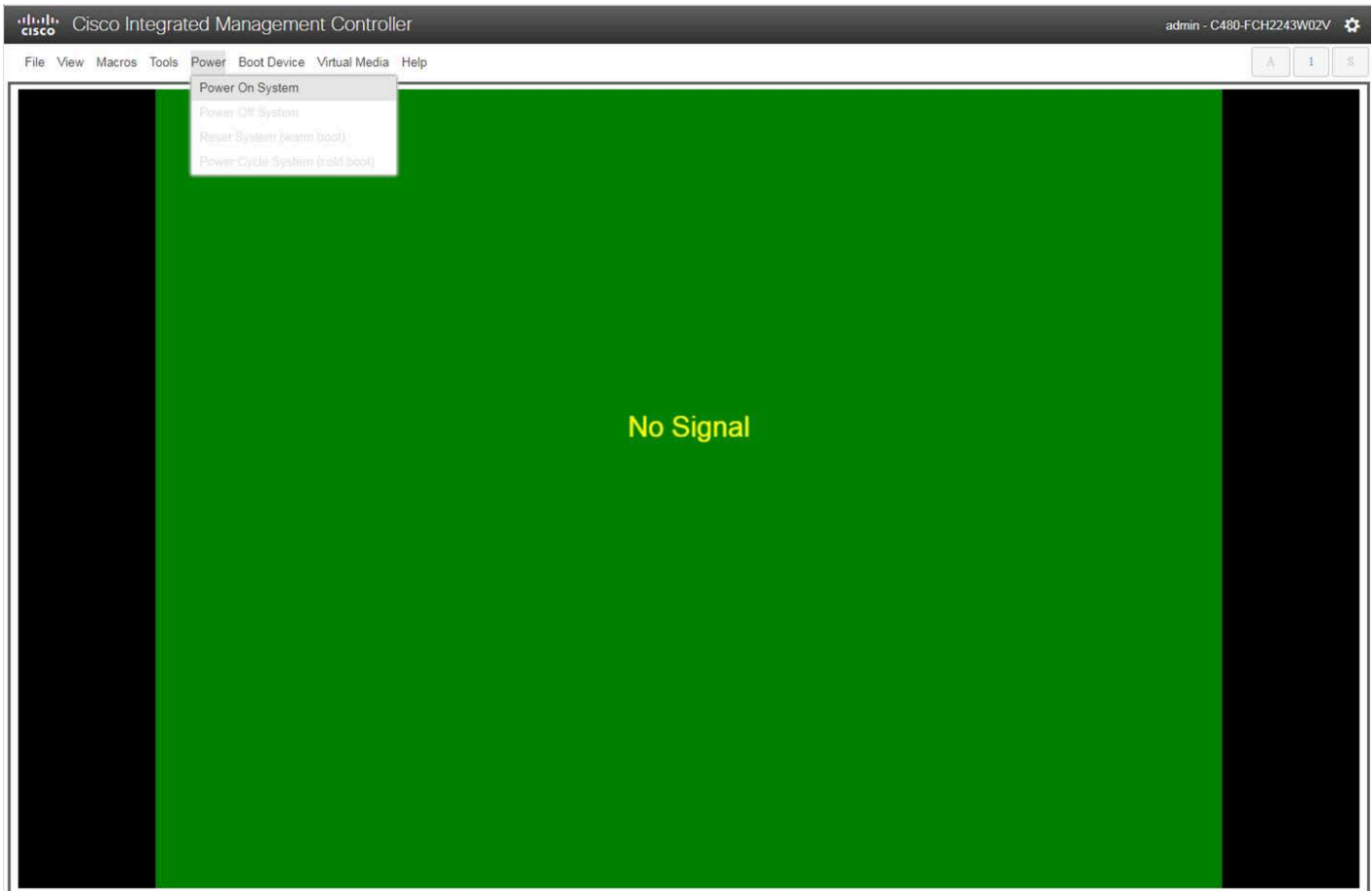
4. Browse for the SLES 15 for SAP DVD ISO file and click Map Drive (Figure 16). SLES 15 requires two DVD ISO files for installation. The first DVD contains required files for the installation. The second, the SLES 15 Packages image, contains add-on products. During the installation process, you are prompted to specify the source file for the installation and the add-on packages. Be sure to download both the installation DVD and packages DVD before you begin the installation process.

Figure 16. Click Map Drive

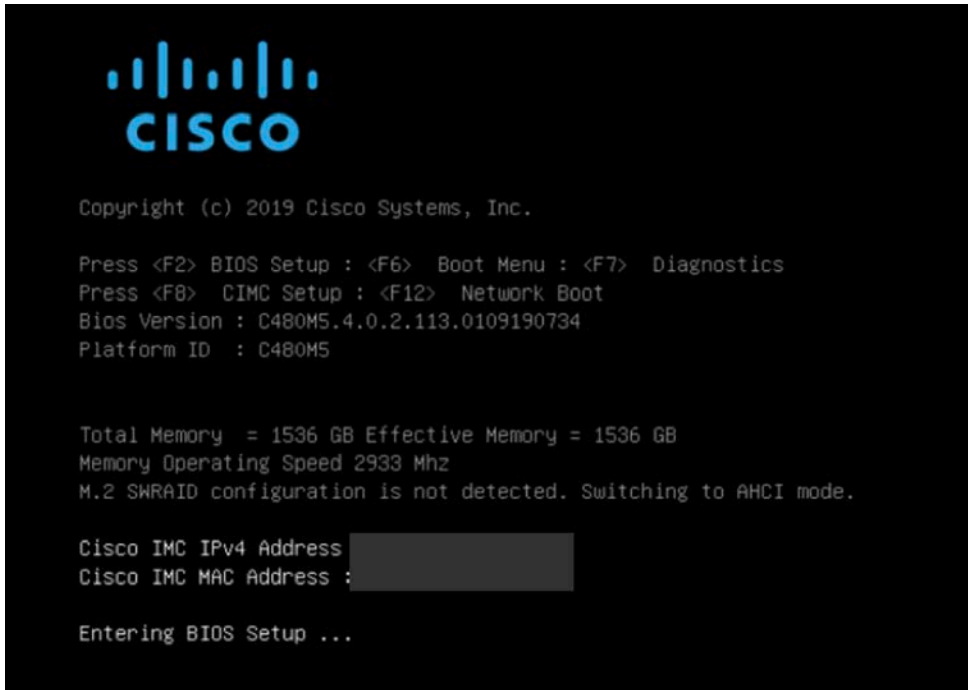
Configuring BIOS settings

You need to power on the server and configure some BIOS settings before proceeding with the RAID configuration.

1. From the menu bar at the top of the KVM window, choose Power > Power on System (Figure 17).

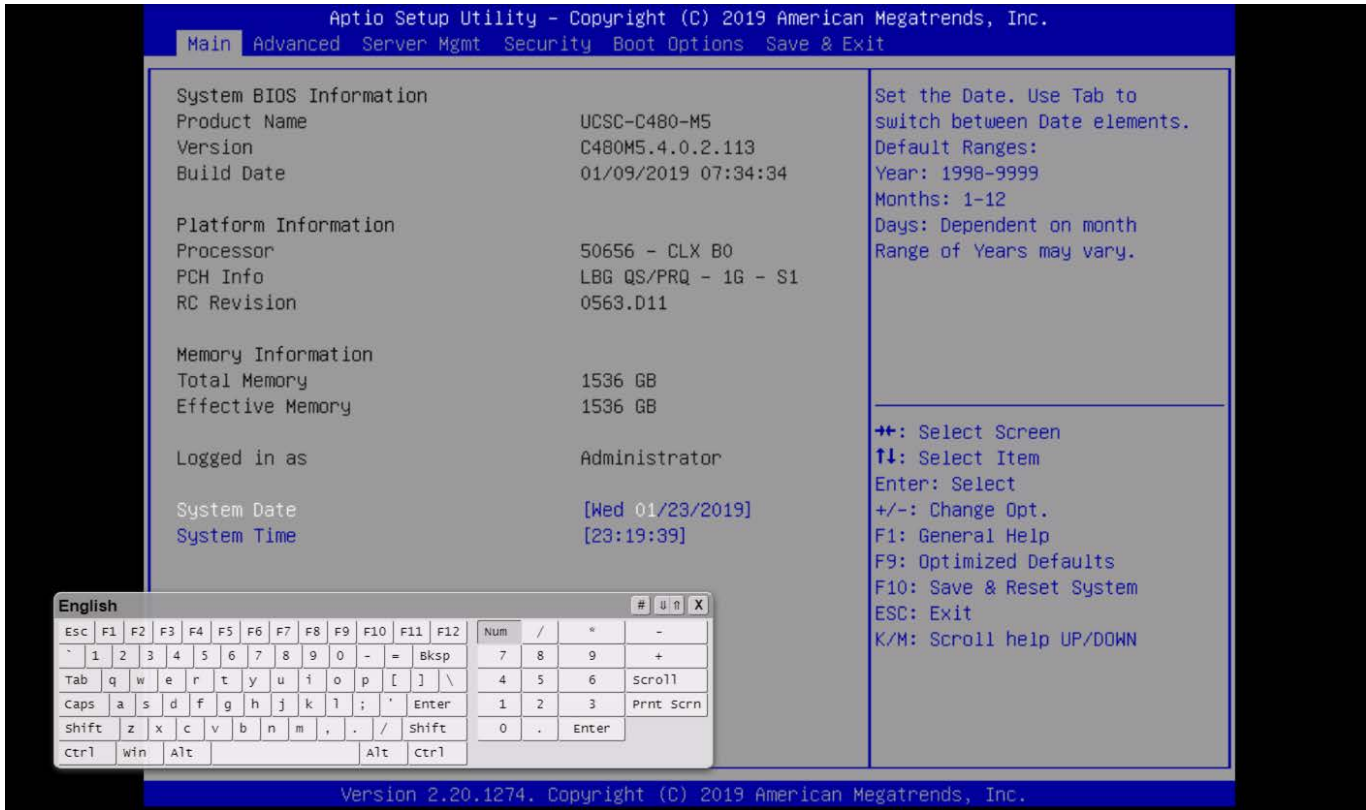
Figure 17. Power on the system

2. After the server has booted, press F2 to enter the BIOS menu (Figure 18).

Figure 18. Press F2

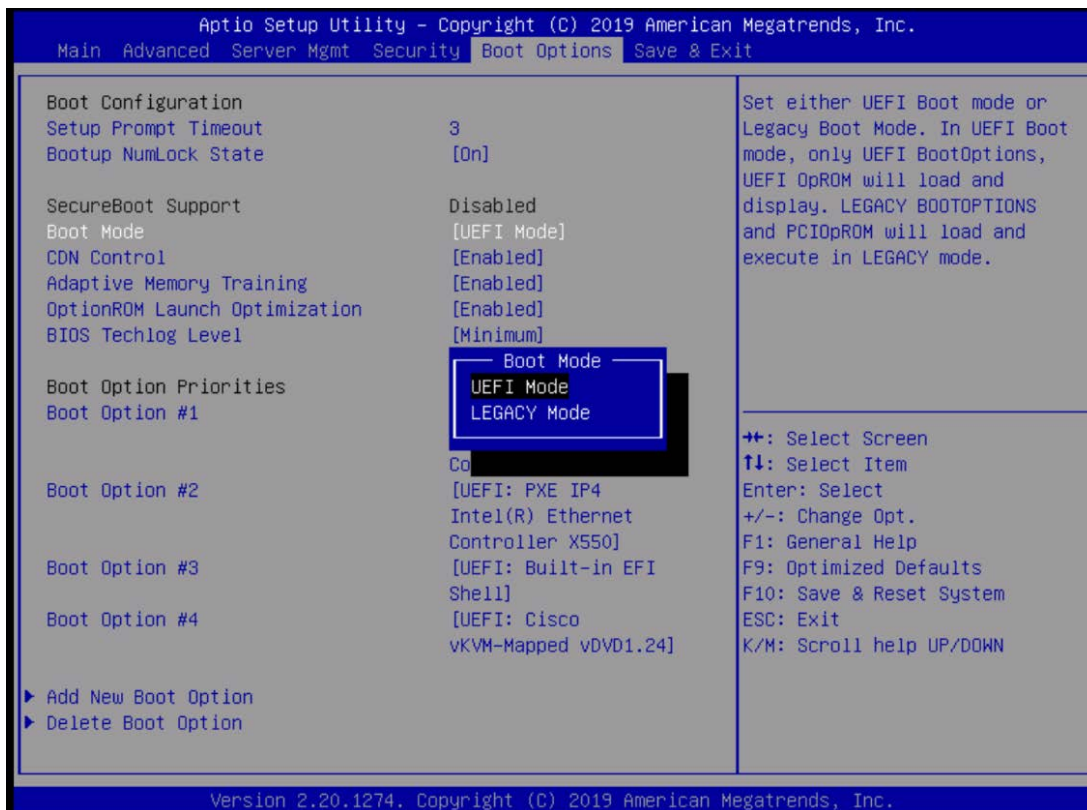
3. For a better keyboard experience, from the View menu select the on-screen keyboard (Figure 19).

Figure 19. On-screen keyboard



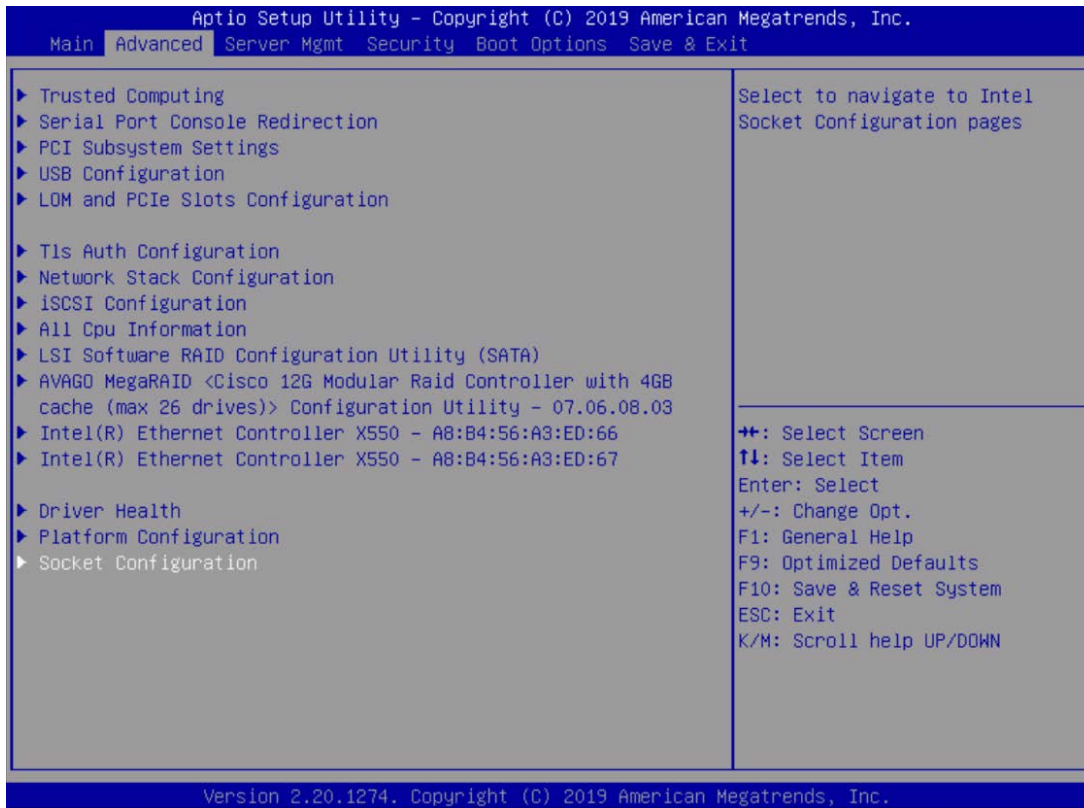
- From the BIOS menu, choose Boot Options > Boot Mode > UEFI Mode (Figure 20). This setting selects the Unified Extensible Firmware Interface (UEFI).

Figure 20. Choose UEFI Mode

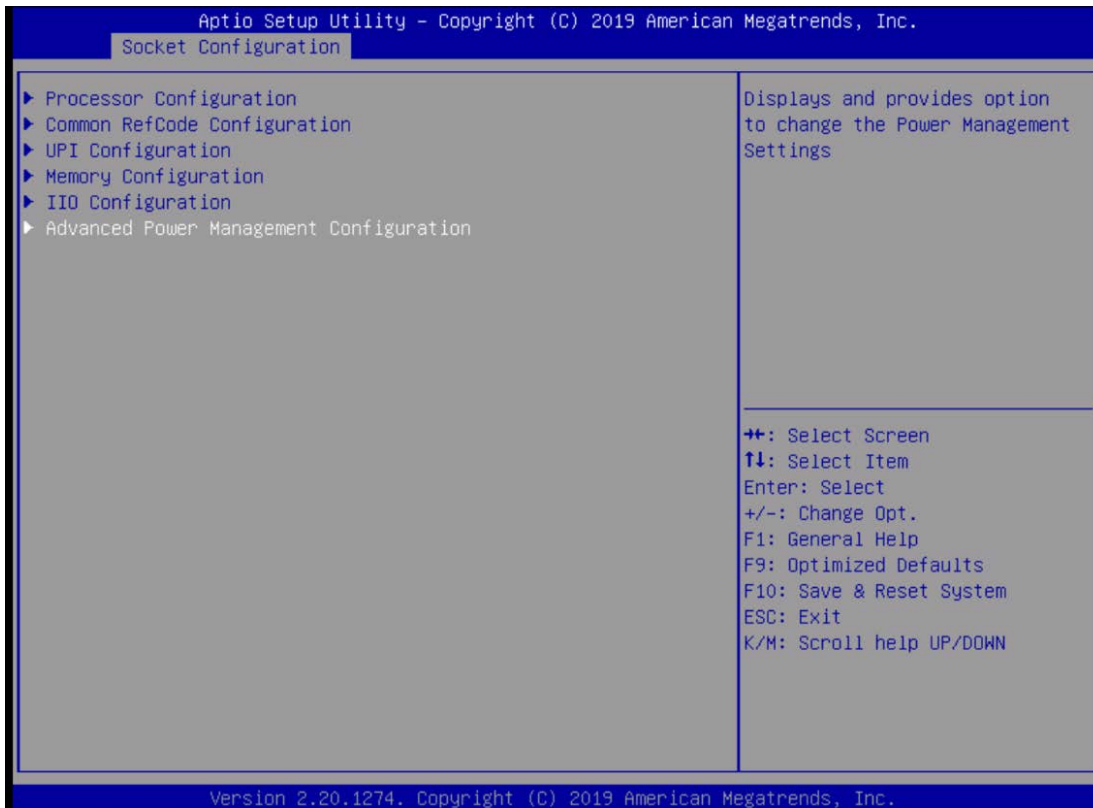


5. Disable the C-states of the CPU as recommended in the SAP for HANA requirements. From the BIOS menu, choose Advanced > Socket Configuration (Figure 21).

Figure 21. Choose Socket Configuration

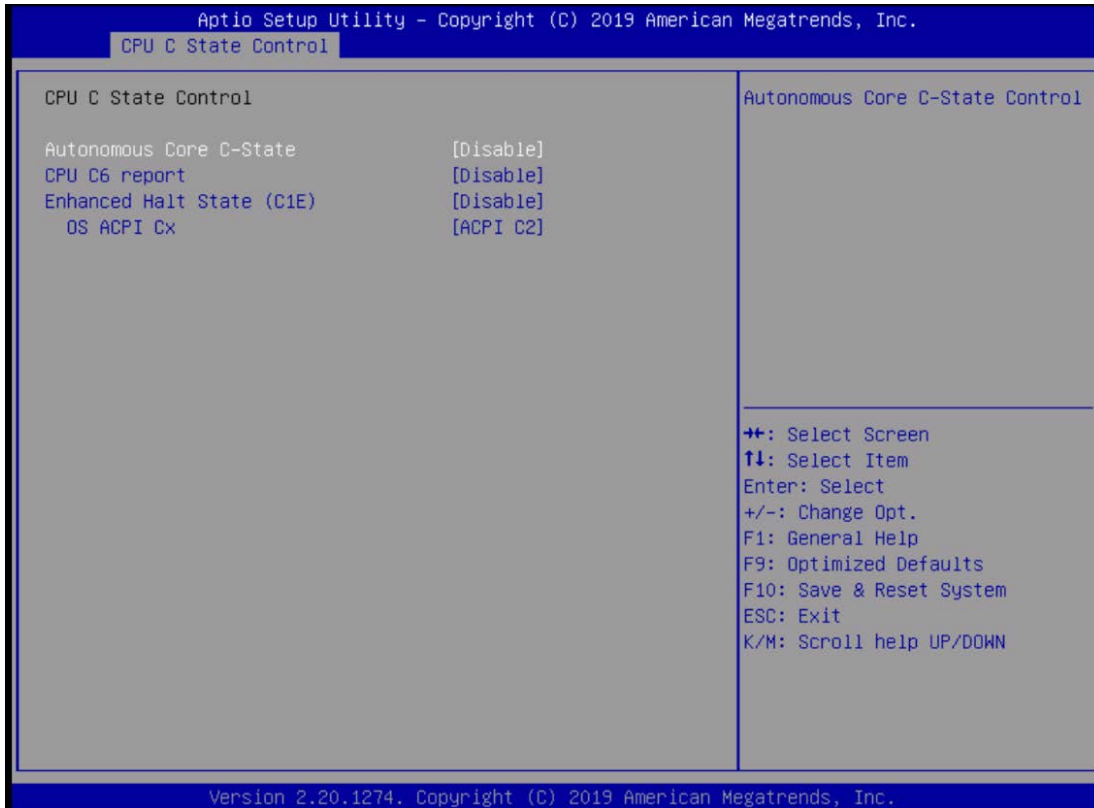


6. Choose Advanced Power Management Configuration (Figure 22).

Figure 22. Choose Advanced Power Management Configuration

7. Choose CPU C State control and then disable the C-states as shown in Figure 23.

Figure 23. Disabling C-states



8. After disabling the C-states, press F10 and save the BIOS settings.

Rebooting the server to implement BIOS changes

To make the boot options and CPU C-states take effect, reboot the server.

You are now ready to configure RAID.

Configuring RAID

This document covers all scale-up solutions with 2- and 4-socket configurations of the Cisco UCS M5 platform.

Table 11 lists the RAID options and the available platforms.

Table 11. RAID options

| Platform | SAS (20 drives) | SSD (3 or 8 drives) |
|----------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| Cisco UCS C480 | RAID 50 | RAID 5 |
| Cisco UCS C240 | RAID 50 | RAID 5 |
| Cisco UCS C220 | - | RAID 5 |

Table 12 lists the settings that you need to configure when you create the virtual drives.

Table 12. RAID settings

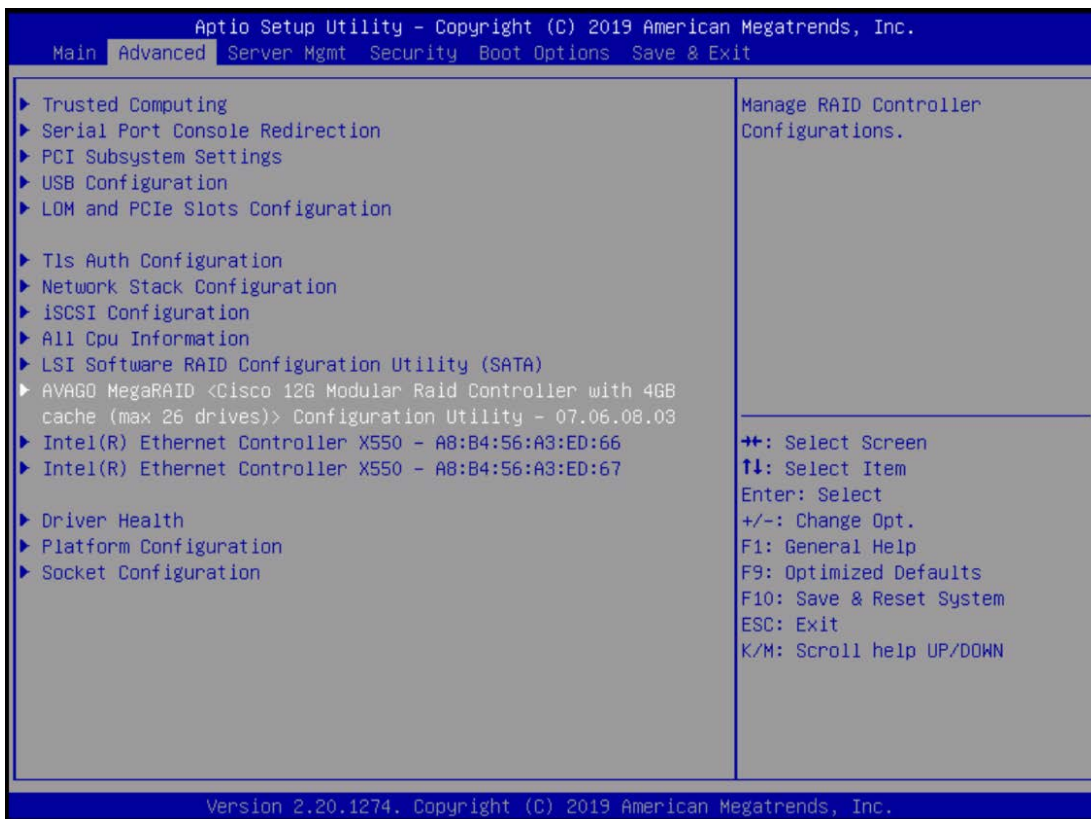
| RAID settings | RAID 50 | RAID 5 |
|---------------|------------|---|
| Stripe size | 256 | 256 (8 SSDs or 20 SAS drives) 128 (3 SSDs) |
| Read policy | Read ahead | Read ahead |
| Write policy | Write back | Write back |
| I/O policy | Cached | Default |

The following procedure shows the RAID 50 configuration with SAS drives on the Cisco UCS C480 M5 server used for SAP HANA.

The same procedure applies to the creation of RAID 5 virtual drives with SSD-based options except that the number of drives will be three or eight and the RAID level will be RAID 5.

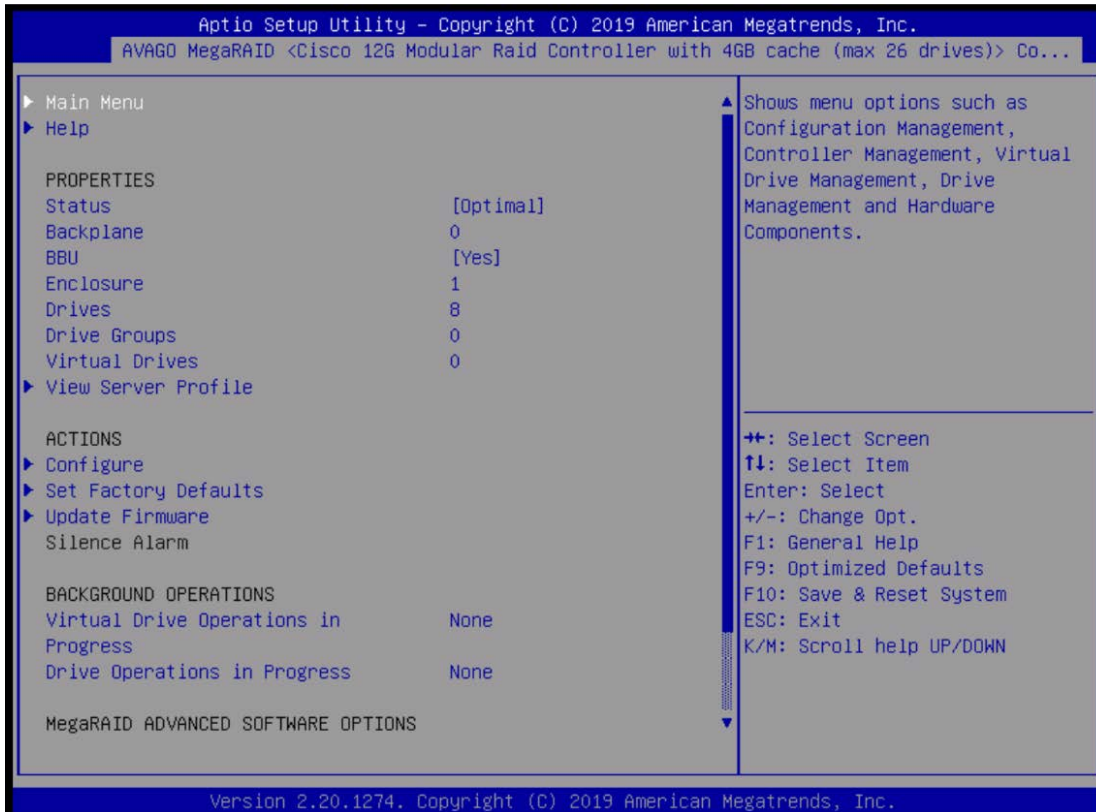
1. Boot the server and press F2 to enter the BIOS menu.
2. Navigate to Advanced and select the Avago MegaRAID utility to proceed with the RAID configuration (Figure 24).

Figure 24. Select Avago MegaRAID

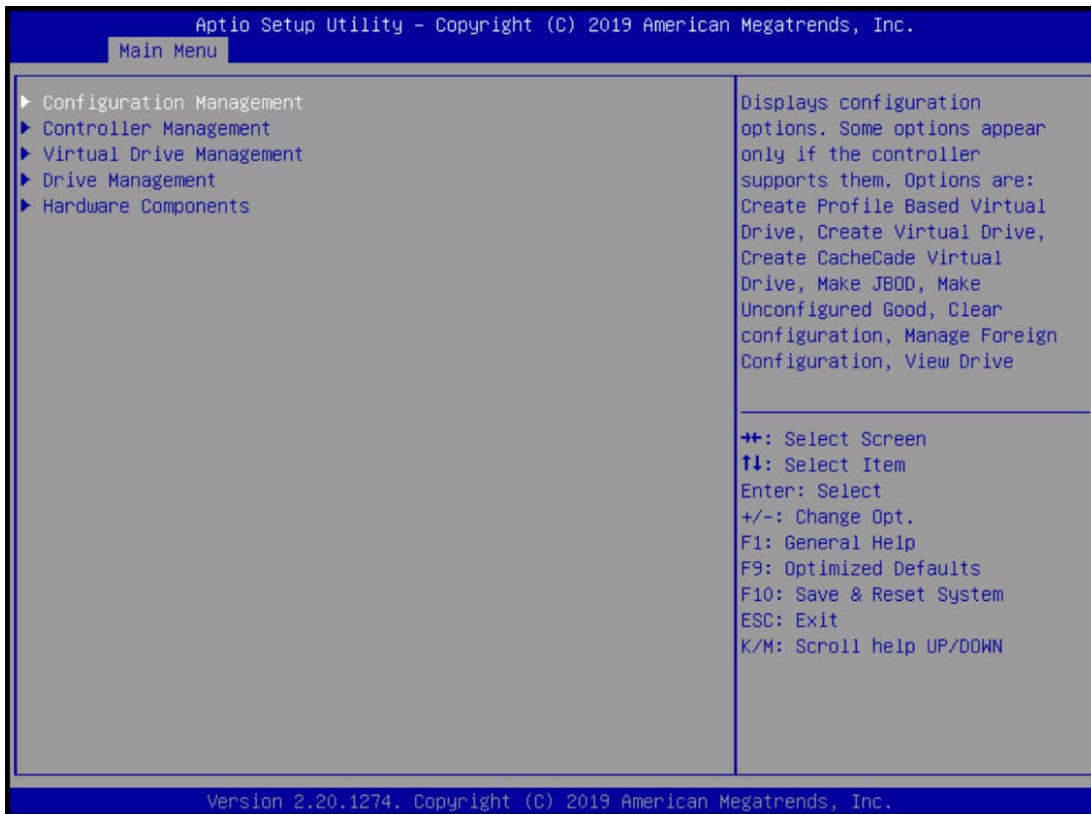


3. Choose Main Menu (Figure 25).

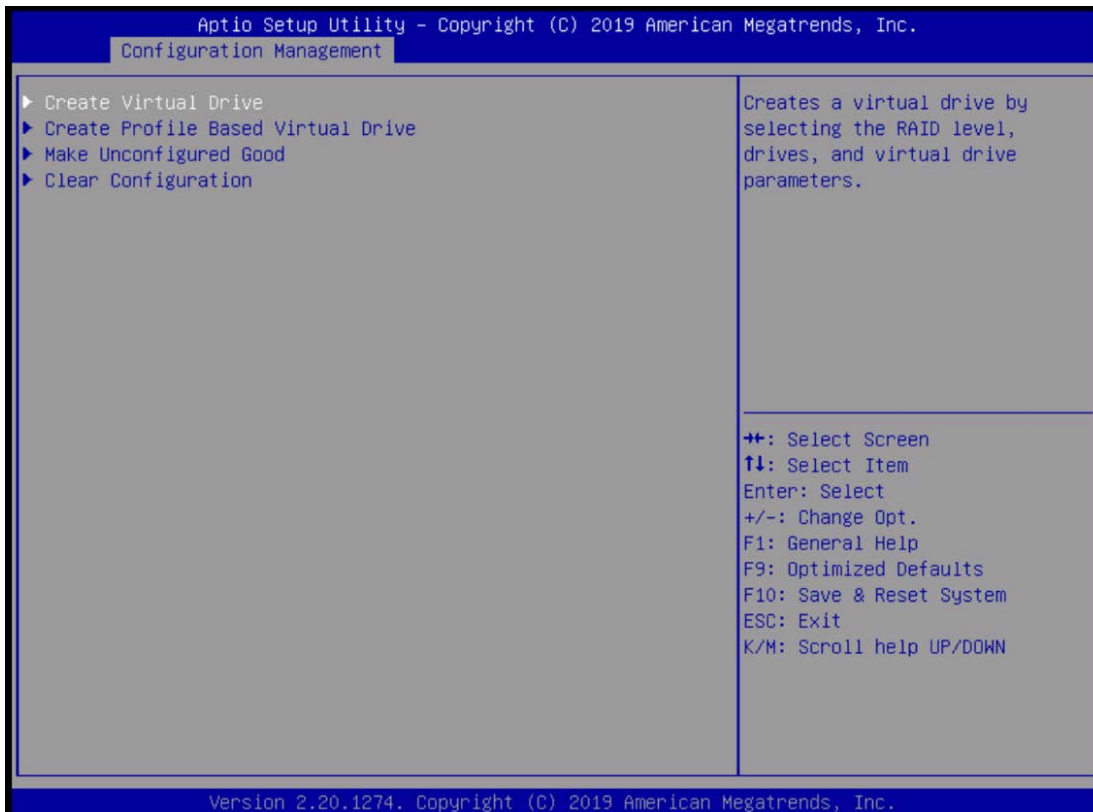
Figure 25. Choose Main Menu



4. Choose Configuration Management (Figure 26).

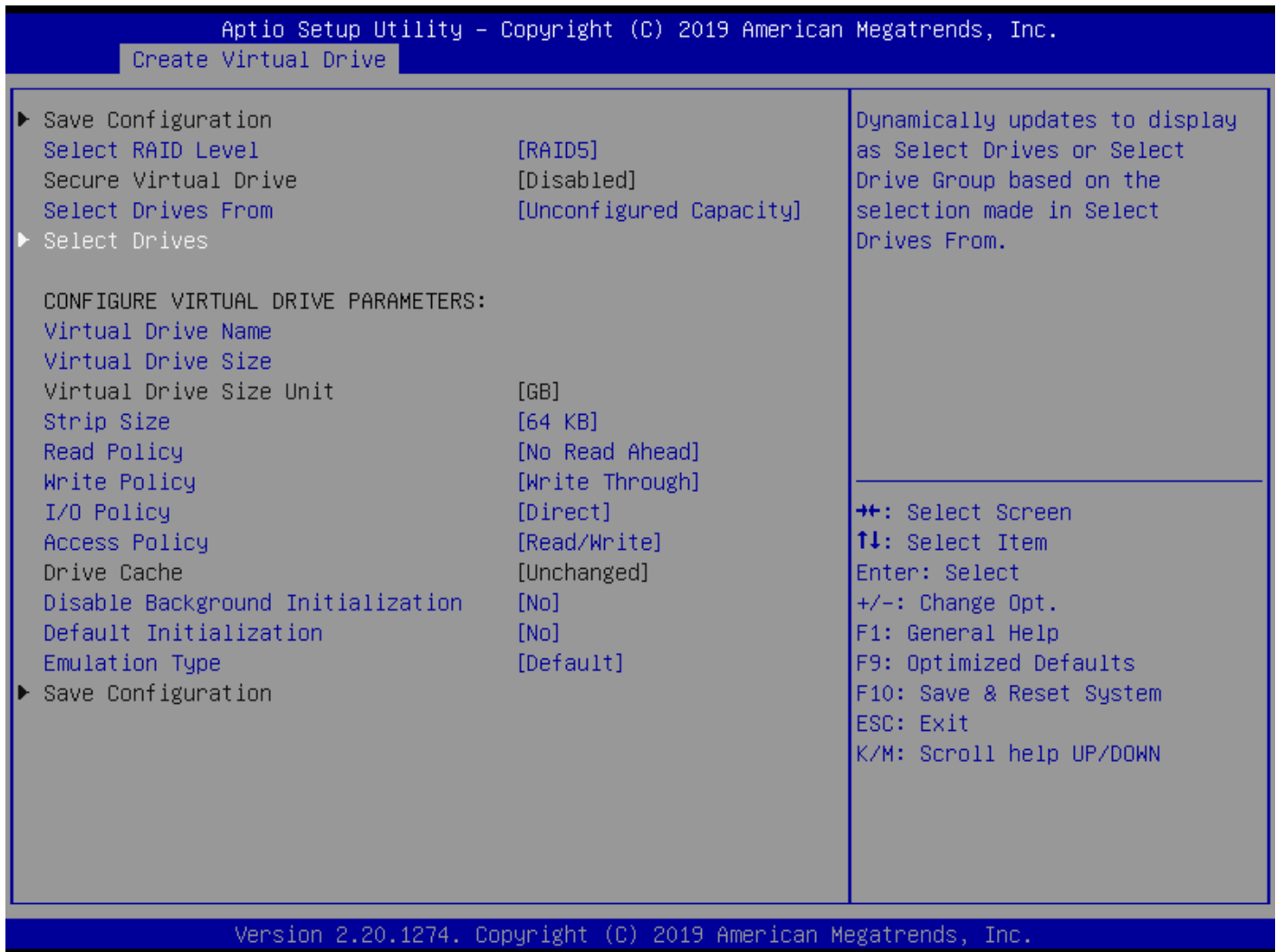
Figure 26. Choose Configuration Management

5. Choose Create Virtual Drive (Figure 27).

Figure 27. Choose Create Virtual Drive

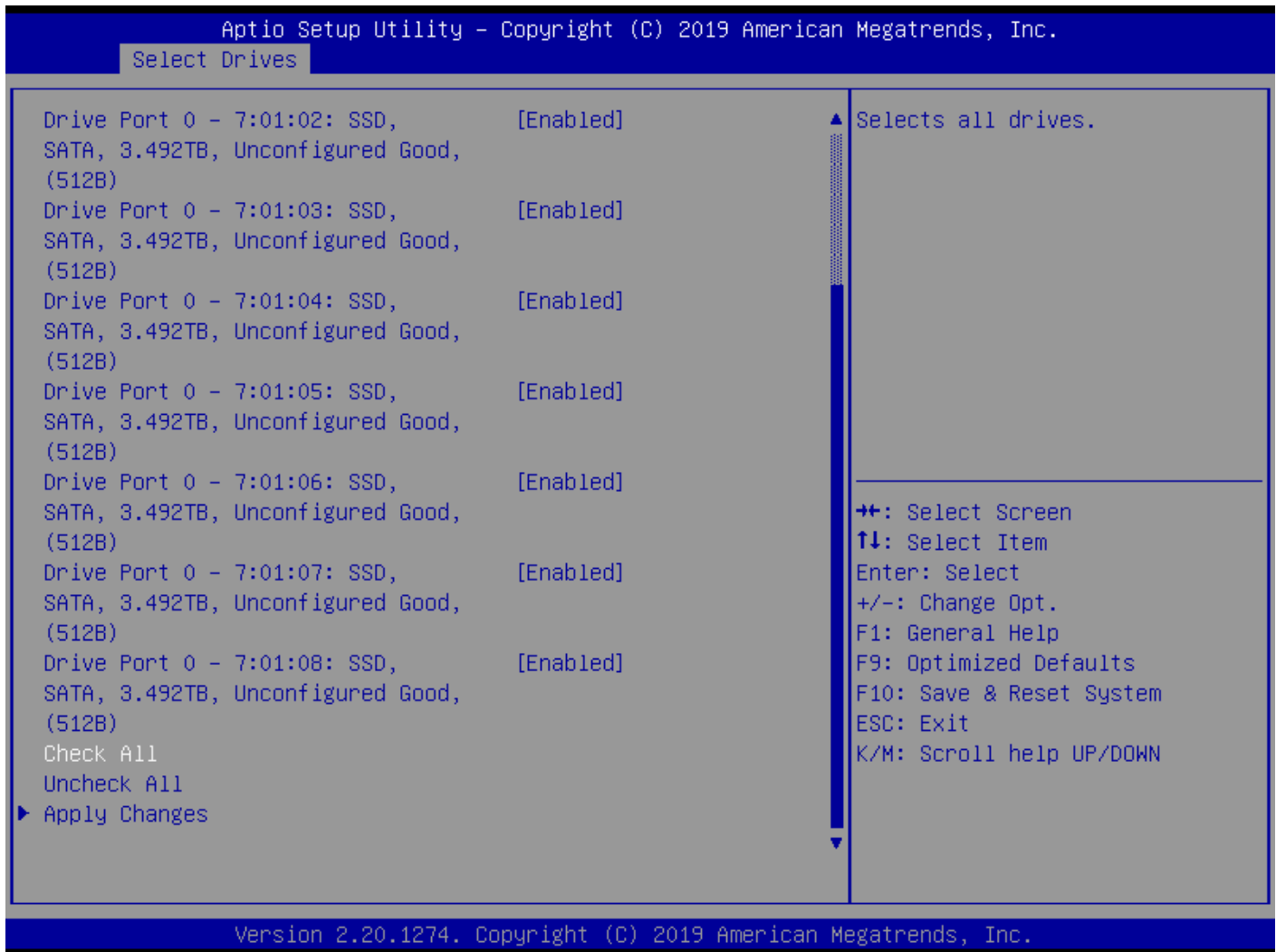
6. Choose the following options to create a RAID 50 or RAID 5 virtual drive. With 20 disks, add five spans.
 - a. For RAID Level, choose RAID 50 or RAID 5
 - b. Choose Select Drives (Figure 28).

Figure 28. Choose RAID options



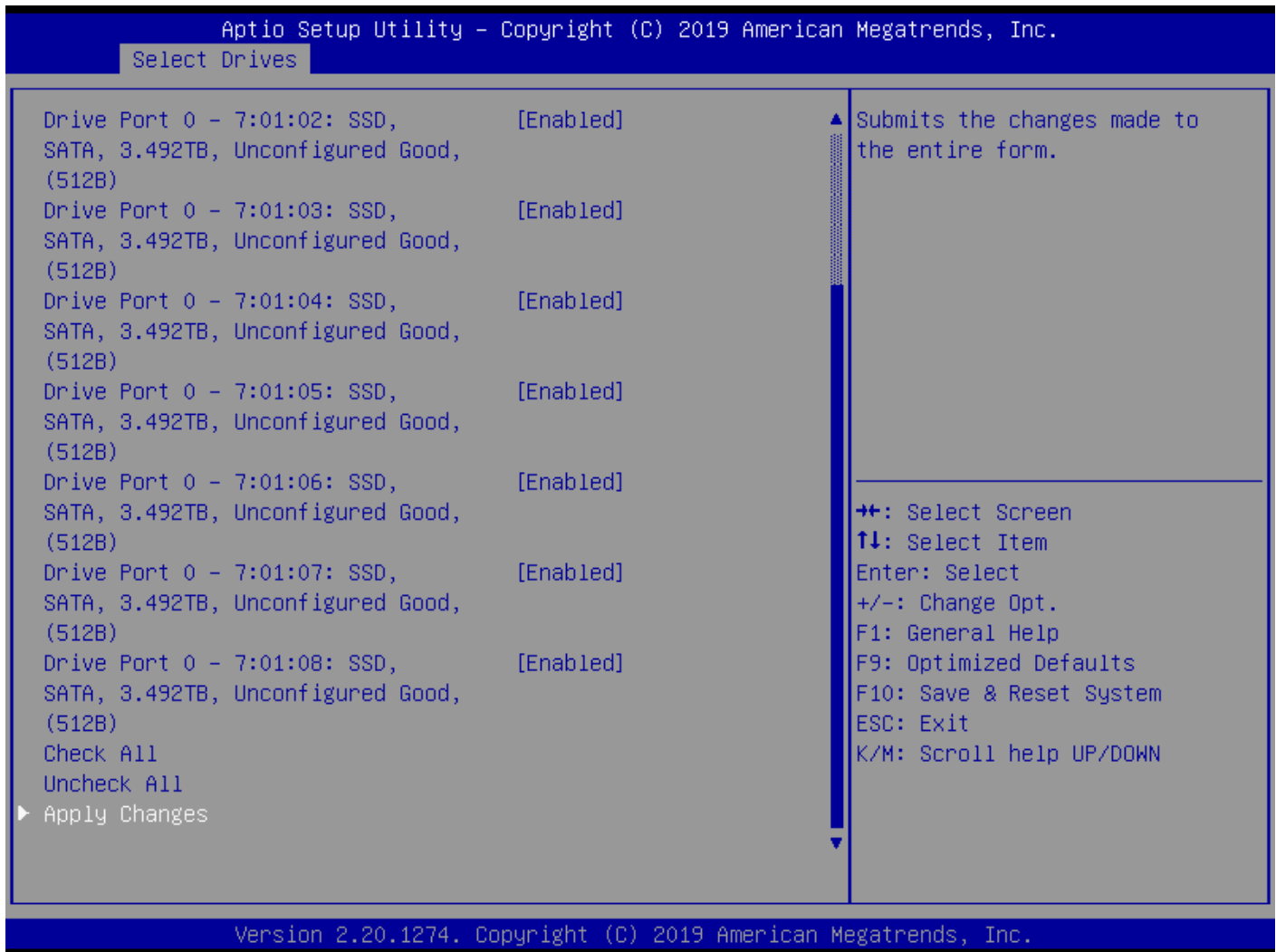
- c. Choose Select Drives and then select the eight SSDs by choosing Enabled as shown in Figure 29.

Figure 29. Choose Enabled



- d. Scroll up or down and on the Select Drives screen and choose Apply Changes (Figure 30).

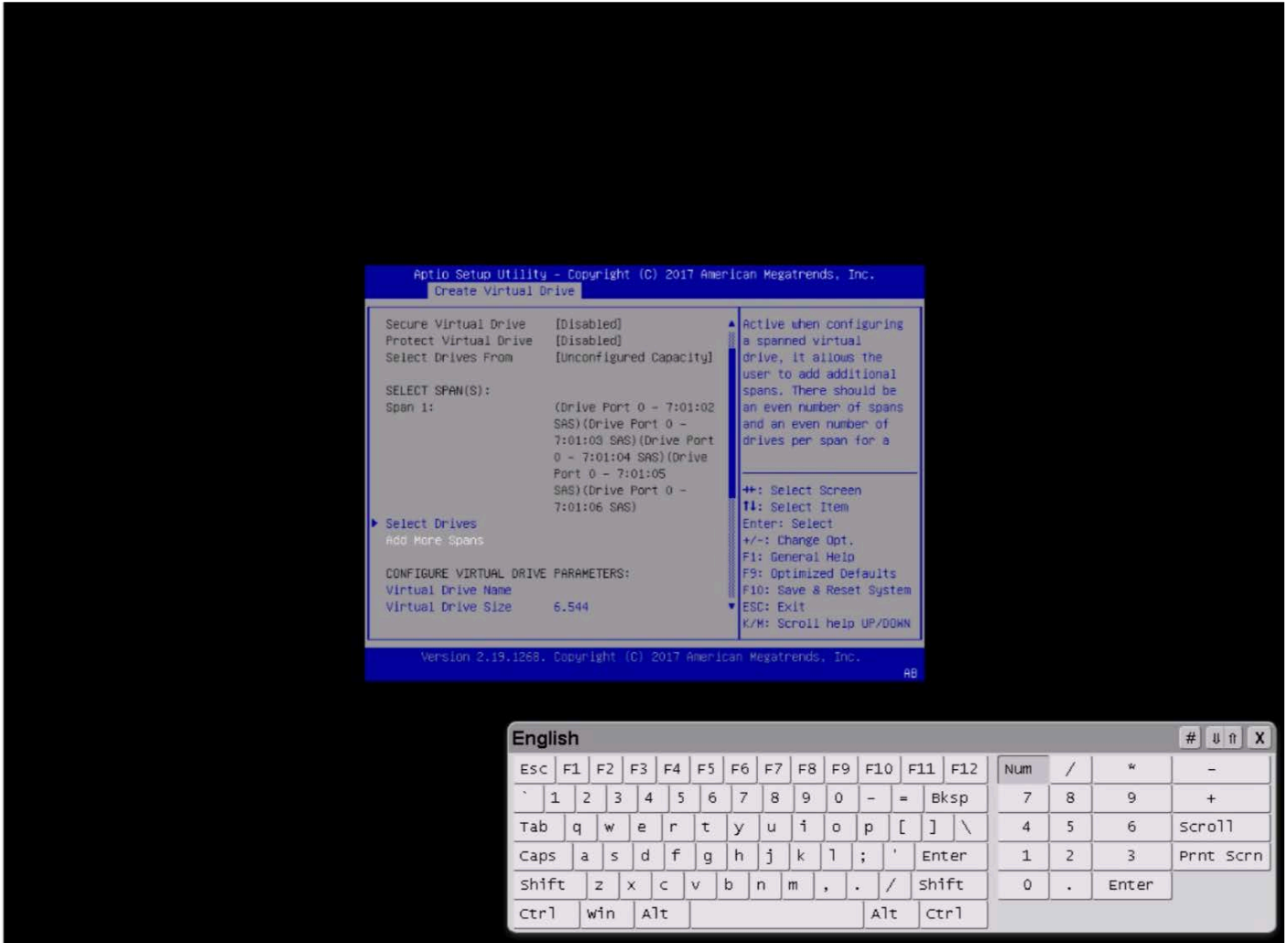
Figure 30. Apply the changes



e. Choose OK in the confirmation window.

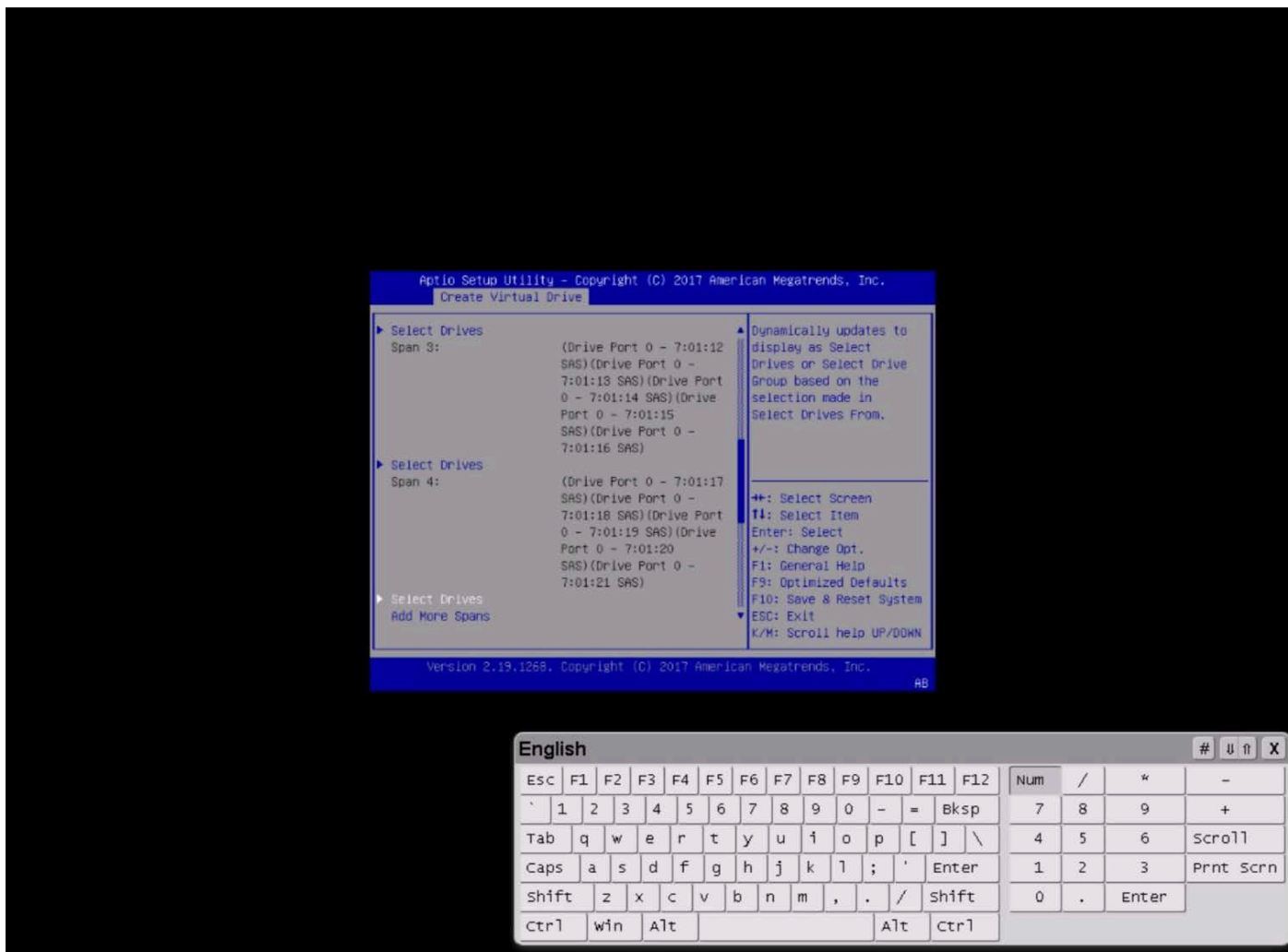
7. Add four more spans using the same process as in step 6 when configuring RAID 50 (Figure 31).

Figure 31. Add more spans



8. After repeating the steps to add spans and drives, verify that four spans with five drives per span have been added (Figure 32).

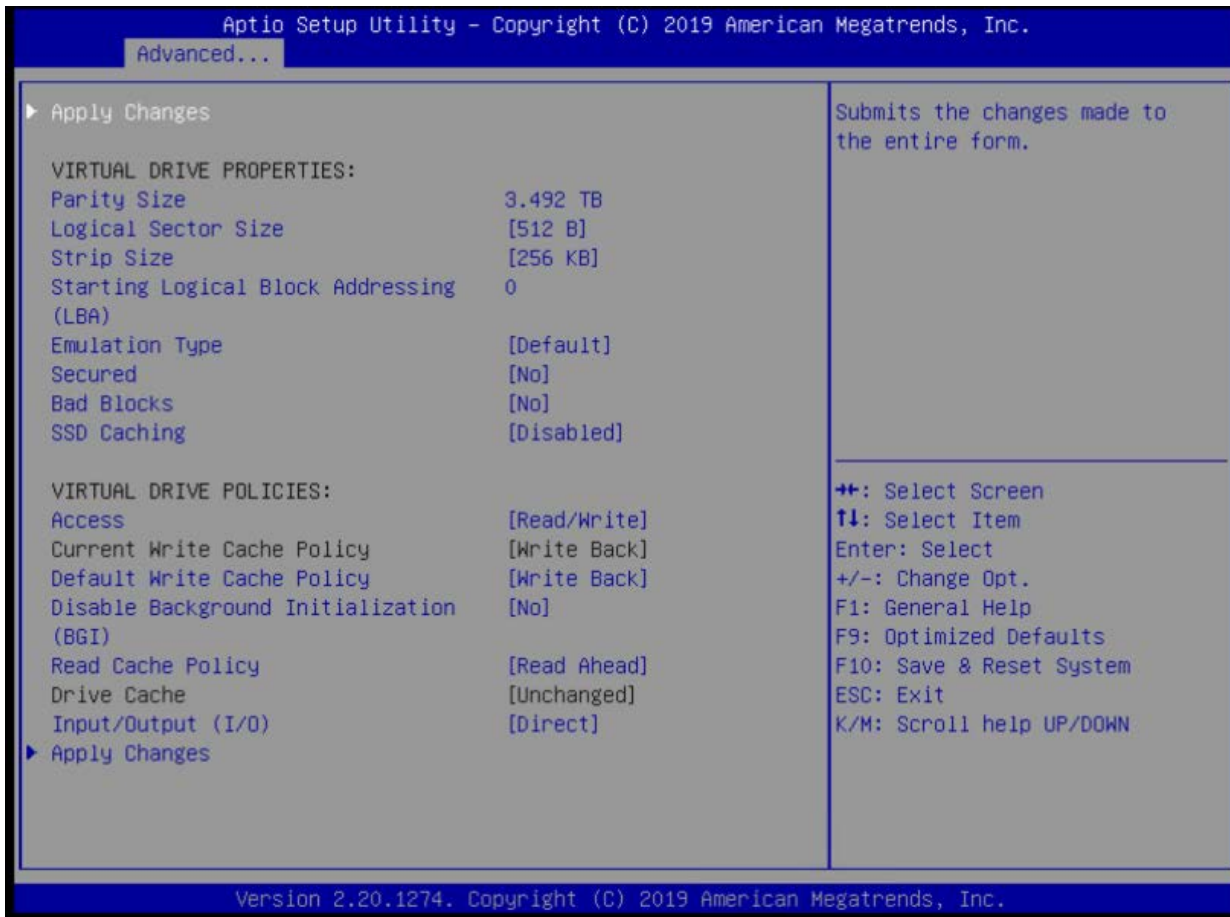
Figure 32. Verify that spans and drives have been added



9. Configure the virtual drive parameters as shown in Figure 33.
 - a. Name the virtual drive <<var_raid5_vd_name>>.
 - b. For Strip Size, choose 256 KB.
 - c. For Read Policy, choose Read Ahead
 - d. For Write Policy, choose Write Back.

When you are done, choose Save Configuration and press Enter.

Figure 33. Virtual drive parameters



10. In the next window, the utility will ask for confirmation. Choose OK to proceed.

Note: The RAID settings described here apply only to a configuration using 20 SAS drives with RAID 50. Refer to Table 12 for the RAID options for SSD drives with RAID 5 settings.

11. Wait for the initialization process for VD0 to complete, which may take several minutes.
12. Press Esc and choose OK to exit the RAID configuration utility.
13. Press Ctrl+Alt+Del to reboot the server.

Installing the operating system

This section shows the installation procedure for SLES 15 for SAP on local drives.

1. Follow the steps in the section “Launching the KVM console” to mount and boot the ISO image (Figure 34).

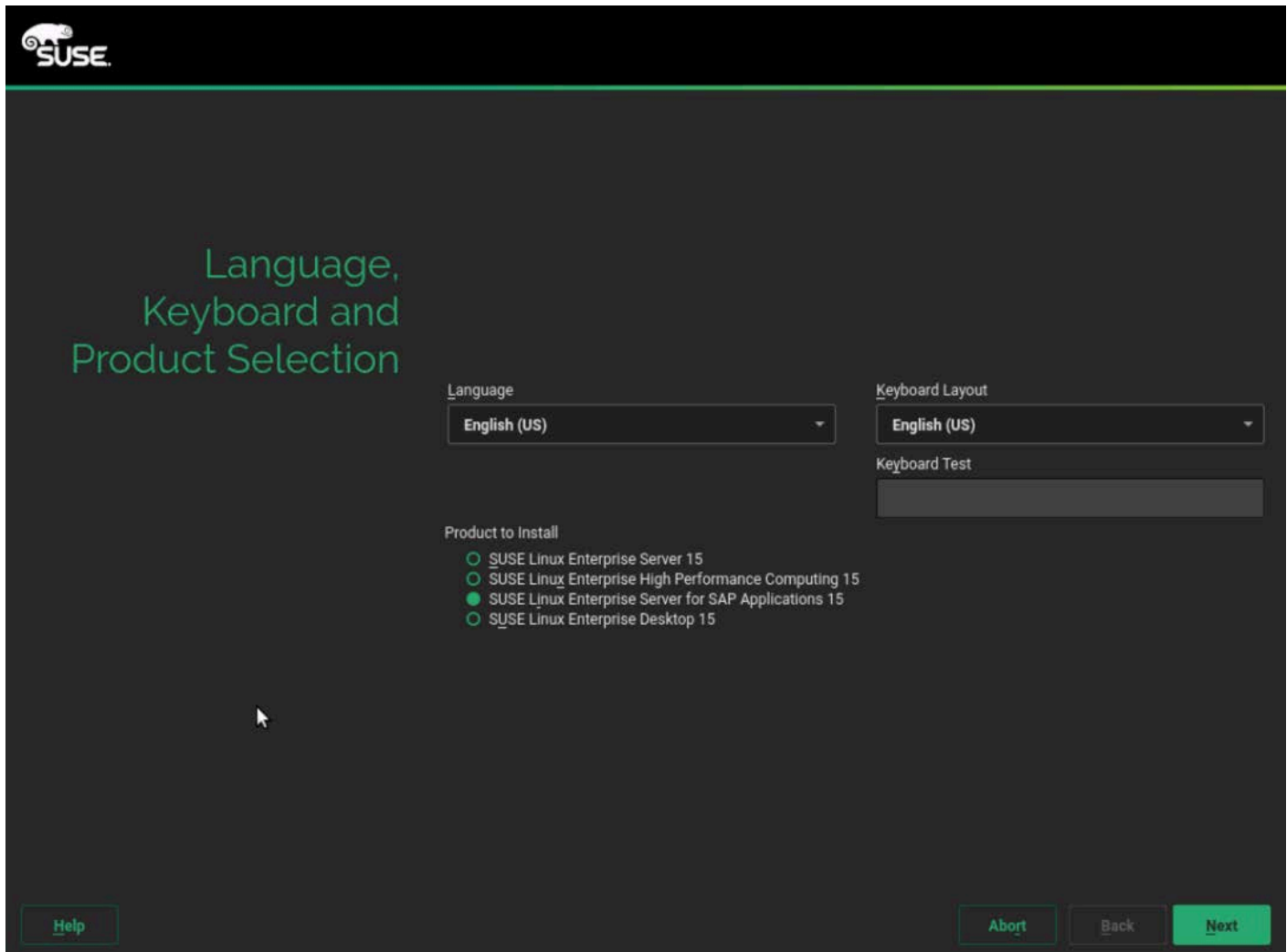
Note: Be sure to map the packages DVD during the installation process. Verify that the packages DVD ISO file is already downloaded before you begin the process to install the OS.

Figure 34. Booting to the ISO image



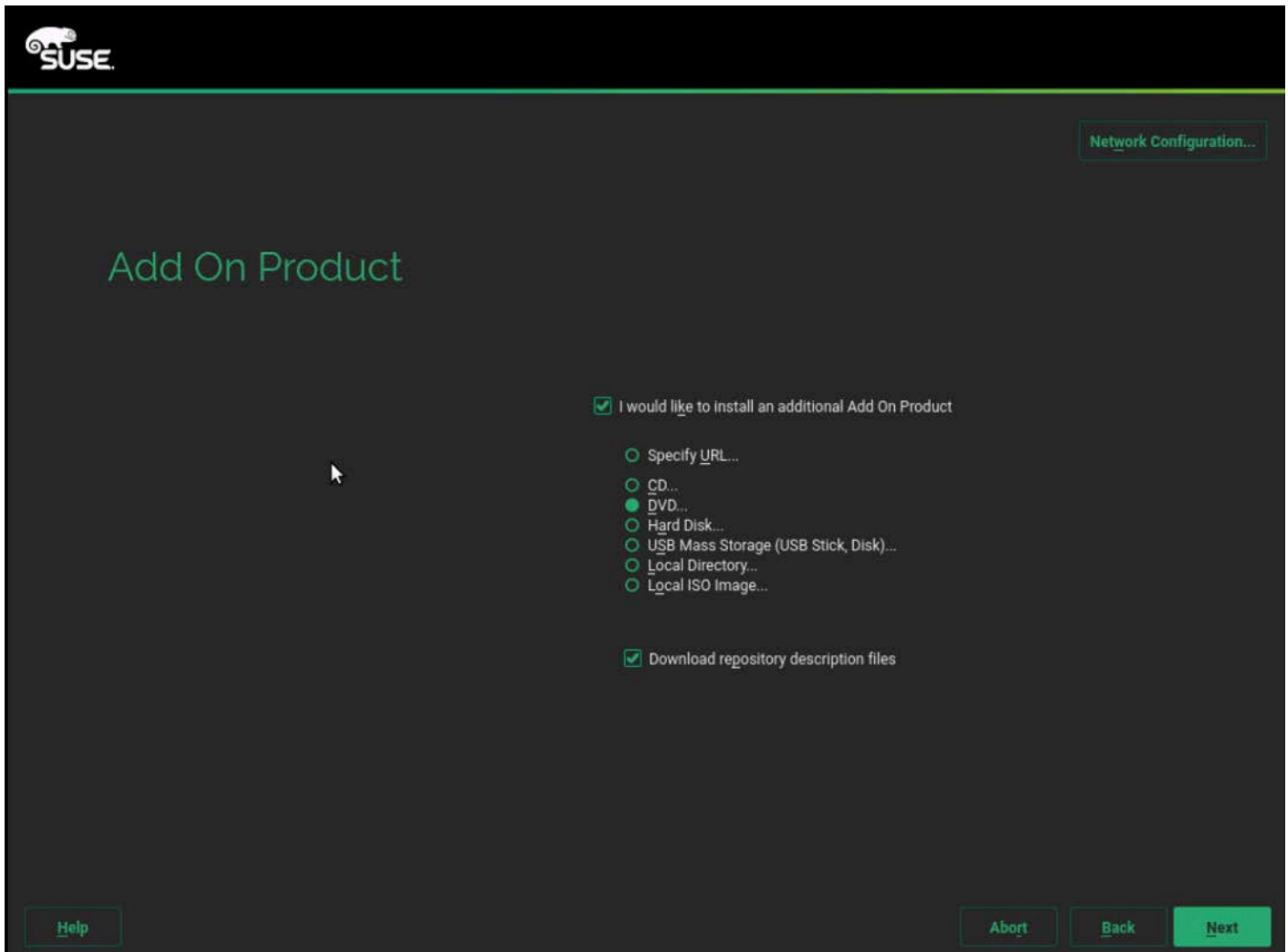
2. On the Language, Keyboard, and License Agreement page, select the English language and your preferred keyboard layout, agree to the license terms, and click Next (Figure 35).

Figure 35. Select the language, keyboard layout, and product that you want to install



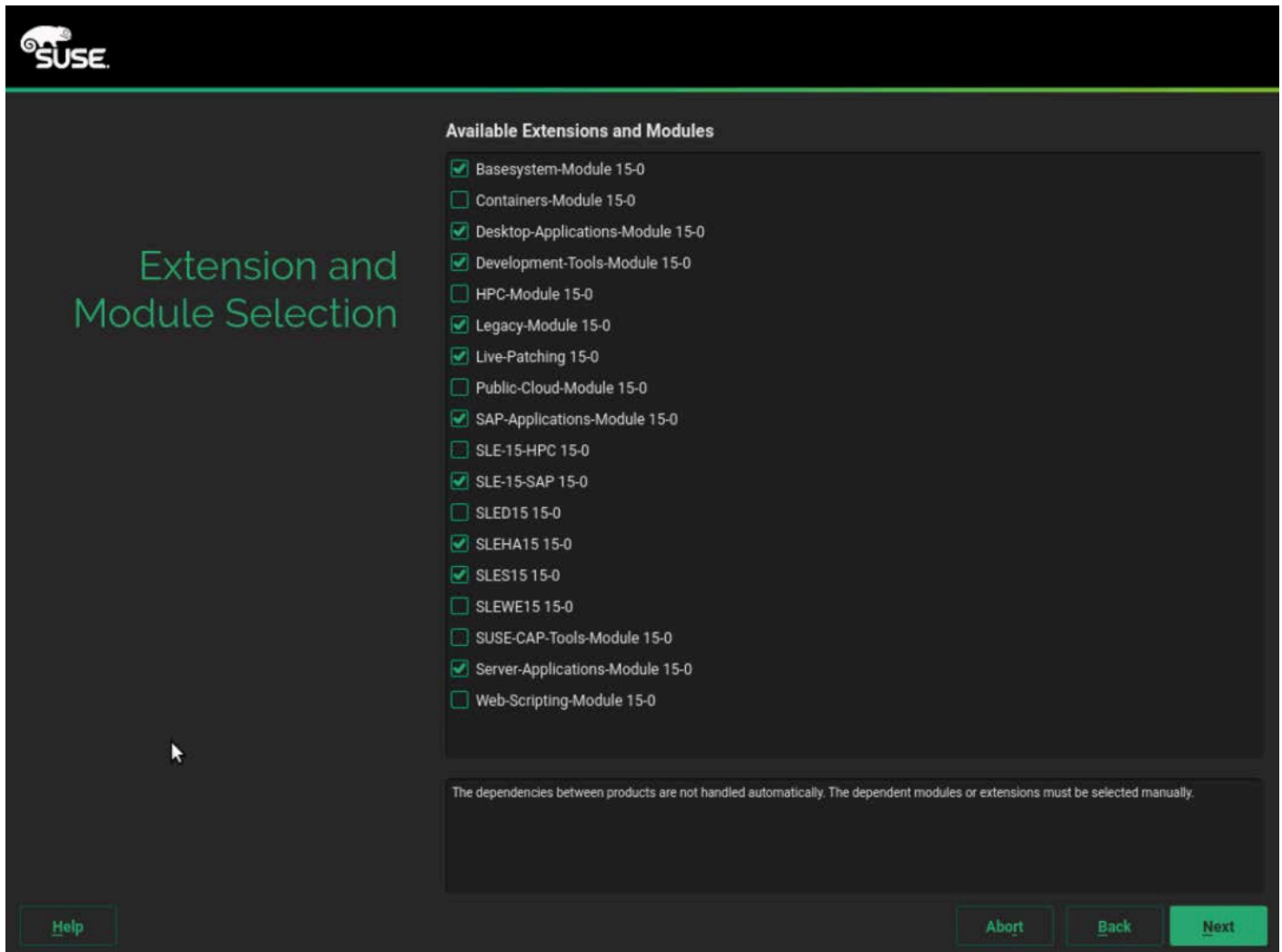
3. On the License Agreement page, read the agreement and select I Agree to the License Terms.
4. On the Network Settings page, click Next. You will return to the network configuration as part of the post-installation tasks.
5. On the Registration page, click Skip Registration. You will be presented with a warning. Click OK to confirm that you want to proceed without registering. You will register later as part of the post-installation tasks.
6. On the Add On Product page, select "I would like to install an additional Add On Product" and select the DVD option (Figure 36). Unmap DVD1, mapped earlier, and map Packages DVD1 using the Virtual Media menu on the KVM console.

Figure 36. Select the DVD to add add-on packages



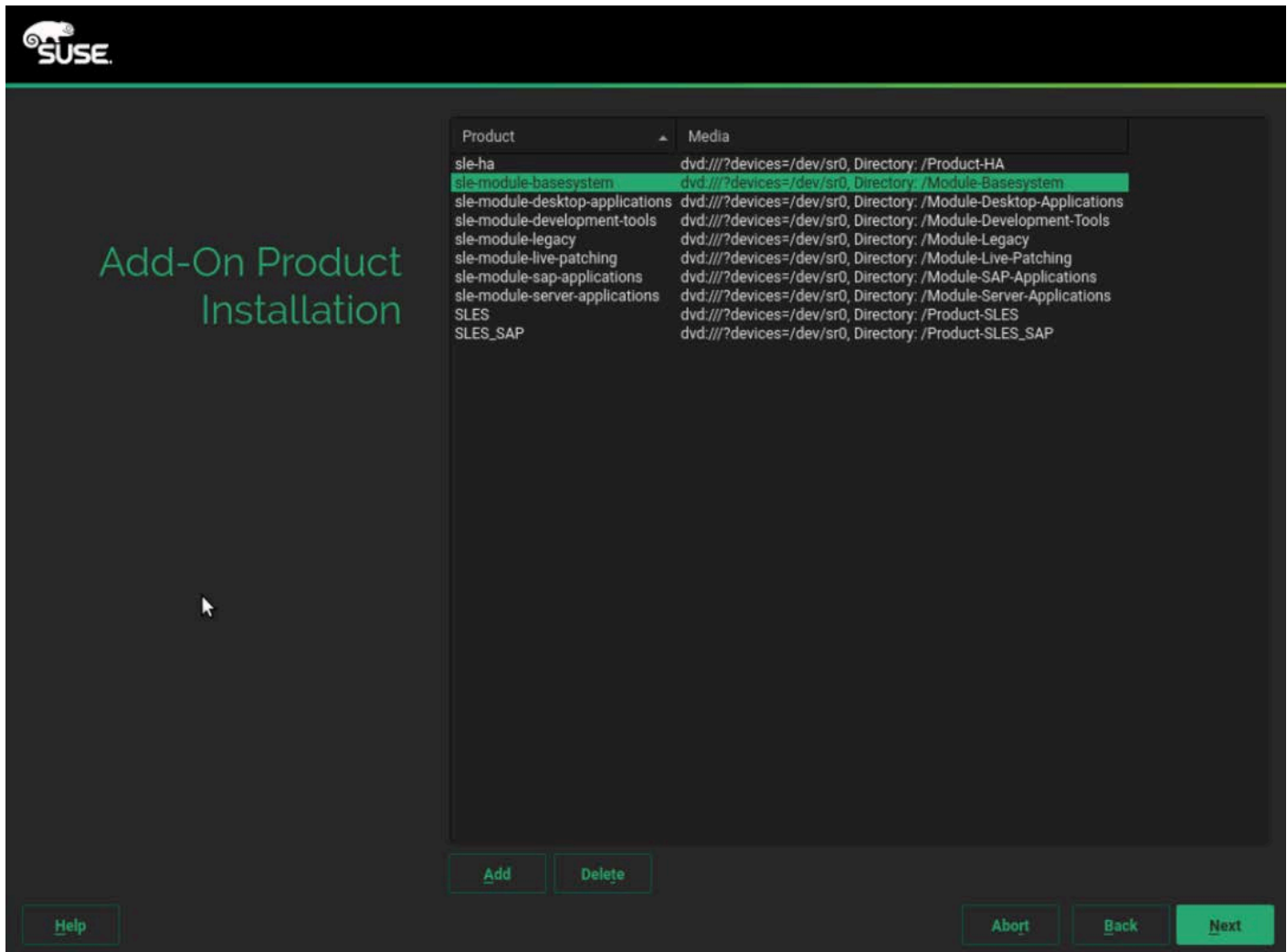
7. Select the extensions and modules that you want to add and click Next (Figure 37).

Figure 37. Select the extensions and modules that you want to add

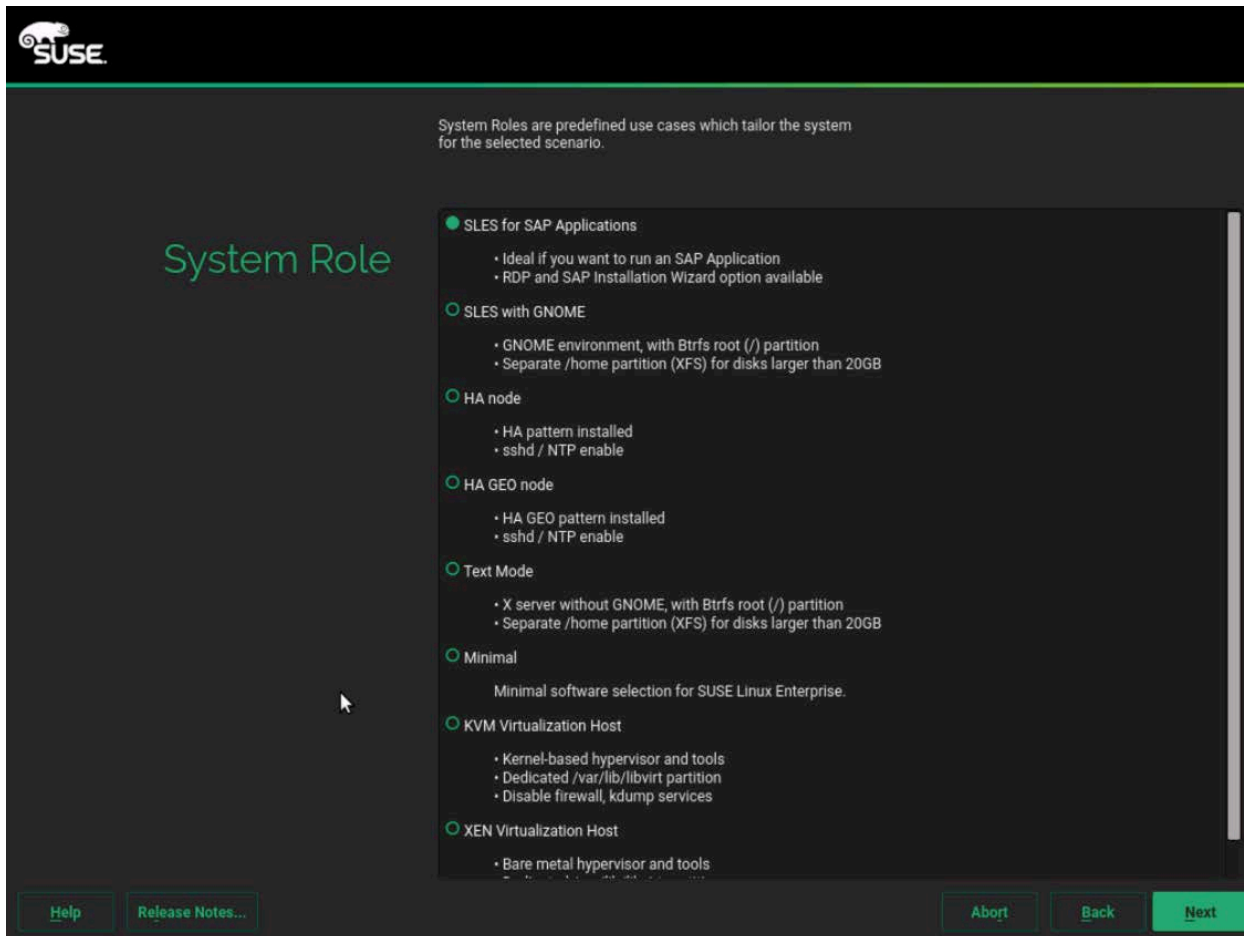


The products are installed (Figure 38).

Figure 38. Installing the add-on products

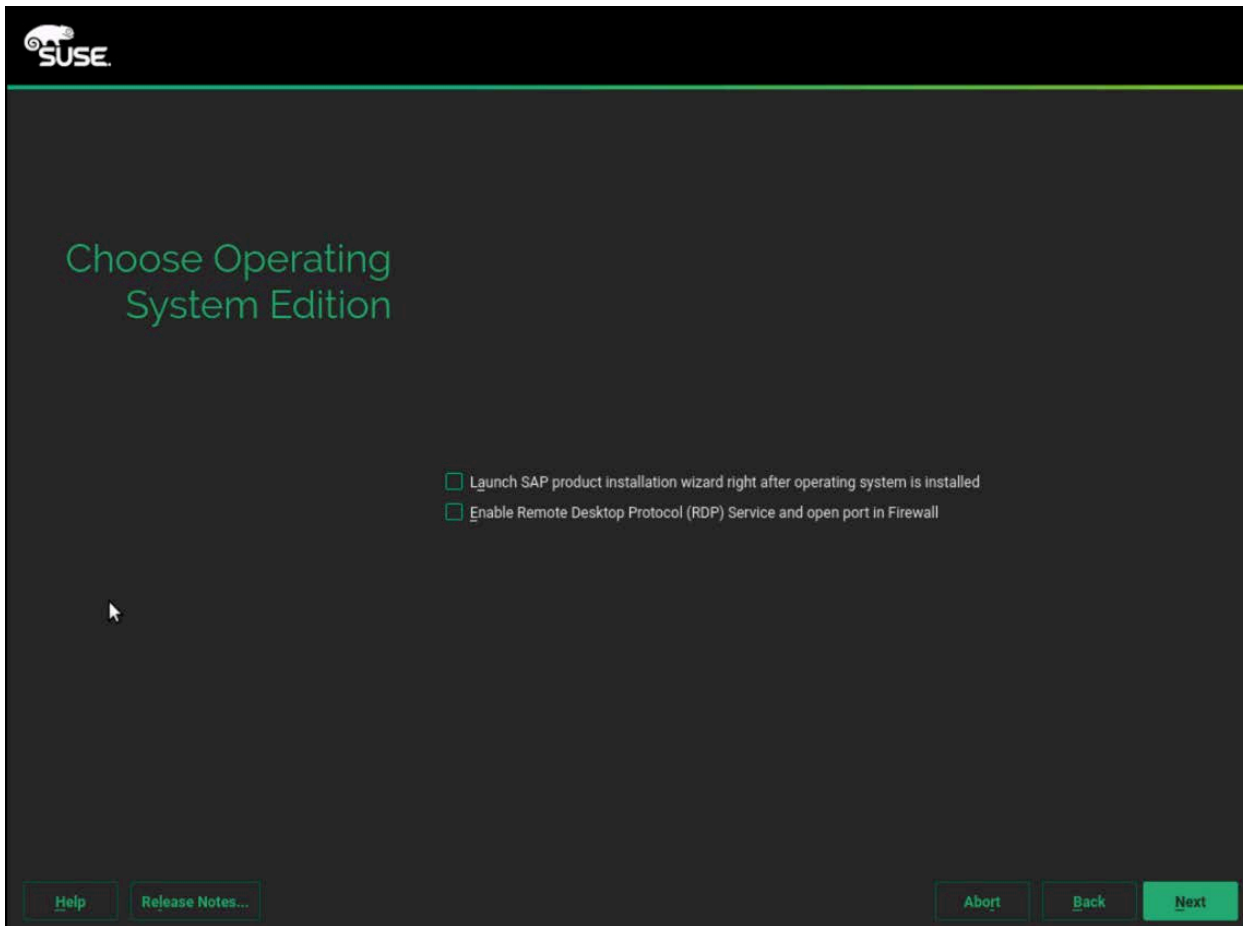


- On the System Role page, select SLES for SAP Applications (Figure 39).

Figure 39. Select the system role

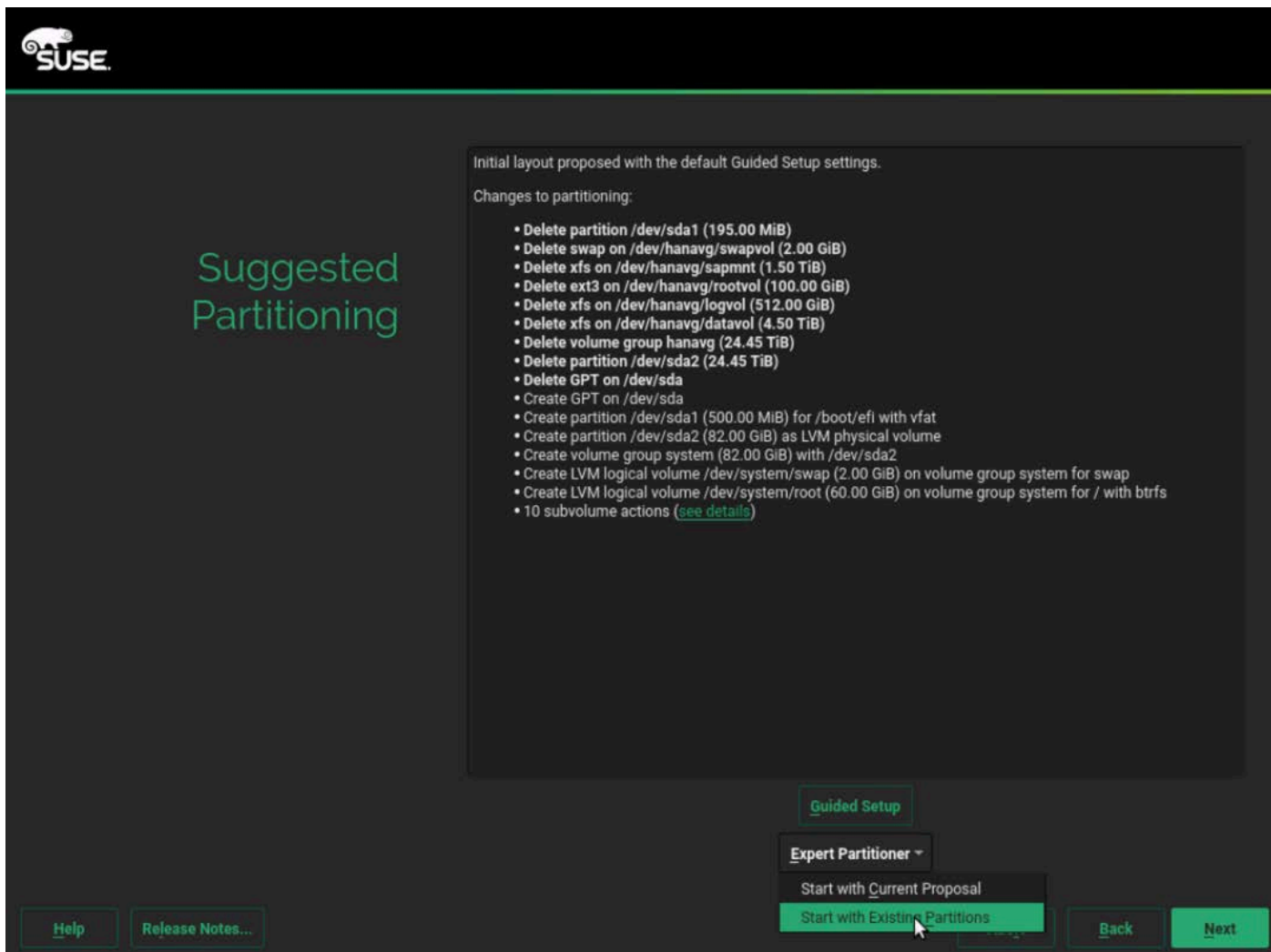
9. On the Choose Operating System Edition page, deselect the options (Figure 40).

Figure 40. Select the product installation mode



10. On the Suggested Partitioning page, click Expert Partitioner and choose Start with Existing Partitions (Figure 41).

Figure 41. Suggested partitioning initial proposal: Select Expert Partitioner



11. At the left, choose System View > Linux > Hard Disks > sda.

12. Clear the suggested partitions. The example here shows two suggested partitions: sda1 and sda2. Use the following steps to delete sda1 and sda2.

- Delete partition sda2 (Figures 42 and 43).

Figure 42. Expert Partitioner: Delete partition sda2

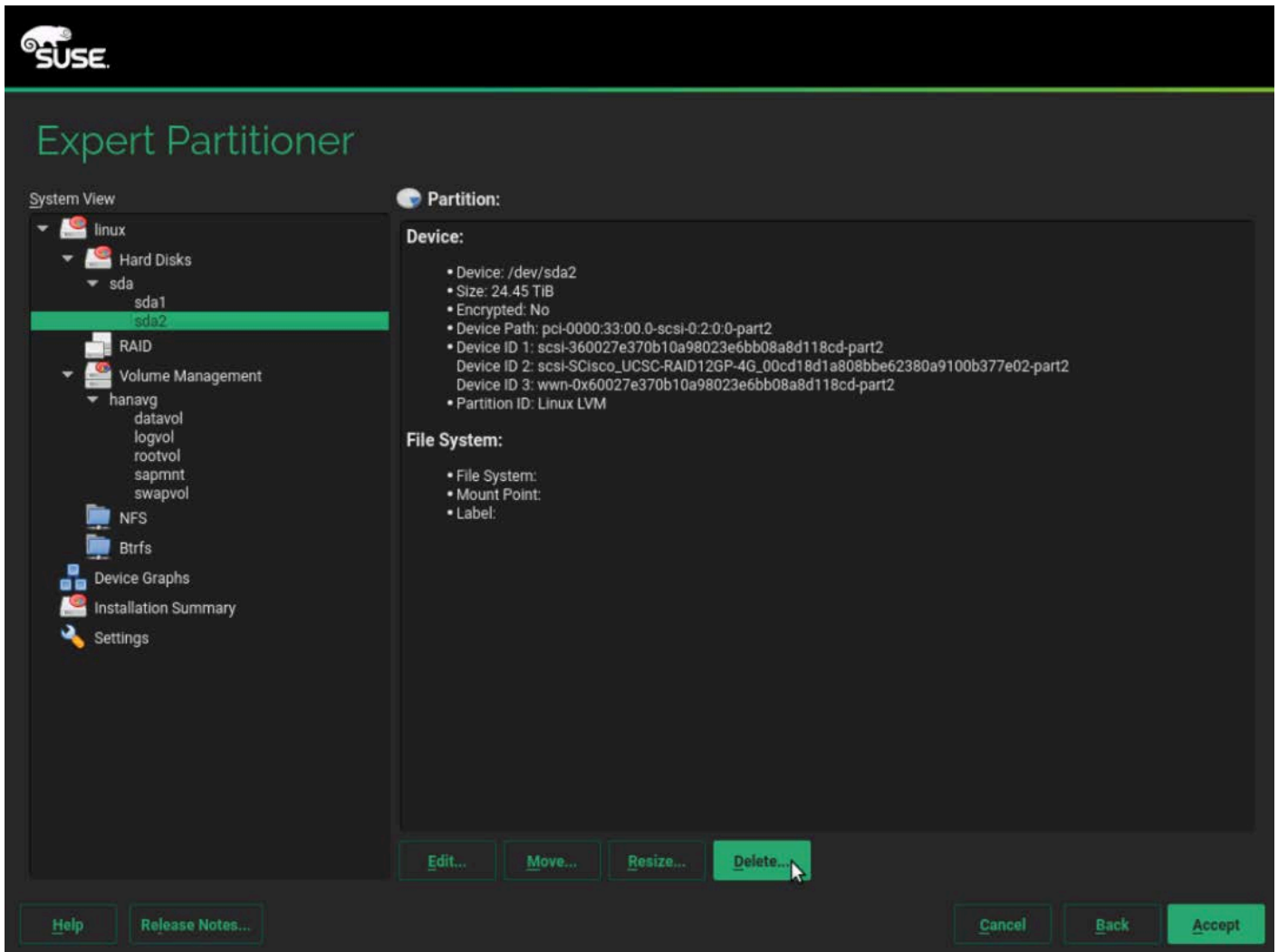
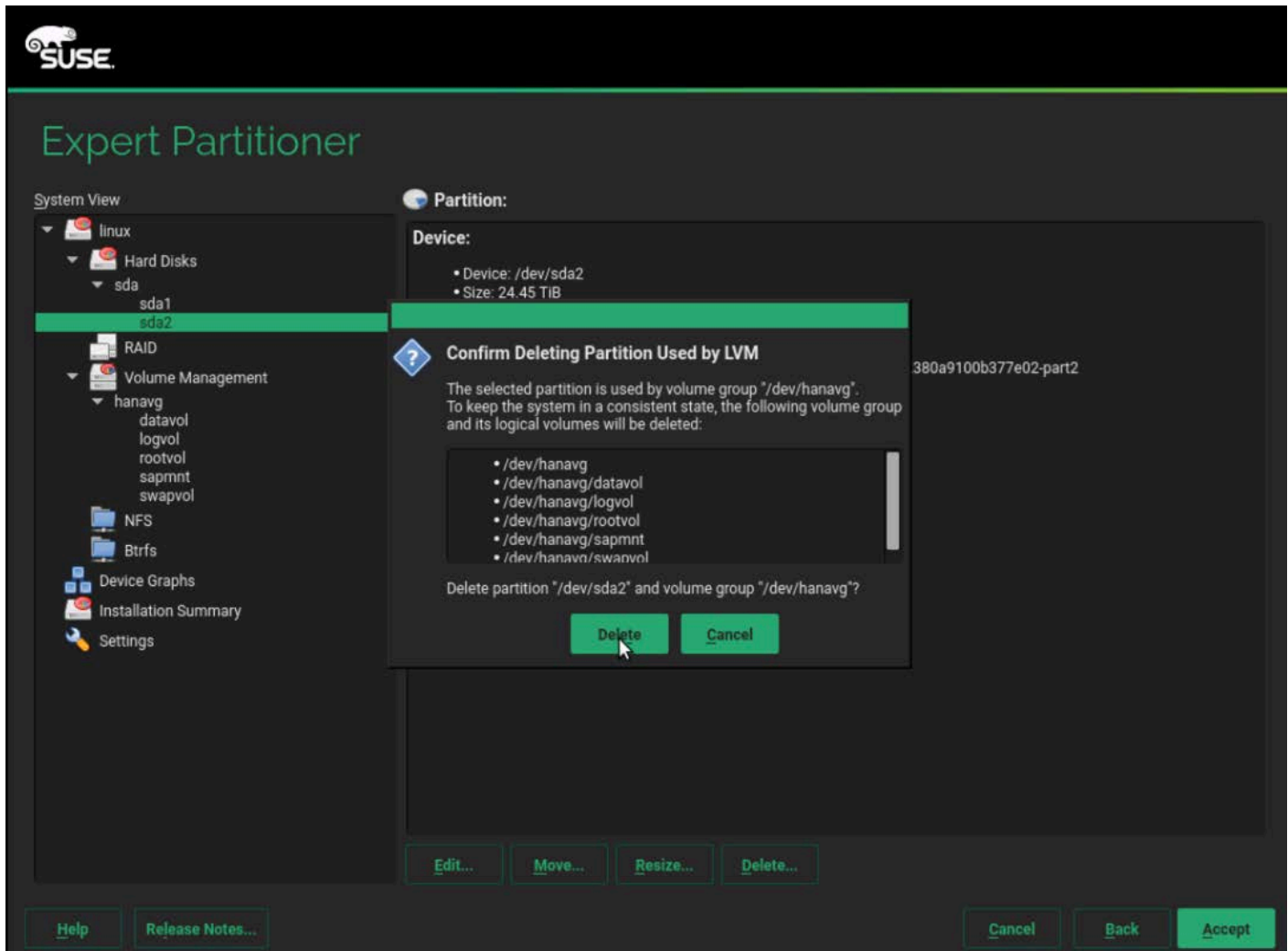


Figure 43. Expert Partitioner: Confirm deletion of partition sda2

- b. Delete partition sda1 (Figures 44 and 45).

Figure 44. Expert Partitioner: Delete partition sda1

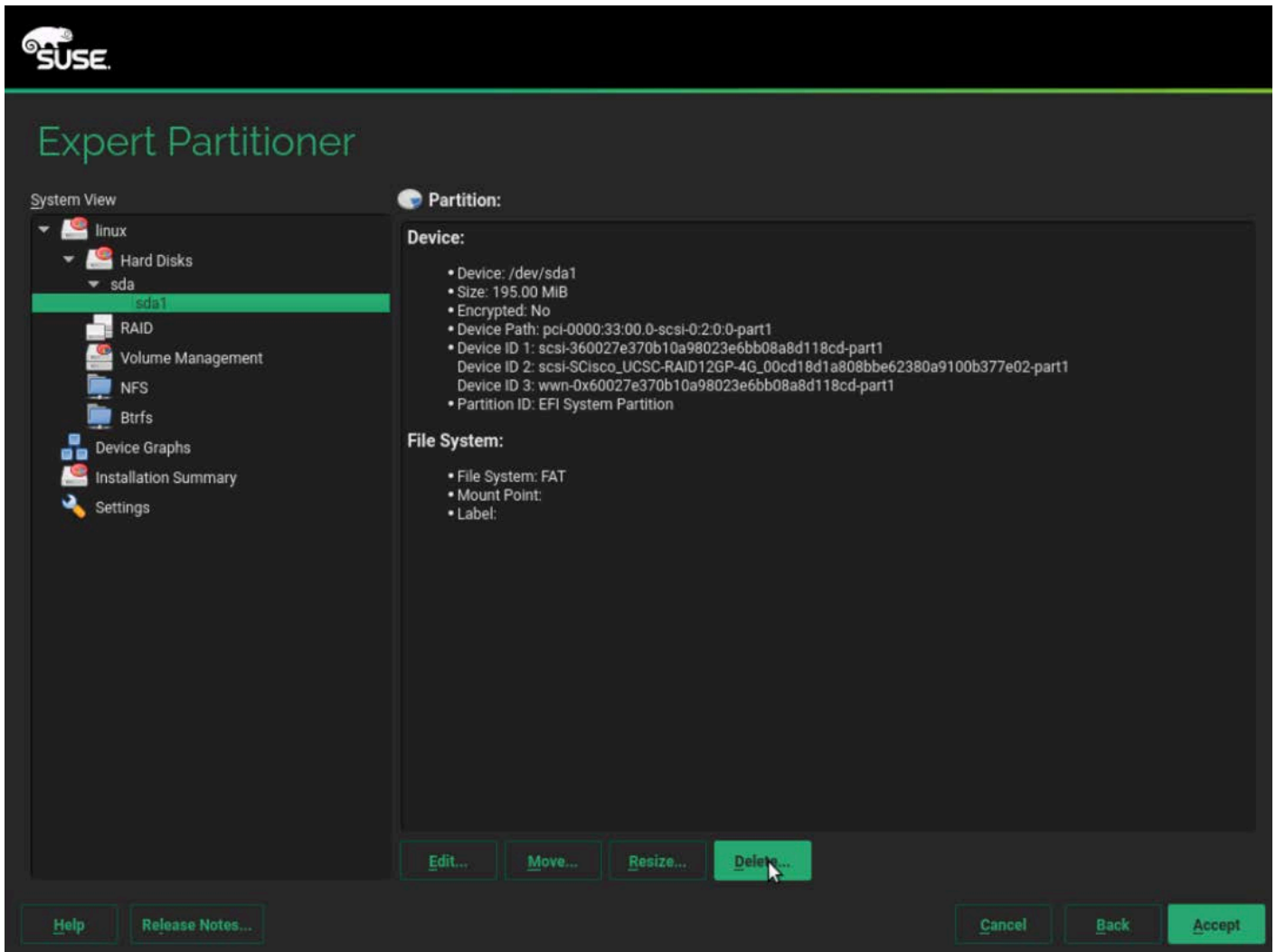
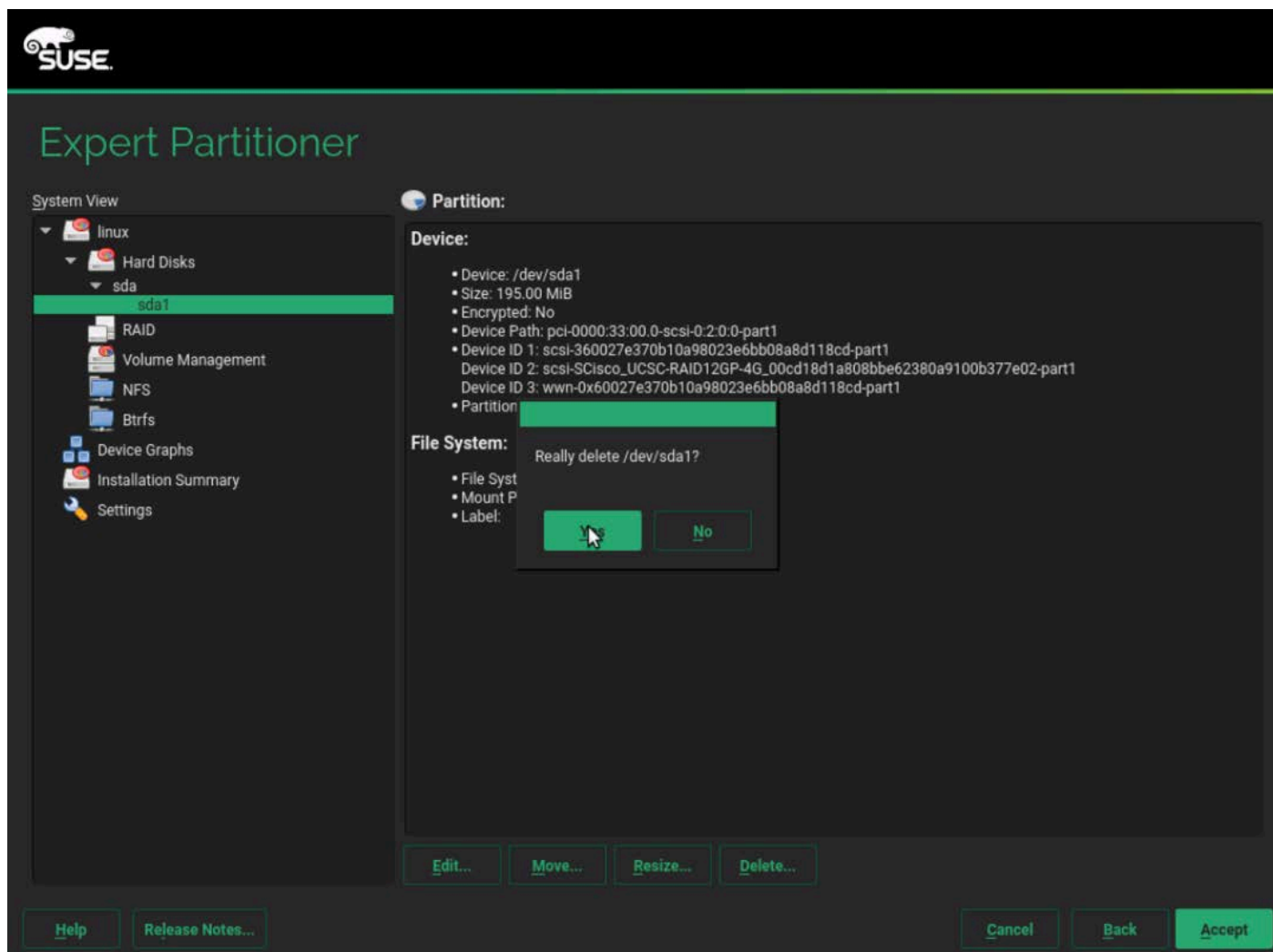


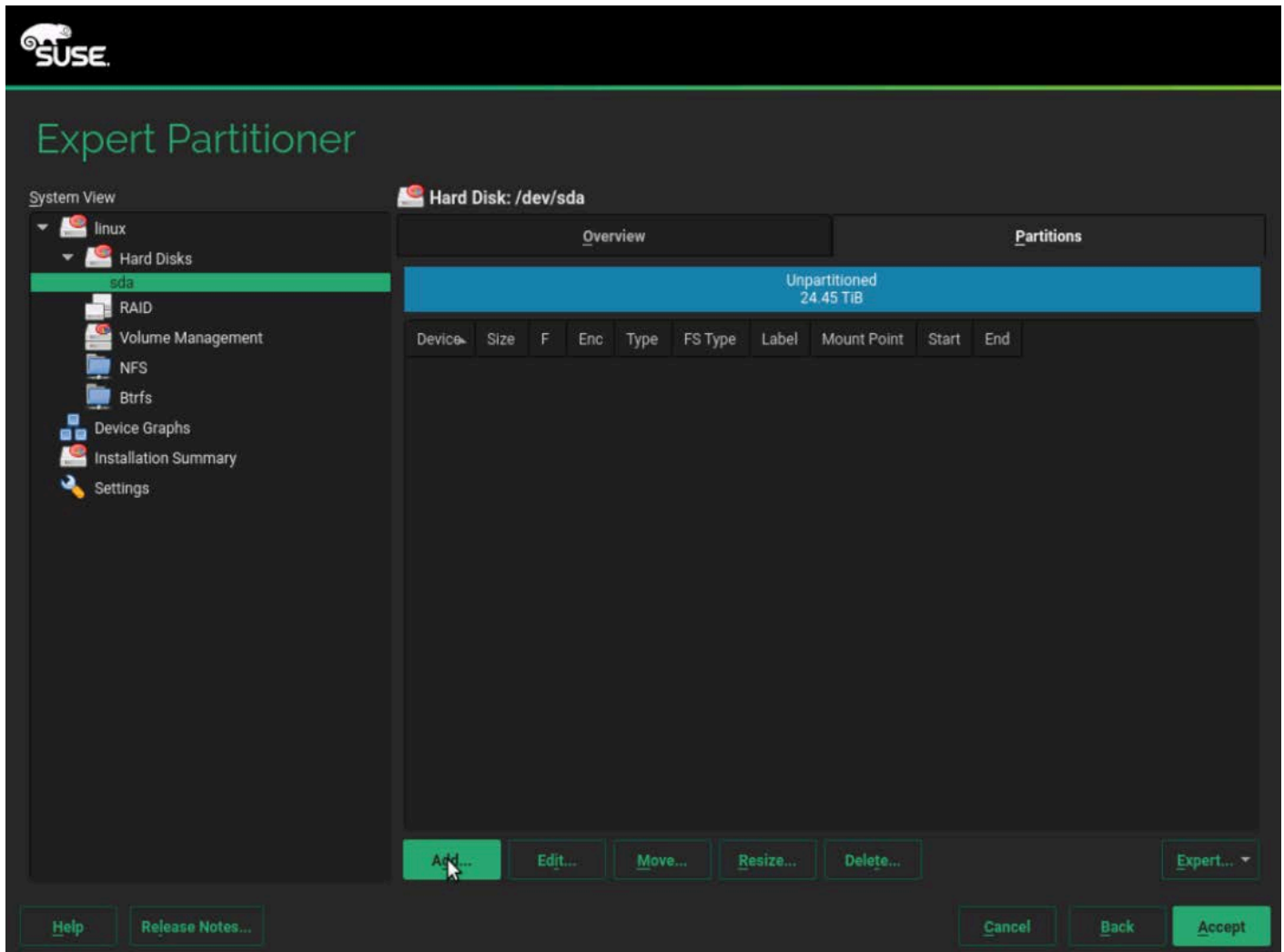
Figure 45. Expert Partitioner: Confirm deletion of partition sda1



Now, from the unpartitioned device sda, you will use the steps here to do the following:

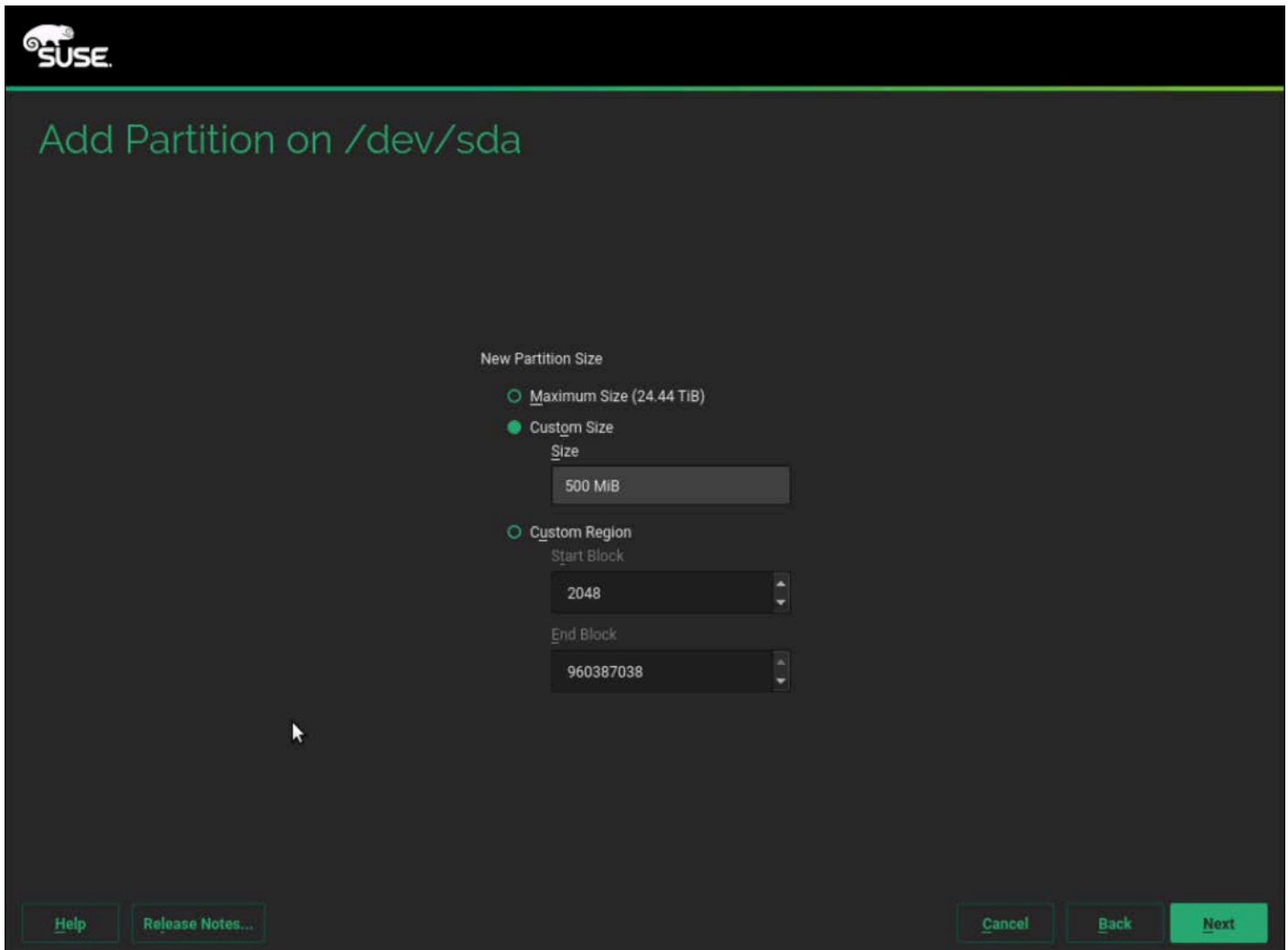
- Create a 500-MiB /boot/efi partition (/dev/sda1) from the disk device available (/dev/sda).
- Create another partition (/dev/sda2), assigning the rest of the available space in the device (/dev/sda). Assign this partition to Linux LVM, thus making it a physical volume.
- Create a volume group (hanavg) and assign the available physical volume (/dev/sda2) to it.
- Create a logical volume for the / file system with a size of 100 GB and using the Ext3 file system.
- Create a swap volume with a size of 2 GB.

13. In the Expert Partitioner, choose the device /dev/sda and click Add (Figure 46).

Figure 46. Add new partition

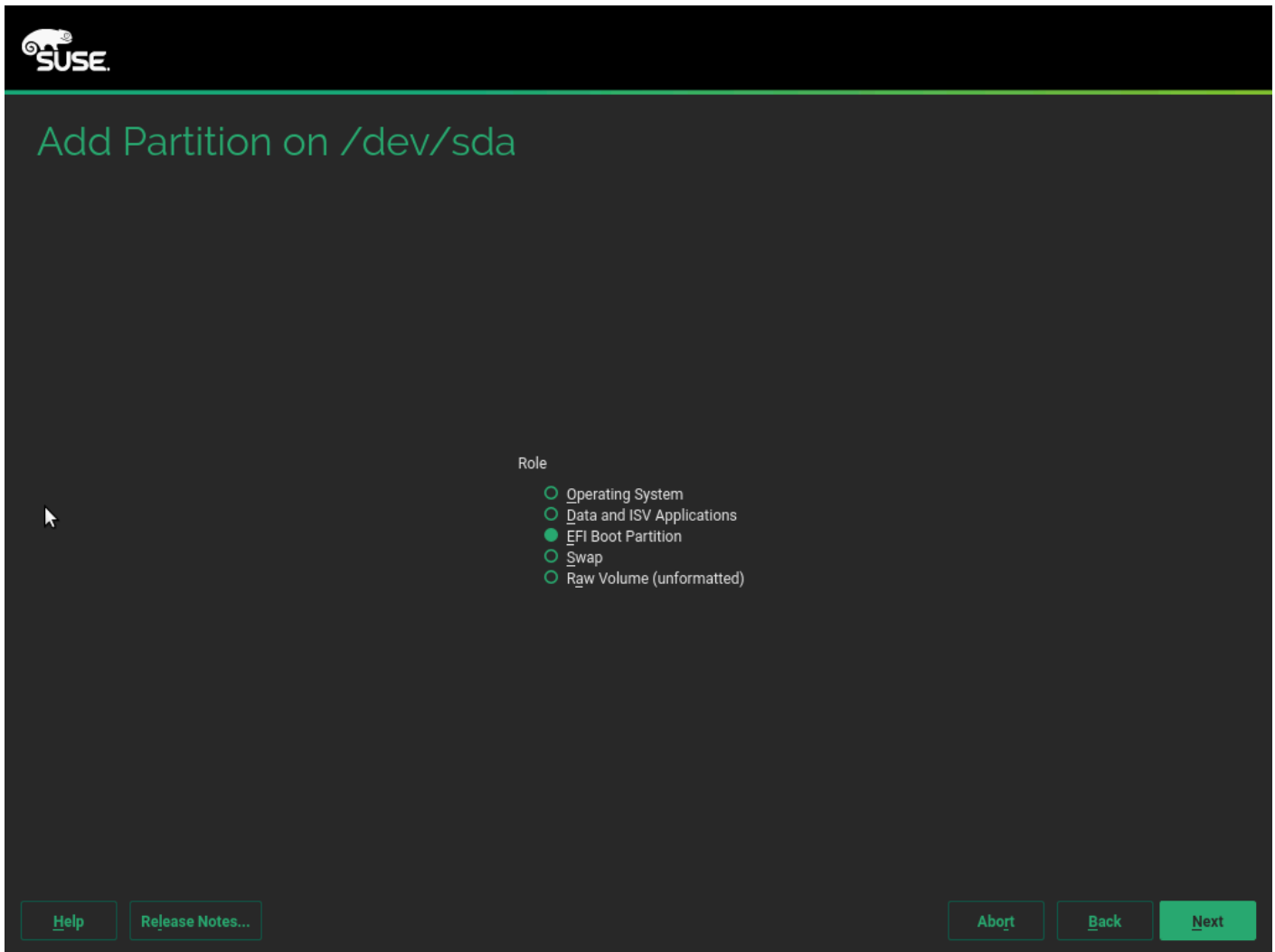
14. Create a partition with a size of 500 MB for /boot/efi (Figure 47).

Figure 47. Adding a partition: Specify the new partition size



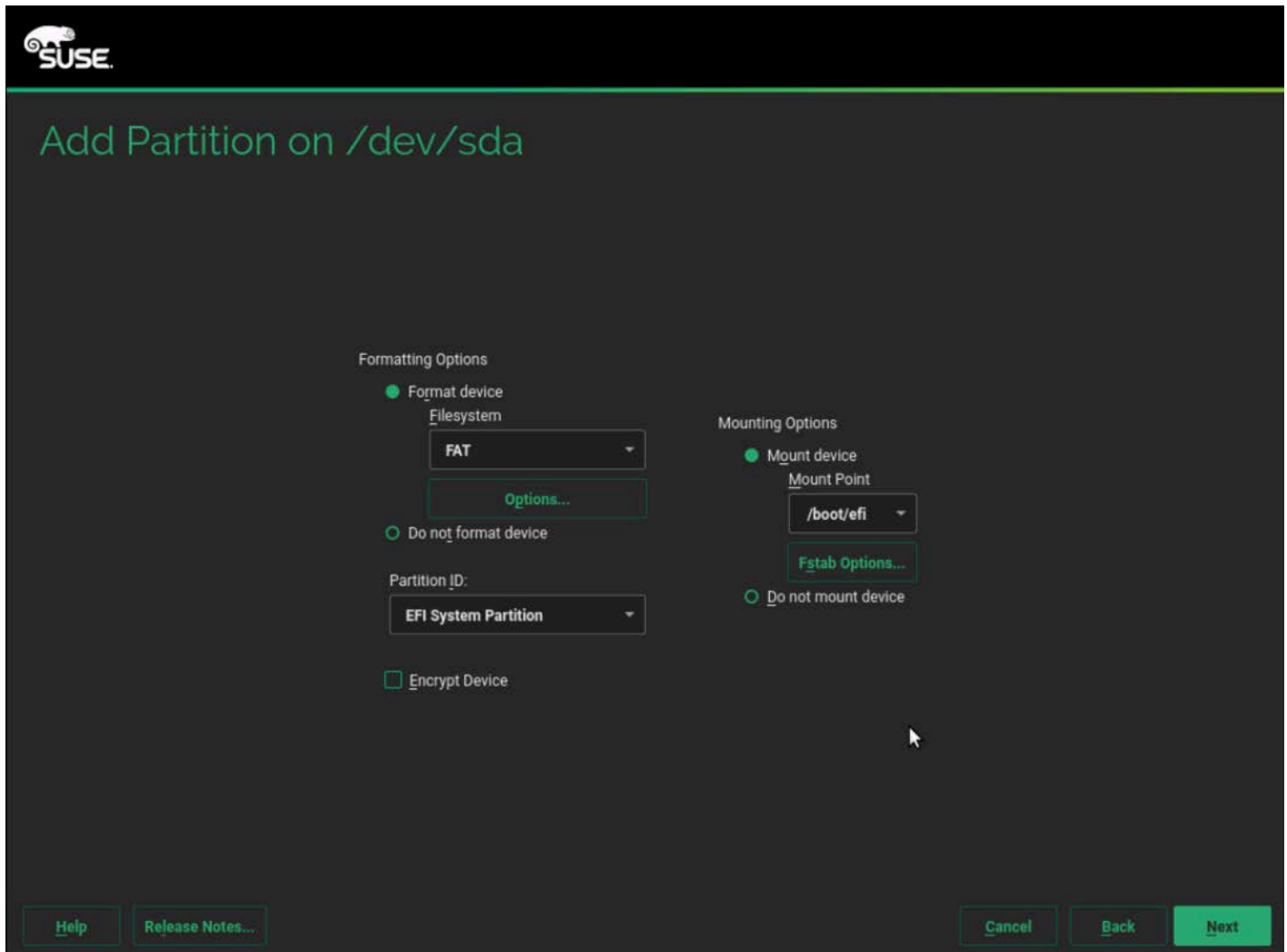
15. Click Next. For Role, select EFI Boot Partition (Figure 48).

Figure 48. Adding a partition: Specify the role



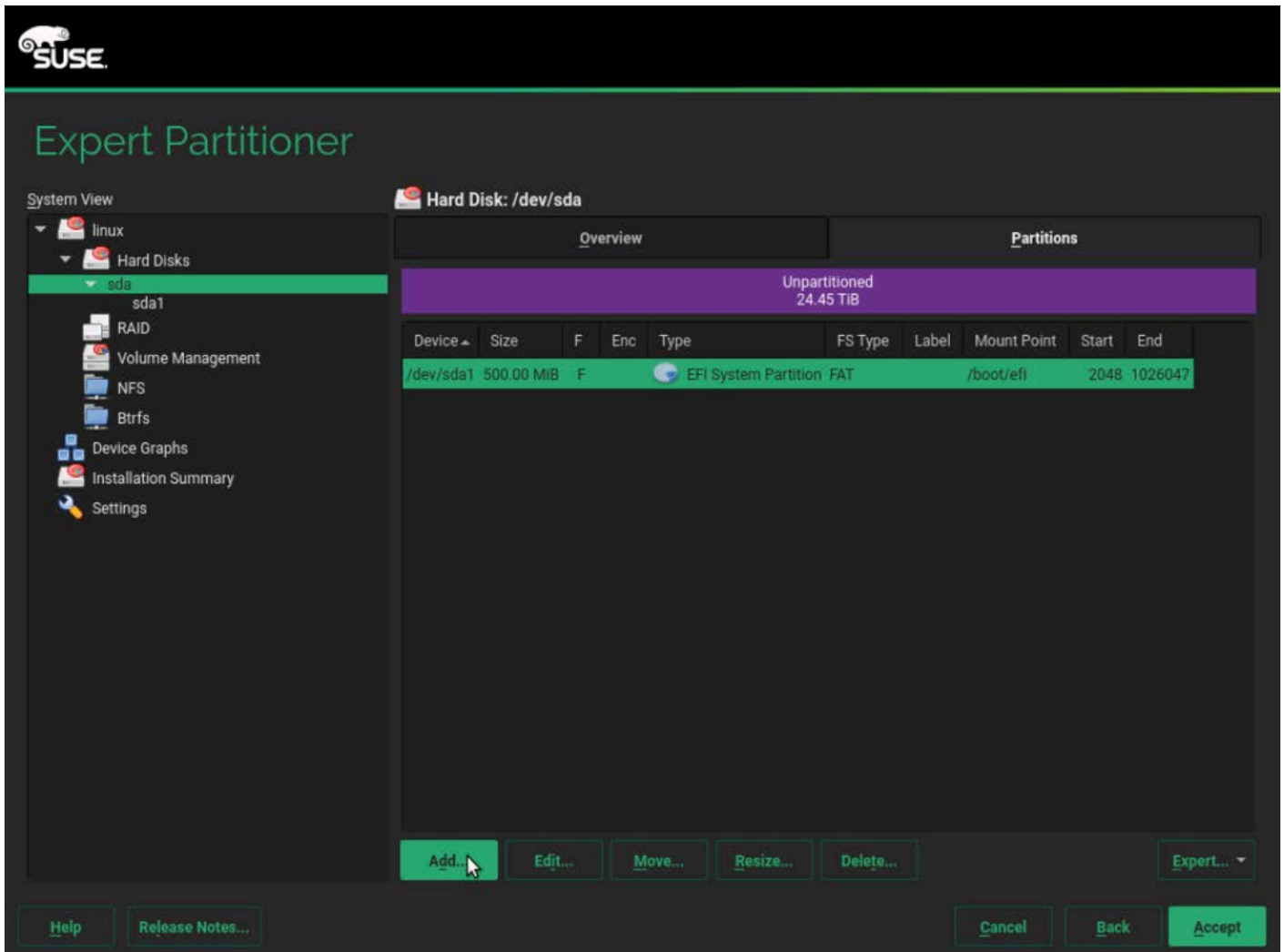
16. Click Next. By default, the FAT file system is selected, and /boot/efi is selected as the mount point (Figure 49).

Figure 49. Adding a partition: Select formatting and mounting options



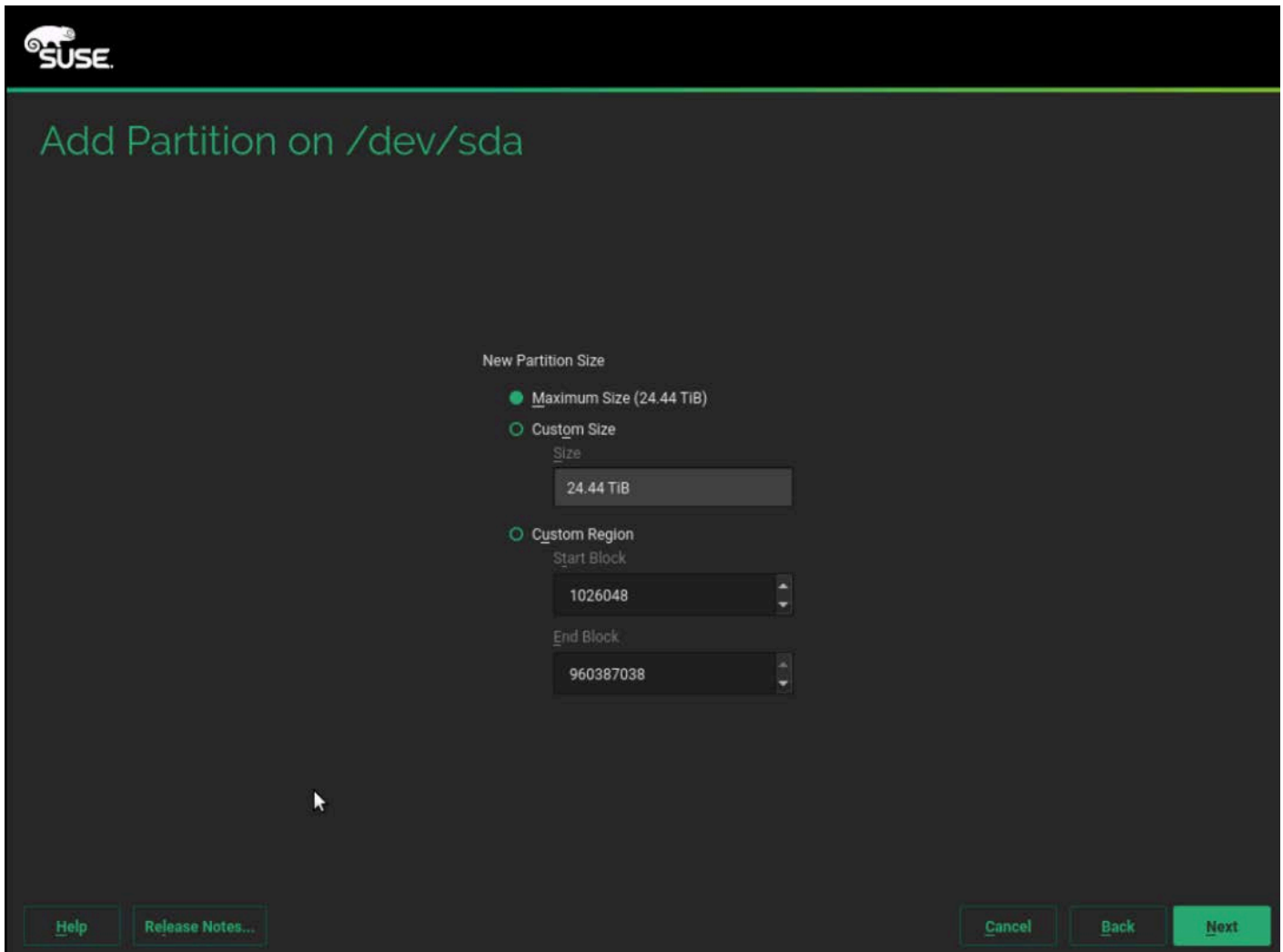
17. Click Finish. Then click Add to add another partition (Figure 50).

Figure 50. Expert Partitioner: Add another partition



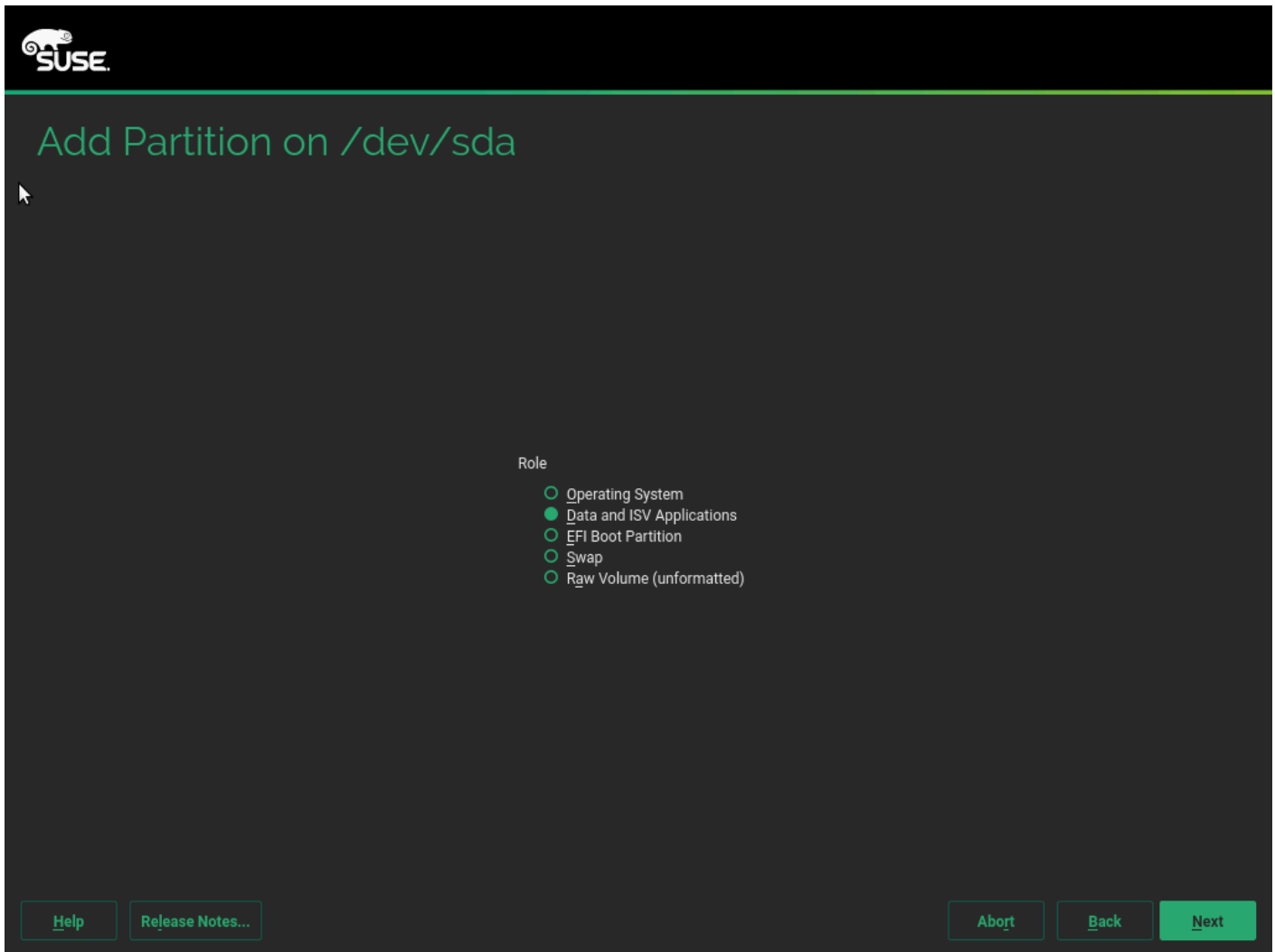
18. Allocate the rest of available space to the partition (Figure 51).

Figure 51. Adding another partition: Specify the partition size



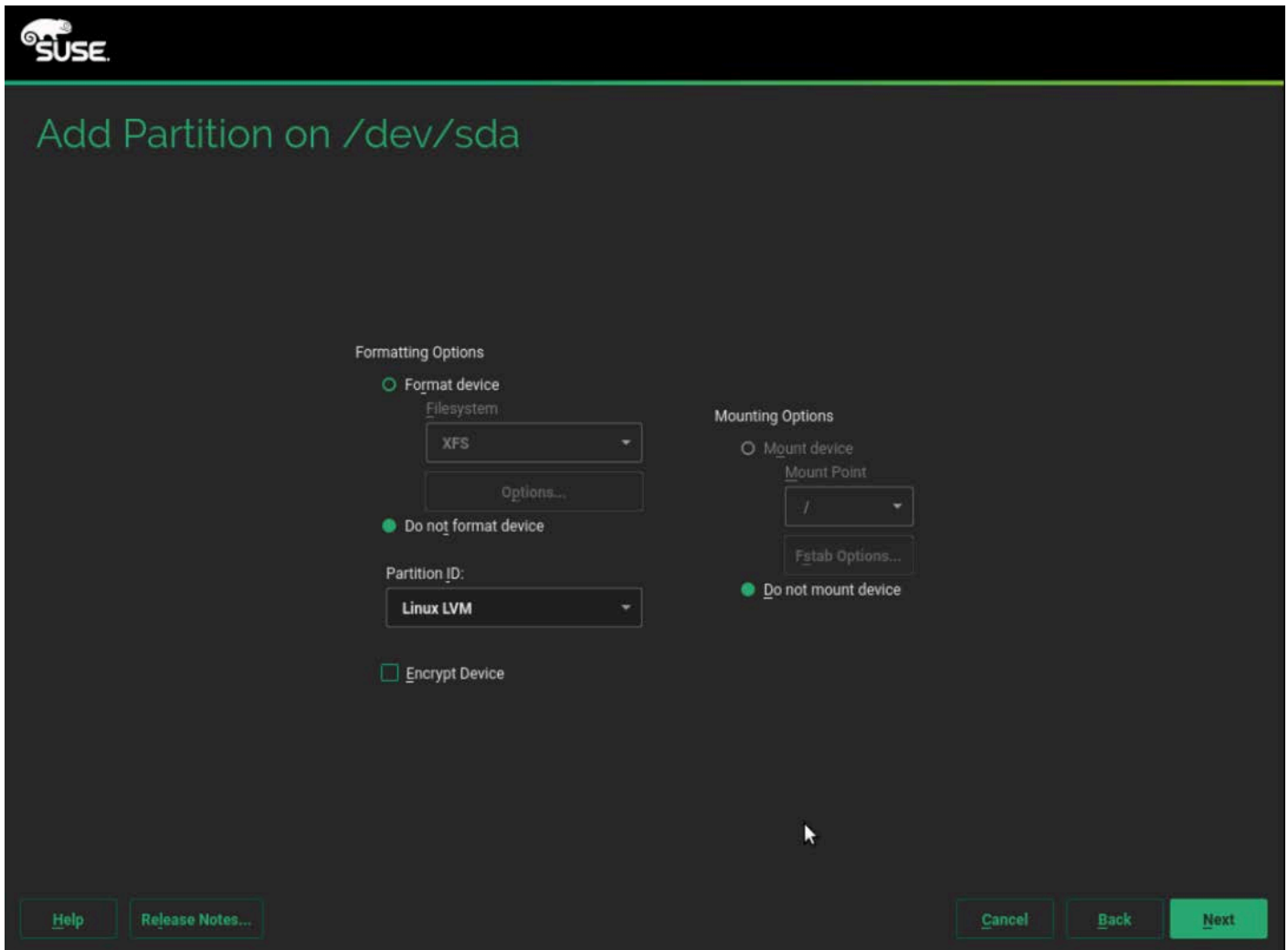
19. Click Next. For Role, choose Data and ISV Applications (Figure 52).

Figure 52. Adding another partition: Specify the role



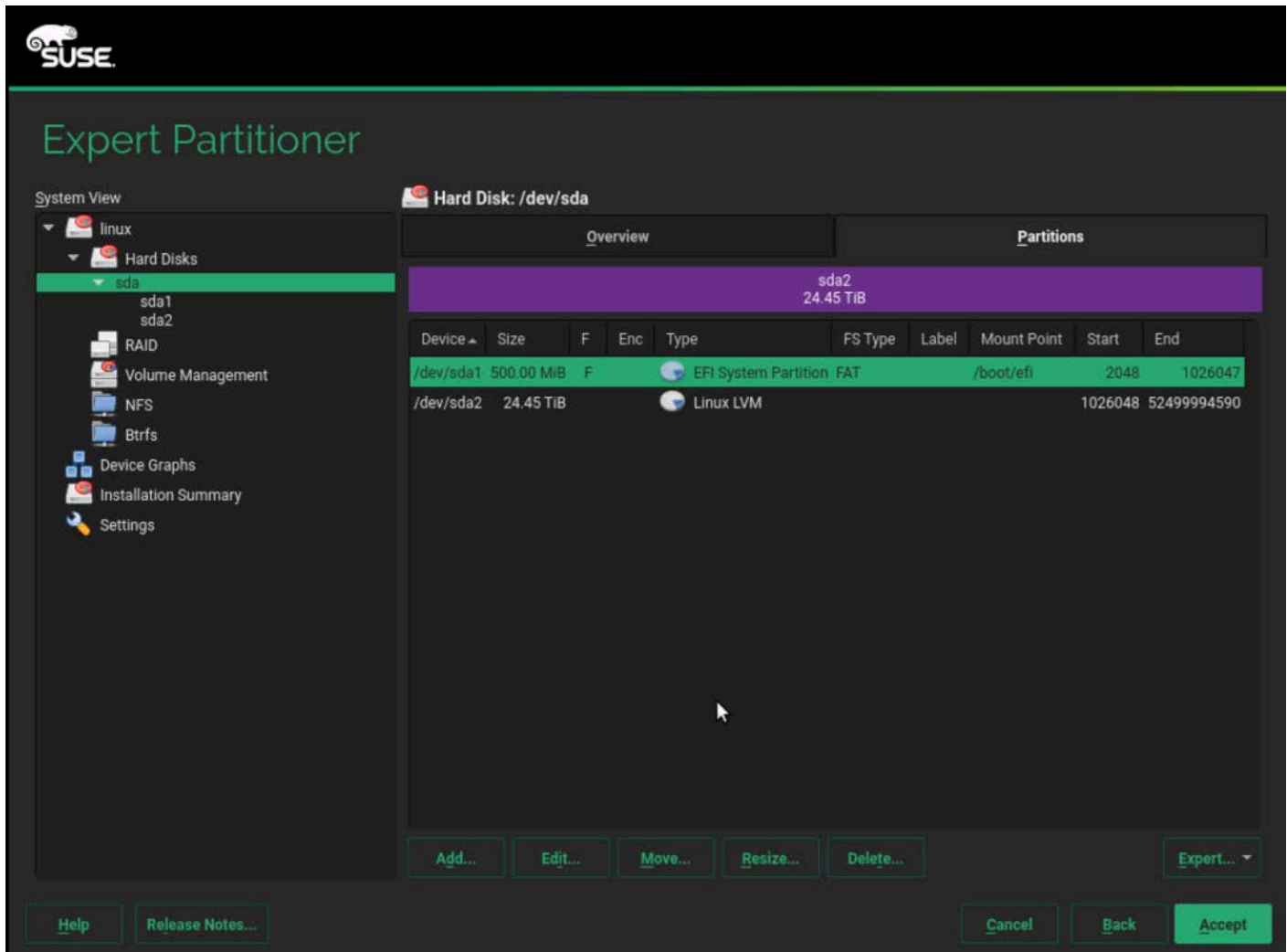
20. Assign the partition with the file system ID 0x8E Linux LVM (Figure 53).

Figure 53. Adding another partition: Specify formatting and mounting options

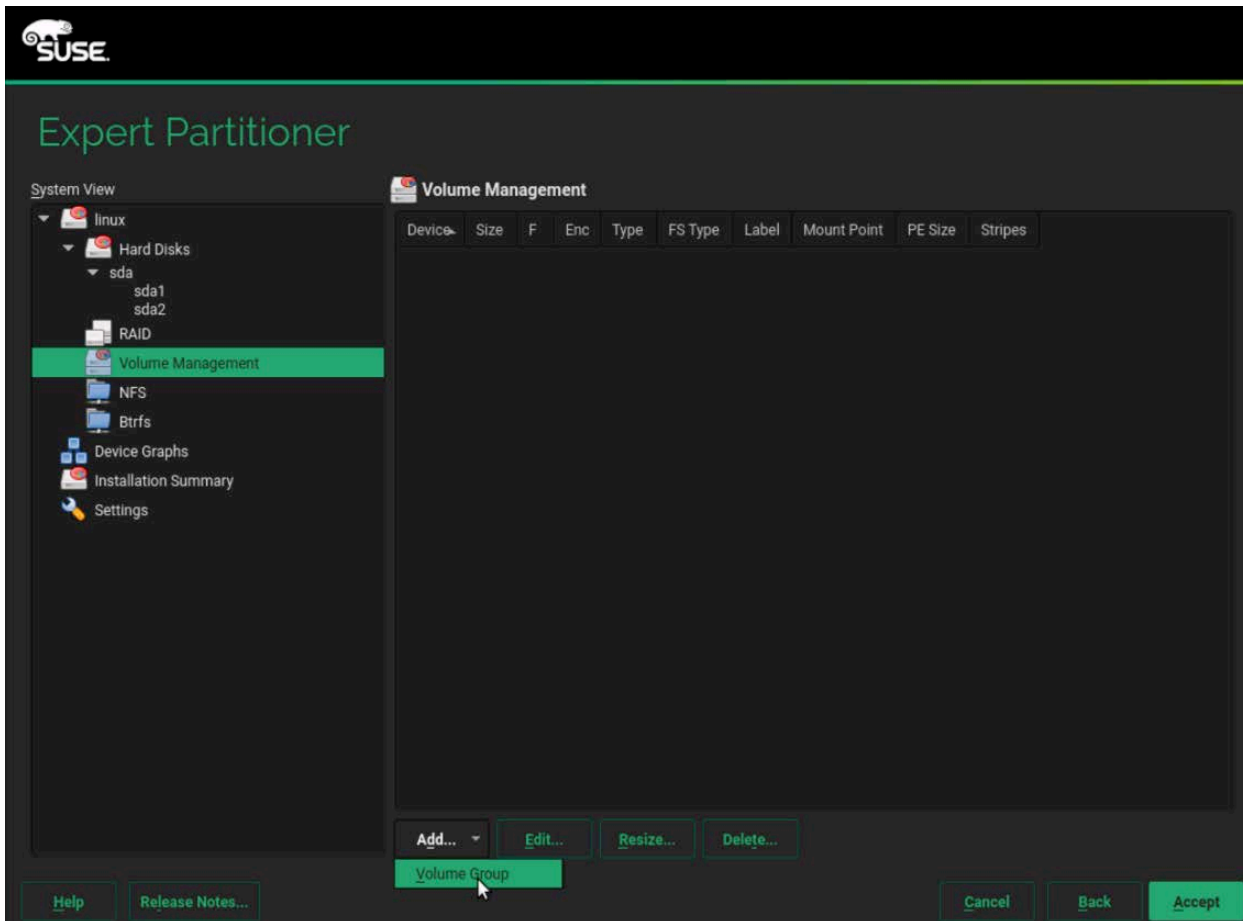


21. Click Finish. You will see an overview of your partitions (Figure 54).

Figure 54. Expert Partitioner: Hard disk /dev/sda partitions overview



22. In the System View pane on the left, select Volume Management. Choose Add > Volume Group (Figure 55).

Figure 55. Expert Partitioner volume management: Add a volume group

23. Provide a name for the volume group, select /dev/sda2 from the list of available physical volumes, and click Add (Figures 56 and 57).

Figure 56. Add Volume Group: Select an available physical volume

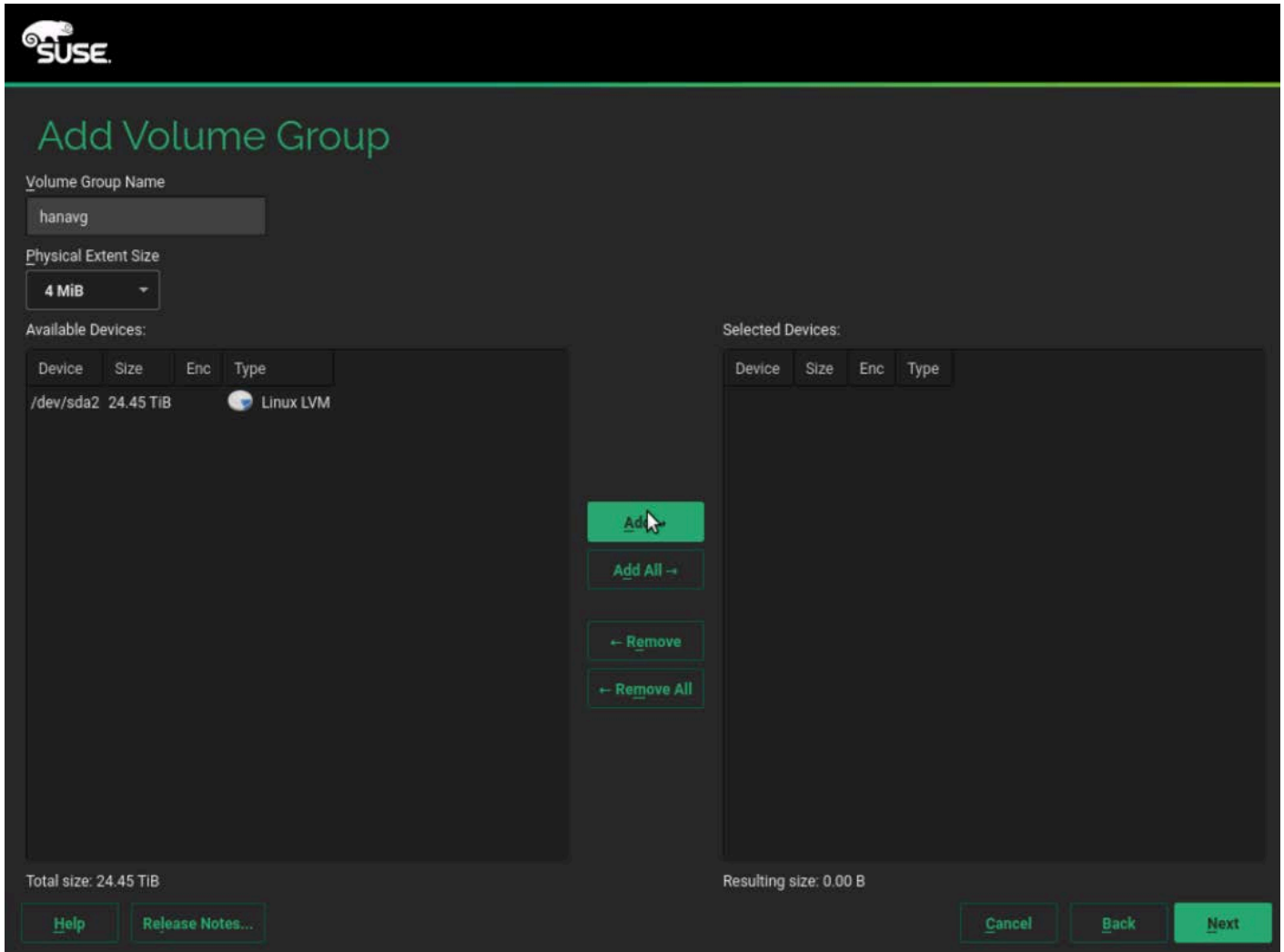
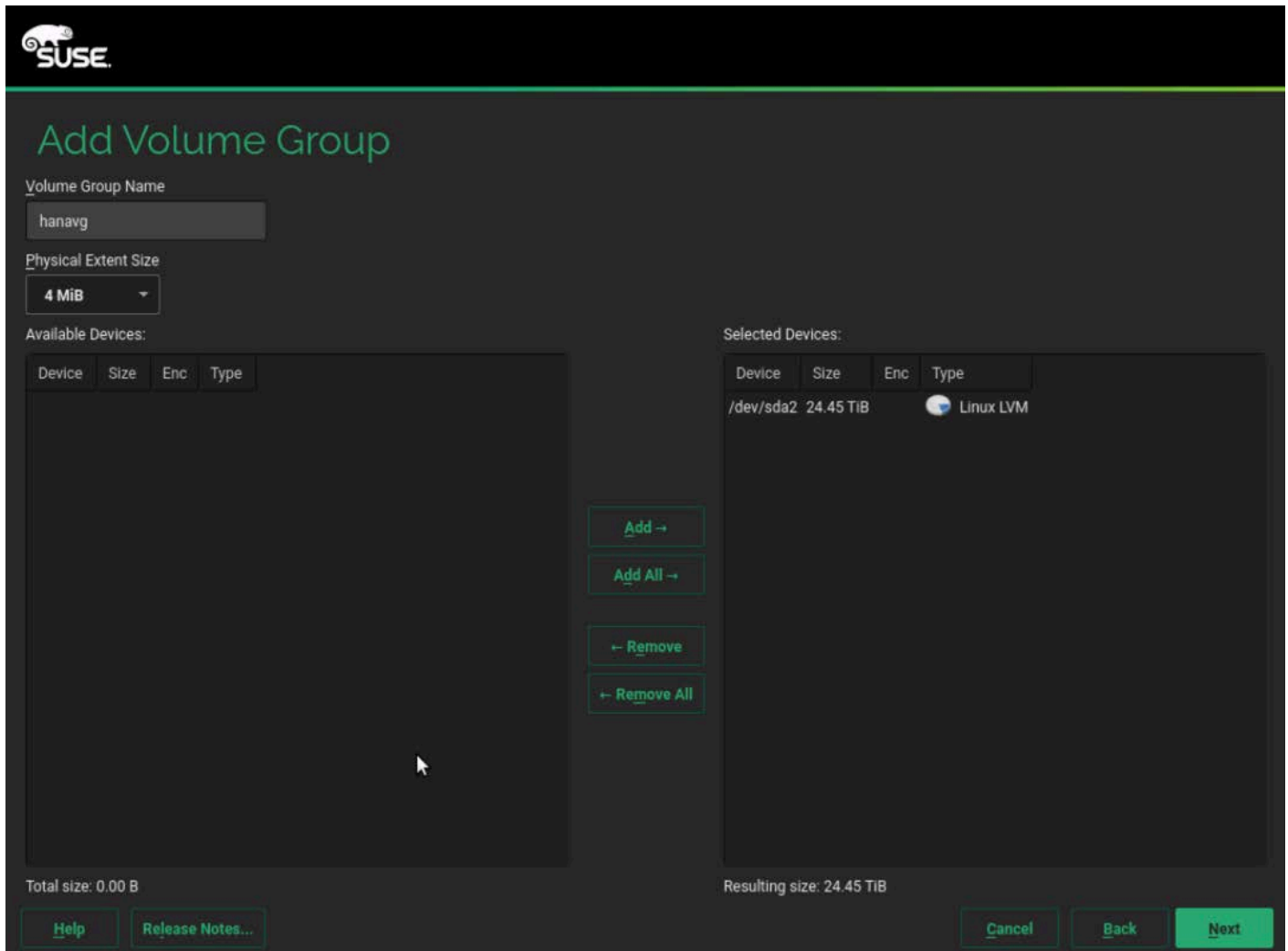


Figure 57. Add Volume Group (continued)

SUSE

Add Volume Group

Volume Group Name
hanavg

Physical Extent Size
4 MiB

Available Devices:

| Device | Size | Enc | Type |
|--------|------|-----|------|
|--------|------|-----|------|

Selected Devices:

| Device | Size | Enc | Type |
|-----------|-----------|-----|-----------|
| /dev/sda2 | 24.45 TiB | | Linux LVM |

Buttons: Add →, Add All →, - Remove, + Remove All

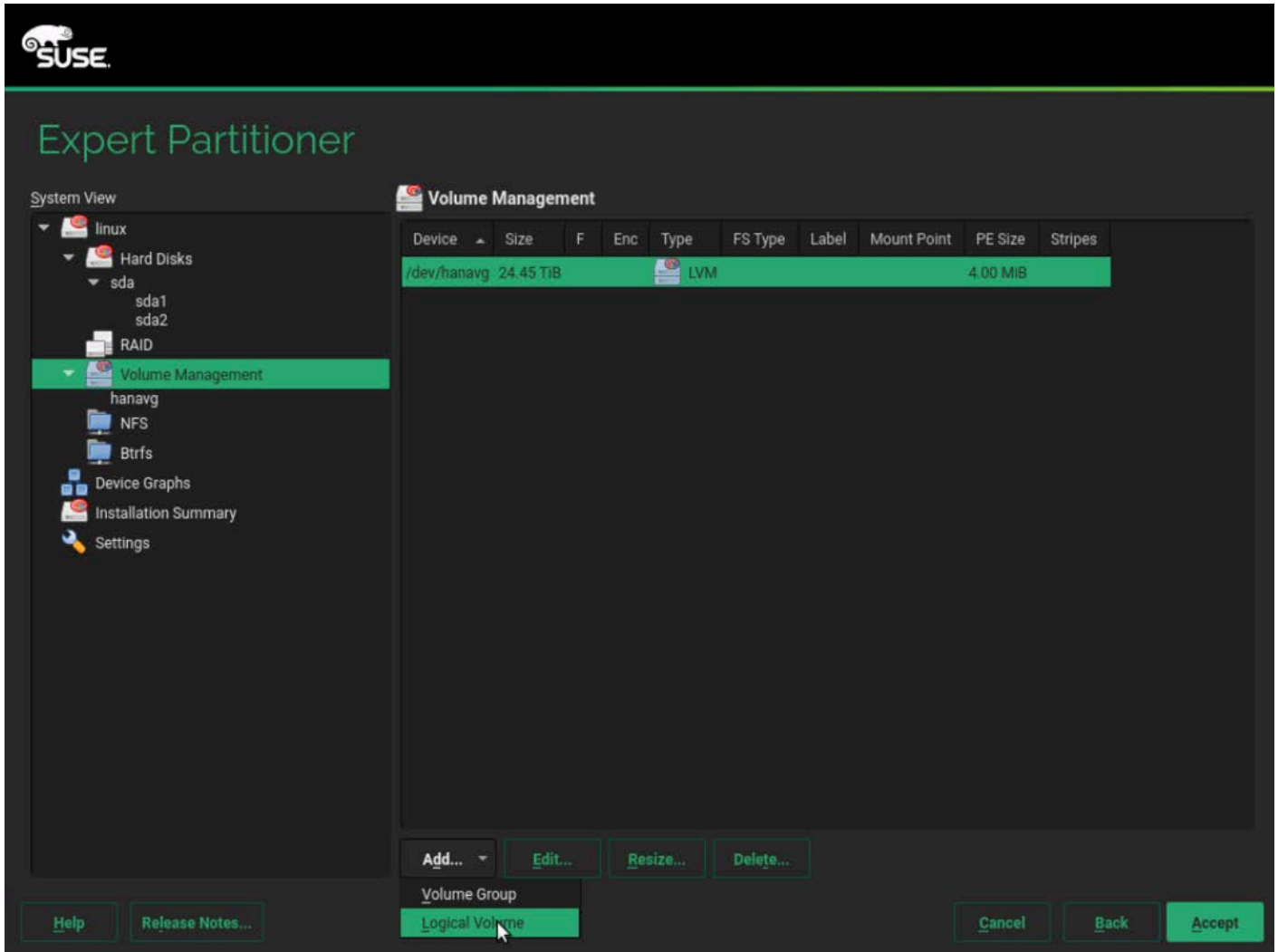
Total size: 0.00 B Resulting size: 24.45 TiB

Buttons: Help, Release Notes..., Cancel, Back, Next

24. Click Finish.

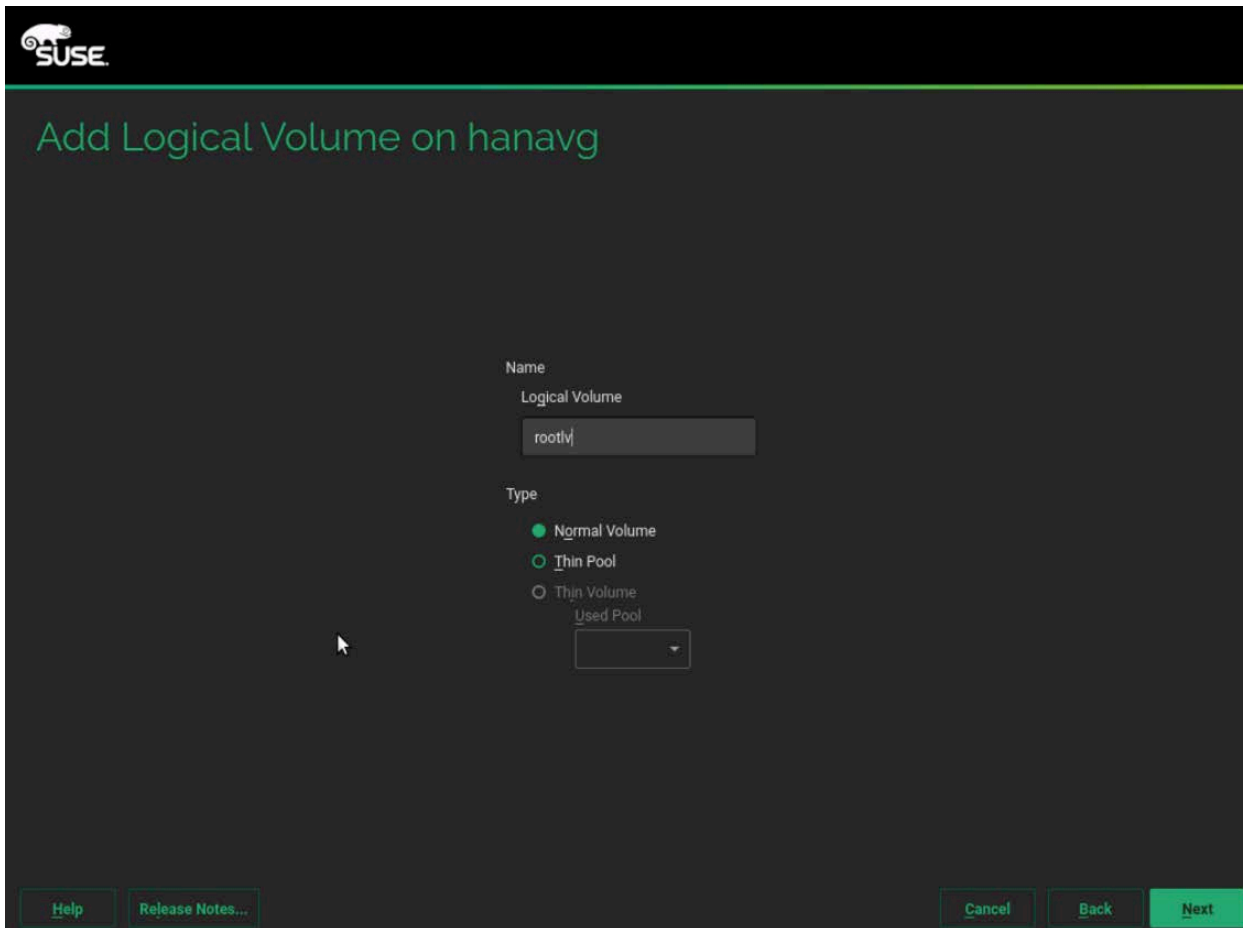
25. Under Volume Management, click Add and select Logical Volume (Figure 58).

Figure 58. Expert Partitioner: Add a logical volume



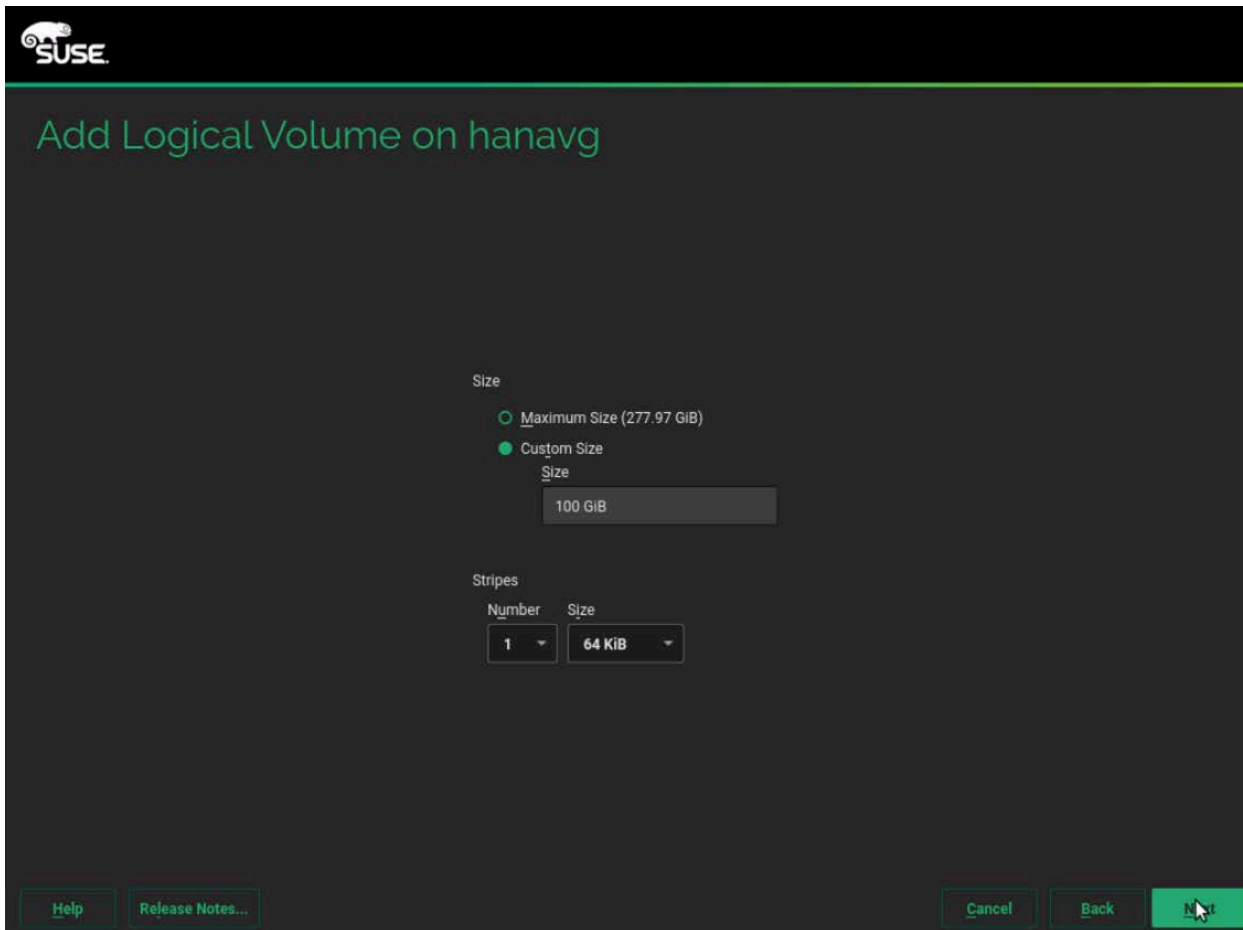
26. Add a logical volume with the name **rootlv** in the volume group (Figure 59).

Figure 59. Adding a logical volume: Specify the name and type



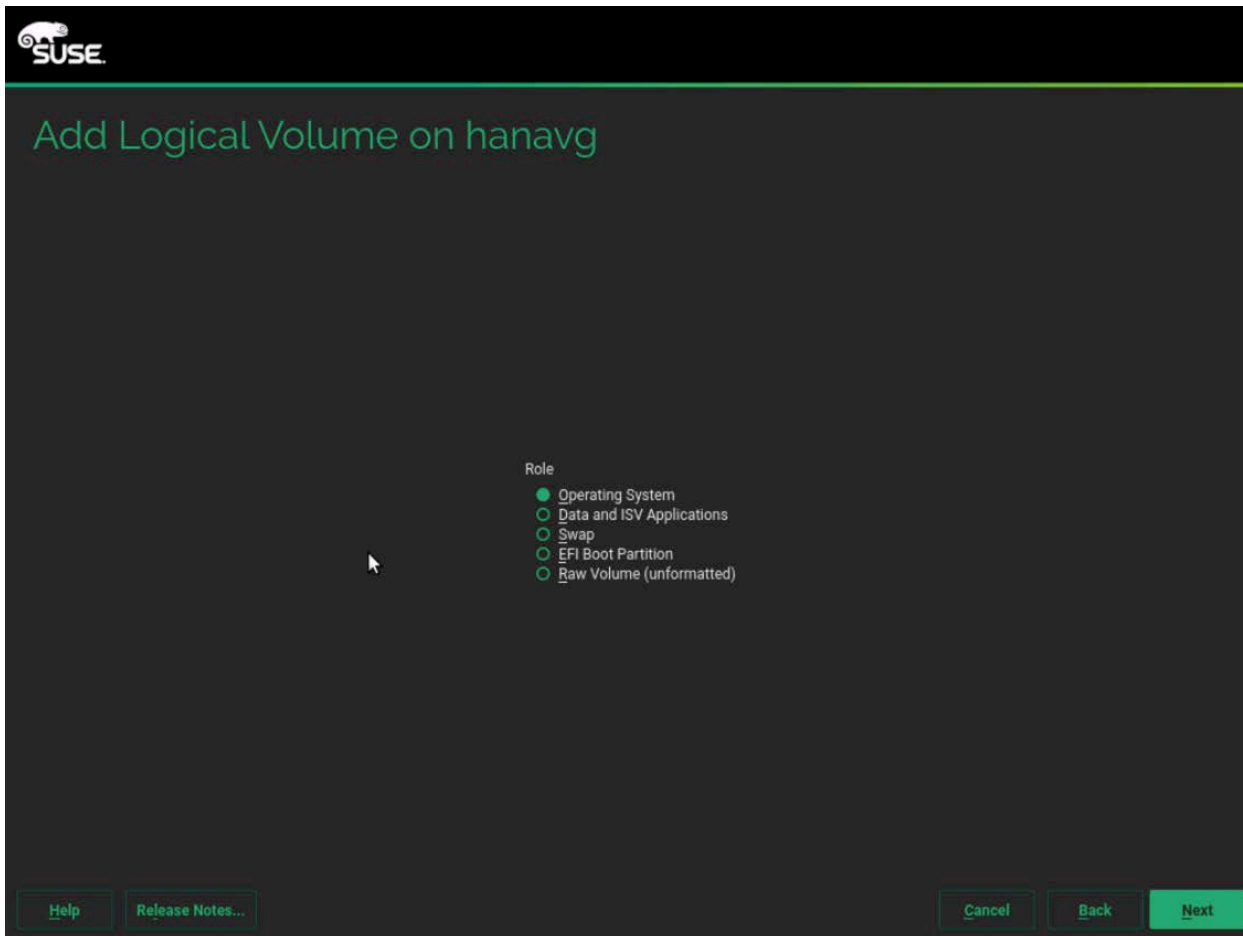
27. Click Next. Specify a size of 100 GB and 1 stripe (Figure 60).

Figure 60. Adding a logical volume: Specify the size and stripe



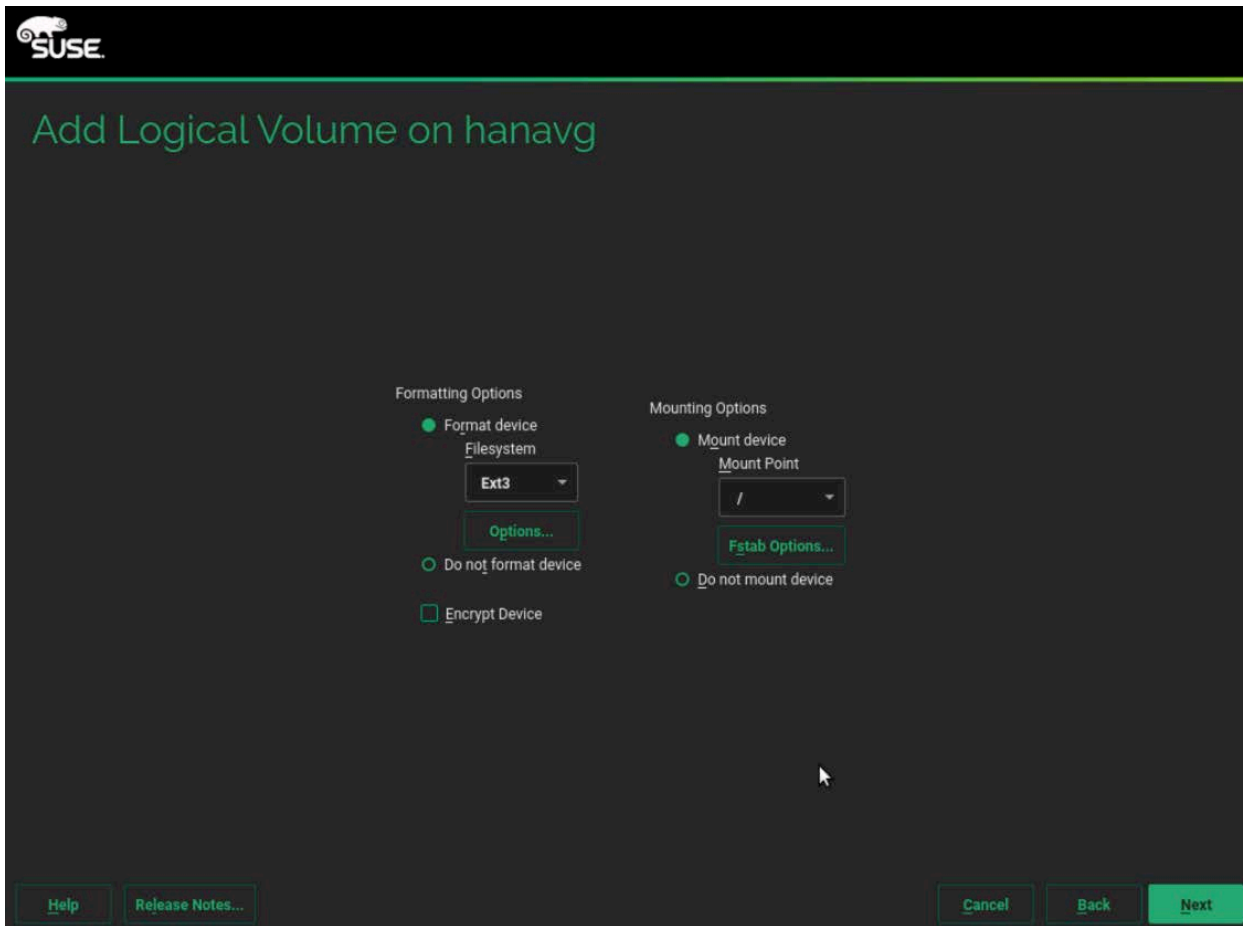
28. Click Next. For Role, specify Operating System (Figure 61).

Figure 61. Adding a logical volume: Specify the role



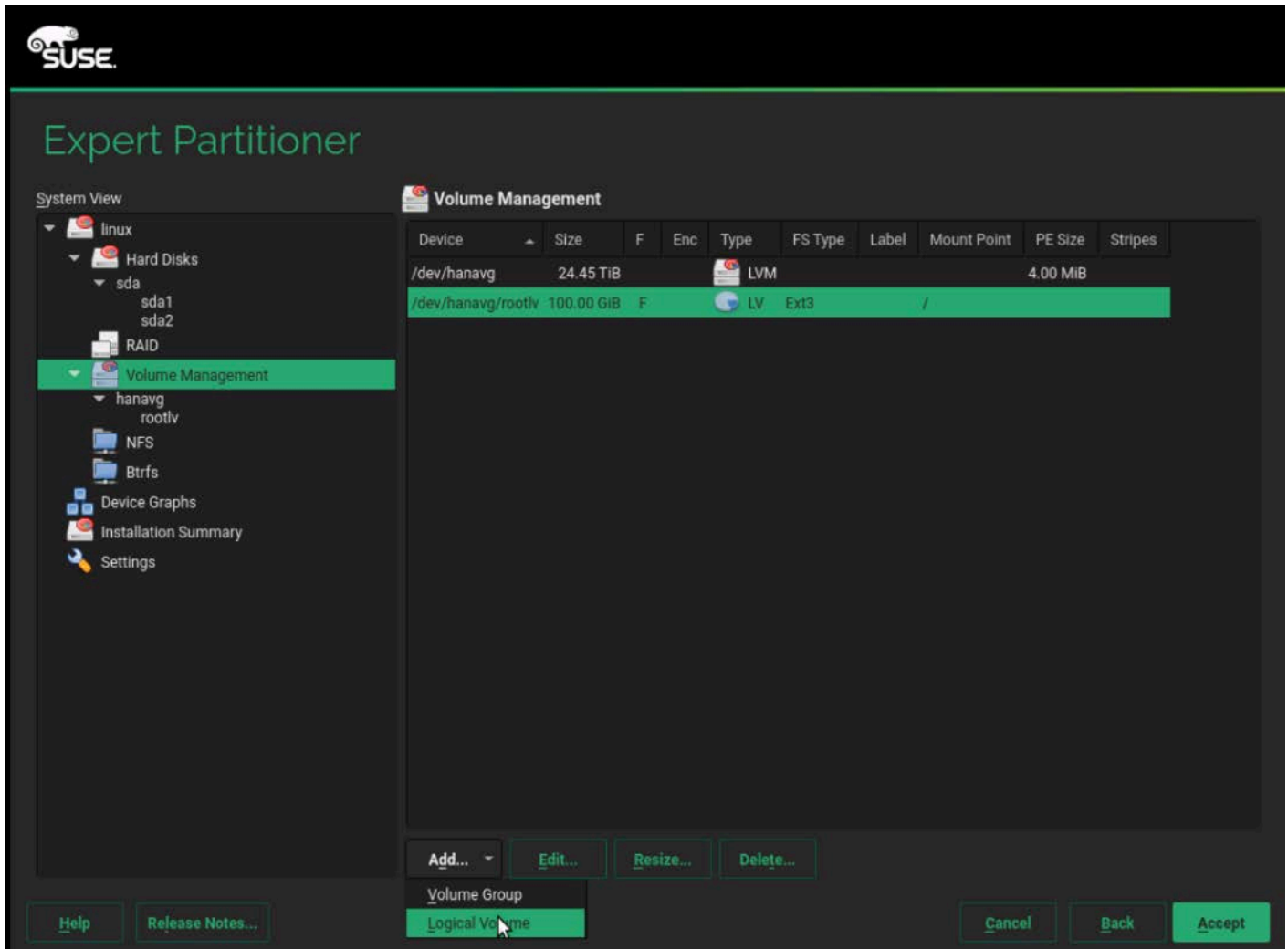
29. Click Next. Specify the formatting and mounting options. Format the 100-GB logical volume rootlv with the Ext3 file system and assign the / mount point (Figure 62).

Figure 62. Adding a logical volume: Specify formatting and mounting options



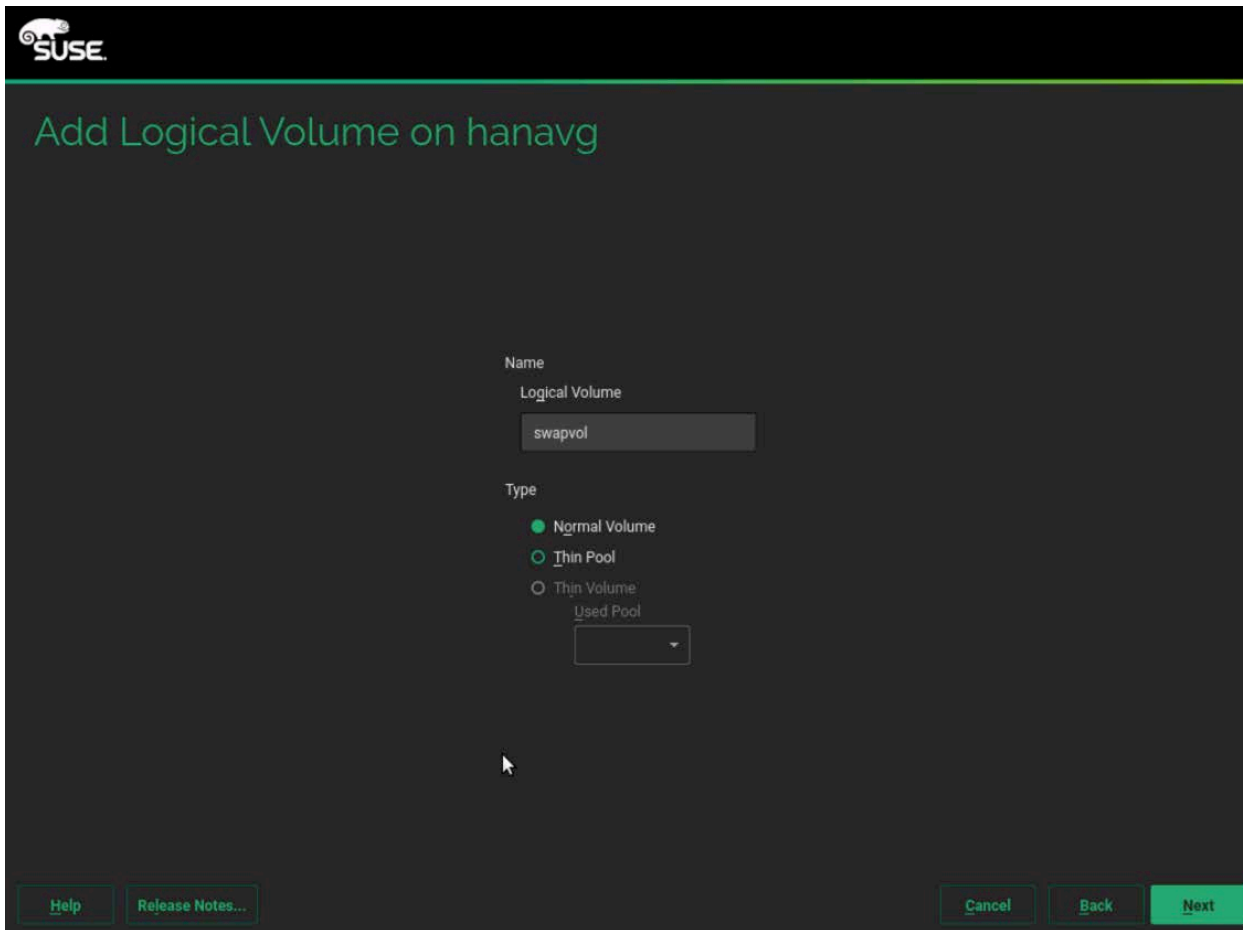
30. Click Finish.

31. Create a swap volume with a size of 2 GB. Under Volume Management, click Add and select Logical Volume (Figure 63).

Figure 63. Expert Partitioner volume management: Add another logical volume

32. Add a logical volume for swapping with the name **swapvol** (Figure 64). Then click Next.

Figure 64. Adding another logical volume: Specify the name and type



SUSE

Add Logical Volume on hanavg

Name

Logical Volume

swapvol

Type

Normal Volume

Thin Pool

Thin Volume

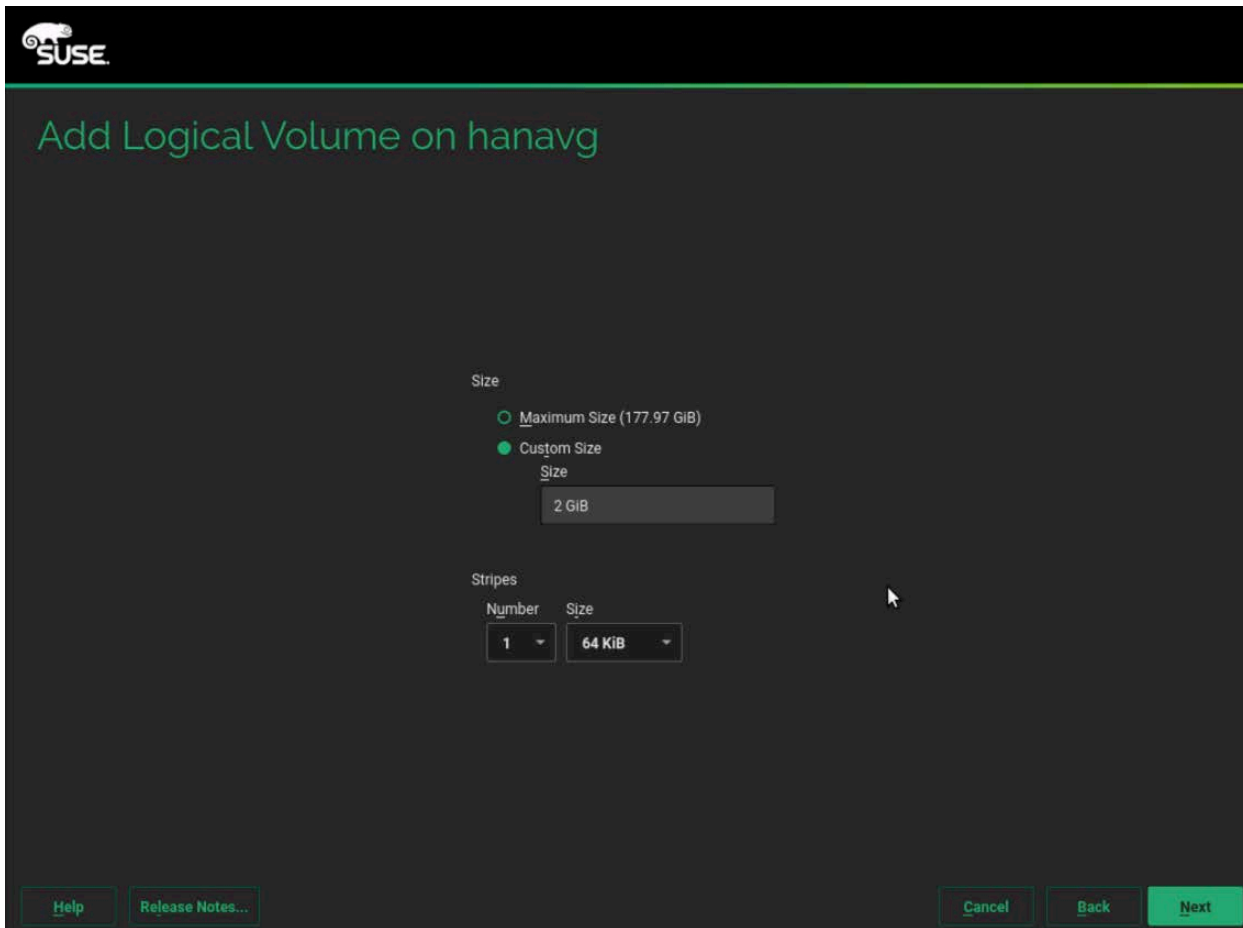
Used Pool

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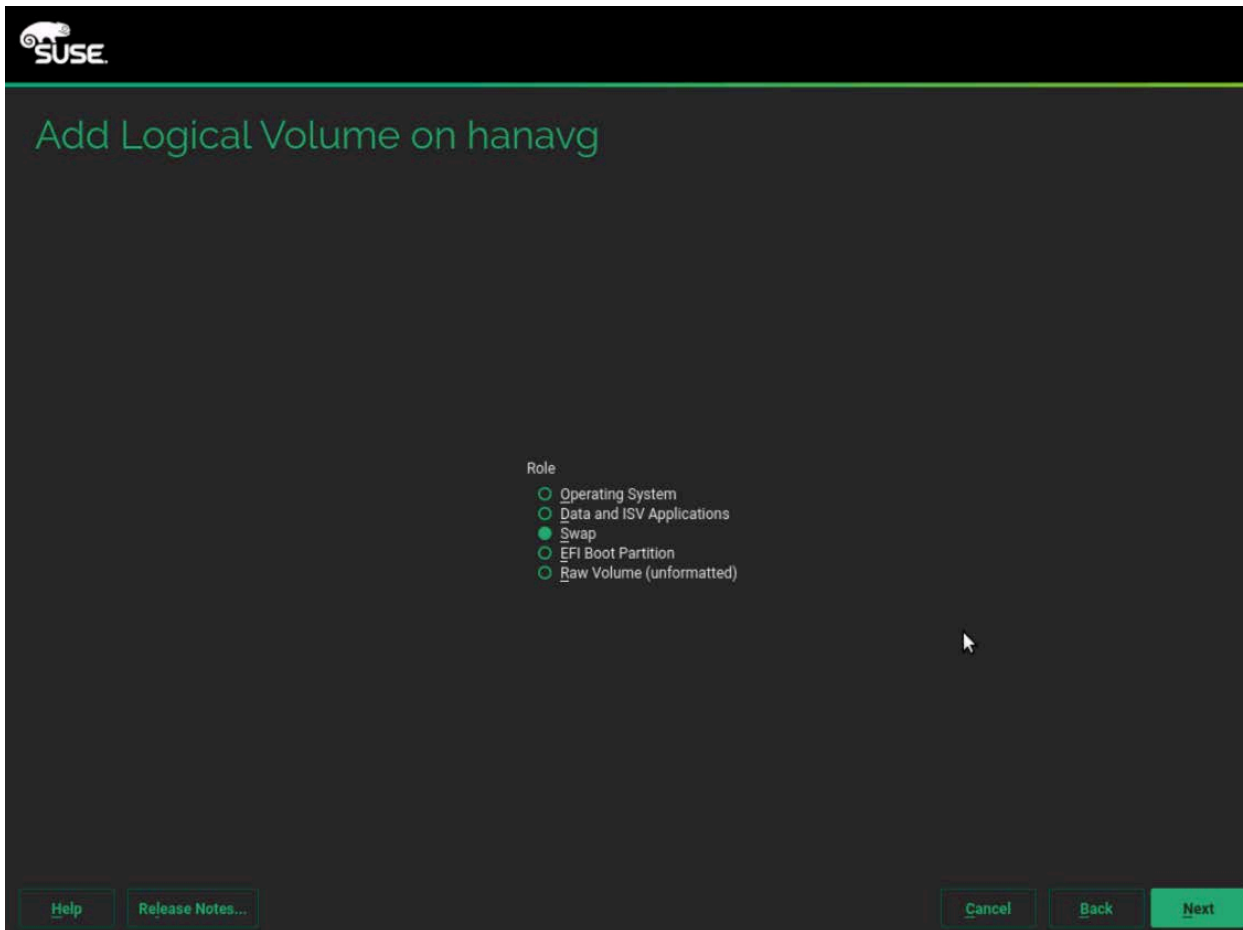
33. Assign a space of 2 GB and one stripe (Figure 65). Then click Next.

Figure 65. Adding another logical volume: Specify size and stripe information



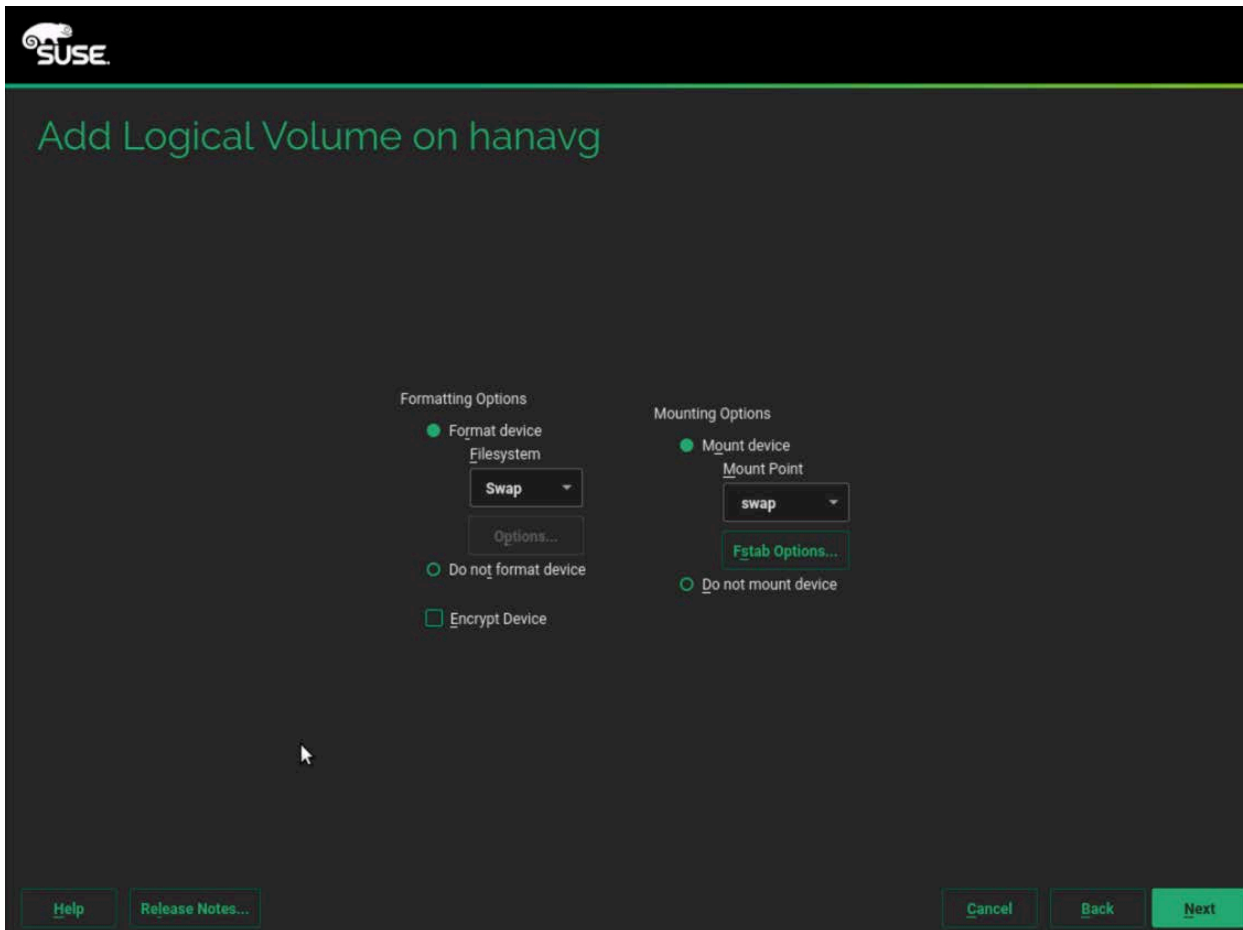
34. For Role, select Swap (Figure 66). Then click Next.

Figure 66. Adding another logical volume: Specify the role

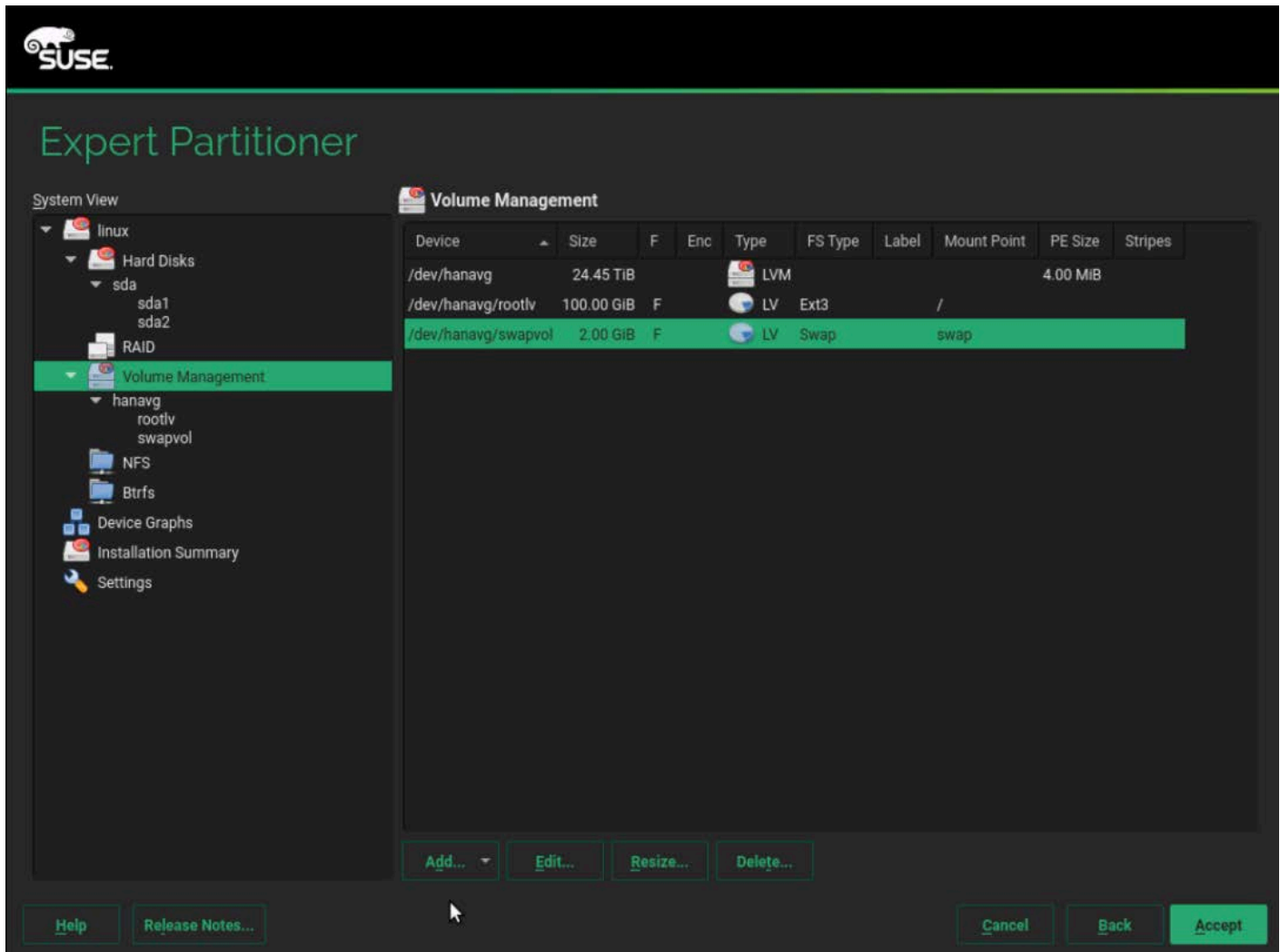


35. Specify the formatting and mounting options (Figure 67).

Figure 67. Adding another logical volume: Specify formatting and mounting options



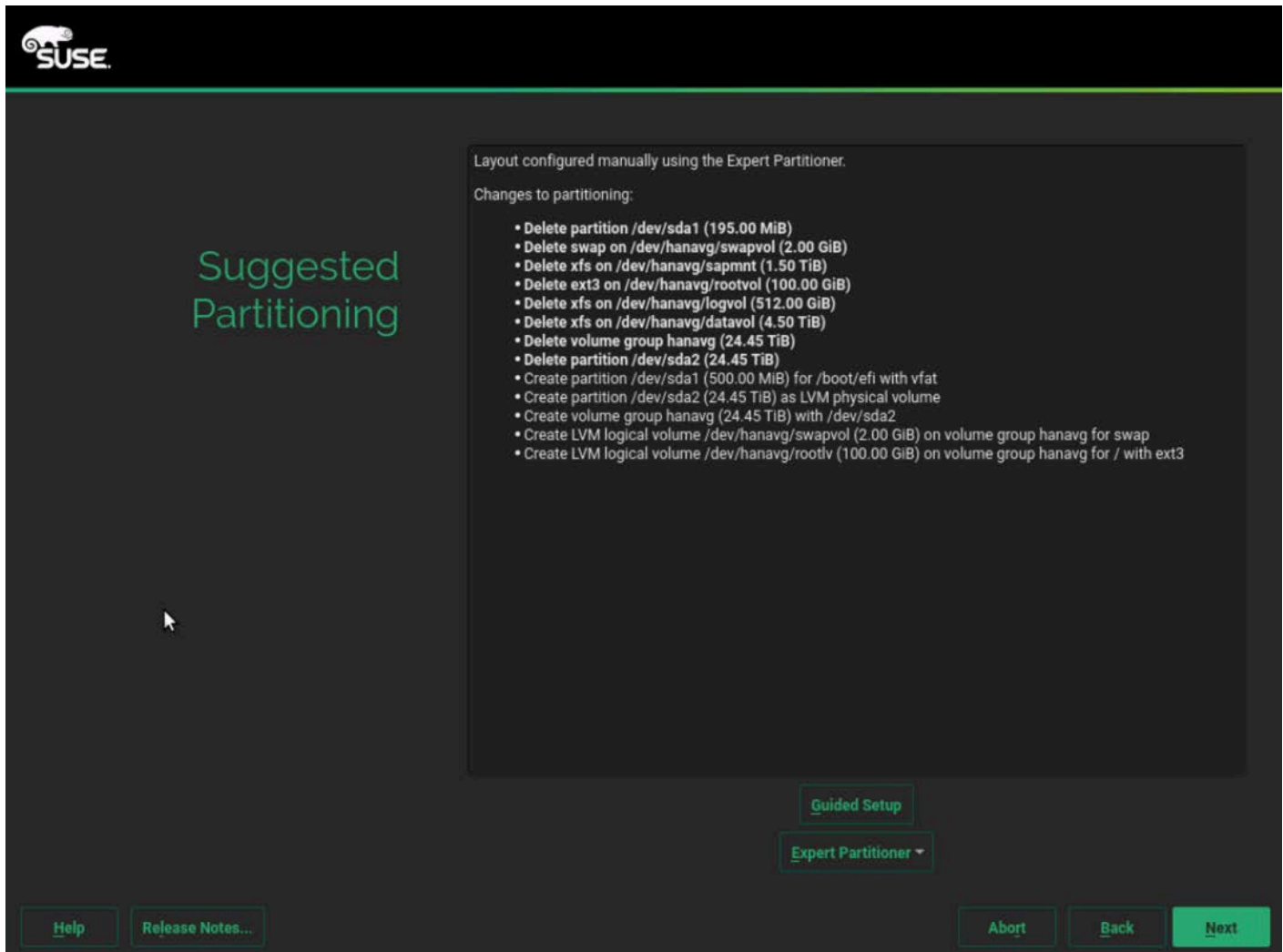
36. Click Finish. A summary page appears (Figure 68).

Figure 68. Expert Partitioner: Volume management summary page

37. Click Accept to return to the Installation Settings page.

38. Review the updated partition information (Figure 69). Then click Next.

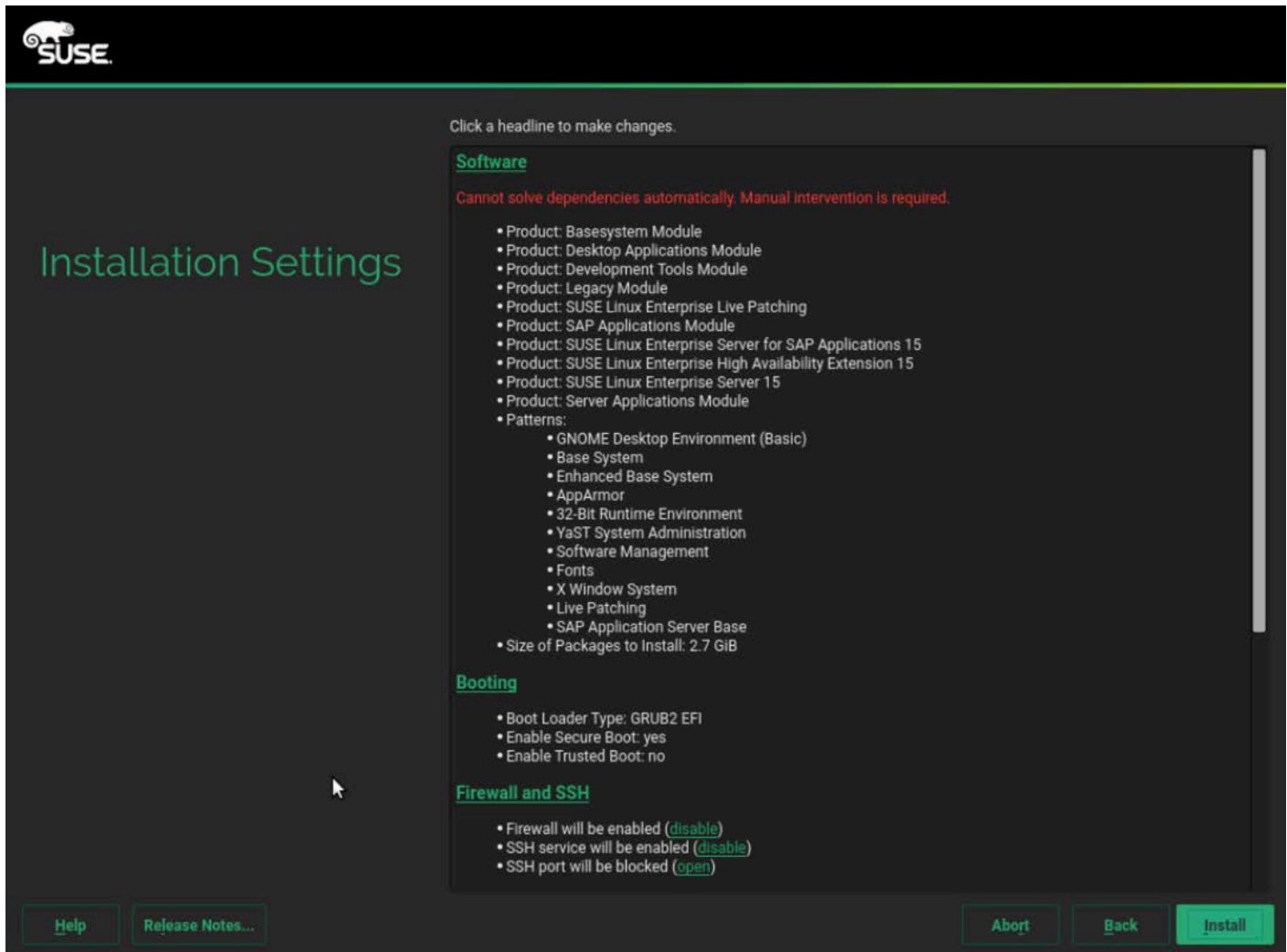
Figure 69. Updated partition information



39. For Clock and Time Zone, choose the appropriate time zone and select the hardware clock set to UTC.

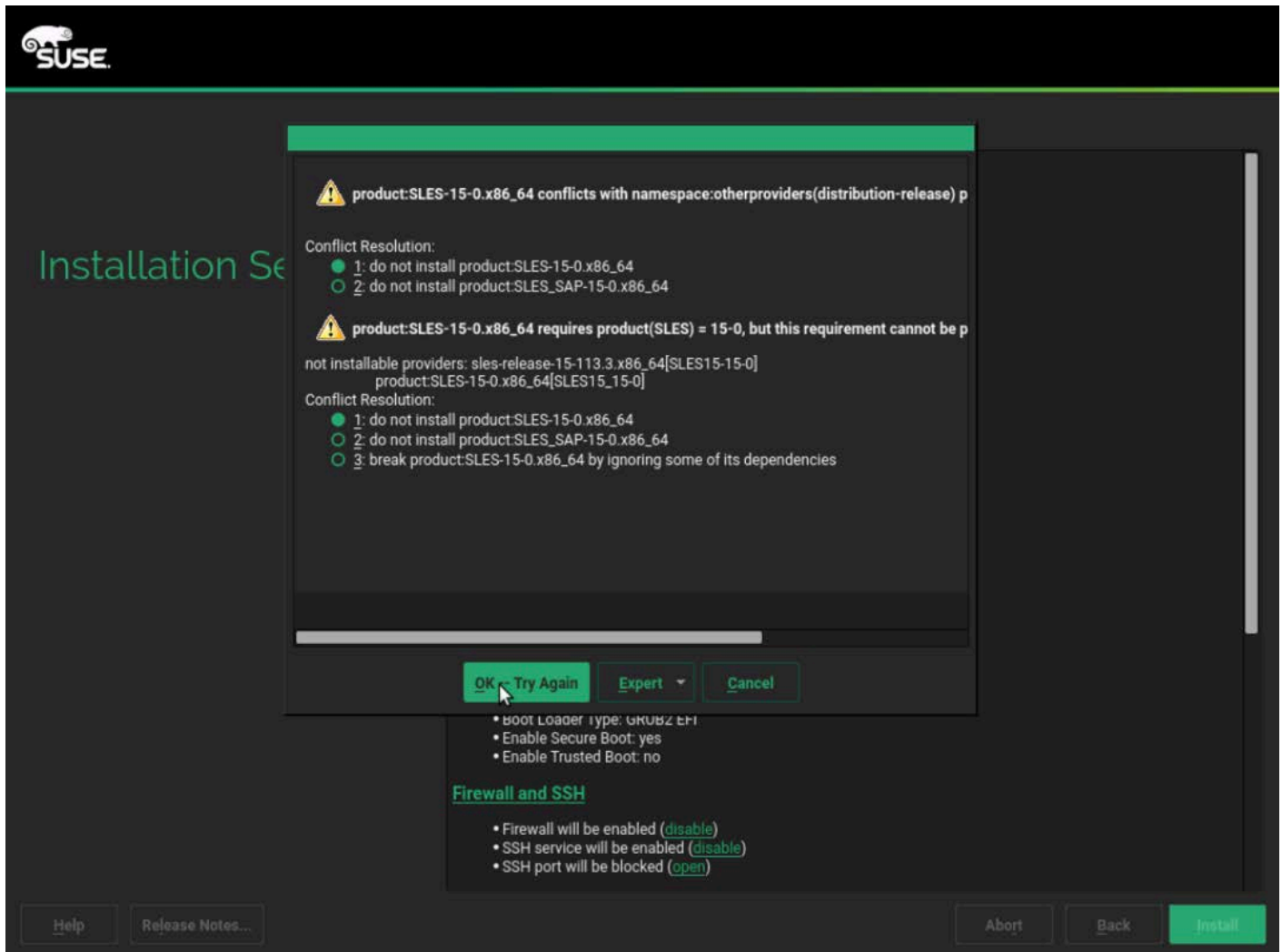
40. For the password for the system administrator root, enter the appropriate password using <<var_sys_root-pw>>.

41. On the Installation Settings screen, review the default information (Figure 70).

Figure 70. Installation Settings: Default proposal

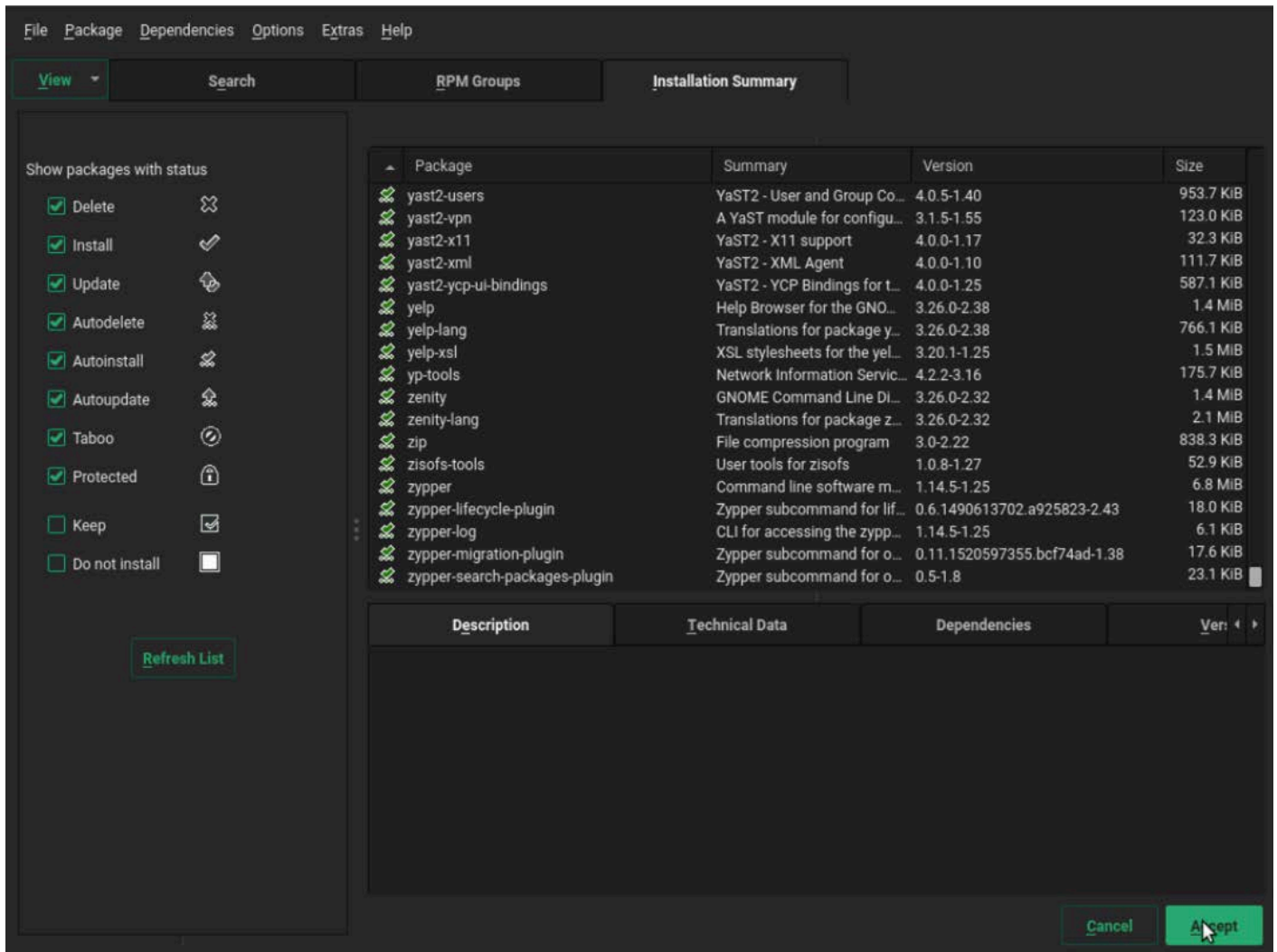
42. Customize the software selection and when prompted select the options as shown in Figure 71. Then click OK-Try Again.

Figure 71. Resolving conflicts



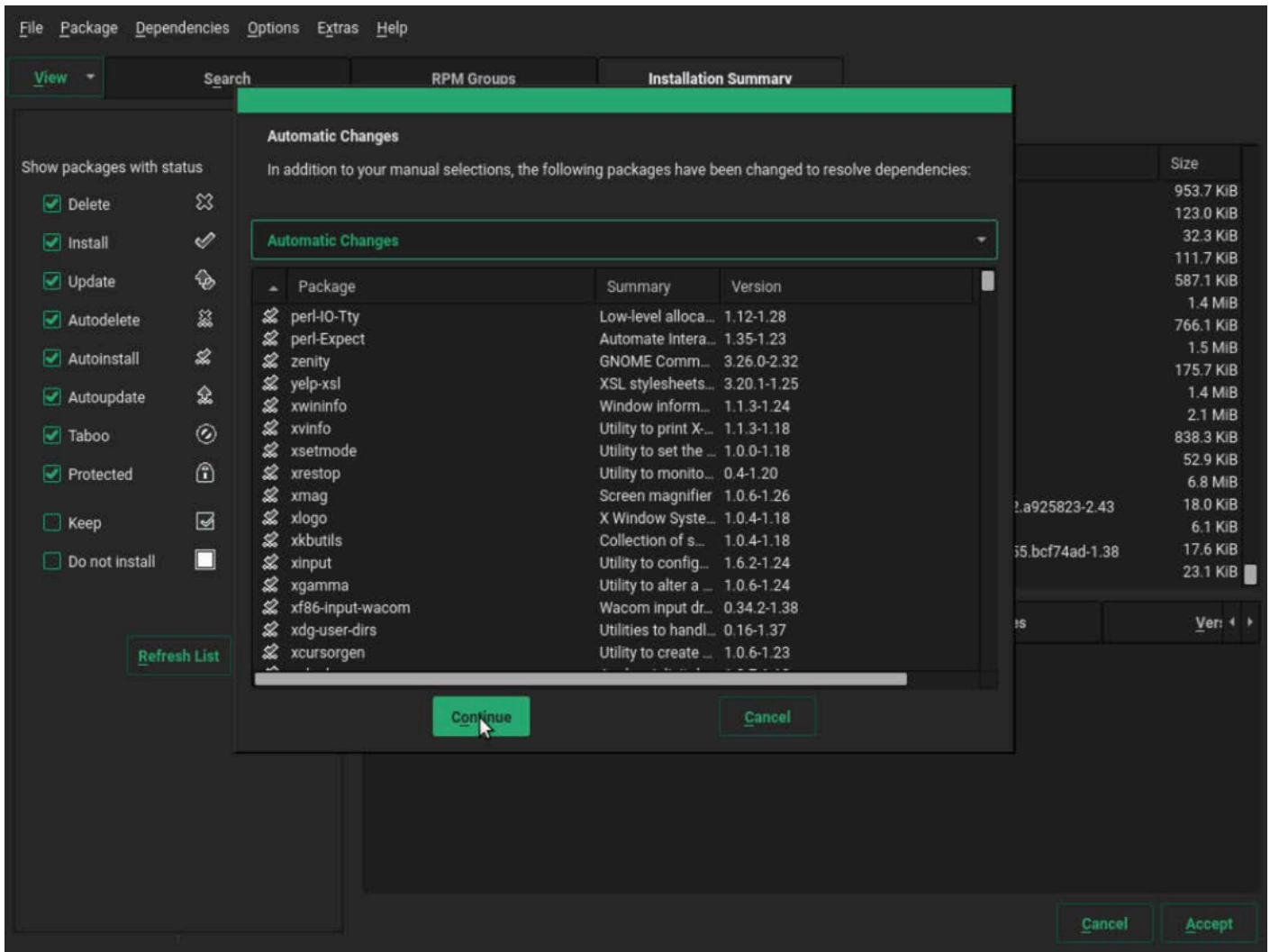
43. Click Accept (Figure 72).

Figure 72. Software Selection and System Tasks: Customized settings



44. Click Continue (Figure 73).

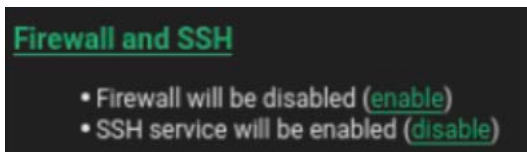
Figure 73. Continue the customization process



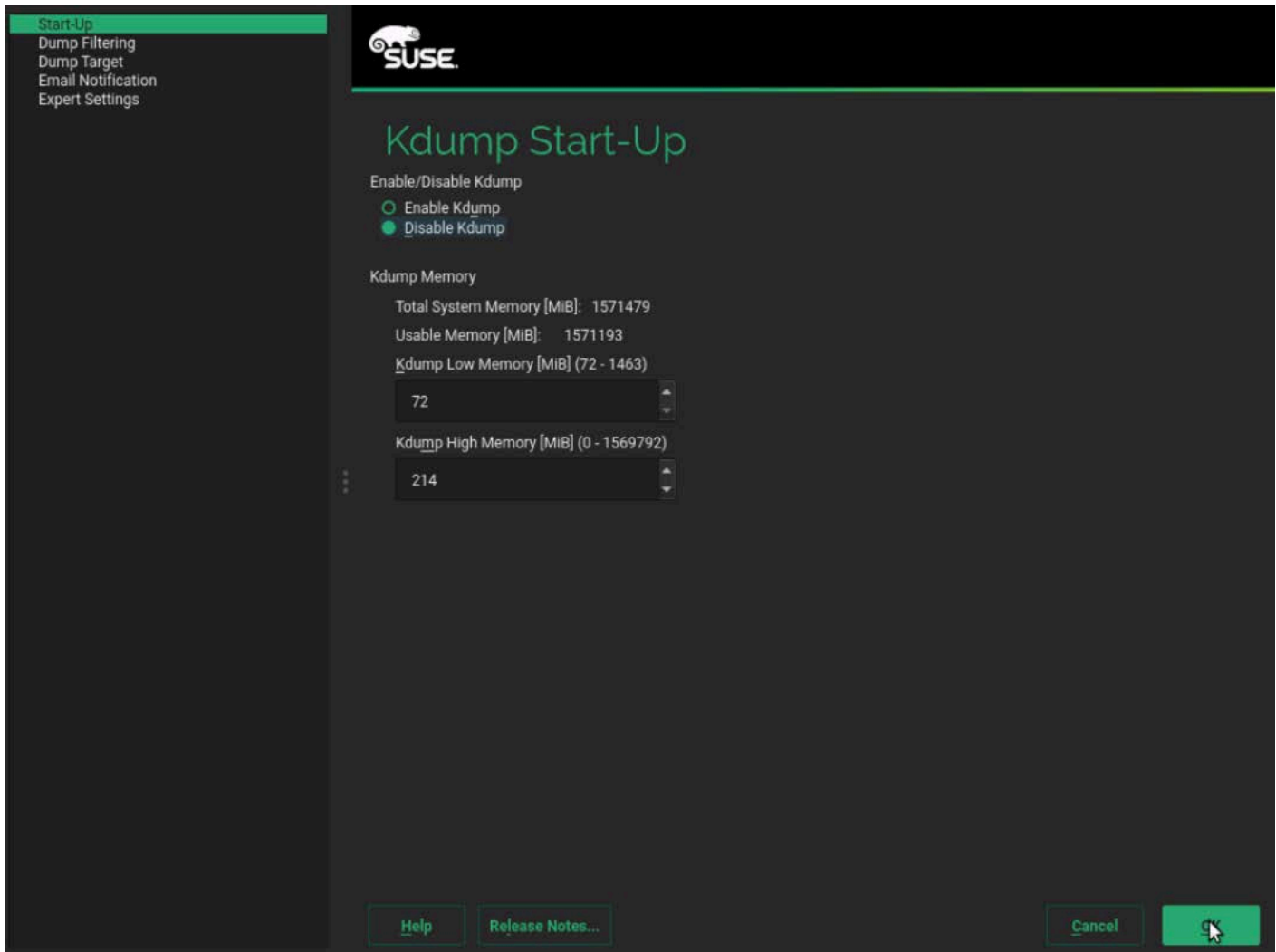
45. Click OK.

46. Under the Firewall and SSH heading, make sure that the firewall is disabled. This selection will automatically enable Secure Shell (SSH) service (Figure 74).

Figure 74. Firewall and SSH service customized. Disabling the firewall enables SSH.



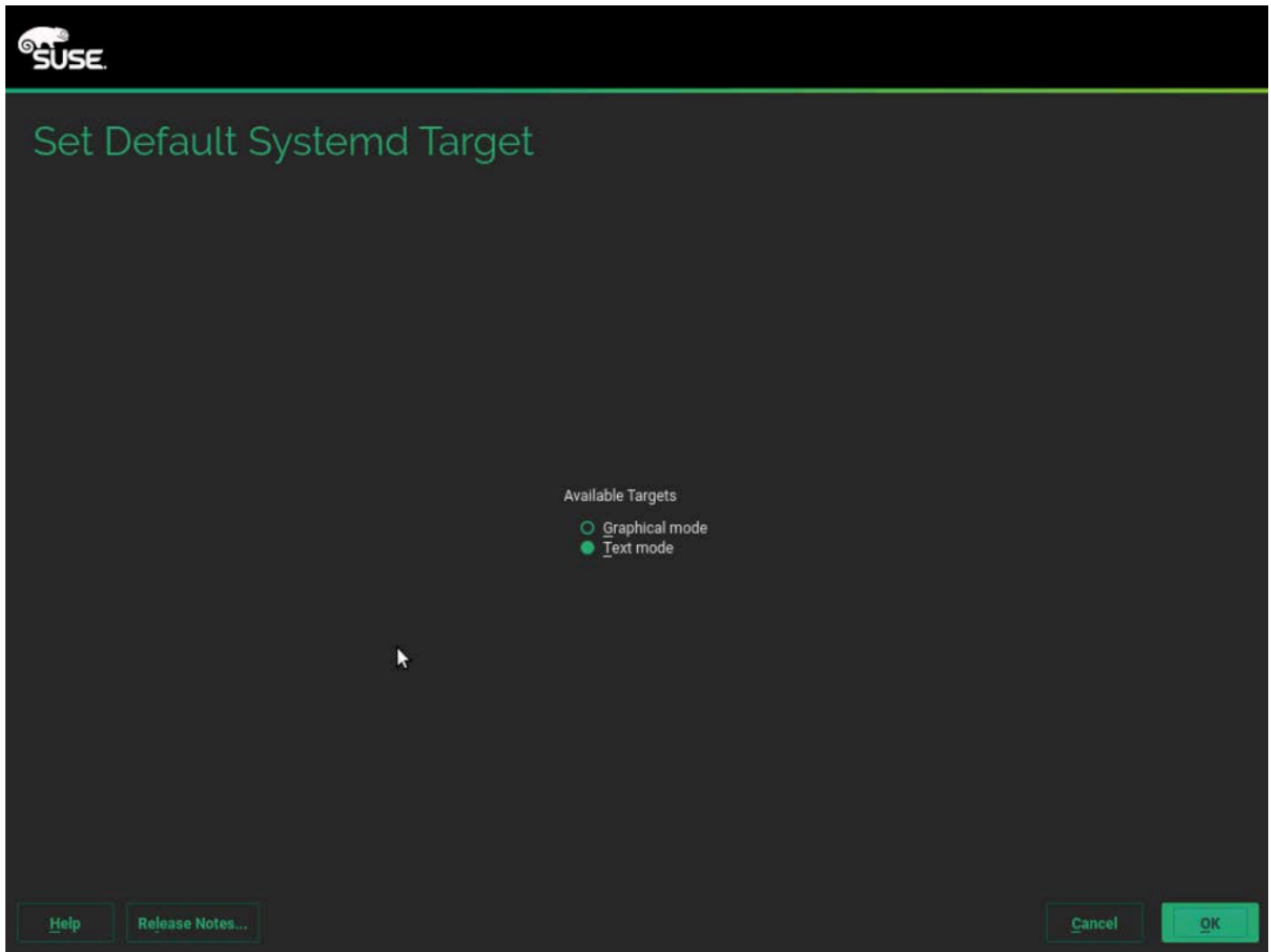
47. Click the Kdump headline and select Disable Kdump (Figure 75).

Figure 75. Disabling Kdump

48. Click OK.

49. Click the “Default systemd target” headline and choose “Text mode” (Figure 76).

Figure 76. Setting the default system target to Text mode



50. Click OK.

51. Click the Clone System Configuration headline and click “do not write it” (Figures 77 and 78).

Figure 77. Clone system configuration selection

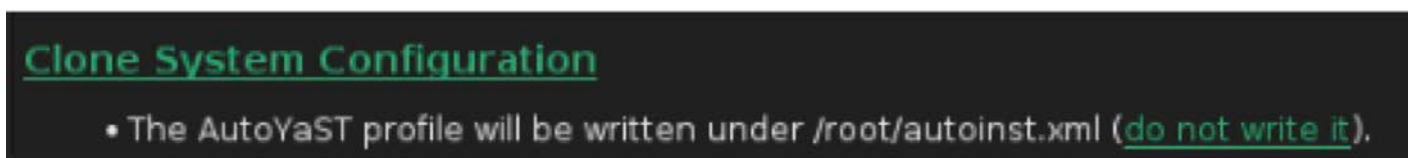
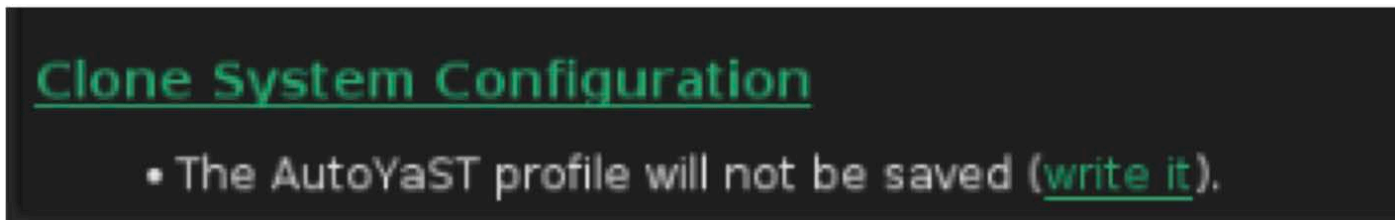
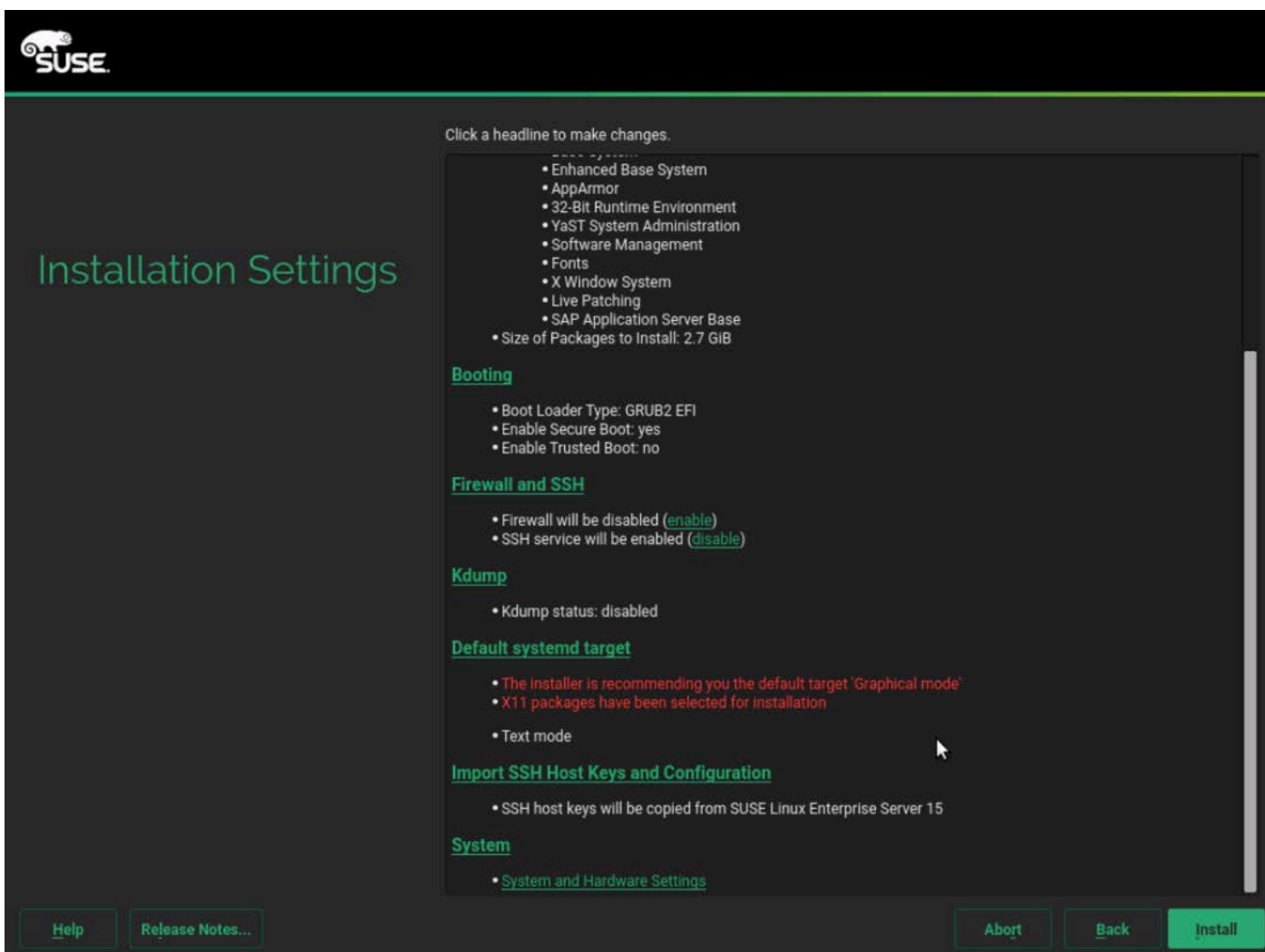


Figure 78. Clone system configuration selection (continued)



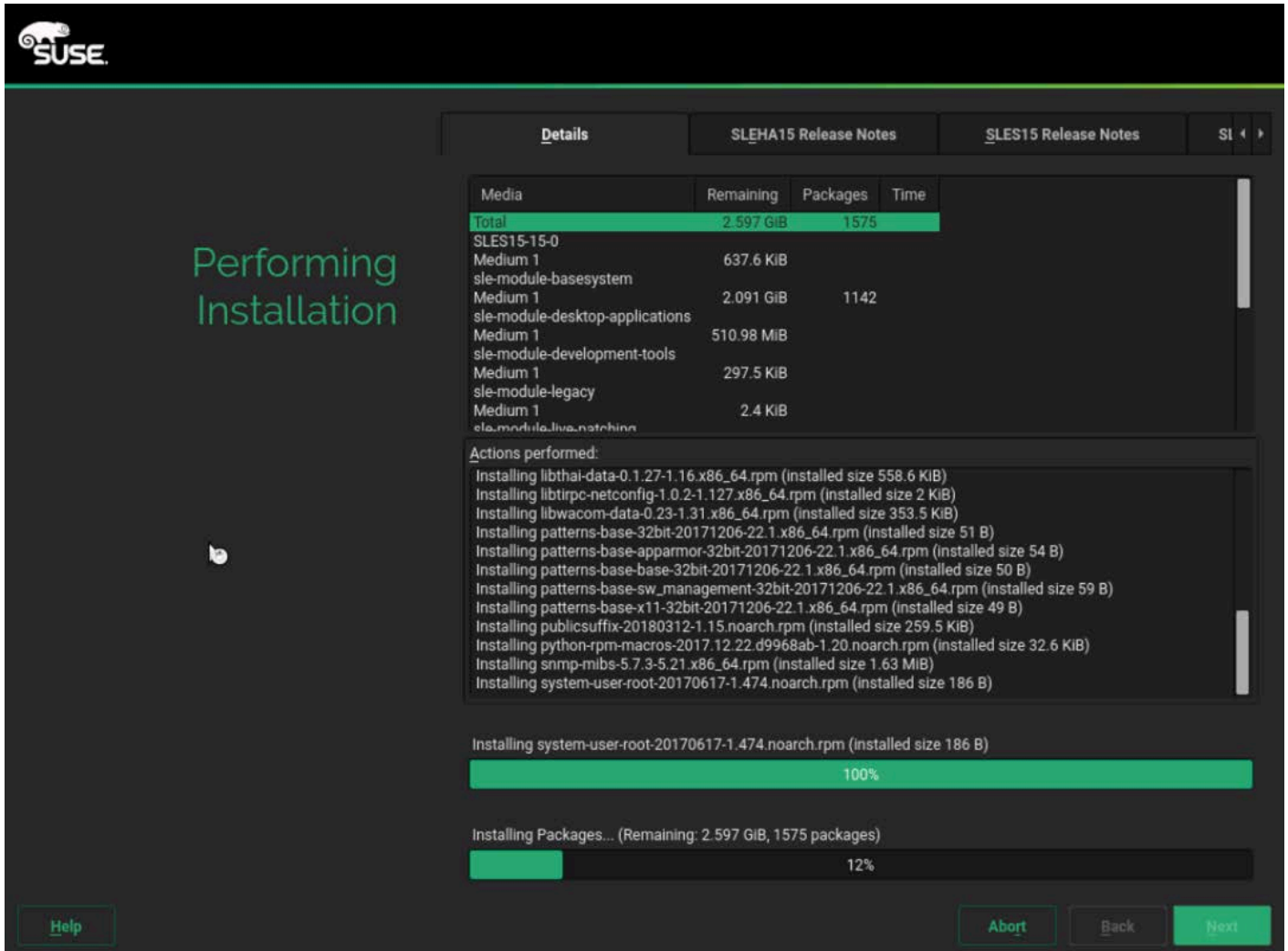
52. Leave the Booting and System default selections unchanged (Figure 79).

Figure 79. Installation Settings: Final selections



53. Click Install. Also select Install at subsequent Confirm Installation prompts. The installation starts, and you can monitor the status (Figures 80).

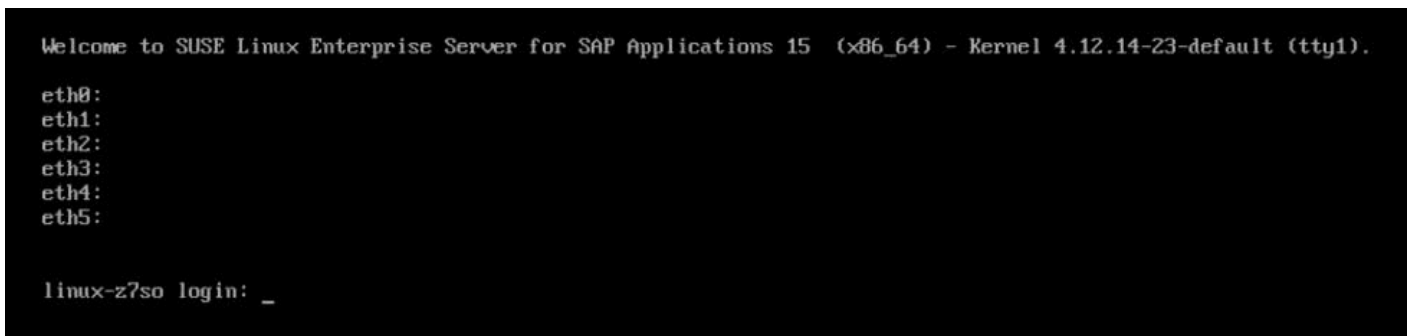
Figure 80. Performing the installation



54. When prompted during the installation process, remap installation DVD1. After the installation is complete, a reboot alert appears. The system will reboot and boot from disk on startup (Figure 81).

Figure 81. Booting from hard disk

55. The system then displays the login prompt (Figure 82).

Figure 82. Login prompt

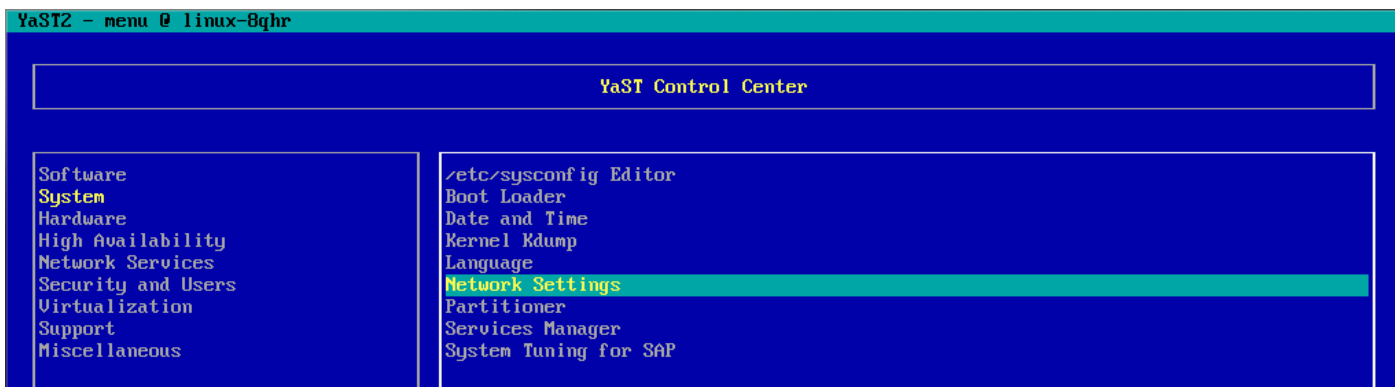
56. Use the KVM console to log in to the installed system as the user root with the password <<var_sys_root-pw>> (Figure 83).

Figure 83. Login using root

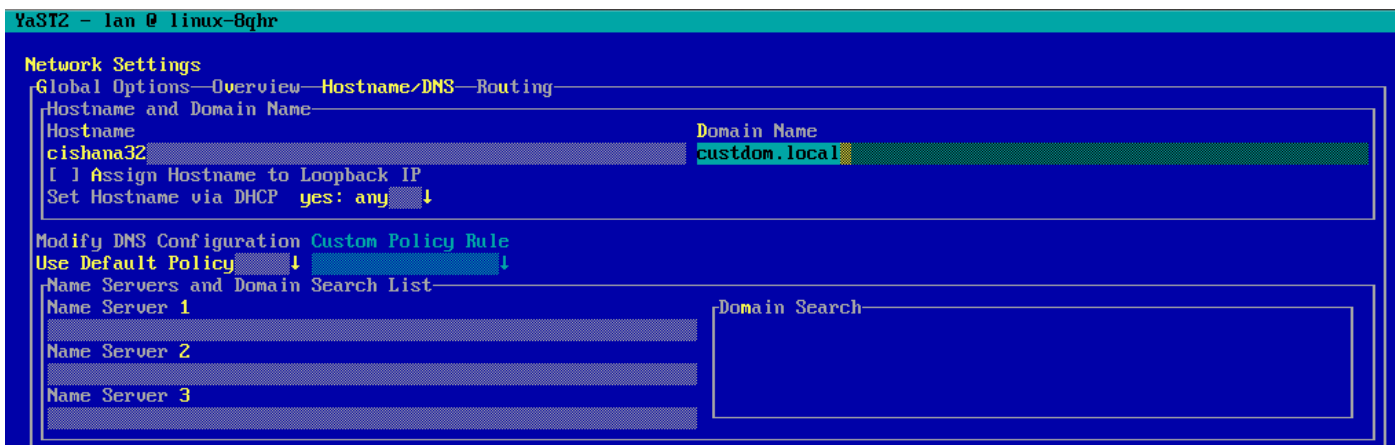
```
linux-z7so login: root
Password:
Last login: Mon Apr 22 16:14:22 on tty1
linux-z7so:~ # _
```

57. Configure the host name and disable IPv6 (Figure 84):

```
#yast2
```

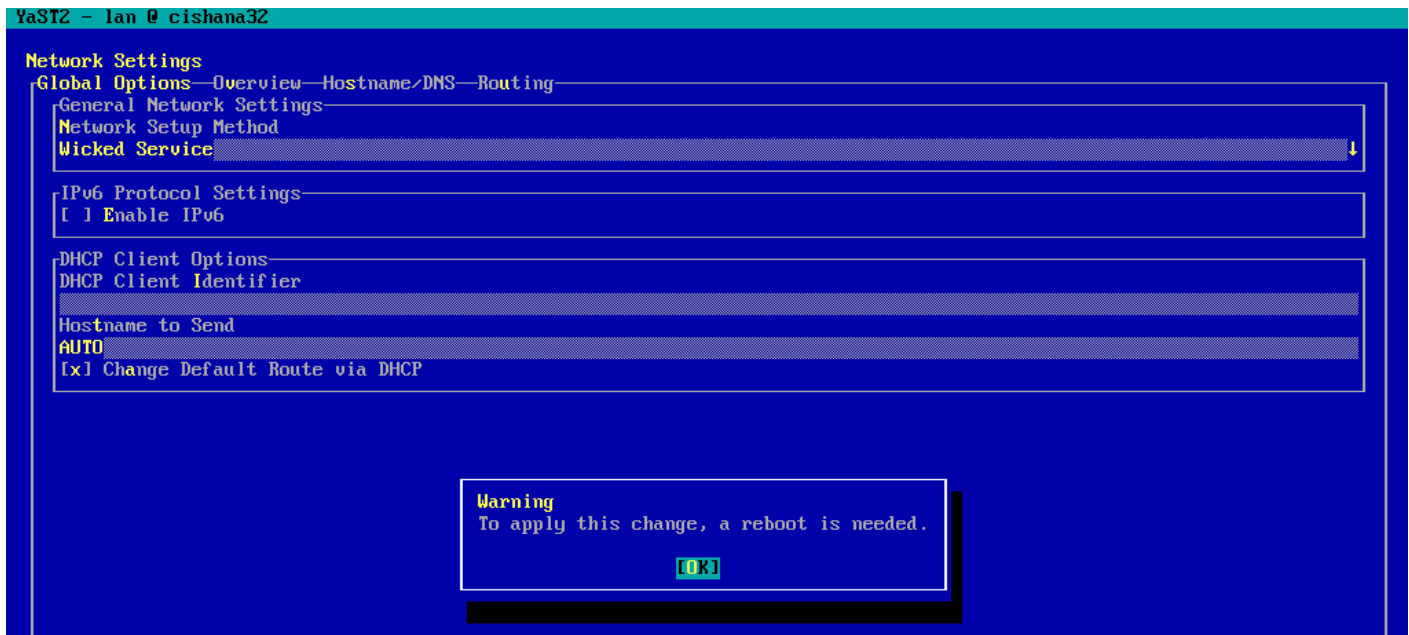
Figure 84. YaST Control Center: Network Settings

58. Choose System > Network Settings and press Alt+S to select the Hostname/DNS tab (Figure 85).

Figure 85. YaST Control Center: Hostname/DNS

59. Enter <<var_hostname.domain>>. Also enter the Domain Name System (DNS) server address of your network for resolution, if necessary. Then press Alt+O.

60. On the Global Options tab, using Alt+G, disable IPv6 by deselecting the Enable IPv6 option as shown in Figure 86. Note that changing the IPv6 setting requires a reboot to make the change take effect.

Figure 86. YaST: IPv6 setting

61. Press Alt+O to save the network configuration. Press Alt+Q to quit the YaST Control Center.

62. Reboot the server to make the IPv6 selection and the host-name settings take effect:

```
#reboot
```

63. Identify the Ethernet interface port that is connected to the top-of-the-rack (ToR) switch. For now, you can use that port for management connectivity to the host. You can also check the port by using the `ip addr` command, as shown in the example in Figure 87.

Figure 87. Network interface configuration

```

linux-z7so:~ # ip addr
1: lo: <LOOPBACK,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 65536 qdisc noqueue state UNKNOWN group default qlen 1000
    link/loopback 00:00:00:00:00:00 brd 00:00:00:00:00:00
    inet 127.0.0.1/8 scope host lo
        valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
2: eth0: <NO-CARRIER,BROADCAST,MULTICAST,UP> mtu 1500 qdisc mq state DOWN group default qlen 1000
    link/ether 00:b7:71:ff:83:7b brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
3: eth1: <BROADCAST,MULTICAST> mtu 1500 qdisc noop state DOWN group default qlen 1000
    link/ether 00:b7:71:ff:83:7c brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
4: eth2: <BROADCAST,MULTICAST> mtu 1500 qdisc noop state DOWN group default qlen 1000
    link/ether 00:b7:71:7e:02:2e brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
5: eth3: <BROADCAST,MULTICAST> mtu 1500 qdisc noop state DOWN group default qlen 1000
    link/ether 00:b7:71:7e:02:2f brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
6: eth4: <BROADCAST,MULTICAST> mtu 1500 qdisc noop state DOWN group default qlen 1000
    link/ether a8:b4:56:a3:ed:66 brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
7: eth5: <BROADCAST,MULTICAST> mtu 1500 qdisc noop state DOWN group default qlen 1000
    link/ether a8:b4:56:a3:ed:67 brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
linux-z7so:~ # for i in $(seq 0 5); do ip link set dev eth$i up; done
linux-z7so:~ # for i in $(seq 0 5); do cat /sys/class/net/eth$i/operstate; done
down
down
down
down
up
down
linux-z7so:~ # _

```

64. Assign <<var_mgmt_ip_address>> as the IP address and enter <<var_mgmt_nw_netmask>> as the subnet mask for the available interface (for example, eth5). You can use this configuration temporarily until you port it to a high-availability bond device and create another with the Cisco VIC's 10-Gbps ports.

65. Go to the network configuration directory and create a configuration for eth5:

```

#cd /etc/sysconfig/network
#vi ifcfg-eth5
BOOTPROTO='static'
IPADDR='<<var_mgmt_ip_address>>'
NETMASK='<<var_mgmt_nw_netmask>>'
NETWORK=''
MTU=''
REMOTE_IPADDR=''
STARTMODE='auto'
USERCONTROL='no'

```

66. Add the default gateway:

```

#cd /etc/sysconfig/network
#vi routes
default <<var_mgmt_gateway_ip>> - -

```

Note: Be sure that the system has access to the Internet or a SUSE update server to install the patches.

67. Verify /etc/hosts as shown in the example in Figure 88.

Figure 88. Verify /etc/hosts

```
cishana01:~ # more /etc/hosts
#
# hosts          This file describes a number of hostname-to-address
#                mappings for the TCP/IP subsystem.  It is mostly
#                used at boot time, when no name servers are running.
#                On small systems, this file can be used instead of a
#                "named" name server.
#
# Syntax:
#
# IP-Address     Full-Qualified-Hostname  Short-Hostname
#
127.0.0.1        localhost

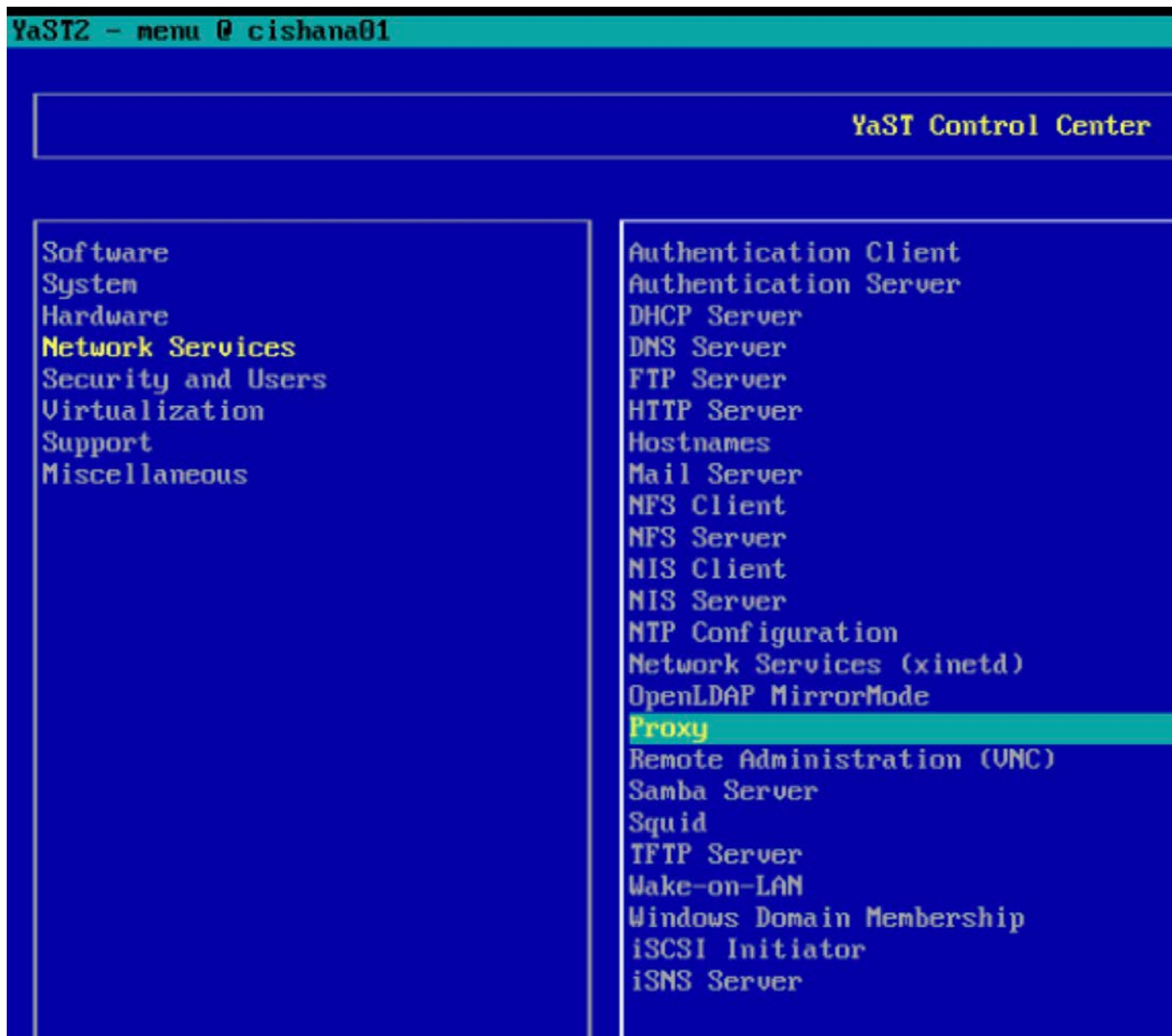
# special IPv6 addresses
::1              localhost ipv6-localhost ipv6-loopback

fe00::0          ipv6-localnet

ff00::0          ipv6-mcastprefix
ff02::1          ipv6-allnodes
ff02::2          ipv6-allrouters
ff02::3          ipv6-allhosts
173.36.215.118  cishana01.custdom.local cishana01
cishana01:~ #
```

68. Set up a proxy service so that the appliance can reach the Internet (Figure 89):

```
#yast2
```

Figure 89. YaST: Proxy configuration

69. Enter the proxy server and port as shown in the sample configuration in Figure 90. Select OK and then quit YaST to save the configuration.

Figure 90. YaST: Proxy configuration (continued)

```

YaST2 - proxy @ cishana01

Proxy Configuration

[x] Enable Proxy
Proxy Settings
  HTTP Proxy URL
  http://173.36.215.33:3128
  HTTPS Proxy URL
  http://
  FTP Proxy URL
  http://
  [x] Use the Same Proxy for All Protocols
  No Proxy Domains
  localhost, 127.0.0.1

Proxy Authentication
  Proxy User Name
  Proxy Password

[Test Proxy Settings]

[Help] [Cancel] [ OK ]

```

70. Register the system with SUSE to receive the latest patches. For more information, refer to the SUSE knowledgebase article at <https://www.suse.com/de-de/support/kb/doc?id=7016626>.

The system must have access to the Internet to proceed with this step.

```
#SUSEConnect -r <<registration_code>> -e <<email_address>>
```

71. Update the system with the following command. Again, the system must have access to the Internet to proceed with this step.

```
#zypper update
```

72. Follow the on-screen instructions to complete the update process. Reboot the server and log in to the system again.

Post-installation OS configuration

To optimize the use of the SAP HANA database with SLES 15 or SLES for SAP, apply the settings by referring to SAP Note 2684254: SAP HANA DB: Recommended OS settings for SLES 15 and SLES for SAP Applications 15.

Note: Following is the information from SAP Note 2684254 mentioned above and is current at the time of publishing this whitepaper. For latest updates please follow the SAP notes.

To customize the SLES 15 System for HANA Servers, follow these steps:

Increase UserTasksMax

Create the file "/etc/systemd/logind.conf.d/sap.conf" with the following content:

```
[Login]
UserTasksMax=infinity
```

Turn off autoNUMA balancing, disable transparent hugepages and configure C-States for lower latency

Edit /etc/default/grub, search for the line starting with "GRUB_CMDLINE_LINUX_DEFAULT" and append the following:

```
numa_balancing=disable transparent_hugepage=never intel_idle.max_cstate=1 processor.max_cstate=1
```

Save your changes and run:

```
grub2-mkconfig -o /boot/grub2/grub.cfg
```

Energy Performance Bias, CPU frequency/Voltage scaling and Kernel samepage merging (KSM).

Add the following commands to a script executed on system boot, such as /etc/init.d/boot.local:

```
cpupower set -b 0
cpupower frequency-set -g performance
echo 0 > /sys/kernel/mm/ksm/run
```

Activate tuned and Enable tuned profile

```
saptune daemon start
saptune solution apply HANA
```

Reboot the OS issuing reboot command

To optimize the network configuration, apply the settings by referring SAP Note [2382421: Optimizing the network configuration on the HANA and OS levels](#).

Configuring bonding for high availability

To configure a bond for high availability, first view the Ethernet interfaces available in the system.

By examining the hardware and MAC addresses of the interfaces using the **ifconfig** command and the properties using **ethtool**, you can clearly differentiate the interfaces for the two dual-port Cisco UCS VIC 1225 adapters installed in the server as well as the onboard 1-Gbps interface.

A bond configured with two 1-Gbps ports can be used for the administration, management, and access networks, and a bond configured with two ports, using one port from each dual-port VIC, can be used for a backup network. Additional interfaces can be configured on the VICs based on needs.

In the example in Figure 91, the **ethtool** output for the interfaces showing Fibre Channel support and 10-Gbps indicates that eth0 through eth4 are VIC ports. In addition, a close observation of their MAC addresses reveals that eth0 and eth1 and that eth2 and eth3 are ports on the same VICs (in both cases, the last octet of the MAC address differs).

Therefore, for high availability, eth0 and eth2 form one possible slave pair for creating a 10-Gbps bond device.

Likewise, 1-Gbps interfaces eth4 and eth5 are potential slave interfaces for a 1-Gbps bond device.

In this section, you will manually create these two bond interfaces.

Note: In SLES, use of YaST is recommended. It provides an easy wizard-like approach for creating bond devices. For ease of implementation, this section provides steps for manual configuration.

Figure 91. The ifconfig output provides an overview of the interfaces

```

cishana01:~ # ifconfig -a | grep HW
eth0      Link encap:Ethernet  HWaddr 84:8B:02:8B:31:40
eth1      Link encap:Ethernet  HWaddr 84:8B:02:8B:31:41
eth2      Link encap:Ethernet  HWaddr 84:8B:02:8B:DE:20
eth3      Link encap:Ethernet  HWaddr 84:8B:02:8B:DE:21
eth4      Link encap:Ethernet  HWaddr 88:1D:FC:39:F2:12
eth5      Link encap:Ethernet  HWaddr 88:1D:FC:39:F2:13
eth6      Link encap:Ethernet  HWaddr 88:1D:FC:39:F2:16
eth7      Link encap:Ethernet  HWaddr 88:1D:FC:39:F2:18
cishana01:~ # for i in `seq -w 0 7`;do ethtool eth$i > /tmp/ethinfo; head -n 5 /tmp/ethinfo;done
Settings for eth0:
    Supported ports: [ FIBRE ]
    Supported link modes:   1000baseT/Full
    Supports auto-negotiation: No
    Advertized link modes:  1000baseT/Full
Settings for eth1:
    Supported ports: [ FIBRE ]
    Supported link modes:   1000baseT/Full
    Supports auto-negotiation: No
    Advertized link modes:  1000baseT/Full
Settings for eth2:
    Supported ports: [ FIBRE ]
    Supported link modes:   1000baseT/Full
    Supports auto-negotiation: No
    Advertized link modes:  1000baseT/Full
Settings for eth3:
    Supported ports: [ FIBRE ]
    Supported link modes:   1000baseT/Full
    Supports auto-negotiation: No
    Advertized link modes:  1000baseT/Full
Settings for eth4:
    Supported ports: [ TP ]
    Supported link modes:   10baseT/Half 10baseT/Full
                             100baseT/Half 100baseT/Full
                             1000baseT/Full
Settings for eth5:
    Supported ports: [ TP ]
    Supported link modes:   10baseT/Half 10baseT/Full
                             100baseT/Half 100baseT/Full
                             1000baseT/Full
Settings for eth6:
    Supported ports: [ TP ]
    Supported link modes:   100baseT/Full
                             1000baseT/Full
                             10000baseT/Full
Settings for eth7:
    Supported ports: [ TP ]
    Supported link modes:   100baseT/Full
                             1000baseT/Full
                             10000baseT/Full
cishana01:~ #

```

1. Create 1-Gbps bond device ifcfg-bond0 with eth4 and eth5 as slaves.

- a. Create a bond0 configuration file:

```
# vi /etc/sysconfig/network/ifcfg-bond0 BONDING_MASTER='yes' BONDING_MODULE_OPTS='mode=active-
backup miimon=100' BOOTPROTO='static'
BROADCAST=''
ETHTOOL_OPTIONS='' IPADDR='<<var_mgmt_ip_address>>/<<var_mgmt_netmask_prefix>>' MTU=''
NAME=''
NETWORK=''
REMOTE_IPADDR=''
STARTMODE='auto'
USERCONTROL='no'
BONDING_SLAVE0='eth4'
BONDING_SLAVE1='eth5'
```

- b. Modify the eth4 and eth5 configuration files:

```
# vi /etc/sysconfig/network/ifcfg-eth4 BOOTPROTO='none'
BROADCAST=''
ETHTOOL_OPTIONS=''
IPADDR=''
MTU=''
NAME='VIC Ethernet NIC' NETMASK=''
NETWORK='' REMOTE_IPADDR='' STARTMODE='hotplug' USERCONTROL='no'
# vi /etc/sysconfig/network/ifcfg-eth5 BOOTPROTO='none'
BROADCAST=''
ETHTOOL_OPTIONS=''
IPADDR=''
MTU=''
NAME='VIC Ethernet NIC' NETMASK=''
NETWORK='' REMOTE_IPADDR=''
STARTMODE='hotplug' USERCONTROL='no'
```

- c. Test the configuration.

Restart the network service to bring up the bond0 interface. Then enter the following command:

```
# rcnetwork restart
```

To query the current status of the Linux kernel bonding driver, enter the following command:

```
# cat /proc/net/bonding/bond0
```

Figure 92 shows sample output.

Figure 92. Sample bond0 configuration test output

```

cishana01:/etc/sysconfig/network # cat /proc/net/bonding/bond0
Ethernet Channel Bonding Driver: v3.7.1 (April 27, 2011)

Bonding Mode: fault-tolerance (active-backup)
Primary Slave: None
Currently Active Slave: eth5
MII Status: up
MII Polling Interval (ms): 100
Up Delay (ms): 0
Down Delay (ms): 0

Slave Interface: eth4
MII Status: down
Speed: Unknown
Duplex: Unknown
Link Failure Count: 0
Permanent HW addr: 88:1d:fc:39:f2:12
Slave queue ID: 0

Slave Interface: eth5
MII Status: up
Speed: 1000 Mbps
Duplex: full
Link Failure Count: 0
Permanent HW addr: 88:1d:fc:39:f2:13
Slave queue ID: 0
cishana01:/etc/sysconfig/network # █

```

2. Create 10-Gbps bond device ifcfg-bond1 with eth0 and eth2 as slaves.

a. Create a bond1 configuration file:

```

# vi /etc/sysconfig/network/ifcfg-bond1 BONDING_MASTER='yes' BONDING_MODULE_OPTS='mode=active-
backup miimon=100' BOOTPROTO='static'
BROADCAST='' ETHTOOL_OPTIONS=''
IPADDR='<<ip_address_customer_usecase>>/<<netmask_prefix>>' MTU=''
NAME=''
NETWORK=''
REMOTE_IPADDR='' STARTMODE='auto' USERCONTROL='no' BONDING_SLAVE0='eth0' BONDING_SLAVE1='eth2'

```

b. Modify the eth0 and eth2 configuration files:

```
# vi /etc/sysconfig/network/ifcfg-eth0 BOOTPROTO='none'  
BROADCAST=''  
ETHTOOL_OPTIONS=''  
IPADDR=''  
MTU=''  
NAME='VIC Ethernet NIC' NETMASK=''  
NETWORK='' REMOTE_IPADDR='' STARTMODE='hotplug' USERCONTROL='no'  
# vi /etc/sysconfig/network/ifcfg-eth2 BOOTPROTO='none'  
BROADCAST=''  
ETHTOOL_OPTIONS=''  
    IPADDR=''  
    MTU=''  
    NAME='VIC Ethernet NIC' NETMASK=''  
    NETWORK='' REMOTE_IPADDR='' STARTMODE='hotplug' USERCONTROL='no'
```

c. Test the configuration.

Restart the networking service to bring up the bond0 interface. Enter the following command:

```
# rcnetwork restart
```

To query the current status of Linux kernel bonding driver, enter the following command:

```
# cat /proc/net/bonding/bond1
```

Figure 93 shows sample output.

Figure 93. Sample bond1 configuration test output

```

cishana01:/etc/sysconfig/network # cat /proc/net/bonding/bond1
Ethernet Channel Bonding Driver: v3.7.1 (April 27, 2011)

Bonding Mode: fault-tolerance (active-backup)
Primary Slave: None
Currently Active Slave: None
MII Status: down
MII Polling Interval (ms): 100
Up Delay (ms): 0
Down Delay (ms): 0

Slave Interface: eth0
MII Status: down
Speed: Unknown
Duplex: Unknown
Link Failure Count: 0
Permanent HW addr: 84:b8:02:8b:31:40
Slave queue ID: 0

Slave Interface: eth2
MII Status: down
Speed: Unknown
Duplex: Unknown
Link Failure Count: 0
Permanent HW addr: 84:b8:02:5b:de:20
Slave queue ID: 0
cishana01:/etc/sysconfig/network # █

```

Preparing SAP HANA data, log, and shared file systems

To prepare the file systems, you start by carving out logical volumes for the data, log, and HANA shared files. Then you create the file systems. Then you update /etc/fstab and mount the volumes.

1. Use the following command to check for the available physical volume (PV), as shown in Figure 94:

```
#pvdiskdisplay
```

Figure 94. Checking for the physical volume

```

--- Physical volume ---
PV Name           /dev/sda2
VG Name           hanavg
PV Size           24.45 TiB / not usable 2.12 MiB
Allocatable       yes
PE Size           4.00 MiB
Total PE          6408641
Free PE           6382529
Allocated PE      26112
PV UUID           4ygrmp-s6vo-lixM-91pZ-bMOe-JbKR-o7i6RS

```

- Use the following command to check for the available volume group (VG) hanavg (Figure 95):
#vdisplay

Figure 95. Checking for the volume group

```

--- Volume group ---
VG Name          hanavg
System ID
Format           lvm2
Metadata Areas   1
Metadata Sequence No 3
VG Access        read/write
VG Status        resizable
MAX LV           0
Cur LV          2
Open LV          2
Max PV           0
Cur PV          1
Act PV           1
VG Size          24.45 TiB
PE Size          4.00 MiB
Total PE         6408641
Alloc PE / Size  26112 / 102.00 GiB
Free PE / Size   6382529 / 24.35 TiB
VG UUID          sQHIRn-t71W-50o5-TEJu-D5pw-dcxE-14tAEs

```

- Create logical volumes (LVs) for the data, log, and HANA shared file systems (Figure 96):

```
lvcreate -name <<lvname>> -I<<stripesize>> -L<<volume-size>> <<parent-vg-name>> # lvcreate --name datalv -I256 -L9T hanavg
```

Note: The **lvcreate** command doesn't require you to specify the stripe size when creating volumes on SSDs.

```
# lvcreate --name loglv -I256 -L512G hanavg
# lvcreate --name sharedlv -I256 -L3T hanavg
```

Figure 96. Creating logical volumes

```
[root@cishana01 ~]# lvcreate --name datalv -I256 -L9T hanavg
Ignoring stripesize argument with single stripe.
Logical volume "datalv" created.

[root@cishana01 ~]# lvcreate --name loglv -I256 -L512G hanavg
Ignoring stripesize argument with single stripe.
Logical volume "loglv" created.
[root@cishana01 ~]# lvcreate --name sharedlv -I256 -L3T hanavg
Ignoring stripesize argument with single stripe.
Logical volume "sharedlv" created.
```

4. Create file systems in the data, log, and HANA shared volumes (Figure 97):

```
#mkfs.xfs -f /dev/hanavg/datalv
#mkfs.xfs -f /dev/hanavg/loglv
#mkfs.xfs -f /dev/hanavg/sharedlv
```

Figure 97. Creating file systems

```
[root@cishana01 ~]# mkfs.xfs -f /dev/hanavg/datalv
meta-data=/dev/hanavg/datalv      isize=256    agcount=9, agsize=268435455 blks
=                               sectsz=512   attr=2, projid32bit=0
data      =                       bsize=4096  blocks=2415919095, imaxpct=5
=                               sunit=0     swidth=0 blks
naming    =version 2              bsize=4096  ascii-ci=0
log       =internal log          bsize=4096  blocks=521728, version=2
=                               sectsz=512   sunit=0 blks, lazy-count=1
realtime  =none                  extsz=4096  blocks=0, rtextents=0
[root@cishana01 ~]# mkfs.xfs -f /dev/hanavg/loglv
meta-data=/dev/hanavg/loglv      isize=256    agcount=4, agsize=33554432 blks
=                               sectsz=512   attr=2, projid32bit=0
data      =                       bsize=4096  blocks=134217728, imaxpct=25
=                               sunit=0     swidth=0 blks
naming    =version 2              bsize=4096  ascii-ci=0
log       =internal log          bsize=4096  blocks=65536, version=2
=                               sectsz=512   sunit=0 blks, lazy-count=1
realtime  =none                  extsz=4096  blocks=0, rtextents=0
[root@cishana01 ~]# mkfs.xfs -f /dev/hanavg/sharedlv
meta-data=/dev/hanavg/sharedlv   isize=256    agcount=4, agsize=201326592 blks
=                               sectsz=512   attr=2, projid32bit=0
data      =                       bsize=4096  blocks=805306368, imaxpct=5
=                               sunit=0     swidth=0 blks
naming    =version 2              bsize=4096  ascii-ci=0
log       =internal log          bsize=4096  blocks=393216, version=2
=                               sectsz=512   sunit=0 blks, lazy-count=1
realtime  =none                  extsz=4096  blocks=0, rtextents=0
```

5. Create mount directories for the data, log, and HANA shared file systems:

```
#mkdir -p /hana/data
#mkdir -p /hana/log
#mkdir -p /hana/shared
```

6. Mount options vary from the default Linux settings for XFS for SAP HANA data and log volumes. The following is a sample `/etc/fstab` entry. Make sure that you use the same mount options for the data and log file systems as shown in the example.

```
/dev/mapper/hanavg-rootlv          /                ext3          defaults      1    1
UUID=fc2e52c4-e6f6-4e9a-9ad1-86aeb3369942  /boot           ext3          defaults      1    2
/dev/mapper/hanavg-swapvol        swap             defaults      0    0
/dev/hanavg/datalv /hana/data      xfs          nobARRIER,noatime,nodiratime,logbufs=8,logbsize=256k,async,swalloc,allocsize=131072k 1 2
/dev/hanavg/loglv /hana/log       xfs          nobARRIER,noatime,nodiratime,logbufs=8,logbsize=256k,async,swalloc,allocsize=131072k 1 2
/dev/hanavg/sharedlv /hana/shared    xfs          defaults      1    2
```

This example illustrates the use of default settings for mount options when configuring SSDs.

```
/dev/hanavg/swapvol swap             defaults        0 0
/dev/hanavg/rootlv /                ext3           acl,user_xattr  1 1
UUID=912D-A3CB /boot/efi       vfat           umask=0002,utf8=true 0 0
/dev/hanavg/datalv /hana/data      xfs            defaults        1 2
/dev/hanavg/loglv /hana/log       xfs            defaults        1 2
/dev/hanavg/sharedlv /hana/log       xfs            defaults        1 2
```

7. Use the following command to mount the file systems:

```
#mount -a
```

8. Use the `df -h` command to check the status of all mounted volumes (Figure 98).

Figure 98. Checking the status of mounted volumes

```
[root@cishana01 ~]# df -h
Filesystem                Size      Used Avail Use% Mounted on
/dev/mapper/hanavg-rootlv
                          99G       882M   93G    1% /
/dev/sda1                  485M       47M   414M   11% /boot
tmpfs                      1.5T         0   1.5T    0% /dev/shm
/dev/mapper/hanavg-datalv
                          9.0T        33M   9.0T    1% /hana/data
/dev/mapper/hanavg-loglv
                          512G        33M   512G    1% /hana/log
/dev/mapper/hanavg-sharedlv
                          3.0T        33M   3.0T    1% /hana/shared
[root@cishana01 ~]#
```

9. Change the directory permissions before you install SAP HANA. Use the **chown** command on each SAP HANA node after the file systems are mounted:

```
#chmod -R 777 /hana/data
```

```
#chmod -R 777 /hana/log
```

```
#chmod -R 777 /hana/shared
```

Installing SAP HANA

Use the official SAP documentation, which describes the installation process with and without the SAP unified installer. For the SAP HANA installation documentation, see [SAP HANA Server Installation Guide](#). All other SAP HANA administration documentation is available at [SAP HANA Administration Guide](#).

Important SAP Notes

Read the following SAP Notes before you start the installation. These SAP Notes contain the latest information about the installation, as well as corrections to the installation documentation.

The latest SAP Notes can be found at [SAP Notes and Knowledge base](#).

SAP HANA IMDB notes

- [SAP Note 1514967](#): SAP HANA: Central note
- [SAP Note 2298750](#): SAP HANA Platform SPS 12 Release Note
- [SAP Note 1523337](#): SAP HANA database: Central note
- [SAP Note 2000003](#): FAQ: SAP HANA
- [SAP Note 2380257](#): SAP HANA 2.0 Release Notes
- [SAP Note 1780950](#): Connection problems due to host name resolution
- [SAP Note 1755396](#): Released disaster tolerant (DT) solutions for SAP HANA with disk replication
- [SAP Note 2519630](#): Check whether power save mode is active
- [SAP Note 1681092](#): Support for multiple SAP HANA databases on a single SAP HANA appliance
- [SAP Note 1514966](#): SAP HANA: Sizing the SAP HANA database
- [SAP Note 1637145](#): SAP BW on HANA: Sizing the SAP HANA database
- [SAP Note 1793345](#): Sizing for Suite on HANA
- [SAP Note 2399079](#): Elimination of hdbparam in HANA 2
- [SAP Note 2186744](#): FAQ: SAP HANA Parameters

Linux notes

- [SAP Note 2684254](#): SAP HANA DB: Recommended OS settings for SLES 15 and SLES for SAP Applications 15
- [SAP Note 2235581](#): SAP HANA: Supported operating systems
- [SAP Note 1944799](#): SAP HANA guidelines for the SLES operating system
- [SAP Note 1731000](#): Non-recommended configuration changes
- [SAP Note 1557506](#): Linux paging improvements
- [SAP Note 1740136](#): SAP HANA: Wrong mount option may lead to corrupt persistency
- [SAP Note 2382421](#): Optimizing the network configuration on the HANA and OS levels

Third-party software notes

- [SAP Note 1730928](#): Using external software in an SAP HANA appliance
- [SAP Note 1730929](#): Using external tools in an SAP HANA appliance
- [SAP Note 1730930](#): Using antivirus software in an SAP HANA appliance
- [SAP Note 2031547](#): Using backup tools with Backint for SAP HANA

SAP HANA virtualization notes

- [SAP Note 1788665](#): SAP HANA running on VMware vSphere virtual machines

Performing an SAP HANA post-installation checkup

For an SAP HANA system installed with <SID> set to **BWL** and the system number <nr> set to **00**, log in as **<sid>adm ir bwladm** and run the commands presented here.

Commands for checking SAP HANA services

```
bwladm@cishana01:/usr/sap/BWL/HDB00> /usr/sap/hostctrl/exe//sapcontrol -nr 00 -function GetProcessList
19.02.2019 11:29:27
GetProcessList
OK
name, description, dispstatus, textstatus, starttime, elapsedtime, pid
hdbdaemon, HDB Daemon, GREEN, Running, 2019 02 13 08:51:49, 866:37:38, 41691
hdbcompileserver, HDB Compileserver, GREEN, Running, 2019 02 13 08:51:56, 866:37:31, 41837
hdbindexserver, HDB Indexserver, GREEN, Running, 2019 02 13 08:52:00, 866:37:27, 41863
hdbnameserver, HDB Nameserver, GREEN, Running, 2019 02 13 08:51:50, 866:37:37, 41711
hdbpreprocessor, HDB Preprocessor, GREEN, Running, 2019 02 13 08:51:56, 866:37:31, 41839
hdbwebdispatcher, HDB Web Dispatcher, GREEN, Running, 2019 02 13 08:53:11, 866:36:16, 42431
hdbxsengine, HDB XSEngine, GREEN, Running, 2019 02 13 08:52:00, 866:37:27, 41865
bwladm@cishana01-bwl:/usr/sap/BWL/HDB00>
```

Commands for checking SAP HANA database information

```

bwladm@cishana01:/usr/sap/BWL/HDB00> HDB info
USER      PID    PPID  %CPU  VSZ   RSS  COMMAND
bwladm    59578  59577  0.0   108472 1944  -sh
bwladm    59663  59578  0.0   114080 2020  \_ /bin/sh /usr/sap/BWL/HDB00/HDB info
bwladm    59692  59663  0.0   118048 1596  \_ ps fx -U bwladm -o user,pid,ppid,pcpu,vsz,rss,args
      bwladm    41683      1  0.0   22188  1640  sapstart pf=/hana/shared/BWL/profile/BWL_HDB00_cishana01-bwl
bwladm    41691  41683  0.0   582888 290988 \_ /usr/sap/BWL/HDB00/cishana01- bwl/trace/hdb.sapBWL_HDB00 -d
-nw -f /usr/sap/BWL/HDB00/cishana01-bwl/daemon.ini
bwladm    41711  41691  0.3   54292416 2058900 \_ hdbnameserver
bwladm    41837  41691  0.1   4278472 1243356 \_ hdbcompileserver
bwladm    41839  41691  0.2   11773976 8262724 \_ hdbpreprocessor
bwladm    41863  41691  6.2   22143172 18184604 \_ hdbindexserver
bwladm    41865  41691  0.5   8802064 2446612 \_ hdbxsengine
bwladm    42431  41691  0.1   4352988 823220 \_ hdbwebdispatcher
bwladm.   41607      1  0.0   497576 23232  /usr/sap/BWL/HDB00/exe/sapstartsrv
pf=/hana/shared/BWL/profile/BWL_HDB00_cishana01-bwl -D -u bwladm
bwladm@cishana01-bwl:/usr/sap/BWL/HDB00>

```

Tuning the SAP HANA performance parameters

After SAP HANA is installed, tune the parameters as shown in Table 13 and explained in the following SAP Notes.

Table 13. Tuning parameters

| Parameters | Data file system | Log file system |
|----------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| max_parallel_io_requests | 256 | Default |
| async_read_submit | On | On |
| async_write_submit_blocks | All | All |
| async_write_submit_active | Auto | On |

- [SAP Note 2399079](#): Elimination of hdbparam in HANA 2
- [SAP Note 2186744](#): FAQ: SAP HANA Parameters

Performing maintenance operations

This section discusses how to maintain and operate SUSE and SAP HANA.

Maintaining the operating system

The customer is responsible for implementing security updates and patches, adding software components, and changing OS settings that may be requested by SAP for future releases of SAP HANA or that may be required by SUSE to help ensure system security and stability. See the related SAP OSs notes for required OS settings.

This section describes how to update the OS and the implications of updating OS components. It is not meant to replace the Linux administration documentation.

Prerequisites

Whenever you change the OS or parts of the OS such as drivers and kernel parameters, be sure that you have at least a backup copy of your SAP HANA system, preferably not stored on the appliance. You also should check the related OS notes and Cisco support channels for additional information.

Some changes may require a reboot and should be applied when SAP HANA is shut down.

Updating the OS

Not all updates and patches update the OS kernel. But if a kernel update is necessary, you need to take specific precautions. During the entire update process, SAP HANA must be shut down.

These are the general steps for updating the kernel:

- Perform these tasks before updating the kernel:
 - Stop SAP HANA and back up the existing log area (in case the device causes a problem and needs to be re-created).
- Update the kernel using YaST (or zypper).
- Perform these tasks after updating the kernel:
 - Check the GRUB file and boot sector (menu.lst).
 - Reboot

Updating SUSE online

You can update the operating system and kernel either through YaST or manually.

Using YaST

You can update the OS online using YaST. This method will update all OS components; a kernel update may also be included.

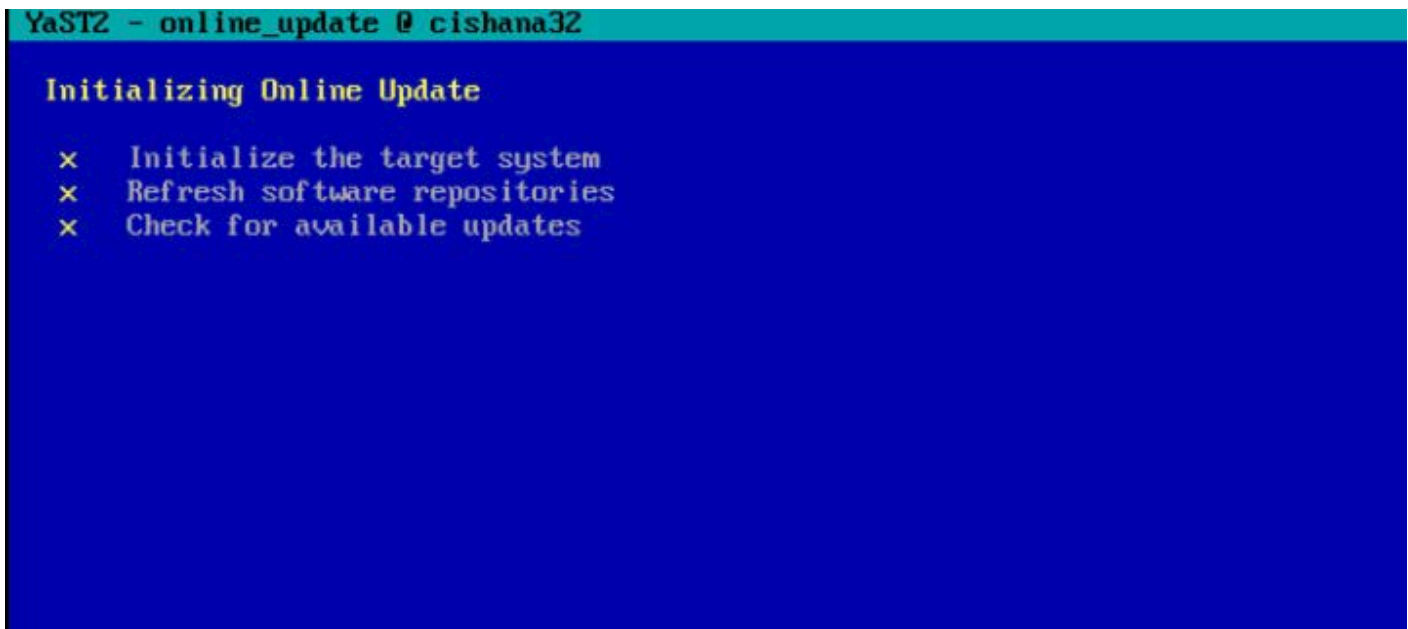
Note: Stop SAP HANA and back up the existing log area (in case the device causes a problem and needs to be re-created).

1. Set up a proxy service, if necessary, so that the appliance can reach the Internet. Make sure that PROXY_ENABLED is set to "yes" and that the appropriate proxy server host, IP address, and port are configured and used.

```
cishana01:~ # cd /etc/sysconfig/
cishana01:/etc/sysconfig # vi proxy
PROXY_ENABLED=" yes" HTTP_PROXY=" http://<Proxy_server_IP>:<Proxy_Service_port>"
HTTPS_PROXY=" http://<Proxy_server_IP>:<Proxy_service_port>"
FTP_PROXY=" http://<Proxy_server_IP>:<Proxy_service_port>"
```

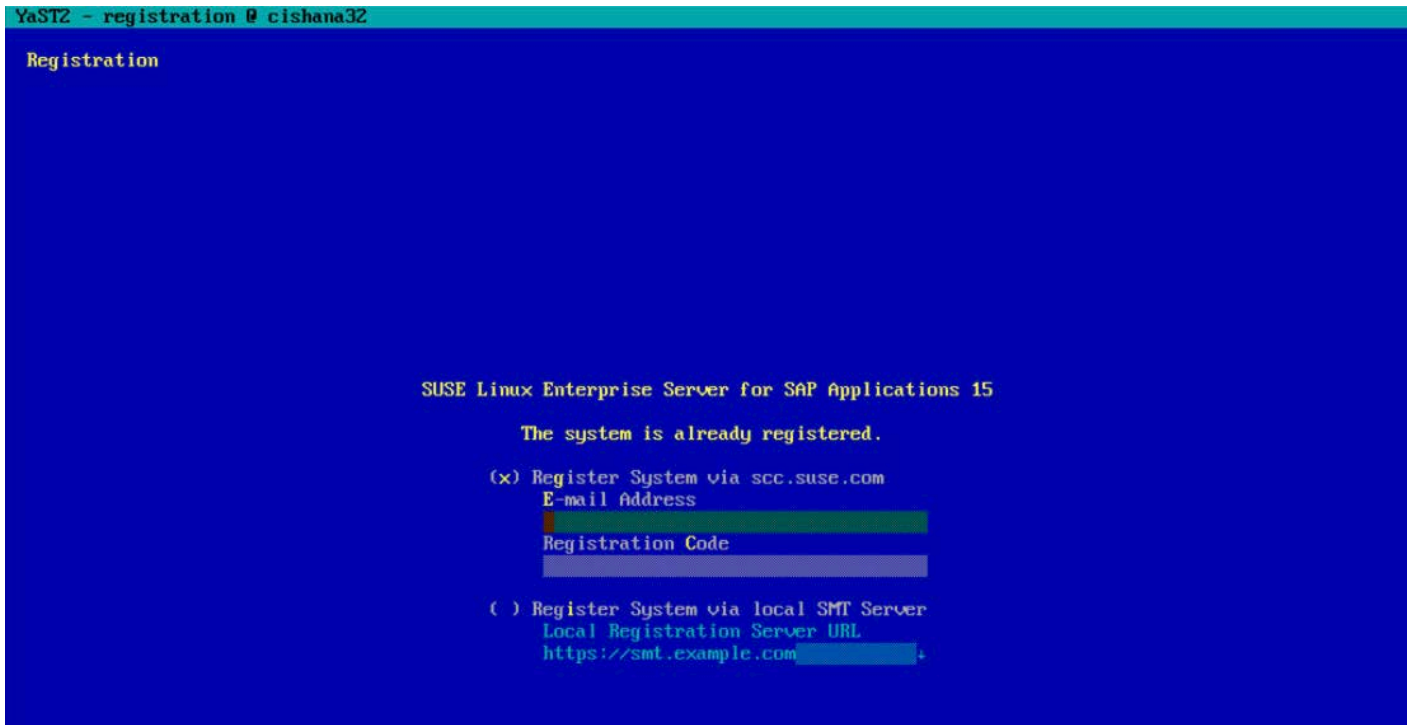
2. Start YaST and choose Software > Online Update.
 - a. Select Yes to configure the update repository (Figure 99).

Figure 99. YaST: Online update



- b. Log in with the account you used for licensing to register the server (Figure 100). Then click Next.

Figure 100. YaST online update: Registration



- c. An overview of the available extension and modules is displayed (Figure 101). Click Next.

Figure 101. YaST online update: Extension and Module Selection

```
YaST2 - online_update @ cishana32

Extension and Module Selection
Available Extensions and Modules

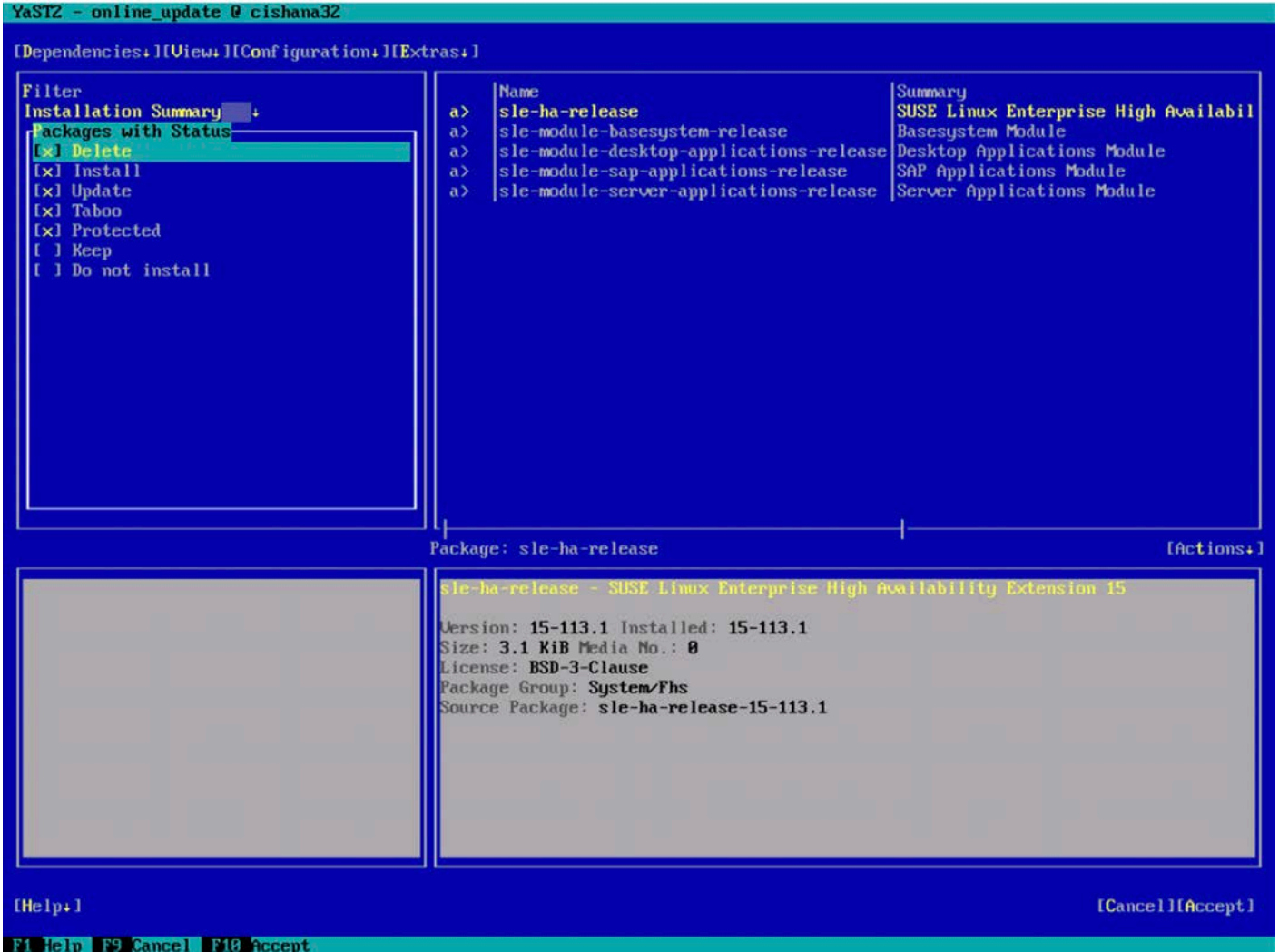
[] SUSE Linux Enterprise High Availability Extension 15 x86_64
[] SUSE Linux Enterprise Workstation Extension 15 x86_64
[] SUSE Package Hub 15 x86_64
[] SUSE Linux Enterprise Live Patching 15 x86_64
[] Basesystem Module 15 x86_64
[] Containers Module 15 x86_64
[] Desktop Applications Module 15 x86_64
[] Development Tools Module 15 x86_64
[] Legacy Module 15 x86_64
[] Public Cloud Module 15 x86_64
[] SAP Applications Module 15 x86_64
[] SUSE Cloud Application Platform Tools Module 15 x86_64
[] Server Applications Module 15 x86_64
[] Web and Scripting Module 15 x86_64

Details (English only)
Select an extension or a module to show details here

[Help] [Back] [Abort] [Next]
F1 Help F8 Back F9 abort F10 Next
```

- d. A list of the available patches from the online repository is displayed (Figure 102). Click Accept.

Figure 102. YaST online update: Patches list



3. The system will download all available patches (Figures 103 and 104).

Figure 103. YaST online update: List of package

```
YaST2 - online_update @ cishana32
Installation Report
Installation Successfully Finished

Packages
* Updated Packages: 5
  sle-ha-release, sle-module-basesystem-release, sle-module-desktop-applications-release,
  sle-module-sap-applications-release, sle-module-server-applications-release

Statistics
* Elapsed Time: 00:02
* Total Installed Size: 11.7 KiB
* Total Downloaded Size: 45.6 KiB

Details
* Installation log

After Installing Packages
Show This Report [ ]
[ Help ] [Continue] [Abort] [Finish]

F1 Help F8 Continue F9 Abort F10 Finish
```


Figure 104. YaST2 online update: List of packages updated

```
YaST2 - online_update @ cishana32
```

| [Filter+] | [Actions+] | [View+] | [Dependencies+] |
|--|-----------------|---|-----------------|
| Name | Kind | Summary | |
| SUSE-SLE-Module-Basesystem-15-2018-1223 | security | Security update for gpg2 | |
| SUSE-SLE-Module-Basesystem-15-2018-1264 | recommended | Recommended update for curl | |
| SUSE-SLE-Module-Basesystem-15-2018-1266 | security | Security update for cairo | |
| SUSE-SLE-Module-Basesystem-15-2018-1277 | security | Security update for unzip | |
| SUSE-SLE-Module-Basesystem-15-2018-1279 | security | Security update for tiff | |
| SUSE-SLE-Module-Basesystem-15-2018-1281 | security | Security update for ghostscript | |
| SUSE-SLE-Module-Basesystem-15-2018-1282 | security | Security update for libvorbis | |
| SUSE-SLE-Module-Basesystem-15-2018-1292 | security | Security update for openssl | |
| SUSE-SLE-Module-Basesystem-15-2018-1299 | security | Security update for ucode-intel | |
| SUSE-SLE-Module-Basesystem-15-2018-1303 | recommended | Recommended update for SUSEConnect | |
| SUSE-SLE-Module-Basesystem-15-2018-1318 | security | Security update for rsyslog | |
| SUSE-SLE-Module-Basesystem-15-2018-1327 | security | Security update for perl | |
| SUSE-SLE-Module-Basesystem-15-2018-1330 | recommended | Recommended update for yast2-registration | |
| SUSE-SLE-Module-Basesystem-15-2018-1332 | recommended | Recommended update for timezone | |
| SUSE-SLE-Module-Basesystem-15-2018-1333 | recommended | Recommended update for bind | |
| SUSE-SLE-Module-Basesystem-15-2018-1334 | recommended | Recommended update for mozilla-nss | |
| SUSE-SLE-Module-Basesystem-15-2018-1346 | security | Security update for glibc | |

Filter: Needed Patches Total Download Size: 24.9 MB

```
Patch: SUSE-SLE-Module-Basesystem-15-2018-1223 Kind: security Version: 1
```

This update for gpg2 fixes the following security issue:

- CVE-2018-12020: GnuPG mishandled the original filename during decryption and verification actions, which allowed remote attackers to spoof the output that GnuPG sends on file descriptor 2 to other programs that use the "--status-fd 2" option (bsc#1096745).

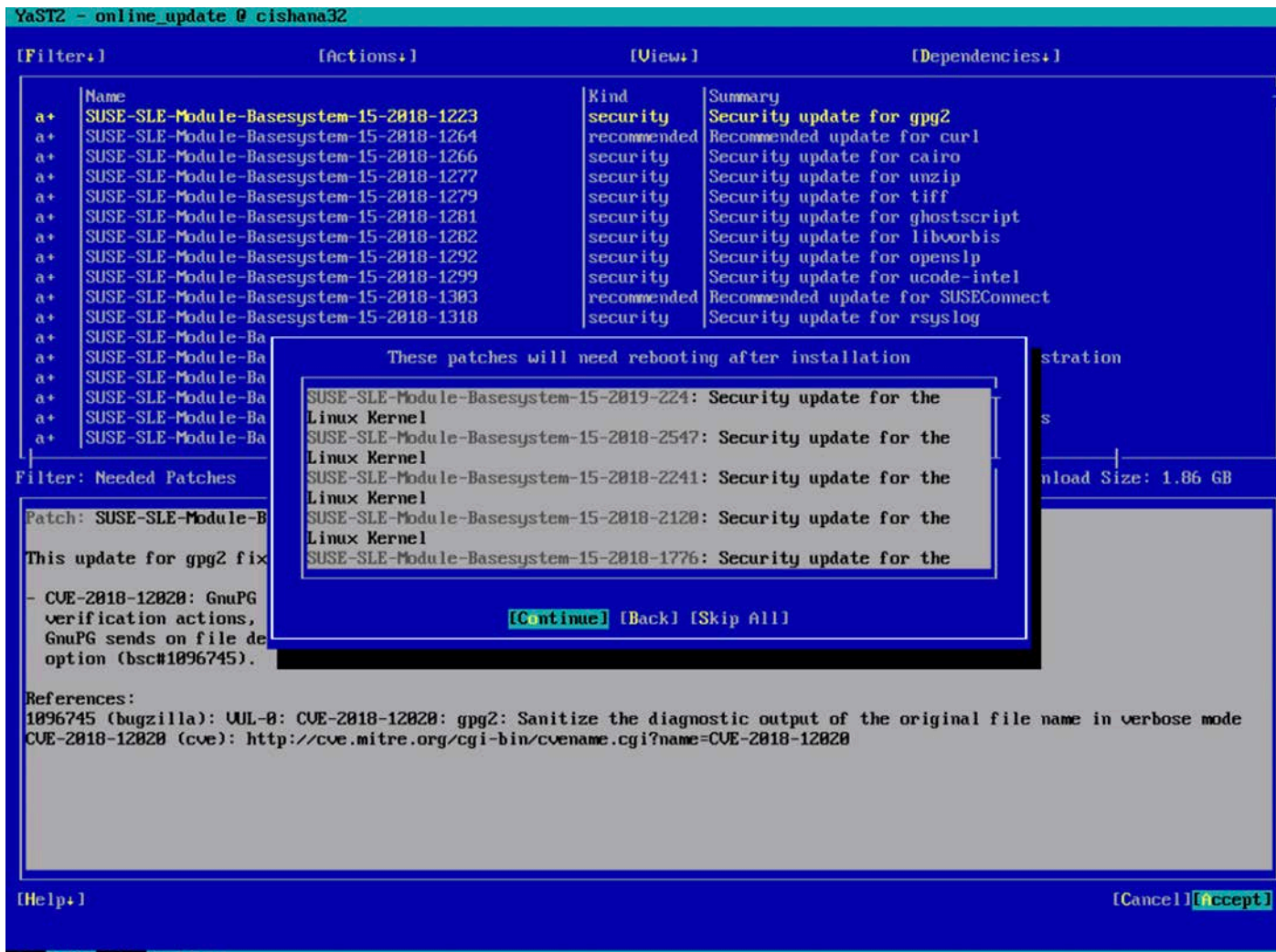
References:
 1096745 (bugzilla): UUL-0: CVE-2018-12020: gpg2: Sanitize the diagnostic output of the original file name in verbose mode
 CVE-2018-12020 (cve): <http://cve.mitre.org/cgi-bin/cvename.cgi?name=CVE-2018-12020>

[Help+] [Cancel][Accept]

F1 Help F9 Cancel F10 Accept

e. Some patches may require reboot after installation. Select Continue (Figure 105).

Figure 105. YaST online update: Package update



f. Patches are downloaded and installed at this time (Figure 106).

Figure 107. YaST online update: Release Notes

```
YaST2 - online_update @ cishana32

Release Notes

SLES for SAP 15—SUSE Linux Enterprise Desktop 15
Language
English (US)

SUSE Linux Enterprise Server for SAP Applications 15 GA

Release Notes

These are the release notes of SLES for SAP Applications. SLES for SAP
Applications combines SUSE Linux Enterprise Server and its High Availability
Extension with additional software specifically meant to simplify running and
managing SAP applications.

These release notes are updated periodically. The latest version is always
available at https://www.suse.com/releasenotes. General documentation can be
found at: https://www.suse.com/documentation/sles\_for\_sap/.

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Make sure to also review the release notes for the base product, SUSE Linux
Enterprise Server 15 GA which are published at https://www.suse.com/
releasenotes/x86\_64/SUSE-SLES/15.

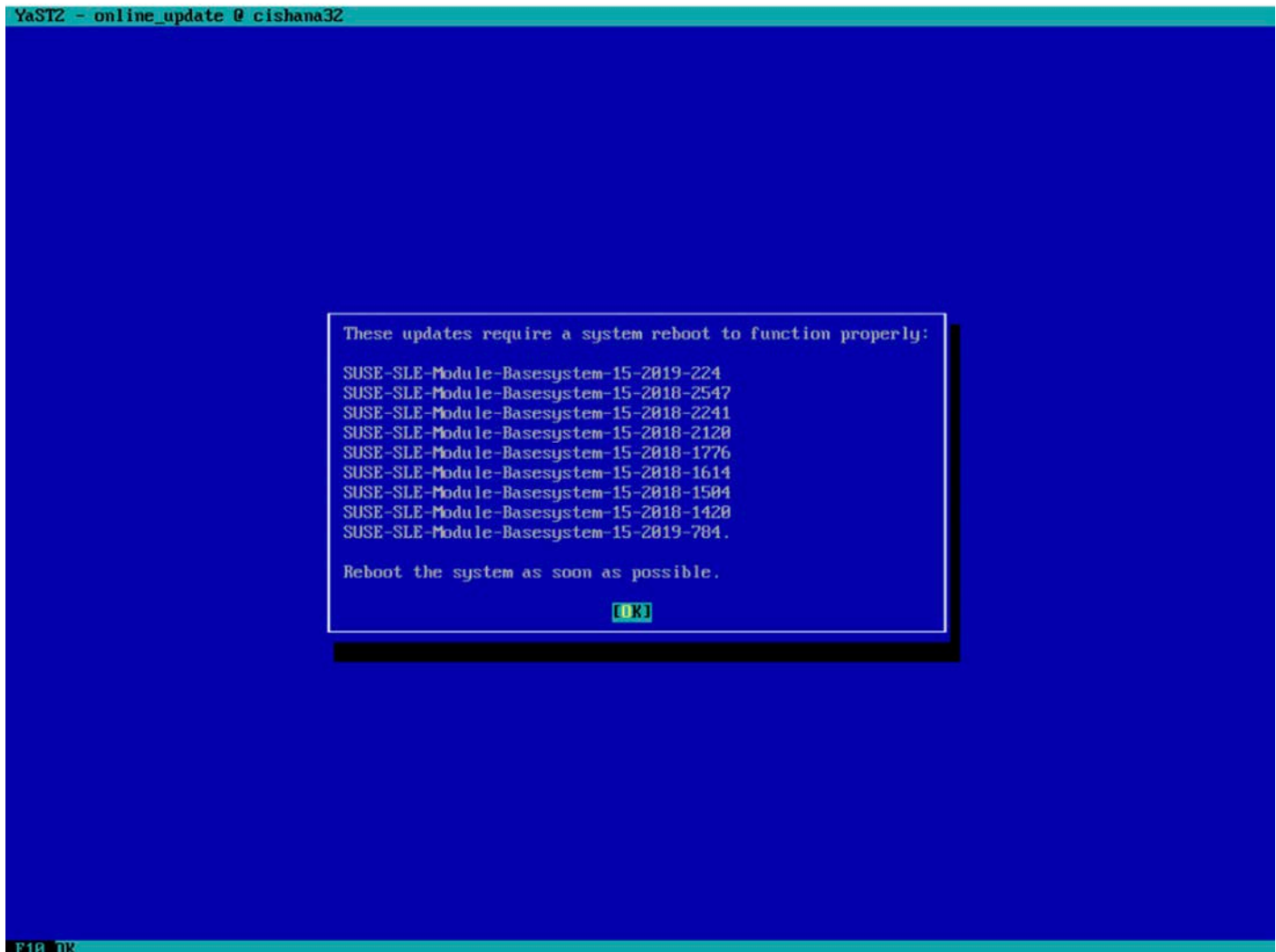
1.1 Support Statement for SLES for SAP Applications

Support requires an appropriate subscription from SUSE. For more information,
see https://www.suse.com/products/sles-for-sap.

General Support Statement

[Help ] [Back ] [Abort] [Close]
F1 Help F9 Abort F10 Close
```

h. Click OK to acknowledge the reboot prompt (Figure 108).

Figure 108. YaST online update: Reboot message

```
YaST2 - online_update @ cishana32

These updates require a system reboot to function properly:
SUSE-SLE-Module-Basesystem-15-2019-224
SUSE-SLE-Module-Basesystem-15-2018-2547
SUSE-SLE-Module-Basesystem-15-2018-2241
SUSE-SLE-Module-Basesystem-15-2018-2120
SUSE-SLE-Module-Basesystem-15-2018-1776
SUSE-SLE-Module-Basesystem-15-2018-1614
SUSE-SLE-Module-Basesystem-15-2018-1504
SUSE-SLE-Module-Basesystem-15-2018-1420
SUSE-SLE-Module-Basesystem-15-2019-784.

Reboot the system as soon as possible.

[OK]
```

- i. Quit YaST.
- j. Reboot the system to make the patch installation to take effect.

Operating and maintaining SAP HANA

SAP HANA operation and maintenance are described in detail in many related SAP documents. For a complete list of the documentation, see <http://help.sap.com/hana>.

This document summarizes only a few important operation and maintenance procedures. Most of the procedures described in this document are command-line interface (CLI) procedures and are independent of any GUI requiring an X terminal or other GUI front end (Microsoft Windows PC, Linux desktop, etc.). CLI procedures can be started using the KVM or any SSH tool such as PuTTY (for Windows) or Terminal (for Mac OS), or any Linux terminal window to connect to the SAP HANA database system (the appliance).

Monitoring SAP HANA

Three easy CLI methods are available to check the running SAP HANA database.

saphostagent

Start a shell and connect to the SAP HANA system as the root user:

```
cishana01:~ # /usr/sap/hostctrl/exe/saphostctrl -function ListDatabases
Instance name: HDB00, Hostname: cishana01, Vendor: HDB, Type: hdb, Release: 1.00.60.0379371
Database name: HAN, Status: Error
cishana01:~ #
```

Get a list of installed SAP HANA instances or databases:

```
cishana01:~ # /usr/sap/hostctrl/exe/saphostctrl -function ListInstances Inst Info : HAN - 00 - cishana01 - 740, patch 17,
changelist 1413428
cishana01:~ #
```

Using this information (system ID [SID] and system number), you can use **sapcontrol** to gather more information about the running SAP HANA database.

sapcontrol

In a shell, use the **sapcontrol** function **GetProcessList** to display a list of running SAP HANA OS processes:

```
cishana01:~ # /usr/sap/hostctrl/exe/sapcontrol -nr 00 -function GetProcessList 19.02.2019 14:54:45
GetProcessList
OK
name, description, dispstatus, textstatus, starttime, elapsedtime, pid
hdbdaemon, HDB Daemon, GREEN, Running, 2019 02 15 11:57:45, 98:57:00, 8545
hdbnameserver, HDB Nameserver, GREEN, Running, 2019 02 15 12:05:27, 98:49:18, 11579
hdbpreprocessor, HDB Preprocessor, GREEN, Running, 2019 02 15 12:05:27, 98:49:18, 11580 hdbindexserver, HDB
Indexserver, GREEN, Running, 2019 02 15 12:05:27, 98:49:18, 11581 hdbstatisticsserver, HDB Statisticsserver, GREEN,
Running, 2019 02 15 12:05:27, 98:49:18, 11582 hdbxsengine, HDB XSEngine, GREEN, Running, 2019 02 15 12:05:27,
98:49:18, 11583
sapwebdisp_hdb, SAP WebDispatcher, GREEN, Running, 2019 02 15 12:05:27, 98:49:18, 11584 hdbcompileserver, HDB
Compileserver, GREEN, Running, 2019 02 15 12:05:27, 98:49:18, 11585
```

You see processes such as **hdbdaemon**, **hdbnameserver**, and **hdbindexserver** that belong to a running SAP HANA database. You can also get a system instance list, which is more useful for a scale-out appliance:

```
cishana01:~ # /usr/sap/hostctrl/exe/sapcontrol -nr 00 -function GetSystemInstanceList 19.02.2019 15:03:12
GetSystemInstanceList
OK
hostname, instanceNr, httpPort, httpsPort, startPriority, features, dispstatus cishana01, 0, 50013, 0, 0.3, HDB, GREEN
```

HDB info

Another important tool is the **HDB info** command, which needs to be issued by the <SID>adm user: the OS user who owns the SAP HANA database.

As the root user on the SAP HANA appliance, enter the command shown here:

```
cishana01:~ # su - hanadm
```

```
cishana01:/usr/sap/HAN/HDB00> HDB info
USER      PID    PPID   %CPU  VSZ    RSS   COMMAND
hanadm    61208  61207  1.6   13840  2696  -sh
hanadm    61293  61208  0.0   11484  1632  \_ /bin/sh /usr/sap/HAN/HDB00/HDB info
hanadm    61316  61293  0.0   4904   872   \_ ps fx -U hanadm -o user,pid,ppid,pcpu,vsz,rss,args
hanadm    8532    1     0.0   20048  1468  sapstart pf=/hana/shared/HAN/profile/HAN_HDB00_cishana01
    hanadm  8545   8532  1.5   811036 290140 \_ /usr/sap/HAN/HDB00/cishana01/trace/hdb.sapHAN_HDB00 -d -
nw -f /usr/sap/HAN/HDB00/cis
hanadm    11579  8545   6.6  16616748 1789920 \_ hdbnameserver
hanadm    11580  8545   1.5   5675392  371984  \_ hdbpreprocessor
hanadm    11581  8545  10.9  18908436 6632128 \_ hdbindexserver
hanadm    11582  8545   8.7   17928872 3833184 \_ hdbstatisticsserver
hanadm    11583  8545   7.4   17946280 1872380 \_ hdbxsengine
hanadm    11584  8545   0.0   203396   16000  \_ sapwebdisp_hdb
pf=/usr/sap/HAN/HDB00/cishana01/wdisp/sapwebdisp.pfl -f /usr/sap/H
hanadm    11585  8545   1.5  15941688 475708 \_ hdbcompileserver
hanadm    8368    1     0.0   216268  75072 /usr/sap/HAN/HDB00/exe/sapstartsv
pf=/hana/shared/HAN/profile/HAN_HDB00_cishana01 -D -u
```

This command produces output similar to that from the **sapcontrol GetProcessList** function, with a bit more information about the process hierarchy.

Starting and stopping SAP HANA

Before you stop the SAP HANA appliance, you must be able to stop and start the SAP HANA database. You can use the commands shown here.

sapcontrol

You can use the *sapcontrol* functions **StartSystem** and **StopSystem** to start and stop a SAP HANA database.

Stop the system with the **StopSystem** function:

```
cishana01:~ # /usr/sap/hostctrl/exe/sapcontrol -nr 00 -function StopSystem HDB 19.02.2019 15:05:35
StopSystem
OK
```

Use the following command to check that the database has stopped:

```
cishana01:~ # /usr/sap/hostctrl/exe/sapcontrol -nr 00 -function GetSystemInstanceList 19.02.2019 15:05:58
GetSystemInstanceList
OK
hostname, instanceNr, httpPort, httpsPort, startPriority, features, dispstatus cishana01, 0, 50013, 0, 0.3, HDB, YELLOW
Wait for the status to be GRAY.
cishana01:~ # /usr/sap/hostctrl/exe/sapcontrol -nr 00 -function GetSystemInstanceList 19.02.2019 15:07:52
GetSystemInstanceList
OK
hostname, instanceNr, httpPort, httpsPort, startPriority, features, dispstatus cishana01, 0, 50013, 0, 0.3, HDB, GRAY
```

Alternatively, use the **HDB info** command:

```
cishana01:~ # su -l hanadm
cishana01:/usr/sap/HAN/HDB00> HDB info
USER PID PPID %CPU VSZ RSS COMMAND
hanadm 61477 61476 2.0 13840 2692 -sh
hanadm 61562 61477 0.0 11484 1632 \_ /bin/sh /usr/sap/HAN/HDB00/HDB info
hanadm 61585 61562 0.0 4904 872 \_ ps fx -U hanadm -o user,pid,ppid,pcpu,vsz,rss,args
hanadm 8368 1 0.0 216784 75220 /usr/sap/HAN/HDB00/exe/sapstartsrv
pf=/hana/shared/HAN/profile/HAN_HDB00_cishana01 -D -u
cishana01:/usr/sap/HAN/HDB00>
```

You can start the database again with the *sapcontrol* command **StartSystem** function:

```
cishana01:~ # /usr/sap/hostctrl/exe/sapcontrol -nr 00 -function StartSystem HDB 19.02.2019 15:08:48
StartSystem
OK
```


To check the system status, use the **sapcontrol** command **GetSystemInstanceList** function. Wait for the status to be **GREEN**.

```
cishana01:~ # /usr/sap/hostctrl/exe/sapcontrol -nr 00 -function GetSystemInstanceList 19.02.2019 15:10:19
GetSystemInstanceList
OK
hostname, instanceNr, httpPort, httpsPort, startPriority, features, dispstatus cishana01, 0, 50013, 0, 0.3, HDB, GREEN
```

HDB

You can use the HDB start and stop commands to stop and start the SAP HANA database.

Use HDB stop to stop the database:

```
cishana01:~ # su - hanadm
cishana01:/usr/sap/HAN/HDB00> HDB stop
hdbdaemon will wait maximal 300 seconds for NewDB services finishing.
Stopping instance using: /usr/sap/HAN/SYS/exe/hdb/sapcontrol -prot NI_HTTP -nr 00 -function 19.07.2019 19:10:37
Stop
OK
StopWait 400 2
```

In contrast to **sapcontrol**, this command waits until the database is stopped or started:

```
cishana01:/usr/sap/HAN/HDB00> HDB start
StartService
Impromptu CCC initialization by 'rscplnit'.
    See SAP note 1266393.
OK
OK
Starting instance using: /usr/sap/HAN/SYS/exe/hdb/sapcontrol -prot NI_HTTP -nr 00 -function StartWait 2700 2
19.02.2019 19:11:20
Start
OK
```

Downloading revisions

To download revisions, you need to connect to the service marketplace and select the software download area to search for available patches.

Refer to [SAP HANA master guide](#) for update procedures for SAP HANA.

For more information

For information about SAP HANA, see <https://hana.sap.com/abouthana.html>.

For information about certified and supported SAP HANA hardware, see <https://global.sap.com/community/ebook/2014-09-02-hana-hardware/enEN/index.html>.

Appendix: Solution variables used in this document

Before starting the configuration process, you need to collect some specific configuration information. Table 14 provides information to help you assemble the required network and host address, numbering, and naming information. This worksheet can also be used as a “leave behind” document for future reference.

Table 14. Solution variables used in this document

| Variable | Description | Value used in the lab for this document |
|-----------------------------|---|---|
| <<var_cimc_ip_address>> | Cisco UCS C480 M5 server's IMC IP address | <IP address> |
| <<var_cimc_ip_netmask>> | Cisco UCS C480 M5 server's IMC network netmask | 255.255.255.0 |
| <<var_cimc_gateway_ip>> | Cisco UCS C480 M5 server's IMC network gateway IP address | <Gateway IP> |
| <<var_raid50_vd_name>> | Name for virtual drive VD0 during RAID configuration | ucs_hana |
| <<var_hostname.domain>> | SAP HANA node FQDN | cishana01.custdom.local |
| <<var_sys_root-pw>> | SAP HANA node's root password | |
| <<var_lvm_vg_name>> | SAP HANA node's OS LVM volume group name | hanavg |
| <<var_mgmt_ip_address>> | SAP HANA node's management and administration IP address | <Management IP> |
| <<var_mgmt_nw_netmask>> | SAP HANA node's management network netmask | 255.255.255.0 |
| <<var_mgmt_gateway_ip>> | Cisco UCS C480 M5 server's management and administration network gateway IP address | <Management GW IP> |
| <<var_mgmt_netmask_prefix>> | Netmask prefix in CIDR notation | 24 |

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