



Unity is broken after Parallels Tools installation in Ubuntu 14.04

- Parallels Desktop
- Parallels Desktop for Mac Standard Edition 9 and older
- Parallels Desktop for Mac Standard Edition
- Parallels Desktop for Mac Business Edition

Symptoms

Unity is broken after Parallels Tools are installed or reinstalled in your Ubuntu 14.04 virtual machine.

Resolution

1. Start your Ubuntu 14.04 virtual machine and press **Ctrl+Alt+F2** to activate the command line
2. Enter your username and the password
3. Locate `xorg.conf.XXXXXXXX` (where XXXXXXXX is the date when the `xorg.conf` file was created):

```
ls -l /etc/X11/
```

Check whether this file contains "Parallels" entries

```
vi /etc/X11/xorg.conf.XXXXXXXX
```

It should look like this:

Press **CMD+Z** to exit `vi`

4. Type in:

```
sudo mv /etc/X11/xorg.conf.XXXXXXXX /usr/share/X11/xorg.conf.d/xorg.conf
```

```
export DISPLAY=:0
```

```
gsettings reset org.compiz.core:/org/compiz/profiles/unity/plugins/core/ active-plugins
```

Press **Ctrl+Alt+F7** to exit the command line

5. Reboot your virtual machine.