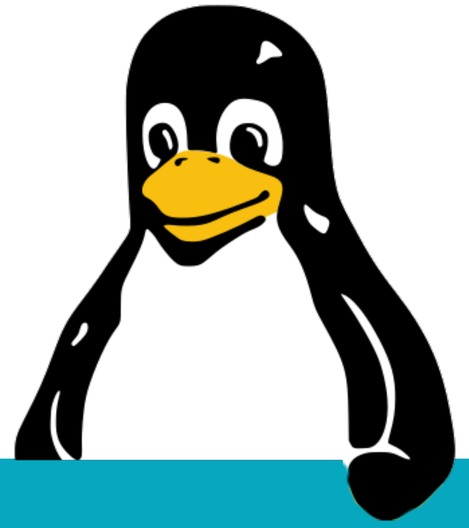
Linux, day 10



MDadm

Prepping your lab: VBox

- In VirtualBox, change the three new disks.
  - Enable hot-plugging.

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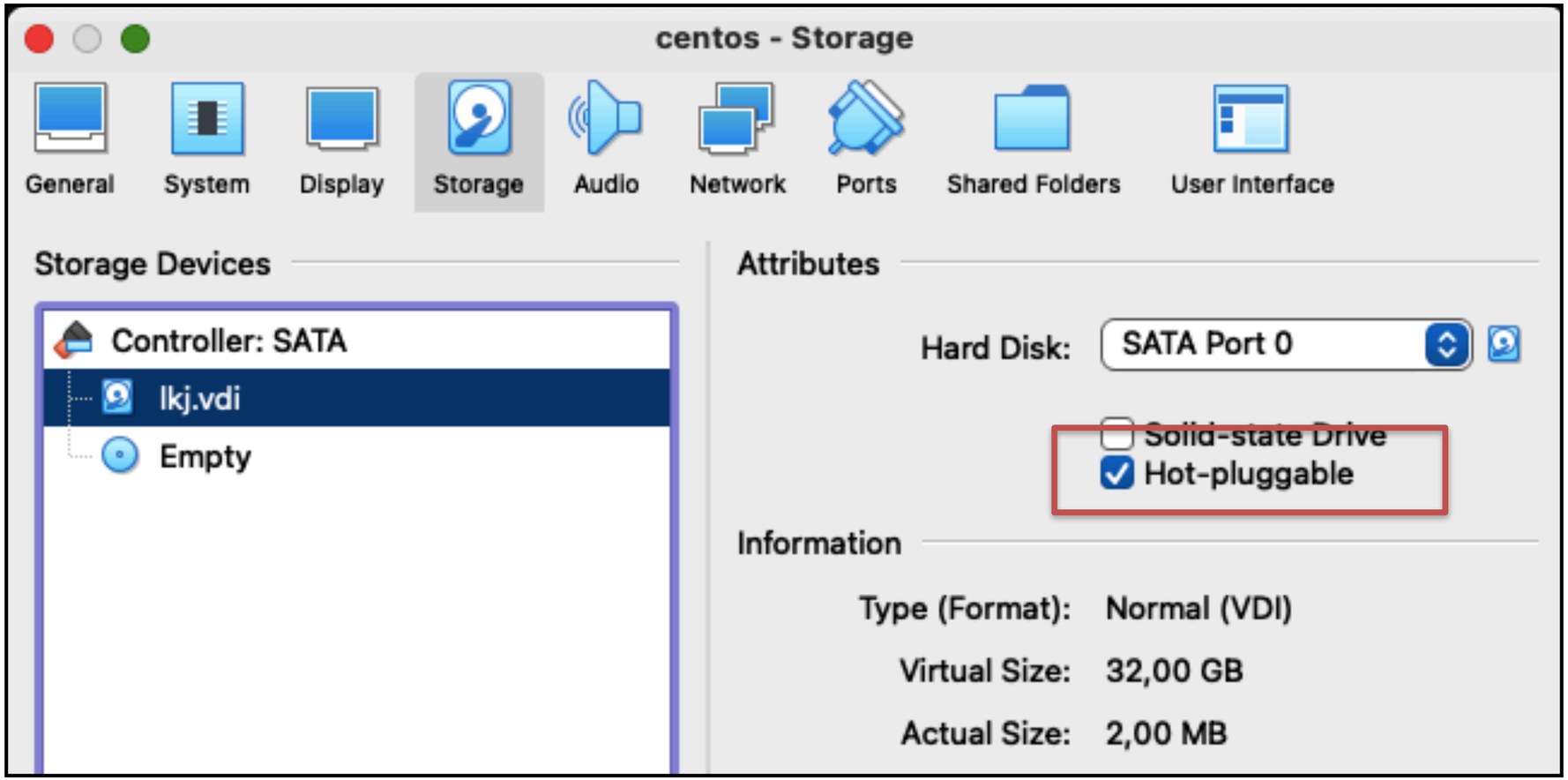

Prepping your lab: mounts

- In the Linux VM verify the disks are unused.
  - *mount | grep "sd?"*
    - Unmount your mounts of *sdb*, *sdc* and *sdd*.
  - *grep -i "sd?" /etc/fstab*
    - Remove any lines for *sdb*, *sdc* and *sdd*.
  - *sudo mkdir /mnt/data*

Prepping disks for RAID

- Some people suggest you partition them,
  - Others say to just use the whole device.
  - *mdadm* says "partition table will be meaningless"
- Apply GPT partitioning.
  - Use partition type "*Linux RAID*" (29) in *fdisk.*
  - Or *"FD00"* in *gdisk.*

Prepping our disks (three times)

```
$ sudo fdisk /dev/sdb
g
n    # Three times enter, y to overwrite
t
29   # Type RAID
w
```

Making a RAID1, with spare

- Remember how to use those backslashes?

```
$ sudo mdadm --create --verbose \
 --level=1 --metadata=1.2 \
 --raid-devices=2 /dev/md/MyRAID1 \
 /dev/sdb /dev/sdc \
 --spare-devices=1 /dev/sdd
```

Then use it

- Format, mount and use.

```
$ sudo mkfs.ext4 /dev/md/MyRAID1

$ sudo mount /dev/md/MyRAID1 /mnt/data

$ sudo touch /mnt/data/testfile
```

Saving your array config

- Location of the config file differs:
  - *sudo find /etc -name "mdadm.conf"*

```
$ sudo mdadm --detail --scan | \
 sudo tee -a /etc/mdadm.conf
```

Fun time

- On the Fedora guest OS, keep an eye on RAID.

```
$ sudo mdadm --monitor /dev/md/MyRAID1
```

Let's break it!

- We run this on our VirtualBox HOST system.
- We first need to know the right devices.

```
$ vboxmanage list vms -l | grep ".vdi"
```

Let's break it!

- I want to rip out */dev/sdc*.
- Note: VM and controller names may differ!

```
$ vboxmanage storageattach "Fedora" \
 --storagectl "SATA" --port 2 \
 --medium none
```

Let's rebuild

- We will re-attach */dev/sdc*.
- Note: VM and controller names may differ!

```
$ vboxmanage storageattach "Fedora" \
 --storagectl "SATA" --port 2 --type hdd\
 --medium ${PATHto}/fedora_2.vdi
```

Let's rebuild

- And we will re-add the disk to the RAID set.

```
$ sudo mdadm --manage /dev/md/MyRAID1 \
  --add /dev/sdc

$ sudo cat /proc/mdstat
```

Done? Break it all.

```
$ sudo umount /mnt/data
$ sudo mdadm --stop /dev/md/MyRAID1

$ sudo mdadm --zero-superblock /dev/sdb
$ sudo mdadm --zero-superblock /dev/sdc
$ sudo mdadm --zero-superblock /dev/sdd
```

For your homework: RAID5

- Needs three virtual disks!

```
$ sudo mdadm --create --verbose \
 --level=5 --metadata=1.2 \
 --raid-devices=3 /dev/md/MyRAID5 \
 /dev/sdb /dev/sdc /dev/sdd
```

LVM

Prepping our disks (three times)

```
$ sudo fdisk /dev/sdb
g
n    # Three times enter, y to overwrite
t
30   # Type LVM, type number may differ
w
```

Creating phys. volumes

- This adds the device to LVM control

```
$ sudo pvcreate /dev/sdb1
$ sudo pvcreate /dev/sdc1
$ sudo pvcreate /dev/sdd1
```

Making the volume group

- This collects the disks for usage.

```
$ sudo vgcreate myvg \
/dev/sdb1 /dev/sdc1 /dev/sdd1

$ sudo vgdisplay myvg
```

Our first volume!

- This collects the disks for usage.

```
$ sudo lvcreate -L 50M -n vol1 myvg

$ sudo vgdisplay
$ sudo lvdisplay
```

Then use it

- Format, mount and use.

```
$ sudo mkfs.ext4 /dev/myvg/vol1

$ sudo mount /dev/myvg/vol1 /mnt/data

$ sudo touch /mnt/data/testfile
```

Tear it all down!

- Breaking what we made is easy.

```
$ sudo umount /mnt/data
$ sudo lvremove /dev/myvg/vol1
$ sudo vgremove /dev/myvg
$ sudo pvremove /dev/sdb1 /dev/sdc1 \
 /dev/sdd1
```

Closing

Homework

- Go do:
  - Retry your RAID1 setup, incl. the "failed" device.
  - Use your three disks to make one *mdadm* RAID5.
  - On the RAID5 set, make an LVM volume group
    - And a 100MB logical volume, on */mnt/data*.

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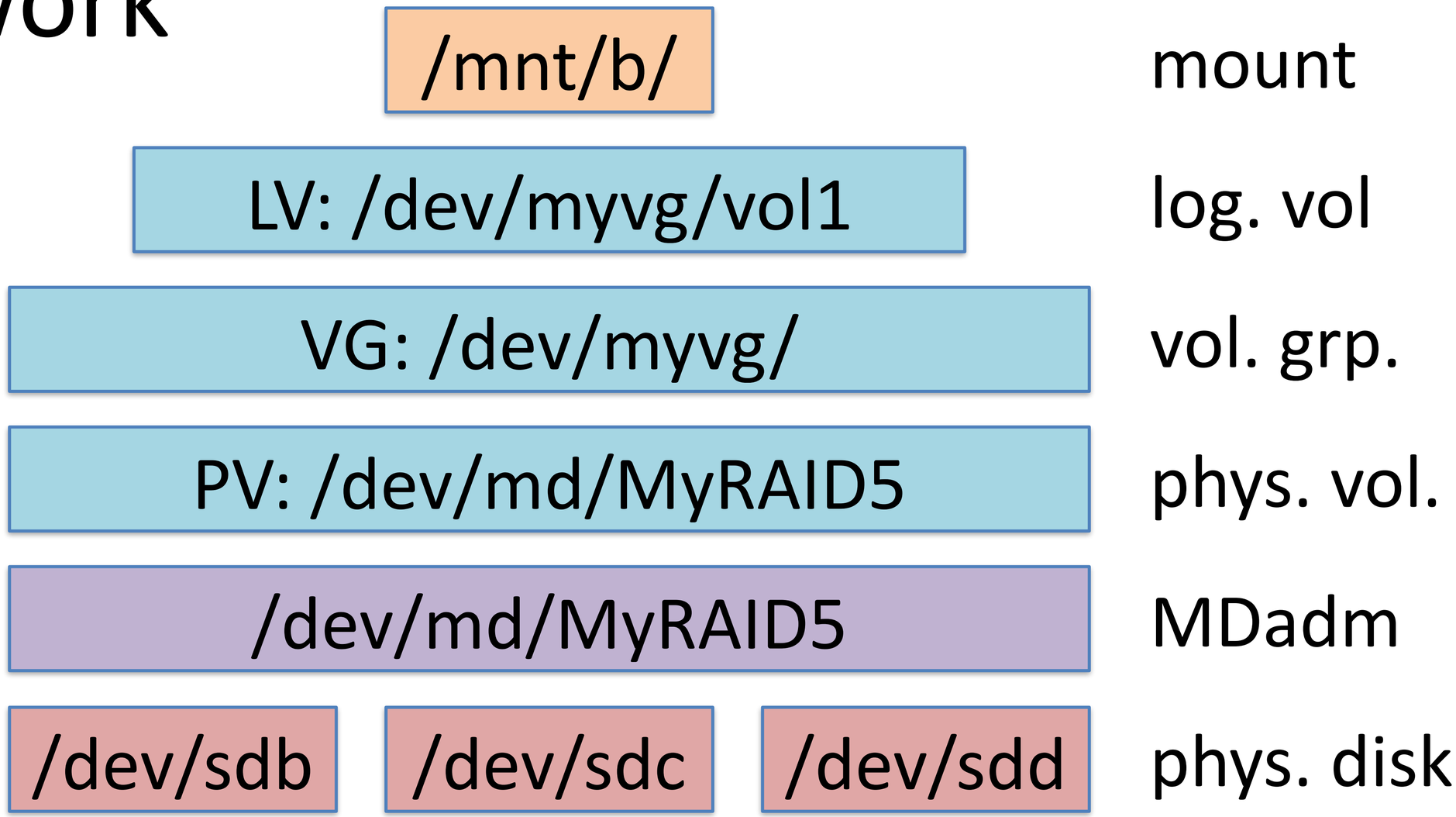
/mnt/b/
mount
LV: /dev/myvg/vol1
log. vol
VG: /dev/myvg/
vol. grp.
PV: /dev/md/MyRAID5
phys. vol.
/dev/md/MyRAID5
MDadm
/dev/sdb
/dev/sdc
/dev/sdd
phys. disk

Advanced homework

- Go do:
  - Take the 100MB logical volume you made.
    - And expand it to 150MB.
    - You need to grow both the logical volume,
    - as well as the file system.

Reference materials

Resources

- Example of using quota with Ubuntu
- Using autofs to mount NFS shares
- An introduction to udev device manager
- Auto-mounting a LUKS encrypted volume
- Device mapper and udev (Redhat)
- Understanding Linux dm-multipath

Resources

- How to create RAID arrays with mdadm
- mdadm cheat sheet
- A Linux user's guide to LVM
- Venafi - Diffie-Hellman vs RSA