



Exercise 21.1 Finding Out More About xfs

We do not have a detailed lab exercise you can do with **xfs**; many systems still will not have the kernel modules and relevant user utilities installed. However, if your **Linux** kernel and distribution does support it, you can easily create a filesystem with `mkfs -t xfs`.

Then you can find out about available **xfs**-related utilities with:

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$ man -k xfs

attr (1)                - extended attributes on XFS filesystem objects
filesystems (5)         - Linux file-system types: minix, ext, ext2, ext3, ext4,...
fs (5)                  - Linux file-system types: minix, ext, ext2, ext3, ext4,...
fsck.xfs (8)            - do nothing, successfully
fsfreeze (8)            - suspend access to a filesystem (Linux Ext3/4, ReiserFS...)
mkfs.xfs (8)            - construct an XFS filesystem
pmdaxfs (1)             - XFS filesystem performance metrics domain agent (PMDA)
xfs (5)                 - layout of the XFS filesystem
xfs_admin (8)           - change parameters of an XFS filesystem
xfs_bmap (8)            - print block mapping for an XFS file
xfs_copy (8)            - copy the contents of an XFS filesystem
xfs_db (8)              - debug an XFS filesystem
xfs_estimate (8)        - estimate the space that an XFS filesystem will take
xfs_freeze (8)          - suspend access to an XFS filesystem
xfs_fsr (8)             - filesystem reorganizer for XFS
xfs_growfs (8)          - expand an XFS filesystem
xfs_info (8)            - expand an XFS filesystem
xfs_io (8)              - debug the I/O path of an XFS filesystem
xfs_logprint (8)        - print the log of an XFS filesystem
xfs_mdrestore (8)       - restores an XFS metadump image to a filesystem image
xfs_metadump (8)        - copy XFS filesystem metadata to a file
xfs_mkfile (8)          - create an XFS file
xfs_ncheck (8)          - generate pathnames from i-numbers for XFS
xfs_quota (8)           - manage use of quota on XFS filesystems
xfs_repair (8)          - repair an XFS filesystem
xfs_rtcp (8)            - XFS realtime copy command
xfsdump (8)             - XFS filesystem incremental dump utility
xfsinvutil (8)          - xfsdump inventory database checking and pruning utility
xfsrestore (8)          - XFS filesystem incremental restore utility
xqmstats (8)            - Display XFS quota manager statistics from /proc
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Read about these utility programs and see if you can play with them on the filesystem you created.