

**NAME**

virt-p2v-make-disk – Build the virt-p2v disk using virt-builder

**SYNOPSIS**

```
virt-p2v-make-disk -o /dev/sdX [os-version]
```

**DESCRIPTION**

**virt-p2v**(1) converts a physical machine to run virtualized on KVM, managed by libvirt, OpenStack, oVirt, Red Hat Enterprise Virtualisation (RHEV), or one of the other targets supported by **virt-v2v**(1).

virt-p2v-make-disk is a script which creates a bootable disk image or USB key containing virt-p2v. It uses **virt-builder**(1) to do this, and is just a small shell script around virt-builder.

The required *-o* parameter specifies where the output should go, for example to a USB key (eg. *-o /dev/sdX*) or to a file. If you pass a device name, then **the existing contents of the device will be erased**.

The root user on the disk image uses p2v as its initial password.

**os-version parameter**

The optional *os-version* parameter is the base Linux distro to use for the operating system on the ISO. If you don't set this parameter, the script tries to choose a suitable default for you. Most users should *not* use the *os-version* parameter.

The base OS selected for virt-p2v is not related in any way to the OS of the physical machine that you are trying to convert.

To list possible *os-version* combinations, do:

```
virt-builder -l
```

**EXAMPLES**

Write a virt-p2v bootable USB key on */dev/sdX* (any existing content on */dev/sdX* is erased):

```
virt-p2v-make-disk -o /dev/sdX
```

Write a virt-p2v bootable virtual disk image, and boot it under qemu:

```
virt-p2v-make-disk -o /var/tmp/p2v.img
qemu-kvm -m 1024 -boot c \
  -drive file=/var/tmp/p2v.img,if=virtio,index=0 \
  -drive file=/var/tmp/guest.img,if=virtio,index=1
```

where */var/tmp/guest.img* would be the disk image of some guest that you want to convert (for testing only).

**ADDING EXTRA PACKAGES**

You can install extra packages using the *--install* option. This can be useful for making a more fully-featured virt-p2v disk with extra tools for debugging and troubleshooting. Give a list of packages, separated by commas. For example:

```
virt-p2v-make-disk -o /var/tmp/p2v.img --install tcpdump,traceroute
```

**ADDING AN SSH IDENTITY**

You can inject an SSH identity (private key) file to the image using the *--inject-ssh-identity* option.

First create a key pair. It must have an empty passphrase:

```
ssh-keygen -t rsa -N '' -f id_rsa
```

This creates a private key (*id\_rsa*) and a public key (*id\_rsa.pub*) pair. The public key should be appended to the *authorized\_keys* file on the virt-v2v conversion server (usually to */root/.ssh/authorized\_keys*).

The private key should be injected into the disk image and then discarded:

```
virt-p2v-make-disk [...] --inject-ssh-identity id_rsa
rm id_rsa
```

When booting virt-p2v, specify the URL of the injected file like this:

```
|           User name: [root_____] |
|           Password: [   <leave this field blank>   ] |
| SSH Identity URL: [file:///var/tmp/id_rsa_____] |
```

or if using the kernel command line, add:

```
p2v.identity=file:///var/tmp/id_rsa
```

For more information, see “SSH IDENTITIES” in **virt-p2v** (1).

### 32 BIT VIRT-P2V

For improved compatibility with older hardware, virt-p2v-make-disk has an `--arch` option. The most useful setting (on x86-64 hosts) is `--arch i686`, which builds a 32 bit virt-p2v environment that will work on older hardware. 32 bit virt-p2v can convert 64 bit physical machines and can interoperate with 64 bit virt-v2v and 64 bit hypervisors.

This option requires that you have built *virt-p2v.\$arch* (ie. usually *virt-p2v.i686*) by some means, and that you install it next to the ordinary *virt-p2v* binary (eg. in *\$libdir/virt-p2v/* or *\$VIRT\_V2V\_DATA\_DIR*). This is outside the scope of this manual page, but you can find some tips in “BUILDING i686 32 BIT VIRT-P2V” in **p2v-building** (1).

### OPTIONS

#### **--help**

Display help.

#### **--arch ARCH**

Set the architecture of the virt-p2v ISO. See “32 BIT VIRT-P2V” above.

If this option is not supplied, then the default is to use the same architecture as the host that is running virt-p2v-make-disk.

#### **--inject-ssh-identity id\_rsa**

Add an SSH identity (private key) file into the image. See “ADDING AN SSH IDENTITY” above.

#### **--install pkg, pkg,...**

Add extra packages to the image. See “ADDING EXTRA PACKAGES” above.

#### **--no-warn-if-partition**

Normally you should not write to a partition on a USB drive (ie. don't use `-o /dev/sdX1`, use `-o /dev/sdX` to make a bootable USB drive). If you do this, virt-builder prints a warning. This option suppresses that warning.

#### **-o OUTPUT**

#### **--output OUTPUT**

Write output to OUTPUT, which can be a local file or block device. **The existing contents of the device will be erased.**

#### **-v**

#### **--verbose**

Enable verbose output. Use this if you need to debug problems with the script or if you are filing a bug.

#### **-V**

#### **--version**

Display version number and exit.

## FILES

*\$libdir/virt-p2v/virt-p2v.xz*

The **virt-p2v**(1) binary which is copied into the bootable disk image.

The location of the binary can be changed by setting the `VIRT_P2V_DATA_DIR` environment variable.

*\$datadir/virt-p2v/issue*

*\$datadir/virt-p2v/launch-virt-p2v.in*

*\$datadir/virt-p2v/p2v.service*

Various data files that are copied into the bootable disk image.

The location of these files can be changed by setting the `VIRT_P2V_DATA_DIR` environment variable.

## ENVIRONMENT VARIABLES

`VIRT_P2V_DATA_DIR`

The directory where `virt-p2v-make-disk` looks for data files (see “FILES” above). If not set, a compiled-in location is used.

## SEE ALSO

**virt-p2v**(1), **virt-p2v-make-kickstart**(1), **virt-p2v-make-kiwi**(1), **virt-v2v**(1), <http://libguestfs.org/>.

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When reporting a bug, please supply:

- The version of `virt-p2v`.
- Where you got `virt-p2v` (eg. which Linux distro, compiled from source, etc)
- Describe the bug accurately and give a way to reproduce it.