

Lab Six

- 1- Use the `fdisk` command to create 2 Linux LVM (0x8e) partitions using "unpartitioned" space on your hard disk. These partitions should all be the same size; to speed up the lab, do not make them larger than 300 MB each. Make sure to write the changes to disk by using the `w` command to exit the `fdisk` utility. Run the `partprobe` command after exiting the `fdisk` utility.
- 2- Initialize your Linux LVM partitions as physical volumes with the `pvcreeate` command. You can use the `pvdisplay` command to verify that the partitions have been initialized as physical volumes.
- 3- Using only one of your physical volumes, create a volume group called `test0`. Use the `vgdisplay` command to verify that the volume group was created.
- 4- Create a small logical volume (LV) called `data` that uses about 30 percent of the available space of the `test0` volume group. Look for VG Size and Free PE/Size in the output of the `vgdisplay` command to assist you with this. Use the `lvdisplay` command to verify your work.
- 5- Create an `ext2` filesystem on your new LV.
- 6- Make a new directory called `/data` and then mount the new LV under the `/data` directory. Create a "large file" in this volume.
- 7- Enlarge the LV that you created in Sequence 1 (`/dev/test0/data`) by using approximately 25 percent of the remaining free space in the `test0` volume group. Then, use the `ext2online` command to enlarge the filesystem of the LV.
- 8- Verify that the file `/data/bigfile` still exists in the LV. Run the `df` command and check to verify that more free disk space is now available on the LV.
- 9- Use the remaining extents in the `test0` volume group to create a second LV called `docs`.
- 10- Run the `vgdisplay` command to verify that there are no free extents left in the `test0` volume group.
- 11- Create an `ext2` filesystem on the new LV, make a mount point called `/docs` and mount the `docs` LV using this mount point.
- 12- Add all of the remaining unused physical volumes that you created in Sequence 1 to the `test0` volume group.
- 13- If you run `vgdisplay` again, there now should be free extents (provided by the new physical volumes) in the `test0` volume group. Extend the `docs` LV and underlying filesystem to make use of all of the free extents of the `test0` volume group. Verify your actions.

Before moving on to the RAID sequence, disassemble your LVM-managed volumes by taking the following actions:

Remove any `/etc/fstab` entries you created.

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umount /dev/test0/data
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lvremove /dev/test0/data
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```
umount /dev/test0/docs
```

```
lvremove /dev/test0/docs
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`vgchange -an test0` (this deactivates the volume group)
`vgremove test0` (this deletes the volume group)

- 14- Run the `fdisk` command and convert the Linux LVM (0x8e) partitions that were created in above into Linux raid auto (0xfd) partitions. Save your changes and run the `partprobe` command
- 15- Initialize your RAID array (RAID 0)
- 16- Format the RAID device with an ext3 filesystem
- 17- Use the `/data` directory as a mount point for the `/dev/md0` RAID device. Use the `df` command to check the size of the filesystem.