

Make Extra Disk Space for Kernel Build

This documentation is an add-on the documentation to compile the linux kernel module from the source which can be found [here](#)

The kernel usually requires a lot of space to build. The kernel in itself is not of very large size. You can even reduce the size of kernel *itself* by not selecting the drivers you do not need for yourself.

It is advised to have atleast 4Gb of space on your disk before starting the kernel build.

You can make an extra filesystem on your disk using the following command.

```
$ sudo /usr/testbed/bin/mkextrafs /mnt
```

This command will create an extra filesystem on your disk mounted on `/mnt`.

You can `cd` to `/mnt` and start building the kernel (or any other work you wanted space for.

```
$ df -h
```

Filesystem	Size	Used	Avail	Use%	Mounted on
udev	32G	0	32G	0%	/dev
tmpfs	6.3G	8.9M	6.3G	1%	/run
/dev/nvme0n1p1	16G	2.2G	13G	15%	/
tmpfs	32G	0	32G	0%	/dev/shm
tmpfs	5.0M	0	5.0M	0%	/run/lock
tmpfs	32G	0	32G	0%	/sys/fs/cgroup
ops.utah.cloudlab.us:/proj/cloudlab-PG0	100G	24G	77G	24%	/proj/cloudlab-PG0
ops.utah.cloudlab.us:/share	97G	10G	80G	12%	/share
tmpfs	6.3G	0	6.3G	0%	/run/user/20001
/dev/nvme0n1p4	213G	60M	203G	1%	/mnt

NOTE: This command will make the filesystem of different sizes every time you use it on different machines

The explanation for `df -h` can be found in the documentation mentioned before.

Cheers!!

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