Setting up software RAID in Ubuntu Server

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Linux has excellent software-based RAID built into the kernel. Unfortunately information on configuring and maintaining it is sparse. Back in 2003, O'Reilly published <u>Managing RAID on Linux</u> and that book is still mostly up to date, but finding clear instructions on the web for setting up RAID has become a chore.

Here is how to install Ubuntu Server with software RAID 1 (disk mirroring). This guide has been tested on Ubuntu Server 8.04 LTS (Hardy Heron). I strongly recommend using Ubuntu Hardy or later if you want to boot from RAID1.

Software RAID vs. hardware RAID

Some system administrators still sneer at the idea of software RAID. Years ago CPUs didn't have the speed to manage both a busy server and RAID activities. That's not true any more, especially when all you want to do is mirror a drive with RAID1. Linux software RAID is ideal for mirroring, and due to kernel disk caching and buffering it can actually be faster than RAID1 on lower end RAID hardware. However, for larger requirements like RAID 5, the CPU can still get bogged down with software RAID.

Software RAID is inexpensive to implement: no need for expensive controllers or identical drives. Software RAID works with ordinary EIDE, Serial ATA and SCSI drives and controllers. You can mix together whatever drive types and sizes you have on hand. When all you need are mirrored drives, software RAID is an especially good choice.

However, there are reasons you might prefer hardware RAID over software RAID:

- Hardware RAID is simpler to setup and manage.
- Depending on the server BIOS, a system using Linux software RAID probably won't be able to boot automatically when the first disk of a mirror is first replaced with a new blank drive (It can still be booted manually though).
- Linux will only boot when the "/boot" and "/" partitions are on RAID1. It cannot boot when those partitions are on RAID5. Other partitions, however, can be RAID5.
- With software RAID, after replacing a failed drive the administrator must login and enter commands to add the new drive to the array and re-sync the contents. Good hardware RAID controllers re-sync automatically as soon as they see a new drive, without operator intervention.

Notice I said "good hardware controllers". Low-end controllers like those integrated with consumer-grade motherboards that require software drivers are not suitable for server use. Cheap motherboard RAID (often called "fake RAID") is designed for gamers who want RAID 0 to boost disk read times, not for reliability. Server-grade hardware RAID requires controllers from Adaptec, 3ware or another reputable manufacturer.

A simple RAID1 example

For this example we'll construct a simple RAID1 mirror using a server that has two 4 GB serial ATA drives. Such a

configuration will keep running if either drive fails, but (obviously) not if both fail.

EIDE or SCSI drives can be used with Linux RAID, but right now serial ATA provides the best combination of low cost, performance and flexibility.

For this example, partitioning will be done as simply as possible:

Drive	Partition	Туре	Mounted on	Size
Drive0	/dev/sda1	Primary	/	4.1 GB
	/dev/sda2	Primary	(swap area)	(remainder of disk)
Drive1	/dev/sdb1	Primary	/	4.1 GB
	/dev/sdb2	Primary	(swap area)	(remainder of disk)

In Linux software RAID each mount point is usually configured as a separate RAID device. It's possible for entire drives to be RAID members rather than each partition (e.g. combine /dev/sda and /dev/sdb) but the resulting device will not be bootable.

In this example partitions sda1 and sdb1 will be made members of a RAID1 device named /dev/md0. Partitions sda2 and sdb2 will be members of a RAID1 device named /dev/md1.

RAID device	Туре	Mounted on	Size	Members
/dev/md0	RAID1 mirror	/	4.1 GB	/dev/sda1 /dev/sdb1
/dev/md1	RAID1 mirror	(swap)	(remainder of disk)	/dev/sda2 /dev/sdb2

On a real world server it's a good idea to have at least /var

and /home on their own partitions, but the above scheme is good enough for this example. We are also purposely avoiding complications like logical volume management (LVM), just to keep things simple.

In Linux RAID, corresponding partitions on each drive in a RAID device should be the same size. If they aren't, software RAID will still work but each RAID device will only be as large as the smallest member partition (e.g. if you add a 10GB partition and a 20GB partition into a RAID1 array, the resulting array will only have 10GB of usable space).

Installing Ubuntu server with RAID1

To install a fresh Ubuntu System with RAID, boot from the CD-ROM as usual. Follow the prompts until you get at the "Partition Disks" dialog.

- From the "Partitions Disks" dialog box, select "Manually edit the partition table".
- Select the first disk ("sda")
- Say yes to "Create a new empty partition table on this device?"
- Use the dialog boxes to create a new primary partition large enough to hold the root filesystem but leave space for a swap partition (4.1 GB in this example).
- For "How to use this partition" select "<u>physical volume for</u> <u>RAID</u>", not the default "Ext3 journaling file system"
- Make the partition *bootable* (Bootable flag "on")
- Use the dialogs to create one other primary partition taking up the remaining disk space (197.4 MB in this example). Later this will be used for swap.
- For "How to use this partition" select "<u>physical volume for</u> <u>RAID</u>", not the default "Ext3 journaling file system" and not "swap area"
- Repeat the above steps to create identical partitions on

the second drive. Remember to mark partition one on both drives as "bootable". The final result should look similar to the following:

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- Once the partitions are configured, at the top of the "Partition Disks" main dialog select "Configure Software RAID"
- When asked "Write the changes to the storage devices and configure RAID" select "Yes".
- For "Multidisk configuration actions" select "Create MD device"
- For "Multidisk device type" select "RAID1"
- For "Number of active devices for the RAID1 array" enter "2"
- For Number of spare devices for the RAID1 array" enter "0" (zero)
- When asked to select "Active devices for the RAID1 multidisk device" select both /dev/sda1 and /dev/sdb1
- From the next dialog select "create MD device"
- Repeat the above steps to create an MD device that contains /dev/sda2 and /dev/sdb2
- Finally, from the dialog "Multidisk configuration actions" select "Finish"

Next configure RAID #0 (md0) to be mounted as the "/" filesystem and RAID device #1 (md1) to be mounted as swap:

- From the "Partition Disks" dialog, move the cursor bar under "RAID device #0" and select "#1 4.1 GB"
- Configure the device as an Ext3 filesystem mounted on /, as shown:

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- From the Partition Disks dialog under "RAID device #1" select "#1 197.3 MB"
- Configure the device as "swap area", as shown:



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• The final partitioning screen should resemble the following:



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- Select "Finish partitioning and write changes to disk".The RAID1 mirrors are created and made active, the filesystem is formatted and installation of Ubuntu proceeds as usual.
- Allow the installation to complete then reboot when requested.

Booting with a failed drive

The GRUB bootloader has always made it tricky to boot from a RAID array when one of the drives has failed. Fortunately, the Ubuntu team improved the situation in Ubuntu 8.10 Intrepid Ibex and backported the changes to Ubuntu Server 8.04 Hardy Heron (See <u>Bug 290885</u> for the whole saga).

Now administrators can choose how the server will behave when a drive in a RAID array has failed:

- 1. Wait at a boot prompt for manual intervention (the default), or
- 2. Automatically boot from the other drive

Most administrators will want option 2. After all, the purpose of RAID is to increase server availability. However, with some hardware failures automatically booting could wipe out data on the remaining drive. If you have good backup and recovery procedures, that risk is probably acceptable, but it is your decision as administrator.

To make Ubuntu Server automatically boot when one drive in a RAID array has failed do the following:

- From a running server, do a package update to make sure you have the latest kernel and boot loader (e.g. sudo apt-get update; apt-get upgrade).
- Reboot the server to ensure any new kernel and bootloader packages are in place.
- From the command line run "sudo grub-install /dev/md0" to ensure GRUB is installed on all members of the boot RAID device.
- From the command line run "sudo dpkg-reconfigure mdadm"
- When asked "Should mdadm run monthly redundancy checks of the RAID arrays?", select either Yes or No (read the warning about possible performance impact and decide. "Yes" is the safer choice)
- When asked "Do you want to start the md monitoring daemon?" select Yes.
- Enter a valid email address to send warning messages to.
- When asked "Do you want to boot your system if your

RAID becomes degraded?" selected Yes.

Now when the system boots and either of the drives has failed, the system will seem to hang at the "Loading, please wait..." stage for approximately five minutes, then proceed to boot normally.

Some friendly advice

RAID systems that boot and continue to function with failed members are great for continuity, but we often see administrators either not notice that drives have failed, or wait to long to replace them.

Suddenly the last drive also dies and they face a long downtime while the system is rebuilt or restored. It may seem obvious, but when dealing with RAID:

- 1. Make sure your system properly alerts you when a drive fails. Don't just rely on the MD monitoring daemon to send email alerts: also run <u>smartmontools</u> to monitor physical health and setup a script in your server monitor (e.g. <u>monit</u> or <u>Nagios</u>), run a script from cron that parses /proc/mdstat, or whatever method works best in your environment.
- 2. Don't wait to repair or replace the failed drive. When a drive fails, act immediately. Drives had a eerietendancy to fail at nearly the same time, especially when they are identical models and purchased at the same time.

Why RAID swap?

You might be wondering why we put swap on a RAID device, causing system swap activity to suffer the additional overhead of RAID.

Though Linux is capable of handling multiple independent swap partitions on multiple drives, if a drive containing an active swap partition dies it may take the system down with it. That defeats the point of having RAID in the first place, so to avoid that possibility we put the swap in RAID.

This creates more overhead, but swap is only meant as temporary substitute memory during rare moments of memory exhaustion. If the system is regularly using swap, performance is already being severely impacted and it's time to add more physical memory.

Care and feeding

Having two drives configured in a RAID1 mirror allows the server to continue to function when either drive fails. When a drive fails completely, the kernel RAID driver automatically removes it from the array.

However, a drive may start having seek errors without failing completely. In that situation the RAID driver may not remove it from service and performance will degrade. Luckily you can manually remove a failing drive using the "mdadm" command. For example, to manually mark both of the RAID devices on drive sda as failed:

mdadm /dev/md0 -fail /dev/sda1 mdadm /dev/md1 -fail /dev/sda2

The above removes both RAID devices on drive sda from service, leaving only the partitions on drive sdb active.

Removing a failed drive

When Ubuntu sees that RAID has been configured, it automatically runs the mdadm command in "monitor mode"

to watch each device and send email to root when a problem is noticed. You can also manually inspect RAID status using commands like the following:

cat /proc/mdstat mdadm -query -detail /dev/md0 mdadm -query -detail /dev/md1

As mentioned above, it's wise to use the <u>smartmontools</u> package to monitor each drive's internal failure stats. However, as noted in a <u>recent analysis by Google</u> (PDF link), drives are perfectly capable to dying without any warning showing in their SMART indicators.

To replace a drive that has been marked as failed (either automatically or by using "mdadm -fail"), first remove all partitions on that drive from the array. For example to remove all partitions from drive sda:

mdadm /dev/md0 -remove /dev/sda1 mdadm /dev/md1 -remove /dev/sda2

Once removed it is safe to power down the server and replace the failed drive.

Boot problems

If it was the first drive that failed, after replacing it with a new unformatted drive the system may no longer boot: some BIOSs only attempt to boot from the lowest numbered hard drive (e.g. sda or hda) and if it is blank the system will hang. In that case you'll need a rescue CD capable of running a GRUB boot prompt so you can manually boot from the second physical drive.

There are many free Linux-based rescue CDs available (e.g. <u>SystemRescueCD</u>) but for quick access to GRUB try the <u>Super</u>

<u>Grub Disk</u>. This small download can be written to bootable floppy or CDROM and give quick access to system boot tools, especially the GRUB command line.

Whatever rescue tool you use, use it to boot to a GRUB command prompt and force the system to boot from the second installed hard drive using commands similar to the following:

```
root (hd1,0)
kernel /boot/vmlinuz-whatever root=/dev/md0 ro
initrd /boot/initrd.img-whatever
boot
```

To find the correct file names for the "kernel" and "initrd" parameters, GRUB has bash-style command-line completion... type just enough of the path then press TAB to auto-complete or see a list of available choices.

Preparing the new drive

Once system as been rebooted with the new unformatted replacement drive in place, some manual intervention is required to partition the drive and add it to the RAID array.

The new drive must have an identical (or nearly identical) partition table to the other. You can use fdisk to manually create a partition table on the new drive identical to the table of the other, or if both drives are identical you can use the "sfdisk" command to duplicate the partition. For example, to copy the partition table from the second drive "sdb" onto the first drive "sda", the sfdisk command is as follows:

```
sfdisk -d /dev/sdb | sfdisk /dev/sda
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Warning: be careful to specify the right source and destinations drives when using sfdisk or your could blank out

the partition table on your good drive.

Once the partitions have been created, you can add them to the corresponding RAID devices using "mdadm –add" commands. For example:

mdadm -add /dev/md0 /dev/sda1 mdadm -add /dev/md1 /dev/sda2

Once added, the Linux kernel immediately starts re-syncing contents of the arrays onto the new drive. You can monitor progress via "cat /proc/mdstat". Syncing uses idle CPU cycles to avoid overloading a production system, so performance should not be affected too badly. The busier the server (and larger the partitions), the longer the re-sync will take.

You don't have to wait until all partitions are re-synced... servers can be on-line and in production while syncing is in progress: no data will be lost and eventually all drives will become synchronized.

Summary

Linux software RAID is far more cost effective and flexible than hardware RAID, though it is more complex and requires manual intervention when replacing drives. In most situations, software RAID performance is as good (and often better) than an equivalent hardware RAID solution, all at a lower cost and with greater flexibility. When all you need are mirrored drives, software RAID is often the best choice.

More information on Linux RAID:

- Managing RAID on Linux (O'Reilly Media, 2003)
- <u>Software RAID HOWTO</u> (Linux Documentation project)
- <u>Linux: Why software RAID?</u> (Jeff Garzik)

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- Linux software vs hardware RAID
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26 Responses to "Setting up software RAID in Ubuntu Server":

1. Nathan Says: April 25th, 2007 at 10:51 am

An excellent article, I've used software RAID-1 in the past with exceptional results, however, if using EIDE I would recommend placing each drive as master on each IDE channel instead of a master-slave configuration on the primary IDE channel. This will maximize disk throughput and bandwidth across the drives.

2. <u>D Webber</u> Says: <u>April 25th, 2007 at 11:21 am</u>

Yes, good point. Since EIDE can only write to one drive on a channel at a time, each EIDE drive in a RAID mirror should be the master on separate channels.

Another consideration is that the EIDE channels used for hard drives should not be shared with slower devices like CDROM and tape drives since the channel is a shared bus that only communicates at the speed of the slowest attached device.

That creates a problem since most motherboards only provide two EIDE channels. If both of those are dedicated

to the two mirrored RAID hard drives, nothing is left for the CD.

Ideally you'd install a EIDE controller card on the PCI bus and use that for the slower EIDE devices like CDROM.

Fortunately Serial ATA is pretty much the standard now and doesn't have the shared bus limitation.

3. <u>ZXpower</u> Says: <u>May 14th, 2007 at 5:33 pm</u>

Nice job done!

But I also have a question – how to setup RAID1 on already running Ubuntu Server without reinstall? On FreeBSD it can be done somehow easily using geom, but what about Ubuntu? Any ideas?

4. <u>D Webber</u> Says: <u>May 15th, 2007 at 10:07 am</u>

@ZXpower:

The process of adding RAID to a running Linux server is not as easy as typing a single command. I'm not going to write another step-by-step HOWTO on how to do it (do you have any idea how long it takes to research, test and write these procedures? ⁽³⁾, but you can find some guidance on how to do it by searching the net.

It's also covered on Page 81 of the <u>Managing RAID on</u> <u>Linux</u> book. Everyone working with Linux RAID should own a copy.

If you plan to try it, make sure you have a solid restorable backup of the target system... chances are it will not boot first time and one mistyped device name could wipe out a production partition. A virtualization product (like the free <u>VMware Server</u>) is an excellent way of testing and developing procedures like this before trying them in production.

5. *Otto* Says:

June 16th, 2007 at 4:40 pm

I believe there is a typo

"In this example partitions sda1 and sda2 will be made members of a RAID1 device named /dev/md0." should read"In this example partitions sda1 and sdb1 will be made members of a RAID1 device named /dev/md0."

6. <u>*D Webber*</u> Says: June 16th, 2007 at 7:39 pm

@otto:

You're right. Thanks very much for pointing out the mistake! Fixed.

7. *Mike H* Says: July 14th, 2007 at 11:21 am

> I'm trying to do what ZPower was asking about. I've been trying to setup RAID-1 on Ubuntu 7.04 Feisty Desktop for several days. I'm not doing a clean install – I want to effectively use my existing drive as half of the RAID without having to do a rebuild. I've created copies of the partitions on a new drive, set the partition types to fd, set-up the arrays (with one drive missing) and then copying the data from the non-RAID drive onto the 'half a RAID drive', if you see what I mean. So far so good. However, I've been trying to base the layout on the original Ubuntu default install, i.e. just a / and swap partition – NO separate /boot partition.

Your excellent article led me to believe that this was possible – you use the same layout in your examples, but I cannot do the mount, chroot, grub bit that installs the boot loader to make both disks bootable. I'm completely unable to configure Grub on the half-RAID drive.

Grub seems to refuse to be 'raid aware' – something that I have read elsewhere, which is why I was interested when I first found your article.

Attempting to do anything to the array device using grub fails with error 15. I initially found this when trying to use find to locate the stage1 files on the two disks, but the same problem arises irrespective of the file being found.

For instance if I do the following (as root):-

mount /dev/md0 /mnt/md0 find /mnt/md0/etc/fstab

... it works as expected and reports the presence of fstab

However, if I run find from within grub...

(/dev/md0 is still mounted) grub find /mnt/md0/etc/fstab

... it reports error 15 file not found

Is this caused by a difference in the version of Grub used in the server and desktop Ubuntu images?

Or is it something basic I've missed – quite possible as I'm new to Linux/Ubuntu...

Any suggestions, anyone?

Thanks,

Mike

8. <u>D Webber</u> Says: July 15th, 2007 at 3:36 pm

Grub is "RAID aware" to the extent it can boot from a RAID 1 mirror (but apparently no other RAID level).

First, make sure the /etc/fstab file on the RAID drive is pointing to the correct md devices (e.g. /dev/md0 not /dev/sda1).

Second, the file /boot/grub/menu.lst should also point to the md device for booting. Here's an example straight from a production Ubuntu 6.06 server booting from RAID1:

```
title Ubuntu, kernel 2.6.15-28-server
root (hd0,0)
kernel /vmlinuz-2.6.15-28-server root=/dev/md0 ro quiet
splash
initrd /initrd.img-2.6.15-28-server
savedefault
boot
```

Note the "root=/dev/md0" in the above.

Finally, follow the steps in the above article for copying the grub bootloader... for example:

```
mount /dev/md0 /mnt
chroot /mnt
grub
device (hd0) /dev/sda
root (hd0,0)
setup (hd0)
```

(Substitute /dev/sda for the appropriate physical drive device on your system)

9. Anthony Says: August 19th, 2007 at 6:42 pm

Hi all,

Can you boot from only one of the drives? I'm thinking of the situation where it turns out that after an outage, one of the drives is dead and the system tries to reboot. I currently have a "mdadm: no devices listed in config file where found" error. Is this normal?

Thanks in adavance for your ideas Anthony

10. <u>eRIZ</u> Says:

September 3rd, 2007 at 1:04 pm

Cool!

I've been looking for any manual, but – as you mentioned – it's difficult, to find anything that describes the installation process on RAID.

I'm going to write a Polish version of the solution and I'll drop you trackback. ;]

Thanks for a good article! You saved my life. ;P

11. <u>eRIZ's weblog » Instalacja Ubuntu na RAID-1</u> Says: <u>September 6th, 2007 at 10:23 am</u>

[...] ojczystym języku informatyki, jakim jest angielski, znalazłem już coś ciekawszego. Trafiłem na artykuł, który okazał się remedium na mój [...] 12. *Matt* Says: October 9th, 2007 at 7:54 am

Many Thanks,

Excellent guide – worked flawlessly with Ubuntu server 7.04

13. *fentex* Says:

<u>October 25th, 2007 at 7:32 pm</u>

I've followed your thankfully clear and understandable directions but have hit a roadblock while trying to make both disks bootable.

With Ubuntu Server 7.10 (AMD64) when I attempt to execute: chroot /mnt

I get the response: chroot: cannot execute /bin/sh: No such file or directory

It has stalled me. Advice on what to do here, from what I've found on the web, stymies me as I've only a superficial understanding of Linux and haven't found any help I understand.

Could someone please tell me what I need do to proceed?

14. <u>Derrick Webber</u> Says: October 28th, 2007 at 2:12 pm

@fentex:

That sounds like the partition didn't really get mounted before you did the chroot (or the wrong device got mounted). Perhaps check there are files in the /mnt directory before doing the chroot... in particular, there should be a /mnt/bin/bash file present.

15. Kieran Says:

October 30th, 2007 at 3:04 pm

I am curious about using software raid and hotswap enclosures for offsite storage. Currently I have a hardware raid 1 setup with windows 2000server and I can remove one of the drives and plug one back in and the system rebuilds automatically thus giving me 100% offsite back up of the entire system.

Is something like this possible with ubuntu software raid1? or what kind of commands would be needed to rebuild the drive after a hotswap?

Or I guess alternatly could just do a shut down and then swap the drive and have it rebuild upon reboot. This has saved our company twice now! Once during a theft and the other due to a massive power surge that took out pretty much the entire server. Only lost a day or two of work each time.

Basically I want to be able to take a full working backup offsite every few days with minimal hassle and swap between a few drives each time.

Any input would be GREATLY appreciated! ps Fantastic tutorial!!!!

16. <u>Derrick Webber</u> Says: <u>October 30th, 2007 at 7:33 pm</u>

@Kieran:

Linux does support hot swap for many types of devices, including SATA and SCSI drives (e.g. see <u>http://linux-ata.org/software-status.html#hotplug</u>). So plugging / unplugging drives is supported at the hardware and OS level.

However, Linux software raid doesn't do an automatic rebuild / resync (same as Windows software RAID). You have to issue a few commands manually as root to add the drive and rebuild the mirror. I suppose it would be possible to write a detect / rebuild script that fires when a hotplug action is detected though.

To be able to plug an unformatted drive into a RAID array and have the system automatically rebuild the mirror on it, you really need a hardware RAID solution. Some folks have had good experience with 3ware controllers under Linux but I can't vouch for any particular vendor personally.

17. <u>Keneo » Blog Archive » How to install ubuntu/debian on a</u> <u>software raid 5</u> Says: <u>January 23rd, 2008 at 12:35 pm</u>

[...] recovering from failures [...]

18. <u>Board mit Mirrored-Raid gesucht - Mini-PC-Pro</u> Says: <u>February 23rd, 2008 at 7:24 pm</u>

[...] Heute, 23:23 bei Raid1 hat man keine Performance-Einbuten – es kann sogar sein, das Software-Raid etwas schneller als HW-Raid louft, da bei SW-Raid der Festplattencache nicht deaktiviert wird. Software-Raid wird vom Linux-Kernel direkt unterstetzt. Einrichten muss man das ganze bei der Installation. Das kennte dir weiterhelfen: Setting up software RAID in Ubuntu Server | Security Viewpoints [...]

19. <u>RobertBolton.com » Ubuntu with RAID 1 and multidisk</u> <u>errors</u> Says: <u>September 30th, 2008 at 10:22 pm</u> [...] be a good chance to re-install and get everything set up the way I wanted. Following this post and this post, I installed Ubuntu but ran into numerous errors when trying to re-partition and delete multidisks [...]

20. <u>Ubuntu Administrator » Blog Archive » Setting up software</u> <u>RAID in Ubuntu Server</u> Says: <u>December 8th, 2008 at 12:42 pm</u>

[...] Ubuntu Server Linux Raid [...]

21. <u>极客路线 » 庶民RAID1 磁盘阵列</u> Says: <u>December 31st, 2008 at 1:33 am</u>

[...] 参考文章: Setting up software RAID in Ubuntu Server [...]

22. <u>links for 2009-01-12 « WhilelM's little Wor(l)d</u> Says: January 13th, 2009 at 12:04 am

[...] Setting up software RAID in Ubuntu Server | Security Viewpoints (tags: howto linux software hardware storage server backup filesystem raid lang:en) [...]

23. <u>Debian su ML330 | hilpers</u> Says: January 17th, 2009 at 4:47 pm

> [...] ne sono sicuro al 100%, probabile che mi confonda con la Ubuntu Server, la quale permette di farlo: <u>http://advosys.ca/viewpoints/2007/04...ubuntu-server/</u> Magari verifica che anche la Debian non faccia altrettanto. — Bye Gianfranco [...]

24. <u>Setting up Ubuntu 8.10 (Intrepid Ibix) on a Dell</u> <u>PowerEdge 2400 in a RAID1 configuration | JZ * LABS - the</u> <u>web experiment playground of jason ting</u> Says: <u>January 17th, 2009 at 11:06 pm</u> [...] to this guide and this post, I was able to setup Ubuntu 8.10 (Intrepid Ibix) on a Dell Poweredge 2400 in a RAID1 [...]

25. <u>Ubuntu 6.06 Server LTS Installation with Software RAID</u> <u>Support - Part I | Tech4him - Technology with Integrity</u> Says: <u>January 21st, 2009 at 9:21 pm</u>

[...] in order to create two RAID 1 arrays. The best explanation of this that we have found thus far is here. We deviated a bit from this article however. Our primary difference was in the changing of the [...]

26. <u>Tech4him - Technology with Integrity » Blog Archive »</u> <u>Christian Technology Web Resource Blog</u> Says: <u>February 20th, 2009 at 10:13 am</u>

[...] much performance difference since the controller wasn't offloading the array needs anyhow. Found this post describing how to perform the manually partitioning for the installation although I disagree with a [...]