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Topic: Mass-Storage Systems - RAID

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Mass-Storage Systems



- Overview of Mass Storage Structure
- Disk Structure
- Disk Attachment
- Disk Scheduling
- Disk Management
- Swap-Space Management
- RAID Structure
- Stable-Storage Implementation



RAID Structure



- RAID redundant array of inexpensive disks
 - multiple disk drives provides reliability via redundancy
- Increases the mean time to failure
- Mean time to repair exposure time when another failure could cause data loss
- Mean time to data loss based on above factors
- If mirrored disks fail independently, consider disk with 1300,000 mean time to failure and 10 hour mean time to repair
 - Mean time to data loss is 100, 000^2 / $(2 * 10) = 500 * 10^6$ hours, or 57,000 years!
- Frequently combined with NVRAM to improve write performance
- Several improvements in disk-use techniques involve the use of multiple disks working cooperatively



RAID (Cont.)



- Disk striping uses a group of disks as one storage unit
- RAID is arranged into six different levels
- RAID schemes improve performance and improve the reliability of the storage system by storing redundant data
 - Mirroring or shadowing (RAID 1) keeps duplicate of each disk
 - Striped mirrors (RAID 1+0) or mirrored stripes (RAID 0+1) provides high performance and high reliability
 - Block interleaved parity (RAID 4, 5, 6) uses much less redundancy
- RAID within a storage array can still fail if the array fails, so automatic replication of the data between arrays is common
- Frequently, a small number of hot-spare disks are left unallocated, automatically replacing a failed disk and having data rebuilt onto them







(a) RAID 0: non-redundant striping.



(b) RAID 1: mirrored disks.



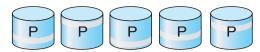
(c) RAID 2: memory-style error-correcting codes.



(d) RAID 3: bit-interleaved parity.



(e) RAID 4: block-interleaved parity.



(f) RAID 5: block-interleaved distributed parity.

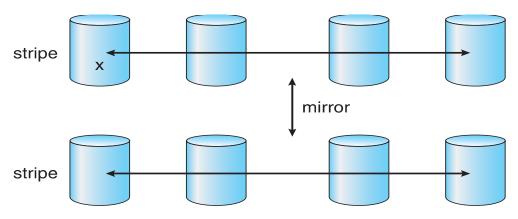


(g) RAID 6: P + Q redundancy.

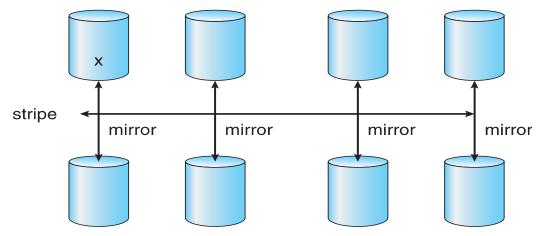








a) RAID 0 + 1 with a single disk failure.



b) RAID 1 + 0 with a single disk failure.



Other Features



- Regardless of where RAID implemented, other useful features can be added
- Snapshot is a view of file system before a set of changes take place (i.e. at a point in time)
 - More in Ch 12
- Replication is automatic duplication of writes between separate sites
 - For redundancy and disaster recovery
 - Can be synchronous or asynchronous
- Hot spare disk is unused, automatically used by RAID production if a disk fails to replace the failed disk and rebuild the RAID set if possible
 - Decreases mean time to repair



Extensions

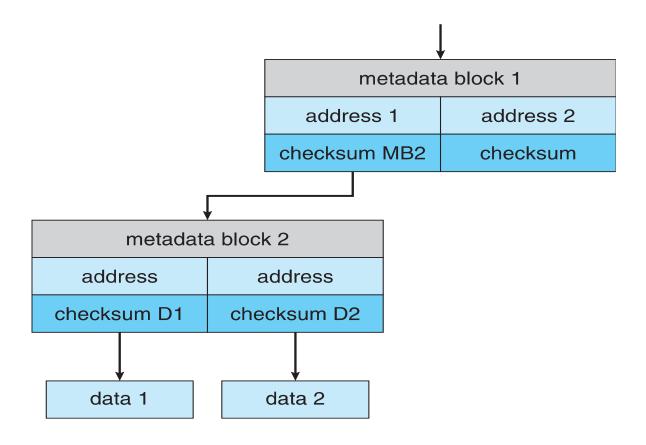


- RAID alone does not prevent or detect data corruption or other errors, just disk failures
- Solaris ZFS adds checksums of all data and metadata
- Checksums kept with pointer to object, to detect if object is the right one and whether it changed
- Can detect and correct data and metadata corruption
- ZFS also removes volumes, partitions
 - Disks allocated in pools
 - Filesystems with a pool share that pool, use and release space like malloc() and free() memory allocate / release calls



ZFS Checksums All Metadata and Data

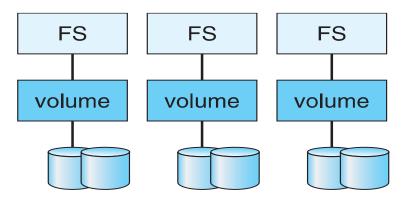




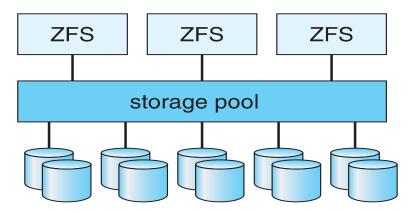


Traditional and Pooled Storage





(a) Traditional volumes and file systems.



(b) ZFS and pooled storage.



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