Linux for IBM eServer zSeries and S/390: Distributions

- SuSE, Turbolinux and Red Hat Linux on the mainframe
- Installation under LPAR, z/VM and VIF
- Other distributions and topics addressed

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Preface

This IBM Redbook describes the Linux distributions available for the mainframe. It will help you to install, customize, and maintain the following distributions:

- SuSE Linux Enterprise Server for S/390
- Turbolinux server for zSeries and S/390
- Red Hat Linux for S/390
- Marist File System
- Caiman Linux
- Think Blue Linux

We address installation and usage of Linux images on a logical partition (LPAR), under z/VM, and under the Virtual Image Facility (VIF). The following topics are also discussed:

- Managing DASD and file systems
- Logical Volume Manager (LVM)
- High Availability
- Debugging
- Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP)
- Systems management
- Security
- Backup and restore
- DB2
- WebSphere Application Server

Linux is an open source operating system kernel that was originally developed by Linus Torvalds in 1991. Linux distributions are created from the kernel, the GNU utilities, and additional software developed by thousands of programmers all over the world. One of the platforms now supported by Linux is S/390, which recently was given the new brand name, IBM zSeries, when the hardware moved from 32-bit to 64-bit. Such hardware is commonly known as the mainframe.

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Overview

In this redbook we describe the Linux distributions available for S/390 and the new zSeries hardware. These systems are commonly referred to as the mainframe.

However, before we describe the status of Linux on the mainframe in late 2001, let's back up in time to the 1960s and follow a brief history of the development of Linux.
1.1 A brief history

In 1964, IBM announced the S/360 architecture. The “360” in the name referred to all points on the compass because it was designed to be universal. These systems have progressed with the brand names S/370, S/390, and now zSeries, which has a 64-bit architecture. Improvements in the hardware architecture were made with each generation; in turn, the operating system and application software were able to exploit these improvements to increase reliability, availability and serviceability (RAS), and performance.

In 1969, UNIX, TCP/IP and Linus Torvalds were born. UNIX and TCP/IP grew in the academic and scientific communities with a spirit of openness and cooperation. In the 1980s UNIX became more commercialized and a lot of the spirit of community appeared to be lost. Still, the mainframe, UNIX and TCP/IP have all flourished. They have proven to be reliable, resilient and long-lived, and are all universal.

In 1984, Richard Stallman, a systems programmer at the MIT AI lab, was incensed that he could not get the source code for the software of a new laser printer. Most people would complain, but being a man of principle, Richard quit his job and began writing GNU (an acronym for GNU’s not UNIX) software. His goal was to write a completely free operating system. The GNU software collection today represents a large portion of the software necessary to run a Linux distribution.

In addition to the software was another, perhaps more important contribution, the GNU General Public License (GPL). This software license guaranteed everyone the freedom to use, copy, distribute and even sell the software. However, it prevented any restrictions from being added to the license. In addition, it required that new software using other software distributed under the GPL also be distributed under the GPL.

In 1991, Linus Torvalds, a graduate student at the University of Helsinki in Finland, posted the following to an Internet news group:

From: torvalds@klaava.Helsinki.FI (Linus Benedict Torvalds)
Newsgroups: comp.os.minix
Subject: What would you like to see most in minix?
Summary: small poll for my new operating system
Date: 25 Aug 91 20:57:08 GMT
Organization: University of Helsinki

Hello everybody out there using minix -
I'm doing a (free) operating system (just a hobby, won't be big and professional like gnu) for 386(486) AT clones. This has been brewing since april, and is starting to get ready. I'd like any feedback on
things people like/dislike in minix, as my OS resembles it somewhat (same physical layout of the file-system (due to practical reasons) among other things).

I've currently ported bash(1.08) and gcc(1.40), and things seem to work. This implies that I'll get something practical within a few months, and I'd like to know what features most people would want. Any suggestions are welcome, but I won't promise I'll implement them :-)

Linus (torvalds@kruuna.helsinki.fi)

PS. Yes - it's free of any minix code, and it has a multi-threaded fs.

It is NOT portable (uses 386 task switching etc), and it probably never will support anything other than AT-harddisks, as that's all I have

The last statement is especially ironic because the Linux kernel has proven to be more portable than any other in history. It has been ported to many tens of computer architectures and platforms. The first port of the Linux kernel from Intel 386 architecture to the Motorola 68000 resulted in two code trees.

Linus considered this a serious fork. Problems or improvements to one code tree would probably have to be reflected in the other. When there was interest in a second port to the DEC Alpha processor, Linus rewrote the kernel in 1993 and 1994 to be more portable and to be maintained in a single source tree. On March 14, 1994, the Linux kernel 1.0 was released.

As more and more people on the Internet began to take an interest in the Linux kernel, it became clear that creating a Linux system which was able to boot a computer, use all of its resources in an efficient way, and include useful applications was a common, but also a complicated, task. In order to make it easier for the less computer-savvy, the concept of a distribution was born. Linux distributions were usually distributed on CDs or over the Internet as CD images. Some early distributions were available on floppy diskette as well. They contained the Linux kernel at the logical center, GNU essentials such as the compiler, (gcc) the runtime library (glibc) binary utilities (binutils) at the next layer, and the many, many applications around these essentials. The size of distributions continues to grow.

Today there are many distributions. For the zSeries and S/390 platform, there are three important distributions from the following companies:

SuSE Founded by Roland Dyroff, Hubert Mantel, Thomas Fehr and Burchard Steinbild in September 1992

Turbolinux Originally founded as Pacific HiTech by Cliff Miller in 1992

Red Hat Founded by Robert Young and Marc Ewing in 1994
Before IBM worked on helping port the Linux kernel to S/390 hardware, there was another port named Bigfoot, largely done by Linas Vepstas. Though this project has been overshadowed by the size and manpower of the S/390 effort, it still is remarkable that Linux could be ported largely by one person. It is also important to give proper credit for some of the groundwork that was laid by this project. That project is described on the Web at:

http://linas.org/linux/i370-bigfoot.html

In 1998, a “skunkworks” project was started at the IBM lab in Boeblingen, Germany. Boas Betzler led a team that started with just a small number of people. Their philosophy was that Linux for S/390 would remain Linux; the structure, development and coding style would remain unchanged, and that S/390 would remain S/390; despite major differences from the PC, the hardware architecture is sufficient for implementing Linux.

This team now is doing much of the work on Linux for S/390. In December 1999, the Linux for S/390 patches were released to open source, and the changes continue to be incorporated into the Linux kernel.

Today the team has grown. At the time of the writing this redbook, the team listed on the developer works site includes Ingo Adlung, Alan Altmark, Utz Bacher, Denis J. Barrow, Reinhard Bündgen, Fritz Elfert, Stefan Hegeward, Michael Holzheu, Horst Hummel, Tuan Ngo-Anh, Carsten Otte, Carl B. Pedersen, Hartmut Penner, Martin Peschke, Jochen Röhrig, Martin Schwidetsky, Holger Smolinski, Gerhard Tonn, Ulrich Weigand and Dieter Wellerdiek.

On February 2, 2000 at LinuxWorld in New York City, Linus Torvalds said in the main keynote address: “Linux has even been ported to S/390. The support will be available in the 2.4 release. This is kind of interesting. When I began Linux, I did not envision it running on S/390. Actually, a year ago I did not even envision it.”

Though Linux has been ported to many different architectures, it can be argued that S/390 is among the important ones today. This assertion can be reinforced by looking at the directories in the Linux source tree arch (for architecture) directory.

```
# ls /usr/src/linux/arch
alpha  cris  ia64  mips  parisc  s390  sh sparc64
arm    i386  m68k  mips64  ppc  s390x  sparc
```

Landscape

The mainframe is unsurpassed in reliability because of factors such as error correction and detection, transparent or hot memory and CPU chip sparing, channel I/O and the ability to phone home problems to repair personnel while remaining operational. The Linux kernel and the large amount of software freely available to create a Linux system are perceived to be very reliable due to the
relatively small size of the kernel, and the many thousands of developers able to analyze, improve upon and fix any defects. The combination of this hardware and software, along with the growing acceptance of the open source development model, results in a potent system with plenty of room for growth.

SuSE and Turbolinux have distributions that are generally available for zSeries and S/390, while Red Hat’s distribution is still in beta. Other distributions available include Caiman from LinuxKorea Inc., Think Blue from Millenux Inc. and what might be more properly called a Linux for S/390 file system from Marist.

With all of these distributions, Linux for zSeries and S/390 is pure Linux. There is no EBCDIC to deal with and most open source software and other UNIX applications simply build (typically, moving software to Linux on the mainframe is just a recompile, not a port).

Linux on the mainframe is still relatively young and immature when compared with the more enterprise-ready OS/390 (now z/OS). However, Linux will continue to mature become a more critical player in the mainframe market for the following reasons:

- It is becoming increasingly accepted by software vendors.
- It has had a strong initial acceptance by system administrators.
- There are a large number of freely available, reliable server applications such as Apache, Samba, BIND, Sendmail and INND.
- It runs on all @server hardware and is fully backed by IBM.
- There is a growing pool of knowledgeable personnel and available support structures from the distributors and from IBM.

Additionally, the combination of z/VM and Linux on a mainframe gives the ability to create a server farm in a box. This will allow for server consolidation, which is especially important for large IT shops where the number of servers makes system administration difficult to control. Now that z/VM has a one time charge pricing model, it is more attractively priced than in the past.

We describe many Linux distributions in this book, but specifically do not recommend any. All have their strengths and weaknesses.

**Terminology**

In this book we typically use the term *Linux* to refer to a Linux for zSeries and S/390 distribution, and when referring to the *Linux kernel*, we use that term. Sometimes the term *GNU/Linux* is used to describe a distribution. We appreciate all that Richard Stallman and the Free Software Foundation have done; however, the term *GNU/Linux* is somewhat cumbersome and not as commonly used as just *Linux*. 

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Chapter 1. Overview 7
1.2 Systems used for this redbook

In this redbook we describe Linux for zSeries and S/390 in a general way. However, it may be helpful to understand the environment in which we worked during the writing stage; the majority of this book was written in May and June of 2001.

1.2.1 Processor

We had access to two logical partitions (LPARs) on a z900, machine type 2064, model 1C7. The first LPAR was used for Linux images under VM:

- 2 shared IFL engines
- 1280 MB of real memory
- 256MB of expanded memory
- OSA-Express Fast Ethernet in both non-QDIO mode (OSE) and QDIO mode (OSD)
- VM level: z/VM 4.1.0 (early ship program). We installed VM Host using the z/VM Express Installation and Services Procedures. This install includes:
  - Fully functional VM base system (CP, CMS, GCS)
  - Pre-installed products - (TCP/IP, RSCS, RTM, VMPRF, DIRMAINT)

We made modifications to the following z/VM attributes:

- SYSTEM CONFIG file on MAINT 1CF
- TCP/IP for local network features
- RSCS for local network

We enabled and configured DIRMAINT and DATAMOVE for use as our user directory maintenance. We added more SPOOL, PAGE and TDISK space to the system, as follows:

```
VMLPST 2050      1   1000 180000  91363 180000  50% PAGE
1001   2000   1000      0      0   0% TDISK
2001   3338 240840  94798 233484  39% SPOOL
```

Most VM user ID directories were similar to the following (though many systems had their storage set to a more reasonable size, such as 64 M):

```
USER VMLINUXA NEWPW4U 128M 512M G
  INCLUDE IBMDFLT
  ACCOUNT ITSOTOT
  IPL CMS PARM AUTOCHR
  MACH ESA 4
  POSIXINFO UID 14
  DEDICATE 2124 2124
  DEDICATE 2125 2125
  DEDICATE 2126 2126
  MDISK 0191 3390 471 50 VMLU1R MR
```
The second LPAR was used for Linux “native” and VIF. It had the following resources:
- 2 shared IFL engines
- 1280 MB of real memory
- 256 MB of expanded memory
- OSA-Express Fast Ethernet in non-QDIO mode (OSE)
- VIF level: V1R1M0, service level 0500 (early ship program)

### 1.2.2 DASD

Most DASD volumes were based on a RAMAC Virtual Array (RVA), 9393-X82, formatted as 3390-9s. Some volumes were based on the Enterprise Storage Server (Shark), 2105-E20, formatted as 3390-3s. Some volumes were RAMAC, 9392-B23, formatted as 3390-3s.

### 1.2.3 Linux distributions

We worked with the following Linux distributions:
- SuSE - A development version that is planned to be an update to the GA version of SuSE Linux for S/390.
- Turbolinux - V6.0 (GA January 30, 2001) was initially used, then a beta of V6.5 became available.
- Red Hat - The public beta dated May, 2001, based on their 7.1 distribution.
- Caiman - The public beta dated May, 2001 from LinuxKorea.
- Think Blue - V 7.1 from Millenux Inc.
Planning for Linux

In this chapter we describe what planning should be done before installing Linux for zSeries or S/390. To plan for Linux, you must first think hardware, then networking, then distribution and software.
2.1 Planning hardware

In general, we recommend that Linux be run on a G2 to G6 9672, a zSeries 900 (machine type 2064) or later, or a Multiprise 3000. However, if applications are to be run with heavy use of floating point calculations, a G5 9672 or later is recommended. Table 2-1 shows the machines that will run Linux.

Table 2-1  Processor table

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Machine</th>
<th>Pertinent attributes</th>
<th>Notes</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>G1 or earlier (9672-Rn1, 9672-Enn, 9672-Pnn)</td>
<td>31-bit, no CSP or relative instructions, no IEEE FP</td>
<td>“Vintage patch” (see linux-390 mailing list) is required; poor performance due to additional layers</td>
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<tr>
<td>P/390, R/390, Integrated Server</td>
<td>P/390 or P/390E card on a RISC or Intel-based PC server</td>
<td>Relatively poor performance</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Multiprise 2000 (2003-nnn)</td>
<td>31 bit, no IEEE Floating Point</td>
<td>Poor performance with applications that heavily use floating point</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>G2 (9672-Rn2, 9672-Rn3)</td>
<td>31 bit, no IEEE Floating Point</td>
<td>Performance issues with applications that heavily use floating point</td>
</tr>
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<td>G3 (9672-Rn4)</td>
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<td>G4 (9672-Rn5)</td>
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<tr>
<td>G5 (9672-Rn6, 9672-Yn6, 9672-Tn6)</td>
<td>31 bit, IEEE Floating Point</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Multiprise 3000 (7060-nnn)</td>
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<tr>
<td>G6 (9672-Xn7, 9672-Zn7)</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>z900 (2064)</td>
<td>31 or 64 bit, IEEE Floating Point</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

Linux can run in a number of configurations: on the mainframe natively; in a logical partition (LPAR); under z/VM; under the Virtual Image Facility (VIF); or in an emulated environment. Table 2-2 shows some considerations. Emulated environments are not discussed in this redbook.

Table 2-2  Platforms you can run Linux on

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Platform</th>
<th>Reasonable number of Linux images</th>
<th>Notes</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Native</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>With the exception of the smaller platforms such as the P/390, this is generally not economically feasible.</td>
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</table>
2.1.1 Integrated Facility for Linux (IFL)

The heart of zSeries and S/390 hardware is the Multi-Chip Module (MCM) which contains up to 20 Processing Units (PU), commonly referred to on other platforms as CPUs or engines. All PUs are identical, but can take on different roles in the system. Each PU can be one of:

- A central processor (CP), sometimes called a standard engine
- A System Assist Processor (SAP)
- An Internal Coupling Facility (ICF) for Parallel Sysplex
- An Integrated Facility for Linux (IFL), sometimes called an IFL engine

The IFL engine is a new type of PU which allows additional engines to be dedicated to z/VM or Linux workloads. It is lower priced than standard engines and allows traditional S/390 software charges to remain the same.

2.1.2 Planning DASD

A disk drive on the mainframe is called a direct access storage device (DASD). As with many other entities, the acronym (usually pronounced “dasdee”) is commonly used as a word. The types of S/390 DASD are referred to by their machine type and model number. A machine type of 3380 is seen occasionally, but most commonly a machine type of 3390 is seen.

For 3390s, there are four possible model numbers: 1, 2, 3 and 9. Models 3 and 9 are seen most commonly and are sometimes called a pack or volume. A 3390 model 3 (or more simply, a 3390-3) has a capacity of approximately 2.8 GB, but when formatted for Linux, that is reduced to about 2.3 GB. A 3390 model 9 has a capacity of about 8.4 GB, but when formatted, that is reduced to about 7.0 GB.

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<th>Platform</th>
<th>Reasonable number of Linux images</th>
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<tr>
<td>LPAR</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>Useful if a very small number of Linux images is needed for testing or development</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>VIF</td>
<td>Tens to hundreds</td>
<td>Management of Linux images becomes difficult when greater than a few tens.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>z/VM</td>
<td>Hundreds to thousands</td>
<td>Probably the most cost-effective way to run and manage Linux on the mainframe.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Simulated</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Flex-ES or other simulators; relatively poor performance, however, the only option when no zSeries or S/390 hardware is available.</td>
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</table>
The data format of S/390 DASD is called Extended Count Key Data (ECKD); it differs from most other disk drives, which have Fixed Block Architecture (FBA). In the past, each of these DASD was a large physical device, but today they are emulated by disk arrays with much larger capacities such as RAMAC, RAMAC Virtual Array (RVA), and the Enterprise Storage Server (ESS) commonly referred to as Shark.

Because a 3390-9 is the largest capacity DASD, 7 GB is the largest partition that can be allocated for a Linux system. By today’s standards, this is a relatively small capacity. Alternatives are needed to mass multiple DASD together in order to bypass the 7 GB limit. The most commonly used and recommended method is the Logical Volume Manager (see Chapter 17, “Logical Volume Manager” on page 301).

Besides not being able to have very large file systems, the inability to partition DASD can also be a limitation. When Linux is running under z/VM or VIF, this problem is overcome by the ability to create minidisks or partitions, respectively. If Linux is running natively or in an LPAR, the inability to create a partition can be a problem. Thankfully this issue is being addressed by Linux for zSeries developers with the addition of a new `fdasd` command. See 2.4, “Roadmap” on page 26 for more details.

UNIX and Linux use the concept of major and minor numbers associated with devices. Major numbers are assigned to each type of device and minor numbers are assigned to instances of each type of device. Minor numbers are stored in a single byte, so it is only possible to have 256 devices of a specific type for that major number.

To make matters worse on S/390, four minor numbers are allocated for each DASD: the first for the whole volume, and then three for each partition on a DASD. To avoid the low maximum of 64 DASD volumes (256/4), major numbers can be dynamically allocated at boot time or when the DASD module is loaded. The well-known major number for S/390 DASD is 94, and if more than 64 are found, major numbers are dynamically allocated beginning at a larger number, for example, 235.

Every DASD has a unique device address. The Linux kernel auto-senses attached devices at boot time, or when a machine check is presented due to an important hardware event. All DASD type devices come to a specific pool and the kernel identifies all of them. This information is available from the virtual proc file system in the file named `/proc/dasd/devices`. This file shows:

- The DASD address
- The allocated major and minor numbers
- The device file name
- The status of the DASD
Whether the DASD is accessible
- The block size, number of blocks and total size of the DASD

Following is an example of a Linux system with three DASD. Because of its large size, you can tell that the DASD at address 204 (/dev/dasdd) is a 3390-9:

$ cat /proc/dasd/devices
0203(ECKD) at (94:0) is dasda:active at blksize: 4096, 36000 blks, 140 MB
0202(ECKD) at (94:4) is dasdb:active at blksize: 4096, 204840 blks, 800 MB
0201(ECKD) at (94:8) is dasdc:active at blksize: 4096, 360000 blks, 1406 MB
0204(ECKD) at (94:12) is dasdd:active at blksize: 4096, 1802880 blks, 7042 MB

You cannot use the S/390 device address in Linux except with the \texttt{-n} flag to the \texttt{dasdfmt} command. Usually you have to specify your DASD via the corresponding \texttt{/dev/dasdX} file.

Some of the limitations discussed here are being addressed. As the Linux kernel and the S/390 additions to the code mature, Linux distributors will pick this function up. See 2.4, “Roadmap” on page 26 for a short discussion of what may be coming.

2.1.3 Planning for tape devices

The tape driver for zSeries and S/390 hardware is not yet built into Linux distributions (the Turbolinux v6.5 beta does have a tape driver, however). In order to use a tape driver at the time of writing of this redbook, we had to rebuild a 2.2.19 Linux kernel; see 23.2, “Tape support under Linux for zSeries and S/390” on page 467.

2.2 Planning networking

The types of networking that Linux on zSeries and S/390 can do are either physical or virtual.

2.2.1 Physical networking

Physical networking is typically done through one or more flavors of the Open Systems Adapters (OSA), or equivalent hardware; see 2.2.3, “Linux OSA cards and drivers” on page 16. Physical channel-to-channel networking can also be done.
2.2.2 Virtual networking

Virtual networking can be performed on some of the platforms under which Linux is run. z/VM can perform virtual networking via virtual channel-to-channel (vCTC) communications or the Inter-User Communication Vehicle (IUCV). VIF can perform virtual networking via IUCV only.

Both virtual and physical channel-to-channel networking use the same driver (ctc.o). IUCV networking uses the IUCV driver (iucv.o). Both of these drivers are distributed with Linux distributions.

2.2.3 Linux OSA cards and drivers

The drivers for OSA cards are object code only (OCO). There are two sets of Linux IBM OCO drivers to support OSA cards:

- LAN Channel Station (LCS) Ethernet and Token Ring support normal ESCON protocols. The file name of the driver is lcs.o.
- Gigabit Ethernet (GBE). QDIO is a new S/390 architecture that allows an OSA-Express Gigabit Ethernet feature to communicate directly with system memory through the use of queues and a never-ending channel program. There are two drivers used to support these cards:
  - Queued Direct I/O (qdio) protocol driver - the file name is qdio.o.
  - Gigabit Ethernet driver the file name is qeth.o.

The latest versions of the OCO lcs, qdio and qeth modules are found at the IBM developers works download site (OCO Download). The modules must be untarred, and then copied and renamed to /lib/modules/<kernel_version>/net (where kernel_version is a number such as 2.2.16) as qdio.o and qeth.o. If you do these tasks before a kernel build, the depmod -a -v command should build the correct /lib/modules/<kernel_version>/modules.dep file.
HCD and IOCDS considerations

Generally, 16 addresses for each OSA can be coded and the last entry at xxFE must be “genned” for OSA/SF as OSAD to read any of the cards or update the OSA2 cards. This number of addresses may vary according to the number of IP addresses you need for an LPAR.

Table 2-3  IOCDS code samples

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<tr>
<td>OSA2 ENTR or OSA2 FE</td>
<td>CHPID PATH=(00),SHARED, PARTITION=((STLBE1F,STLNXEAF)),TYPE=OSA CNTLUNIT CUNUMBR=2000,PATH=00),UNIT=OSA IODEVICE ADDRESS=(2000,016),CUNUMBR=(2000),UNIT=OSA IODEVICE ADDRESS=(20FE,001),CUNUMBR=(2000),UNIT=OSAD</td>
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<td>OSAX-FE (lcs.o)</td>
<td>CHPID PATH=(FD),SHARED, PARTITION=((STLBE1F,STLNXEAF)),TYPE=OSE CNTLUNIT CUNUMBR=4000,PATH=(FD),UNIT=OSA IODEVICE ADDRESS=(4000,016),CUNUMBR=(4000),UNIT=OSA IODEVICE ADDRESS=(40FE,001),CUNUMBR=(4000),UNIT=OSAD</td>
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<tr>
<td>OSAX-FE (qdio.o/qeth.o)</td>
<td>CHPID PATH=(FE),SHARED, PARTITION=((STLBE1F,STLNXEAF)),TYPE=OSD CNTLUNIT CUNUMBR=5000,PATH=(FE),UNIT=OSA IODEVICE ADDRESS=(5000,016),CUNUMBR=(5000),UNIT=OSA IODEVICE ADDRESS=(50FE,001),CUNUMBR=(5000),UNIT=OSAD</td>
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<tr>
<td>OSAX-GB (qdio.o/qeth.o)</td>
<td>CHPID PATH=(FF),SHARED, PARTITION=((STLBE1F,STLNXEAF)),TYPE=OSD CNTLUNIT CUNUMBR=6000,PATH=(FF),UNIT=OSA IODEVICE ADDRESS=(6000,016),CUNUMBR=(6000),UNIT=OSA IODEVICE ADDRESS=(60FE,001),CUNUMBR=(6000),UNIT=OSAD</td>
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Types of OSA cards

Currently, there are two flavors of OSA cards: OSA2 and OSA-Express. The OSA-Express cards can only be installed in S/390 G5 or above. The zSeries OSA-Express (Hydra 1.5 cards) are functionally the same as two (2) G5+ cards (Hydra 1). These abbreviations are used to describe the cards in the sections that follow:

- OSA2-ENTR: OSA2 Ethernet/Token Ring
- OSA2-FE: OSA2 Fast Ethernet
- OSAX-FE: OSA Fast Ethernet Express
- OSAX-GB: OSA Gigabit Express
When an OSA Express card can be used in QDIO mode (TYPE=OSD in the IOCDS), it is much more efficient than when it is in non-QDIO mode (TYPE=OSE in the IOCDS). QDIO mode is shown in Figure 2-1 on the right side; it is clearly a more streamlined communication path. A rule of thumb is that this mode will perform 20% better than non-QDIO mode.

![Diagram of OSA Express in non-QDIO mode vs. QDIO mode](image)

**Figure 2-1  OSA Express in non-QDIO mode vs. QDIO mode**

Table 2-4 shows information for OSA cards for 9672 machines G6 and earlier. OSA Express cards (OSAX) can only be used in G5 or G6 machines.

**Table 2-4  S/390 OSA cards for G6 and earlier**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Attribute</th>
<th>OSA2-ENTR</th>
<th>OSA2-FE</th>
<th>OSAX-FE (OSE)</th>
<th>OSAX-FE (OSD)</th>
<th>OSAX-GB (OSD)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Connection</td>
<td>Ethernet or Token Ring</td>
<td>Ethernet</td>
<td>Ethernet</td>
<td>Ethernet</td>
<td>Ethernet</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mb/sec throughput</td>
<td>10 (ethernet) or 16 (T/R)</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>100 (200 if full duplex)</td>
<td>1000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cable</td>
<td>Copper</td>
<td>Copper</td>
<td>Copper</td>
<td>Copper</td>
<td>Fiber optic</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>HCD/IOCDS device type</td>
<td>OSA</td>
<td>OSA</td>
<td>OSE</td>
<td>OSD</td>
<td>OSD</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ports/CHP</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Table 2-5 shows information for OSA cards for zSeries machines (machine type 2064). All cards use one port per channel path (CHP), but two channel paths per card.

### Table 2-5  zSeries OSA cards

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Attribute</th>
<th>OSA2-ENTR</th>
<th>OSA2-FE</th>
<th>OSAX-FE (OSE)</th>
<th>OSAX-FE (OSD)</th>
<th>OSAX-GB (OSD)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Multiple IP address support</td>
<td>OSA/SF</td>
<td>OSA/SF</td>
<td>Automatic</td>
<td>Automatic</td>
<td>Automatic</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Max IP addresses*</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>240</td>
<td>240</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Access IP addresses on other LPARs?</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Linux device driver</td>
<td>lcs.o</td>
<td>lcs.o</td>
<td>lcs.o</td>
<td>qdio.o, qeth.o</td>
<td>qdio.o, qeth.o</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

* Many more IP addresses are possible in non-shared mode with VM TCP/IP or Linux hub

The addresses are in even-odd pairs, but you only have to specify the even addresses. Only one lcs parameter should be present. Multiple parameters would be coded on the same line. Linux detects whether the card is T/R or Ethernet and it assigns the interface name sequentially, as appropriate to the card (tr0, tr1, eth0, eth1, etc.).

### Options in /etc/modules.conf

#### lcs parameters

The addresses are in even-odd pairs, but you only have to specify the even addresses. Only one lcs parameter should be present. Multiple parameters would be coded on the same line. Linux detects whether the card is T/R or Ethernet and it assigns the interface name sequentially, as appropriate to the card (tr0, tr1, eth0, eth1, etc.).
qdio/qeth parameters

The addresses are in quadruplets and start on even address boundaries. You code the first three addresses. Only one qeth parameter should be present. If no interface name is present, it assumes eth0. It is probably safer to code the explicit interface name. The qeth module has a dependency on the qdio module in /lib/modules/2.2.16/modules.dep, so both modules are loaded when qeth is loaded.

1 chp options qeth qeth_options=noauto,0x4000,0x4001,0x4002,eth0
2 chp options qeth qeth_options=noauto,0x4000,0x4001,0x4002,eth0,0x5000,0x5001,0x5002,eth1

Relating interface with OSA card and driver parameters

The network is generally brought up with a single script, for example, /etc/rc.d/network. This script needs to tie the following four items together:

- The module name
- The module parameters
- The device addresses
- The TCP/IP parameters

They are tied together with the interface name from the ifconfig command (i.e. "eth0" or "tr0").

In the file /etc/modules.conf, the line

```
alias eth0 lcs
```

relates the interface name (eth0) with the module name (lcs.o). Also, the line

```
options lcs
```

relates the device address and card options with the module name.

In the file /etc/rc.config, the line:

```
NETCONFIG="_0 _1"
```

defines the subscripts for TCP/IP devices (in this case there are two: "_0" and "_1"). The lines with IPADDR specify the IP address to use for each interface. For example:
IPADDR_0="9.112.50.115"
IPADDR_1="10.32.56.119"

The line with NETDEV assigns the interface names. For example:

NETDEV_0="tr0"
NETDEV_1="eth0"

The lines with IFCONFIG then specify the parameters for the `ifconfig` command. For example:

IFCONFIG_0="9.112.50.115 broadcast 9.112.50.255 netmask 255.255.255.0 up"
IFCONFIG_1="10.32.56.119 broadcast 10.32.56.255 netmask 255.255.255.0 up"

Native IPL

If you IPL native, your parameter file must have an ipldelay of at least 3 minutes (`ipldelay=3m`) for the OSA cards to stabilize. If you IPL as an LPAR, this is not necessary. Remember to use the `silo` command if you change any of these parameters (see "Command syntax" on page 517 for the syntax).

Resetting an OSA card

Once an OSA is "hung" in an LPAR, you have to re-IPL that LPAR. However, sometimes the IPL will not fix the hang, so you must reset the OSA card CHP. Resetting an OSA card or configuring the CHPID off/on may cause the Linux LPARS with OSA card genned to hang, whether you have specified it in `/etc/modules.conf` or not! The May 5, 2001 version of the qdio/qeth drivers may hang during IPL in LPAR mode with 100% CPU busy. IPL the machine with the `clear` option to avoid this. Unfortunately, this precludes `shutdown -r` or `reboot`. In most shops, resetting the OSA card is handled by field support for the processor. Some shops allow the systems programmer to do this procedure. If you are going to do this, you must first know the CHPID for the OSA card you want to reset. Then OSA cards can be displayed and reset from the HCD, as follows:

1. Click Defined CPCs.
2. Highlight the CPC you want.
3. Click Single Object Operations.
4. Click CPC.
5. Right-click CPC to get CHPIDs.
6. Use Advanced Facilities to view, set the parameter on OSA2 cards, and reset the cards, as follows:
   a. All cards should be full duplex.
   b. OSA2-ENTR - 10 Mbs.
c. All others 100 Mbs.

7. After you have finished in Advanced Facilities, toggle the CHPIDs off, then on under Configure ON/OFF.

8. Log out of Single Object Operations when you’re done.

Refer to OS/390 OSA/SF User's Guide, SC28-1855, for more information.

2.2.4 IBM 2216

The 2216 is another network interface you can use to connect your Linux system. The 2216 Nways Multiaccess Connector functions as a host gateway for SNA/APPN and TCP/IP applications and devices attached to LANs, WANs, and ATM. The 2216 Model 400, which has eight slots for network adapters and one for a system card, supports two different channel adapters for channel attachment: an ESCON channel adapter and a Parallel channel adapter.

Of the eight slots available for network adapters in the 2216, up to four channel adapters for ESCON/parallel or a mixture of ESCON and PARALLEL can be used. The ESCON channel adapter can attach directly to the mainframe ESCON channel or an ESCON director.

2.2.5 CTC

The channel-to-channel function simulates an I/O device that can be used by a system control program to communicate with another system control program. It provides the data path and synchronization for data transfer between two channels. When the CTC option is used to connect two channels that are associated with different systems, a loosely coupled multiprocessing system is established. The CTC connection, as viewed by either of the channels it connects, has the appearance of an unshared I/O device.

Channel-to-channel (CTC) support exists for:

- Parallel channels via 3088 Multisystem Channel Communication Unit (MCCU)
- ESCON channels
- FICON channels via ESCON Director with the FICON Bridge Feature

2.2.6 TCP/IP calculations

To obtain the network address or network IP address, the network mask (netmask) is logically ANDed with the Host IP address.
To obtain the broadcast address or broadcast IP address, the network IP address is logically eXclusively ORed with the netmask and the result is logically NOTted to derive the broadcast IP address.

2.2.7 Maximum Transmission Unit (MTU) sizes

The Maximum Transmission Unit (MTU) is the maximum number of bytes that can be transferred across a given physical network. When a datagram to be sent comprises more bytes than the MTU, IP performs fragmentation, breaking the datagram up into smaller pieces. If any bridge or router in the network infrastructure does not perform IP-layer fragmentation of packets, you must select an MTU size of the smallest MTU in use by that router. Selecting an MTU size that is too large may cause client applications to hang. As you can see, there are many factors involved and this is a case where you really do need to talk to your network administrator. For reference, here is a table of MTU sizes for various types of networks, which can be used as guidelines:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Network Type</th>
<th>MTU Size</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Ethernet 802.2/802.3</td>
<td>1492</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ethernet Version 2 IEEE</td>
<td>1500</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Token ring</td>
<td>2000 or 4000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>FDDI</td>
<td>2000 or 4000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CTC</td>
<td>65527</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CLAW</td>
<td>4096</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Attention:** You have to use 1492 for an MTU when using Ethernet and running Linux on a Multiprise 3000. The Ethernet adapter uses IEEE 802.3 networking.

If it appears that networking has been properly set up on your Linux system, but then you see very long transmission delays or network time-outs, you might suspect an MTU size problem. A rudimentary test for determining MTU size problems is to ping a machine on a different subnet with a packet size larger than the default of 56 bytes (using the `-c` flag), for example, 4096 bytes:

```bash
$ ping -c4 9.12.0.88
PING 9.12.0.88 (9.12.0.88): 56 data bytes
... 4 packets transmitted, 4 packets received, 0% packet loss
round-trip min/avg/max = 6.784/6.864/6.937 ms
$ ping -c4 -s4096 9.12.0.88
PING 9.12.0.88 (9.12.0.88): 4096 data bytes
... 4 packets transmitted, 4 packets received, 0% packet loss
round-trip min/avg/max = 12.591/13.731/14.999 ms
```
Here we see that a packet size of 4096 bytes takes about twice as long to get to another machine, but there are no MTU size problems. If there had been problems, the ping would have timed out.

2.3 Planning for Linux distribution and software

While planning for hardware might seem challenging, planning a Linux distribution and any additional software to be added and configured is probably harder. The remainder of this redbook is devoted to covering these topics.

In this section we offer a general discussion on file systems.

2.3.1 Planning file systems

The term *file systems* is used to refer to a few different concepts. Let us classify file systems into:

- Conventional
- Journaled
- Virtual
- Swap

**Conventional file systems**

Conventional file systems are limited. They can only be contained on a single raw device, and the file size is limited by the device size. An example of a conventional file system (and the most commonly used file system in Linux) is ext2.

To check and repair a conventional file system, the command `fsck` must be run against it. With small partitions, this process is reasonable; however, with large partitions, it can become prohibitively slow. Therefore, a more sophisticated file system must be used.

**Journaled file systems**

A journaled file system is one in which changes are recorded or journaled. Most modern UNIX operating systems use journaled file systems, and Linux is certainly moving in that direction. However, while the conventional second extended file system (ext2) is clearly the de facto standard on Linux, there is no such standard with journaled file systems. We investigated the Reiser file system (reiserfs) and the IBM Journaled File System (JFS).
The Reiser file system

The Reiser file system (reiserfs) is one of the most well-known journaling file systems that works on Linux. Unfortunately, during the residency we discovered that the official source tree does not contain support for big-endian architectures such as the S/390, POWERpc, etc. (Big-endian architectures store the four bytes of an address in the same order, lowest to highest, as the network byte order, or that which is sent across the network. With little-endian architectures, such as Intel, the lowest memory address contains the low order byte, and the order must be reversed to be sent over the network.)

Jeff Mahoney has written patches to reiserfs to make it “endian safe.” These patches have not yet been merged into the official source tree. Until that time, we cannot recommend the use of reiserfs on Linux. More information, including the endian-safe utilities, can be found at:

http://www.suse.com/~jeffm/

The IBM Journaled File System (JFS)

JFS is the journaling file system from IBM’s AIX operating system. It was made open source sometime last year and IBM started a project to port it to Linux. Beta 1 was released in December 2000, Beta 2 in March 2001, and Beta 3 in April 2001. The first release of the JFS was made available on June 28, 2001. The project team working on porting to Linux has focused its efforts on the 2.4 kernel, although patches can be found for the 2.2.x version of the Linux kernel. Version 1.0.0 of the JFS can be found at:

http://oss.software.ibm.com/developerworks/opensource/jfs/

See 18.7, “Using journaled file systems” on page 343 for details on using this file system.

Virtual file systems

Virtual file systems are those which are not actually written to disk. The prime example of a virtual file system is the /proc file system. It contains data structures used by the kernel and is available to the user via this file system.

Another virtual file system, the /dev file system, has been added to the Linux 2.4 kernel.

Swap file systems

Setting the size of a swap file can cause vigorous debates, because there is no one right answer. Less is sometimes more because Linux will use swap space aggressively, and keeping the memory size of Linux images small on Linux for S/390 is important.
One approach is to start with a very small swap size, and if your system begins to swap, analyze the workload, memory size and swap size; and address swap file systems at that time.

This issue is discussed in more detail in the IBM Redbook *Linux for zSeries and S/390: ISP/ASP Solutions*, SG24-6299.

### 2.4 Roadmap

On June 29, 2001, a new code drop was put out on the Linux for S/390 developerworks site. The items of importance are:

- 2.4 kernel and the /devfs file system
- Ability to partition DASD with the new *fdasd* command
- Common disk layout (CDL)

This code drop was not incorporated into any of the Linux distributions at the time of writing of this redbook; however, it is anticipated that this new function will be incorporated into Linux distributions soon.
Preparation

In this chapter we discuss the preparation of the mainframe system that is common to all distributions. We first consider Linux under VM, then under an LPAR.
3.1 Prepare the VM guest for Linux

This section briefly describes the basics of what is required to define a new guest to VM. For further details, and an in-depth treatment of the subject, refer to VM/ESA publications on planning and administration.

3.1.1 The VM user directory

The VM user directory will need entries or statements added to compose a definition for each Linux guest. Linux guests are similar to other operating system guests under VM in that they require a name, disk space, storage, and other devices.

The VM user directory resides in the file called USER DIRECT, and requires you to log as MAINT to have the authority required to edit and process this file.

The following example defines a guest called VMLINUX7 with a password of NEWPW4U with 64 MB of storage. CMS will be IPLed automatically and the machine will run in ESA mode. There are 2 dedicated devices, which in fact are OSA cards, and there are 7 minidisks. Notice that 6 are on the same volume, LNX009, and are mapped by cylinder. A beginning cylinder number is followed by the size in cylinders. Care has to be taken not to overlap these minidisks.

The MDISK parameters (in sequence) are: virtual device; device type; beginning cylinder; size in cylinders; volume name; mount attributes. The other statement of interest is the INCLUDE, which eliminates duplication of statements that are going to be common to all guests by referencing a PROFILE definition.

USER VMLINUX7 NEWPW4U 64M 64M G
   INCLUDE IBMDFLT
   ACCOUNT ITSOTOT
   IPL CMS PARM AUTOCR
   MACH ESA 4
   DEDICATE 292C 292C
   DEDICATE 292D 292D
   MDISK 0191 3390 321 50 VMLU1R MR
   MDISK 0201 3390 0001 2600 LNX009 MR
   MDISK 0202 3390 2601 2600 LNX009 MR
   MDISK 0203 3390 5201 0100 LNX009 MR
   MDISK 0204 3390 5301 0200 LNX009 MR
   MDISK 0205 3390 5501 0200 LNX009 MR
   MDISK 0206 3390 5701 0200 LNX009 MR

The following is an example of a profile definition.

PROFILE IBMDFLT
   SPOOL 000C 2540 READER *
3.1.2 Processing the VM user directory

The USER DIRECT file can be easily edited using the XEDIT command. Once any updates are complete, run the following commands to process them:

```
DISKMAP USER
```

This will check for any overlaps in all the minidisk definitions. If any are found, they are placed in a file called USER DISKMAP, along with other information.

Use these commands to find information on any overlaps created.

```
X USER DISKMAP
/overlap
```

Once these overlaps have been corrected, use the following command to syntax-check the definitions in the user direct file.

```
DIRECTXA USER (EDIT
```

If there are any syntax errors, this step will allow them to be identified and corrected. When all are correct, the following command will implement the definitions:

```
DIRECTXA USER
```

This loads the updated definitions to VM, and on its completion, the new guests may be logged on.

3.1.3 Editing the PROFILE EXEC and XEDIT PROFILE

It's a good idea to add the following commands to your Linux/390 guests' profile exec. The first command will allow you to disconnect the VM console from the Linux/390 guest and reconnect to it later, without putting it into a CP READ state.
The next two commands allow you to use the PF12 key to “recall” or “retrieve” previously entered commands. You can then re-issue the commands without having to completely retype them:

'CP SET RUN ON'
'CP SET PF12 RETRIEVE'
'CP SET RETRIEVE MAX'

The kernel boot parameter file is case sensitive. If you edit it without putting XEDIT into mixed-case mode, any line you modify in any way will be converted to all uppercase letters. (Many times this goes unnoticed until the IPL fails in some way.) To automatically put XEDIT into mixed-case mode every time it is invoked, create a file on your 191A disk named XEDIT profile, and put in this line:

'SET CASE M I'

3.1.4 Getting the installation files for VM

Every distribution includes three files that are needed to IPL from the VM virtual card reader. The names of the files will differ, but how you get them to the reader will not. The (generic) files are:

- A kernel image to be IPLed from the VM reader
- A parameter file to be used when IPLing from the reader
- A RAMdisk which contains the installation scripts.

Most distributions also include a REXX EXEC to “punch” the files to your VM reader, then IPL from the reader. You will need to copy the three critical files and, optionally, the installation EXEC to the VM user ID that will become your Linux/390 guest. An easy way to do this is with the VM/CMS FTP client (on the TCPMAINT 592 minidisk). The important files on our Red Hat distribution are:

The installation exec inst.exec
The kernel parameter file inst.parm
The installation ramdisk vminrd22.bin
The installation kernel vmkrnl22.bin

We show the important FTP commands to get the Red Hat startup files from an FTP server to VM:

```
ftp linux4.itso.ibm.com
...
ftp> cd /home/redbooks/linuxSystems/RedHat/boot
ftp> locsite fix 80
ftp> get inst.exec
ftp> get inst.parm
ftp> binary
ftp> get vminrd22.bin
```
Because each of the ftp get subcommands includes only one argument, the VM file name and file type are virtually identical to the Linux file names. The transferred files had the following attributes:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Filename</th>
<th>Type</th>
<th>Format</th>
<th>LRECL</th>
<th>RECS</th>
<th>BLOCKS</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>INST</td>
<td>EXEC</td>
<td>A1 F</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>INST</td>
<td>PARM</td>
<td>A1 F</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>VMINRD22</td>
<td>BIN</td>
<td>A1 F</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>44837</td>
<td>876</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>VMKRNRL22</td>
<td>BIN</td>
<td>A1 F</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>20166</td>
<td>374</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### 3.1.5 Booting the installation kernel from the VM reader

Most of the REXX execs we saw both punched the files to the VM reader and then IPLed from the reader.

Others simply punched the files to the reader, and left it up to the installer to issue the IPL command:

```
IPL 00C CLEAR
```

The installation kernel should now boot. From here you should continue with the documentation that is specific to your distribution.

### 3.2 Prepare the LPAR for Linux

Traditional S/390 operating systems see three layers of I/O configuration:

1. The physical layer containing the hardware and cabling.

2. The logical layer provided by the S/390 or zSeries “firmware”. Devices, control units, and channel paths are defined and this information is stored in the Hardware System Area (HSA). The HSA is initially built using data in the IOCDS at power-on reset; anytime after this, it can be dynamically modified using Hardware Configuration Definition (HCD). The Channel Subsystem (CSS) uses this path information for routing I/O.

3. The layer provided by the operating systems itself. I/O and means that a device must be varied online (or attached) before any I/O can be scheduled to a device.

These three layers provide the convenience of being able to define all devices, which physically exist, so that they can all be seen at the “firmware” level—yet their use and access can be restricted at the operating system level.
Linux does not have the concept of online and offline devices as with other S/390 operating systems. Thus, a problem arises because Linux cannot restrict access to only “its” devices unless the DASD parameter is used in the kernel parameter file.

If this parameter is not used, then devices belonging to other systems may have I/O directed to them—and whether that happens inadvertently or deliberately—it is both a security and integrity problem. While it is true that Linux can have its parameter file tailored using a DASD statement to restrict the DASD devices it will see, one is not used during boot of the driver system for the current Turbolinux install procedure. So it is entirely possible for an incorrect DASD device to be formatted if a mistake is made during the Turbolinux install. As you can imagine, this could be disastrous if the device contains critical business or system data.

Therefore, you need to know how to prevent this potential problem in production environments. How? The Linux partition can be “shielded” from a full view of the configuration. HCD provides features, through the I/O Configuration Program (IOCP), that will restrict resources in the I/O configuration to particular logical partitions (LPARs). There are two ways to do this, which we detail in the following examples.

You’ll need two non-shared DASD for the Linux LPAR, as Linux requires one for a file system and one for a swap space. The following example shows the IOCDS definitions (in IOCP statement format) for 2 DASD: an OSA and a tape device, and their corresponding CU and CHPIDs.

**Example - Using PARTITION on the CHPID statement**

This example restricts the Linux LPAR (LIN01) by using the PARTITION parameter on the CHPID statement. The CHPIDs are defined as reconfigurable, which means they can be configured between LPARs, but cannot be shared between LPARs. Assuming that these devices defined by the IODEVICE are the only ones that are connected, via CNTLUNIT definitions, these are the only devices seen by the LPAR LIN01.

```
CHPID PATH=(54),TYPE=CNC,PARTITION=(LIN01,REC)
CHPID PATH=(5A),TYPE=CNC,PARTITION=(LIN01,REC),SWITCH=06
CHPID PATH=(7D),TYPE=CNC,PARTITION=(LIN01,REC)
CHPID PATH=(E9),TYPE=CNC,PARTITION=(LIN01,REC)
...
CNTLUNIT CUNUMBER=0008,PAT=(54),UNIT=OSA
CNTLUNIT CUNUMBER=5A00,PAT=(5A),UNITADD=((00,16)),UNIT=3490
  LINK=(CE),UNIT=3990
CNTLUNIT CUNUMBER=7D00,PAT=(7D,E9),UNITADD=((00,32)),UNIT=3990,CUADD=1
...
IODEVICE ADDRESS=(5400,02),UNITADD=00,CUNUMBER=(0008),UNIT=OSA
```
Example - Using PARTITION on the IODEVICE statement

This example restricts the Linux LPAR (LIN01) by using the PARTITION parameter on the IODEVICE statement. The CHPID s are defined as shared between the specified LPARs.

```
CHPID PATH=(54),TYPE=CNC,PARTITION=((LIN01,PRODMVS1,PRODMVS2),SHARED)
CHPID PATH=(5A),TYPE=CNC,PARTITION=((LIN01,PRODMVS1,PRODMVS2),SHARED),X
SWITCH=06
CHPID PATH=(7D),TYPE=CNC,PARTITION=((LIN01,PRODMVS1,PRODMVS2),SHARED)
CHPID PATH=(E9),TYPE=CNC,PARTITION=((LIN01,PRODMVS1,PRODMVS2),SHARED)
...
CNTLUNIT CUNUMBER=0008,PATH=(54),UNIT=OSA
CNTLUNIT CUNUMBER=5A00,PATH=(5A),UNITADD=((00,16)),X
  LINK=(CE),UNIT=3490
CNTLUNIT CUNUMBER=7D00,PATH=(7D,E9),UNITADD=((00,32)),X
  UNIT=3990,CUADD=1
...
IODEVICE ADDRESS=(5400,02),UNITADD=00,CUNUMBER=(0008),UNIT=OSA,X
  PARTITION=(LIN01)
IODEVICE ADDRESS=(5402,14),UNITADD=??,CUNUMBER=(0008),UNIT=OSA,X
  PARTITION=(PRODMVS1,PRODMVS2)
IODEVICE ADDRESS=(0A10,02),UNITADD=00,CUNUMBER=(5A00),STADET=Y,UNIT=3490
  PARTITION=(LIN01)
IODEVICE ADDRESS=(0A12,14),UNITADD=??,CUNUMBER=(5A00),STADET=Y,UNIT=3490
  PARTITION=(PRODMVS1,PRODMVS2)
IODEVICE ADDRESS=(200,30),CUNUMBER=7D00,X
  UNITADD=00,STADET=Y,UNIT=3390,PARTITION=(PRODMVS1,PRODMVS2)
IODEVICE ADDRESS=(21C,02),CUNUMBER=7D00,X
  UNITADD=1C,STADET=Y,UNIT=3390,PARTITION=(LIN01)
```

3.3 Swap space size and type

If Linux is running under VM, it is recommended that perhaps a 100 cylinder minidisk be allocated for swap space. Because there is no partitioning tool for LPAR or native Linux (however, see 2.4, “Roadmap” on page 26), a swap file may be used in preference to a swap disk. If a swap disk is used, the whole disk will be dedicated to the swap function—which could waste a lot of DASD space. Further, under VM, this may lead to a performance problem known as “double paging”.

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In any event, these problems can be avoided by either having no swap space or initially having none and then defining a swap file, as a part of the file system, which can be tuned to the correct size without wasting any disk space. The correct size will depend on many factors particular to each system. See the IBM Redbook *Linux for zSeries and S/390: ISP/ASP Solutions*, SG24-6299, for more details. It is on the Web at:

http://www.redbooks.ibm.com/abstracts/sg246299.html

### 3.4 Booting the installation kernel in an LPAR

There are a number of ways to install Linux into an LPAR:

- By using the ICKDSF bootstrap (see 3.4.1, “Using the ICKDSF bootstrap” on page 34)
- From the HMC CD-ROM or FTP server (see 3.4.2, “Booting from HMC CD-ROM or FTP server” on page 35).
- Via an IPL tape (see 3.4.3, “Booting from tape” on page 44)

We discuss each of these methods in detail in the following sections.

#### 3.4.1 Using the ICKDSF bootstrap

The following recipe should allow you to use OS/390 to prepare a Linux IPL volume in an LPAR. Note that the bootstrap only works for ECKD devices (i.e. 3390, or 3380 on a 3990 control unit).

1. Up/download the following files to your TSO user ID:
   - The sample job (see Appendix E, “ICKDSF bootstrap job” on page 541)
   - The kernel (e.g. cd1/suse/images/tapeipl.ikr)
   - The parameter file (e.g. cd1/suse/images/parmfile)
   - The RAMdisk (e.g. cd1/suse/images/initrd)

2. Take one of the volumes you are going to use in your Linux LPAR and vary it online on OS/390. The remainder of this process will erase the current contents of the volume.

3. Adapt the sample job according to your installation needs:
   - Volume label of the Linux volume you varied online.
   - Data set name of the files you downloaded on your TSO user ID.

4. Run the job to assemble the bootstrap, write a new VTOC on the volume, write the bootstrap records, and copy the three Linux data sets to the volume.

5. Vary the volume offline on OS/390 and IPL it in your Linux LPAR. The prompts will show on the HMC.
The remainder of this procedure is as documented for the IPL from tape.

Although you did an IPL from DASD, the device is not usable in Linux as you have it now. We recommend that you run `dasdfmt` against it and use it as your root device for Linux. You can now complete the install in the fashion specific to your distribution.

If you prefer to do your own job, you can also start with the bootstrap source and do it as fits. (Keep in mind that when you use other names for the three data sets, you will have to adjust the definition in the bootstrap source as well.) The data sets must be on the IPL volume, must not be migrated, and must consist of just a single extent. The bootstrap does not care about record length or block size, but the data set must be F or FB. Also, when you edit the parameter file, notice that the kernel only uses the first 896 bytes of it.

### 3.4.2 Booting from HMC CD-ROM or FTP server

For G5 and later machines, perhaps the most convenient method of booting the installation system is either via FTP server or from CD-ROM at the HMC. No knowledge of any of the various mainframe operating systems is required when installing in either of these ways, and dealing with unlabeled tapes is avoided.

The CD-ROM drive on the HMC is used only to stage the kernel image, parameter file, and RAMdisk image. The installation files of your particular Linux distribution must still be “network reachable” from the target LPAR during the installation process. The installation process that follows the successful booting of the installation kernel is the same, regardless of where the kernel was booted from.

The following series of figures graphically depict the booting of the installation system from a CD by using the CD-ROM drive on the HMC or from an FTP server which is network-accessible to the HMC.

For consistency, we will select the object to be acted upon with a single click of the left mouse button on its icon. Then we will initiate the action by double-clicking with the left mouse button on the icon of the action to be taken.
In Figure 3-1, we have selected Defined CPC and are poised to double-click Single Object Operations.

Figure 3-1 Defined CPCs selected
Since there is more than one Central Processor Complex (CPC), we are prompted to select the one that is to be the target of the Single Object Operation. We click **Object Name** to select the target, and then click **OK** to proceed; see Figure 3-2.

Figure 3-2  Selection of CPC
We now have displayed, in the Images Work Area, all of the LPARs defined for this CPC. The target LPAR will be A12, which in our case is an Integrated Facility for Linux (IFL) LPAR (note the penguin in this icon, denoting the IFL processor).

To initiate the load process, we double-click the icon labeled **Load from CD-ROM or Server**; see Figure 3-3.
Confirmation will be requested to continue with the load. Click **Yes** to continue if the target LPAR is correct; see Figure 3-4.

*Figure 3-4  Confirming the “Load from CD-ROM or Server”*
Once the Load from CD-ROM or Server has been confirmed, we are prompted to select the source for the load. In the first example, we will be loading from CD-ROM, which is the default; see Figure 3-5.
In this example, we show specifying an FTP server as the source for our startup files; see Figure 3-6.

The root directory of the load source is scanned for files whose names end in .ins. The internal contents of such files have the format as follows:

* SuSE Linux for S/390 Installation/Rescue System (default)
suse/images/tapeipl.ikr 0x00000000
suse/images/initrd 0x00800000
suse/images/parmfile 0x00010480

The file names and comment (first line) of all such files are then displayed. Since we were not going to be using IUCV communications, we selected the first file; see Figure 3-7 on page 42.
Figure 3-7  Selecting the software
Confirmation of our selection is then requested. We clicked **Yes**.

The selected set of files are then staged from the selected source. We get a confirmation box that says: Retrieving code from source.

A **Reset Clear** is then performed on the target LPAR. We get a confirmation box that says: Performing a clear reset. Following this, the load for the LPAR begins. We get a confirmation box that says: Loading data into system.

Notification of successful completion is the next display that we receive; see Figure 3-8.

![Figure 3-8   Boot complete](image)

The installation kernel has been booted. From here you should continue by using the documentation that is specific to your distribution.
### 3.4.3 Booting from tape

If no FTP server with the installation files is reachable from the HMC, and if no physical CD can be created, then the “boot” of the installation system must be done from tape.

Every distribution includes three files that are needed to create a boot tape. The names of the files will differ, but how you get them to tape will not. The (generic) files are:

- A kernel image to be IPLed from tape
- A parameter file to be used when IPLing from tape
- A RAMdisk which contains the installation scripts

You will need to copy these files to some S/390 operating system environment in order to create the tape. For our installation, we used an OS/390 system. You can also use z/VM (see “Creating an IPL tape on VM” on page 50) or VSE (see “Creating an IPL tape on VSE” on page 50).

Note that you can select any data set name you desire, and that your data set allocations must conform to your installation’s data set naming and allocation standards. In the examples that follow, we transferred the files from a LAN-attached Windows 2000 machine via FTP to OS/390. The files themselves were actually hosted via Samba on a Linux/390 system running under VM. These transfers occurred in the following order:

1. The installation RAMdisk file - /suse/images/initrd
2. The parameter file - /suse/images/parmfile
3. The installation kernel - file /suse/images/tapeipl.ikr

```bash
ftp wtsc69
...
ftp> quote site lrecl=1024 blksize=8192 recfm=fb track pri=260 sec=50
ftp> bin
ftp> put
Local file f:/linuxSystems/suse/cd1/suse/images/initrd
Remote file linux390.initrd.txt
125 Storing data set MIKEM.LINUX390.INITRD.TXT
ftp: 10132453 bytes sent in 31.74Seconds 319.27Kbytes/sec.
ftp> quote site lrecl=1024 recfm=f blksize=1024 track pri=1
ftp> put
Local file f:/linuxSystems/suse/cd1/suse/images/parmfile
Remote file linux390.parm.line
125 Storing data set MIKEM.LINUX390.PARM.LINE
ftp: 38 bytes sent in 0.03Seconds 1.27Kbytes/sec.
ftp> quote site recfm=f lrecl=1024 blksize=8192 b1 pri=200 sec=100
ftp> put
```
Local file f:/linuxSystems/suse/cd1/suse/images/tapeipl.ikr
Remote file linux390.image.txt
125 Storing data set MIKEM.LINUX390.IMAGE.TXT
250 Transfer completed successfully.
ftp: 1501168 bytes sent in 4.96Seconds 302.84Kbytes/sec.
ftp> quit

Following are the attributes of the files as they were created on the OS/390 system:

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<th>Recfm</th>
<th>Lrecl</th>
<th>Blksize</th>
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<td>3390</td>
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<td>FB</td>
<td>1024</td>
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<td>100</td>
<td>3390</td>
<td>PS</td>
<td>F</td>
<td>1024</td>
<td>1024</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Before transferring the files to tape, we prepared the tape by creating an empty file which simply wrote tape marks at the beginning of the tape. This destroyed any volume label that might have been on the tape.

In a typical OS/390 production environment, you will have to bypass tape volume protection in order to write to the tape or even be able to specify the "bypass label processing" option BLP which was used on DD statement SYSUT2 in the sample job:

```plaintext
//LINUXTP JOB (999,POK),'CREATE NL',NOTIFY=&SYSUID,
// CLASS=A,MSGCLASS=T,MSGLEVEL=(1,1)
//STEP0 EXEC PGM=IEBGENER
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=* 
//SYSUT1 DD DUMMY,DCB=(RECFM=F,BLKSIZE=1024) 
//SYSUT2 DD DISP=(NEW,KEEP),LABEL=(1,BLP),DSN=SUSE.BOOT, 
// DCB=(RECFM=F,LRECL=1024),VOL=SER=NLTAPE, 
// UNIT=B4F
//SYSIN DD DUMMY
//
```

Other volume protection measures in effect by your installed tape management product may require additional DD statement parameters to be specified.

We created the boot tape by running the job as shown:

```plaintext
//LINUXTP JOB (999,POK),'CREATE BOOT TAPE',NOTIFY=&SYSUID,
// CLASS=A,MSGCLASS=T,MSGLEVEL=(1,1)
//IMAGE EXEC PGM=IEBGENER
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=* 
//SYSUT1 DD DISP=SHR,DSN=MIKEM.LINUX390.IMAGE.TXT 
//SYSUT2 DD DISP=(NEW,PASS),LABEL=(1,NL),DSN=DUMMY, 
// DCB=(RECFM=F,LRECL=1024), 
// UNIT=B4F
//```
//SYSIN DD DUMMY
//PARMLINE EXEC PGM=IEBGENER
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=* 
//SYSUT1 DD DISP=SHR,DSN=MIXEM.LINUX390.PARM.LINE
//SYSUT2 DD DISP=(NEW,KEEP),LABEL=(3,NL),DSN=DUMMY,
// DCB=(RECFM=F,LRECL=1024),
// VOL=(,RETAIN,,REF=*.IMAGE.SYSUT2),
// UNIT=B4F
//SYSIN DD DUMMY
//INITRD EXEC PGM=IEBGENER
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=* 
//SYSUT1 DD DISP=SHR,DSN=MIXEM.LINUX390.INITRD.TXT
//SYSUT2 DD DISP=(NEW,KEEP),LABEL=(3,NL),DSN=DUMMY,
// DCB=(RECFM=F,LRECL=1024),
// VOL=(,RETAIN,,REF=*.IMAGE.SYSUT2),
// UNIT=B4F
//SYSIN DD DUMMY

Note: There may be environments where a non-labelled tape is simply not possible. If you must write the Linux boot files to a standard-labelled tape, it can still be IPLed by IPLing five times. The first four times will fail, but the label will be skipped over, and the fifth IPL should succeed.
We then transferred the cartridge to a tape drive attached to the LPAR where we were going to install Linux/390. To start the IPL process, we selected our A12 LPAR, and then the Load command; see Figure 3-9.

![Selecting LPAR A12 for Load](image-url)
When the load panel was displayed, we filled in the unit number of the tape drive with our IPL tape, and clicked OK; see Figure 3-10.

![Figure 3-10 Load screen](image)

When asked to confirm the load, we clicked YES; see Figure 3-11.

![Figure 3-11 Load Confirmation screen](image)
The Load Progress box was then displayed while the tape was read.

The reading of the tape was eventually successful, as indicated as in Figure 3-12. However, as often occurs, we experienced a number of load failures due to other systems accessing the tape controllers, etc, so patience and persistence are definitely virtues in this scenario.

![Figure 3-12](image)

*Figure 3-12  Load completed!*

At this point, the installation kernel has been booted. If you double-click the Operating System Messages icon, you will (eventually) start to see the usual Linux/390 startup messages. This may take a minute or more, depending on your hardware and system load. From here you should continue by using the documentation that is specific to your distribution.
Creating an IPL tape on VM

We show the following sequence of FTP commands to download the required boot files for an IPL from tape. Note that files are reblocked to a record length of 1024 bytes, and that the kernel file is specific to the tape IPL method.

```bash
# ftp 9.12.0.88
... cd /mnt/cdrom
bin
locsite fix 1024
get /turbo/image-2.2.nn-127-ramdisk-tape turbot.image
get /turbo/initrd turbot.initrd
asc
get /turbo/parmline turbot.parm
quit
```

First a tape device must be attached to the VM guest. The following CP command is an example of attaching the tape device B30, which must be issued from a privileged VM user ID:

```
ATT B30 VMLINUX7 AS 181
```

In this example the user ID VMLINUX7 now has a virtual device 181, which is the real tape drive B30. Insert a blank non-labelled tape and issue a rewind command, `REW 181`, to ensure the tape is rewound. Then the following REXX EXEC will copy the boot files to the tape device 181:

```rexx
/* */
'FILEDEF IN DISK TURBOT IMAGE A'
'FILEDEF OUT TAP1 (RECFM F LRECL 1024 BLOCK 1024 PERM)'
'movefile in out'
'FILEDEF IN DISK TURBOT PARM A'
'movefile in out'
'FILEDEF IN DISK TURBOT INITRD A'
'movefile in out'
```

The tape can now be either unloaded via the `TAPE RUN` command, or can just be rewound for an immediate IPL.

Creating an IPL tape on VSE

A job similar to the following can be used to preallocate the kernel, parameter file, and RAMdisk:

```vse
* $$ JOB JNM=ALLOCATE,CLASS=0,DISP=D,NTFY=YES
// JOB ALLOCATE DEFINE FILES
// EXEC IDCAMS,SIZE=AUTO
DEFINE CL(NAME(LINUX.IMAGE.FILE) -
    CYL(3 3) SHR(1) RECSZ(1024 1024) -
    VOL(DOSRES SYSWK1) -
```
NOREUSE NIXD COMPRESSED -
FREESPACE(15 7) TO(99366)) -
DATA(NAME(LINUX.IMAGE.FILE.@D@) -
CISZ(8192)) -
CAT(VSESP.USER.CATALOG)
DEFINE CL(NAME(LINUX.PARM.FILE) -
CYL(2 2) SHR(3) RECSZ(1024 1024) -
VOL(DOSRES) -
REUSE NIXD NOCOMPRESSED -
FREESPACE(15 7) TO(99366)) -
DATA(NAME(LINUX.PARM.FILE.@D@) -
CISZ(8192)) -
CAT(VSESP.USER.CATALOG)
DEFINE CL(NAME(LINUX.INITRD.TXT) -
CYL(6 6) SHR(1) RECSZ(1024 1024) -
VOL(DOSRES SYSWK1) -
NOREUSE NIXD COMPRESSED -
FREESPACE(15 7) TO(99366)) -
DATA(NAME(LINUX.INITRD.TXT.@D@) -
CISZ(8192)) -
CAT(VSESP.USER.CATALOG)
IF LASTCC NE 0 THEN CANCEL JOB
/*
OPTION STDLABLE=ADD
// DLBL IMAGE,'LINUX.IMAGE.FILE',,VSAM,CAT=VSESPUC
// DLBL PARMLIN,'LINUX.PARM.FILE',,VSAM,CAT=VSESPUC
// DLBL INITRD,'LINUX.INITRD.TXT',,VSAM,CAT=VSESPUC
/*
// EXEC IESVCLUP,SIZE=AUTO
A LINUX.IMAGE.FILE IMAGE VSESPUC
A LINUX.INITRD.TXT INITRD VSESPUC
/*
/&
* $$ EOJ

Now a job similar to the following can be used to download the files using FTP:

* $J JOB JNM=FTPJOB,CLASS=A,DISP=D
// JOB GETFILES FTP FILES
// DLBL IMAGE,'LINUX.IMAGE.FILE',,VSAM,CAT=VSESPUC,DISP=(OLD,KEEP)
// DLBL INITRD,'LINUX.INITRD.TXT',,VSAM,CAT=VSESPUC,DISP=(OLD,KEEP)
// DLBL PARMLIN,'LINUX.PARM.FILE',,VSAM,CAT=VSESPUC,DISP=(OLD,KEEP)
// EXEC FTP,PARM='IP=9.12.0.88,PORT=21,ID=00'
<userid>
<password>
<iccf_userid>
<iccf_password> BINARY
cd /mnt/cdrom
get /turbo/image-2.2.nn-127-ramdisk-tape FILE
get /turbo/parmline TXT
get /turbo/initrd TXT
quit
/*
/&
* $$ EOJ

Ensure a tape device is available. If VSE is operating as a VM guest, use the ATTACH command in the previous job. If not, ensure a tape device is available. Then a job similar to the following can be used to create the IPL tape.

* $$ JOB JNM=DITTO,CLASS=A,DISP=D
// JOB DITTO TO CREATE IPL-ABLE LINUX TAPE
// ASSGN SYS006, cuu
// DLBL IMAGE,'LINUX.IMAGE.FILE',,VSAM,CAT=VSESPUC,DISP=(OLD,KEEP)
// DLBL INITRD,'LINUX.INITRD.TXT',,VSAM,CAT=VSESPUC,DISP=(OLD,KEEP)
// DLBL PARMLIN,'LINUX.PARM.FILE',,VSAM,CAT=VSESPUC,DISP=(OLD,KEEP)
// LIBDEF *,SEARCH=PRD1.BASE
// UPSI
// EXEC DITTO
$$DITTO REW OUTPUT=SYS006
$$DITTO WTM OUTPUT=SYS006,NTMKS=5
$$DITTO REW OUTPUT=SYS006
$$DITTO VTP FILEIN=IMAGE,OUTPUT=SYS006
$$DITTO VTP FILEIN=PARMLIN,OUTPUT=SYS006
$$DITTO VTP FILEIN=INITRD,OUTPUT=SYS006
$$DITTO EOJ
/*
/&

* $$ EOJ
In this part of the book, we describe the IBM strategic distributions of Linux for S/390 and zSeries. They are:

- SuSE Linux AG, which has a generally available Linux distribution
- Turbolinux Inc., which has a generally available Linux distribution
- Red Hat Inc., which has a beta Linux distribution
Overview of SuSE Linux

In this chapter we describe the Linux distribution offered by SuSE Linux AG (SuSE). SuSE’s product is called SuSE Linux Enterprise Server for S/390. We will use the term SuSE Linux for brevity.

SuSE Linux was announced on October 31, 2000 and became generally available around November 5, 2000. It was based on SuSE Linux 7.0 for the PC platform. A beta was originally available around July 2000.

The product is primarily intended for S/390 G5 and G6, Multiprise 3000, and zSeries machines, but can be installed and used on S/390 G3 and G4 series, and Multiprise 2000 machines with certain limitations. Service and support is available as is project planning, implementation, performance tuning, and other consulting services.

The version of the product that we installed was from a “release candidate” provided by SuSE that had been created around May 9, 2001. It was Linux version 2.2.16 with a kernel compile date of May 6, 2001 06:15:49 GMT.
4.1 Getting the SuSE distribution

You can acquire the SuSE Linux distribution via SuSE sales, or on the Web.

4.1.1 Via SuSE sales

USA/Canada:

phone: +1-510-628-3380
fax: +1-510-628-3381
E-mail: s390-sales@suse.com
Web: shop.suse.com

Europe:

phone: +49-911-74053-31
E-mail: s390-sales@suse.de

4.1.2 Via FTP site

The SuSE Linux distribution is contained on three ISO images and can be downloaded from:


Note: If you downloaded the images but would like installation assistance and/or support, then you must contact one of the above listed sales locations.

Along with the ISO images, the file MD5SUM is available which can be used to validate the accuracy of any copies made of the ISO images. To perform this validation, download file MD5SUM to the same directory and enter the following command:

`# md5sum -c MD5SUM`

Successful validation of the files will produce output similar to the following:

```
suse-us-s390-cd1.iso: OK
suse-us-s390-cd2.iso: OK
suse-us-s390-cd3.iso: OK
```

The display will contain the names of the ISO files that you downloaded (which will not necessarily be the ones displayed in the example above).
Creating the CDs

Typically, CDs will be created from the ISO images. Creating the CDs will provide a backup of the contents of the large, downloaded ISO files, provide a convenient means to copy the contents of the distribution to a network server for use during installation, and provide the capability to boot the installation system from CD.

Given the many CD “burning” programs available on various hardware platforms and operating systems, it is not practical to attempt to describe here how to create a CD from an ISO image. However, use care to ensure that the ISO image is not simply copied to the CD but that the file system created on the CD was, in fact, populated with all the files contained within the ISO image.

Using the ISO images directly

If you have a Linux system available and if it can be accessed from the z900 or S/390 system on which Linux is to be installed, then you can use the contents or ISO images directly.

Simply loopback-mount them as follows:

```
# mkdir /suse
# cd /suse
# mkdir cd1 cd2 cd3
# mount -o loop -r /<your location>/suse-us-s390-cd1.iso /suse/cd1
# mount -o loop -r /<your location>/suse-us-s390-cd2.iso /suse/cd2
# mount -o loop -r /<your location>/suse-us-s390-cd3.iso /suse/cd3
```

**Important:** Mounting a CD image via loopback devices requires ISO 9660 support in the kernel which is built into most, but not all, kernels.

4.2 Documentation included with the SuSE distribution

The first CD contains the following installation documentation for SuSE Linux:

- **manual.pdf** - *SuSE 7.0 Installation, Networking, Know How,* 271 pages

Additionally SuSE includes the file sg244987.pdf, which is the IBM Redbook entitled *Linux for S/390,* SG24-4987. This publication consists of 533 pages and is one of the most comprehensive publications to date for Linux on S/390, providing an introduction to Linux for management while covering installation, configuration, and customization. It is on the Web at:
The list of software RPMs that are installed on SuSE Linux are listed in an appendix entitled “Linux Software Packages”. Due to the size of this document, it is not included in this redbook, but can be found separately on the Web at:

4.3 Software components of the distribution

SuSE groups various related RPM’s into “series”. In this section we summarize each series with a short descriptive phrase, along with the number of packages contained in the series.

RPM is an acronym for Red Hat Package Manager. When used as a noun, it usually describes a binary package that can be run on a specific platform. SRPM is a Source code RPM. It is a package that contains source code which typically must be built into binaries.

Series on CD #1

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Tip: Read and follow the excellent installation documentation found in the “Preparing” and “Installing” manuals.
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Series on CD #1

29 series and 727 RPMs on CD #1

Series on CD #2

14 series - 308 RPMs and 439 SRPMs

Series on CD #3

3 series - 33 RPMs and 250 SRPMs

There are 46 series with a total of 1068 RPMs and 689 SRPMs.

There are 1757 total packages in distribution.
4.4 How does SuSE Linux differ

Most distributions provide system administration tools which were developed expressly for it. Such tools provide a means to achieve increased productivity in the installation, customization, and support of a Linux system. This provides one of the major opportunities for a distribution builder to add value.

SuSE has developed YaST (Yet another Setup Tool) to provide such a facility for their various distributions, including S/390. Some are the tasks supported by YaST are as follows:

- Installation
- Changes to installation
- Install/delete packages
- Add/delete/list users and groups
- Configure new hardware
- Maintain security settings
- Create/maintain file systems
- Back up the system
- Maintain the system configuration file

In response to the system administrator's changes, YaST alters the contents of the SuSE configuration file /etc/rc.config. Then YaST invokes SuSEConfig in order to implement the changes.

Other differences:

- More documentation is available that has been developed specifically for the SuSE distribution.
- Support for the Logical Volume Manager is provided in the supplied kernels. Logical volumes can be defined and used during the installation.
- Currently, the largest selection of software packages for a S/390 distribution is provided. The distribution occupies three full CDs.
- Professional services are available for installation and support.
- CISCO CIP is now a supported network interface and can be selected at installation.
Chapter 5. Installing SuSE Linux

In this chapter we discuss the installation of SuSE Linux for S/390 and zSeries under VM and in an LPAR. Installing SuSE under VIF is documented in Chapter 16, “VIF” on page 267.

In performing the installation and customization activities for SuSE Linux, we followed the supplied installation documentation in order to assess its usability and completeness. Using the documentation provided on CD1; Preparing for Installing SuSE LINUX for S/390®–April 5, 2001 (l390gp3.pdf) and Installing SuSE LINUX for S/390®–April 5, 2001 (l390ga3.pdf). Our installation scenarios were completed without incident.

What minor exceptions to the documentation that were encountered during the installation process are described where found.

Regardless of the method of installation, the contents of CD #1 and CD #2 must be accessible to installation kernel via NFS, FTP, or SMB. The default installation does not use any files on CD #3. CD #3 is only used for TeX/LaTex and related applications, for the Base X Window System (XFree86), and for many of the source RPMs. We recommend, however, that you make CD #3 accessible if you have the available disk space. Then, regardless of the type of system to be installed—or when adding package groups late—the necessary files will be available.
5.1 General installation considerations

Note the following considerations in relation to the installation task.

5.1.1 Boot file processing

In order to boot the starter system through which the installation will be accomplished, three files are placed on the boot device in the following order:

1. Installation kernel image
2. Parameter file
3. RAMdisk image

For an LPAR or native installation, these three files are either copied to tape or emulated tape, or staged on the HMC from CD #1.

When booting, a hardware-generated read to the boot device will transfer the first block of data into storage, and execution control will pass to the first byte in the data block. This is the initial record in the kernel's self-loading routine.

Once loaded, the kernel does a single read to the boot device to get its boot-time parameters. Then the next file, which is the image of the memory-resident file system (RAMdisk), is read from the boot device. The RAMdisk contains all of the programs, scripts, etc. required for the installation process.

5.1.2 DASD considerations

When the SuSE installation routines create the file /boot/parmfile, the device number of the swap file system will always be declared first. Therefore, if there is a swap device, it will always be /dev/dasda1.

Both the “Installation Worksheet for LPAR or native” on page 5 of the Preparing for Installing SuSE LINUX for S/390 manual and the “Installation Worksheet for VM” on page 7 of the same manual ask for the “First DASD volume (root file system) and the “Second DASD volume (swap space)”. This would lead one to casually assume that the root file system will be created on DASDA and that the swap file will be located on DASDB. Be aware though that, typically, the root file system will be on DASDB if a swap volume is specified during the installation process.
Logical Volume Manager (LVM) support is included in the installation kernel. YaST supports the creation and management of LVM groups and can be used at installation to build such for use by the system to be installed. We chose not to perform our installations to LVM DASD. We did, however, exercise YaST in creating an LVM environment; that experience is described in Chapter 6, “Customizing and using SuSE Linux” on page 91.

5.1.3 Installation options and DASD requirements

We typically used SuSE’s default for the type of installation. Installation types, along with their approximate package counts and DASD space requirements, are summarized in Table 5-1:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Installation type</th>
<th>Package count</th>
<th>Space required</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>SuSE Almost Everything</td>
<td>834</td>
<td>2.72G</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SuSE Development System</td>
<td>319</td>
<td>1.18G</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SuSE DMZ Base System</td>
<td>96</td>
<td>309.1M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SuSE Minimum System</td>
<td>75</td>
<td>160.4M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SuSE Network Oriented System</td>
<td>337</td>
<td>918.1M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SuSE Default System with Server Applications and Development</td>
<td>244</td>
<td>784.3M</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Our actual installation of the SuSE Default System with Server Applications and Development contained 248 packages. Therefore, the values listed should be not taken as absolutes, but rather as values intended for planning purposes.

The distribution of disk occupancy by key directory for the installation type of SuSE Default System with Server Applications and Development is described in Table 5-2:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Directory</th>
<th>Size</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>/bin</td>
<td>5.7 MB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/boot</td>
<td>1.7 MB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/dev</td>
<td>28 KB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/etc</td>
<td>3.6 MB</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
5.2 Installing SuSE under VM

In this section we describe how to install SuSE under VM, provide various checklists, and detail how to FTP files and create REXX execs to help you in the install process.

5.2.1 SuSE under VM checklist

For convenience, we start with an overall checklist.

1. Read 3.1, “Prepare the VM guest for Linux” on page 28.

2. Plan your DASD configuration:
   a. Which minidisks are going to be used
   b. What file systems are going to be on what minidisks
   c. How big those minidisks need to be - see 5.1.3, “Installation options and DASD requirements” on page 63

3. Complete the worksheet in Table 5-3 on page 65 (or, alternatively, the “Installation worksheet for VM” located in *Preparing for Installing SuSE LINUX for S/390* – April 5, 2001 l390gp3.pdf).

4. Make sure the three appropriate boot files and an IPL EXEC are available - see 5.2.3, “Transferring installation system files to your VM guest” on page 65.

5. IPL Linux from reader (or possibly tape).

6. Complete the installation with YaST - see 5.2.4, “Logging in via telnet and completing the install via YaST” on page 71.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Directory</th>
<th>Size</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>/lib</td>
<td>12 MB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/opt</td>
<td>31 MB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/root</td>
<td>20 KB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/sbin</td>
<td>8.2 MB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/tmp</td>
<td>4 KB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/usr</td>
<td>654 MB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/var</td>
<td>19 MB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>736 MB</strong></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
5.2.2 Installing SuSE Linux under VM

Table 5-3 is a copy of the “Installation worksheet for VM” found in Preparing for Installing SuSE LINUX for S/390®–April 5, 2001, which is also provided here for your convenience.

Table 5-3   SuSE installation worksheet

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>VM Data</th>
<th>Value</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>VM Guest user ID (if installing under VM)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>VM guest password (if installing under VM)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Disk with FTP program</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>First DASD volume (root file system)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Second DASD volume (swap space)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tape unit (if installing from tape)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Host name</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IP address</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Net mask</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Broadcast address</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Gateway address</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IP address of the DNS</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DNS search domain</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IP address or host name</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Path to CD-ROM data</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Root password</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

5.2.3 Transferring installation system files to your VM guest

We used FTP to transfer the image of the installation kernel, the parameter file, and the RAMdisk image to our VM guest system. Following are the important FTP commands:

```
FTP 9.12.9.183
...
cd /suse/cd1
bin
locsite fix 80
```
Creating LIN and LIPL EXECS

We then created the LIPL REXX EXEC, which will be used to place the installation files on the VM reader, and then to boot the installation system.

Under CMS, we created a REXX EXEC file LIN EXEC, which consisted of the following statements.

**Note:** Keep in mind that a REXX EXEC must always start with a C style comment to let VM know that REXX should interpret the file.

```/* */
'CLOSE RDR'
'PURGE RDR ALL'
'SPOOL PUNCH * RDR'
'PUNCH SUSE IMAGE A (NOH'
'PUNCH SUSE PARM A (NOH'
'PUNCH SUSE INITRD A (NOH'
'CHANGE RDR ALL KEEP NOHOLD'
'IPL 00C CLEAR'
```

We also created the REXX LIPL EXEC, which can be used to reboot the kernel. The statements for LIPL are as follows:

```/* */
'CHANGE RDR ALL KEEP NOHOLD'
'IPL 00C CLEAR'
```

We now had all the files created or staged that we would use to boot the installation system. A list of our files at this point is as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Cmd</th>
<th>Filename</th>
<th>Filetype</th>
<th>Fm</th>
<th>Format</th>
<th>Lrecl</th>
<th>Records</th>
<th>Blocks</th>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Time</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>SUSE</td>
<td>PARM</td>
<td>A1 V</td>
<td>36</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>6/12/01</td>
<td>17:46:36</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SUSE</td>
<td>INITRD</td>
<td>A1 F</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>126656</td>
<td>2474</td>
<td>6/12/01</td>
<td>17:40:53</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SUSE</td>
<td>IMAGE</td>
<td>A1 F</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>18972</td>
<td>339</td>
<td>6/12/01</td>
<td>17:39:16</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LIN</td>
<td>EXEC</td>
<td>A1 V</td>
<td>28</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>6/17/01</td>
<td>17:47:46</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LIPL</td>
<td>EXEC</td>
<td>A1 V</td>
<td>28</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>6/17/01</td>
<td>17:54:49</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>VMLINUX5</td>
<td>NETLOG</td>
<td>A0 V</td>
<td>103</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>5/14/01</td>
<td>17:34:36</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PROFILE</td>
<td>EXEC</td>
<td>A1 V</td>
<td>31</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>5/14/01</td>
<td>17:28:34</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Note:** SuSE's documentation refers to the "parmfile" as "parmline". The file on CD #1 is named "parmfile".
Booting the installation system under VM

From our CMS prompt, we invoked the LIN EXEC as follows:

```
lin
0000003 FILES PURGED
RDR FILE 0019 SENT FROM VMLINUX5 PUN WAS 0019 RECS 019K CPY 001 A NOHOLD NOKEEP
RDR FILE 0020 SENT FROM VMLINUX5 PUN WAS 0020 RECS 0002 CPY 001 A NOHOLD NOKEEP
RDR FILE 0021 SENT FROM VMLINUX5 PUN WAS 0021 RECS 127K CPY 001 A NOHOLD NOKEEP
0000003 FILES CHANGED
0000003 FILES CHANGED
```

Since the last command in the REXX EXEC was an IPL of our installation system, momentarily we received the following output from the startup of the kernel:

```
Linux version 2.2.16 (root@ikr_rdr.suse.de) (gcc version 2.95.2 19991024 (release)) #1 SMP Tue May 1 11:44:38 GMT 2001
Command line is: ramdisk_size=32768 root=/dev/ram0 ro
We are running under VM
This machine has an IEEE fpu
Initial ramdisk at: 0x02000000 (10132480 bytes)
Detected device 2928 on subchannel 0000 - PIM = 80, PAM = 80, POM = FF
Detected device 2929 on subchannel 0001 - PIM = 80, PAM = 80, POM = FF
Detected device 0191 on subchannel 0002 - PIM = F0, PAM = F0, POM = FF
......
Detected device 019E on subchannel 000F - PIM = F0, PAM = F0, POM = FF
Jun 12 21:59:26 suse syslogd 1.3-3: restart.
Checking if LVM is supported in the kernel... Ok.
```

Network setup

With the startup of the kernel complete, the network setup script started and the following display was received, to which we replied 2, as shown:

```
= =
==- Welcome to SuSE Linux S/390 7.0 -=-
= =
```

First, select the type of your network device:

0) no network 1) OSA Token Ring 2) OSA Ethernet 3) OSA-Express Gigabit Ethernet 4) Channel To Channel 5) Escon 6) IUCV 7) CLAW (Cisco Mainframe Channel Connection)
Enter your choice (1-7): 2
The SuSE installation documentation had selection numbers 3 and 6, followed by (experimental); it did not have a selection number 7. Because Cisco routers are common, having CLAW support available at installation is a plus.

Next, we were informed that we must read and confirm the license information for the driver provided by IBM:

To set up the network, you have to read and confirm the license information of the network device driver provided by IBM.
Do you want to see the license (Yes/No)? yes

Following our reply, we were presented with the terms of the agreement (you must display the entire agreement and then reply affirmatively to the prompt at the end). Following our affirmative reply, we were prompted to begin specifying our network interface information.

Ok, now we can set up the network configuration.

Please enter the device address of the network device
Ask your system administrator for the correct settings.
If there is only ONE OSA network device attached to your machine, you may type "auto" for automatic detection; use this option carefully.
Network device address (e.g. FC20): 2928

Please enter the relative port number on device address 2928
Relative port: 0

To the above prompt, we replied with our OSA device number and port number.

The installation routines attempted to activate the lcs module with our supplied values. The output of the activation process was as follows:

Unloading LCS module if active...
rmmod: module lcs is not loaded
Trying to start the LCS module now...
ismod lcs noauto=1 devno_portno_pairs=0x2928,0:
Using /lib/modules/2.2.16/net/lcs.o
Starting lcs
lcs: eth0 configured as follows read subchannel=0 write subchannel=1
read_devno=2928 write_devno=2929
hw_address=00:06:29:6C:CB:CE rel_adapter_no=0
lcs configured to use sw statistics, ip checksumming of received packets is off.
autodetection is off.
cu_model 0x01,15 rel_adapter(s)
cu_model 0x08,15 rel_adapter(s)
cu_model 0x60,1 rel_adapter(s)
cu_model 0x1F,15 rel_adapter(s)
lsmod now shows all loaded modules:
Was the start of the LCS module successful (Yes/No)? yes

Next we were prompted to supply the remaining network configuration parameters:

Please enter your full host name (e.g. s390.suse.com):
vmlinux5.itso.ibm.com
Please enter your IP address: 9.12.6.76
Please enter the net mask: 255.255.255.0
Please enter the broadcast address (9.12.6.255):
Please enter the gateway address: 9.12.6.75
Please enter the IP address of the DNS server (leave blank for none): 9.12.14.7
Please enter the DNS search domain (e.g. suse.com): itso.ibm.com
Please enter the MTU (Maximum Transfer Unit, leave blank for default: 1492):

Note that we took the defaults for the broadcast address and MTU size by simply pressing Enter at the prompt. We were prompted to confirm that our configuration was correct. (If it had not been correct, a reply of no would have started the process from the beginning.) The values were correct for our installation, as shown:

Configuration for eth0 will be:
Full host name : vmlinux5.itso.ibm.com
IP address : 9.12.6.76
Net mask : 255.255.255.0
Broadcast address: 9.12.6.255
Gateway address : 9.12.6.75
DNS IP address : 9.12.14.7
DNS search domain: itso.ibm.com
MTU size : 1492
Is this correct (Yes/No)? yes

Next we had to set a temporary password for user root.

For security reasons you have to set an temporary installation system password for the user "root". You'll be asked for it only when you telnet into this installation system to limit the access to it and it will be cleared as soon as you shut down or reset the installation system

Please enter the temporary installation password: *****

We received confirmation of the temporary password change, followed by activation of our network. Note (in the following results) the use of the ping command to verify that our supplied network addresses were reachable:
Temporary installation password set.

restarting syslogd:
Jun 13 11:24:32 vmlinux5 syslogd 1.3-3: restart.

ifconfig eth0 9.12.6.76 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 9.12.6.255 mtu 1492
/sbin/ifconfig eth0 :
eth0      Link encap:Ethernet  HWaddr 00:06:29:6C:CB:CE
UP BROADCAST RUNNING MULTICAST  MTU:1492 Metric:1
RX packets:0 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
TX packets:0 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
collisions:0 txqueuelen:100

Trying to ping my IP address:
PING 9.12.6.76 (9.12.6.76): 56 data bytes
64 bytes from 9.12.6.76: icmp_seq=0 ttl=255 time=62.260 ms
64 bytes from 9.12.6.76: icmp_seq=1 ttl=255 time=0.106 ms
64 bytes from 9.12.6.76: icmp_seq=2 ttl=255 time=0.091 ms
--- 9.12.6.76 ping statistics ---
3 packets transmitted, 3 packets received, 0% packet loss
round-trip min/avg/max = 0.091/0.819/62.260 ms

Trying to ping the IP address of the Gateway:
PING 9.12.6.75 (9.12.6.75): 56 data bytes
64 bytes from 9.12.6.75: icmp_seq=0 ttl=64 time=2.981 ms
64 bytes from 9.12.6.75: icmp_seq=1 ttl=64 time=2.319 ms
64 bytes from 9.12.6.75: icmp_seq=2 ttl=64 time=0.896 ms
--- 9.12.6.75 ping statistics ---
3 packets transmitted, 3 packets received, 0% packet loss
round-trip min/avg/max = 0.896/2.065/2.981 ms

Gateway seems to respond to our pings, continuing.

Trying to ping the IP address of the DNS Server:
64 bytes from 9.12.14.7: icmp_seq=0 ttl=128 time=1.161 ms
64 bytes from 9.12.14.7: icmp_seq=1 ttl=128 time=0.797 ms
64 bytes from 9.12.14.7: icmp_seq=2 ttl=128 time=0.736 ms
--- 9.12.14.7 ping statistics ---
3 packets transmitted, 3 packets received, 0% packet loss
round-trip min/avg/max = 0.736/0.898/1.161 ms

Network setup was now finished. To perform the rest of the installation, we left our 3270 session and resumed via telnet session. First, however, we had to logoff from VM while leaving our virtual machine running. Following the last shell prompt above, we replied with the following VM CP commands:

# cp set run on
# cp disc
5.2.4 Logging in via telnet and completing the install via YaST

Since we would be running YaST in this telnet session, we had to ensure that our emulated terminal was capable of supporting a screen of 80 characters by 25 lines, at a minimum.

We started our telnet client and logged in as root, using the temporary password that we had set at the end of network setup. We logged in and received the following screen:

```text
>>> >>> >>> >>> >>> >>> SuSE Linux S/390 7.0 <<< <<< <<< <<< <<< <<<
```

1. If you want to check which devices the dasd driver can see, run `insmod dasd probeonly` (may take long) and check the output of `cat /proc/dasd/devices`. Remove the dasd driver with `rmmod dasd` afterwards.

2. Choose the device numbers you want to use for SuSE Linux S/390
   !!! BE CAREFUL WHEN SELECTING DASDs - !!!
   !!! YOU MAY DESTROY DATA ON SHARED DEVICES !!!

3. Enter `insmod dasd dasd=<list of devices>'
   Remember to separate devices by commas `<dev_no>,<dev_no>`,
   syntax for ranges is `<from_dev_no>-<to_dev_no>`
   like `insmod dasd=FD00-FD0F,FD40,FD42,FD80-FD86`

   Note: When updating, you have to load the dasd driver with the same DASD order as in the installed system - see documentation for further information.

4. Start installation or update with 'YaST'.

Declaring then formatting DASD devices

We now defined the DASD devices that we wanted to make available to Linux (our VM ID had 6 minidisks defined of various sizes), so we entered the following at the shell prompt:

```bash
# insmod dasd dasd=201-206
```

We were notified of the loading of the DASD driver module:

- Using `/lib/modules/2.2.16/block/dasd.o`

To verify that our devices were in fact available for use, we entered `cat /proc/dasd/devices` and received the following output:

```
0201(ECKD) at (94:0) is dasda:active at blocksize: 4096, 468000 blocks, 1828 MB
```
0202(ECKD) at (94:4) is dasdb:active at blocksize: 4096, 468000 blocks, 1828 MB
0203(ECKD) at (94:8) is dasdc:active at blocksize: 4096, 18000 blocks, 70 MB
0204(ECKD) at (94:12) is dasdd:active at blocksize: 4096, 36000 blocks, 140 MB
0205(ECKD) at (94:16) is dasde:active at blocksize: 4096, 36000 blocks, 140 MB
0206(ECKD) at (94:20) is dasdf:active at blocksize: 4096, 36000 blocks, 140 MB

Before we could proceed, we had to format the DASD volumes. We formatted three volumes, to be used as follows:

- 201 /dev/dasda - boot volume
- 202 /dev/dasdb - home directories
- 203 /dev/dasdc - swap space

At the shell prompt, we entered the command to format the first volume:

```
# dasdfmt -f /dev/dasda -b 4096
```

This resulted in the following output:

```
I am going to format the device /dev/dasda in the following way:
    Device number of device : 0x201
    Major number of device  : 94
    Minor number of device  : 0
    Labelling device        : yes
    Disk label              : LNX1 x80405238
    Blocksize               : 4096

--->> ATTENTION! <<---
All data in the specified range of that device will be lost.
Type "yes" to continue, no will leave the disk untouched: yes
Formatting the device. This may take a while (get yourself a coffee).

Finished formatting the device.
Rereading the partition table... done.
```

We repeated the `dasdfmt` command for the other two volumes:

```
dasdfmt -f /dev/dasdb -b 4096

dasdfmt -f /dev/dasdc -b 4096
```
Software installation and configuration under YaST

Note that, in general, we use the Tab key to move to (and thereby highlight) an action to be taken, and we use the arrow keys to navigate within a list of items from which we need to make a selection. We entered the command yast to start the installation process.

**Important:** If you are telnetted in from a Windows desktop, having function keys recognized is often a problem. If it appears a function key is not recognized, try pressing Ctrl-F, and then the number of the function key. For example, to send an F4, press Ctrl-F and 4.

The initial display is a language selection screen. We highlighted the language for our installation, selected Continue, and pressed Enter to proceed to the next screen.

Next we had to declare the source of the installation files. We were using an FTP server, so we chose Installation from an FTP site. An NFS server is also a useful vehicle for supplying access to the installation files.

Then we had to declare the type of installation to be performed. We would be performing a complete installation, so we selected Install Linux from Scratch.

We were prompted to specify our swap device. We used device 203 for our swap volume, so we selected /dev/dasdc (0203) and then proceeded as shown in Figure 5-1 on page 74.

**Note:** In this sample installation, we specified a swap device. During our other installation of SuSE Linux, which we performed in an LPAR, we chose not to specify swap space in order to illustrate that Linux can installed and run without it. Swap space can always be added and/or modified later.
The next prompt is somewhat misleading in that mainframe volumes are not partitioned. They currently are used in their entirety. So the real purpose for this prompt is to provide an opportunity to configure DASD for use by LVM. For this installation, we would not be using LVM, so we selected **Do not partition**.

Next, we navigate through a series of screens that associate the available minidisks with Linux file systems and their corresponding mount points. We use the **F4** function key to select the mount point, and the **F6** Function key to select the formatting option; see Figure 5-2 on page 75.
We selected the first DASD device on which to create a file system. We pressed the F4 key in order to get the CREATING FILESYSTEMS pop-up window, as shown in Figure 5-3 on page 76. On this panel we set each file system's mount point and formatting option.

Our first volume at address 201 will contain the root file system, so we selected the line containing the single character '/', and then selected **Continue**, as shown in Figure 5-3 on page 76.
In your case, you’ll need to repeat the steps represented by Figure 5-2 and Figure 5-3 for all mount points that will be loaded with files during the installation. In this installation, we also set a mount point of /home for the DASD (minidisk) at address 202.

Depressing F6, we received a pop-up for selecting format mode. We selected the Normal Format option and then we selected Continue.

We then had set our mount points and format option for both volumes as shown in Figure 5-4 on page 77.
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We now selected **Continue** to start the file system creation process. A pop-up window was displayed, requesting confirmation of the volume format request (note that both volumes are listed; one will be formatted, followed by the other). We selected **Yes**. A pop-up message was displayed as each file system was being created.

Having prepared the volumes, we were now ready to start the software installation phase. We used an FTP server as the source for the installation files. Since we would not be logging in anonymously, we supplied our user ID and password information; see Figure 5-5 on page 78.
We pressed F5 to ensure that our installation files were reachable. The installation program now attempts to open an FTP session and, if successful, to locate the installation files in the supplied server directory.

Note that our supplied installation directory information was /suse, which is not the top level directory of an installation CD hierarchy. Therefore, the installation routine searched downward in the directory structure to find where the needed files were located (Figure 5-6). Since we received a message line of Settings Ok., we can proceed by pressing F10.

**Important:** If you are telnetted in from a Windows desktop, having function keys recognized is often a problem. If that is the case, pressing F10 is especially tricky on this screen. To avoid having a problem, move the cursor to the top of the Log: area with the Tab key and press Ctrl-F and 0.
Figure 5-6  Confirmation that the FTP server is reachable

A selection list of pre-selected software groupings is displayed next. We would be installing the **SuSE Default system with Server Applications**..., so we selected our choice by pressing the space bar when the cursor was over that choice. An [X] was then shown in the square brackets. We selected **Add** to include this set of packages to be installed; see Figure 5-7 on page 80.
After selecting the software environment to be installed, we selected **Start installation** from the pop-up window, as shown in **Figure 5-8**.
This process takes a number of minutes. As the packages are being installed, progress information is displayed which includes the name of the current package and the number of packages remaining to be installed.

At the end of the installation of the selected software environment, you will receive a display showing the total numbers of packages installed, the name of the base system that was installed, and finally the message INSTALLATION COMPLETE, as shown in Figure 5-9. If the main pop-up menu is obscuring this status screen, it can be hidden by pressing the Tab key.

![Figure 5-9  Software installation complete](image)

We recommend that the software installation process be run one more time in order to ensure that no unsatisfied dependencies exist. To do this, we reselected the Start installation option from the main menu. We had no unresolved dependencies, so we got another INSTALLATION COMPLETE message.

We then selected the Main Menu option in order to continue the installation process; see Figure 5-10 on page 82.
Next we had to select the kernel to be installed. We selected the default kernel (our only choice), followed by Continue. A pop-up message was displayed with the message Installing the selected kernel.

We now had the software installed on DASD and a kernel to run, but we still needed to customize our system. On the panel entitled TIME ZONE CONFIGURATION, we selected our local time zone and then Continue.

On the panel entitled ADJUSTMENT OF HARDWARE CLOCK, we were asked whether our hardware clock is set to Greenwich Mean Time (GMT, also referred to as UTC), or to local time. Our hardware clock is set to GMT, so we selected GMT.

Next we had to supply the DNS host name and domain name, as shown in Figure 5-11 on page 83. It is convenient to have this value and the IP address set up before installation, so that you can immediately start accessing the new host via its DNS name.
The next panel is entitled CONFIRMATION, and <Real network> should be chosen.

Because we had a fixed IP address and would not be using DHCP client services, we selected No to the question Do you want to use the machine as DHCP client?.

Referring to our installation worksheet (Table 5-3 on page 65), we got the values for our IP address, network mask, IP address of default gateway, and our MTU size that we need to supply in the ENTER THE NETWORK ADDRESSES screen as shown in Figure 5-12 on page 84. After entering the requested information, we selected Continue.
In the panel entitled START INETD?, we had to state whether we want *inetd* to be started automatically (the important services this daemon supplies are telnet and FTP). Since we did, we selected **YES** and then pressed **Enter** to continue.

In the panels entitled START THE PORTMAPPER? and START NFS-SERVER? we were asked whether these NFS services should be started at boot time. Because it is common to use NFS services on a server, we selected **YES** for both of these.

In the panel entitled ADJUST NEWS FROM-ADDRESS, we accepted the default of our fully-qualified DNS name and selected **Continue**.

Because we wanted to access a DNS name server, we replied **YES** to the panel entitled CONFIRMATION and were presented with the panel entitled NAMESERVER CONFIGURATION, as shown in Figure 5-13 on page 85.

From our installation worksheet, we supplied the required values and then selected **Continue**.
In the panel entitled SENDMAIL CONFIGURATION, we selected the **Host with permanent network connection (SMTP)**, and then selected **Continue**.

At this point the installation script started the SuSE configuration tool, SuSEconfig, in order to apply the values that we provided; this is shown in Figure 5-14 on page 86.
Figure 5-14   Progress messages from the configuration tool

Following the execution of the configuration tool, the message Clean-up is displayed. The final step in the installation process was to unmount the new file systems that we created and populated, though we received a message that /mnt is not mounted:

```bash
Running YaST...
umount: /mnt: not mounted
```

We then shut down in order to prepare for our initial boot of our newly create SuSE Linux system:

```bash
# shutdown -h now
```

**Booting the new system**

Having completed the installation to disk, we needed to IPL our newly created system. We reconnected to our VM guest user ID. Because the root file system was written to the 201 minidisk, we issued the following command to boot our new system:

```bash
IPL 201 CLEAR
```

The start of our newly install system was announced by the following initial set of messages:

```bash
Linux version 2.2.16 (root@Tape.suse.de) (gcc version 2.95.2 19991024 (release))
```
We are running under VM
This machine has an IEEE fpu
Initial ramdisk at: 0x02000000 (16777216 bytes)
Detected device 2928 on subchannel 0000 - PIM = 80, PAM = 80, POM = FF

Note: On the line that starts Command line is:, you will see that the DASD order has been changed. That happens because the installation process sets the swap device as the first DASD device.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number</th>
<th>Device</th>
<th>Purpose</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>201</td>
<td>/dev/dasdb</td>
<td>boot volume</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>202</td>
<td>/dev/dasdc</td>
<td>home directories</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>203</td>
<td>/dev/dasdc</td>
<td>swap space</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

After the system has completed booting, we were asked to reset the root password. After the password had been entered and verified, additional configuration steps were started via the SuSEconfig command:

- Started the SuSE-Configuration Tool.
- Running in quick mode.
- Reading /etc/rc.config and updating the system...
- Installing new /etc/SuSEconfig/profile
- Installing new /etc/SuSEconfig/csh.cshrc
- Executing /sbin/conf.d/SuSEconfig.pam...
- Installing new /etc/pam.d/login
- Installing new /etc/pam.d/rlogin
- Executing /sbin/conf.d/SuSEconfig.sendmail...
- Installing new /etc/sendmail.cf
- Rebuilding /etc/aliases.db.
- /etc/aliases: 37 aliases, longest 10 bytes, 420 bytes total

setting /bin/mount to root.root 4755.
setting /bin/umount to root.root 4755.
setting /usr/lib/mc/bin/cons.saver to root.root 4755.
setting /usr/sbin/suexec to root.root 4755.
setting /etc/permissions to root.root 644.
setting /etc/permissions.secure to root.root 644.
setting /etc/permissions.easy to root.root 644.
setting /etc/permissions.paranoid to root.root 644.
Finished.

--------------------------------------------------------------------------

Now scripts have to be started. They will be started in one minute. You can find a log file under /var/log/Config.bootup. It will also be printed on console 9.
You can now already use your system. If you shut down the system before the scripts are finished, they are executed again at the next system startup.

Press <RETURN> to continue...

Have a lot of fun!

Your SuSE Team

All installation tasks have been performed when you see this message:

Give root password to login:

This completes the illustrative installation under VM. See Chapter 6, “Customizing and using SuSE Linux” on page 91, for examples of customizing and using your SuSE Linux system.

5.3 SuSE installation in an LPAR

Following is a high-level checklist for installing SuSE Linux in an LPAR:
1. Read 3.2, “Prepare the LPAR for Linux” on page 31.
2. Plan your DASD configuration:
   a. Which volumes are going to be used
   b. What file systems are going to be on what volumes
   c. How big those volumes need to be
3. Complete the worksheet in Table 5-3 on page 65.
4. Prepare media, depending on one of the following IPL methods:
   a. From a tape - see 3.4.3, “Booting from tape” on page 44.
   b. From the HMC CD-ROM or an FTP server - see 3.4.2, “Booting from HMC CD-ROM or FTP server” on page 35
   c. From an ICKDSF bootstrap - see 3.4.1, “Using the ICKDSF bootstrap” on page 34
5. IPL Linux, using the appropriate media depending on IPL method.
6. Continue with the common portion of the install documented in 5.2.4, “Logging in via telnet and completing the install via YaST” on page 71.
5.4 Installing SuSE under VIF

Since SuSE was the initial Linux image created during our installation of the S/390 Virtual Image Facility for Linux (VIF), see Chapter 16, “VIF” on page 267 for documentation on how to install SuSE under VIF.

5.5 Assessing the SuSE installation experience

We encountered no problems of note in performing any of our various installations of SuSE Linux Enterprise Server for S/390. SuSE was typically the distribution that we used when creating systems to test various functions and capabilities on S/390. This was due to its completeness and to the maturity of SuSE distribution.
Chapter 6. Customizing and using SuSE Linux

In this chapter we describe many aspects of customizing and using "SuSE Linux Enterprise Server for S/390". The vehicle for performing most system administration functions is the tool YaST. YaST stands for “Yet another Setup Tool”.

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6.1 Using YaST

YaST not only provides a convenient installation method, but also simplifies many system administration and system management tasks. Starting YaST from the command line or in KDE will allow you to manage the installed packages on your system, update your system, and perform system administration tasks. Enter `yast` to start the program and have its main menu displayed (see Figure 6-1 on page 92).

Note that the minimum terminal size of YaST is 80 characters in width and 25 lines in depth. Invoking YaST from a terminal or window set to display less than 25 lines will result in a warning message that some functions may fail.

![YaST main menu](image)

**Figure 6-1  YaST main menu**

YaST allows you to adjust your installation by specifying the FTP server to use, target volumes, languages, etc. Disk management can also be accomplished with YaST by using the Logical Volume Manager option; see 6.5, “Setting up LVM with YaST” on page 108.

YaST allows you to perform the following system administration tasks with an intuitive menu system:

- Install new packages from the specified media
- Retrieve package updates from SuSE’s FTP server
- Add devices
- Specify which kernel to boot
- Configure the network
► Perform user/group administration tasks
► Create backups
► Manage system security

In addition to navigating the YaST menus, you can open YaST with the --mask argument and then jump (or “fast path”) to YaST functions.

For example, after installing the system, we recommend that you create a non-root user on your system. To jump to the user administration section of YaST, issue:

```
# yast --mask user --autoexit
```

This takes you directly to the panel shown in Figure 6-2 on page 93:

```
I
--USER ADMINISTRATION--
In this dialog you can get information about existing users, create new users, and modify and delete existing users.

User name : newuser :
Numerical user ID : 515 :
Group (numeric or by name) : users :
Home directory : /home/newuser :
Login shell : /bin/bash :
Password : ******** :
Re-enter password : ******** :
Access to modem permitted [ ]
Detailed description of the user :

[ F1=Help  F3=Selection list  F4=Create user  F5=Delete user  F6=Password times  F9=Leave screen ]
```

Figure 6-2   YaST fast path to USER ADMINISTRATION menu

Supply a user name and password, and YaST will fill in the defaults for the rest of the fields.

On multiuser systems, it may be a good idea to restrict the amount of disk space each user can consume by using the quota utility. For an explanation of quota configuration, refer to 21.1.8, “Quotas” on page 400.

To save some keystrokes, create a small script called yast, as follows:

```
# /sbin/YaST --mask $1 --autoexit
```
$1$ takes the first argument from the command line (in our case, a mask argument) and substitutes the value into the command.

Make the script executable and copy it to /usr/local/sbin. Rename /sbin/yast to /sbin/yastold. This allows you to simply type: `yast argument`.

Table 6-1 lists the `--mask` options that are applicable to Linux for S/390:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Main menu</th>
<th>--mask argument</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>General help for installation</td>
<td>help</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Adjustments of installation</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Choose/Install packages</td>
<td>install</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Show README file for installation media</td>
<td>readme</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Copyright</td>
<td>copyright</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Adjustments of installation</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Select language</td>
<td>language</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Select keymap</td>
<td>keymap</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Select installation medium</td>
<td>medium</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Set target partitions/file systems</td>
<td>filesys</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Configure the Logical Volume Manager</td>
<td>lvm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>System administration</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>User Administration</td>
<td>user</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Group administration</td>
<td>group</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Create backups</td>
<td>backup</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Security settings</td>
<td>security</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Set the time zone</td>
<td>timezone</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Change configuration file</td>
<td>rcconfig</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Integrate hardware into system</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mouse configuration</td>
<td>mouse</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Configure networking device</td>
<td>netcard</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Kernel and boot configuration</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
6.2 Samba installation

Samba is an open source implementation of the Server Message Block (SMB) protocols. Samba allows many popular platforms to provide NT-like file and print services to SMB clients, such as Windows 95/98 and Windows NT. This can be very useful in a Linux for S/390 environment, providing these services to clients via a virtual server environment as opposed to a large population of physical servers.

The Samba server is composed of two daemons: smbd provides the file and print services to clients, while nmbd works with NetBIOS over IP name service requests and participates in the browsing protocols that make up the Windows Network Neighborhood.

6.2.1 Install from an RPM

Samba is usually installed by default with SuSE; if you need to add it or reinstall, the Samba RPM can be found on the SuSE installation CD 1. It is named samba-2.0.8-2.s390.rpm. It can be installed from the command line via the following command:

```
# rpm -ivh samba-2.0.8-2.s390.rpm
```

6.2.2 Samba configuration

Here is a summary of the files used for Samba on SuSE:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Samba</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Select boot kernel</td>
<td>kernel</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Network configuration</strong></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Network base configuration</td>
<td>network</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Change host name</td>
<td>name</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Configure network services</td>
<td>services</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Configuration nameserver</td>
<td>nameserver</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Configure YP client</td>
<td>ypcient</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Configure sendmail</td>
<td>sendmail</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Administer remote printers</td>
<td>netprinter</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Connect to printer via Samba</td>
<td>smbprinter</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Samba configuration methods
Several methods can be used to configure Samba, but the two most common are editing the /etc/smb.conf file (as in the following example), and using the Samba Web Administration Tool (SWAT, see 6.2.4, “Using SWAT” on page 100).

Configuration example
Here we show you how to configure a simple Samba configuration to allow a Windows workstation to access a shared directory on Linux for S/390 (file server).

Edit the following parameters in the [global] section of the Samba configuration file, /etc/smb.conf:

1. Change the workgroup = TUX-NET to the workgroup of your Windows client.
   If you would like your Samba server to take part in an NT domain, you may also need to change the domain.

2. ctc is not a default interface that Samba looks for when starting up, so for nmbd to start, you need to add interface = <your-ip>/24. (However, this line will not be needed if you are using an ethernet device.)


4. Add a line after encrypt passwords with: password level = 8.

5. Add another line with: username level = 8.

Example 6-1 illustrates these changes:

| Example 6-1   smb.conf changes |
|------------------|--------------------------------|
| ;                 | ;                              |
| ; /etc/smb.conf   | ;                              |
| ; Copyright (c) 2001 SuSE GmbH Nuernberg, Germany. | ;                              |
| ; [global]        | ;                              |
| workgroup = TUX-NET <=---- 1 |                              |
| interface = 9.12.9.184/24 <=---- 2 |                          |
| guest account = nobody |                          |
| keep alive = 30 |                          |
| os level = 2 |                          |
| kernel oplocks = false |                          |
security = user

; Uncomment the following, if you want to use an existing
; NT-Server to authenticate users, but don't forget that
; you also have to create them locally!!!
; security = server
; password server = 192.168.1.10

encrypt passwords = yes  <<< 3
password level = 8  <<< 4
username level = 8  <<< 5

printing = bsd
printcap name = /etc/printcap
load printers = yes

socket options = TCP_NODELAY

map to guest = Bad User

Save your work and exit. Test your smb.conf syntax by running the testparm
command.

Starting Samba automatically
With a default SuSE system, Samba is installed but not running. In order for
Samba to be started automatically, the /etc/rc.config file must be updated, either
manually or by using YaST.

You can update this file as follows:
1. Open rc.config with vi and search for SMB. You will find the line:
   START_SMB="no"; change this to: "yes".
   You can also issue: yast --mask rcconfig --autoexit (or yast rcconfig,
   assuming you created the script mentioned in 6.1, “Using YaST” on page 92).
2. Press F4 and search for SMB. When you see START_SMB highlighted, press F3
   and change the field to: yes.
3. F10 exits.

Refer to Figure 6-3 on page 98.
Issue `rcsmb restart` (this is the same as issuing `/etc/rc.d/smb restart`, but it has been placed into `/usr/sbin` as a script); you should see the following messages:

```
Shutting down SMB services: done
Starting SMB services: done
```

Issue `rcsmb status` to ensure that smbd and nmbd are running:

```
Checking for service smb: OK OK
```

### 6.2.3 Samba password encryption

To supply the password to Samba, you need to know whether the password going over the network is encrypted. Most Windows clients (Windows 95 OEM2 and later, and Windows NT, SP3 and later) now encrypt passwords going over the network.

You can either turn off the encryption via a registry setting, or you can instruct Samba to create a password file that maintains encrypted passwords. The latter is recommended as it is more secure and it can be burdensome to add a setting to the Windows registry on all clients. For additional information, see the files `Win95.txt`, `WinNT.txt`, `ENCRYPTION.txt` located in the directory `/usr/share/doc/packages/samba/textdocs/`. 
We recommend that you use the smb.conf parameters password level and username level when connecting with a Win95 or earlier client. These parameters test the user ID and password in several combinations of mixed case. This ensures that a user ID or password that has been converted to upper case will be handled appropriately.

To have Samba handle password encryption, do the following:

1. Ensure changes 4, 5, and 6 from Example 6-1 on page 96 have been made.
2. Create the smbpasswd file. The script `mksmbpasswd.sh` is provided to generate the smbpasswd file from the /etc/passwd file.
   b. Execute the following command:

   ```
   cat /etc/passwd | /usr/lib/samba/scripts/mksmbpasswd.sh > /etc/smbpasswd
   ```

   That command will pipe the contents of /etc/passwd to the `mksmbpasswd` script. The resulting password file will contain all Xs in the password field. It's a good idea to remove all of the accounts you will not use for Samba (ie. root, bin, daemon, and so on).

   Once the smbpasswd file has been created, you still need to actually set the smb password for each user in the smbpasswd file. (This can be done either by the individual users, or by the root user.) Issue the command `smbpasswd <userid>` and then enter the password twice, when prompted.

   **Note:** If you try to add a user who is not already a normal user of the system, you will receive an error, so ensure that those who need Samba access are first created with YaST or useradd. Also, ensure that a home directory exists for the user ID, and that permissions and ownership are correct.

To access the share from Windows, run `net use drive_letter: \\hostname\homes` from a command prompt. This will give you a drive, `drive_letter`, which is the home directory for the user on your Linux system. The equivalent can be done by mapping a network drive with Windows Explorer.

**Supplying the user ID**

Windows NT is easier than 9x because it allows you to supply the user ID. From the Map Network Drive dialog, there is an additional text field entitled Connect As. If the user ID with which you logged onto NT is different from that on Linux, you can specify your Linux user ID in this field. Similarly, the DOS `net use` command allows a /USER:username flag. On Windows 9x, you cannot supply a user ID different from the one you logged on with.
Therefore, we recommend that your Windows networking and Linux user IDs be the same. If this is not feasible, there is an alternative: Samba allows the user ID to be “tacked on” to the share name by appending it after a percent (%) character delimiter. For example, accessing the share \linux390\myShare%mikem will allow the share myShare to be accessed with the user ID mikem.

Creating a public share

To create a public share, duplicate the [home] section with your share information; that is, [fileServer]. Ensure that you change the path = statement to /path/name.

Change browseable = no to yes.

```
[fileServer]
comment = user files
browseable = yes
read only = no
path = /pub
create mode = 0750
```

6.2.4 Using SWAT

There is a second option for configuring Samba which is called the Samba Web administration tool (SWAT). On the default install, SWAT is enabled. To run SWAT, specify the following URL in your browser:

```
http://<your.domain.name>:901/
```

This URL forces communication through port 901 rather than the well-known http port of 80. SWAT is elegantly designed in that it is not a daemon. Rather, when requests come in on port 901, it is forked via inetd, replies with a Web page, and terminates. Figure 6-4 on page 101 shows the SWAT welcome page.

If you do not get to this page, ensure that the following lines exist /etc/inetd.conf and /etc/services and are not commented out via a leading '#':

```
$ grep ^swat /etc/inetd.conf /etc/services
/etc/inetd.conf:swat    stream  tcp nowait.400 root  /usr/sbin/swat swat
/etc/services:swat 901/tcp # XXX Samba Web Administration Tool
```

When prompted for a user ID and password, login as a user with root privileges. You can now navigate through the tool and configure your shares.
6.2.5 Samba documentation

Samba is a powerful and flexible application, which you can learn about by accessing Samba documentation via /usr/share/doc/packages/samba. In addition, a complete softcopy version of the O’Reilly book *Using Samba* is packaged with Samba and can be found in HTML format at the bottom of the SWAT welcome page; see Figure 6-5 on page 102.
6.3 Apache Web server

The SuSE default system includes the Apache Web server. Apache, one of the most popular Web servers on the market today, is based on the NCSA public domain httpd server and has become a major project in the open source community. At the time of writing, it is estimated that 62% of the world’s Web servers are running Apache (netcraft.com).

After the SuSE installation, Apache will be installed and running. If you plan to use Apache, proceed with configuration. However, if you have no need for a Web server, you can turn Apache off by removing the rc script (/etc/rc(1,2,& 3).d/S20apache) and turning the server off (rcapache stop). Better yet, you can uninstall Apache by using the rpm -e command.

6.3.1 Apache configuration

The following is a summary of the files used for Apache on SuSE.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Apache</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>daemon</td>
<td>/usr/sbin/httpd</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
configuration files /etc/httpd/httpd.conf
   /etc/httpd/srm.conf
   /etc/httpd/access.conf
   /etc/mime.types or /etc/httpd/mime.types
startup script /etc/rc.d/apache
lock file /var/lock/subsys/httpd
log files /var/log/httpd/access_log
         /var/log/httpd/access_log.1
         /var/log/httpd/error_log
         /var/log/httpd/error_log.1

By default, all configuration files are included in /etc/httpd. You will find three
configuration files: httpd.conf, srm.conf, and access.conf. All three files are
combined in httpd.conf (however, srm.conf and access.conf are maintained for
historical reasons, and do not contain any configuration data).

Note: While srm.conf and access.conf do not contain configuration data, they
must be present in order for the server to operate.

Initially, Apache will display a default index.html located in /usr/local/httpd/htdocs.
This is the Web page that will be shown when a client (browser) comes to your
site. This default file can be replaced with a custom home page.

Observe the following in /etc/httpd/httpd.conf:

- Note the ServerRoot entry - this is the top of the directory tree under which
  the server's configuration, error, and log files are kept.

- The first <Directory> entry restricts Apache's access to the file system. From
  here, any access needs to be specified with additional directory and file
  containers.

6.3.2 Password-protecting a directory

In your environment, you may have a requirement to publish some content on
your Web site that is restricted to some users. One method of restricting access
to particular directories on your server is by using the .htacess file.

To limit access in this way, begin by placing a file named .htaccess in the
restricted directory, /usr/local/httpd/secret in our example. The format of the
.htacess file looks like this:

    AuthUserFile etc/httpd/.htpasswd
    AuthName "Restricted files"
    AuthGroupFile /dev/null
    AuthType Basic
The file .htaccess points to .htpasswd, which stores the user IDs and passwords of all users who have permission to access the restricted documents.

Create the .passwd file in /etc/httpd with one user named tux. The -c flag instructs htpasswd to create a new password file:

```bash
# cd /etc/httpd
# htpasswd -c .htpasswd tux
New password:
Re-type new password:
Adding password for user tux
```

One final step must be executed for this to work. Edit httpd.conf and replace AllowOverride = None with AllowOverride = All under the directory container for your document root.

```xml
<Directory "/usr/local/httpd/htdocs">
  #
  # This may also be "None", "All", or any combination of "Indexes",
  # "Includes", "FollowSymLinks", "ExecCGI", or "MultiViews".
  #
  # Note that "MultiViews" must be named *explicitly* --- "Options All"
  # doesn't give it to you.
  #
  Options Indexes -FollowSymLinks -Includes MultiViews
  #
  # This controls which options the .htaccess files in directories can
  # override. Can also be "All", or any combination of "Options", "FileInfo",
  # "AuthConfig", and "Limit"
  #
  AllowOverride All  <----Allows .htaccess to override httpd.conf settings
</Directory>
```

Now access the restricted Web page with a browser; you will be prompted for a user ID and password as shown in Figure 6-6 on page 105:
Figure 6-6  Restricted Web site user ID and password prompt

Figure 6-7 illustrates successful access.

Figure 6-7  Access to restricted files
Apache documentation

The Apache User's Guide is available in the directory /
/usr/share/doc/packages/apache/manual. Because these are HTML files, to view
them you will either need a browser running locally and displaying to your
desktop, or you will need to make the directory available with Samba.

To try accessing the Apache documentation via Samba, we added the following
to the /etc/smb.conf file on the Linux server with an IP address of 9.12.6.53:

    [apachedoc]
    path = /usr/share/doc/packages/apache/manual
    writeable = No

After Samba reread this file, we were able to map the network drive using the
share name \9.12.6.53\apachedoc.

We were then able to view the documentation by opening the file index.html as
shown in Figure 6-8.

Figure 6-8   Accessing Apache documentation via Samba and a browser
6.3.3 Enabling CGI scripts

If you have a requirement to run CGI scripts, you must tell Apache where the scripts are located. Modify the ScriptAlias entry:

```
ScriptAlias /cgi-bin/  
"/usr/local/httpd/cgi-bin/"
```

URL part   cgi program locations

6.4 e-mail

SuSE Linux uses sendmail as the mail transfer agent (MTA). It can either be configured with YaST, or you can edit the configuration files directly. The following example shows how to configure sendmail with an external mail host in order to be able to send and receive e-mails between your Linux system and the outside world.

**Note:** DNS must be set up with MX records to have mail for your domain delivered to your Linux system.

Edit /etc/sendmail.cf; lines 71 and 72 (approximately) should contain a comment and a configuration parameter:

```
# "Smart" relay host (may be null)
DS
```

Put in the DNS name of one of your company’s mail forwarding systems. If we use smtp.mycompany.com as an example, the file would be changed to this:

```
# "Smart" relay host (may be null)
DSsmtp.mycompany.com
```

Save your change, and exit the editor.

Send the “1” signal to sendmail to tell it to reread its configuration file. Determine the process id (PID) by doing `ps ax | grep sendmail`. Then issue a `kill -1 <pid>` command, where `<pid>` is the process ID from the previous command.

At this point, sendmail is configured and you should be able to send mail to, and receive mail from, other hosts.
6.5 Setting up LVM with YaST

SuSE supports the use of the Logical Volume Manager (LVM). LVM is a way to aggregate multiple DASD devices in order to create larger "logical" volumes. Without LVM, the largest file system is limited to largest real or emulated ECKD volume attached to the system. The largest possible volume (emulated or real) is an IBM 3390 model 9, which has a capacity of approximately 7.2 GB when formatted with 4,096 byte blocks.

In the following section, we demonstrate how to implement LVM via the YaST tool. For a more exhaustive explanation of LVM, refer to Chapter 17., “Logical Volume Manager” on page 301.

LVM has been fully integrated with YaST since SuSE Linux 6.3. The LVM in SuSE Linux is Heinz Mauelshagen’s implementation. The home page is now available on the Web:

http://www.sistina.com/lvm/

We recommend that you review this site and become familiar with LVM concepts before proceeding with configuration.

In this example we have six DASD volumes:

- Volume 203 is used for the SuSE Swap device.
- Volume 202 is used for the file system /.
- Volume 201 is used for the file system /usr.
- Volumes 204 through 206 will be used for LVM. Initially we will create a Volume Group (VG) of two volumes, and then expand it to include a third. The steps to reduce a Volume Group are similar and intuitive with the YaST menus.

We need to add volumes 204 through 206 to an existing system. We can do this by updating /boot/parmfile with the new volume numbers, running the silo command (silo -d /dev/dasdb -f image -p parmfile -b bootsectfile), and then rebooting. We perform a dasdfmt on each volume once the volumes are visible to the system.

We launch YaST and navigate to Configure the Logical Volume Manager, as shown in Figure 6-9 on page 109.
At this point, we select **Create new Volume Group** and choose the volumes we want to add. We will use dasdd1 and dasde1 initially.
The Volume Group vg1 is created; we press F3 to create a Logical Volume.

To view the maximum space available for a Logical Volume, we enter 1000T in the size field. This will cause an error—and will also report what the total available space is. In our example, we can create a 280 MB volume.
We create a file system on lv1 with mke2fs and mount the volume:

```
# mke2fs -b 4096 -m 2 /dev/vg1/lv1
# mount /dev/vg1/lv1 /mnt/lvm
```

The power of LVM lies in its ability to expand and contract Volume Groups and Logical Volumes to fit your needs. Adding space to a file system is quite simple with YaST.

Launch LVM in YaST and press F2=change PVs on the Volume Group menu. Select the volume you’d like to add to your vg and continue. Press F3=change LVs and adjust the size of your LV.
Adding a Physical Volume to an existing Volume Group

Expanding the Logical Volume is a two-step process; refer to Figure 6-13.

After adding the new Physical Volumes and extending the LV, you must also extend the file system that resides on that LV.
To extend your FS, unmount the volume and run `resize2fs /dev/vg1/lv1`.

The last step is to add an entry to `/etc/fstab` to automatically mount your Logical Volumes.

### 6.6 Graphical interface

Although S/390 and zSeries hardware does not have graphics capability, a GUI environment can still be established. If accessed through a Linux or other UNIX client which is running an X Window server, or through the use of an X window server for Windows (such as Hummingbird’s Exceed, MI/X, or X-Win32), you can run Xclients or a full desktop environment running multiple Xclients. While Linux for S/390 is running the Xclient application, it is sending the display output to your workstation, where your Xserver displays the windowed, GUI output.

Several desktop environments are available for Linux; KDE 1.1.2 (K Desktop Environment) comes standard with SuSE for S/390. Gnome is also available, as are several other window managers (twm, fvwm, olvwm). In this example, we download KDE2 from the SuSE ftp site and demonstrate how to run a few Xclients.

As of the time of writing, KDE 2.1.1 was available and we decided to install it on one of our SuSE test systems. We downloaded the packages from:

```
```

There are some prerequisite packages (from CD 1) to install before we apply KDE:

```
# rpm -ivh qt-2.3.0-17.rpm (found in ./xdev1/RPM)
# rpm -ivh --nodeps kdelibs-2.1.2-9.rpm (found in ./k2de1/RPM/)
# rpm -ivh kdebase-2.1.1-24.rpm (found in /k2de1/RPM/)
```

Normally, installing kdelibs will produce a dependency of libaudiofile.so.0. To work around this, we used the `--nodeps` parameter, which performs the package install without the dependency check.

We now had KDE 2.1.1 installed in `/opt/kde2`. You will need a suitable X Window emulator on another workstation to run KDE:

```
$ export DISPLAY=9.12.2.166:0 (your workstation IP here)
$ startkde &
```

Following are some additional useful KDE packages:

- `kdeadmin2.1.1` - system administration tools (ftpd configuration, task scheduler (cron), user manager)
- kdeutils2.1.1 - various utilities (disk monitoring, menu editor, printer administration, etc.)
- koffice1.1beta - office suite (word processing, spreadsheet, presentation)

Using a Windows 2000 PC running an X Window emulator, we displayed a complete KDE 2 desktop from our mainframe Linux (through which we had opened several windows) as shown in:

![Customized KDE 2 desktop running on S/390](image)

**Figure 6-14  Customized KDE 2 desktop running on S/390**
Overview of Turbolinux

This chapter describes the Turbolinux for zSeries and S/390 distribution of Linux by examining the following topics:

- A history of the Turbolinux for zSeries and S/390 distribution
- How to acquire the Turbolinux for zSeries and S/390 distribution
- Available documentation related to the Turbolinux for zSeries and S/390 distribution
- Notable characteristics of the Turbolinux on zSeries S/390 distribution
7.1 History

Turbolinux Inc. was founded in 1992 (as Pacific HiTech Inc.), and has been a Linux player since 1993. This company’s history first converged with IBM’s history on May 25, 1999, when the two made an agreement to become working partners to promote and deliver Linux solutions. As a result, the IBM DB2 Universal Database could be shipped with Turbolinux.

This initiative also included joint development of marketing, education, training and support. On June 8, 1999, Pacific HiTech changed its name to Turbolinux Inc.

The next chapter in Turbolinux and IBM’s history as working partners started with the announcement, on May 17, 2000 that Turbolinux for S/390 would be generally available later the same year. These were the beginnings of Turbolinux on the IBM S/390 and zSeries mainframe hardware platforms.

On October 12, 2000 Turbolinux announced that it would run on S/390 and zSeries. This announcement was part of a more general announcement that Turbolinux would run on all IBM hardware platforms, which includes S/390 and zSeries. This made Linux the first operating system to run on all IBM server hardware.

Turbolinux Server 6 for zSeries and S/390, which is the version of Turbolinux used for installation and customization for this book, has been available since January 30, 2001. An alpha version of the next release (V6.5) was made available for testing on June 5, 2001 and some testing, though not extensive, had been performed at the time of writing.

7.2 Getting the Turbolinux distribution

The Turbolinux for zSeries and S/390 distribution can be acquired in one of the following ways:

- Download the ISO CD-ROM images, or the RPM files, from the Turbolinux FTP site
- Purchase the distribution from Turbolinux
7.2.1 Downloading the CD-ROM images

**Attention:** Just as this book was being published, the GA version of Turbolinux became available. The following was posted on the linux-390 list server on September 16, 2001:

We now have all our Turbolinux for zSeries product ISO’s, updates, and documentation available on our Website. We have a Download Center located at:

http://www.turbolinux.com/products/s390/download.html

that includes ISO’s for our current Server 6.5 product (kernel 2.2.19), our 6.0 product (kernel 2.2.16), updates to both these products, beta software (kernel 2.4.5 based, new features not fully tested for current release, and upcoming 2.4 kernel betas), as well as some HOWTO’s, documents, etc. To download software you need to register first at:


1. Connect to the Turbolinux FTP site at:

2. Change to the version-specific subdirectory (Jan2001, for example) and download the version of Turbolinux you are interested in as an *.iso file. (If you have an installed Turbolinux for zSeries and S/390 system, you may also download *.rpm files from another subdirectory under the version directory). The V6.5 beta is on the Web at:

3. Use CD creation software such as Adaptec EZ CD-Creator to recreate the original CD-ROMs.

**Note:** Downloading the *.iso files, while providing the actual installation code, does not provide any other benefits that may be available from the distribution vendor, such as (but not exclusive to) support services, upgrade services, integration services, special hardcopy documentation, etc.

7.2.2 Purchasing the distribution

Turbolinux can be purchased as follows:

1. Call Turbolinux Sales at: 1-650-228-5076

2. Send e-mail to Turbolinux Sales at: sales@turbolinux.com
7.3 Available documentation

The Turbolinux for zSeries and S/390 documentation can be found in *.pdf format on the installation CD-ROMs, and may also be downloaded from the Turbolinux Web site at:


The following documents are available in PDF format from this Web site. All were dated December 2000:

- Install guide
  Preparing for Installing Turbolinux for S/390
- Pre-install guide
  Installing Turbolinux for S/390
- User guide
  Turbolinux for zSeries and S/390: User Guide

The same documents were found on the CD:

$ ls /mnt/documentation/*.pdf
/mnt/documentation/IBM_Install_Dec0400.pdf
/mnt/documentation/IBM_Prep_Install_Dec0400.pdf
/mnt/documentation/TLS6zSeriesUserGuide.pdf

The list of software RPMs that are installed on Turbolinux are listed in an appendix entitled Linux Software Packages. Due to the size of this document, it is not included in this redbook, but can be found separately on the Web at:


7.4 Notable characteristics of Turbolinux

The Turbolinux for zSeries and S/390 distribution, while probably notable in a variety of ways, is general distinguishable in two areas:

1. It utilizes a script-based installation process, rather than a menu-based installation.
2. It uses standardized customization methods, such as the editing of configuration files, rather than the use of configuration tools such as YaST or linuxconf.
7.4.1 Standardized customization and usage

This characteristic of the Turbolinux for xSeries and S/390 distribution refers to the use of standard Linux commands such as `useradd` and `userdel`, as well as standard Linux tools such as `vi` to edit configuration files like `smb.conf`, the Samba configuration file. We discuss the customization and usage of Turbolinux for S/390 and zSeries further in Chapter 9, “Customizing and using Turbolinux” on page 141.
Chapter 8. Installing Turbolinux

This chapter describes installation of Turbolinux Server Version 6.0 for S/390 and zSeries under the following scenarios:

- Under VM (see 8.2, “Installation of Turbolinux under VM” on page 123)
- In an LPAR (see 8.3, “Installation of Turbolinux in an LPAR” on page 126)
- Under VIF (see 8.4, “Installation of Turbolinux under VIF” on page 129)
- An introduction to installing the Version 6.5 “beta” (see 8.6, “The Version 6.5 “beta”” on page 136)

Unlike some other Linux distributions, Turbolinux version 6.0 for S/390 and zSeries does not currently provide a full-screen menu-driven interface during the Linux-based installation phase. Instead, an installation script, `install.pl`, is employed that prompts the user for each piece of required information. Once all the questions have been correctly answered, the installation is complete, and the newly installed Linux for S/390 and zSeries system can then be re-IPLed.
### 8.1 Turbolinux installation worksheet

As can be seen from the Installation Worksheet rows 7 through 13 (see Table 8-1 on page 122), a host name, IP addresses for the host, the netmask, the gateway and DNS (Domain Name Server) are required.

For the devices, use the virtual device addresses that are defined for the guest in the user directory (see 3.1.1, “The VM user directory” on page 28).

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<th>Table 8-1 Turbolinux installation worksheet</th>
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<tr>
<td>1. VM guest user ID (if installing under VM)</td>
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<td>2. VM guest password (if installing under VM)</td>
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<td>3. Device: 1st DASD/vdev(VM) (/ file system)</td>
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<td>4. Device: 2nd DASD/vdev(VM) (swap space)</td>
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<td>5. Device: tape unit *optional (e.g. 0181)</td>
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<td>6. Network device 1st of pair (e.g. 292C)</td>
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<td>7. Network device port 1st of pair (e.g. 0)</td>
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<tr>
<td>8. Network device type (e.g. OSA-E)</td>
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<tr>
<td>9. Host name (e.g. vmlinux.itso.ibm.com)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10. Host IP address (e.g. 9.12.6.73)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11. Netmask (e.g. 255.255.255.0)</td>
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<td>12. Network IP address (e.g. 9.12.6.0)</td>
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<td>13. Broadcast IP address (e.g. 9.12.6.255)</td>
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<tr>
<td>14. Gateway IP address (e.g. 9.12.6.75)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>15. DNS IP address (e.g. 9.12.14.7)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16. MTU size (e.g. 1492)</td>
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<td>17. FTP server IP address or hostname</td>
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<td>18. FTP path (e.g. /mnt/cdrom)</td>
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<td>19. FTP user ID (e.g. TOT82)</td>
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8.1.1 Planning DASD with Turbolinux

A *full development* install of Turbolinux onto a 2600 cylinder minidisk uses 52% of the minidisk (or a little over 1 GB). This would equate to about 40% of a full 3390-3 volume. The size of other types of installations is shown in Table 8-2.

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<th>Directory</th>
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<td></td>
<td>default</td>
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<td>/bin</td>
<td>5.4 MB</td>
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<tr>
<td>/boot</td>
<td>1.7 MB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/dev</td>
<td>104 KB</td>
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<td>/etc</td>
<td>8.2 MB</td>
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<td>/lib</td>
<td>17 KB</td>
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<td>/opt</td>
<td>0</td>
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<td>/root</td>
<td>32 KB</td>
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<td>/sbin</td>
<td>5.1 MB</td>
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<td>/tmp</td>
<td>140 KB</td>
</tr>
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<td>/usr</td>
<td>630 MB</td>
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<tr>
<td>/var</td>
<td>11 MB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total</td>
<td>677 MB</td>
</tr>
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</table>

8.2 Installation of Turbolinux under VM

The installation process can be divided into three major steps: preparation; initial IPL of Linux; building the target Linux system. The initial IPL of Linux can be done from the VM reader or from tape.
In the following sections we describe how to prepare for both methods. IPLing from the VM reader is often the most convenient; however, IPLing from tape allows you to reuse the same tape from both VM and when installing in an LPAR.

### 8.2.1 VM checklist

1. Read 3.1, “Prepare the VM guest for Linux” on page 28.
2. Plan your DASD configuration:
   a. Which minidisks are going to be used.
   a. What file systems are going to be on what minidisks.
   a. How big those volumes need to be (see 8.1.1, “Planning DASD with Turbolinux” on page 123).
3. Complete the worksheet in Table 8-1 on page 122.
4. Make sure the three appropriate boot files and an IPL EXEC are available (see 8.2.2, “Download boot files to VM” on page 124).
5. IPL Linux from reader (or possibly tape).
6. Run the install script `install.pl`.
7. IPL the built target system from DASD.

### 8.2.2 Download boot files to VM

Using FTP on VM, locate and download the Linux for S/390 boot files. In our case, we mounted the single Turbolinux CD on an FTP server running Linux. We downloaded the boot files to our 191 (A) disk.

The files must be reblocked to a record length of 80 bytes, and the kernel file must be specific to the reader IPL method. The parameter file is converted to EBCDIC via the `asc` FTP subcommand. Following is a summary of the FTP commands we used:

```
# ftp 9.12.0.88
cd /mnt/cdrom
bin
locsite fix 80
get /turbo/image-2.2.nn-127-ramdisk-vm turbo.image
get /turbo/initrd turbo.initrd
asc
get /turbo/parmline turbo.parm
quit
```

Once we had the boot files on VM, we created an `LBOOT EXEC` as follows, in order to be able to IPL from the reader:

```
/* */
```
8.2.3 Initial IPL of Linux

We IPLed from the VM reader using only the command LBOOT. If you have to re-IPL and the same files are still in your reader, the following command will suffice.

```bash
#CP IPL 00C CLEAR
```

To IPL from tape, ensure the installation tape has been mounted and rewound and issue:

```bash
#CP IPL 181 CLEAR
```

We tried to start with a relatively small VM machine size of 64 M, but received the following warning:

> There is only 62640 KB RAM available. This install is likely to have problems. Some packages may not get installed. In the worst case, you may end up with a non-functional Linux system.

At the moment, we recommend 128 MB of RAM.

We increased the VM machine size to 128 M, but still got the warning. After increasing to 132 M, we did not receive this message.

After a successful boot, the following message will appear on the VM console (it will be preceded by normal Linux boot messages):

```
-------------------------------------------------------------------
Welcome to TUBOLINUX for IBM S/390 and zSeries
Astrodon Release
brought to you by the FRONTIER TEAM
October 31 2000
-------------------------------------------------------------------
Do you want to configure the eth0 device? (y/n) [y]:
```
This is the beginning of the customization of the bootstrap system with the required local network information, so the bootstrap system can download the files necessary for the target system. When this process is completed, the bash prompt will appear:

```
...  
bash-2.04#  
```

From this point on, a telnet session to the bootstrap system is started in order to finish building the target system. Continue with the instructions in 8.5, “Building the target system” on page 130.

8.3 Installation of Turbolinux in an LPAR

Whether you install Linux in an LPAR, or native on a S/390 or zSeries machine, the process is the same and the steps are similar. In the following section, we first summarize this process with a high-level checklist.

8.3.1 Turbolinux under LPAR checklist

1. Read 3.2, “Prepare the LPAR for Linux” on page 31.
2. Plan your DASD configuration:
   a. Which volumes are going to be used.
   a. What file systems are going to be on what volumes.
   a. How big those volumes need to be.
3. Complete the worksheet in Table 8-1 on page 122.
4. Prepare media, depending on one of the following initial IPL methods:
   a. From a tape (see 3.4.3, “Booting from tape” on page 44 then 8.3.2, “IPL of Turbolinux” on page 127).
   a. From the HMC CD-ROM or an FTP server (see 3.4.2, “Booting from HMC CD-ROM or FTP server” on page 35).
   a. From an ICKDSF bootstrap (see 3.4.1, “Using the ICKDSF bootstrap” on page 34).
5. IPL Linux, using the appropriate media depending on the IPL method.
6. Run the install script `install.pl`.
7. IPL the built target system from DASD.
8.3.2 IPL of Turbolinux

The IPL from tape is done from the HMC of the S/390 or zSeries processor, from a tape drive using the Turbolinux boot tape.

From the HMC, select the processor and then select an image (see Figure 8-1 on page 127) which represents the LPAR to be used for Linux. Drag the icon with the right mouse button onto the **Load** icon in the right-hand column.

![Linux LPAR on HMC](image)

*Figure 8-1  Linux LPAR on HMC*

This will display the load dialog box as shown in Figure 8-2. Select the **Clear** button, enter the address of the tape drive, and press **OK**.
There will be a confirmation box (to which the reply is yes), and then you will see some progress information boxes.

After a successful boot, the following messages will finally appear on the HMC operator messages interface (preceded by normal Linux boot messages):

```
Welcome to
TUBOLINUX
for IBM S/390 and zSeries
Astrodon Release
brought to you by the
FRONTIER TEAM
October 31 2000
```

Do you want to configure the eth0 device? (y/n) [y]:

This is the beginning of the customization of the bootstrap system with the required local network information, so the bootstrap system can download the files necessary for the target system. When this process is completed, the bash prompt will appear:

```
bash-2.04#
```

From this point on, a telnet session is started to the bootstrap system to complete building of the target system. Continue with the instructions in 8.5, “Building the target system” on page 130.
8.4 Installation of Turbolinux under VIF

Chapter 16, “VIF” on page 267, provides a complete description of VIF installation. However, that chapter describes installing SuSE under VIF, and several unique issues arose during our testing of the Turbolinux under VIF installation process. We document those differences in the following sections.

8.4.1 The turbo.ins file

The turbo.ins file included on the Turbolinux Server 6 for zSeries and S/390 CD will not work with VIF without modification. If you are installing from a CD mounted directly on your FTP server (as we were), you will need to move the turbo.ins file to a read/write directory on the same FTP server, so that the file can be modified. If you have copied the entire CD to a read/write directory on the FTP server and will be installing directly from that directory, you can simply modify the file.

The modification consists of the addition of fully-qualified path names to each line of the turbo.ins file, as shown:

```
/mnt/cdrom/image 0x0
/mnt/cdrom/initrd 0x00800000
/mnt/cdrom/parmline 0x00010480
```

**Note:** Be aware that the path names you append to the turbo.ins lines are relative to the location of the turbo.ins file itself, requiring that the file either reside on the same server as the CD/installation source files, or on a file system mounted on the server with the CD/installation source files.

8.4.2 dasdfmt

The Turbolinux `install.pl` installation script can do a `dasdfmt`, so when you are asked about this, you should take that option. Also, the partition LINUX0 201 (/dev/dasda) can be formatted manually immediately prior to running `install.pl`. For example:

```
insmod dasd_mod dasd=201,203
dasdfmt -vL -b 4096 -f /dev/dasda
```
8.4.3 Master Linux

VIF requires that a master Linux image be created. This master Linux is only used to access the vif command, which is the primary interface to the VIF hypervisor. As such, a minimum Linux system would normally be chosen in this case. However, the Turbolinux install script does not currently offer a “minimum system” selection, so we used the “FTP server” selection, and it appeared to work fine.

8.4.4 Other VIF-related issues

A few additional issues were observed while installing Turbolinux under VIF (which were probably more VIF-related than actually specific to Turbolinux), as follows:

- When a VIF command returns information (such as the output from the hypervisor error command), the returned information may be incorrectly displayed as upper case.

- While the VIF documentation states that you can skip the use of the hypervisor volume initialize command when using pre-initialized DASD types, such as RVA or Shark™, it does not mention that the command will fail if used, which could lead someone to incorrectly think there might be a problem with DASD.

- With VIF commands, the final output line returned (which is Command Completed) is the same regardless of whether or not the command was successful. It is therefore important that all VIF command output be read thoroughly.

Attention: There is currently a limitation using Turbolinux Server Version 6.0 under VIF in that, when you attempt to create new/additional Linux images beyond the “master Linux” itself, the new images will not boot into the Turbolinux installation, leaving you at a CP prompt. Tests of multiple image memory settings of up to 512 MB did not appear to fix the problem.

However, this symptom appears to have been fixed in the June 1, 2001 beta of Turbolinux Server V.6.5: you must first set the image memory to 128 MB, using the VIF command IMAGE SET STO 128.

8.5 Building the target system

In the following section, we describe the steps needed to build your target system.
8.5.1 Running the Turbolinux installation script

Once the network values have been customized for the bootstrap or target system, a telnet session to it should be started.

At the login prompt, enter: root. No password is needed. Then enter: install.pl to start the install script and complete the installation of the target system.

```
login: root
# install.pl
```

You will be asked which DASD are to be made available to Linux, as follows:

```
Which DASD's do you want to have available in Linux?
---------------------------------------------------------
Example: 192, 194-196
Example: fd02, fd04-fd06
```

```
DASD's: 201,203
insmod dasd_mod dasd=201,203
Using /lib/modules/2.2.16/misc/dasd_mod.o
```

Then, depending on whether the DASD are already formatted, you may be asked a question requesting a format of the DASD, as follows:

```
One or more dasds need low level formatting
---------------------------------------------------------
Number  Type     Name  Status  Blksize Blocks FS
1       0201     ECKD  dasda   n
2       0203     ECKD  dasdb   n
---------------------------------------------------------
Format disk[# or q]: 1
dasdfmt -b 4096 -f /dev/dasda
```

If you reply 1, the following messages are received:

```
I am going to format the device /dev/dasda in the following way
Device number of device :0x0201
    Major number of device : 81
    Minor number of device : 0
    Labelling of device   : yes
    Disk Label            : LNX1 80405200
    Blocksize             : 4096
--->> ATTENTION! <<---
All data in the specified range of that device will be lost.
Type “yes” to continue, no will leave the disk untouched: yes
```
Reply yes and expect to wait some time, depending on the size of the device (it takes up to about 60 minutes to format a 2600 cylinder minidisk). Once this completes, you will be asked for a swap device to be chosen, as follows.

Choose a swap device

Number Type Name Status Blks Blks
1 0201 ECKD dasda n
2 0203 ECKD dasdb n

Swap_disk[#_or_q]: 2
mkswap /dev/dasdb1
init_swap: Setting up swappage version 1, size = 820576256 bytes
chmod 600 /dev/dasdb1
swapon /dev/dasdb1

In our case, we replied 2 to set up dasdb as the swap device.
The next question asks for a device for the root file system:

Which disk should be the root filesystem?

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number</th>
<th>Type</th>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Status</th>
<th>Blksize</th>
<th>Blocks</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>ECKD</td>
<td>dasda</td>
<td>active</td>
<td>4096</td>
<td>601020</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Root_disk[#]: 1
Creat_a_new_filesystem_on_/dev/dasda?_[y/n]: y

In our case, we replied 1 to choose dasda. Then you are asked to choose either FTP or NFS as an install method; this is the method by which the build process will access the Linux files for installation:

Please choose an install method:
1) NFS
2) FTP
3) quit
Which_method? 2

In our case, we replied 2 to choose FTP. Choosing FTP will cause prompts for the FTP host name, and the path where the install files reside, as follows:

FTP_hostname: itsolinux2.itso.ibm.com
FTP_path: /mnt/cdrom

After you provide these values, the next question asks for a package selection based on six models or general purposes for a system. The number of packages installed will vary with this choice. Option 5 will include all of the first 4, and option 6 includes everything:

1 Web server
2 FTP server
3 SMB file server
4 Web/Ftp Proxy Server
5 All servers
6 Development (All-in-one)

Package selection: 6

In our case, we replied 6 to install all packages. This step may take up to 60 minutes or more. As the packages are installed, the progress is displayed as follows:

1/515: setup-6.--10.noarch.rpm
2/515: filesystem-1.3.5-3.noarch.rpm
...
515/515: libungif-devel-4.1.0-3.s390.rpm
When this task completes successfully, the next question asks for the number of a time zone to be chosen. (We found that the Enter key had to be pressed quite a few times to page through the list.)

---
Please select your time zone
---

0 - Africa/Abidjan  |  1 - Africa/Accra
2 - Africa/Addis_Ababa  |  3 - Africa/Algiers
...
...
30 - Africa/Libreville  |  31 - Africa/Lome
---
Timezone ([Enter] for more options) :

After you select an appropriate time zone, you will receive prompts for network settings to be used on the target system. The network settings used when setting up the bootstrap system are remembered by the system, and it will use them as defaults when no value is entered—making this final setup easier by requiring much less data entry.

After the network settings are accepted, you will receive prompts for the setup of additional users, the password for root and, finally, setting the boot disk.

**Note:** Turbolinux will *not* allow a telnet login by root. This means root can only login at the HMC console, or at the VM console, or at the VIF console. However, none of these is ideal for use with Linux because of the 3270 interface.

Therefore, you need to define at least one new user so that the normal telnet interface can be used. We recommend you create a new user as follows:

```
Do_you_want_to_add_a_new_user? (Y/n) Y
User_Name: [neo]: linuser
Please set a password for linuser:
New UNIX password:
Retype new UNIX password:
```

Now you are prompted for the root password. You may receive messages about the password being bad; though these can be ignored, it is better to choose a proper password (refer to Chapter 22, “Overview of security on Linux” on page 435 for more information). By reentering the password, it will be accepted:

```
Please enter a password for the root user:
Changing password for user root
```

---

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New UNIX password:
Retype new UNIX password:
passwd: all authentication tokens updated successfully

The following final question is also important. The answer will determine on which volume the bootstrap record, parameter file and kernel image will be placed:

```
------------------------------------------------------------
SIL0 Configuration
------------------------------------------------------------
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number</th>
<th>Type</th>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Status</th>
<th>Blksize</th>
<th>Blocks</th>
<th>FS</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>0201</td>
<td>ECKD</td>
<td>dasda</td>
<td>active</td>
<td>4096</td>
<td>601020 /</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>0203</td>
<td>ECKD</td>
<td>dasdb</td>
<td>active</td>
<td>4096</td>
<td>200340 swap</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
```

Boot_Disk_[#] 1

In our case we choose 1, to place the boot information on the root file system. This causes the `silo` command to be run, as shown:

```
   chroot /mnt/root silo -f /boot/image-2.2.16-122-tape -d /dev/dasda -p
   /boot/parm -b /boot/ipleckd.boot -t2
   silo: o->image set to /boot/image-2.2.16-122-tape
   silo: o->ipldevice set to /dev/dasda
   silo: o->parmfile set to /boot/parm
   silo: o->bootsect set to /boot/ipleckd.boot
   silo: o->Testonly flag is now 0
   silo: o->Testlevel is set to 0
   silo: o->IPL device is: '/dev/dasda'
   silo: o->bootsector is: '/boot/ipleckd.boot' ... ok ...
   silo: o->Kernel image is: '/boot/ipleckd.boot' ... ok ...
   silo: o->original parameterfile is: '/boot/parm' ... ok...
   final parameter parm is: '/boot/parm' ... ok ...
   silo: ix 0: offset: 078523 count: 0c address 0x00000000
   silo: ix 1: offset: 078530 count: 80 address 0x0000c000
   silo: ix 2: offset: 0785b0 count: 80 address 0x0008c000
   silo: ix 3: offset: 078630 count: 6f address 0x0010c000
   silo: ix 4: offset: 07a8de count: 01 address 0x00008000
   silo: Bootmap is in block no: 0x00001ed7
```

The target system is now ready to be IPLed from DASD. Shut down the bootstrap system with the `halt` command or a `shutdown -h now` command.

To IPL the target system from VM, use the following CP command:

```
#CP IPL 201 CLEAR
```
To IPL the target system in an LPAR or native on a S/390 or zSeries, use the same procedure used to IPL the bootstrap system—except this time from DASD, instead of from tape.

Following the current example, from the HMC select the processor and then select an image which represents the LPAR to be used for Linux. Drag the icon onto the Load icon in the right-hand column. This will display the load dialog box. Select the clear button and enter 0201 as the address of the load device, then press OK.

You can begin customizing the target system once the Linux target system has completed IPL. This is described in Chapter 9, “Customizing and using Turbolinux” on page 141.

8.6 The Version 6.5 “beta”

While most of the testing for this redbook was done using Version 6.0 of the Turbolinux Server for zSeries and S/390, we did receive an early “beta” of Version 6.5, dated 06/01/01, which we were able to install under VM.

The following sections describe the obvious differences we observed in Version 6.5 installation and distribution, under VM.

8.6.1 The Version 6.5 installation

We noted the following differences related to the installation process.

8.6.1.1 The introductory screen

The introductory installation screen was slightly redesigned and included new verbiage related to networking, as shown:

Welcome to

TURBOLINUX

for IBM S/390 and zSeries

z/Linux (TM) 6.5

July 2001

If you are using x3270 terminal emulator, under 'Options', choose Character Set "U.S.International"
In order to install you have to configure at least one network device:

ctc0   - CTC       Channel to Channel
escon0 - ESCON     Enterprise Systems Connection
iucv0  - IUCV      Inter-User Communication Vehicle (only for VM or VIF)
eth0   - Ethernet
tr0    - Token Ring

Please have the following information ready:
 assigned IP address,
 Peer address,
 Hostname,   
 DNS address,  
 MTU size (or just accept the default).

To accept the defaults, press Enter twice

8.6.1.2 New/additional networking selections - phase one

Networking options in Version 6.0 were individual prompts, in contrast to this more "menu-like" screen. Also, options for iucv and escon had been added:

Which of the following devices do you want to configure:

[1] - ctc0
[2] - iucv0
[3] - eth0
[4] - escon0
[5] - tr0

[0] None
Enter the number of network device to configure []

8.6.1.3 Completion screen - phase one

We noted a redesigned phase one completion screen, as shown:

--------------------------------------------------------------
------ Congratulations! The first installation stage is finished. ------
--------------------------------------------------------------

MANUALLY you can start ROUTED or GATED

We suggest using TELNET for the remaining configuration steps.
Use configured IP address and login as a root.
There is no password for now, but it will be set.

--------------------------------------------------------------

To start the second stage type at the shell prompt:
install.pl

-----------------------------------------------

bash-2.04#

8.6.1.4 DASD formatting options
We noted the addition of (recommended) to this screen:

One or more dasds need low level formatting (recommended).

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number</th>
<th>Type</th>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Status</th>
<th>BlkSize</th>
<th>Blocks</th>
<th>FS</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>0201</td>
<td>ECKD</td>
<td>dasda</td>
<td>active</td>
<td>4096</td>
<td>468000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>0203</td>
<td>ECKD</td>
<td>dasdb</td>
<td>active</td>
<td>4096</td>
<td>18000</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Format disk [1 or 2 or etc. or q]

8.6.1.5 LVM
Logical Volume Manager (LVM) support had been added to the distribution, as well as to the installation process:

************************************************************************************
LVM has installed successfully!
You have to modify /etc/rc.d/rc.sysinit to start LVM in boot time
Read /usr/share/doc/packages/lvm-0.9.1_beta7/lvm.TURBOLINUX_s390 file
To start LVM type:

modprobe lvm-mod
/sbin/vgscan
/sbin/vgchange -a y

515/515: lvm-0.9.1_beta7-1.s390.rpm

8.6.1.6 New/additional networking selections - phase two
This appeared to be basically a duplication of the screen in phase one of the installation:

Which of the following devices do you want to configure:

[1] - ctc0
[2] - iucv0
[3] - eth0
[4] - escon0
[5] - tr0
8.6.1.7 New/additional Apache verbiage
The inclusion of Apache is not new, depending upon the installation option selected. However, the following text had been added:

Apache, the TurboLinux web server, comes configured to serve a demonstration page. You may want to configure Apache first to fit your needs and turn it on afterwards.

Turn on the web server now? (y/n) [n]:

8.6.1.8 Installation completion message
Additional verbiage related to VM had been added at the end of the installation:

------------------------------------------------------------------------
Installation is complete.
Type halt to shutdown the system. Do not use any other commands.
Then IPL the root disk.
If you are on VM use #cp i xxx where xxx is boot disk number.
------------------------------------------------------------------------
bash-2.04#

8.6.2 The Turbolinux V6.5 distribution
Two of the differentiators of Linux distributions are the installation process and the contents/packaging. In this section, we examine the three most obvious content additions in the June 1, 2001, beta of Turbolinux Server Version 6.5 for zSeries and S/390:

- The kernel version
- The tape driver
- Logical Volume Manager (LVM)

8.6.2.1 The kernel version
The June 1, 2001, beta of Turbolinux Server Version 6.5 for zSeries and S/390 is based upon version 2.2.19 of the Linux kernel, versus the 2.2.16 version included in Turbolinux Server Version 6.0 for zSeries and S/390.

8.6.2.2 The tape driver
Support for the tape driver comes pre-compiled into Turbolinux Server Version 6.5 for zSeries and S/390. However, no actual tape device files are included and they must therefore be manually created as documented in Chapter 23, “Backup and restore” on page 463.
8.6.2.3 LVM

Support for the LVM comes pre-compiled into Turbolinux Server Version 6.5 for zSeries and S/390. The LVM driver is loaded as follows:

```
# /sbin/modprobe lvm-mod
```

Further information on using LVM can be found in Chapter 17, “Logical Volume Manager” on page 301.
In this chapter we describe many aspects of customizing and using Turbolinux for S/390 and zSeries by examining the following topics:

- How to customize an installed Turbolinux for S/390 and zSeries system
- Administrative commands and tools available under Turbolinux for S/390 and zSeries

**Note:** Turbolinux for zSeries and S/390 disables telnet by root. In order to telnet and have root authority, you need to use either the `su` command or the `su - root` command, followed by the root user password.

**Note:** Access by user root via telnet can be enabled by either deleting or renaming the `/etc/securetty` file. However, due to the inherent insecurities associated with telnet (such as its use of clear-text passwords), a better solution is to use `ssh`.
9.1 Customizing Turbolinux

All of the packages discussed in the following section were already installed as part of the initial installation. When installing the system, we chose option 6 (Development All-in-one), which was the most comprehensive installation option available. This option resulted in 515 packages being installed.

However, not all packages started automatically after boot, even though they had scripts in the /etc/rc.d/init.d directory. Some of them required further steps, using the `chkconfig` command.

For example, `chkconfig --add nfs` adds run-level information for the NFS startup script to system services. By using defaults, NFS is defined as a daemon to be started automatically after boot (that is, it will run in run levels 3 to 5).

Executing a `chkconfig --list|sort|more` command will list all services that have been defined for automatic start, and at what run levels. In order for startup scripts to be added or defined using this method, the scripts need two special comment lines (which are described in the man pages of the `chkconfig` command).

Because Turbolinux does not have a specific customizing tool, we chose to use Webmin, which is described in 9.2.1, “Webmin” on page 148 and in 21.2.3, “Webmin” on page 403.

9.1.1 Secure shell (SSH)

Secure shell (SSH) is already installed and set up to use. There are many packages beginning with the name openssh that comprise the full range of SSH services. Following is a summary of the files used for SSH on Turbolinux:

- **Name**: openssh-server
- **Daemon**: /usr/sbin/sshd
- **Startup script**: /etc/rc.d/init.d/sshd
- **Configuration file**: /etc/sshd/sshd_config
- **Secure ftp**: /usr/bin/sftpserv
- **Log files**: /var/log/messages

Webmin allows for an SSH or telnet login. Webmin uses telnet for communication rather than SSH, but this is easily changed.

To make this change, bring up Webmin (see 9.2.1, “Webmin” on page 148) via a browser and select the lower left-hand icon SSH/Telnet Login on the main screen. Then double-click Module Config in the upper left-hand corner. On the configuration page, enter the host name, click the Secure Shell button, and then click save.
You should now get another window prompting you for the user ID and password. You can send root and the root password with confidence that your session is encrypted.

### 9.1.2 FTP server

On Turbolinux, the FTP daemon is typically set to start at boot time. FTP server sessions are initiated via `inetd`. Because of this, you will only see an FTP server process when someone has a session running. It is installed under RPM as the package name proftpd. The usual RPM queries will list files and so on. Following is a summary of the files used for proftpd on Turbolinux:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>ProFTPD</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>daemon</td>
<td>/usr/sbin/proftpd</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>configuration files</td>
<td>/etc/proftpd/proftpd.conf</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>/etc/proftpd/ftusers {a user exclusion list}</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>startup script</td>
<td>/etc/rc.d/init.d/inet</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>lock file</td>
<td>/var/lock/subsys/inet</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>log files</td>
<td>/var/log/messages</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The FTP server configuration file is /etc/proftpd/proftpd.conf. By default, it has most options commented out. We uncommented them and tried an FTP session, but the FTP home directory could not be found. We then did a `mkdir /home/ftp` to create the directory, and the FTP server worked as expected.

### 9.1.3 Web server

On Turbolinux, the Web server, httpd, is typically set up to start automatically at boot. It is installed under RPM as the package name apache. Following is a summary of the files used for http on Turbolinux:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Apache</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>daemon</td>
<td>/usr/sbin/httpd</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>configuration files</td>
<td>/etc/httpd/conf/httpd.conf</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>/etc/httpd/conf/srm.conf</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>/etc/httpd/conf/access.conf</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>/etc/mime.types or /etc/httpd/conf/mime.types</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>startup script</td>
<td>/etc/rc.d/init.d/httpd</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>lock file</td>
<td>/var/lock/subsys/inet</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>log files</td>
<td>/var/log/httpd/access_log</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>/var/log/httpd/access_log.1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>/var/log/httpd/error_log</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>/var/log/httpd/error_log.1</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The setup for http is well-documented in the chapters covering the other distributions, as well as in *Turbolinux server 6 for zSeries and S/390 User Guide*. 

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Figure 9-1 shows the sample Web page that is loaded by default when a Web browser is pointed to the host name or IP address of the Turbolinux host.

![Figure 9-1 Turbolinux Web server default page](image)

9.1.4 Samba

On Turbolinux, Samba is typically installed and ready to run. Also, the Samba Web Administration Tool (SWAT) is installed but is commented out in the inetd configuration file, `/etc/inetd.conf`. To enable SWAT, edit the file and uncomment the following line:

```
#swat     stream  tcp     nowait.400      root    /usr/sbin/swat swat
```

Then restart inetd with the command `/etc/rc.d/init.d/inet restart`. After it is restarted, you can point your Web browser to:

```
http://<Turbolinux_hostname>:901/
```

You will be prompted for a user ID and password. A screen shot of SWAT is shown in Figure 6-4 on page 101.
Following is a summary of the files used for Samba on Turbolinux:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Samba</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>daemon</td>
<td>/usr/sbin/smbd</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>/usr/sbin/nmbd</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>configuration file</td>
<td>/etc/smb.conf</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>startup script</td>
<td>/etc/rc.d/init.d/smb</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>/etc/rc.d/init.d/nmb</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>log files</td>
<td>/var/log/samba/log.smb</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>/var/log/samba/log/nmb</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

9.1.5  NFS server

The RPM package name for NFS in Turbolinux is knfsd. The portmap daemon is also required to be running for NFS, and the `exportfs` command is useful for checking and implementing any new changes to `/etc/exports` (which is used to define the access to directories). The `exportfs` command can be used instead of restarting the NFS daemons.

Following is a summary of the files used by knfsd, `exportfs` and `portmap`:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>knfsd</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>daemons</td>
<td>/usr/sbin/rpc.nfsd</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>/usr/sbin/rpc.mountd</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>/usr/sbin/rpc.rquotad</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>/sbin/portmap</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>commands</td>
<td>/usr/sbin/nfsstat</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>/usr/sbin/exportfs</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>configuration files</td>
<td>/etc/exports</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>/etc/sysconfig/network</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>startup scripts</td>
<td>/etc/rc.d/init.d/nfs</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>/etc/rc.d/init.d/portmap</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>lock files</td>
<td>/var/lock/subsys/nfs</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>/var/lock/subsys/portmap</td>
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</table>

We found that the only thing required to get NFS started was to actually define an entry in the `/etc/exports` configuration file, and then start the port mapper and NFS. They were started via the scripts `/etc/rc.d/init.d/nfs` and `/etc/rc.d/init.d/portmap`. (However, the *Turbolinux server 6 User Guide* incorrectly lists the portmap script as `/etc/rc.d/init.d/portmap.init`.)

9.1.6  The domain name server

The Turbolinux domain name server is (BIND).
This server has its required components installed using these four packages:

- bind
- bind-contrib
- bind-devel
- bind-utils

The packages can be listed by using the `rpm` command. Following is a summary of the files used by BIND:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>BIND</th>
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<tr>
<td>daemon</td>
<td>/usr/sbin/named</td>
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<tr>
<td>configuration files</td>
<td>/etc/resolv.conf</td>
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<td></td>
<td>/etc/named.conf</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>/etc/named.boot</td>
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<td></td>
<td>/etc/host.conf</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>startup script</td>
<td>/etc/rc.d/init.d/named</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>lock file</td>
<td>/var/lock/subsys/named</td>
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</table>

BIND was already set up by the installation process for cache-only server mode; this only requires the /etc/resolv.conf configuration file, which specifies the DNS domain and the default domain name server:

```
$ cat /etc/resolv.conf
search itso.ibm.com
nameserver localhost
```

The other configuration file is /etc/named.boot:

```
$ cat /etc/named.boot
; a caching only nameserver config

; directory . /var/named
; cache named.ca
; primary 0.0.127.in-addr.arpa named.local
```

### 9.1.7 XDM

The X window display manager (XDM) was already set up on this system. All that is needed is an X Window server on the workstation to test it.

Linux desktops will typically have an X server configured, but we had Windows desktops, which do not have an X server. We used Microimages MI/X for this purpose. Here is the URL to download the latest MI/X from MicroImages:

http://www.microimages.com/

Older and free versions may be available at mirror sites, which are listed at:

http://www.microimages.com/freestuf/mix/mirrorlist/
For installation, you should use IP addresses that are relevant to the local network and environment in which MI/X will be installed. This information should already be available from the install of Turbolinux. The only new data is the terminal's IP address.

Figure 9-2 shows an example of the MI/X server running on MS Windows/2000, accepting displays from the xterm and XEDIT clients running on the Turbolinux host.

![Figure 9-2 Turbolinux XDM being displayed to an MI/X window](Image)

### 9.2 Administration

As of version 6.0, Turbolinux for S/390 and zSeries has no distribution-specific administration utilities. Of course, common administrative commands such as `useradd`, `userdel`, `passwd`, `groupadd`, `groupdel`, `ifconfig` and `rpm` can be used.
9.2.1 Webmin

Webmin is a very useful, free administrative package that is distributed under the BSD licence and allows for the complete administration of practically any Linux or UNIX system. Webmin is basically comprised of Perl scripts that provide both a basic Web server (for use by Webmin only), as well as control of most of the standard configuration files and utilities on your Linux system.

Prerequisites

Webmin requires perl5 to be present on the target system. This can generally be verified by looking for either of the following directory locations:

- /usr/bin/perl
- /usr/local/bin/perl

Downloading the Webmin source

Webmin was not installed on our Turbolinux system, nor did we find it available as an RPM. We found the Webmin documentation and source code package at the following URL:


We downloaded the file webmin-0.86.tar.gz.

Installation of Webmin

The installation of Webmin was straightforward. We installed it as follows:

```
# cp webmin-0.86.tar.gz /usr/local
# cd /usr/local
# tar -xvzf webmin-0.86.tar.gz
# cd webmin-0.86
# ./setup.sh
```

Note: The installation script allows for the customization of Webmin installation, such as allowing for non-default file locations.

However, in our testing, all we specified was the Linux distribution we were installing on and an alternative Webmin user/password. We accepted all the other defaults.

Usage of Webmin

As its name implies, Webmin is accessed via a browser. It listens on port 10000. Therefore, you can test your Web browser by pointing it to the following URL:

http://yourhostname:10000/
The Webmin GUI interface is very intuitive and is used by simply clicking the particular function you're interested in (for example Users and Groups). The Webmin main screen is shown in Figure 9-3.

Figure 9-3  Webmin main screen
Overview of Red Hat Linux

This chapter describes the Red Hat Linux for S/390 and zSeries distribution. A beta version of Red Hat Linux was originally available in February 2001. As of the time of writing, it is not yet generally available (GA).

Red Hat is based on a 2.2.19 kernel. The version we tested had a compilation date of Tue Apr 24 15:17:30 EDT 2001. As well as the 2.2.19 kernel, a 2.4.3 kernel is available for installation. Just about all the other Linux distributions are based on one of the 2.2 kernels.

Contrary to what other Linux for zSeries or S/390 distributions have done, Red Hat has incorporated glibc 2.2, with no provision for installing glibc 2.1.3. This caused us problems when we tried to install IBM's DB2 product, since that package requires glibc 2.1.3.

Red Hat provides an administration tool called setup, but most users install linuxconf for administering their system.
10.1 Obtaining the Red Hat distribution

Since Red Hat was still in beta testing at the time of writing, the only way to get the software was to download it from one of their FTP servers:

ftp://ftp.redhat.de/pub/s390

The three “starter” installation files you will need can be retrieved from:

ftp://ftp.redhat.de/pub/s390/images

The software packages (RPMs) will need to be retrieved from:

ftp://ftp.redhat.de/pub/s390/RedHat/RPMS

The ftp site ftp.redhat.com is usually extremely busy, and you may find it nearly impossible to access it via anonymous FTP. You should seriously consider using the ftp.redhat.de site, or one of the other Red Hat FTP mirrors that are listed at:

http://www.redhat.com/download/mirror.html

Excluding the source RPMs, you will need about 1.1 GB of disk space to hold the distribution.

There are no .iso images available yet, just the individual RPMs and source RPMs. There are only 45 Linux for S/390 SRPMs on the FTP servers at this time.

Because there are 1163 RPMs, you will need a convenient way to download them all. You may first have to socksify your Linux system if your company has a firewall between your desktop and the Internet. One package that accomplishes this for Linux systems is named tssocks. We found the package on the Internet at:

http://ftp1.sourceforge.net/tssocks/tssocks-1.7.tar.gz

We followed the instructions on how to socksify our Linux system. We tested a ping to an Web site server to verify our system was socksified.

After the Internet is accessed, there are several ways to get all the Red Hat Linux files, depending on what platform you are using. One option for Windows systems would be to use a GUI FTP client, such as WS_FTP from Ipswitch, Inc., at:

http://www.ipswitch.com/Products/WS_FTP/index.html
While there is a freely downloadable version of this product, commercial use requires a purchased license. This tool can retrieve an entire FTP site, creating the appropriate directory structure on the fly. This is relatively important, because the Red Hat installation process expects the installation files and directories to be in a certain structure. WS_FTP can also be configured to only download files that have been changed since the last time they were downloaded. This makes keeping a mirror copy of a site relatively painless.

A second option, for Windows clients, would be to use the command line FTP client in conjunction with the FTP mget and prompt subcommands. These subcommands allow you to retrieve all of the files in a directory that match the specified pattern. The important pieces of an FTP session follow:

```
# ftp ftp.redhat.de
ftp> cd /pub/s390/RedHat/RPMS/
ftp> binary
ftp> prompt
ftp> mget *.rpm
150 Opening BINARY mode data connection for 4Suite-0.11-2.s390.rpm (1520605 bytes).
150 Opening BINARY mode data connection for Canna-3.5b2-43.s390.rpm (1065846 bytes).
150 Opening BINARY mode data connection for Canna-devel-3.5b2-43.s390.rpm (465980 bytes).
465980 bytes received in 9.95 seconds (46.84 Kbytes/sec)
...
ftp> quit
```

A final option for MS Windows systems would be to use the wget command from the Cygwin environment for Windows, which is available at:

```
http://sources.redhat.com/cygwin
```

The wget command is a very powerful, flexible command from GNU and the Free Software Foundation that has been ported from the UNIX/Linux world. Like WS_FTP, wget can be used to retrieve an entire FTP site (or sub-tree thereof) while creating the directory structure dynamically. For example, the following command will retrieve the entire FTP server from the /pub/s390 directory down, including the files that are in /pub/s390:

```
# wget –m ftp://ftp.redhat.de/pub/s390
```

If all you want to retrieve are the contents of the documentation directory, then the following command will do that:

```
# wget –m ftp://ftp.redhat.de/pub/s390/docu/
```

For Linux/UNIX systems, using wget to retrieve the distribution is probably the best option available.
The directory structure that the Red Hat installer expects to be below the s390 directory is as follows:

```
  s390
  +---images
  +---SRPMS
  +---RedHat
     +---RPMS
     +---base
```

Note that the names of the directories leading up to and including “s390” in this example are of no concern to the installer. All the installer cares about are the directories below that. For example, the following directory structure will work:

```
  /home
  +---userid
     +---ftp.mirror.site.com
        +---pub
           +---RedHat_Mirror
              +---linux
                 +---rawhide
                    +---s390
                       +---images
                       +---SRPMS
                       +---RedHat
                          +---RPMS
                          +---base
```
10.2 Documentation available

Red Hat has not yet written any documentation for their distribution. The only
documentation that has been available during the beta is what was written for the
platform by other people and organizations. Red Hat has placed this
documentation on their FTP servers, and it can be downloaded from:

ftp://ftp.redhat.de/pub/s390/docu/

The index.html file there points to these documents:

**General information about Linux**

- *Linux questions and answers / A Linux Whitepaper* (l-faq.pdf)

**General information manuals on Linux for S/390**

- This IBM Redbook *Linux for zSeries and S/390: Distributions* (sg246264.pdf)
- The IBM Redbook *Linux for S/390* (sg244987.pdf)
- *The Dinosaur and the Penguins: S/390 Qualities of Service for Linux*
  (dinopenguin.pdf)
- Frequently asked questions (FAQ) for Linux for zSeries/ S/390 (209faq.pdf)
- *S/390 Virtual Image Facility for Linux - Guide and Reference* (vifs1500.pdf)

The following specific installation guide is available:

- *Installation of IBM WebSphere 3.5 on Red Hat Linux for S/390*
  (WebSphere-HOWTO.html)

The following developer guides are available on the documentation site:

- *ELF Application Binary Interface Supplement* (l390abi0.pdf)
- *Linux for S/390 Device Drivers and Installation* (l390ddd24.pdf)
- *Using the Dump tools (Kernel 2.2)* (l39dmp22.pdf)
- *Using the Dump tools (Kernel 2.4)* (l39dmp24.pdf)
- The redpaper *Building Linux Systems under IBM VM* (redp0120.pdf)

The list of software RPMs that are installed on Red Hat Linux are listed in an
appendix entitled *Linux Software Packages*, which is available separately on the
Web at:

10.3 How Red Hat Linux differs

When selecting software to include on their distributions, Red Hat tends to be more “bleeding edge” than others. For example, Red Hat’s Linux beta software includes a default kernel at the 2.2.19 level, and glibc 2.2, while others are sticking with what IBM is still calling the “GA” versions of 2.2.16, and 2.1.3. From our experience, this may cause problems when trying to install other software, such as IBM’s DB2.

Red Hat provides only a very rudimentary administration tool named setup. Linuxconf (an open software tool) is the software package that Red Hat recommends for this task.

Red Hat has provided the means to put a lot of installation/setup information in the parameter file, to allow a quicker and easier installation. For more information on this, see 11.2, “Preparing for installation” on page 158.

Red Hat’s installation scripts support more installation types than the other distributions:

- NFS
- FTP
- HTTP
- SMB server (Microsoft file and print sharing)

Most other distributions allow NFS and FTP installation, but not HTTP nor SMB.
Chapter 11. Installing Red Hat Linux

This chapter describes installation of Red Hat Linux for S/390 and zSeries under the following scenarios:

- Under VM
- In an LPAR
- Under VIF

For all these scenarios, make sure you have a current copy of the Red Hat installation files and packages. During our testing, we encountered problems because of a version mismatch between the installation files and some of the RPM packages.
11.1 Before you install

No matter which method you use to install, you will need to have the Red Hat installation files available to your system via one of four methods:

- NFS server
- FTP server
- HTTP server
- SMB server (Microsoft file and print sharing)

Our testing showed that the Red Hat installer will work with an FTP or HTTP server that is either Linux/UNIX-based or MS Windows-based. This is because it does not try to parse the output from an `ls` command to the server. Instead, there is a file in the installation `/base` directory that contains the names of all the RPM files that are available.

The RAMdisk has another set of files with predetermined packages in them, which are used to look up the RPM names in the `/base/list` file. A retrieval request for the specific RPM name is then sent to the server via the `wget` command. (This makes changing the contents of the predetermined packages awkward, and could probably be improved. There is no reason the file needs to be in the RAMdisk; it could just as easily be on the file server.)

We did not test the installation from an SMB server.

11.2 Preparing for installation

The amount of disk space needed for the default and full installations is listed in Table 11-1. At the time of our testing, these were the only choices available.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Directory</th>
<th>Installation type</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>default</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/bin</td>
<td>5.4 MB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/boot</td>
<td>1.7 MB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/dev</td>
<td>104 KB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/etc</td>
<td>8.2 MB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/lib</td>
<td>17 KB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/opt</td>
<td>0</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Red Hat has named their IPL parameter file inst.parm. (The README file still refers to inst22.parm.) It allows many more variables than that of other distributions. Edit the inst.parm file to match your installation requirements. We used the following file for all three Red Hat installation scenarios:

```
root=/dev/ram0 ro ip=off DASD=200-20f
HOST=vmlinux4.itso.ibm.com:eth0:9.12.6.80:1500
LCS=0x2926,0
SEARCHDNS=itso.ibm.com:ibm.com
RPMSERVER=ftp://9.12.2.120
MOUNTS=/dev/dasdb1:/dev/dasdc1:/usr
SWAP=/dev/dasdd1
ROOTPW=root11
INSTALL=default
```

Note the following regarding the parameter file. When IPLing from the VM reade, the parameter file is limited to 80 bytes per line, with a maximum of 11 lines. When IPLing from tape, the parameter file is limited to one line of 1024 bytes.

Red Hat has apparently made some extensions to the parameters, which can be specified to allow quicker and easier installation. If all the values shown in the example are filled out for your installation, you will not be prompted for any information at the console, and will only have to verify the values given during the rest of the installation process. This avoids having to re-type the information over and over again if you need to restart the process.

One parameter we recommend that you do not specify is ROOTPW. This causes a syntax error in the installation script, and the password is not set.

If you do not specify this parameter, you will be prompted for a password, and it will be set correctly.
Some parameter values (for example INSTALL= ) are not documented in the README file in the root directory of the FTP server. The only valid values for this parameter are all and default.

The remaining parameters were documented as follows:

If you want to, customize the parameter file (inst22.parm). It takes the following parameters:

- root=/dev/ram0 ro ip=off
  These values are given directly to the Linux kernel and should be left as provided.
- HOST=<...>
  The values for the HOST statement depends, whether you want to install this machine via the ethernet driver or via ctc/iucv devices:

  - HOST=fqdn:device:ipaddr[:mtu] (for ethernet devices)
    - fqdn: your full qualified domain name of the virtual machine device: eth0
    - ipaddr: the fixed IP-address for this virtual machine
    - mtu: maximum transfer units (optional, should be 1492 or 1500)
  - HOST=fqdn:device:ipaddr:gateway[:mtu] (for ctc devices)
    - fqdn: your full qualified domain name of the virtual machine device: ctc0
    - ipaddr: the fixed IP-address for this virtual machine
    - gateway: IP-address of the gateway
    - mtu: maximum transfer units (optional, should be 1492 or 1500)
  - HOST=fqdn:device:host:gateway[:mtu] (for iucv devices)
    - fqdn: your full qualified domain name of the virtual machine device: iucv0
    - ipaddr: the fixed IP-address for this virtual machine
    - host: VM host name of IUCV partner
    - gateway: IP-address of the IUCV partner
    - mtu: maximum transfer units (optional)

- DASD=x-y
  Range of addresses of your DASD devices. 200-20f should be sufficient in most cases.

- DTZ=timezone
  default time zone as returned by the tzselect-utility, e.g: DTZ=Europe/Berlin or DTZ=America/Chicago

- LCS=base,type
  type defines an OSA-2 with LCS (1) or an OSA-Express with QDIO/QETH (2) device with the base address of base, e.g. LCS=0xfc20,1 for and OSA-2 with LCS at 0xfc20 or LCS=0x0f000,2 for an OSA-Express with QDIO/QETH at 0x0f000

- NETWORK=IP:netmask:broadcast[:gw]
  - IP: Your IP
  - netmask: the netmask
  - broadcast: the broadcast address
  - gw: the gateway-IP for your eth device (for eth-device only)

- DNS=list:of:dns:servers
the list of DNS servers, separated by colons
e.g. DNS=10.0.0.1:10.0.0.2
will use the DNS servers 10.0.0.1 and 10.0.0.2
SEARCHDNS=list:of:search:domains
the list of the search domains, separated by colons
e.g. SEARCHDNS=redhat.de:redhat.com
RPMSERVER=ftp://your.ftp.server/your.s390.rpm.dir
RPMSERVER=http://your.http.server/your.s390.rpm.path
RPMSERVER=IP:/dir
Your Red Hat Linux for S/390 binary RPM packages may be located on
any of your ftp- or http-servers in the given directories, or you may
give an IP-address and a directory of a NFS server (e.g. a mount of
your Red Hat Linux for S/390 CD-ROM).
MOUNTS=dev:mountpoint,dev2:mountpoint2
defines a comma-delimited list of DASD device-partitions
and where they should be mounted by default.
e.g. MOUNTS=/dev/dasda1:,,/dev/dasdb1:/usr,/dev/dasdc1:/tmp
SWAP=list:of:swap:devices
the list of initial swap devices, delimited by colons
ROOTPW=my_secret_password
the default unencrypted root password.
e.g. ROOTPW=sEcReT
DEBUG=<value>
if set to any value you will get a shell during
installation to debug if you encounter problems.

Note: The DASD keyword, and all Red Hat extensions, need to be in all upper
case letters. However, the values of those parameters are case sensitive in the
normal way, so take care that whatever editor you use is in its mixed case mode.

The installer script will take whatever you specify for RPMSERVER, and append
/RedHat/base/list to it to find the list of all RPMs that are available. Keep this in
mind when determining what to specify for this value.

As can be seen from the installation worksheet that follows, a number of IP
networking parameters are required. Your IP network group/administrator or
system programmer will have to provide these.

When specifying the device numbers for a Linux guest running under VM, use
the virtual device addresses that are defined for the guest in the user directory
(see 3.1.1, “The VM user directory” on page 28).
11.3 Installation of Red Hat under VM

In this section, we cover the steps needed to install the Red Hat distribution as a guest operating system under VM.

<table>
<thead>
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<th>Table 11-2  Installation worksheet</th>
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<tr>
<td>1. VM guest user ID (if installing under VM)</td>
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<td>2. VM guest password (if installing under VM)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3. Device: 1st DASD/vdev(VM) (/ file system)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4. Device: 2nd DASD/vdev(VM) (swap space)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5. Device: tape unit *optional (eg. 0181)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6. Host name (eg. vmlinux.itso.ibm.com)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7. Network device type (eg. eth0, ctc0)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8. Host IP address (eg. 9.12.6.80)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9. IP address of CTC/IUCV point-to-point partner</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10. Netmask (eg. 255.255.255.0)</td>
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<tr>
<td>11. Broadcast IP address (eg. 9.12.6.255)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12. Network IP address (eg. 9.12.6.0)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>13. Default gateway IP address (eg. 9.12.6.75)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>14. OSA-2 with LCS or OSA-E with qdio/qeth</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>15. Network device and port 1st of pair (eg. 2926,0)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16. Domain name search list (eg. itso.ibm.com,ibm.com)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>17. DNS IP address (eg. 9.12.14.7)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>18. MTU size (eg. 1500)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>19. FTP server IP address or hostname</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>20. FTP path (eg. /mnt/cdrom)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>21. FTP user ID (eg. TOT32)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>22. FTP password</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>23. Linux root user password</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
11.3.1 Red Hat under VM checklist

1. Read the preparation section for installing Linux under VM.
   Make sure your VM guest has enough disk capacity on its 191 disk to hold a minimum of 6 MB of data. More would be preferable (perhaps 10 to 20 MB); refer to “Prepare the VM guest for Linux” on page 28.

2. Plan your DASD configuration:
   a. Which volumes are going to be used.
   a. What file systems are going to be on what volumes.
   a. How big those volumes need to be.

3. Fill out the installation worksheet (see Table 11-2 on page 162.

4. Logon to the VM guest you will be using as your Linux system.

5. Make sure the following files are available to your VM/CMS guest and stored on the 191 disk (or another disk that is accessible to CMS):
   - INST EXEC - the REXX exec used to write the following three files to the VM virtual reader.
   - VMKRNL22 BIN - the kernel to be used for IPLing under VM.
   - INST PARM - the parameter file to be used for IPLing under VM.
   - VMINRD22 BIN - the RAMdisk containing the system to install Linux under VM.

   This can be done in several ways, but using the VM/CMS FTP client is probably the easiest (refer to “Getting the installation files for VM” on page 30).

6. Edit the kernel parameter file, inst.parm, according to your installation's requirements. Putting as much information as possible in this file will make the rest of the installation much easier.

7. Run inst exec to punch the three files to your virtual reader and IPL. You’ll see output similar to Example 11-1 on page 166.

8. Continue with the rest of the installation as documented in “Common installation steps” on page 165.

11.4 Installation of Red Hat in an LPAR

In this section, we cover the steps needed to install the Red Hat distribution in an LPAR. These same steps would be followed if you install on the “bare metal.”
11.4.1 Red Hat in an LPAR checklist

1. Read the preparation section for installing Linux in an LPAR (refer to “Prepare the LPAR for Linux” on page 31).

2. Plan your DASD configuration:
   a. Which volumes are going to be used.
   b. What file systems are going to be on what volumes.
   c. How big those volumes need to be.

3. Fill out the installation worksheet (see Table 11-2 on page 162).

4. Edit the kernel parameter file, lpar.prm, according to your installation’s requirements. Putting as much information as possible in this file will make the rest of the installation much easier.

5. Prepare media, depending on one of the following initial IPL methods:
   a. From a tape (see 3.4.3, “Booting from tape” on page 44).
   b. From the HMC CD-ROM or an FTP server (see 3.4.2, “Booting from HMC CD-ROM or FTP server” on page 35).
   c. From an ICKDSF bootstrap (see 3.4.1, “Using the ICKDSF bootstrap” on page 34).

6. IPL Linux, using the appropriate media depending on the IPL method.

7. Continue with the rest of the installation as documented in 11.6, “Common installation steps” on page 165.

11.4.2 Comments on LPAR installation

Aside from the inherent differences between installing under VM and in an LPAR, the installation proceeded exactly the same. There were no problems encountered in one scenario and not the other.

11.5 Installation of Red Hat under VIF

In this section, we cover the steps needed to install the Red Hat distribution under VIF.

The installation of Red Hat Linux under VIF is similar to that under VM, with one exception: because you do not have the VM console available, the only way to access your linux0 system is via SSH, or via the HMC. Telnet access is disabled, by default.
11.5.1 Red Hat under VIF checklist

1. Read the preparation section for installing Linux in an LPAR, “Prepare the LPAR for Linux” on page 31.
2. Plan your DASD configuration:
   a. Which volumes are going to be used.
   a. What file systems are going to be on what volumes.
   a. How big those volumes need to be.
3. Fill out the installation worksheet (see Table 11-2 on page 162 ).
4. In the root directory of the Red Hat FTP server, there is a file named redhat.ins. This file points to the initial RAMdisk, kernel, and kernel parameter files to be used by VIF for setting up the master Linux system, Linux0.
   Edit the kernel parameter file, lpar.prm, according to your installation’s requirements. Putting as much information as possible in this file will make the rest of the installation much easier.
5. Start the IPL of the VIF tape. Follow the process that is documented in 16.5.3, “Load VIF tape onto DASD” on page 278.
6. When the Red Hat installation system is IPLed by VIF, continue with the rest of the installation as documented in “Common installation steps” on page 165.
7. Edit /etc/fstab to make the 203 volume (which contains the vif command) read-only:
   
   ```
   /dev/dasdb1 /vif ext2 defaults,ro 0 0
   ```

11.5.2 Comments on VIF installation

Aside from the inherent differences between installing under VM and under VIF, the installation proceeded exactly the same. There were no problems encountered in one scenario and not the other.

11.6 Common installation steps

In this section we provide examples which illustrate the steps that are common to both types of installations.
Example 11-1  Beginning of the IPL process at the console

**CP IPL 00C CLEAR**

0000003 FILES CHANGED

Linux version 2.2.19-0.07BOOTvrdr (laroche@rawhide.redhat.de) (gcc version 2.95.3 20010319 (prerelease Red Hat Linux S/390)) #1 SMP Tue Apr 24 15:31:32 EDT 2001

Command line is:

```
root=/dev/ram0 ro ip=off DASD=200-20f
LCS=0x2926,0
SEARCHDNS=itso.ibm.com:ibm.com
RPMSERVER=ftp://9.12.2.120/
MOUNTS=/dev/dasdb1:;/dev/dasdcl:/usr
SWAP=/dev/dasdd1
ROOTPW=root11
INSTALL=default
```

1. If you chose not to completely specify all the parameters in inst.parm/lpar.prm, answer the questions asked by the setup script:
   a. The fully qualified domain name of your Linux system, for example: vmlinux4.itso.ibm.com
   b. Which communications device are you going to use, that is: ctc0, eth1, icuv2, and so on
   c. The IP address of your Linux system.
   d. The network mask for this system, for example: 255.255.255.192
e. The broadcast address of this system. This will be dependent on your
network mask. For a subnet mask of 255.255.255.0, there is only one
broadcast address, at xx.xx.xx.255.

f. The network address of this system. This is the result of a logical AND of
your IP address, and subnet mask.

For a subnet mask of 255.255.255.0, this simply means that the value of the
last octet will always be 0. For any other subnet mask, it’s best to break out
the hexadecimal calculator.

g. The IP address of your default gateway. This is the address to which your
system will send all its IP traffic if it doesn’t know of a specific
route to the destination. Some people use the lowest address in the subnet for their
gateways. Others use the next-to-highest address. Still others pick
something else.

There is no way to calculate or guess at this address; you’ll have to ask
your IP network administrator/group for the value.
i. Depending on what kind of communications device you said you had,
you will be asked further questions about it.

ii. For a CTC, it will ask for the “IP of your ctc/iucv point-to-point partner:”
(which means the system on the other end of the virtual CTC).

iii. For iucv, you will be asked to “Enter iucv kernel module options (usually
iucv=HOST):” where “HOST” is the VM user ID of the system on the
other end of the iucv connection.

iv. If you said you were using eth0, you will be asked whether you are
using an OSA-2 or OSA-Express. If you reply OSA-2 (and perhaps for
OSA-Express), you will be prompted for the “OSA Device address (e.g.
f20,1 - or “auto” (may not work)):”

In our test case, the value we entered was: 2926,0.

2. Once the network setup is complete, you will be instructed to telnet into your
Linux system and finish the installation, as in Example 11-2. You will not be
required to specify a password to logon to the system.

Example 11-2   End of the first phase

```
eth0     Link encap:Ethernet    HWaddr 00:06:29:6C:CB:CE
          UP BROADCAST RUNNING MULTICAST  MTU:1492 Metric:1
          RX packets:0 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
          TX packets:0 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
          collisions:0 txqueuelen:100
          lo        Link encap:Local Loopback
inet addr:127.0.0.1 Mask:255.0.0.0
          UP LOOPBACK RUNNING MTU:3924 Metric:1
```
The system is running Linux and has the following kernel information:

RX packets:0 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
TX packets:0 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
collisions:0 txqueuelen:0

Kernel IP routing table

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Destination</th>
<th>Gateway</th>
<th>Genmask</th>
<th>Flags</th>
<th>Metric</th>
<th>Ref</th>
<th>Use</th>
<th>Iface</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>127.0.0.1</td>
<td>0.0.0.0</td>
<td>255.255.255.255</td>
<td>UH</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>lo</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9.12.6.0</td>
<td>0.0.0.0</td>
<td>255.255.255.0</td>
<td>U</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>eth0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9.12.6.0</td>
<td>0.0.0.0</td>
<td>255.255.255.0</td>
<td>U</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>0.0.0.0</td>
<td>9.12.6.75</td>
<td>0.0.0.0</td>
<td>UG</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>eth0</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Starting portmap.

Starting telnetd to allow login over the network.

Please telnet now to 9.12.6.80 and start 'rhsetup'!

Bringing up debugging shell in 3270...

/bin/sh: No controlling tty (open /dev/tty: No such device or address)
/bin/sh: warning: won't have full job control

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3. After you have logged onto the system, enter the command `rhsetup` to begin the rest of the installation:

   Linux 2.2.19-0.07B00Tvrdr ((none)) (ttyp0)

   Welcome to Red Hat Linux on S/390.

   Please run 'rhsetup' to start the installation.
   # rhsetup
   Debug: this machine has IP = 9.12.6.80 and device = eth0
   Loading DASD kernel module. This can take a while.

4. Verify that the DASD volumes to be formatted are correct. The screen should look similar the one shown in Figure 11-1 on page 169.
5. Start the formatting process by tabbing to the **OK** button and pressing Enter. You will see a succession of status boxes with the heading DASD Initialization, telling you what volume is currently being processed (depending on the size of your volumes, this can take quite a while).
6. Verify that the DASD volumes are being assigned to the file systems and mount points you want. This is done via the dialog box, as shown in Figure 11-2.

![Red Hat mount points panel](image)

**Figure 11-2  Red Hat mount points panel**

7. Verify that the network information is correct, as shown in the panel with the title *Network Setup.*
8. Verify the protocol to be used to retrieve the packages, and their location on the server, as shown in Figure 11-3.

If you use an FTP server that does not allow anonymous access, you can specify a user ID and password that is a valid account on that machine as follows:

ftp://userid:password@ftp.server.my.com/path/to/packages

Figure 11-3  Red Hat package sources panel
9. The installation process will begin, and you will see the progress of packages added as they installed, as shown in Figure 11-4.

![Red Hat installation progress panel](image)

Figure 11-4  Red Hat installation progress panel

10. At the end of the installation, the `rhsetup` script will run `zilo`, add your network device driver parameters to `/etc/modules.conf`, and then set the password for the root user ID.

In our initial test, we had specified `/dev/dasdb` as the root file system, and used the `ROOT=` parameter in the `inst.parm` file. As a result, we experienced failures with `zilo` and setting the root password, as shown in Example 11-3:

**Example 11-3  Unsuccessful end of the installation process**

```
sh-2.04# /sbin/zilo
Testlevel is set to 0
IPL device is: '/dev/dasda'
/boot/ipleckd.boot is not on device (94/0) but on (94/4)
Zilo.c (line:400) 'verify_file (o->bootsect, dev)' returned 22="Invalid argument"
bootsector is: '/boot/ipleckd.boot' Usage:
  zilo [-d ipldevice [additional options]]
  -d /dev/node : set ipldevice to /dev/node
  -f image : set image to image
  -f conffile : specify configuration file (/etc/zilo.conf)
  -p parmfile : set parameter file to parmfile
```
-b bootsect: set bootsector to bootsect
Additional options
-b bootmap:
-v: increase verbosity level
-v#: set verbosity level to #
-t: decrease testing level
-h: print this message
-?: print this message
-V: print version

sh-2.04# /usr/sbin/pwconv
sh-2.04# # Allow root logins over 3270
sh-2.04# echo "console" >> /etc/securetty
sh-2.04# # Handle the LCS and QETH module if necessary
sh-2.04# if [ -n "noauto=1 devno_portno_pairs=0x2926,0" ]; then
>   echo "options lcs noauto=1 devno_portno_pairs=0x2926,0" >>
>   /etc/modules.conf
> fi
sh-2.04# if [ -n "" ]; then
>   echo "alias eth0 qeth" >> /etc/modules.conf
> fi
sh-2.04# # Handle the IUCV module if necessary
sh-2.04# [ -n " " ] && echo "options netiucv " >> /etc/modules.conf
sh-2.04# # enable default Timezone if available
sh-2.04# [ -n " " ] && /usr/sbin/timeconfig
sh-2.04# exit

passwd: This option requires a username
root password set to bootparameter-provided token

Congratulations
You have successfully installed Red Hat Linux on S/390!
Next, set your linux user in vm to boot into linux and re-login.

11. If you encounter similar problems, you can correct them as described in 11.7, "Problems we encountered" on page 174.

12. If your inst.parm file was set up to avoid these problems with the install script, you should see output identical to that of Example 11-3 (without the highlighted error messages).

13. Ensure that your DASD volumes are unmounted:

# mount
/dev/root on / type ext2 (rw)
none on /proc type proc (rw)

14. Re-IPL from DASD:

#CP IPL 201 CLEAR
11.7 Problems we encountered

We encountered a few problems along the way which are worth mentioning here:

- nfslockd appears to start, but vanishes without a trace. If the nfsd daemon is started, nfsd will start lockd, and lockd will remain running.

- The Red Hat kernel has support for serial devices in it. This results in seeing the following error message during IPL:

  modprobe: modprobe: Can't locate module char-major-4.

  This can be corrected by adding the following entry to /etc/modules/conf:

  alias char-major-4 off

- The documentation for the LCS= parameter is incorrect. It says to use a value of ‘address,1’ if you are using an OSA-2 card, and a value of ‘address,2’ if you are using an OSA-Express.

  In our testing using an OSA-2 card, this did not work. We had to specify ‘address,portnumber’ as is done when passing parameters directly to the lcs.o module.

- The INSTALL= parameter in inst.parm is not documented. The keywords must be in upper case. The values must be in appropriate case (usually all lower case).

- When trying a full install with a 4100 cylinder disk volume for /usr, dasdfmt seemed to have a problem with the volume. The tune2fs command also seemed to have a problem. The complete error messages were hidden by the installation script.

  Manually issuing the dasdfmt and mke2fs commands allowed us to proceed normally.

- The installation script assumes that you will be booting from your /dev/dasda volume, and gives you no way to change that assumption. It then writes that information into /etc/zilo.conf.

  If this is not the case at your site, there will be problems with zilo. However, the default package installs the vi editor, so you should be able to correct this problem as described here (keep in mind that, if you define your own packages, there is no editor—other than sed—on the RAMdisk, so make sure you install at least one editor on your system).

Remount your disks and then do the following:

  chroot /mnt/dest
  cd /etc
  vi zilo.conf

  Edit /etc/zilo.conf with the parameters that fit your installation.

  Save the file and exit. (:x will do this for vi)
  /sbin/zilo
If you use the parameter file to specify the initial password for root, it does not
get set due to a syntax error in the rhsetup script.

The way to avoid this is to not specify `ROOTPW=` in the parmfile. You will then be
prompted for an initial password by the `rhsetup` script, and it will be set
correctly.

If you forget, and specify it in the parmfile, you can set it before re-IPLing the
system as follows:

```bash
mount /dev/dasdb1 /mnt/dest/
mount /dev/dasdc1 /mnt/dest/usr
mount /dev/dasdg1 /mnt/dest/etc
chroot /mnt/dest
/usr/bin/passwd
enter password once
enter password again
exit
umount /mnt/dest/etc
umount /mnt/dest/usr
umount /mnt/dest/
```

At this point, you can re-IPL from DASD.

The Mozilla package does not work at all. It appears to start, but then
disappears. There is a platform-dependent module (called an xpcom module)
that needs to be written for the S/390 architecture, and this has not yet been
done.

The kmail program tries to locate the `libssl.so.1` and `libcrypto.so.1` libraries,
but what is actually installed is `libssl.so.2` and `libcrypto.so.2`. Creating a
symbolic link for each of them is an effective workaround until a permanent fix
is put out:

```bash
ln -s /usr/lib/libssl.so.0.9.6a libssl.so.1
ln -s /usr/lib/libcrypto.so.0.9.6a libcrypto.so.1
```

The reiserfs package is included in the distribution, but the official source tree
for reiserfs does not yet support big-endian machines such as the S/390. Do
not try to install this RPM, as it will not work.

When trying to boot the 2.4.3 kernel using 3270 console support, we ran into
consistent system hangs. If we were quick on the PA2 key to clear the screen
when it filled up, we could get to this point:

```
Example 11-4  System hang with 2.4.3 kernel and 3270 console support
```

```
dasd(eckd): /dev/dasdb(94:4),0201 IRQ0x3:(4kB blks): 1872000kB at 48kB/trk
classic disk layout
Partition check:
  dasdb:(nonl)/  : dasdb dasdb1
dasd(eckd): /dev/dasdc(94:8),0202 IRQ0x4:(4kB blks): 1872000kB at 48kB/trk
classic disk layout
```
It was at this point that the system consistently hung up. By removing the support for the 3270 console, this problem was avoided. However, trying to SSH in to the system caused this error immediately:

HCPGIR450W CP entered; disabled wait PSW 000A0000 80022E3C

Rebooting with the same kernel produced an illegal opcode exception in sshd.
Rebooting again and logging on from the console produced another disabled wait:

HCPGIR450W CP entered; disabled wait PSW 000A0000 80022E3C

Rebooting yet again produced the same error at a different time.

At this time, we can safely recommend that you stay away from the Red Hat 2.4.3 kernel.
Chapter 12.

Customizing and using Red Hat Linux

In this chapter we describe many aspects of customizing and using Red Hat Linux for S/390 and zSeries.
12.1 Creating multiple IPL volumes

Red Hat includes a module named zilo (instead of silo). Both zilo and silo require that all files used to write out the IPL/boot information physically reside on the same volume as is to be IPLed. Normally, this is not a problem; simply copying the kernel, parameter file, and boot sector file to any directory on that volume, then running silo from that directory, will work.

However, with zilo, there is a further restriction: we could not get the usual technique to work, unless the files were in a directory named /boot. In our case, to satisfy this restriction, we temporarily renamed /boot to /bootold, and then created a symbolic link to our directory of choice, as follows:

```
# cd /
# mv /boot /bootold
# mkdir /path/to/new/boot
# ln -s /path/to/new/boot /boot
# cp -p /usr/src/linux/arch/s390/boot/image /boot
# cp -p /usr/src/linux/System.map /boot
# cd /boot
# cp -p /bootold/ipleckd.boot /bootold/parmfile .
# zilo -d /dev/dasd? -f image -p parmfile -b ipleckd.boot
```

Once this was done, we deleted the symbolic link to /boot, and then decided to rename /bootold back to /boot.

Because Linux looks at the System.map file in /boot during IPL processing, you should ensure that /boot contains the correct files for the kernel you are IPLing (while this is not required, it will avoid having some error messages generated).

12.2 Installing linuxconf

linuxconf is not installed as part of the default package, so if you want to use linuxconf instead of setup and the various command line utilities, you will have to install it once your initial IPL from DASD is complete.

**linuxconf**

linuxconf comes in several varieties, and can be invoked in a number of ways:

- linuxconf, run from a non-X telnet/ssh session
- linuxconf, run from an xterm, either via telnet/ssh or X
- linuxconf-web, run from a browser
- gnome-linuxconf, run from an xterm, either via telnet/ssh or X
**linuxconf-web**

linuxconf-web is installed as part of the base linuxconf RPM. To enable it, you must edit `/etc/xinetd.d/linuxconf-web` and change the "disabled = yes" to "disabled = no," or comment out the line by putting a pound sign (#) in column one.

However, we discovered a major problem with linuxconf-web; whenever we tried to connect to linuxconf-web from a browser, it would immediately start using as much CPU as was available, but would never send anything to the browser. We would have to issue a `kill` command to get it to stop. We do not recommend trying to run linuxconf-web at this time.

**gnome-linuxconf**

gnome-linuxconf is a separate RPM package from linuxconf, and can only run in an X environment. Once it is installed, this version will be invoked any time you have a terminal type of "xterm" and the DISPLAY environment variable is set. This behavior can be bypassed by specifying the `--text` option.

We also discovered problems with gnome-linuxconf involving the OSA card. Whenever we would try to set the time zone, it would immediately drive the OSA card as hard as it could, and never perform the update. Again, we had to issue a `kill` command to get it to stop.

The text-based `linuxconf` command seems to have problems with setting the time zone as well. Because the main dialog box overlays the error messages that are generated, we could not see what they were trying to tell us.

Although this is the standard system administration tool for Red Hat (and other) systems, we strongly recommend caution in its use. Take backups of your system before invoking this tool, and inspect the changes afterwards. The range of tasks that linuxconf will handle can be seen by the menu selections that are shown in Figure 12-1 and Figure 12-2 on page 181, which are screen shots of a linuxconf telnet session.
Figure 12-1  Linuxconf menu selections, screen 1
Figure 12-2  Linuxconf menu selections, screen 2
Figure 12-3 shows an xterm session, using **Linuxconf --text** to invoke the tool. It looks nicer than the plain telnet text version, but doesn’t have nearly the graphics/network load that a complete graphical desktop environment would have.

![Linuxconf via an xterm with the --text flag](image)

Figure 12-3   Linuxconf via an xterm with the --text flag
Figure 12-4 shows a running gnome-linuxconf session. It is invoked with just the `linuxconf` command and no parameters from an xterm. This tool has all the nice features of a graphical interface, but does create more network traffic as a result.

![Figure 12-4 A gnome-linuxconf session](image)

**12.3 Adding a non-root user**

`linuxconf` can be used to do add a non-root user, but it can also be done from the command line. Issue the command `useradd -g users username` to add a user that has only normal user privileges.

**12.4 Managing the network**

In general, networking is managed via the script `/etc/rc.d/init.d/network`. A useful command to check the status of the network is as follows:
12.5 Configuring Apache

By default, Apache was installed on our system. Edit the file 
/etc/httpd/conf/httpd.conf to have the values you want for your installation.

Issue the `chkconfig` command to set the run-levels in which you want Apache to be active:

```
$ chkconfig --level 2345 httpd on
```

Issue the command `/etc/init.d/httpd start` to start it the first time. Optionally, install the tool `apacheconf` to configure Apache. Install the apache-manual RPM if you want the Web-accessible manual documentation.

The configuration files for Apache (and php) are in `/etc/httpd/conf/`, especially in the file `httpd.conf`.

The log files for Apache (and php) are in `/var/log/httpd`, especially in the files `access_log` and `error_log`.

The default location for Apache’s “Document Root” is `/var/www/html`. This is the directory from which your documents will be served. Symbolic links and aliases may be used to point to other locations.

12.6 Managing the FTP Server

In order to enable the FTP server, edit the file `/etc/xinetd.d/wu-ftpd` and change `disable=yes` to `disable=no` and then issue command `service xinetd restart` to pick up the change.
Since the anonymous FTP package is part of the default installation, this will also enable anonymous FTP access. If you want to disable anonymous FTP, simply uninstall the anonftp RPM as follows:

```
$ rpm -e anonftp-4.0-4
```

Unfortunately, this is likely to produce some amount of confusion. Users who attempt to connect anonymously will see these results:

```
$ ftp vmlinux4
User (vmlinux4.itso.ibm.com:(none)): anonymous
331 Guest login ok, send your complete e-mail address as password.
Password: userid@mydomain.com
530 Can't set guest privileges.
Login failed.
```

We were unable to determine any way to eliminate the Guest login ok message completely. This is most likely because wu-ftp was designed with anonymous access as the preferred method of use.

The configuration files for wu-ftp are all in the /etc directory:

- ftpaccess
- ftpconversions
- ftpgroups
- ftphosts
- ftpusers

The default location for files accessible by anonymous FTP is /var/ftp.

Note that wu-ftp writes its logs to the files /var/log/ftpaccess and /var/log/messages.

### 12.7 Managing Samba

By default, Samba was installed on our system. To customize it, edit the Samba configuration file, /etc/samba/smb.conf, to set the values you want for workgroup, security, password encryption, etc. Issue the `chkconfig` command to set the run-levels in which you want Samba to be active. For example:

```
# chkconfig --level 2345 smb on
```

Issue the command `/etc/init.d/smb start` to start Samba services the first time.
If the security setting in the configuration file is not set to security = server or security = domain, the value will default to security = user. When this is the case, you must create user accounts on the Linux system. If you also want to handle DES-encrypted passwords, you must also create Samba accounts as follows:

```
# useradd -g users username
# smbpasswd -a username
```

The very first time you issue the `smbpasswd` command on a Linux system, you will get an error message about the `smbpasswd` file not being found:

```
startsmbsfilewent_internal: unable to open file /etc/samba/smbpasswd. Error was No such file or directory
Added user username.
```

This is really just a warning message, since the file is then created, and the first user added. You can avoid this error message by first invoking the command:

```
touch /etc/passwd
```

The configuration files for Samba are in `/etc/samba`. Samba writes its log files to the directory `/var/log/samba`.

### 12.7.1 Enabling SWAT

The Samba Web Administration Tool (SWAT) is not installed by default. We install the package `samba-swat-2.0.7-36.s390.rpm`.

To enable SWAT, edit the file `/etc/xinetd.d/swat` and change `disable = yes` to `disable = no`, or comment out the line. If you want to be able to access SWAT from your desktop, you will also have to comment out the line that reads `only_from = 127.0.0.1`.

To tell `inetd` to invoke this change, enter the command `service xinetd restart`.

SWAT should now be accessible via a browser with the URL:

```
http://<your.server.name>:901
```

### 12.8 Mail server

Red Hat Linux uses sendmail as the mail transfer agent (MTA). It can either be configured with `linuxconf`, or you can edit the configuration files directly. The following example shows you how to configure sendmail with an external mail host in order to be able to send and receive e-mails between your Linux system and the outside world.
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Edit the file /etc/sendmail.cf. Lines 92 and 93 (approximately) should contain a comment and a configuration parameter:

```
# "Smart" relay host (may be null)
DS
```

Put in the DNS name of one of your company’s mail forwarding systems. If we use smtp.mycompany.com as an example, the file would be changed to this:

```
# "Smart" relay host (may be null)
DSsmtp.mycompany.com
```

Send a message to sendmail to tell it to re-read its configuration file:

Determine the process id (PID) by doing `ps ax | grep sendmail`.

Kill `-1` `###` where “###” is the PID from the previous command.

At this point, sendmail is configured and you should be able to send to, and receive mail from, other hosts.

12.9 Enabling xdm

In order to enable the X Display Manager (xdm), edit the file

`/etc/X11/xdm/Xaccess`. Uncomment the line that has a single asterisk and the trailing comment “#any host can get a login window.”

Also, edit the file `/etc/X11/xdm/xdm-config`. Comment out the last line of the file by putting an exclamation point in column one. The line should then read:

```
! DisplayManager.requestPort:    0
```

Start xdm via the command: `/usr/X11R6/bin/xdm`

The configuration files for xdm are in the directory `/etc/X11/xdm`. The log files for xdm are written to the file `/var/log/xdm-errors`.

12.10 Installing KDE

Although we do not recommend that you run a graphical desktop environment on Linux, some people will still want to.

Note: DNS must be set up with MX records to have mail for your domain delivered to your Linux system.
To do so, you must install the following RPMs in the order given:

1. kdesupport-2.1-3a.s390.rpm
2. kdelibs-2.1.1-5.s390.rpm
3. kdelibs-sound-2.1.1-5.s390.rpm
4. kdebase-2.1.1-8.s390.rpm

This will allow you to login and have the KDE desktop available. If you want to go further, you can install the following RPMs for more functionality. They can be installed in just about any order.

- kdeadmin-2.1.1-3.s390.rpm
- kdegames-2.1.1-1.s390.rpm
- kdegraphics-2.1.1-1.s390.rpm
- kdenetwork-2.1.1-1.s390.rpm
- kdeim-2.1.1-1.s390.rpm
- kdetools-2.1.1-2.s390.rpm
- kdeutils-2.1.1-1.s390.rpm
- kdevelop-1.4.1-2.s390.rpm
- switchdesk-kde-3.9.5-1.s390.rpm

### 12.11 Installing GNOME

Although we do not recommend that you run a graphical desktop environment on Linux, some people will still want to. To do so, you must install the following RPMs in the order given:

1. librep-0.13.3-1.s390.rpm
2. rep-gtk-0.15-3.s390.rpm
3. rep-gtk-gnome-0.15-3.s390.rpm
4. aumix-2.7-2.s390.rpm
5. control-center-1.2.2-8.s390.rpm
6. sawfish-0.36-7.s390.rpm
7. gnome-core-1.2.4-16.s390.rpm

This will allow you to login and have the GNOME desktop available. If you want to go further, you can install the following RPMs for more functionality. They can be installed in just about any order.

- gnome-applets-1.2.4-3.s390.rpm
- gnome-games-1.2.0-10.s390.rpm
- gnome-kerberos-0.2.2-2.s390.rpm
- gnome-linuxconf-0.64-1.s390.rpm
- gnome-lokkit-0.43-7.s390.rpm
- gnome-pim-1.2.0-9.s390.rpm
12.12 Miscellaneous

Add alias char-major-4 off to the file /etc/modules.conf to turn off the serial port.

12.13 Installing maintenance on Red Hat

Red Hat, like nearly all Linux distributors, posts maintenance on their FTP sites for packages that require it. You will need to download the RPMs and install them.

**Important:** You may need to “socksify” your TCP/IP stack to get through your company’s firewall. We do not address this topic, but the tsocks package is a possible solution.

Red Hat also provides a utility called **up2date**. The man page for it says:

Update Agent provides a complete system for updating the RPM packages installed on a Red Hat Linux system. Both command line and graphical interfaces are included.

When you run Update Agent, you will be prompted for the computer’s root password. This is because Update Agent needs read/write access to the RPM database, and it needs to be able to install packages when so requested. It also needs read/write access to the up2date systemid file in /etc/sysconfig/rhn/systemid, and it's configuration in /etc/sysconfig/rhn/up2date

Before you can run **up2date**, you will need to register with the Red Hat Network by running the **rhn_register** command.
In this part we describe other Linux distributions for zSeries and S/390. They are:

- The Marist “distribution” or file system
- The Caiman distribution by LinuxKorea Inc.
- The Think Blue 64-bit distribution by Millenux Inc.
Chapter 13. The Marist File System

This chapter provides a history and overview of the Marist College Linux for S/390 file system. It is not called a distribution because it was not distributed on a CD with many RPM packages.

This chapter also describes the installation and customization of the updated (May 1, 2001) Marist College Linux for S/390 file system under VM.
13.1 History and overview of the Marist File System

The Marist File System was the first Linux system that was available for
download. Created by the IBM Linux for S/390 developers, it was made available
on the Marist College Linux FTP server on January 5, 2000. There were two
versions, a small file system and a big file system. Both versions would allow you
to bring up a basic Linux system, but the “big” file system had enough packages
to compile and install new software.

This was not a “distribution” in the usual sense of the word, in that it was simply a
tarred and gzipped copy of a running Linux system. Installing it consisted of
un-gzipping and un-tarring the file onto the DASD where it was to run, running
silod to make it bootable, and configuring the network parameters. Other than “big”
or “small,” there were no choices available as to what software would be
installed.

Second and third versions, only slightly different from the original, were made
available in February and May of 2000.

A fourth version, referred to as the “updated” file system, was made available on
May 1, 2001. The initial test version of this release is what we installed. It is
based on a Linux 2.2.16 kernel that was compiled on Thu Apr 19 11:10:14 EDT
2001. Unlike the previous versions, the May 1, 2001 update only comes in one
“size.” Although fairly large in absolute terms, it is still much smaller than typical
“default” installations of other distributions.

The list of software RPMs that are installed on the updated Marist file system are
listed in an appendix entitled “Linux Software Packages”. Due to the size of this
document, it is not included in this redbook, but can be found separately on the
Web at:


Note that although XFree86 is installed, none of the more popular desktop
environments (such as KDE and Gnome) are installed. Also note that this list will
not reflect changes that may be made to the file system after publication.

13.1.1 Getting the Marist File System

The Marist File System consists of five files, and it can only be downloaded from:

ftp://linux390.marist.edu/pub/update

The files are:

► A README file
• A Linux kernel to be used when booting from a tape drive (image.tape)
• A Linux kernel to be used when booting from a VM virtual reader (image.vm)
• An initial RAMdisk to support the installation of the file system (initrd.gz)
• A tarred and gzipped copy of the file system (marist_fs.tgz)

13.1.2 Documentation

*LINUX® for S/390® Installation, Configuration and Use*, by IBM, was written with the original Marist File System as the model for installation, and is available at:
http://linux390.marist.edu/download/inst.pdf

*LINUX® for S/390® LCS Device Driver*, by IBM, is available at:
http://linux390.marist.edu/download/lcsdd.pdf

13.1.3 How the Marist File System differs

The most important difference between the Marist File System and other Linux distributions is that it is a tarred and gzipped copy of a running file system, and not a collection of software packages to be installed. As such, it is not a distribution in the usual sense of the word, since there are no options for selecting what software to install. Whatever the file system maintainer decided to install is what you will wind up with on your system.

This provides the following advantages:
• It is very easy to get running on your hardware.
• It does not require much knowledge of Linux, or Linux for S/390.

The disadvantages are:
• The number of installed packages is limited and fixed, and finding binary RPMs that will install properly may be difficult or impossible.
• Upgrading to a complete new file system will involve saving copies of all configuration files—wherever they are located, and whatever they are named—and then restoring them afterwards.

The system was built using RPM, and therefore has a full RPM database. Because finding binary RPMs may be difficult, if there is anything you want to upgrade before the next update to the entire file system, you should probably be prepared to install source RPMs and build your own binaries.

Because it is intended as a minimalist, easy-to-get-started system, there are no system administration tools installed.
13.2 Installing the Marist File System

No matter which method you use to install, you will need to have the tarred and gzipped file system (marist_fs.tgz) available to your system via one of three methods:

- NFS server
- On DASD accessible to the system being installed
- FTP server

**Note:** *Installation* from an FTP server is not supported by the Marist File System. If all you have is an FTP server, you must IPL the initial kernel and RAMdisk, and then FTP the marist_fs.tgz file to the target system to use it.

If you do not have an NFS server available, you will need to have enough additional DASD space on your system to hold the marist_fs.tgz file, as well as the three “starter” files. This additional space will be a minimum of 135 MB. Having even more additional space would be preferable.

The amount of disk space needed for the installation (*not including* the marist_fs.tgz file) is listed in Table 13-1.

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<tr>
<td>/bin</td>
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<td>/boot</td>
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<td>/dev</td>
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<td>/etc</td>
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<td>/home</td>
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<td>/lib</td>
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<td>/opt</td>
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<td>0</td>
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<tr>
<td>/sbin</td>
<td>3.6 MB</td>
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<tr>
<td>/usr</td>
<td>445 MB</td>
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<td>/var</td>
<td>4.1 MB</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total</td>
<td>468 MB</td>
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</table>

Note: The total size includes the marist_fs.tgz file.
As can be seen from the installation worksheet that follows, a number of IP networking parameters are required. Your IP network group/administrator or system programmer will have to provide these.

When specifying the device numbers for a Linux guest running under VM, use the virtual device addresses that are defined for the guest in the user directory; see 3.1.1, “The VM user directory” on page 28.
13.3 Installing the Marist File System under VM

In this section, we cover the steps needed to install the Marist File System under VM.

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<td>2. VM guest password (if installing under VM)</td>
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<td>3. Device: 1st DASD/vdev(VM) (/ file system)</td>
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<td>4. Device: 2nd DASD/vdev(VM) (swap space)</td>
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<td>5. Device: tape unit *optional (eg. 0181)</td>
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<td>6. Network device type (eg. CTC, OSA-E)</td>
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<td>7. Network device 1st of pair (eg. 292C)</td>
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<td>8. Network device port 1st of pair (eg. 0)</td>
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<td>9. Host name (eg. vmlinux.itso.ibm.com)</td>
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<td>14. Gateway IP address (eg. 9.12.6.75)</td>
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<td>15. Network IP address (eg. 9.12.6.0)</td>
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<td>16. DNS IP address (eg. 9.12.14.7)</td>
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<td>17. DNS search domain (eg., itso.ibm.com,ibm.com)</td>
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<td>18. MTU size (for Marist the default is taken)</td>
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<td>19. FTP server IP address or hostname</td>
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<td>20. FTP path (eg. /mnt/cdrom)</td>
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<td>23. Linux root user password</td>
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13.3.1 Marist File System under VM checklist

1. Make sure your VM guest has enough disk capacity on its 191 disk to hold a minimum of 6 MB of data. More would be preferable, perhaps 10 to 20MB.

2. Logon to the VM guest you will be using as your Linux system.

3. Since it is likely that you will be IPLing your Linux guest from the VM reader more than once, it is advisable to create a REXX exec as follows:

```rexx
/* */
'cl rdr'
'purge rdr all'
'spool punch * rdr'
'PUNCH image vm a (NOH'
'PUNCH parmfile vm a (NOH'
'PUNCH initrd gz a (NOH'
'ch rdr all keep nohold'
'ipl 00c clear'
```

4. Make sure the following files are available to your VM/CMS guest and stored on the 191 disk, or another disk that is accessible:
   - IMAGE VM - the kernel to be used for IPLing under VM
   - INITRD GZ - the RAMdisk containing the system to install Linux

   This can be done in several ways, but using the VM/CMS FTP client is probably the easiest.

5. Create the PARMFILE VM file to match your installation. Since DASD support is compiled into the kernel, you must specify which DASD addresses you will need to access. The file that we used for our installation was:

   ```
   ramdisk_size=32768 root=/dev/ram0 ro dasd=200-20f
   ```

6. Run the starter EXEC to punch the three files to your virtual reader and IPL. You should see output similar to this:

   ```
   Linux version 2.2.16 (root@lxbuild1) (gcc version 2.95.2 19991024 (release)) #3 SMP Thu Apr 19 11:10:14 EDT 2001
   Command line is: ramdisk_size=32768 root=/dev/ram0 ro dasd=200-20f
   We are running under VM
   This machine has an IEEE fpu
   Initial ramdisk at: Ox02000000 (8388640 bytes)
   Detected device 2926 on subchannel 0000 - PIM = 80, PAM = 80, POM = FF
   Detected device 2927 on subchannel 0001 - PIM = 80, PAM = 80, POM = FF
   ...
   ```

7. After the IPL is complete, you will be asked a series of questions about your network setup, as shown in Example 13-1 on page 201. Answer them according to the information given to you by your IP network person or group. It's a good idea to have these values written down on the worksheet, as you
will be asked for them again the first time you IPL your Linux system from DASD.

a. Whether your Linux guest is attached to a network.
   It is not required that your system be connected, but working with it will be rather painful and relatively pointless. If you answer “no,” the script will skip all the network configuration, and put out a prompt for the root password, which is: pass4root.

b. Which communications device you are going to use.
   For example: OSA token ring; OSA ethernet; channel-to-channel; ESCON channel. The Marist file system does not offer IUCV as an option.

c. Depending on what kind of communications device you said you had, you will be asked further questions about it.
   • If you said you were using OSA token ring, or OSA Ethernet, you will be prompted:
     Please type in the options for the lcs module, e.g. to select relative port 1 on device 0xfd00 you should enter:
     noauto=1 devno_portno_pairs=0xfd00,1
     lcs parameter:
     In our test case, the value we entered was:
     noauto=1 devno_portno_pairs=0x2926,0
   • For a CTC and ESCON channel, it will ask for the “the IP address of your peer.” This means the IP address of the system on the other end of the virtual CTC.

d. Your host name, for example: vmlinux4.itso.ibm.com

e. The IP address of your Linux system, for example: 9.12.6.80

f. The network mask for this system, for example: 255.255.255.192.
   (Note that this is not the value we used for our testing. It is different to show that other values are possible, and provide an example for the subnet discussion that follows.)

g. The broadcast address of this system.
   This will be dependent on your network mask. It will be the highest address in the subnet. If your network mask is 255.255.255.192, as given in the previous example, your broadcast addresses will be xx.xx.xx.63, xx.xx.xx.127, xx.xx.xx.191, and xx.xx.xx.255.
   For a different subnet mask, these values will be different also. For a subnet mask of 255.255.255.0, there is only one broadcast address, at xx.xx.xx.255.
h. The IP address of your default gateway.

This is the address to which your system will send all its IP traffic if it
doesn’t know of a specific route to the destination. Some people use the
lowest address in the subnet for their gateways. Others use the
next-to-highest address. Still others pick something else. There is no way
to calculate or guess at this address. You will have to ask your IP
networking person for the value.

i. The network address of this system.

This is the result of a logical AND of your IP address, and subnet mask.
For a subnet mask of 255.255.255.0, this simply means that the value of
the last octet will always be 0. For any other subnet mask, it's best to break
out the hexadecimal calculator.

j. The IP address of your DNS server.

You will need to get this information from your IP network person or group.

k. The DNS search domain.

Again, you should get this information from your IP network person.
Simply put, though, it is the value that gets appended to a host name if an
initial name search fails.

Using vmlinux4 as an example, and itso.ibm.com as the DNS search
domain, if you were to type in the command ping vmlinux4, then the name
resolution would fail. The system would then re-issue the request as
vmlinux4.itso.ibm.com. In this case, the name resolution would succeed,
since that is a name that the ITSO DNS server knows.

The DNS search domain can be multiple values, separated by blanks, with
no commas. Therefore, ibm.com itso.ibm.com would cause a failed name
resolution to be tried twice: once with ibm.com appended to the host
name, and once with itso.ibm.com.

8. You will be shown the values you entered, and asked to confirm them. If you
reply “no,” you will be thrown all the way back to being asked if your system is
connected to a network. The script does not remember any of the values you
entered before, so you will have to enter them all over again.

If you reply “yes,” the network will be started, and you will be prompted to
enter the root password, which is: pass4root.

Example 13-1 Providing network parameters to the installation script

| Enabling swap space [ OK ] |
| /etc/rc.d/rc.sysinit: /boot/kernel.h: No such file or directory |
| INIT: Entering runlevel: 3 |
| Entering non-interactive startup |

Welcome to Linux for S/390

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Is your machine connected to a network (Yes/No)? Yes
Select the type of your network device
1) for osa token ring
2) for osa ethernet
3) for channel to channel
4) for escon channel
Enter your choice (1-4): 2

Please type in the options for the lcs module, e.g. to select relative port 1 on device 0xFD00 you should enter:
noauto=1 devno_portno_pairs=0xFD00,1
lcs parameter: noauto=1 devno_portno_pairs=0x2926,0
noauto=1 devno_portno_pairs=0x2926,0
Please enter your host name: vmlinux4.itso.ibm.com
vmlinux4.itso.ibm.com
Please enter your IP address: 9.12.6.80
9.12.6.80
Please enter the net mask: 255.255.255.0
255.255.255.0
Please enter the broadcast address: 9.12.6.255
9.12.6.255
Please enter the gateway address: 9.12.6.75
9.12.6.75
Please enter the net address: 9.12.6.0
9.12.6.0
Please enter the IP address of the DNS server: 9.12.14.7
Please enter the DNS search domain: itso.ibm.com
itso.ibm.com

Configuration will be:
LCS parameter: noauto=1 devno_portno_pairs=0x2926,0
Host name: vmlinux4.itso.ibm.com
IP address: 9.12.6.80
Net mask: 255.255.255.0
Broadcast address: 9.12.6.255
Gateway address: 9.12.6.75
Net address: 9.12.6.0
DNS IP address: 9.12.14.7
DNS search domain: itso.ibm.com
Is this correct (Yes/No)? Yes

Bringing up interface lo [ OK ]
Bringing up interface eth0 [ OK ]
Starting portmapper: [ OK ]
Initializing random number generator [ OK ]
Starting INET services: [ OK ]
Give root password for maintenance
9. Once the network setup is complete, you can either logon to the console, or telnet in (recommended) to your Linux system and finish the installation. You will be required to specify a password to logon to the system.

10. Start formatting each of the DASD volumes you will be using for your system. You need to be careful here, since `dasdfmt` and `mke2fs` have different defaults for the DASD blocksize, and having them not match will cause problems. You can format the volumes using either their device number, or their Linux device name:

   ```
   # dasdfmt -b 4096 -n 200
   # dasdfmt -b 4096 -f /dev/dasda
   # dasdfmt -b 4096 -n 204
   # dasdfmt -b 4096 -f /dev/dasde
   ```

11. You will be prompted to verify the command; make sure you are formatting the proper volume with the proper blocksize, and then reply yes. You should get this response:

   `Formatting the device. This may take a while (get yourself a coffee).`

12. Create an ext2 file system on each DASD volume you formatted, excluding any swap volumes. For example:

   ```
   # mke2fs -b 4096 /dev/dasdb1
   ```

13. Format and activate your swap volumes. For example:

   ```
   # mkswap /dev/dasdd1
   Setting up swapspace version 0, size = 73711616 bytes
   # chmod 600 /dev/dasdd1
   # swapon /dev/dasdd1
   ```

14. Decide which DASD volumes you want mounted on what mount points. In our test, we used `/dev/dasdb` as our root file system, and `/dev/dasdc` as our `/usr` file system.

15. Mount the DASD volumes on their correct mount points. This will require a `mkdir` command be issued for each volume other than the root file system.

   ```
   # mount /dev/dasdb1 /mnt
   # mkdir /mnt/usr
   # mount /dev/dasdc1 /mnt/usr
   # df
   Filesystem 1k-blocks Used Available Use% Mounted on
   /dev/ram0 7931 7774 157 98% /
   /dev/dasdb1 1842540 24 1748920 0% /mnt
   /dev/dasdc1 1842540 20 1748924 0% /mnt/usr
   ```

16. Change to the `/mnt` directory:

   ```
   cd /mnt
   ```
17. Access the marist_fs.tgz file. If you do this by FTP, then there must be enough room on your root file system for the marist_fs.tgz, and all the files that will be installed there. We recommend that you use NFS instead, and access marist_fs.tgz over the network. If you do use NFS, you must create a temporary mount point for the NFS mount, as shown here:

```
# mkdir nfs
# mount 9.12.9.183:/home/redbooks/linuxSystems/marist /mnt/nfs
# df
```

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<th>Filesystem</th>
<th>1k-blocks</th>
<th>Used</th>
<th>Available</th>
<th>Use%</th>
<th>Mounted on</th>
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<td>7931</td>
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<td>157</td>
<td>98%</td>
<td>/</td>
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<td>/dev/dasdb1</td>
<td>1842540</td>
<td>28</td>
<td>1748916</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>/mnt</td>
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<td>/dev/dasdc1</td>
<td>1842540</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>1748924</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>/mnt/usr</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9.12.9.183:/home/redbooks/linuxSystems/marist</td>
<td>7098092</td>
<td>4796928</td>
<td>1940592</td>
<td>71%</td>
<td>/mnt/nfs</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

18. Untar the file system onto your DASD.

```
# tar -zvxpf /mnt/nfs/marist_fs.tgz
```

Note the use of the "-p" parameter to preserve file permissions.

19. During our testing, the following error message was seen:

```
tar: usr/bin/cpp: Could not link to `lib/cpp': No such file or directory
Which resulted in this error message at the very end:

tar: Error exit delayed from previous errors
```

This error did not cause any problems, but should be fixed in a future update to the file system.

20. If you are using an OSA Ethernet or OSA token ring communications device, you must copy the lcs.o module to your DASD:

```
# mkdir /mnt/lib/modules/2.2.16/net
# cp -p /lib/modules/2.2.16/net/lcs.o /mnt/lib/modules/2.2.16/net/
```

21. We found there were some extraneous directories left on the file system which should be deleted:

```
# rm -rf /mnt/lib/modules/2.2.15
```

22. Use the **chroot** command to set the /mnt directory to the root file system. Update /etc/fstab with the appropriate entries. This is what our test system used:

```
# chroot /mnt
# vi /etc/fstab
```
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23. Change to the /boot directory, update the parmline file, and run silo.

```bash
# cd /boot
# ls
System.map  image  ipldump.boot  ipleckd.boot  iplfba.boot  kernel.h
parmline
# vi parmline
...

# cat parmline
dasd=200-20f root=/dev/dasdb1 ro noinitrd

# silo -d /dev/dasdb -f image -p parmline -b ipleckd.boot -t2
o->ipldevice set to /dev/dasdb
o->image set to image
o->parmfile set to parmline
o->bootsect set to ipleckd.boot
Testonly flag is now 0
Testlevel is set to 0
IPL device is: '/dev/dasdb'
bootsector is: 'ipleckd.boot'...ok...
bootmap is set to: './boot.map'...ok...
Kernel image is: 'image'...ok...
original parameterfile is: 'parmline'...ok...final parameterfile is: 'parmline'...ok...
ix 0: offset: 0401f0 count: 0c address: 0x00000000
ix 1: offset: 0401fd count: 80 address: 0x0000c000
ix 2: offset: 04027d count: 80 address: 0x0008c000
ix 3: offset: 0402fd count: 5f address: 0x0010c000
ix 4: offset: 040392 count: 01 address: 0x00008000
Bootmap is in block no: 0x00040393
```

24. There was a slight glitch with the test Marist File System: a configuration file was left in /etc/sysconfig/network-scripts. It should be removed before IPLing from DASD.

```bash
cd /etc/sysconfig/network-scripts
rm ifcfg-ctc0
```

25. There was a file misnamed in the /etc directory. Correct it as follows:

```bash
cd /etc
mv conf.modules modules.conf
ln -s modules.conf conf.modules (optional)
```
26. The permissions on the /tmp directory need to be changed:
   chmod 1777 /tmp
   The permissions on /dev/null need to be changed:
   chmod 666 /dev/null

27. The setuid bit on the xterm binary needs to be set:
   chmod 4711 /usr/X11R6/bin/xterm

28. Get out of the chroot environment with the exit command, change to the root
directory, and unmount the DASD volumes, and the NFS mount:
   # exit
   # cd /
   # umount /mnt/nfs
   # rmdir /mnt/nfs
   # umount /mnt/usr
   # umount /mnt

29. You can now reboot from DASD. Go back to the console, and boot from the
device you specified in the silo command:
   #CP IPL 201 CLEAR
You should see a result similar to this:
   Linux version 2.2.16 (root@lxbuild1) (gcc version 2.95.2 19991024
   (release)) #3 SMP Thu Apr 19 11:10:14 EDT 2001
   Command line is: dasd=200-20f root=/dev/dasdb1 ro noinitrd
   We are running under VM
   This machine has an IEEE fpu
   Initial ramdisk at: 0x02000000 (8388608 bytes)
   Detected device 2926 on subchannel 0000 - PIM = 80, PAM = 80, POM = FF
   Detected device 2927 on subchannel 0001 - PIM = 80, PAM = 80, POM = FF
   ...

30. Repeat the answering of the networking questions.
31. Logon as root.
32. Change the password for root with the passwd command.

13.4 Customization

In this section we discuss various customizations you can make to your Linux
system.

13.4.1 Installing SSH

Get an SSH RPM package, install it and use it!
This will actually require three packages: bc, SSL, and SSH. We recommend having a current version of each to install. These can be found a number of places. A commonly used site is Thinking Objects; it has source RPMs that are intended to go on top of a Red Hat-based Linux system. It is on the Web at:

http://linux.s390.org/download/

We still had to modify the spec file to match our environment better:

http://linux.zSeries.org/download/ftp/SRPMS/bc-1.05a-13.src.rpm
http://linux.zSeries.org/download/ftp/SRPMS/openssl-0.9.5a-23.src.rpm
http://linux.zSeries.org/download/ftp/SRPMS/openssh-2.5.2p2-1.7.2.src.rpm

Download the source packages; you can install them with the following commands:

```bash
# rpm -i bc-1.05a-13.src.rpm
# rpm -i openssl-0.9.5a-23.src.rpm
# rpm -i openssh-2.5.2p2-1.7.2.src.rpm
# cd /usr/src/redhat/SPECS
# rpm -ba bc.spec
# rpm -i ../RPMS/s390/bc-1.05a-13.s390.rpm
# rpm -ba openssl.spec
# rpm -i ../RPMS/openssl-0.9.5a-23.s390.rpm
# rpm -i ../RPMS/openssl-devel-0.9.5a-23.s390.rpm
# vi openssh.spec
Change “%define no_gnome_askpass 1” to “%define no_gnome_askpass 0”
Change “PreReq: initscripts >= 5.20” to “PreReq: SysVinit”
Save and exit
# rpm -ba openssh.spec
# rpm -i ../RPMS/s390/openssh-2.5.2p2-1.7.2.s390.rpm
# rpm -i ../RPMS/s390/openssh-clients-2.5.2p2-1.7.2.s390.rpm
# rpm -i ../RPMS/s390/openssh-askpass-2.5.2p2-1.7.2.s390.rpm
# rpm -i ../RPMS/s390/openssh-server-2.5.2p2-1.7.2.s390.rpm
```

13.4.2 Creating multiple IPL volumes

If you want to create another IPLable volume, the silo program requires that all the files it needs be on the same physical DASD volume. The easiest way to accomplish this is to use `mkdir` to create a directory somewhere on that volume.

What you name the directory, and where in the directory tree it resides does not matter—all that matters is that it is on the physical volume that you want to make IPLable.
As an example, consider this structure, and assume that /dev/dasdb is our IPL device:

```
# df
Filesystem      1k-blocks     Used  Available  Use% Mounted on
/dev/dasdb1    1842468 | 79944   1668928 | 5% /  
/dev/dasdc1    1842468 | 741972  1006900 | 42% /usr
```

If we now want to make /dev/dasdc an alternate IPL device, we first need to make a directory somewhere on that volume to hold a copy of the files in /boot. Since /dev/dasdc1 is mounted on /usr, that directory has to be somewhere under /usr. In our case, we kept things simple:

```
# mkdir /usr/boot
# cp -a /boot/* /usr/boot
# cd /usr/boot
# silo -d /dev/dasdc -f image -p parmfile -b ipleckd.boot -B boot.map -t2
```

We were then able to IPL from /dev/dasdc, as well as /dev/dasdb.

### 13.4.3 Adding a non-root user

Issue the command `useradd -m username` to add a user that has only normal user privileges. Set the password for the user with the `passwd username` command.

Update /etc/suauth if multiple people need root access.

### 13.4.4 Using Apache

Apache is started by default, with default parameters.

Edit /etc/httpd/conf/httpd.conf to have the values you want for your installation. Restart the daemon with the following command:

```
# /etc/rc.d/init.d/httpd restart
```

Issue the `chkconfig` command to see what run levels will have Apache active:

```
# chkconfig --list
```

If you want to adjust the run levels, reissue the `chkconfig` command:

```
# chkconfig --level 2345 httpd on
```
13.4.5 FTP server

The FTP server is enabled by default. The home directory for FTP does not exist. If you want to enable anonymous FTP access, you will have to create it as follows:

# mkdir /home/ftp

13.4.6 xdm

Because the Xaccess and Xservers files are shipped as read-only files, you will need to do a chmod command to make them writeable by root before you edit them. It's up to you whether you change the permissions back to 444 afterwards.

Create a file named /etc/pam.d/xdm. Put these entries in it:

```plaintext
# %PAM-1.0
auth     required    /lib/security/pam_unix.so       nullok #set_secrpc
account  required    /lib/security/pam_unix.so
password required    /lib/security/pam_unix.so       #strict=false
session  required    /lib/security/pam_unix.so       debug # trace or none
```

Edit /usr/X11R6/lib/X11/xdm/Xaccess. Uncomment the line that has a single asterisk and this trailing comment:

```plaintext
#any host can get a login window.
```

Edit /usr/X11R6/lib/X11/xdm/Xservers. Comment out the last line that contains the following:

```plaintext
:0 local /usr/X11R6/bin/X.
```

Create a symbolic link from where xdm thinks its configuration files exist, to where they really do exist:

```plaintext
# cd /etc/X11
# ln -s /usr/X11R6/lib/X11/xdm/ xdm
```

Start xdm with the command /usr/X11R6/bin/xdm.

To start xdm with every IPL, edit file /etc/rc.d/rc.local and add the /usr/X11R6/bin/xdm command to the very end (after the last “fi” statement).

13.4.7 Network

Add secondary DNS servers to: /etc/resolv.conf

Add additional search domains to: /etc/resolv.conf

Add systems to /etc/hosts for systems that don’t have DNS records.
13.4.8 Misc

Add alias char-major-4 off to the /etc/modules.conf - serial port.

Edit /etc/profile, and change the following:

```bash
if [ "$TERM" = "linux" ]; then
```
to this:

```bash
if [ "$CONSOLE" = "/dev/console" ]; then
```

13.5 Problems we encountered

All of the following problems have been reported to the Marist File System maintainer. We believe they will be corrected before the final release of the updated version.

- The leftover ifcfg-ctc0 file in the /etc/sysconfig/network-scripts directory caused long delays while the I/O to the non-existent CTC device timed out. Once we deleted the file, startup experienced with no delays.

- The /etc/conf.modules was named /etc/modules.conf, which caused some confusion and apparent problems. Merging the contents of the two files and renaming the result to modules.conf fixed it. Just as a precaution (in case other scripts somewhere on the system were looking to read or write the file), we created a symbolic link to it with the old name.

- At boot time, we noticed the message:
  ```bash
  modprobe: can't locate module char-major-4
  ```
  Since char-major-4 is for serial port support, it should be aliased 'off' in /etc/modules.conf, which we did.

- When we examined the error logs for Apache, we saw that there was a missing image file, poweredby.png, for the graphic entitled Powered by Red Hat Linux. We got a copy of it from another location to eliminate the error.

- During the boot process, we saw these error messages:
  ```bash
  /etc/rc.d/rc.sysinit: /proc/sys/kernel/sysrq: No such file or directory
  /etc/rc.d/rc.sysinit: /etc/sysconfig/keyboard: No such file or directory
  ```
  While these won’t cause any problems, we did report them to the file system maintainer.

- The xfs task was starting at boot time, then immediately terminating. We tracked down the problem to the directory permissions for /tmp not being 1777. After we did a `chmod 1777 /tmp`, the problem went away.
The old message Give root password for maintenance (or type Control-D for normal startup) is still there at the end of the boot process. While this isn't a problem per se, it does confuse a lot of people.

In testing anonymous FTP, we discovered that /home/ftp does not exist, so anonymous FTP fails after providing the e-mail address for the password. Simply doing a `mkdir /home/ftp` fixes the problem.

Apparently the xdm binary is expecting to find its configuration files in `/etc/X11/xdm/`, when they're actually in `/usr/X11R6/lib/X11/xdm/`. We set up a symbolic link as a temporary workaround.

To get xdm working, we had to create an `/etc/pam.d/xdm` file. We put in the following for the contents:

```
#%PAM-1.0
auth     required    /lib/security/pam_unix.so nullok #set_sec_rpc
account  required    /lib/security/pam_unix.so
password required    /lib/security/pam_unix.so #strict=false
session  required    /lib/security/pam_unix.so debug # trace or none
```

The permissions on `/dev/null` needed to be changed from 644 to 666.

To get the xterm command to work, we had to turn on the setuid bit for it:

```
# chmod 4711 /usr/X11R6/bin/xterm
```

Whenever we logged onto the system, either through telnet or ssh, we noticed that our `TERM` environment variable was being set to "dumb," which caused warning messages whenever we tried to use the `less` command, or an editor such as vi. We tracked this down to the `/etc/profile` script. In there is a line:

```
if [ "$TERM" = "linux" ]; then
```

We fixed the problem by changing this to:

```
if [ "$CONSOLE" = "*/dev/console" ]; then
```
Caiman Linux for zSeries

Caiman Linux for zSeries is a Debian-based distribution developed by the Korean company LinuxKorea. The Debian project is a Linux distribution committed to free software, created and maintained by thousands of developers all over the world. So, the Debian project uses the same scheme for developing a distribution as the Linux kernel developers. For more information about the Debian project visit:

http://www.debian.org

Caiman Linux for zSeries is not an official Debian distribution. It first became available in November 2000. Because it is Debian-based, it inherits most of the features of the Debian distribution (see 14.2, “What's specific about Caiman Linux” on page 214). We used version 1.0 of Caiman Linux for zSeries, which is based on the 2.2.16 Linux kernel.
14.1 Learning more about Caiman

Further information on Caiman Linux for zSeries is available at:

http://linux390.linuxkorea.co.kr

The Caiman Linux distribution can be obtained via FTP from:

ftp://linux390.linuxkorea.co.kr/caiman

The documentation for the distribution is Caiman Linux for zSeries Installation Guide, July 2001. It is available at:

ftp://linux390.linuxkorea.co.kr/caiman/doc

We used version 1.0 of Caiman Linux for zSeries, which is based on the 2.2.16 Linux kernel.

14.2 What’s specific about Caiman Linux

Above all, Caiman Linux provides deb-formatted packages and all the advanced tools for package management found in the Debian distribution. It also supports the Advanced Package Tool (apt) acquisition via apt-get. This allows easy installation and updates of software packages for Caiman Linux. It also has a very sophisticated dependency check between packages, to avoid conflicts.

There are different versions of the distribution which represent the development state. The current stable version is referred as potato, and the unstable (that is, still under development) version is referred as woody. The default installation is minimal, which means you have to choose which software packages to install.

14.3 System requirements

Before you start installing Caiman Linux, you should check the system requirements. During installation, you will be asked many questions about your system. Therefore, we suggest that you fill out a worksheet before you start.

- Hardware requirements
  - 9672 G5 and newer processor or Multiprise 3000
  - Minimum of 64 MB main memory
  - Access to the Hardware Management Console (HMC) for LPAR or VIF installation
  - At least one volume of 3390 model 3 DASD
  - Access to a tape drive 3480 or 3490 for LPAR or VIF installation
– Network adapter: OSA-2 (required for VIF), OSA-Express or a CTC connection
– FTP server for holding the Caiman distribution

14.3.1 Installation worksheet - Caiman

We suggest that you complete the worksheet shown in Table 14-1 before you start the installation.

Table 14-1  Caiman installation worksheet

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>VM guest user ID (if installing under VM)</th>
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<td>VM guest password (if installing under VM)</td>
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<tr>
<td>FTP server IP address or host name</td>
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<tr>
<td>FTP path to Caiman directory (CD)</td>
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<tr>
<td>FTP user ID</td>
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<td>FTP password</td>
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<td>DASD devices to use for Caiman Linux</td>
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<tr>
<td>Tape unit *optional (if installing in LPAR)</td>
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<td>Network device type</td>
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<td>Network device (and port)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Full qualified host name</td>
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<td>Host IP address</td>
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<tr>
<td>Netmask</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Broadcast address</td>
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<td>Gateway IP address</td>
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<td>DNS search domain</td>
<td></td>
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<td>MTU size</td>
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</table>
14.3.2 Caiman disk requirements

The initial installation only extracts a minimal root file system onto DASD, which takes up about 100 MB. Later on, the DASD requirements are completely up to you, depending on how many (and which) packages you add.

Table 14-2 lists the requirements for a reasonable installation with Internet services like HTTP, FTP and mail.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Directory</th>
<th>Size</th>
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<tr>
<td>/bin</td>
<td>2.3 MB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/boot</td>
<td>1.8 MB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/etc</td>
<td>4.6 MB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/lib</td>
<td>5.1 MB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/sbin</td>
<td>1.6 MB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/usr</td>
<td>196 MB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/var</td>
<td>8.5 MB</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

14.4 Installation

This section explains the steps needed to install Caiman Linux on a z/VM virtual machine. (For LPAR installation, tape production and IPL from tape are needed.)

The installation steps are the same as for the other distributions, except that you have to substitute the names of the kernel and RAMdisk image accordingly. The Caiman distribution comes with a detailed documentation for a installation under VIF.

For this installation, we downloaded the CD ISO image from the Caiman FTP server. This image was put on a local Linux for S/390 system, mounted on the loopback device, and was accessible via FTP. You can certainly also put the image or the discrete distribution files on other FTP server types that are available to you. Or, you can install directly from the Caiman FTP server (which may require additional settings if you are behind a firewall).

In the following example we installed Caiman Linux on a z/VM guest machine, running on a z/900 with the following guest machine settings:

- Memory: 512 MB
- DASD: VM minidisks 1x 2600 cylinder (/) and 1x 100 cylinder (swap)
– Network: OSA-Express in non-QDIO mode

These examples assume that you already have a VM guest machine with similar or sufficient capabilities.

14.4.1 Preparing the first IPL of the install system

After logging onto your VM guest machine, you need to transfer the initial files that are needed for the minimal RAMdisk installation system:

- VMRDR IMG  The kernel image (in binary)
- INITRD IMG  The initial RAMdisk (in binary)
- CAIMAN PARM The parameter file (in EBCDIC)
- CAIMAN EXEC The REXX script to IPL from the virtual reader (in EBCDIC)

Example 14-1 shows how you can use the VM FTP client to get the files from the FTP server:

**Example 14-1  Transferring the initial files to VM**
```
ftp 9.12.9.183
...
Command: locsite fix 80
Command: bin
>>>TYPE i
200 Type set to I.
Command: cd /home/redbooks/linuxSystems/caiman/images <- the files for initial IPL are in images
get initrd.img
get vmrdr.img
ascii
g et caiman.exec
get caiman.prm
quit
```

The parameter file may need some customizing, depending on your configuration. You can use XEDIT to change the original parameter file. The file which comes on the Caiman CD is written for use with a VIF installation:

```
ramdisk_size=32768 root=/dev/ram0 ro iucv=TCPIP
```

So, we changed the file to match our setup:

```
ramdisk_size=32768 dasd=201,203 root=/dev/ram0 ro
```
The REXX script for IPLing from the virtual reader can be used as is:

/* */
'clear rdr'
'purge rdr all'
'spool punch * rdr'
'punch vmrdr img a (noh'
'punch caiman prm a (noh'
'punch initrd img a (noh'
'ch rdr all keep nohold'
'ipl 00c'

14.4.2 Initial IPL and network setup

You start the first IPL by simply executing the CAIMAN EXEC from the VM console, as shown in Example 14-2:

Example 14-2   IPL from the virtual reader

```
caiman <- execute the EXEC
...
Linux version 2.2.16 (root@map)(gcc version 2.95.2 20000220 (Debian GNU/Linux))
#1 SMP Tue May 15 11:53:02 KST 2001
Command line is: dasd=0201,0203 root=/dev/dasda1 noinitrd
  root=/dev/dasda1 ro
We are running under VM
This machine has an IEEE fpu
Initial ramdisk at: 0x02000000 (16777216 bytes)
Detected device 2920 on subchannel 0000 - PIM = 80, PAM = 80, POM = FF
...
<- you will see a lot of boot messages here

Caiman Installation System is starting...
---
---
---
---
---' a i m a n Linux for zSeries 1.0 For your successful e-business!

First, select the type of your network device:
0) no network
1) OSA Token Ring
2) OSA Ethernet
3) OSA-Express Gigabit Ethernet (experimental)
4) Channel To Channel
5) Escon
6) IUCV
Enter your choice (1-6):
2 <- we are using a OSA FE adapter
To set up the network, you have to read and confirm the license information of the network device driver provided by IBM.
Do you want to see the license (Yes/No) ?
yes
... <- you are required to read the license page by page
Do you agree with this license (Yes/No) ?
yes
Ok, now we can set up the network configuration.
Please enter the device address of the network device
Ask your system administrator for the correct settings.
If there is only _ONE_ OSA network device attached to your machine, you may type "auto" for automatic detection; use this option carefully.
Network device address (e.g. FC20):
2920
Please enter the relative port number on device address 2920
Relative port:
0
Unloading LCS module if active...
rmmod: module lcs is not loaded
Trying to start the LCS module now...
inmod -v lcs noauto=1 devno_portno_pairs=0x2920,0 :
... <- in our version there are a lot of debugging messages here
        but finally the lcs driver gets loaded:
user function /lib/modules/2.2.16/net/lcs.o
Using /lib/modules/2.2.16/net/lcs.o
Symbol version prefix 'smp_
Starting lcs
lcs: eth0 configured as follows read subchannel=0 write subchannel=1
    read_devno=2920 write_devno=2921
    hw_address=00:06:29:6C:CB:CE rel_adapter_no=0

lcs configured to use sw statistics,
ip checksumming of received packets is off.
adetdetection is off.
configured to detect
    cu_model 0x01,15 rel_adapter(s)
    cu_model 0x08,15 rel_adapter(s)
    cu_model 0x60,1 rel_adapter(s)
    cu_model 0x1F,15 rel_adapter(s)

lsmod now shows all loaded modules:
lcs 14896   0 (unused) <- this line shows success

Was the start of the LCS module successful (Yes/No) ?
yes <- answer yes because lcs loaded cleanly

Please enter your full host name (e.g. linux3.linuxkorea.co.kr):
vlunix1.itso.ibm.com
Please enter your IP address: 
9.12.6.98
Please enter the net mask: 
255.255.255.0
Please enter the broadcast address: 
9.12.6.255
Please enter the gateway address: 
9.12.6.75
Please enter the IP address of the DNS server (leave blank for none): 
Please enter the DNS search domain (e.g. linuxkorea.co.kr): 
\textit{itso.ibm.com}
Please enter the MTU (Maximum Transfer Unit, leave blank for default: 1492):

Configuration for eth0 will be:
Full host name : vmlinux1.itso.ibm.com
IP address : 9.12.6.98
Net mask : 255.255.255.0
Broadcast address: 9.12.6.255
Gateway address : 9.12.6.75
DNS IP address : 9.12.14.7
DNS search domain: itso.ibm.com
MTU size : 1492
Is this correct (Yes/No) ?

yes
For security reasons you have to set an temporary installation system password for the user "root".
You'll be asked for it only when you telnet into this installation system to limit the access to it and it will be cleared as soon as you shut down or reset the installation system

Please enter the temporary installation password: 
\textit{vmlinux1}
\textit{\textless{} only valid as long as the RAMdisk system runs}
ifconfig eth0 9.12.6.98 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 9.12.6.255 mtu 1492
/sbin/ifconfig eth0 :
eth0  Link encap:Ethernet  HWaddr 00:06:29:6C:CB:CE
   UP BROADCAST RUNNING MULTICAST  MTU:1492  Metric:1
   RX packets:0 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
   TX packets:0 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
   collisions:0 txqueuelen:100

Trying to ping my IP address:
...
Trying to ping the IP address of the Gateway:
...
Trying to ping the IP address of the DNS Server:
... pinging of loopback, gateway and DNS server successful
Network Setup finished, running inetd...
Caiman vmlinux1:/ # <- at this point we are ready to telnet into the system

14.4.3 Installation of the base system

To complete the basic installation, a telnet session is needed. You can use your favorite telnet client on your workstation to connect to the system. In our case, we tested the freely available telnet client PuTTY and the TeraTerm client from our Windows 2000 PCs. However, the best results in terms of graphic presentation we achieved by working from a Linux client.

Welcome to Caiman Linux for zSeries 1.0!
Kernel 2.2.16 on an S/390 (vmlinux1.itso.ibm.com)
login: root
Password:

-====,
-==
-==
-==
-====' a i m a n  Linux for zSeries 1.0  For your successful e-business!

For your system installation, enter 'install.sh'.

Enjoy it.

# install.sh

The Caiman installer is a single script that steps through all the necessary tasks, such as DASD specification and formatting, and FTP settings. The installer comes with a menu-driven interface, as shown in Figure 14-1 on page 222.
1. Press **OK** to start the installation.

2. In the first step, the installer checks all the DASD volumes which are online to your VM guest machine. Press **OK** to start the check.

3. After finishing the check, the installer gives you a window with all recognized volumes. Press **Exit** to step further.

4. The next window asks for the DASD module parameters. Here you specify all the volumes you want to use for Linux. Press **OK** to load the module.

5. When the module load succeeds, you will get a message box saying so. Press **OK** to go on.

6. The next window (shown in Figure 14-2 on page 223) lets you assign the volumes to the different file systems you want to create for your Linux system.
7. You select a volume by highlighting the entry, pressing **Space** and then **Enter**. This will give you an input box for the volume where you specify the mount point, such as `/`, `/usr`, or `/home`. For a swap partition, just insert **swap** instead of a mount point. After finishing the volumes, press **OK** to proceed.

8. Next, you will be asked if you want to format the volumes. Press **Yes** to format and create the file system, or press **No** to leave the volume untouched. You have to go through all volumes you assigned in the previous step and wait until the formatting is finished. This may take a while for each volume, depending on the size (meanwhile the screen stays blue - be patient).

**Note:** This procedure was changed by Caiman developers due to our request during the residency.

Before that, the formatting of multiple volumes ran parallel in the background. And while this offered the advantage of speed, it meant that you had to pay close attention to the console messages in order to recognize when the formatting was finished, before proceeding further with the installation.

Consequently, if you have multiple volumes to format (perhaps for later use with LVM), we recommend that you only choose necessary volumes to format during installation. You can format the other volumes later on in parallel and in the background by using **dasdfmt** and **mke2fs**.
9. After formatting the volumes, you can check the message log file. Select **Yes** to do so, or select **No** to move on.

10. Specify the IP address of the FTP server which contains your Caiman distribution CD (or ISO image or files). Press **OK** for the next window.

11. Provide the absolute path to your Caiman distribution on the FTP server (see Figure 14-3) to download the base root file system. After that, press **OK**.

![Caiman installer FTP server path](image)

**Figure 14-3** Caiman installer FTP server path

**Note:** The installer automatically appends /images to the path when looking for the file system base<version>.tgz. So if you just mounted a CD-ROM on the FTP server, you would specify, for example, /mnt/cdrom as path.

12. Provide a user name for the FTP server, and press **OK** when done.

13. Supply the password for the user, and press **OK** when done.

14. The installer first checks if the server is online. Press **OK** to start the download.

15. The installer gets the base file system from the FTP server, unpacks it, and configures the system. This usually takes only a few minutes. When done, you will get a screen telling you that the installation is now complete. Pressing **OK** returns you to the command prompt.
16. In your directory is a file created named silolog. Review the output of silo with `cat silolog` to verify that the IPL record was written correctly. Then you can close the telnet session.

### 14.4.4 Booting the base system from DASD and adding packages

After finishing the base system install, go to the VM console of your Linux guest system and re-IPL from DASD. At this point you don’t need to do a clean shutdown of the running install system since it is only in memory and all DASD is automatically unmounted by the installer script when done.

```bash
# cp i 201 clear       # the device number depends on your configuration

Linux version 2.2.16 (root@map) (gcc version 2.95.2 20000220 (Debian GNU/Linux))
#1 SMP Tue May 15 11:53:02 KST 2001
Command line is: dasd=0201,0203 root=/dev/dasda1 noinitrd
root=/dev
...
```

On the VM console, you’ll receive Linux boot messages which will quickly fill up the console screen. The screen will be automatically updated after a while, so if you want to read the messages at your own pace, press Ctrl (hold) during the boot process.

If everything was successful during the previous installation steps, your system should get to the point where it asks for the root password, ready to telnet into. Connect to the system as root via telnet to add more packages with the Debian package manager front-end `dselect`.

**Note:** The password you specified for root during the initial IPL from the virtual reader is gone with the purge of the RAMdisk system from memory.

The base file system has a default password “pass4root” for the user root. You should change that immediately with the `passwd` command after the first login.

At this point we will just focus on how you can add more software packages to the system quickly. For more information on the powerful Debian package tools, refer to 14.5.9, “Software package management” on page 234.

Start `dselect` from the command prompt. You will see a divided screen, with a menu at the upper half and explanations in the lower half.
The following examples only show the upper half of the screen, where you select actions.

Debian `dselect' package handling frontend.

* 0. [A]ccess    Choose the access method to use.
  1. [U]pdate    Update list of available packages, if possible.
  2. [S]elect    Request which packages you want on your system.
  3. [I]nstall   Install and upgrade wanted packages.
  4. [C]onfig    Configure any packages that are unconfigured.
  5. [R]emove    Remove unwanted software.
  6. [Q]uit      Quit dselect.

The asterisk (*) next to the menu items selects the menu item. At this point, we'll simply follow the numbered items in order.

Select **Access** and press **Enter** to specify the access method to the distribution packages.

dselect - list of access methods

<table>
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<th>Abbrev.</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>cdrom</td>
<td>Install from a CD-ROM.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>nfs</td>
<td>Install from an NFS server (not yet mounted).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>harddisk</td>
<td>Install from a hard disk partition (not yet mounted).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>mounted</td>
<td>Install from a filesystem which is already mounted.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>floppy</td>
<td>Install from a pile of floppy disks.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>* apt</td>
<td>APT Acquisition [file,http,ftp]</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Select **apt** and press **Enter**. You will be asked if you want to change the configuration. In our case we choose yes, because we had the distribution on a local FTP server and wanted to get done quickly. So we put in our FTP server address, including user name and password, as follows:

```
ftp://tot08:<ftp_passwd_here>@9.12.9.183/home/redbooks/linuxSystems/caiman
```

On the next questions we took the default options **stable** and **main contrib non-free**, and completed this step by answering **n** to the question: **Would you like to add another source?**.

Once back on the main menu, select **Update** and press **Enter**. This downloads a list of available packages from the FTP server. After the download is finished, you will automatically be back in the main menu.

Next, choose **Select** and press **Enter**. This will bring up a help screen, which you should carefully read; then leave by pressing **Space**. This will bring up the select screen, as shown in Figure 14-4 on page 227.
In this screen, you can select items by pressing the up and down arrows, and view a short description of the package in the lower half of the screen.

Note the following under the column heading EIOM in the upper left:
- An asterisk (*) in the "I" column means installed.
- An asterisk (*) in the "M" column marks it as a package to be installed.
- You select a package for installation by highlighting it and pressing the plus sign (+).
- The packages are grouped into sections like — All packages —, which you can select as a whole by highlighting and pressing +.

When you select packages or groups, dselect will automatically check the dependencies. If there are any unfulfilled dependencies, it will give you another window where you can select or deselect related packages to meet the requirements. To step further after selecting all the packages you want, press Enter.

Back in the main menu, select Install and press Enter. The installation will start and you can follow its progress on the command line. Several packages need to be configured during this process, so depending on your package selection, you may have to answer some questions (for example, to configure Apache, if you selected it).

Figure 14-4  Caiman dselect select screen
After the installation is finished, you will be returned to the main menu. You can quit dselect now and further configure and explore your new installed Caiman Linux for zSeries!

### 14.5 System configuration and administration

In this section we describe the basics of how to configure your system using Debian tools and configuration files. For more in-depth information, refer to Caiman Linux documentation or to the Debian project home page.

Caiman Linux does not provide a graphical or menu-driven system configuration and administration program. However, there are command line tools which perform the necessary tasks, and the system configuration files are editable with any text editor (which in some situations may be more efficient than using tools). There are also tools like Webmin available on the Internet (see 21.2.3, “Webmin” on page 403).

#### 14.5.1 File system layout

The Debian policy strictly implements the File system Hierarchy Standard (FHS), and so does Caiman Linux.

Caiman Linux uses the System-V initialization style. The /etc/init.d directory contains the scripts executed by init at boot time and when init state (or run level) is changed. These scripts are referenced by symbolic links in the run level directories /etc/rc<runlevel>.d/.

The Debian home page provides further information:

http://www.debian.org/doc/debian-policy/

Here are some important file/directory locations for the Caiman Linux distribution:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>File</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>/etc/samba/smb.conf</td>
<td>Configuration of smb (Samba) daemon</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/etc/apache/httpd.conf</td>
<td>Web server configuration file</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/etc/modules.conf</td>
<td>Aliases and options for loadable kernel modules</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
14.5.2 Network setup

The network setup for Caiman Linux is stored in a set of configuration files. These files are all plain text files, which you can edit to change the settings.

Your host name is stored in /etc/hostname.

```
# cat /etc/hostname
vmlinux1
```

The IP address, your specified host name, and the domain are stored in /etc/hosts.

```
# cat /etc/hosts
```
# /etc/hosts
#
127.0.0.1 localhost
9.12.6.98 vmlinux1.itso.ibm.com vmlinux1

The IP address of the DNS server and the search domain are stored in the file /etc/resolv.conf.

# cat /etc/resolv.conf
nameserver 127.0.0.1
#
# /etc/resolv.conf
#
# Automatically generated by Caiman Linux/390 base system installer
#
search itso.ibm.com

The configurations for your network interfaces are stored in the file /etc/network/interfaces.

# cat /etc/network/interfaces
auto lo eth0
iface lo inet loopback

iface eth0 inet static
  address 9.12.6.98
  netmask 255.255.255.0
  broadcast 9.12.6.255
  gateway 9.12.6.75
  up ifconfig eth0 mtu 1492

The settings for the network device driver (lcs, in our case) are stored in /etc/modutils/arch/s390. These settings get integrated into /etc/modules.conf by running update-modules.

# cat /etc/modutils/arch/s390
alias eth0 lcs
options lcs noauto=1 devno_portno_pairs=0x2920,0
#
# update-modules
# cat /etc/modules.conf
...  

You activate the settings you made in the configuration files by starting or restarting the network activation script.

# /etc/init.d/networking restart

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Reconfiguring network interfaces: done.

For further information on how to configure other network devices and command syntax, refer to the man pages and the Caiman Linux for zSeries installation guide.

14.5.3 Managing DASD

To add new DASD to your system you need to specify them in the parameter file, which gets passed to the kernel at boot time. So add your new devices to the parameter file /boot/parmfile. This new information needs to be written onto the IPL record, so you have to re-run silo.

```
# cat /boot/parmfile
dasd=0201,0203 root=/dev/dasda1 noinitrd
# vi /boot/parmfile
# cat /boot/parmfile
dasd=0201,0203-206 root=/dev/dasda1 noinitrd
# silo
Testlevel is set to 0
IPL device is: '/dev/dasda'
bootsector is: '/boot/ipleckd.boot'...ok...
bootmap is set to: '/boot/boot.map'...ok...
Kernel image is: '/boot/image'...ok...
original parameterfile is: '/boot/parmfile'...ok...tempfile is
./parm.t4Kb7U
final parameterfile is: './parm.t4Kb7U'...ok...
ix 0: offset: 02021e count: 0c address: 0x00000000
ix 1: offset: 02022b count: 80 address: 0x0000c000
ix 2: offset: 0202ab count: 80 address: 0x0008c000
ix 3: offset: 02032b count: 80 address: 0x0010c000
ix 4: offset: 0203ab count: 0d address: 0x0018c000
ix 5: offset: 052112 count: 01 address: 0x00008000
Bootmap is in block no: 0x00023c87
```

After a reboot, the new volumes must be formatted with dasdfmt. After that is done, you can create file systems with mke2fs and mount the volumes where you want. To automatically mount the new DASDs at boot time, you need to add a entry in /etc/fstab.

Caiman Linux includes the Logical Volume Manager (LVM), so you can set up volume groups and logical volumes out of a pool of physical volumes. Refer to Chapter 17, “Logical Volume Manager” on page 301 for information on that task.
14.5.4 Managing users

There are several command line tools you can use to manage users and groups on your Caiman Linux system:

useradd
userdel
adduser
groupadd
groupdel

For detailed descriptions of using these tools, you can refer to the man pages and also see Chapter 22, “Overview of security on Linux” on page 435.

For adding users you would utilize the **adduser** program, which is actually a Perl script that automatically creates a new home directory for the user and asks for the new password and additional information.

**adduser**

```
# adduser ron
Adding user ron...
Adding new group ron (1000).
Adding new user ron (1000) with group ron.
Creating home directory /home/ron.
Copying files from /etc/skel
Enter new UNIX password:
Retype new UNIX password:
passwd: password updated successfully
Changing the user information for ron
Enter the new value, or press return for the default
  Full Name []: ron
  Room Number []: 123
  Work Phone []: 1-2345
  Home Phone []: -
  Other []: -

Is the information correct? [y/n] y
```

You can delete a user and his home directory with the **userdel** command.

**userdel**

```
# userdel -r ron
```

If you omit the -r parameter, the users home directory will not be deleted.
### 14.5.5 Configure mail

Caiman Linux uses **exim** as the Mail Transfer Agent (MTA). It comes with a command line configuration tool known as **eximconf**. The following example shows how to configure **exim** with an external mail host, in order to be able to send and receive e-mails between with your Caiman system and the outside world.

**Note:** In order to send and receive e-mails using an external mail host, this external mail host needs to be configured properly and your Linux system needs to have a DNS entry in your DNS server.

```bash
# eximconfig
```

You have to answer a set of questions at the command line. At the beginning, choose option 2:

(2) Internet site using smarthost: You receive Internet mail on this machine, either directly by SMTP or by running a utility such as `fetchmail`. Outgoing mail is sent using a smarthost, optionally with addresses rewritten. This is probably what you want for a dialup system.

After that, you'll need to answer other questions, and for most of them you can just take the default. At the point where it asks for the smarthost, you have to insert your mail server:

```
===========================================================================
Which machine will act as the smarthost and handle outgoing mail?
Enter value (`x' to restart): d01mlc96.pok.ibm.com
===========================================================================
```

At the end, you'll get a summary:

```
===========================================================================
Mail generated on this system will have `vmlinux1.itso.ibm.com' used as the domain part (after the @) in the From: field and similar places.

The following domain(s) will be recognised as referring to this system: localhost, vmlinux1.itso.ibm.com

Mail for postmaster, root, etc. will be sent to root.

Local mail is delivered.

Outbound remote mail is sent via d01mlc96.pok.ibm.com.

Is this OK? Hit Return or type `y' to confirm it and install,
```
or `n' to make changes (in which case we'll go round again, giving you your previous answers as defaults.  \( Y/n \) y

At this point, **exim** is configured and you should be able to send to, and receive mail from other hosts.

### 14.5.6 Using Apache

The main configuration file for the Apache Web server is `/etc/apache/httpd.conf`. You can edit this file directly to configure Apache. For the basic settings, use the **apacheconfig** tool which comes with Caiman Linux. The start/stop script for Apache is `/etc/init.d/apache`.

There are many documents available on the Internet that explain how to configure Apache, and it also supplies online documentation that you can refer to for further information.

### 14.5.7 Using FTP

Caiman Linux comes with the **proftpd** server. It is a powerful replacement for wu-ftpd. This File Transfer Protocol daemon supports hidden directories, virtual hosts, and per-directory ".ftpaccess" files. It uses a single main configuration file, with a syntax similar to Apache. The configuration file is `/etc/proftpd.conf`.

You can run proftpd either as a standalone server or with **inetd**. For more information, refer to the man pages.

### 14.5.8 Using Samba

There are several tools available to configure Samba for Linux systems. Within Caiman Linux, you can use SWAT or other graphical tools, for example the Webmin Samba plug-in (see Appendix 21.2.3, “Webmin” on page 403). For the basic configurations, there is also a command line tool known as **sambaconfig** which configures Samba to be started as either a standalone server, or to be invoked by **inetd**.

The main configuration file is `/etc/samba/smb.conf`.

### 14.5.9 Software package management

In this section we provide a brief overview of the Debian package management tools used in Caiman Linux, and explain how to use them. A useful, more detailed explanation can be found in the Caiman Linux for zSeries installation guide.
**dselect**
As introduced in 14.4.4, “Booting the base system from DASD and adding packages” on page 225, dselect is a graphical tool that can be used to manage packages on your system. You can browse, install and upgrade packages with this tool. It also provides automatic dependency check, search functionality, and other useful functions. For more information about dselect, refer to the Caiman Linux for zSeries installation guide or the man pages.

**dpkg**
One of the command line tools for package management is dpkg. With dpkg you can install, remove and query information on deb packages in a similar way to rpm. For more information, refer to the man pages.

As an example of using dpkg, we show here the installation of OpenSSL and OpenSSH. (We got them as extra packages from the Caiman developers, since they were not included in the CD ISO image at the time of writing).

```bash
# dpkg -i openssl_0.9.6a-3_s390.deb
Selecting previously deselected package openssl.
(Reading database ... 29846 files and directories currently installed.)
Unpacking openssl (from openssl_0.9.6a-3_s390.deb) ...
Creating directory /etc/ssl
Setting up openssl (0.9.6a-3) ...

# dpkg -i ssh_2.5.2p2-2.1_s390.deb
...
<- you will get a configuration dialog for ssh
...
Setting up ssh (2.5.2p2-2.1) ...
Starting OpenBSD Secure Shell server: sshd.

You have mail in /var/spool/mail/root <- you also get a warning mail
regarding insecure telnet
```

You can remove packages by invoking the -r parameter instead of the -i parameter.

```bash
# dpkg -r ssh
# dpkg -r openssl
```

**apt-get**
With the command line tool apt-get you can easily receive and install packages from FTP servers you specify. The server configurations are stored in /etc/apt/sources.list and are processed in the same order as they appear in the file. The tool apt-get is also used by dselect, so the configuration file should show the settings you made during the installation.

```bash
# cat /etc/apt/sources.list
```
To retrieve and install the package for `at` (executes delayed cron jobs), simply do:

```bash
# apt-get install at
Reading Package Lists... Done
Building Dependency Tree... Done
The following NEW packages will be installed:
at
0 packages upgraded, 1 newly installed, 0 to remove and 0 not upgraded.
1 packages not fully installed or removed.
Need to get 39.2kB of archives. After unpacking 209kB will be used.
Get:1 ftp://9.12.9.183 stable/main at 3.1.8-10 [39.2kB]
Fetched 39.2kB in 0s (94.8kB/s)
Selecting previously deselected package at.
(Reading database ... 30277 files and directories currently installed.)
Unpacking at (from .../archives/at_3.1.8-10_s390.deb) ...
Setting up at (3.1.8-10) ...
Starting deferred execution scheduler: atd.
```

For more information on how to use `apt-get` from the command line, refer to the man page.

**alien**

The tool `alien` is a set of scripts that converts other binary software packages. For example, `rpm` packages can be converted into the Debian package format and vice versa.

As an example we pick the `pico` editor package from the SuSE distribution (see Figure 14-3).

**Example 14-3   Convert an rpm package to deb**

```bash
# ls pico*
pico-4.30-13.s390.rpm
# alien --to-deb pico-4.30-13.s390.rpm
-- Examining pico-4.30-13.s390.rpm
-- Unpacking pico-4.30-13.s390.rpm
344 blocks
----
-- Automatic package debianization
-- Building the package pico_4.30-14_s390.deb
dh_testdir
# Nothing to do.
dh_testdir
dh_testroot
dh_clean -k
```
dh_installdirs
cp -a `ls |grep -v debian` debian/tmp
dh_installdocs
dh_installexamples
dh_installmenu
dh_installcrons
dh_installchangelogs
dh_compress
dh_suidregister
dh_installdeb
dh_shlibdeps
dh_gencontrol
dh_makehlibs
dh_md5sums
dh_builddeb
dpkg-deb: building package `pico' in `../pico_4.30-14_s390.deb'.

Generation of pico_4.30-14_s390.deb complete.
-- Successfully finished

# ls pico*
pico-4.30-13.s390.rpm  pico_4.30-14_s390.deb
# dpkg -i pico_4.30-14_s390.deb
Selecting previously deselected package pico.
(Reading database ... 30170 files and directories currently installed.)
Unpacking pico (from pico_4.30-14_s390.deb) ...
Setting up pico (4.30-14) ... 

For further information on how to use alien, refer to the man page.

**Building a package from source**

You can also build a binary deb package from source using the dpkg toolset. To get the source files, either use apt-get or simply do an FTP download from one of the Debian source sites.

There are usually three files which you have to download for a package:

- `<package>.dsc` The Debian package description file
- `<package>.orig.tar.gz` The original source as zipped tar archive
- `<package>.diff.gz` Patches as zipped tar archive (if applicable)

After downloading the files in a local directory, you change to that directory and issue a `dpkg-source -x <package>.dsc`. This will extract the source into a directory, check the PGP signature, and apply the patches.
After that, you change into the newly created source directory and issue a `dpkg-buildpackage -b`. This will build the binaries and create a new deb package in superior directory. The -b parameter prevents `dpkg-buildpackage` from creating the source archives again. After that, you have a new binary deb package which you can install on your local (or any other) Caiman Linux system.

Following is an example for the `whowatch` package:

```bash
# ls who*
whowatch_1.3-1.diff.gz  whowatch_1.3-1.dsc  whowatch_1.3.orig.tar.gz
# dpkg-source -x whowatch_1.3-1.dsc
dpkg-source: extracting whowatch in whowatch-1.3
# cd whowatch-1.3/
../whowatch-1.3# dpkg-buildpackage -b
...
dpkg-deb: building package `whowatch' in `../whowatch_1.3-1_s390.deb'.
dpkg-genchanges: binary-only upload - not including any source code
dpkg-buildpackage: no source included in upload
/../whowatch-1.3# cd ..
# dpkg -i whowatch_1.3-1_s390.deb
Selecting previously deselected package whowatch.
(Reading database ... 14916 files and directories currently installed.)
Unpacking whowatch (from whowatch_1.3-1_s390.deb) ...
Setting up whowatch (1.3-1) ...

And now you can use the `whowatch` tool:

```bash
# whowatch
2 users: (0 local , 2 telnet , 0 ssh , 0 other)

(in.telnetd)   root      pts/0  tot08.itso.ibm.com  whowatch
(in.telnetd)   root      pts/1  tot08.itso.ibm.com  dselect

enter - proc tree, i - init tree, t - idle/cmd, x - refresh, q - quit
Think Blue 64 Linux for zSeries

In this chapter we discuss the Millenux Think Blue 64-bit distribution. Millenux was founded in March 2000 by the managing directors of the Thinking Objects software GmbH, Fritz Elfert and Werner Gold. Now Millenux has taken over the past Linux division of Thinking Objects and continues to develop the distribution.

The Think Blue distribution is Red Hat-based and is available in two versions:
- Think Blue Linux for S/390 (31 bit)
- Think Blue Linux for zSeries (64-bit)

For further information visit:

http://www.millenux.com

The distributions for zSeries can be obtained on the Web at:

ftp://linux.zseries.org

For S/390, they can be obtained at:

ftp://linux.s390.org

This chapter only covers the 64-bit version. The distribution we used is the Think Blue 64 7.1 version and is based on the 2.4.3 Linux kernel.
15.1 What’s specific about Think Blue

The Think Blue distribution was the second Linux distribution available for S/390 after the Marist distribution (see Chapter 13, “The Marist File System” on page 193).

It is based on Red Hat 7.1 and it comes as a 31-bit version and as a 64-bit version. The Think Blue 64-bit distribution is the first 64-bit Linux for zSeries distribution that is available for download. It includes support for tape devices (see Chapter 23, “Backup and restore” on page 463).

You can either download the Think Blue distributions as CD ISO images, or download the installation images and rpm files separately.

15.2 System requirements

Before you start, you should check the system requirements. The Think Blue 64-bit distribution only runs on a z900 system. You should also prepare a worksheet (see Table 15-1 on page 241) with all the information you will have to provide during installation.

► Hardware requirements
  – eServer zSeries - z900
  – Minimum of 64 MB main memory
  – Access to the Hardware Management Console (HMC) for LPAR installation
  – At least one volume of 3390 model 3 DASD
  – Access to a tape drive 3480 or 3490 for LPAR installation
  – Network adapter: OSA-2, OSA-Express, or a CTC connection
  – FTP server for holding the Think Blue distribution

► Software requirements
  – z/VM guest machine with user ID and password (for z/VM installation)

Note: This list only provides the requirements for the installation of Linux for zSeries. For Linux installation under VM, it is assumed that VM is already installed and thus no tape unit is required.
### 15.2.1 Installation worksheet

We suggest that you complete the following worksheet before you start the installation.

**Table 15-1  Installation worksheet**

<table>
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<tr>
<td>VM guest password (if installing under VM)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>FTP server IP address or host name</td>
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<tr>
<td>FTP path to Think Blue directory (CD)</td>
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<tr>
<td>FTP user ID</td>
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<td>FTP password</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DASD devices to use for Think Blue Linux</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tape unit *optional (if installing in LPAR)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Network device type</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Network device (and port)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Full qualified host name</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Host IP address</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Netmask</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Broadcast address</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Gateway IP address</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DNS IP address</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DNS search domain</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MTU size</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

You can also use an HTTP or NFS server as your installation server; simply substitute the FTP sections in the worksheet.
15.2.2 Think Blue disk requirements

The amount of DASD space required depends on your installation and what packages you want to add. Table 15-2 lists the sizes of the larger directories for the default installation plus KDE2.

Table 15-2  Think Blue disk requirements

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Directory</th>
<th>Size</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>/bin</td>
<td>6.3 MB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/boot</td>
<td>4.8 MB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/etc</td>
<td>8.4 MB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/lib</td>
<td>13 MB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/opt</td>
<td>0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/sbin</td>
<td>8.5 MB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/usr</td>
<td>630 MB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/var</td>
<td>21.2 MB</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

15.3 Installation

In this section we discuss the installation of the Think Blue 64-bit distribution in a z/VM guest machine. For installation in a LPAR, a few different steps are necessary at the beginning of the installation. For information on how to create an IPL tape or install from FTP or HMC for LPAR installations, refer to 3.4, “Booting the installation kernel in an LPAR” on page 34.

For our installation, we downloaded the Think Blue 64 distribution files onto a local FTP server, and since we used the VM FTP client to get the initial files transferred to the VM guest, we also used an FTP server for installation. (However, as previously mentioned, note that there also are CD ISO images available for download, and that the installer also supports installation via NFS or HTTP.)

In the following example, we installed Think Blue 64-bit on a z/VM guest machine, running on a z/900 with the following guest machine settings:

- Memory: 512 MB
- DASD: VM minidisks 1x 2600 cylinder (/) and 1x 100 cylinder (swap)
- Network: OSA-Express in non-QDIO mode
In these examples, it is assumed that you already have a VM guest machine with similar or sufficient capabilities.

### 15.3.1 Preparing the first IPL of the install system

After logging onto your VM guest machine, you need to transfer the initial files that are needed for the minimal RAMdisk installation system:

- **VMKRNRL24 IMG** - the kernel image
- **VMINRD24 IMG** - the initial RAMdisk
- **THINK PRM** - the parameter file
- **THINK EXEC** - the REXX script to IPL from the virtual reader

Example 15-1 shows how you can use the VM ftp client to get the files from the FTP server.

**Example 15-1 Transferring the initial files to VM**

```plaintext
ftp 9.12.9.183
...
  cd /home/redbooks/linuxSystems/ThinkBlue/boot <- the files for initial IPL are in boot
  locsite fix 80
  get think.exec
  get think.prm
  get vminrd24.bin
  get vmkrnl24.bin
  quit
```

You can use the supplied parameter file as is:

```plaintext
  root=/dev/ram0 ro ip=off cio_msg=yes init=/linuxrc
```

Or you can specify more information in the parameter file, so that you don’t have to type so much during the initial setup:

```plaintext
  root=/dev/ram0 ro cio_msg=yes init=/linuxrc
  DASD=202,203
  LCS=0x2920,0
  SEARCHDNS=itso.ibm.com:ibm.com
  INSTALL=default
```
These options and more are described in the README file which comes with the distribution. Also refer to 11.2, “Preparing for installation” on page 158. For this example we used the default parameter file.

The REXX script to IPL from the VM virtual reader can be used as is:

```bash
/* */
'cl rdr'
'purge rdr all'
'spool punch * rdr'
'PUNCH VMKRNL24 BIN A (NOH'
'PUNCH THINK PRM A (NOH'
'PUNCH VMINRD24 BIN A (NOH'
'ch rdr all keep nohold'
'i 00c'
```

15.3.2 Initial IPL and network setup

From your VM console, issue the command think to start the first IPL as shown in Example 15-2.

**Example 15-2  IPL from the virtual reader**

```
think
   NO FILES PURGED
...
Linux version 2.4.3-0.4.19800Tvrdr (root@z02.millenux.com) (gcc version 2.95.2
19991024 (release)) #1 SMP Wed May 23 14:56:38 CEST 2001
Command line is: root=/dev/ram0 ro ip=off cio_msg=yes init=/linuxrc
We are running under VM
...
```

Starting the S390 initrd to configure networking. Version is 0.22.
Please enter the FQDN of your new virtual machine (e.g. z01.millenux.com):
vmlinux1.itso.ibm.com
Please enter the network device you intend to use (e.g. ctc0, iucv0, eth0, tr0)
eth0
Please enter the IP address of your new virtual machine:
9.12.6.98
Please enter your netmask (e.g. 255.255.255.0):
255.255.255.0
Please enter your broadcast address:
9.12.6.255
Please enter your network address:
9.12.6.0
Please enter your default gateway:
9.12.6.75
(1) for OSA-2 with LCS or (2) for OSA-Express with QDIO/QETH
2920.0
Warning: kernel-module version mismatch
'/lib/lcs.o was compiled for kernel version 2.4.3
while this kernel is version 2.4.3-0.4.19800Tvrdr

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Starting lcs
debug: reserved 8 areas of 2 pages for debugging lcs
dbg: lcs: new level 0
eth0: ip v6 supported no enabled no
eth0: multicast supported yes enabled yes

lcs: eth0 configured as follows read subchannel=0 write subchannel=1
read_devno=2920 write_devno=2921
hw_address=00:06:29:6C:CB:CE rel_adapter_no=0

lcs configured to use sw statistics,
ip checksumming of received packets is off.
autodetection is off.
configured to detect
cu_model 0x01,15 rel_adapter(s)
cu_model 0x08,15 rel_adapter(s)
cu_model 0x60,1 rel_adapter(s)
cu_model 0x1F,15 rel_adapter(s)
SIOCADDRT: No such device
eth0 Link encap:Ethernet HWaddr 00:06:29:6C:CB:CE
UP BROADCAST RUNNING MULTICAST MTU:1500 Metric:1
RX packets:0 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
TX packets:0 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
collisions:0 txqueuelen:100
lo Link encap:Local Loopback
inet addr:127.0.0.1 Mask:255.0.0.0
UP LOOPBACK RUNNING MTU:16176 Metric:1
RX packets:0 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
TX packets:0 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
collisions:0 txqueuelen:0

Kernel IP routing table
Destination Gateway Genmask Flags Metric Ref Use Iface
9.12.6.0 0.0.0.0 255.255.255.0 U 0 0 0 0 eth0
0.0.0.0 9.12.6.75 0.0.0.0 UG 0 0 0 0 eth0

Starting portmap.

Starting telnetd to allow login over the network.

Please telnet now to 9.12.6.98 and start 'tbsetup'!

Bringing up debugging shell in 3270...
/bin/sh: No controlling tty (open /dev/tty: No such device or address)
/bin/sh: warning: won't have full job control
#

At this point the RAMdisk installation system is running and ready to telnet into.
15.3.3 Installation with tbsetup

1. Telnet into the running install system and start the install script:

   Note: There is no password protection at this point!

   Linux 2.4.3-0.4.19B00Tvrdr ((none)) (ttyp0)

   Welcome to Think Blue 64 Linux for zSeries.

   Please run 'tbsetup' to start the installation.

   # tbsetup

2. Specify which DASD to use and press Enter. You have to wait for the DASD module load, and then the menu driven interface starts:

   Debug: this machine has IP = 9.12.6.98 and device = eth0
   If you know the address range of your DASDs, please enter it now.
   If you don't, just press return and autodetection will be attempted.
   While autoprobing usually works, it may not give the correct results.
   (200-20f is usually a good setting for vm, fd00-fd0f for LPARs)
   202,203
   Loading DASD kernel module. This can take a while.

3. The first screen gives you the list of DASD that are now available for Linux. Choose the DASD you want to format by selecting it and pressing OK. You have to wait until the formatting is finished, which can take a while if you have large volumes.

4. After finishing the DASD format, you have to specify the mount points like /, /usr or /home, as shown in Figure 15-1 on page 247. If you want to set up a volume as swap device, just put in swap instead of a mount point.

   Press OK when you have assigned all volumes.
5. The next screen asks for the network settings such as the host name (fully-qualified), the domain search list, and the IP address of your DNS server. After filling in all the information, press OK to step further.

6. This screen asks for the RPM server that holds the Think Blue distribution files. Depending on your configuration, you either have to specify an FTP, an HTTP or an NFS server address. In any case you have to specify the full path to the Think Blue directory (see Figure 15-2 on page 248).

   The installer automatically appends ThinkBlue/base to the path when it is looking for the package list on the server. In our example we used an FTP server with user authentication where the syntax is:

   \texttt{ftp://user:password@host/}

   Press OK to start the installation.
7. Now the installer automatically receives the rpm packages from the FTP server, configures and installs them. This can take while, depending on the network speed.

8. At the end of the install process, the installer asks for a new root password. When supplying the password, the installation is finished. You should review the output of the `zilo` command, by scrolling up a little in your telnet session. (On most telnet clients, this works with `[Shift] + [Pg-Up]`.)

You can now close the telnet session and IPL from DASD. Since the installer has automatically unmounted all DASD volumes, a clean shutdown is not needed at this point.

    #CP IPL 202 CLEAR

    Linux version 2.4.3-0.4.19vrd (root@z02.millenux.com) (gcc version 2.95.2 19991024 (release)) #1 SMP Wed May 23 14:52:32 CEST 2001
    Command line is: root=/dev/dasda1 ro dasd=202,203 noinitrd

    We are running under VM

    ...

    The system should boot up to the point where it presents a Linux login at the VM console. To read the boot messages at your leisure, press **Ctrl** to prevent a page update.
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15.4  System configuration and administration

In this section we discuss the basic tasks needed to configure and administrate your Think Blue system. Since the Think Blue distribution is Red Hat-based, the administrative tasks and tools are equivalent to Red Hat. So, in most cases you should also refer to Chapter 12, “Customizing and using Red Hat Linux” on page 177.

15.4.1  File system layout

Here are the locations of some important files and directories in the Think Blue distribution:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>File</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>/etc/samba/smb.conf</td>
<td>Configuration of smb (Samba) daemon</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/etc/httpd/conf/httpd.conf</td>
<td>Web server configuration file</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/etc/modules.conf</td>
<td>Aliases and options for loadable kernel modules</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/etc/fstab</td>
<td>Filesystems mounted or available for mounting</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/etc/group</td>
<td>Group information</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/etc/hosts</td>
<td>Map of IP numbers to hostnames</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/etc/hosts.allow</td>
<td>Hosts allowed to access Internet services</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Note: The telnet daemon on Think Blue is disabled by default, and only ssh connections are allowed. The reason for this is because telnet is insecure and there are many ssh clients for all operating systems available (like PuTTY for Windows).

However, if for some reason you can only use telnet, you can enable the telnet daemon from the VM console with the following commands:

```bash
chkconfig telnet on
service xinetd restart
useradd dummy
passwd dummy
```

You can then login via telnet as user dummy and then also su to root.
## 15.4.2 Configure services/daemons

To enable and disable services like HTTP or NFS for different run levels, system boot, you can use one of the different tools like `chkconfig`, `setup` or `tksysv` that are provided in the Think Blue distribution. Some service daemons are started as standalone servers and have start/stop scripts in `/etc/rc.d/init.d`, which are referenced by symbolic links in `/etc/rc.d/rc<#>.d`.

Other services, like telnetd, get invoked by the `xinetd`, where the configuration files reside in `/etc/xinetd.d/`. For example, you can check for which run levels the Apache server is enabled by using `chkconfig`:

```bash
# chkconfig --list httpd
```

---

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>File</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><code>/etc/hosts.deny</code></td>
<td>Hosts forbidden to access Internet services</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>/etc/xinetd.d</code></td>
<td>Configuration file directory for the xinetd daemon, which controls access to Internet services</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>/etc/initab</code></td>
<td>Configuration for the init daemon, which controls executing processes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>/etc/login.defs</code></td>
<td>Options for useradd and related commands</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>/etc/rc.d/rc.sysinit</code></td>
<td>Main startup script</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>/etc/rc.d/init.d</code></td>
<td>Scripts for system and process startup and shutdown</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>/etc/rc.d/rc*.d</code></td>
<td>Symbolic links to the startup scripts</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>/etc/rc.local</code></td>
<td>Scripts for execution after init scripts</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>/etc/skel</code></td>
<td>Skeleton files used to establish new user accounts</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>/etc/sysconfig</code></td>
<td>Directory with configuration files for system services and facilities</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>/var/log/httpd/access_log</code></td>
<td>Log of Web server access</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>/var/log/httpd/error_log</code></td>
<td>Log of Web server errors</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>/var/log/messages</code></td>
<td>System log</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>/var/spool/cron</code></td>
<td>Directory for cron configuration files</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
httpd           0:off   1:off   2:off   3:on    4:on    5:on    6:off

To disable the Web server in run level 3, you can do the following:

    # chkconfig --level 3 httpd off

Refer to the man page for chkconfig for further information about the options. Alternatively, you can use the setup (or ntsysv) command to enable or disable system services, as shown in Figure 15-3.

Figure 15-3   Setting up system services

15.4.3 Linuxconf

The Think Blue distribution includes the system administration tool linuxconf. The approach of linuxconf is to provide one single administrator interface for common tasks and services. There are many modules available which can be plugged into and used within linuxconf or can be used standalone. However, since the development is done on PC-based systems, some of the modules may not work correctly or (even if included) may not be applicable for a S/390 or zSeries system. Examples are the boot or the PPP dialup configuration.

Note: Because of these problems and the testing that still had to be done, linuxconf was not included by the Think Blue developers in the default installation. The example settings in this chapter can also be done without using linuxconf.
Since it is not included in the default installation, you would have to install the rpm package `linuxconf-1.24r2-11.s390x.rpm` afterwards if you want to use it. If you want to use a graphical interface, you can install the `gnome-linuxconf-0.64-1.s390x.rpm` package.

For additional information about installation and configuration of `linuxconf`, also refer to 12.2, “Installing `linuxconf`” on page 178.

The default settings for `linuxconf` do not include many modules. You can add modules under **Control->Control files and systems->Configure `linuxconf` modules**. In order to illustrate the capabilities of `linuxconf`, some of the examples in this chapter show the usage of different modules.

### 15.4.4 Network setup

The network configuration is stored in different files on the Think Blue system.

The basic settings about your system are in `/etc/sysconfig/network`:

```
# cat /etc/sysconfig/network
NETWORKING=yes
HOSTNAME=vmlinux1.itso.ibm.com
GATEWAY=9.12.6.75
```

The host name and aliases are stored in the file `/etc/hosts`. Information about DNS servers and search domains are stored in the file `/etc/resolv.conf`:

```
# cat /etc/resolv.conf
search itso.ibm.com
```

The configuration for your network interfaces is stored in `/etc/sysconfig/network-scripts`. In our example, where we used a OSA adapter, it looks like this:

```
# cat /etc/sysconfig/network-scripts/ifcfg-eth0
DEVICE=eth0
BOOTPROTO=static
IPADDR=9.12.6.98
NETMASK=255.255.255.0
NETWORK=9.12.6.0
ONBOOT=yes
```

You can edit these files to change the network configuration. After any changes, you would have to reload the configuration or restart the network:

```
# /etc/rc.d/init.d/network restart
```
As an alternative, you can also use graphical (menu-driven) tools like `netcfg` or the `linuxconf` module `netconf`. To configure the network with `linuxconf`, start the program and go to Config->Networking->Client tasks. Or you can start the `netconf` module directly and get a configuration dialog as shown in Figure 15-4.

![Figure 15-4  netconf dialog](image)

There you can select the different settings and make the changes, as shown in Figure 15-5 on page 254.
15.4.5 Managing DASD

The procedure for adding DASD volumes is similar to the other distributions, except that you have to add the DASD device numbers in the \texttt{zilo} configuration file  
\texttt{/etc/zilo.conf}. When the \texttt{zilo} command is run, it reads the \texttt{/etc/zilo.conf} file and actually generates a new parameter file in \texttt{/boot}; therefore, any changes you made there get overwritten. To add a new DASD, you add an entry in \texttt{/etc/zilo.conf}:

\begin{verbatim}
  # cat /etc/zilo.conf
  append="dasd=202,203,207 noinitrd"
  ipldevice=/dev/dasda
  image=/boot/image
  root=/dev/dasda1
  readonly
\end{verbatim}

After that, you have to run \texttt{zilo}. The new device can be formatted and mounted only after a reboot.

Think Blue 64 includes the Logical Volume Manager (LVM), so that you can set up volume groups and logical volumes out of a pool of physical volumes. Refer to Chapter 17, “Logical Volume Manager” on page 301 for further information.
15.4.6 Managing users

In the Think Blue distribution you have several command line tools for adding and deleting users and groups:

useradd
userdel
adduser
grouppass

To add a normal user and automatically create a home directory, you would use:

# useradd ron
# passwd ron

To delete this user and his home directory issue:

# userdel -r ron

For additional information, refer to the man pages and to Chapter 22, “Overview of security on Linux” on page 435.

As an alternative, you could also use linuxconf to manage user accounts and groups. To do that, start linuxconf and go to Config->Users accounts->Normal. Or you can start the userconf module directly and get a dialog as shown in Figure 15-6.

![Figure 15-6 userconf dialog](image)
To add a new user, go to **User accounts->Add** and you will get a configuration dialog, as shown in Figure 15-7.

![Figure 15-7  userconf user creation dialog](image)

**Note:** On the Think Blue system (as on Red Hat), the default settings are that each user is created with its own group if no special group is specified. This schema has advantages in assigning permissions when sharing files or directories between users and groups. However, you can change these defaults in userconf Password and account policies.

### 15.4.7 Configuring the mail server

Think Blue uses **sendmail** as the Mail Transfer Agent (MTA). The main configuration file for sendmail is `/etc/sendmail.cf`. To be able to send and receive mail with your Think Blue Linux system, you can configure sendmail to use an external mail server.

**Note:** In order to send and receive e-mails using a external mail host, this external mail host needs to be configured properly and your Linux system needs to have a DNS entry in your DNS server.
To do this, we provide a very basic example using the m4 macro processor to generate the sendmail configuration file. First create a backup of the original sendmail.cf file:

```
# cp /etc/sendmail.cf /etc/sendmail.cf.orig
```

Then create the input configuration file for m4, with your mail server as smart host:

```
# cat /etc/mail/mymailcfg.mc
include(`/usr/share/sendmail-cf/m4/cf.m4')
OSTYPE('linux')
define('SMART_HOST', 'esmtp:d01mlc96.pok.ibm.com')
MAILER(local)
MAILER(smtp)
```

Then process the input file with m4 to generate the new sendmail configuration file:

```
# m4 /etc/mail/mymailcfg.mc > /etc/sendmail.cf
```

After the changes, restart sendmail:

```
# /etc/rc.d/init.d/sendmail restart
or by using the service command (which works for all services)
# service sendmail restart
```

Now you should be able to send and receive mail with your Think Blue Linux system, using your favorite e-mail client. Refer to the sendmail documentation and man pages to find out more about the different options you can specify using m4 macros.

Alternatively, you can configure sendmail using linuxconf under **Config->Networking->Server tasks->Mail delivery system->Basic**. Or you can use the mailconf module directly and get a configuration dialog as shown in Figure 15-8 on page 258.
There you can configure the basic settings, as shown in Figure 15-9.
15.4.8 Using Apache

The Apache Web server is included in the default installation of Think Blue. The main configuration file is /etc/httpd/conf/httpd.conf. You can edit this file directly to configure Apache. The start/stop script is /etc/rc.d/init.d/httpd.

For more information, please refer to the documentation and man pages.

15.4.9 Using FTP

The Think Blue distribution includes the wu-ftpd (Washington University FTP) package in the default installation. The configuration files are located in /etc:

```
# ls /etc/*ftp*
ftpaccess ftpconversions ftpgroups ftphosts ftphosts ftpusers
```

For information about the syntax and use of the configuration files, refer to the man pages. To enable anonymous FTP, install the anonftp-4.0-4.s390x.rpm package.

Within linuxconf, there is also a module where you can configure wu-ftpd. Start linuxconf and go to Config->Networking->Server tasks->FTP server. Or start the netconf module directly, go to FTP server->Basic configuration, and you'll see a configuration dialog as shown in Figure 15-10 on page 260.

**Note:** To configure your system as a mail server for other systems, more and different steps are needed; refer to the sendmail documentation and man pages for more detail.
15.4.10 Using Samba

The Samba package is included in the default installation of Think Blue. The main configuration file is /etc/samba/smb.conf. The Web-based graphical administration interface SWAT is included in the distribution, but not installed by default. To use it, you have to install the samba-swat-2.0.8-1.7.1.s390x.rpm package.

For more information on how to configure and use Samba, refer to the documentation and man pages.

15.4.11 RPM

Since the Think Blue distribution is Red Hat-based, it uses rpm for package management. The version used in this distribution is 4.0.2. Extensive documentation and man pages are available if you need further information. The naming convention for rpm packages is:

```
name-version-release.architecture.rpm
```

Following are some examples for very basic commands. To install, upgrade, or freshen packages, use the following commands:

```
rpm -ivh <package>.rpm
rpm -Uvh ftp://linux.zseries.org/pub/ThinkBlue64/RPMS/s390x/<package>.rpm
```
rpm -Fvh http://linux.zseries.org/download/ftp/RPMS/s390x/<package>.rpm

To query all packages, or query the information or signature of a single package, use the following commands:

```
rpm -qa
rpm -qip <package>.rpm
rpm --checksig <package>.rpm
```

To build a package from source, use the following command:

```
rpm --rebuild <package>.src.rpm
```

The man page contains detailed explanations of all options for the `rpm` command. There are also various graphical front-end tools available, such as `gnorpm` and `kpackage`.

### 15.4.12 Tape support

Think Blue 64 comes with the tape driver for channel-attached tape drives that are compatible with IBM 3480 or IBM 3490 magnetic tape subsystems. Refer to Chapter 23, “Backup and restore” on page 463 for more information about how to configure and use the tape devices.

### 15.4.13 Linux 2.4 kernel specific enhancements

#### 64-bit support

The Think Blue 64 distribution fully supports the 64-bit architecture of the zSeries hardware.

#### The `/proc` file system

The `/proc` file system contains additional sections with information compared to the 2.2 kernel. We do not cover all new directories here; instead, you should browse and explore the `/proc` file system yourself. Example 15-3 shows the section with statistical information about DASD usage.

**Example 15-3  DASD usage statistics**

```
# cat /proc/dasd/statistics
43659 dasd I/O requests
        _256 512 __1M __2M __4M __8M _16M _32M _64M _128M _256M _512M __1G __2G __4G __8G
Histogram of I/O times per sector
        0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
Histogram of I/O time till ssch
```

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Histogram of I/O time between ssch and irq:

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Histogram of I/O time between ssch and irq per sector:

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For example, you can use the data for creating graphs about the statistical usage. We provide a very brief example CGI script here, which makes use of the `gnuplot` tool; the script is listed in Example 15-4.

Note that there are no tests for file existence or similar tests; in our example, we simply assume that we can write our temporary files to /tmp.

Example 15-4 dasdusage cgi script

```bash
#!/bin/sh

cat /proc/dasd/statistics > /tmp/du.stat
dem="/tmp/du.dem";dat="/tmp/du.dat";stat="/tmp/du.stat"
host=`uname -n`

echo "#" > $dat
tmp=`sed -n -e '7,8p' $stat`
for tmp2 in $tmp
do
    echo $tmp2 >> $dat
done

echo "set title "DASD usage statistics for $host"" > $dem
echo "set terminal png color" >> $dem
echo "set xtics ("<4" 1, "16" 3, "64" 5, "256" 7, "1k" 9, "4k" 11, "16k" 13, "64k" 15, "256" 17, "1M" 19, "4M" 21, "16M" 23, "64M" 25, "256M" 27, "1G" 29, "4G" 31)" >> $dem
echo "set data style histeps" >> $dem
echo "set size 1,0.5" >> $dem
echo "plot '/tmp/du.dat' t "Histogram of I/O times"" >> $dem

echo Content-type: image/png
echo
gnuplot $dem
```

After creating and editing the file, make it executable and copy it into the Web server’s CGI directory and make it executable.
```bash
# chmod +x dasdusage
# cp dasdusage /var/www/cgi-bin/
```

After that, you connect with your browser; you should see a graphic like Figure 15-11.

![Figure 15-11 dasdusage plot](image)

**The channel device layer**

The channel device layer provides a consistent interface for configuration and default machine check handling (devices appearing and disappearing) channel devices. The current setup can be read from the file `/proc/chandev` as shown in Figure 15-5. The configuration file is `/etc/chandev.conf`.

**Example 15-5 Channel device information in /proc**

```bash
# cat /proc/chandev
chan_type key bitfield ctc=0x1,escon=0x2,lcs=0x4,osad=0x8,qeth=0x10,claw=0x20
*'s for cu/dev type/models indicate don't cares
use_devno_names: off

Channels enabled for detection
chan cu cu dev dev max auto recovery
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channels detected
chan cu cu dev dev in chandev
```
Large UIDs
With the 2.4 Linux kernel, you can have user IDs and group IDs greater than 65534. Following is an example of adding a user with a large UID.

```
# useradd -u 123456789 ron
# passwd ron
...
# ssh -l ron localhost
ron@localhost's password:
[ron@vmlinux1 ron]$ id
uid=123456789(ron) gid=123456789(ron) groups=123456789(ron)
[ron@vmlinux1 ron]$ exit
```

Files greater than 2 GB
With the 2.4 kernel, the (theoretical) file size limit has shifted into the terabyte arena (as compared to the 2.2 kernel, where you could only have a maximum of 2 GB files on an ext2 file system).

```
# dd if=/dev/zero of=big_zero count=3000 bs=1M
3000+0 records in
3000+0 records out
# ls -lh
total 3.0G
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 2.9G Jun  5 11:54 big_zero
drwxr-xr-x 2 root root 16k Jun  5 11:27 lost+found
```
In this part of the book we discuss topics outside of specific distributions, but pertinent to running Linux on the mainframe. The topics presented are as follows:

- Virtual Image Facility (VIF)
- File systems
- Managing DASD
- Logical Volume Manager (LVM)
- High Availability
- Debugging
- LDAP
- Systems Management
- Security
- Backup and restore
- DB2
- WebSphere Application Server
In this chapter we discuss the Virtual Image Facility for Linux (VIF) mainly using SuSE Linux. Any flavor of Linux that runs on S/390 should be supported, though besides SuSE, we only tested Turbolinux and Red Hat. You can find additional related information in 11.5, “Installation of Red Hat under VIF” on page 164 and 8.4, “Installation of Turbolinux under VIF” on page 129.
16.1 Overview of VIF

The following description is copied from the VIF Web site:


The S/390 Virtual Image Facility enables you to run tens to hundreds of Linux server images on a single S/390 server. It is ideally suited for those who want to move Linux and/or UNIX workloads deployed on multiple servers onto a single S/390 server, while maintaining the same number of distinct server images.

This provides centralized management and operation of the multiple image environment, reducing complexity, easing administration and lowering costs.

Deploying Linux workloads on Virtual Image Facility is particularly attractive if the workload interacts with S/390 servers, applications, or data located on the same S/390 server.

Figure 16-1 shows a block diagram of VIF. It is important to understand the need for two IP addresses; the VIF hypervisor can be thought of as a built-in TCP/IP stack, while the master Linux is the interface used to issue commands to VIF.

The base documentation for VIF is S/390 Virtual Image Facility for LINUX; Guide and Reference, GC24-5930; a link can be found at the bottom of the VIF Web site.
The -04 level of that publication was available at the time of writing this redbook, and some of the information is repeated here for convenience; this chapter should augment that book.

**Terminology**

First we’ll discuss the terminology used by VIF, because some of the terms align more closely with Linux than with traditional S/390 parlance.

A VIF partition is a piece of a disk. This is based on the PC term used to describe how hard drives are portioned off. In S/390, terms it can be described as DASD or a VM minidisk. Typically, in S/390 terms, a partition refers to a logical partition, or a “slice of a mainframe”.

A VIF image is a virtual Linux server. The term image is used for many different meanings, but in general it is used to mean an electronic version of a picture.

The VIF hypervisor makes hardware virtual and manages the assignment of it to each VIF image.

VIF paging is analogous to Linux swap space. Though Linux uses the term swap, it is more correctly the paging of virtual memory between physical memory and other media.

Also, the term master Linux is used to designate a special Linux image that has the VIF client. This is the only Linux image that can communicate with, and thus control, the VIF hypervisor.

### 16.2 Planning for VIF

VIF requires the following resources:

- A G5 processor or later or Multiprise 3000 (typically an LPAR on such a processor is used), and access to the HMC
- A 3390-3 DASD volume for the VIF install
- The VIF installation tape and a 3480 or 3490 tape drive
- One or two token-ring or Ethernet ports on an OSA, IBM 3172, or equivalent device operating in LCS mode, connected to a LAN (OSAs in QDIO mode are not supported)
- An IP address and associated network info for the VIF hypervisor
- A second IP address used by the master Linux image
- A Linux distribution and the IP address of an FTP server with access to it
The user name password for the FTP server
The file path of the VIF install file

VIF can be used with Integrated Facility for Linux (IFL) engines. These are CPUs for G5 or later processors which can either be turned on for existing machines, or purchased with new machines. IFL engines enable an installation to purchase additional processing capacity, exclusively for Linux workloads, with no additional software charges for software running on the other existing processors. When IFL engines are used in an LPAR, it is rendered with a penguin icon on the HMC. This icon is shown on the right side of Figure 16-2 on page 283.

**Important**: VIF currently does not support tape drives because there is way to assign a drive to a VIF image.

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**Figure 16-2**   HMC icons for standard and IFL engines

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There are other, more abstract considerations when planning for VIF. We address some of these in the next two sections.

### 16.2.1 VIF networking options

VIF can do two types of networking, which are referred to as *internal* or *external*. Internal can be thought of as virtual networking. It is based on the interuser communication vehicle (IUCV), which is a point-to-point protocol. This allows multiple Linux images to share a single network interface. It uses high-speed cross-memory data transfers and thus does not require virtual device I/O functions.

Internal or IUCV networking requires that the Linux images be on a different subnet than VIF (often referred to as the hypervisor). This is because point-to-point networking is used and therefore the Linux images are not truly on the LAN. Therefore, TCP/IP packets destined for the Linux images must be routed through the VIF hypervisor. It is also why, when using the IUCV driver as a network interface, a subnet mask of 255.255.255.255 is necessary. With IUCV networking there are limitations due to its point-to-point nature. For example, you cannot do DHCP, Ethernet bridging or proxy ARP.
External networking requires a physical network connection. OSA cards can share a number of physical connections, so if the number of Linux images is relatively small, an external network is viable and recommended over IUCV due to the previous limitations. See 2.2, “Planning networking” on page 15 for information on OSA cards.

16.2.2 VIF partitions and paging space

For each Linux image, VIF requires space on DASD for partitions (disks) and for paging. This allows real storage to be shared among the Linux images. The amount of space for partitions depends on the amount of read/write space each Linux image requires and how much can reasonably be shared read-only. The amount of paging space depends on the virtual memory assigned to each Linux partition. There is about two and a half times as much VIF paging space as virtual memory set aside for each Linux image. For example, if each Linux image is given the default value of 64 MB of memory, then VIF will allocate approximately 160 MB of paging space.

16.3 Installation of VIF with Turbolinux

With Turbolinux 6.0, we were able to install VIF but only bring up a master Linux. It is documented that this release does not work with the IUCV driver, so an external network (direct OSA connection) was used. After VIF and the master Linux were installed, we could create additional Linux images, but could not get a response from them when telnetting to the hypervisor.

We were able to get VIF working with the beta code drop of Turbolinux 6.5. It required that the storage of the newly created VIF image be set to 128 MB via the command `vif image set ‘name’ storage 128`. For more details, see 8.4, “Installation of Turbolinux under VIF” on page 129.

16.4 Installation of VIF with Red Hat

The install of Red Hat with VIF worked fine. See 11.5, “Installation of Red Hat under VIF” on page 164 for a few more details.

16.5 Installation of VIF with SuSE Linux

This section discusses installing VIF with SuSE Linux for S/390, which is documented with much detail. For all distributions we worked with VIF V1 R1 M1, service level 0500 which became generally available June 1, 2001.
The VIF install with SuSE Linux for S/390 is tricky. The main reason for this is that you’re effectively installing two different products (VIF, and Linux for S/390) from two different vendors. It just happens that the first product requires at least one flavor of the second product.

For convenience, a high-level checklist of the install steps follow; the step number is the same as the section suffixes after the list. Steps 5 and 6 documented in this chapter are specific to SuSE and will differ among distributions. In general, all other steps are common to VIF.

1. __ Prepare an FTP server with the VIF install file and Linux.
2. __ Format a clean S/390 3390-3 DASD.
3. __ Load VIF tape onto the DASD.
4. __ IPL the DASD and answer VIF questions.
5. __ Begin master Linux installation from HMC.
6. __ Telnet to master Linux and finish installation.
7. __ Reset master Linux boot partition and reboot.

### 16.5.1 Prepare an FTP server with the VIF install file and Linux

An integral part of the VIF install is accessing a VIF file and many Linux files via FTP. Only one file is needed by VIF: the VIF install file, which points to a Linux kernel, a RAMdisk, and a parameter file. Example 16-3 shows the relationship of the VIF install file to the Linux initialization files. In this section we discuss how to do the following tasks:

- Prepare an FTP server
- Prepare the VIF install file
- Prepare a Linux distribution
Prepare an FTP server
When installing on traditional mainframe hardware, a PC server running Linux works fine. Many Linux distributions don’t allow root and other user IDs to access FTP via inclusion of the disallowed user IDs in the /etc/ftpusers file. Simply using a conventional user ID is recommended.

When installing VIF on a Multiprise 3000, we were able to use an OS/2 FTP server, but only after we copied the three critical files from CD to disk. VIF seems to reject the colon (:) character as part of a valid FTP path. However, this occurred while using an early release of VIF (0300), and may now be fixed.

Prepare the VIF install file
If you are using the SuSE distribution and VIF 0500 or later, you can use one of the VIF install files included on CD1 named suse.ins or susev.ins:

```bash
# cat suse.ins
* SuSE Linux for S/390 Installation/Rescue System (default)
suse/images/tapeipl.ikr 0x00000000
suse/images/initrd 0x00800000
suse/images/parmfile 0x00010480
# cat susev.ins
* SuSE Linux for S/390 Installation/Rescue System with IUCV
suse/images/tapeipl.ikr 0x00000000
suse/images/initrd 0x00800000
suse/images/parmfile.v 0x00010480
```
These files tell VIF where to load Linux into memory. The only difference between these two files is that suse.ins points the file named parmfile, and susev.ins points to the file named parmfile.v, which have the following differences:

```bash
# cat suse/images/parmfile
ramdisk_size=32768 root=/dev/ram0 ro

# cat suse/images/parmfile.v
ramdisk_size=32768 root=/dev/ram0 ro iucv=$TCPIP
```

The extra parameter `iucv=$TCPIP` is necessary when the VIF hypervisor is communicating with the Linux images via IUCV. So, if you are using an internal network, you will want to use susev.ins as the VIF install file name.

It seems with VIF 0400 or earlier there is a bug in which relative file names are not handled correctly. Also, other distributions may not include a VIF install file.

If either of these is the case, you should create your own VIF install file with fully qualified file names. For example, we created our own parameter file and pointed to the kernel and RAMdisk on a mounted CD:

```bash
# cat vifbeta.txt
/mnt/cdrom/suse/images/tapeipl.ikr 0x00000000
/mnt/cdrom/suse/images/parmfile.v 0x00010480
/mnt/cdrom/suse/images/initrd 0x00800000
```

The VIF installation file will be read during the VIF install process. It specifies where to load the Linux kernel, the parameter file, and the initial RAMdisk. Fully qualified path names are recommended.

**Prepare a Linux distribution**

The GA level of Turbolinux for S/390 comes on a single CD, but the SuSE GA version comes on three. If you are doing a SuSE minimal or default install, you will only need the first CD, but for some installation types, YaST will need to get packages off multiple CDs.

If the distribution you are using occupies more than one CD, it can make installation tricky. However, there are a few ways you make them accessible:

- Mount CD1 and start the install. When packages from other CDs are needed, the install process will fail. You can then remount additional CDs (from another telnet session, perhaps) and continue with the install process. This has been tested and it does work with SuSE’s YaST; however, it is a less-than-elegant solution and is not recommended.

- Mount three loopback .iso images. A desirable feature of Linux or UNIX is the ability to mount an ISO image of a CD such that you don’t need a physical CD.
If you have access to the ISO images of the CDs, you could specify a directory and under that directory mount the three images in the directories named cd1, cd2, and cd3. We used this option to access the early copy of the SuSE distribution for which we had the three .iso files (you can create an iso file from a CD by simply using the `dd` command). Assuming you have the three .iso files in the top level directory /suse, you can mount them using loopback with the following commands:

```bash
# cd /suse
# mkdir cd1 cd2 cd3
# mount /suse/cd1.iso cd1 -o loop -r
# mount /suse/cd2.iso cd2 -o loop -r
# mount /suse/cd3.iso cd3 -o loop -r
```

- Copy the three CDs to disk. We did this for the SuSE GA (7.0) version because it enabled us to use the kernel and RAMdisk with the updated iucv driver. You will need about 1.8 GB of free disk space for the GA version of SuSE Linux for S/390.
We did this as follows:

```
# mkdir /suse
# cd /suse
# mkdir cd1 cd2 cd3
(...put CD1 in drive...)
# mount /dev/cdrom /mnt/cdrom
mount: block device /dev/cdrom is write-protected, mounting read-only
# cp -r /mnt/cdrom/* cd1
# umount /mnt/cdrom
(...put CD2 in drive...)
# mount /dev/cdrom /mnt/cdrom
mount: block device /dev/cdrom is write-protected, mounting read-only
# cp -r /mnt/cdrom/* cd2
# umount /mnt/cdrom
(...put CD3 in drive...)
# mount /dev/cdrom /mnt/cdrom
mount: block device /dev/cdrom is write-protected, mounting read-only
# cp -r /mnt/cdrom/* /cd3
# umount /mnt/cdrom
```

16.5.2 Format a clean S/390 DASD

We recommend that you format the 3390-3 DASD with ICKDSF. Typically, this is done from another system with access to the DASD such as OS/390 or VM. However, to save time in formatting, we learned that only the first 500 cylinders have to be formatted. This formatting can also be accomplished using a standalone ICKDSF tape.

If VIF has ever been installed on the target DASD, a new install of VIF will detect the previous install and will try to use the same parameters and master Linux that were previously installed. If you’ve never installed VIF on the target DASD before, you could omit this step. We have done so with success.

To format the first 500 cylinders of the DASD at address 0996, we used the JCL job from OS/390 shown in Figure 16-4 on page 277.
Alternatively, you could also format the DASD from VM. To format the DASD at address 0996, we use the VM 
\texttt{cpfmtxa} command as shown in Figure 16-5.

\begin{verbatim}
DASD 0996 ATTACHED TO MIKEM 0996 WITH DEVCTL
\texttt{cpfmtxa}
ENTER FORMAT, ALLOCATE, LABEL, OR QUIT:
format
ENTER THE VDEV TO BE PROCESSED OR QUIT:
996
ENTER THE CYLINDER RANGE TO BE FORMATTED ON DISK 0996 OR QUIT:
0-499
ENTER THE VOLUME LABEL FOR DISK 0996:
vif996
\texttt{CPFMTXA:}
FORMAT WILL ERASE CYLINDERS 00000-00499 ON DISK 0996
DO YOU WANT TO CONTINUE? (YES | NO)
yes
...
\end{verbatim}

Either way, the format took 3 to 4 minutes. The standalone \texttt{ICKDSF} with \texttt{CPVOLUME} format command could have also been used.
16.5.3 Load VIF tape onto DASD

We loaded the VIF tape into the tape drive at address 0B30. We used a load parameter of AUTO0996, as shown in Figure 16-6. This loads the VIF code from the tape onto the DASD volume at address 0996. The systems programmers assured us that the tape drive at address 0B30 and the 3390-3 at address 0996 were not online to any other systems. Though the VIF manual states you should do a load type of “clear”, we did a load type of “normal” and it worked just the same. However, a load type of clear is still recommended.

The icon representing the VIF LPAR remained green for about 10 to 15 minutes as the VIF tape was being copied to the DASD volume (the tape drive indicated the tape was being actively read early in the process, but then became inactive though VIF was still initializing on DASD).

The icon then turned red and a hardware message appeared stating: Disabled wait state. Clicking Details revealed a program status word (PSW) of 000A0000 00000000, as shown in Figure 16-7 on page 279.

Note: Ensure that you receive this PSW, because we had problems with channel paths to the tape drive which sometimes resulted in a different PSW. When this was the case, VIF had not been cleanly installed to DASD and would not subsequently IPL.
Alternatively, VM can be used to load the VIF tape onto the target DASD. In addition to using the HMC load panel, we also loaded VIF onto DASD by attaching a tape drive to a VM ID as device 181 and attaching the DASD (99A, in this example) that VIF was to be loaded onto. Then we issued the CP IPL command as follows:

```plaintext
IPL 181 LOADPARM AUTO099A
...
HCPIR450W CP entered; disabled wait PSW 000A0000 00000000
```

This IPLs the VIF tape. The parameter `LOADPARM AUTO099A` tells the IPL to load the image on device 99A. When the tape is done loading onto DASD (about 15 minutes again), CMS can be re-IPLed with this command:

```plaintext
IPL CMS
```

### 16.5.4 IPL the DASD and answer VIF questions

Now you can IPL from the VIF image that has been written to DASD. Before installation, you will want to know the following information:
### Table 16-1 Information needed for VIF installation

1. **Sysres volid for VIF** - this is the label that will be written to the VIF volume.

2. **Hypervisor device address and port number** - this is the even address of the network device pair is needed. The port number is typically 0, though it may be 1 for OSA2 cards.

3. **Network type** - Ethernet, Token-Ring, 802.3 or FDDI.

4. **MTU size** - 576, 1492, 1500, 2000 or 4096. For Ethernet, the maximum size is 1500.

5. **VIF hypervisor IP address and subnet mask** - this is the network information for the hypervisor; this must be accessible via a physical device.

6. **Gateway IP address** - this is the machine that will route IP traffic off the subnet; it is often referred to as the router.

7. **Master Linux network type** - this is either internal or external; see 16.2.1, “VIF networking options” on page 270.

8. **Master Linux network type** - this is either internal or external; see 16.2.1, “VIF networking options” on page 270.

9. **Master Linux IP address and subnet mask** - if you are using an external network, this will typically be on the same subnet as the VIF hypervisor. If you are using an internal network, it will have to be on a different subnet.

10. **FTP server IP address** - see “Prepare an FTP server” on page 273.

11. **FTP user ID, password and account** - typically the user ID will not be root and the account will be null (simply press Enter).

12. **VIF installation file name** - see “Prepare the VIF install file” on page 273.
We IPLed from the HMC by selecting the proper LPAR and double-clicking LOAD. This time, the DASD was specified as the load address with no load parameter. The process took a few minutes, but then began asking the aforementioned questions. We answered the questions and were asked to confirm.

In your case, after you enter yes, VIF will first attempt to get the install file described in 16.5.1, “Prepare an FTP server with the VIF install file and Linux” on page 272. Then it will try to get and load the Linux kernel, parameter file, and RAMdisk specified in the install file. If these steps are successful, a Linux image will boot to RAMdisk.

If you get a message stating: Error 17 installing Linux, this probably means that VIF has found the install file, but not the associated Linux files. If this is the case, create a custom install file as described in 16.5.1, “Prepare an FTP server with the VIF install file and Linux” on page 272.

### 16.5.5 Begin master Linux installation from HMC

When a Linux for S/390 kernel first boots, you are typically presented with questions whose answers are required to start networking. SuSE Linux for S/390 is no exception; when the kernel first boots, a script should ask you the following question:

```
Welcome to SuSE Linux S/390 7.0
```

First, select the type of your network device:

0) no network
1) OSA Token Ring
2) OSA Ethernet
3) OSA-Express Gigabit Ethernet
4) Channel To Channel
5) Escon
6) IUCV
7) CLAW (Cisco Mainframe Channel Connection)

Enter your choice (1-7):

If you are using IUCV communications (internal network), enter 6 and answer the SuSE networking questions. If you are using an external network, you will want to enter 1 or 2, depending on whether you are using Token Ring or Ethernet (other network types are not supported by VIF).
One option is to answer 0 for “no network” and start networking manually. This is not recommended, but we tried it with the following commands using an internal network, where 9.12.8.150 is the master Linux, and 9.12.14.196 is the hypervisor TCP/IP address (which must be associated with the OSA address and port):

```bash
$ inetd &
```

Whether you answer the questions or enter the commands manually, you should have networking going, have a default route out of the VIF Hypervisor TCP/IP stack, and have **inetd** started. The new Linux image will subsequently be accessible via telnet.

### Issues with telnet clients and SuSE YaST

You need a telnet session with at least 80 rows and 25 columns in order to use YaST under SuSE. (Turbolinux and Red Hat install tools are text-based, rather than curses-based, so this is not an issue for those distributions.) It is easier to telnet from a Linux PC. Using telnet in either command line mode or in X Window mode will give you a good interface to YaST.

If you have a Windows desktop, there can be problems with YaST. Using the telnet client that comes with Windows is virtually impossible - graphics characters simply don’t map and therefore you can’t make sense out of the panels. We used TeraTerm, a free telnet client for Windows, which was usable.

A problem with TeraTerm is the use of function keys. Pressing a function key does not map properly from Windows to YaST. If you have this problem, you can press **Ctrl-F** and then the number of the function key you want; for example, if you want to press F4, you can press **Ctrl-F** and then **4**.

Another increasingly popular telnet client for Windows is PuTTY. It is a free implementation of Telnet and SSH for Win32 platforms, written and maintained primarily by Simon Tatham. It is included on the SuSE GA CD in the directory /dosutils/puttytel/. Simply copy the puttytel.exe file to a directory in your Windows PATH (C:\WINNT, for example) and you can invoke the command:

```bash
C:\WINNT>puttytel 9.12.6.95
```
Master Linux DASD

When installed, VIF creates two virtual DASD as shown in Table 16-2.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Address</th>
<th>Device</th>
<th>Size (formatted)</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>201</td>
<td>/dev/dasda</td>
<td>830MB</td>
<td>Empty DASD for the root file system</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>203</td>
<td>/dev/dasdb</td>
<td>956KB</td>
<td>Configured DASD with the VIF client</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

You have to let the new Linux image know that it owns two DASD devices at virtual addresses 201 and 203. Then you can verify they are recognized by querying the proc file system. We did this as follows:

```bash
# insmod dasd dasd=201,203
Using /lib/modules/2.2.16/block/dasd.o
# cat /proc/dasd/devices
0201(ECKD) at (94:0) is dasda:active at blocksize: 4096, 216000 blocks, 843 MB
0203(ECKD) at (94:4) is dasdb:active at blocksize: 1024, 2475 blocks, 2 MB
```

We’ve successfully allowed YaST to format the 201 disk. However, you should not format the 203 disk—because you will erase the vif client. Instead, we recommend that you format and make file systems "by hand", as follows:

```bash
# dasdfmt -b 4096 -f /dev/dasda -y
# mke2fs -b 4096 /dev/dasda1

Writing superblocks and filesystem accounting information: done
```

16.5.6 Telnet to master Linux and finish installation

Now that /dev/dasda was properly prepared, it was time to finish the installation of the master Linux. With Suse, this is done via YaST. After installation there are a few more steps to be performed. We invoke YaST as follows:

```bash
# yast
```

In our case, we chose the following values:

- ```SELECT LANGUAGE panel - English```
- ```SELECTION OF INSTALLATION MEDIUM panel - Installation from an FTP site```
- ```TYPE OF INSTALLATION panel - Install Linux from scratch```
- ```SELECT SWAP PARTITION panel - <no swap-partition>```
- ```PARTITION HARDWARES panel - < Do not partition >```
From this point, you can do the following:

- **CREATING FILESYSTEMS** panel - Using F4, set /dev/dasda1 to mount over /, and /dev/dasdb1 to mount over /vif (you could choose another directory such as /usr/local/vif). Because /vif is not a choice, you have to choose <Other entry> and enter /vif in the panel that comes up.

If it were possible to set the /vif file system to be read-only, you would want to do that here. However, this does not appear to be an option.

- **FTP Settings** panel - Enter the FTP server IP address (in our example, it was 9.12.0.88) and the Server directory (in our example, it was /suse/suse). Unless you’ve set up your FTP server for anonymous FTP, uncheck Anonymous FTP; then you can enter the FTP user ID and password.

Press F10 to begin (with Linux telnet or putty, the F10 key works fine; however, with other telnet clients, you may have to press Ctrl-F, then 0).

- **Installation** panel - It should be noted that YaST goes from a “wizard” model, which takes you through the proper order of panels, to a menu-driven model, where you have to know which panels to choose.

  - Choose **Load Configuration** - On the new panel, it is recommended that you take the default. For the version of SuSE that we used, the default configuration used 735 MB of the 830 MB root file system. This does not leave you with much space to work with, but it is recommended that the master Linux just be used for the vif command.

  - Choose **Start installation** - On the resulting panel, you may see a message stating: Search for installed or ready to be installed packages whose dependencies are NOT given!..., followed by a list of packages.

    If this happens, select <Auto>. Installation should then begin and run for 10 to 15 minutes. Finally you should see the message: INSTALLATION COMPLETE.

  - Choose **Main Menu** - YaST now takes you back to the wizard model, as all remaining panels are presented to you sequentially.

- **SELECT KERNEL** panel - Choose Default kernel for S/390.

- **TIME ZONE CONFIGURATION** panel - Choose your time zone.

- **ADJUSTMENT OF HARDWARE CLOCK** panel - Choose local time unless your hardware clock is set to GMT.

- **ENTER YOUR HOSTNAME** panel - We recommend a host name of linux0, so it is the same as the VIF image name.

- **TCP/IP CONFIRMATION** panel - Choose <Real network>.

- **DHCP CONFIRMATION** panel - Choose <No>.
ENTER THE NETWORK ADDRESSES panel - Choose iucv0, or eth0, or tr0, depending on the type of network you are using. All other values should be correct.

START INETD? panel - Choose < Yes >.

START THE PORTMAPPER panel - We recommend choosing < No >.

ADJUST NEWS FROM-ADDRESS panel - Take the default value.

Access a nameserver? panel - Choose < Yes > and enter your name server information.

SELECTION OF NETWORKING DEVICE panel - For “Network type”, press F3 to get a selection list and choose your network type.

SENDMAIL CONFIGURATION panel -> We recommend that you choose Do not install /etc/sendmail.cf.

Now the tool SuSEconfig is automatically run. This tool takes all the settings entered into YaST and populates the values in the correct places in the root file system. You should see the following messages:

   Started the SuSE-Configuration Tool.
   Running in full featured mode.
   Reading /mnt/etc/rc.config and updating the system...
   Installing new /etc/HOSTNAME
   Installing new /etc/resolv.conf
   Installing new /etc/nttpserver
   Installing new /etc/inet/news_mail_gateway
   Installing new /var/lib/news/mailname
   Installing new /var/lib/news/whoami
   Installing new /etc/SuSEconfig/profile
   Installing new /etc/SuSEconfig/csh.cshrc

Finally, YaST should terminate and show the message: YaST finished.

Set VIF file system to be read-only

With other distributions, you should try to set the VIF file system (/dev/dasdb at the address 203) to be read-only. There does not appear to be a way do this in YaST, so it must be done manually. If it is left to the default of read/write, error messages will appear on the hardware console.

To modify the master Linux to mount the VIF file system as read-only, we mount what will become the new root file system and modify the file /etc/fstab:

```
# mount /dev/dasda1 /mnt
# cd /mnt/etc
# cat fstab
/dev/dasda1    /       ext2    defaults  1   1
/dev/dasdb1    /vif     ext2    defaults  1   2
```
Modify the second line so it looks like this:

```
/dev/dasdb1     /vif                      ext2            defaults,ro 0 0
```

The last two integers are set to 0 0, so the VIF file system is not dumped—nor is the `fsck` command run against it.

### 16.5.7 Reset master Linux boot partition and reboot

We now had to set VIF so it would boot from the new root file system. Assuming the root file system was still mounted from the previous step, we mounted the VIF file system over it:

```
# mount /dev/dasdb1 /mnt/vif
```

We saw from the VIF query image command that the master Linux (LINUX0) booted `default`, which was the RAMdisk:

```
# cd /mnt/vif
# ./vif 9.12.6.97 q image linux0
LINUX0 has 1 CPUs and 128M of storage and boots default
LINUX0 has an external network connection via devices 295E-295F
LINUX0 has a 843 MB read/write partition as device 201 on volume VIF996
LINUX0 has a 3 MB read-only partition as device 203 on volume VIF996
Command Complete
```

```
# ./vif 9.12.6.97 image set linux0 boot 201
LINUX0 boot changed to 201
Command Complete
```

We now unmounted the DASD and rebooted the master Linux as follows:

```
# cd /
# umount /mnt/vif
# umount /mnt
# reboot
```

The master Linux should shut down and reboot. For SuSE Linux, you will have to go to back to the HMC to finish the install (this will probably differ for other distributions). Before networking comes back up, you will have to enter the new root password. This HMC screen is shown in Figure 16-8 on page 287.
If you forget this step and the master Linux boots the RAMdisk, don’t despair. You can still perform all the previous steps by booting the RAMdisk, adding the 203 DASD via the `insmod` command, and mounting the disk to get access to the `vif` command.

### 16.6 Using VIF

In these sections, we describe some of the more common usage scenarios with VIF.

First we describe how to create a simple script to make the VIF client command more convenient, how to apply service to an existing VIF installation, and how to change the Linux distribution.

Then we show how to install and customize a “blueprint” or template Linux image, and finally we provide shell scripts that enable you to clone the Linux template.
16.6.1 Writing a simple v script

For convenience, we started by creating a simple script named v in /usr/local/bin, which is in the default PATH. (In your case, you should first ensure that v is not an alias, and if it is, choose another name for your script):

```
# alias v
bash: alias: `v' not found
```

We hardcode the hypervisor IP address to follow the vif command because the hypervisor is always the same. The bash built-in $@ expands to all parameters, so that all text that follows the new v command is sent to the VIF hypervisor:

```
# cd /usr/local/bin
# vi v
...
# chmod +x v
# cat v
/vif/vif 9.12.6.97 $@
```

16.6.2 Applying service to VIF

If you have an existing VIF installation and there is an upgrade, you will want to use the VIF service tape. This allows you to upgrade your level of VIF without reinstalling.

We performed this task as follows from a tape attached as device 560:

```
# /mnt/vif 9.12.6.97 hypervisor service 560
Command may take up to 2 minutes; please wait
Command is still processing; please wait
HYPERVISOR Service Complete.
Command Complete
```

16.6.3 Changing the Linux distribution

When VIF is installed, it copies the Linux kernel, RAMdisk, and parameter file from the FTP server to a location on the VIF install volume. These files are used when a new VIF image is created and started.

These files can be thought of as a Linux “boot floppy for PCs”: you only have one floppy, which you can rewrite—but you cannot have a second copy of it.
Maintaining multiple VIF images

With VIF, you can change these files, but you cannot maintain multiple sets. So in order to have VIF images from more than one distribution, we modified the Linux kernel RAMdisk and parameter file with the following command:

```
# v hyp install 9.12.9.183 mikem nunya /linuxSystems/suse/cd1/suse.ins
Transferring Linux from 9.12.9.183 /linuxSystems/suse/cd1/suse.ins
...  
Command Complete
```

16.6.4 Allocating image and paging space

We decided to allocate two 3390-3 volumes for images and one for paging space.

```
# v hyp vol add image 996 VIF996
IMAGE volume VIF996 added
Command Complete
# v hyp vol add image 998 VIF998
IMAGE volume VIF998 added
Command Complete
# v hyp vol add paging 9AC VIFPAG
Command may take up to 22 minutes; please wait
...  
```

16.6.5 Installing a template Linux image

We created a new image named vif1 to be used as a template to create additional Linux images:

```
# v image create vif1
Image vif1 created successfully
Command Complete
```

Now we carved out a 200 MB partition for the root file system at address 201, a 1.2 GB partition for a sharable /usr at address 202, and a 200 MB partition for /modelroot:

```
# v part create vif1 201 200
PARTITION CREATE completed successfully
Command Complete
# v part create vif1 202 1200
PARTITION CREATE completed successfully
Command Complete
# v part create vif1 203 200
PARTITION CREATE completed successfully
Command Complete
```
Now a networking device must be added. This is done differently, depending on whether you are using internal or external networking. If using internal networking, the hypervisor must be told to add an IUCV connection:

```bash
# v hyp net add vif1 9.12.8.151 255.255.255.255
Command Complete
```

Hypervisor uses IP address 9.12.14.196 via device 21C0

Linux image vif1 uses IP address 9.12.8.151 via the internal network

Linux image LINUX0 uses IP address 9.12.8.150 via the internal network

If using external networking, the networking device address assigned to the IP address must be known; for example, during this project we had the network addresses 2942 and 2943 assigned to the IP address 9.12.6.81. To specify this network address, only the even value is supplied with the command:

```bash
# v image network vif1 add 2942
NETWORK ADD completed successfully
Command Complete
```

Now we were ready to start the image:

```bash
# v image start vif1
Linux image vif1 started
Command Complete
```

We found we had to telnet to the hypervisor and log in as vif1. The hypervisor can only speak telnet in line mode. We found it difficult to communicate with the hypervisor, as most telnet clients do not seem to speak the same dialect.

At first, our keystrokes were not echoed. Setting the telnet client to echo locally made the session was much more usable; however, characters were not always rendered correctly. From VM, you can telnet to the hypervisor with the “linemode” parameter:

```bash
telnet 9.12.6.97 (linemode
```

There is a usability issue when telnetting to the hypervisor: unlike VM, where you can disconnect with the command #CP DISC, VIF has no such mechanism. So once you have telnetted to the hypervisor, the only apparent “way out” is by escaping to the telnet prompt and typing: quit. To get to the telnet prompt, you normally type: Ctrl-[, but from VM telnet, you press F4.

At this point, you should be presented with the networking questions, to which you can answer 6 for iucv:

```
S/390 Virtual Image Facility for LINUX --VIF --PRESS BREAK KEY TO BEGIN SESSION
ION. logon vif1
```
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First, select the type of your network device:

For internal network (iucv, choice 6), we answered the questions as follows:

Configuration for iucv0 will be:
Full host name : vif1.itso.ibm.com
IP address : 9.12.8.151
DNS IP address : 9.12.14.7
DNS search domain: itso.ibm.com
MTU size : 1492
Is this correct (Yes/No) ?

For external networking (ethernet, choice 2), we answered the questions as follows:

Configuration for eth0 will be:
Full host name : vif1.itso.ibm.com
IP address : 9.12.6.81
Net mask : 255.255.255.0
Broadcast address: 9.12.6.255
Gateway address : 9.12.6.75
DNS IP address : 9.12.14.17
DNS search domain: itso.ibm.com
MTU size : 1492
Is this correct (Yes/No) ?

In your case, if networking starts cleanly, you can leave the hypervisor session and telnet normally to vif1 (9.12.8.151), and then install the flavor of SuSE you want to be cloned. The first step is to tell Linux about the three new partitions:

```
# insmod dasd dasd=201-203
# cat /lib/modules/2.2.16/block/dasd.o
# cat /proc/dasd/devices
0301(ECKD) at (94:0) is dasda:act at blksz: 4096, 51300 blocks, 200 MB
0302(ECKD) at (94:4) is dasdb:act at blksz: 4096, 307260 blocks, 1200 MB
0303(ECKD) at (94:8) is dasdc:act at blksz: 4096, 51300 blocks, 200 MB
```

Again we recommend formatting manually with dasdfmt and mke2fs. Then complete the install with yast as with LINUX0.
In our case, after a successful install we gave the command `shutdown -h now` to shutdown the new Linux image.

Then we went over to the master Linux, LINUX0, and invoked the following commands to switch the boot location from RAMdisk to DASD 201:

```
# v image stop vif1
Linux image vif1 stopped
# v image set vif1 boot 201
vif1 boot changed to 201
Command Complete
# v image start vif1
Linux image vif1 started
Command Complete
```

Again, we first had to telnet to the hypervisor, logon to vif1, and set the root password. Then the new Linux booted successfully and we were able to telnet in and verify that the new DASD are mounted correctly:

```
# df -h
Filesystem            Size  Used Avail Use% Mounted on
/dev/dasda1           194M   53M  131M  29% /
/dev/dasdb1           1.2G  1.0G   84M  92% /usr
/dev/dasdc1           194M   20k  184M   0% /modelroot
```

### 16.6.6 Customizing the template Linux image

There are many customizations that can be done to vif1. In fact, you may want to create many Linux template images, based on the function they will perform. For example, you may want to add certain users, set up anonymous FTP, set up paging space, or start Samba. If you are going to use VIF in production, it is suggested that you plan the Linux templates carefully.

In our case, we added a swap file (not a swap partition):

```
# mkdir /swap
# cd /swap
# dd if=/dev/zero of=swapfile bs=1M count=64
64+0 records in
64+0 records out
# mkswap -c swapfile
Setting up swappspace version 1, size = 67104768 bytes
# chmod 700 /swap
# chmod 600 swapfile
# swapon swapfile
# cat /proc/swaps
Filename                        Type    Size  Used  Priority
/swap/swapfile                  file    65528  0    -1
```
We then added the swap file to the /etc/fstab file, so it is set up at IPL time:

```
# cd /etc
# vi fstab
...
# cat fstab
/dev/dasda1     /     ext2            defaults   1   1
/dev/dasdb1     /usr  ext2            defaults   1   2
/dev/dasdc1     /modelroot  ext2            defaults   1   2
/swap/swapfile  swap  swap            defaults   0   0
none            /proc  proc            defaults   0   0
# End of YaST-generated fstab lines
```

We also added a user, since it is helpful to have a non-root user:

```
# useradd mikem
# passwd mikem
New password:
Re-enter new password:
Password changed
# mkdir /home/mikem
```

We next shut down the image vif1 and deleted the 203 partition, and then copied the 201 partition to a new 203 partition. This has the effect of copying the root file system, which can be used for cloning. By having a copy of the root file system, we will not have to manipulate the existing root file system. We did not have to create a 203 partition (/modelroot) in the first place; however, we felt it was easier to create one so YaST would populate the parameter file and /etc/fstab files and run silo properly.

From the customized vif1 image we did the following:

```
# shutdown -h now
```

Then, from the master Linux we did the following:

```
# v image stop vif1
Linux image VIF1 stopped
Command Complete
# v part del vif1 203
PARTITION DELETE completed successfully
Command Complete
# v part copy vif1 201 to vif1 203
Command may take up to 5 minutes; please wait
PARTITION COPY completed successfully
Command Complete
# v image start vif1
Linux image VIF1 started
Command Complete
```
When we telnetted back to vif1, we saw that we could log in as mikem and that 
/dev/dasdc1 looked just as it did before—however, it was now a copy of the root 
file system:

```
   vif1 login: mikem
   Password:
   Have a lot of fun...
   # df -h
   Filesystem            Size  Used Avail Use% Mounted on
   /dev/dasda1           194M  120M   64M  65% /
   /dev/dasdb1           1.2G  1.0G   84M  92% /usr
   /dev/dasdc1           194M  120M   64M  65% /modelroot
   # ls /modelroot
   bin    cdrom    floppy lost+found opt       proc   swap   var
   boot   dev      home   mnt  parm.RMnPvq root  tmp
   boot.map etc    lib     modelroot parm.TA92Zo sbin  usr
```

A few changes must be made to the modelroot file system: the file that will 
become the /etc/fstab, and the parameter file, need to have the modelroot file 
system removed from them:

```
   # cd /modelroot/etc
   # vi fstab
   ... (delete line with modelroot)
   # cd /modelroot/boot
   # vi parmfile
   ... (delete device 203)
   # silo -b ./ipleckd.boot -p ./parmfile -d /dev/dasda -f ./image -t2
```

One final addition will help to automate the cloning process later:

```
   # cd /root
   # vi .rhosts
   ... add the line:
   9.12.6.97
```

Creating the file .rhosts in the root home directory allows the `rsh` command to 
work as root from the specified machine, which is the master Linux in this case. It 
should be noted that many security specialists consider the existence of a .rhosts 
file anywhere on any machine to be a security issue.

Now vif1 should be rebooted; assuming it comes back up successfully, it is ready 
to be cloned.
16.6.7 Cloning the template Linux image

Now that a template has been created, it can be cloned relatively easily with VIF commands. First we want to modify the files in the modelroot such that when it is copied to another Linux image, that image's networking will come up cleanly. To do this, the following files have to be modified:

- `/etc/hosts`
  - host name
  - IP address
- `/etc/rc.config` (for SuSE only); the variables:
  - IPADDR_0 - IP address
  - IFCONFIG_0 - IP address
  - FQHOSTNAME - host name
  - FROM_HEADER - host name
- `/etc/route/conf`
- `/etc/conf.modules` (for external network only) - network device address

Then, from the master Linux, the following VIF commands can be used to clone the Linux image:

```
# v image create vif2 // create new image
# v part copy vif1 203 to vif 201 // copy modelroot
# v part share vif1 201 with vif2 201 // share /usr
# v hyp net add vif2 9.12.6.82 255.255.255.255 // add iucv network
# v image set vif2 boot 202 // set boot partition
# v image start linux02 // start new image
```

Refer to Figure 16-9 on page 296 for a look at the structure of our VIF system.
16.6.8 Scripts to clone Linux images

Now that we manually created a Linux image for cloning, we wanted to automate its cloning.

We wrote a pair of scripts: one to run on the master Linux and issue VIF commands, and one to run on the template Linux and modify the model root file system with new TCP/IP address, the new host name, etc. These scripts were written to run on a SuSE Linux image and to use an internal (IUCV) network. Many other assumptions were also made.

The script shown in Example 16-1 on page 297 is run on the template Linux image. Before it is run, copies of the files /etc/hosts, /etc/rc.config and /etc/route.conf are made with the suffix .iucv. This is so the sed command can modify the contents to the files that will become the actual /etc/hosts, /etc/rc.config and /etc/route.conf (because you never want to try to use sed to modify a file in place - it is often deleted). When the script completes, it returns the string: success.
Note that functions are defined at the start of the script. The first line of that is interpreted and executed is after the comment with the text `main()`.

**Example 16-1  cloneiucv.template script**

```plaintext
function modifyFiles 
{
    cat /modelroot/etc/hosts.iucv | sed \
        -e "s/9.12.6.2/$ipaddr/g" \ 
        -e "s/linux2/$hostName/g" > /modelroot/etc/hosts 
    cat /modelroot/etc/rc.config.iucv | sed \
        -e "s/9.12.6.2/$ipaddr/g" \ 
        -e "s/linux2/$hostName/g" > /modelroot/etc/rc.config 
    cat /modelroot/etc/route.conf.iucv | sed \ 
        -e "s/9.12.6.2/$ipaddr/g" > /modelroot/etc/route.conf 
}

function setDefaults 
{
    hostName="vif$suffix"
    ipaddr="9.12.6.$suffix"
    mask="255.255.255.255"
    netaddr="9.12.6.0"
    gateway="9.12.17.173"
}

# main()
if [ $# = 1 ]; then
    suffix=$1
else
echo "failure"
fi
mount /dev/dasdc1 /modelroot
setDefaults
modifyFiles
umount /modelroot
echo "success"
```

Now the script named cloneiucv.master is written; see Example 16-2 on page 298. It uses the `rsh` command to invoke the cloneiucv.template on the Linux template image VIF1. If that script succeeds, the template is ready to be cloned.

This is done with the `vif` commands shown in bold font (the first three `vif` commands ensure that you do not try to create an image with an existing name).
Each vif command is preceded with a function call to the function anyCmd, so the command that is being executed is echoed to the screen (stdout).

**Example 16-2  cloneiucv.master script**

```bash
function usage {
    echo; echo "Usage: $scriptName hostNameSuffix"; echo
    echo "Clone a new VIF Linux image from the existing VIF1"
    echo "The following assumptions are made:"
    echo "VIF1 is the VIF template image whose IP address is 9.12.6.81"
    echo "VIF1 has a script /usr/local/bin/cloneiucv.template"
    echo "rsh to VIF1 as root works"
    echo "VIF1 301 is sharable /usr"
    echo "VIF1 302 is modified root file system"
    exit
}

function anyCmd {
    echo "Executing: $@
    eval $@
}

# main()
scriptName=`basename $0`
if [ $# != 1 ]; then
    usage
fi

retVal=`rsh 9.12.6.81 /usr/local/bin/cloneiucv.template $1`
if [ $retVal = "success" ]; then
    anyCmd v image stop vif$1
    anyCmd v hyp net del vif$1
    anyCmd v image del vif$1
    anyCmd v image create vif$1
    anyCmd v part copy VIF1 201 to vif$1 201
    anyCmd v part share VIF1 202 with vif$1 202
    anyCmd v hyp net add vif$1 9.12.6.$1 255.255.255.255
    anyCmd v image set vif$1 boot 201
    anyCmd v image start vif$1
else
    echo "Error: retVal = $retVal"
fi

We then tried using the VIF system and the scripts to carve out 17 more Linux images (named linux2 to linux18). It would be advisable to first have the host names and associated IP addresses defined to DNS.
This task took about 3 minutes per image—with most of the time being spent copying the root file system—which illustrates the power of VIF to create virtual Linux servers easily.

```sh
# time for i in 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 8 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18
> do
>   cloneiucv.master $i
> done
... 
Linux image VIF18 started
Command Complete

real    42m57.002s
user    0m2.390s
sys     0m12.660s
```

16.6.9 Shutting down VIF

Shutting down vif cleanly presents somewhat of a “chicken and egg” problem (that is, which comes first?). If you shut down the master Linux, you no longer have a vif command to shut down the hypervisor. If you shut down the hypervisor, the master Linux comes down hard (that is, it is not a clean shutdown via the `shutdown -h now` command).

Perhaps the best compromise is to unmount the master Linux’s root file system first, then issue the `vif hyp shutdown` command. Because the master Linux is designed to only run the `vif` command, you can put almost all of the file system on a R/O partition, eliminating the long fsck times when VIF comes back up. In this situation, ensure that you provide a r/w “current directory” so that vif can write its output files.
Logical Volume Manager

In this chapter we discuss Logical Volume Manager (LVM), which is a set of kernel patches and utilities that allows you to combine multiple physical disks into one or more logical volumes that may be larger than any single physical volume. LVM can also stripe its logical volumes across multiple physical volumes. Possibly LVM’s most interesting feature is that you can dynamically add space to a logical volume without having to back up the data, repartition, and then restore the data. (However, the logical volume has to be unmounted to perform an fsck against it, so it’s not completely nondisruptive.)

Table 17-1 lists the support for LVM in the distributions we cover in this redbook:

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<th>Distribution</th>
<th>Kernel patches installed</th>
<th>LVM utilities installed</th>
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<td>ThinkBlue</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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17.1 Problem support for LVM

One note of caution about LVM - the Linux kernel maintainers did not merge the LVM code into the official kernel source until Linux 2.4. As a result, they do not view LVM in the Linux 2.2 kernels as something they support. If your Linux distributor includes LVM in their distribution, and you are paying them for support, they should provide you with that support. If you want free support for LVM, you will only be able to get that for Linux 2.4 kernels and above.

17.2 LVM basics

Suppose you want to use more space than is available on a single volume—how about using the space of several DASDs as if it were one big volume? This method is known as striping in regard to RAID methods. LVM is able to make one or more big volumes out of several smaller volumes.

In LVM terms, a DASD volume is called a physical volume (PV), because that's the volume where the data is physically stored. It can be a model-3 or a model-9 DASD, or even a VM minidisk of any size. The PV is divided into several physical extents (PE) of the same size. The PEs are like blocks on the PV.

Several PVs make up a volume group (VG), which is a pool of PEs available for the logical volume (LV). The LVs appear as normal devices in /dev/ directory. You can add or delete PVs to/from a VG, and increase/decrease your LVs. Figure 17-1 shows how LVM works.

![LVM block diagram](image)

Figure 17-1  LVM block diagram
17.3 Sample LVM session

The sample process flow that follows was modeled from Richard Higson’s write-up on LVM at:

http://pax.gt.owl.de/~higson/LVM/

To create a logical volume, you must start with formatting the DASD of all the real volumes that will make it up.

In our case, we first formatted the four DASD that will be used to create a physical volume:

```
# dasdfmt -y -b 4096 -n 204 &
# dasdfmt -y -b 4096 -n 205 &
# dasdfmt -y -b 4096 -n 206 &
# dasdfmt -y -b 4096 -n 207 &
```

17.3.1 Using the pvcreate and vgscan commands

You will also need to create a physical volume entry for each of these, so that LVM will know about them. We attempted to create physical volumes:

```
# pvcreate /dev/dasd[efg]1
pvcreate -- ERROR: "/etc/lvmtab" doesn't exist; please run vgscan
```

We got an error, because LVM had not been initialized. If this is the first time you’ve used LVM, you’ll have to run vgscan first, which we did as follows:

```
# vgscan
vgscan -- reading all physical volumes (this may take a while...)
vgscan -- no volume groups found
```

This command scans all disks for volume groups and builds the files /etc/lvmtab and /etc/lvmtab.d/* which are the database for all other LVM commands. Now we ran pvcreate again:

```
# pvcreate /dev/dasd[efg]1
pvcreate -- reinitializing physical volume
pvcreate -- physical volume "/dev/dasde1" successfully created
pvcreate -- reinitializing physical volume
pvcreate -- physical volume "/dev/dasdf1" successfully created
pvcreate -- reinitializing physical volume
pvcreate -- physical volume "/dev/dasdg1" successfully created
```

Note: Currently LVM can only handle up to 256 PVs and LVs.
You will then need to create a volume group. You can have multiple volume groups (or pools). They can have meaningful names, such as sales, developers, and so on, if you choose to divide your space pool in that manner.

Taken together, all the volume groups can contain no more than 256 physical volumes. Using the largest device mapping currently available, that of a 3390-9, this means that there can only be .7TB (256*7GB) of LVM space for any one Linux system.

### 17.3.2 Using the vgcreate command

We ran the `vgcreate` command to create a volume group:

```
# vgcreate -s 1m testvg /dev/dasd[efg]1
vgcreate -- INFO: maximum logical volume size is 64 Gigabyte
vgcreate -- doing automatic backup of volume group "testvg"
vgcreate -- volume group "testvg" successfully created and activated
```

You are now at the point where you can create what you really want, a logical volume.

### 17.3.3 Using the lvcreate command

We tried to create a logical volume with the `lvcreate` command:

```
# lvcreate -i 6 -I 8 -L 50 testvg -v
lvcreate -- checking volume group name "testvg"
lvcreate -- checking volume group existence
lvcreate -- checking volume group activity
lvcreate -- checking stripe count
lvcreate -- checking stripe size
lvcreate -- locking logical volume manager
lvcreate -- getting volume group status from VGDA in kernel
lvcreate -- checking stripe size against volume group physical extent size
lvcreate -- rounding 51200 KB to stripe boundary size 55296 KB / 54 PE
lvcreate -- reading volume group data of "testvg"
lvcreate -- checking logical volume maximum size
lvcreate -- checking volume group free space
lvcreate -- checking stripe count against physical volume count
lvcreate -- too many stripes for "testvg" with 3 physical volumes
```

However, the command failed because we specified the wrong value with the `-i` parameter; it must equal the number of volumes to stripe over (which is three, not six). The next attempt worked much better:

```
# lvcreate -i 3 -I 8 -L 50 testvg -v
lvcreate -- checking volume group name "testvg"
lvcreate -- checking volume group existence
```
lvcreate -- checking volume group activity
lvcreate -- checking stripe count
lvcreate -- checking stripe size
lvcreate -- locking logical volume manager

"/etc/lvmconf/testvg.conf"
lvcreate -- unlocking logical volume manager
lvcreate -- logical volume "/dev/testvg/lvol1" successfully created

The -I 8 parameter specifies the stripe size in KB. The -L 50 parameter specifies the size in MB to allocate for the new logical volume.

You can now create a file system on the logical volume. This does not have to be ext2; it can be something else, such as ext3, JFS, GFS, etc. However, due to the issues noted in 2.3.1, “Planning file systems” on page 24, we choose ext2. We created a file system on the logical volume:

```
# mke2fs -b 4096 -m2 /dev/testvg/lvol1
```

```
mke2fs 1.19, 13-Jul-2000 for EXT2 FS 0.5b, 95/08/09
Filesystem label=
OS type: Linux
Block size=4096 (log=2)
Fragment size=4096 (log=2)
13056 inodes, 13056 blocks
261 blocks (2.00%) reserved for the super user
First data block=0
1 block group
32768 blocks per group, 32768 fragments per group
13056 inodes per group

Writing inode tables: done
Writing superblocks and filesystem accounting information: done
```

We now checked the new allocations in the virtual /proc file system:

```
# cat /proc/lvm
LVM driver version 0.8i  (02/10/1999)

Total:  1 VG  3 PVs  1 LV (0 LVs open)
Global: 5420 bytes vmalloced   IOP version: 5   0:14:29 active

VG:  testvg  [3 PV, 1 LV/0 open] PE Size: 1024 KB
Usage [KB/PE]: 430080 /420 total  52224 /51 used  377856 /369 free
PVs: [AA] /dev/dasde1  143360 /140  17408 /17  125952 /123
```

Note: If there are any entries in /etc/fstab with the volumes you just used, remove them. If you do not, the next time you IPL, you will probably wind up in single user mode, being prompted to run fsck on /dev/dasd?1. These physical volumes now belong to the logical volume group.

We now checked the new allocations in the virtual /proc file system:

```
# cat /proc/lvm
LVM driver version 0.8i  (02/10/1999)

Total:  1 VG  3 PVs  1 LV (0 LVs open)
Global: 5420 bytes vmalloced   IOP version: 5   0:14:29 active

VG:  testvg  [3 PV, 1 LV/0 open] PE Size: 1024 KB
Usage [KB/PE]: 430080 /420 total  52224 /51 used  377856 /369 free
PVs: [AA] /dev/dasde1  143360 /140  17408 /17  125952 /123
```
At this point, 51 out of 420 extents were now in use.

We then tried to create another logical volume with 400 extents. This command failed because there were only 369 free extents:

```
# lvcreate -i 3 -I 8 -L 400 testvg -v
lvcreate -- checking volume group name "testvg"
lvcreate -- checking volume group existence
...  
lvcreate -- only 369 free physical extents in volume group "testvg"
```

So we created a second logical volume with 40 extents:

```
# lvcreate -i 3 -I 8 -L 40 testvg -v
lvcreate -- checking volume group name "testvg"
...  
lvcreate -- unlocking logical volume manager
lvcreate -- logical volume "/dev/testvg/lvol2" successfully created
```

Again we created a file system from the new logical volume:

```
# mke2fs -b 4096 -m2 /dev/testvg/lvol2
mke2fs 1.19, 13-Jul-2000 for EXT2 FS 0.5b, 95/08/09
Filesystem label=
OS type: Linux
Block size=4096 (log=2)
Fragment size=4096 (log=2)
10752 inodes, 10752 blocks
215 blocks (2.00%) reserved for the super user
First data block=0
1 block group
32768 blocks per group, 32768 fragments per group
10752 inodes per group
Writing inode tables: done
Writing superblocks and filesystem accounting information: done
```

We now created mount points for the volumes, and mounted them:

```
# mkdir -p /testvg/lv1 /testvg/lv2
# mount /dev/testvg/lvol1 /testvg/lv1
# mount /dev/testvg/lvol2 /testvg/lv2
# df -h
```

We now tried to create another logical volume with 400 extents. This command failed because there were only 369 free extents:
We unmounted the logical volumes:

```
# umount /testvg/lv1 /testvg/lv2
```

### 17.3.4 Using the `lvremove` command

We deleted the second logical volume to exercise the `lvremove` command:

```
# lvremove /dev/testvg/lvol2
lvremove -- do you really want to remove "/dev/testvg/lvol2"? [y/n]: y
lvremove -- doing automatic backup of volume group "testvg"
lvremove -- logical volume "/dev/testvg/lvol2" successfully removed
```

### 17.3.5 Using the `lvextend` command

It is easy to enlarge a logical volume as long as you have the file system unmounted and have enough extents. This is accomplished via the `lvextend` command:

```
# lvextend /dev/testvg/lvol1 -l +42
lvextend -- extending logical volume "/dev/testvg/lvol1" to 93 MB
lvextend -- doing automatic backup of volume group "testvg"
lvextend -- logical volume "/dev/testvg/lvol1" successfully extended
```

We now remounted the logical volume and displayed it. However, we saw that the `df` command reports the wrong size:

```
# mount /dev/testvg/lvol1 /testvg/
# df -h
Filesystem            Size  Used Avail Use% Mounted on
/dev/dasdb1           1.8G  124M  1.5G   7% /
/dev/dasdc1           1.8G 1007M  701M  59% /usr
/dev/testvg/lvol1     49M  20k   48M   0% /testvg
```

Though we did use lvextend, we still must reformat the ext2 file system.

### 17.3.6 `resize2fs`

If you want to enlarge an ext2 volume group, you must use the `resize2fs` command on extended logical volumes. We tried it without first running e2fsck, but received an error:

```
# resize2fs /dev/testvg/lvol1
resize2fs 1.19 (13-Jul-2000)
Please run 'e2fsck -f /dev/testvg/lvol1' first.
```

So we ran `e2fsck` to check the file system and then reran `resize2fs`:  
# e2fsck -f /dev/testvg/lvol1

e2fsck 1.19, 13-Jul-2000 for EXT2 FS 0.5b, 95/08/09
Pass 1: Checking inodes, blocks, and sizes
Pass 2: Checking directory structure
Pass 3: Checking directory connectivity
Pass 4: Checking reference counts
Pass 5: Checking group summary information
/dev/testvg/lvol1: 11/13056 files (0.0% non-contiguous), 417/13056 blocks

# resize2fs /dev/testvg/lvol1
resize2fs 1.19 (13-Jul-2000)
The filesystem on /dev/testvg/lvol1 is now 23808 blocks long.

We again mounted and displayed it, and this time the correct size was shown:

# mount /dev/testvg/lvol1 /testvg/lv1
# df -h

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<tr>
<th>Filesystem</th>
<th>Size</th>
<th>Used</th>
<th>Avail</th>
<th>Use%</th>
<th>Mounted on</th>
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</thead>
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<tr>
<td>/dev/dasdb1</td>
<td>1.8G</td>
<td>125M</td>
<td>1.5G</td>
<td>7%</td>
<td>/</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/dev/dasdc1</td>
<td>1.8G</td>
<td>1007M</td>
<td>701M</td>
<td>59%</td>
<td>/usr</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>/dev/testvg/lvol1</td>
<td>91M</td>
<td>20k</td>
<td>88M</td>
<td>0%</td>
<td>/testvg/lv1</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

17.4 Creating a 20 GB logical volume

In this example, we created a 20 GB logical volume from three minidisks, each of
which were created from entire 3390-9 volumes. The volumes being used had
already had dasdfmt run against them (that step is not shown here).

We identified the physical volumes to be used by LVM, which are /dev/dasdh,
/dev/dasdi, and /dev/dasdp in this example:

# pvcreate /dev/dasd[hip]1
pvcreate -- reinitializing physical volume
pvcreate -- physical volume "/dev/dasdh1" successfully created
pvcreate -- reinitializing physical volume
pvcreate -- physical volume "/dev/dasdi1" successfully created
pvcreate -- reinitializing physical volume
pvcreate -- physical volume "/dev/dasdp1" successfully created

We created the volume group to be used:

# vgcreate -s 1m testvg /dev/dasd[hip]1
vgcreate -- INFO: maximum logical volume size is 64 Gigabyte
vgcreate -- doing automatic backup of volume group "testvg"
vgcreate -- volume group "testvg" successfully created and activated

We created the logical volume:

# lvcreate -i 3 -L 21126m testvg
lvcreate -- INFO: using default stripe size 16 KB
lvcreate -- doing automatic backup of "testvg"
lvcreate -- logical volume "/dev/testvg/lvol1" successfully created

We checked to see what the system thinks so far, and found all the space is being used:

```
# cat /proc/lvm
LVM driver version 0.8i (02/10/1999)
Total: 1 VG 3 PVs 1 LV (0 LVs open)
Global: 342625 bytes vmalloced  IOP version: 5  2:36:11 active
VG:  testvg  [3 PV, 1 LV/0 open]  PE Size: 1024 KB
Usage [KB/PE]: 21633024 / 21126 used  0 / 0 free
PVs:  [AA] /dev/dasdh1  7211008 / 7042  7211008 / 7042   0 / 0
     [AA] /dev/dasdi1  7211008 / 7042  7211008 / 7042   0 / 0
     [AA] /dev/dasdp1  7211008 / 7042  7211008 / 7042   0 / 0
LV:  [AWDS3 ] lvol1  21633024 / 21126 close
```

We created an ext2 file system on the logical volume:

```
# mke2fs /dev/testvg/lvol1 -b 4096
mke2fs 1.19, 13-Jul-2000 for EXT2 FS 0.5b, 95/08/09
Filesystem label=
OS type: Linux
Block size=4096 (log=2)
Fragment size=4096 (log=2)
2709120 inodes, 5408256 blocks
270412 blocks (5.00%) reserved for the super user
First data block=0
166 block groups
32768 blocks per group, 32768 fragments per group
16320 inodes per group
Superblock backups stored on blocks:
32768, 98304, 163840, 229376, 294912, 819200, 884736, 1605632, 2654208,
4096000

Writing inode tables: done
Writing superblocks and filesystem accounting information: done
```

We mounted the logical volume and displayed the space:

```
# mount /dev/testvg/lvol1 /lvm1
# df
Filesystem  1k-blocks  Used Available Use% Mounted on
/dev/dasdb1  1842468  87892  1660980  5% /
/dev/dasdc1  1842468  782012  966860  45% /usr
/dev/testvg/lvol1  21292924  20  20211256  0% /lvm1
```
The `-h` flag to the `df` command displays sizes using “human” units:

```
# df -h
Filesystem          Size  Used Avail Use% Mounted on
/dev/dasdb1          1.8G   86M  1.6G   5%   /
/dev/dasdc1          1.8G  764M  944M  45%  /usr
/dev/testvg/lvol1    20G   20k  19G   0%  /lvm1
```

### 17.5 Striping

By default, LVM creates one stripe over several PVs. This means that the PEs within this LV are filled up in a row, as shown in Figure 17-2. LVM jumps to the next PE when the space on the PE before is exhausted.

![Figure 17-2 LVM - striping (1 stripe)](image)

It is also possible to use more than one stripe over several PVs.

To increase the performance (depending on the channels and control unit), you can use more stripes—but you can only use as many stripes as you have PVs. Additionally, all PVs must be the same size.

With more stripes, the PEs are divided into smaller blocks. If a block of data is written to the PEs, LVM uses the next PE on the next PV to write the next data block. This can increase performance significantly, but the size of the performance increase depends on your hardware configuration—if the PVs (DASDs) in a VG are handled by only one control unit, the performance impact is not as big as if every PV is handled by a different control unit.
See Figure 17-3 for an overview. It shows a LV with three PVs. These PVs are configured with three stripes.

Figure 17-3   LVM - striping with three stripes

17.6 Using pvmove to migrate PEs to other PVs

If you have to release some DASDs from your VG, you can move the PEs to other PVs. Consider the following scenarios:

- A file system is running out of space because you are using only 3390-3 volumes in your VG.
  
  One possible solution is to add 3390-9s to your VG and increase the size. But why not use all 3390-9s and release the 3390-3s for other tasks, without unmounting the file system?

- A similar scenario occurs if you want to migrate your file system from a RVA to a ESS (Shark) without copying the entire file system, as it will cause system downtime.

  The layer model of LVM allows this type of transfer while the file system on the LVs is mounted and in use, as shown in Figure 17-4 on page 312.
The configuration of the target VG is as follows:

```
# cat /proc/lvm
LVM driver version 0.8i  (02/10/1999)

Total:  1 VG  2 PVs  1 LV (1 LV open 1 times)

Global: 5161 bytes vmalloced   IOP version: 5   3:12:15 active

VG:  vg1  [2 PV, 1 LV/1 open]  PE Size: 4096 KB
    Usage [KB/PE]:  286720 /70 total  286720 /70 used  0 /0 free
    PVs:  [AA]  /dev/dasdc1  143360 /35  143360 /35  0 /0
           [AA]  /dev/dasde1  143360 /35  143360 /35  0 /0
    LV:  [AWDS2 ] lv1  286720 /70  1x open
```

There are two PVs with one stripe and they are used for one LV.

First add one or more new PVs to your VG:

```
vmlinux2:~ # vgextend vg1 /dev/dasdd1
vgextend -- INFO: maximum logical volume size is 255.99 Gigabyte
vgextend -- doing automatic backup of volume group "vg1"
vgextend -- volume group "vg1" successfully extended
```

**Attention:** We recommend you back up your system before using pvmove.
The resulting configuration is shown:

```
# cat /proc/lvm
LVM driver version 0.8i  (02/10/1999)

Total:  1 VG  3 PVs  1 LV (1 LV open 1 times)

Global: 5731 bytes vmalloced   IOP version: 5   2:17:37 active

VG:  vg1  [3 PV, 1 LV/1 open]  PE Size: 4096 KB
  Usage [KB/PE]: 430080 /105 total 286720 /70 used 143360 /35 free
  PVs: [AA] /dev/dasdc1  143360 /35  143360 /35  0 /0
       [AA] /dev/dasde1  143360 /35  143360 /35  0 /0
       [AA] /dev/dasdd1  143360 /35  0 /0  143360 /35
  LV:  [AWDS2 ] lv1         286720 /70 1x open
```

The PV /dev/dasde1 will now be replaced by the added PV:

```
# pvmove /dev/dasde1
pvmove -- moving physical extents in active volume group "vg1"
pvmove -- WARNING: moving of active logical volumes may cause data loss!
pvmove -- do you want to continue? [y/n] y
pvmove -- doing automatic backup of volume group "vg1"
pvmove -- 35 extents of physical volume "/dev/dasde1" successfully moved
```

The configuration after the PV is moved is shown:

```
# cat /proc/lvm
LVM driver version 0.8i  (02/10/1999)

Total:  1 VG  3 PVs  1 LV (1 LV open 1 times)

Global: 5731 bytes vmalloced   IOP version: 5   2:46:26 active

VG:  vg1  [3 PV, 1 LV/1 open]  PE Size: 4096 KB
  Usage [KB/PE]: 430080 /105 total 286720 /70 used 143360 /35 free
  PVs: [AA] /dev/dasdc1  143360 /35  143360 /35  0 /0
       [AA] /dev/dasde1  143360 /35  143360 /35  0 /0
       [AA] /dev/dasdd1  143360 /35  0 /0  143360 /35
  LV:  [AWDS2 ] lv1         286720 /70 1x open
```

The released PV can now be removed from the VG:

```
# vgreduce vg1 /dev/dasde1
vgreduce -- doing automatic backup of volume group "vg1"
vgreduce -- volume group "vg1" successfully reduced by physical volume:
vgreduce -- /dev/dasde1
```

Note: Make sure the DASD is a PV; use pvcreate to create one.
And the final configuration is:

```
# cat /proc/lvm
LVM driver version 0.8i  (02/10/1999)

Total:  1 VG  2 PVs  1 LV (1 LV open 1 times)

Global: 5161 bytes vmalloced   IOP version: 5  3:26:51 active

VG:  vg1  [2 PV, 1 LV/1 open]  PE Size: 4096 KB
    Usage [KB/PE]: 286720 /70 total  286720 /70 used  0 /0 free
    PVs:  [AA] /dev/dasdc1    143360 /35    143360 /35    0 /0
          [AA] /dev/dasdd1    143360 /35    143360 /35    0 /0

LV:  [AWDS2 ] lv1                                      286720 /70   1x open
```

The PV /dev/dasde1 is now replaced by /dev/dasdd1—and this was all done without unmounting the LV. You only have to reboot if you add new DASDs to your system, or if you have to take DASDs out of your system.

For SuSE systems, LVM can be managed by yast; see 6.5, “Setting up LVM with YaST” on page 108.
High Availability using clusters

High Availability (HA) is a term that has been given many meanings. One such meaning is to utilize clustering techniques to maintain high availability in case of server failure. In this chapter we will show how to create Linux virtual servers to set up a High Availability Linux cluster, and describe what is still needed to complete a viable solution in Linux for S/390.

Much of the information in this chapter was adapted from multiple documents found on the Linux Virtual Server project Web site:

http://linuxvirtualserver.org
18.1 What is a Linux cluster

There are several categories of clustering applications or technologies, as discussed in the following sections.

**Parallel performance clusters**

With **parallel performance clusters**, a large number of individual machines are put together to act as a single powerful machine. This kind of clustering technique is commonly seen in scientific research where a very complex problem is divided into many parts in order to speed up the compute process. This type of parallelism is seen most often in applications such as weather forecasting or matrix calculations. It requires communication between the servers and complex algorithms.

One open source solution for this type of clustering technology is Beowulf. For more information, refer to the IBM Redbook *Linux HPC Cluster Installation*, SG24-6041, on the Web at:

http://www.redbooks.ibm.com/abstracts/sg246041.html

**Workload balancing cluster**

Another type of clustering technology is the use of **workload balancing clusters**, sometimes also called **high availability or redundancy clusters** because they can be designed in a way that provides very high uptimes for a single application. A good example of this type of clustering is high availability Web servers.

This type of cluster can be implemented by running duplicate copies of an application like Web servers, and having a monitoring system that detects the failure of a member of the cluster. Additionally, since many servers are handling the load, the failure of one server is not considered catastrophic. We discuss this kind of clustering technology in more detail in 18.2, “HA workload balancing Linux cluster for S/390” on page 317.

**Grid computing**

The last clustering technology is a modification of parallel performance clusters. This is sometimes referred as **grid computing** because it uses a large network (like the Internet) to allow many individual machines to download data, work on it at their own pace, and transfer the results back. These clusters do not require communication between servers to process the data. A well-known example of this type of clustering is the SETI@home project.

Most file systems can be shared read-only between nodes in a cluster. However, certain file systems (such as GFS) have the ability to share file systems read-write.
18.2 HA workload balancing Linux cluster for S/390

One example of HA workload balancing clusters is the Linux Virtual Server (LVS) methodology. (LVS clusters are sometimes referred to as RAILS, or Redundant Arrays of Inexpensive Linux Servers.)

LVS is an open source project that provides a set of kernel modifications and drivers for setting up a load balancing cluster using Linux systems; to outside clients, this cluster of servers appears to be one single server.

This illusion is called a virtual server. Virtual servers are highly scalable and highly available servers. The architecture of the cluster is totally transparent to the clients, and the clients require no changes.

A typical configuration for HA is composed of 2 directors and 1 or more real servers, as shown in Figure 18-1.

![Figure 18-1 Typical workload balancing cluster](image)

The Linux directors handle the incoming IP (VIP) traffic from the clients and, based on a set of workload balancing algorithms, the request is sent to the real servers. The Linux directors are constantly checking a heartbeat between them so that in case of failure, the other director can do an IP (VIP) takeover. Scalability is attained by allowing dynamic changes to the real server farm.
High availability is not provided by the LVS itself; instead, HA is provided by other software available (monitoring tools) used in conjunction with the LVS to detect node failures of either real servers or directors, and to dynamically change the configuration in order to remove or add nodes.

A Linux director is considered a layer 4 switch. The director makes decisions based on the IP information on the headers of packets going between the clients and the real servers. It does not look into the content of the packets. The director is basically a router, with routing tables set up for the LVS function. The real servers are the workhorses of the clusters; they provide the actual service to the clients.

18.3 Linux virtual server architectures

The Linux virtual server is currently available in three different network architectures.

18.3.1 Virtual server via network address translation

This type of server is sometimes abbreviated VS-NAT. It uses private IP addresses that cannot be seen by users outside of the network. It relies on the fact that you can manipulate the source and destination addresses contained in the headers—so that clients may think they are contacting one IP address when in fact they are being redirected to a different server—which in turn believes it is being contacted directly by the client. This kind of IP masquerading makes it possible to build a virtual server. A possible architecture of a virtual server via NAT is shown in Figure 18-2 on page 319.
Figure 18-2  Virtual server via Network Address Translation (VS-NAT)

Real servers are usually running the same application, either sharing the file system, or with duplicate files, and the flow as follows:

▲ A request comes from a client into the Linux Director using a VIP (1).
▲ The Linux Director checks the package destination address and port (2). If there is a match for the Linux virtual server service based on the LVS rules, a real server is chosen via a workload balancing algorithm and the connection is added into the hash table, which maintains all connections.
▲ The Linux director then rewrites the destination address and the port of the packet to the chosen real server and forwards the packet to the server (3). The real server acts upon it and replies via the Linux director.
▲ The director (4) rewrites the source address of the packets to those of the virtual IP (VIP).
▲ It returns the request back to the client (5). Whenever the connection terminates or times out, the connection record is removed from the hash table.

The advantage of the NAT configuration is that only one real IP address is needed for the VIP; all other addresses can be private. Also, any real server that supports TCP/IP, regardless of operating system, can be supported as a real server.
The disadvantage of this configuration is that the scalability of the Linux director is not very good, due to possible bottlenecks: every request and response to the client has to be manipulated by the Linux director.

18.3.2 Virtual server via IP tunneling

This type of server is sometimes abbreviated VS-TUN. *IP tunneling* or *IP encapsulation* is the technique used to package an IP packet within another IP packet (IPIP encapsulation). In this LVS architecture, a packet is IPIP encapsulated and forwarded to the real server depending upon the workload algorithm. The real server then replies directly to the client. A possible configuration for tunneling is shown in Figure 18-3.

![Figure 18-3  Virtual Server via IP tunneling (VS-TUN)](image)

The flow in this case is as follows:

- A client sends a request to the VIP address, which in our case is Linux Director 1.
- Linux Director 1 receives the request and checks the IP address and port against the virtual server services.
If it matches, the Director adds the connection to the hash table (where all connections are maintained) and, based on a workload balanced algorithm, encapsulates the packet and forwards the request to a real server.

Any other incoming packets are checked against the hash table and, if found, the packet is encapsulated and forwarded to the server.

When the real server receives the packet, it processes the request and replies directly to the client.

The IP tunneling flow has the advantage that the Linux Director only schedules the incoming requests and the real servers return the replies directly to the clients. This reduces the bottleneck seen in the NAT architecture. Also, with this technique, real servers can be geographically disperse, in remote networks.

The only disadvantage is that IP tunneling is not yet available in all operating systems.

18.3.3 Virtual server via direct routing

This type of server is sometimes abbreviated VS-DR. The direct routing technique is similar to the one implemented by the IBM NetDispatcher, where the VIP is shared by the real servers and the Linux directors.

The director changes the MAC address on the incoming packets and forwards them to the real server. A possible direct routing architecture is shown in Figure 18-4 on page 322.
This flow proceeds as follows:

- The Linux director has an interface configured to the VIP (possibly as an alias to the eth0 device) where it receives the packets from the clients. The director, based on a workload balancing algorithm, selects a real server.

- The real servers can redirect the VIP address packets to a local socket (possibly the loopback device lo0) and process the packet. The real server replies directly to the client. The Linux director and the real servers must be physically connected via a hub or switch.

The advantage of the direct routing technique is that the real servers can be almost any OS. This technique has the same high scalability and throughput as that of VS-TUN.

The biggest disadvantage VS-DR is that the directors and real servers must both be in the same physical segment in order to arp each other.
18.4 Scheduling algorithms

The LVS project has implemented four scheduling algorithms under the 2.2.16 kernel for selecting real servers:

- **Round-Robin Scheduling** - This algorithm directs the connection to a different server in a round-robin manner. All servers are considered equal.

- **Weighted Round-Robin Scheduling** - This algorithm can treat real servers with a weight depending on their capacity. For example, if you have three servers ABC and you give them weights 4,3,2 respectively, a sample scheduling sequence would be ABCABCABA... This algorithm is not as taxing as the dynamic scheduling algorithms.

- **Least-Connection Scheduling** - This algorithm directs network connections to the real servers with the least number of connections. As one of the dynamic scheduling algorithms, it must count active connections for each real server.

- **Weighted Least-Connection Scheduling** - This algorithm allows you to assign a weight to the real servers in order to favor a particular server. For example, if you have three servers ABC and you give them weights of 4,3,2 respectively, a sample scheduling sequence would be ABCABACBA... The formula is that the next server to be scheduled is the one with the minimum ratio of active connections/weight.

18.5 High availability testing

Because of the brief amount of time available and to hardware resource constraints, you should be aware that the tests we ran during this residency were simplistic and not exhaustive. We tested with the VS-DR architecture. This architecture only supports Ethernet devices. We used two LPARS to do all our testing, which meant we had to test only one Linux director and one real server.

Prior to this test in Linux for S/390, we did a test using the exact same technique under SuSE Linux 7.1 for Intel. In that test we were able to see the workload balancing algorithms at work.

Our configuration is shown in Figure 18-5 on page 324.
We used the following addresses:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Host name</th>
<th>IP address</th>
<th>Role</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Linux3</td>
<td>192.168.2.3</td>
<td>Director</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Linux4</td>
<td>192.168.2.4</td>
<td>Real server</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Linux5</td>
<td>192.168.2.5</td>
<td>Client</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### 18.5.1 The Linux virtual server patch and test

We downloaded the kernel patch from:

http://linuxvirtualserver.org/

We untarred it, changed directory to ipvs, and checked the README file:

```
linux3: # tar xzf /root/ipvs-0.9.15-2.2.16.tar.gz
linux3: # cd ipvs-0.9.15-2.2.16/
linux3: # ls
COPYING ChangeLog contrib ipvsadm
CREDITS README ipvs-0.9.15-2.2.16.patch net-tools-1.54-ipv5.patch
```

Based on the README file, we changed directory to /usr/src/linux and applied the patch; however, an error was encountered:

```
linux3: # patch -sp1 < /usr/src/ipvs-0.9.15-2.2.16/ipvs-0.9.15-2.2.16.patch
```
1 out of 2 hunks FAILED - saving rejects to file include/linux/sysctl.h.rej

After analyzing the rejects we were able to build a new patch (which can also be done by changing the original LVS patch as stated below):

```bash
linux3: # diff -urN linux-2.2.16/include/linux/sysctl.h
linux-2.2.16-vs-0.9/include/linux/sysctl.h
--- linux-2.2.16/include/linux/sysctl.h Fri Jun 16 11:19:41 2000
+++ linux-2.2.16-vs-0.9/include/linux/sysctl.h Wed Jun 14 17:37:18 2000
@@ -274,6 +275,29 @@
     <== line numbers changed
     NET_IPV4_CONF_BOOTP_RELAY=10,
     NET_IPV4_CONF_LOG_MARTIANS=11,
     NET_IPV4_CONF_HIDDEN=12, <== we added the comma
+    NET_IPV4_CONF_ARPFILTER=13 <== we added this line
+    };
+    
+    /* /proc/sys/net/ipv4/vs */
+    
+    enum
+    {
+        NET_IPV4_VS_AMEMTHRESH=1,
+        NET_IPV4_VS_AMDROPRATE=2,
+        NET_IPV4_VS_DROP_ENTRY=3,
+        NET_IPV4_VS_DROP_PACKET=4,
+        NET_IPV4_VS_SECURE_TCP=5,
+        NET_IPV4_VS_TO_ES=6,
+        NET_IPV4_VS_TO_SS=7,
+        NET_IPV4_VS_TO_SR=8,
+        NET_IPV4_VS_TO_FW=9,
+        NET_IPV4_VS_TO_TW=10,
+        NET_IPV4_VS_TO_CL=11,
+        NET_IPV4_VS_TO_CW=12,
+        NET_IPV4_VS_TO_LA=13,
+        NET_IPV4_VS_TO_LL=14,
+        NET_IPV4_VS_TO_SA=15,
+        NET_IPV4_VS_TO_UDP=16,
+        NET_IPV4_VS_TO_ICMP=17,
+    };

    /* /proc/sys/net/ipv6 */
```

We applied the new patch successfully:

```bash
linux3: # patch -sp1 < /root/sysctl-2.2.16.patch
```

Now that we had a patched kernel, we had to change the kernel compile options via the commands `make menuconfig` or `xconfig`.
We wanted to include the new Linux virtual server options by selecting at least the following options:

**Code maturity level options ---**
- [*] Prompt for development and/or incomplete code/drivers

**Networking options ---**
- [*] Network firewalls
- [*] IP: firewalling
- [*] IP: masquerading
- [*] IP: masquerading virtual server support
  - (12) IP masquerading table size (the Nth power of 2)
- <M> IPVS: round-robin scheduling
- <M> IPVS: weighted round-robin scheduling
- <M> IPVS: least-connection scheduling
- <M> IPVS: weighted least-connection scheduling
- [*] IP: aliasing support

Once we exited and saved the new options, we had to recompile the kernel and reboot with the new kernel:

```bash
linux3: # make dep image modules modules_install
linux3: # cp System.map to /boot/System.map
linux3: # cd arch/s390/boot
linux3: # cp image /boot/image-ipvs
linux3: # cd /boot
linux3: # mv System.map-2.2.16 System.map-old
linux3: # ln -s System.map System.map-2.2.16
linux3: # silo -f image-ipvs -b ipleckd.boot -p parmfile -d/dev/dasda
```

This puts the new image into /dev/dasda, and the system can be rebooted:

```bash
linux3: # shutdown -r now
```

After the system came up, we logged in and compiled the `ipvsadm` command. After that was successful, we tested it by simply issuing the command.

**Note:** In your case, if the response you receive does not look like the one in the example, you might not have booted up with the new kernel image:

```bash
linux3: # cd /usr/src/cd ipvs-0.9.15-2.2.16/ipvsadm
linux3: # make
linux3: # make install
linux3: # ipvsadm
IP Virtual Server version 0.9.15 (size=4096)
Prot LocalAddress:Port Scheduler Flags
  -> RemoteAddress:Port Forward Weight ActiveConn InActConn
```
Now we were ready to add a service to the virtual server. The service we tested was Telnet, because it is easy to identify (if logged in to the director or the real server).

First we configured the Virtual IP address in the director, turned on IP forwarding, and then added the actual service with the `ipvsadm` command.

```bash
linux3: # ifconfig eth0:0 192.168.2.10 netmask 255.255.255.255 broadcast 192.168.2.10 up
linux3: # route add -host 192.168.2.10 dev eth0:0
linux3: # echo 1 > /proc/sys/net/ipv4/ip_forward
linux3: # ipvsadm -A -t 192.168.2.10:23 -s wlc
linux3: # ipvsadm -a -t 192.168.2.10:23 -r 192.168.2.4 -g
linux3: # ifconfig
```

The real server needs to be configured with the VIP also, because the director only changes the MAC address of the header and forwards the request—while the real server needs to configure the VIP on its loopback alias interface to process the packet locally.

```bash
linux4: # ifconfig lo:0 192.168.2.10 netmask 255.255.255.255 broadcast 192.168.2.10 up
linux4: # route add -host 192.168.2.10 dev lo:0
linux4: # ifconfig
```

The real server needs to be configured with the VIP also, because the director only changes the MAC address of the header and forwards the request—while the real server needs to configure the VIP on its loopback alias interface to process the packet locally.
inet addr:192.168.2.4  Bcast:192.168.2.255  Mask:255.255.255.0
UP BROADCAST RUNNING MULTICAST  MTU:1492  Metric:1
RX packets:507 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
TX packets:299 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
collisions:0 txqueuelen:100

lo  Link encap:Local Loopback
inet addr:127.0.0.1  Mask:255.0.0.0
UP LOOPBACK RUNNING  MTU:3924  Metric:1
RX packets:18 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
TX packets:18 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
collisions:0 txqueuelen:0

10:0  Link encap:Local Loopback
inet addr:192.168.2.10  Mask:255.255.255.255
UP LOOPBACK RUNNING  MTU:3924  Metric:1

1linux4: # route
Kernel IP routing table
Destination    Gateway         Genmask          Flags Metric Ref    Use Iface
192.168.2.10    *               255.255.255.255 UH    0      0        0 lo
192.168.2.0     *               255.255.255.0   U     0      0        0 eth0
loopback       *               255.0.0.0       U     0      0        0 lo

Our test proceeded by logging in to the client 192.168.2.5 and telneting from that client to the VIP address service offering.

1linux5: # telnet 192.168.2.10
Trying 192.168.2.10...
Connected to 192.168.2.10.
Escape character is '^]'.
Welcome to SuSE Linux 7.0 (s390) - Kernel 2.2.16 (0).

1linux4 login: root
Password:
You have new mail in /var/spool/mail/root.
Last login: Thu Jun 21 11:39:20 from 192.168.2.5
Have a lot of fun...
1linux4: # ifconfig
eth0  Link encap:Ethernet  HWaddr 10:00:5A:D1:1C:4C
inet addr:192.168.2.4  Bcast:192.168.2.255  Mask:255.255.255.0
UP BROADCAST RUNNING MULTICAST  MTU:1492  Metric:1
RX packets:596 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
TX packets:360 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
collisions:0 txqueuelen:100

lo  Link encap:Local Loopback
inet addr:127.0.0.1  Mask:255.0.0.0
In your case, if you telnet to the Linux director (192.168.2.3) and issue an `ipvsadm` command, you should see something like the following:

```
linux3: # ipvsadm
IP Virtual Server version 0.9.15 (size=4096)
Prot LocalAddress:Port Scheduler Flags
    -> RemoteAddress:Port Forward Weight ActiveConn InActConn
TCP  linux3.demo.ibm.com:telnet wlc
    -> 192.168.2.4:telnet Route 1 1 0
```

### 18.5.2 Testing LVS under z/VM using tunneling

After weeks of trying, we were finally successful in running the LVS under VM. We used the exact same technique to patch the kernel and to get the `ipvsadm` command installed.

Using the tunneling method, we were able to have Linux machines act as real servers connected via VCTC to VM’s tcpip. Our configuration looked as shown in Figure 18-6 on page 330:
Changes in configuration

We had to make two changes in the configuration of Linux.

We made the first change because the installation of iproute2 was needed only in the director. We did the following:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Host name</th>
<th>IP address</th>
<th>Role</th>
<th>Connection</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>lintest5</td>
<td>9.117.198.215</td>
<td>linux director</td>
<td>OSA Fenet</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>lintest4</td>
<td>9.117.198.214</td>
<td>real server 1</td>
<td>VCTC</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>lintest6</td>
<td>9.117.198.216</td>
<td>real server 2</td>
<td>VCTC</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>lintest7</td>
<td>9.117.198.217</td>
<td>real server 3</td>
<td>VCTC</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>linux5</td>
<td>9.117.200.101</td>
<td>client</td>
<td>Token Ring</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>VM51</td>
<td>9.117.198.25</td>
<td>VM</td>
<td>OSA Fenet</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
We installed iproute2 software

\texttt{yast -> Choose/Install packages ---\rightarrow}\n\texttt{Change/create configuration ---\rightarrow}\n\texttt{Scroll down to "n" Network-Support (TCP/IP, UCP, Mail, News) ---\rightarrow}\n\texttt{Select the package iproute2}

We made the second change because support for tunneling as part of the kernel was necessary for all servers involved, directors and real servers. We did the following:

We recomplied the kernel with tunneling support. (You can follow the steps detailed in 18.5.2, “Testing LVS under z/VM using tunneling” on page 329). Note that this has to be done in the real servers as well, because you must configure the tunl0 device in each real server with the VIP address to accept the incoming requests.

Networking options ---

\begin{itemize}
\item [*] Network firewalls
\item [\ldots] \item [*] IP: firewalling
\item [\ldots] \item [*] IP: masquerading
\item [\ldots] \item [*] IP: masquerading virtual server support
\item \textbf{(12)} IP masquerading table size (the Nth power of 2)
\item \textbf{<M>} IPVS: round-robin scheduling
\item \textbf{<M>} IPVS: weighted round-robin scheduling
\item \textbf{<M>} IPVS: least-connection scheduling
\item \textbf{<M>} IPVS: weighted least-connection scheduling
\item [\ldots]
\item [*] IP: tunneling
\item [*] IP: aliasing support
\end{itemize}

Once we rebooted with the new kernel, the steps that we followed were the same as those in 18.5.1, “The Linux virtual server patch and test” on page 324. The only exception was that the network definitions and the \texttt{ipvsadm} command must define the real server services as tunneling.

Notice that we used the \texttt{ip} command. There is no documentation included for the \texttt{ip} command (except for a help note on the parameters), so for more information, you can check the following:

\url{http://www.linuxgrill.com/iproute2-toc.html}

In the Linux director, we had to configure a tunnel connection to each of the real servers by issuing the following commands:

\begin{verbatim}
lintest5: \# ip tunnel add lin7 mode ipip remote 9.117.198.217 local 9.117.198.200
\end{verbatim}
On each of the real servers we had to recompile the kernel to add tunneling support, and then issue the `ifconfig` command:

```
lintest4: # ifconfig tunl0 9.117.198.200 netmask 255.255.255.255 broadcast 9.117.198.200 up
...  
lintest6: # ifconfig tunl0 9.117.198.200 netmask 255.255.255.255 broadcast 9.117.198.200 up
...  
lintest7: # ifconfig tunl0 9.117.198.200 netmask 255.255.255.255 broadcast 9.117.198.200 up
```

Now we had to add the LVS services to the Linux director—but this time we needed to specify that we were using tunneling instead of direct routing. This can be done by using the `-i` flag when adding a real server, instead of the `-g` flag:

```
lintest5: # ipvsadm -A -t 9.117.198.200:23 -s wlc
lintest5: # ipvsadm -a -t 9.117.198.200:23 -r 9.117.198.214 -i
lintest5: # ipvsadm -a -t 9.117.198.200:23 -r 9.117.198.216 -i
lintest5: # ipvsadm -a -t 9.117.198.200:23 -r 9.117.198.217 -i
lintest5: # ipvsadm
```

The tests were done in the same manner and everything was successful. We also tested the LVS cluster using WebSphere AE 3.5 running in the Linux real servers, and demonstrated that we could support a high availability WebSphere under Linux.

This test was done both using persistence, and without using persistence, from the LVS perspective. What this means is that once a client is connected to a specific address, it always returns to that address (this will expire after a specific idle time).
One odd result we experienced was that the tunnel devices really didn’t need to be defined in the Linux director. In our case, with the tunl0 device configured in the real servers and the services defined to ipvsadm as tunneling, everything worked. We don’t know whether this was an anomaly resulting from running under VM, or the way it’s supposed to work.

18.5.3 The mon tool and test

For this test we used an open source monitoring tool called mon. It’s a good general tool that can be used to monitor availability of services. These services can be anything that can be tested with software, and they can be local or networked services.

Note that mon itself doesn’t do the testing, but instead uses auxiliary programs to do it. In essence, mon is simply a scheduler which, at a given interval, runs a program that checks a service; if the service is deemed not available by the program, mon then executes an alert program.

mon can continue to monitor for the availability of the service and, when it becomes available, it executes an upalert program. This makes mon very easily extensible by just writing new scripts or code to monitor a service and handling the results. For our tests we downloaded the mon tarball from:

http://www.kernel.org/software/mon

The version we used was mon-0.38.16. We installed mon on the Linux director. The test required us to add another real server to our configuration. Our new configuration is shown in Figure 18-7.
We started by untaring mon and following the INSTALL document. We had to make small adjustments to make everything work.

Here is what we did:

```
linux3: # cd /usr/src
linux3: # tar xfz/root/mon-0.38.16.tar.gz
linux3: # cd mon-0.38.16
linux3: # less INSTALL
```

In your case, you should read the INSTALL document. In it you will find that you must get five extra Perl modules, which you can find at:

```
http://search.cpan.org
```

These modules are:

- Mon::*
- Time::Period
- Time::HiRes
- Convert::BER
- Net::Telnet (if you want to use the telnet monitor)

We also had to convert to ph (Perl header files) the gcc lib “.h” files, in addition to the ones they specified. Here is our installation:
linux3: # cd /usr/include
linux3: # h2ph *.h sys/*.h asm/*.h
linux3: # cd /usr/lib/gcc-lib/s390-suse-linux/2.95.2/include
linux3: # h2ph *.h
linux3: # cd /usr/src
linux3: # tar xfzBp /root/Mon-0.11.tar.gz
linux3: # tar xfzBp /root/Net-Telnet-3.02.tar.gz
linux3: # tar xfzBp /root/Convert-BER-1.31.tar.gz
linux3: # tar xfzBp /root/Period-1.20.tar.gz
linux3: # tar xfzBp /root/Time-HiRes-01.20.tar.gz

In your case, you should then go into each of the directories of the Perl modules that you just untared and enter the following commands (remember to do this for each of the Perl modules):

linux3: # perl Makefile.PL
linux3: # make test install

The first command creates a makefile. The second makes (compiles and links), tests, and installs the Perl modules in the correct libraries.

**Note:** Before starting **mon**, a configuration file must be created. We based ours on the example found in the etc branch of the mon directory. The default location for the mon configuration file is the directory /etc/mon/ which we created.

Because we wanted to control virtual server services, we found an lvs.alert sample in the Internet which we copied and moved to the alert.d directory. We also needed to make changes to the S99mon script in order to make it work in our environment. These are the files we used:

```
#!/usr/bin/perl
#
# lvs.alert - Linux Virtual Server alert for mon
#
# It can be activated by mon to remove a real server when the
# service is down, or add the server when the service is up.
#
use Getopt::Std;

$ipvsadm = "/usr/sbin/ipvsadm";
$protocol = $opt_P;
$virtual_service = $opt_V;
$remote = $opt_R;

if ($opt_u) {
    $weight = $opt_W;
```
if ($opt_F eq "nat")
  { $forwarding = "-m"; }
elsif ($opt_F eq "tun")
  { $forwarding = "-i"; }
else
  { $forwarding = "-g"; }
if ($protocol eq "tcp")
  { system("$ipvsadm -a -t $virtual_service -r $remote -w $weight $forwarding"); }
else
  { system("$ipvsadm -a -u $virtual_service -r $remote -w $weight $forwarding"); }
else {
  if ($protocol eq "tcp")
    { system("$ipvsadm -d -t $virtual_service -r $remote"); }
  else
    { system("$ipvsadm -d -u $virtual_service -r $remote"); }
};

mon.cf
#
# Very simple mon.cf file
#
# $Id: very-simple.cf,v 1.2 1999/08/16 00:25:06 trockij Exp $
#
alertdir   = /usr/src/mon-0.38.16/alert.d
mondir     = /usr/src/mon-0.38.16/mon.d
# maxprocs    = 20
histlength = 100
# randstart = 60s
#
# define groups of hosts to monitor
#
hostgroup server1 192.168.2.4
hostgroup server2 192.168.2.6

watch server1
  service telnet
    interval 30s
    monitor telnet.monitor
    period wd {Mon-Fri}
    alert mail.alert root
    upalert mail.alert root
    alert lvs.alert -P tcp -V 192.168.2.10:23 -R 192.168.2.4 -W 1 -F dr
upalert lvs.alert -P tcp -V 192.168.2.10:23 -R 192.168.2.4 -W 1 -F dr -u

watch server2
  service telnet
    interval 30s
  monitor telnet.monitor
  period wd {Mon-Fri}
  alert mail.alert root
  upalert mail.alert root
  alert lvs.alert -P tcp -V 192.168.2.10:23 -R 192.168.2.6 -W 1 -F dr
  upalert lvs.alert -P tcp -V 192.168.2.10:23 -R 192.168.2.6 -W 1 -F dr -u

auth.cf
#
# authentication file
#
# entries look like this:
# command: {user|all}[,[user...]
#
# THE DEFAULT IS TO DENY ACCESS TO ALL IF THIS FILE
# DOES NOT EXIST, OR IF A COMMAND IS NOT DEFINED HERE
#
list: all
servertime: all
reset: root
loadstate: root
savestate: root
term: root
stop: root
start: root
set: root
get: root
dump: root
disable: root
enable: root
test: root
ack: root
reload: root
clear: root

S99mon
#!/bin/sh
## You probably want to set the path to include
# nothing but local filesystems. The script accepts two parameters,
# first parameter is either stop or start,
# the second parameter (if it is there) is the configuration file name
# PATH=/bin:/usr/bin:/sbin:/usr/sbin
export PATH

M=/usr/src/mon-0.38.16
PID=/var/run/mon.pid
case "$1" in
  start)
    if [ -x $M/mon ]; then
      if [ $# = 2 ]; then
        $M/mon -c /etc/mon/$2 -a $M/alert.d -s $M/mon.d -f 2>/$M/errors
      else
        $M/mon -c /etc/mon/mon.cf -a $M/alert.d -s $M/mon.d -f 2>/$M/errors
      fi
    fi
  ;;
  stop)
    kill -TERM 'cat $PID'
  ;;
  *)
    echo "Usage: mon {start|stop}"
    exit 1
esac
exit 0

In your case, when you copy the alert files into the directory alert.d, ensure that
the owner and group are the same as the ones already in the directory (we had
to execute a chown to correct them):

  # chown 15473.948 *

In mon.d, the monitors directory, there are two monitors that require a makefile. If
you are planning to use them, you must issue the make command. The make install command moves the executable to /usr/lib/mon (which doesn’t exist).
This directory is also used, by default, in some scripts and executables. In our
testing, we simply created a symbolic link instead:

  # ln -s mon-0.38.16 /usr/lib/mon

The command ipvsadm requires root authority. In order for mon to execute the
lvs.alert, we had to change the owner and group of the mon script to root:

  # chown root.root mon

The mon command does not move the man pages into the correct libraries;
instead, they are found under the doc directory. You can view them by using the
nroff command:

  # nroff -man mon.1 | less
Our tests consisted of first checking the load balancing algorithm by using Telnet to login to the VIP (192.168.2.10). We telneted from the client (192.168.2.5) and made sure that we went to the least connection real server, or that it did a round robin between the real servers. This test was easy; we just did telnet twice to the VIP and we got to each of the real servers.

We tested the least connection algorithm by dropping a connection from the server that was not the next in line (in a round-robin style) and telneted again to see if we got the next real server (or the one with the fewest connections) and it worked.

After we tested that the director was working correctly, we shut down a real server (192.168.2.6) and verified, using the `ipvsadm` command, that we had drop the server from the virtual server tables. We then telneted to the VIP and we got into the real server that was available.

Here we checked our e-mail to corroborate that mon has sent the alert to root's mail id. Everything looked good, so we then re-booted the real server (192.168.2.6) and watched mon issue the upalert, indicating that the server was available. We verified, using the `ipvsadm` command, that it was added into the virtual server tables as an available real server. We retried our first test and again, everything worked.

As mentioned, these tests were done without any workload and were very simplistic in nature.

### 18.5.4 The IP takeover tool and test

The IP takeover tool we used was named `fake`. The fake utility is simply designed to enable a switch to a backup server by using arp spoofing to take over an IP address. The interface that is being taken over can be a physical or logical (alias) interface. This utility will add the interface via the `ifconfig` command, and it will do the route command for it.

The configuration that we used for testing the IP takeover procedure was the same as in the mon configuration, but in this case we used linux3 and linux4 as directors and linux6 as the real server (linux3 was the primary and linux4 was the backup).

Installing fake was really simple. You can downloaded it from:

```
http://www.ca.us.vergenet.net/linux/fake
```

In this example, we used fake version 1.1.6. We untarred the file into `/usr/src/`. In your case, you should read the INSTALL document and follow the steps.

```
linux3: # tar xzf8p /root/fake-1.1.6.tar.gz
```
linux3: # cd fake-1.1.6
linux3: # less INSTALL
linux3: # make patch
linux3: # make
linux3: # make install

The next step was to configure fake to take over the VIP (192.168.2.10). The configuration files were placed into /etc/fake directory by the make install. We had to add a file for the VIP (192.168.2.10), and we changed the rate of the gratuitous arp to 10 seconds on the .fakerc file. These are the configurations files we used:

.fakerc

# Set up basic environment for fake
# Variables are set as bash variables
# i.e. <VARIABLE>=<value>
#
# Must set:
#  ARP_DELAY: Delay in seconds between gratuitous arp
#  PID_DIR: Directory where pid files are kept
#  INSTANCE_CONFIG_DIR: Directory where specific
#   configuration files for an IP address takeover are kept
#  LOG_DIR: Directory where logs are kept
#  CLEAR_ROUTERS_FILE: New line delimited list of routers to rsh
#    to and execute “clear arp-cache”
#  FAKE_RSH: Programme to use to “rsh” to another machine
#    to obtain macaddress by running ifconfig
#
# PATH can be set here to ensure that send_arp is in the
# path

FAKE_HOME="/etc/fake"

#PATH=/sbin:/usr/sbin:/bin:/usr/bin

ARP_DELAY=10
CLEAR_ROUTERS_FILE="$FAKE_HOME/clear_routers"
PID_DIR="/var/run"
LOG_DIR="$FAKE_HOME/log"
INSTANCE_CONFIG_DIR="$FAKE_HOME/instance_config"

# Only needed if you wish to send gratuitous arp
#advertising the “real” mac address when turning fake off
#FAKE_RSH=ssh
192.168.2.10.cfg

SPOOF_IP=192.168.2.10
SPOOF_NETMASK=255.255.255.0
SPOOF_BROADCAST=192.168.2.255
TARGET_INTERFACE=eth0:0

# These are only needed if you wish to send gratuitous arp
# advertising the "real" mac address when turning fake off
# FOREIGN_INTERFACE=eth0
# FOREIGN_ARP=20

After modifying the configuration files, we were ready for some testing. We started our cluster using linux3 as our primary director. Both directors must have fake, mon and the lvs patch installed.

In our case, linux3 has fake and mon running, in addition to owning the cluster. The mon configuration for linux3 monitored the cluster and the backup director. The alert for the backup director simply sends a mail message. (This setup is similar to the mon test we did in the previous section.) linux4 had mon running to monitor the primary director and do an IP takeover in case it went down.

Here are the extra files for linux4 and commands we used.

secondary-mon.cf

# This file is to monitor the primary director from a backup director.
# It will inform root in system linux5.demo.ibm.com and it will execute
# the director.alert when the primary director is down.
#
# $Id: very-simple.cf,v 1.2 1999/08/16 00:25:06 trockij Exp $
#
alertdir   = /usr/src/mon-0.38.16/alert.d
mondir     = /usr/src/mon-0.38.16/mon.d
# maxprocs   = 20
histlength = 100
# randstart = 60s

#
# define groups of hosts to monitor
#

hostgroup director 192.168.2.3
watch director
    service telnet
    interval 30s
    monitor ping.monitor
    period wd {Mon-Fri}
    alert mail.alert root@linux5.demo.ibm.com
upalert mail.alert root@linux5.demo.ibm.com
    alert director.alert

director alert
#!/usr/bin/perl -d
#
# This alert is to just do an IP takeover.
# You can modify this alert to use options instead of
# ip numbers and services. I left the getopts and the
# assignment of fakeip as a sample.
#
use Getopt::Std;

$fakeip = $opt_f;

system("fake 192.168.2.10 ");
system("echo 1 > /proc/sys/net/ipv4/ip_forward");
system("ipvsadm -A -t 192.168.2.10:23 -s wlc");
system("ipvsadm -a -t 192.168.2.10:23 -r 192.168.2.6 -g");

Here are the commands we used to test the setup:

linux3: # fake 192.168.2.10 &
linux3: # echo 1 > /proc/sys/net/ipv4/ip_forward
linux3: # ipvsadm -A -t 192.168.2.10:23 -s wlc
linux3: # ipvsadm -a -t 192.168.2.10:23 -r 192.168.2.6 -g
linux3: # /etc/rc.d/S99mon start

linux4: # /etc/rc.d/S99mon start secondary-mon.cf

We tested the cluster by successfully telneting to the VIP. Next, we shut down
linux3 and waited for the takeover process to occur. We checked linux4 to make
sure that the IP takeover took place. We tested the cluster by telneting to the VIP.
The test was successful. We then checked linux4 to make sure the session
showed up in the lvs table by using the ipvsadm command.
18.6 Other tests needed and requirements

Because of the lack of time, the tests we did for this chapter were strictly function tests of each of the pieces. They were also done without any real workload. We did not consider what to do when the primary director came back up and the backup had done an IP takeover. That scenario is something that will be handled differently at each site.

A script is also needed that will re-start mon as the primary on the backup director when it takes over. This probably can be done by setting a new run level. We tested stopping mon from the alert and restarting it with a different configuration, but we encountered problems with reusing the IP port for mon.

There are other requirements for high availability. One major requirement missing in this configuration is for a file system that can support journaling and/or sharing in read/write mode. IBM’s JFS just became available at the time this redbook was written. The other file system that promises to be of great service is Global File System (GFS) by Sistina. The file is open source and allows for read/write sharing of the file systems locally connected to different machines.

18.7 Using journaled file systems

We had difficulty getting journaled file systems to work on Linux for zSeries; however, we were able to get IBM JFS 1.0.1 working.

18.7.1 Using IBM JFS

Journaled file systems are very important for Linux; see 2.3.1, “Planning file systems” on page 24. We initially had difficulty getting any journaled file system to work and therefore had to use ext2 file systems with LVM; however, as mentioned, we were able to get the IBM JFS 1.0.1 to work.

The installation was very clean under SuSE Linux 7.0 for S/390. We downloaded the kernel patch untarred and followed the README file to complete the installation:

```
# tar xzfp /root/jfs-1.0.1-patch.tar.gz
# ls
README  jfs-2.4.0-v1.0.1-patch  linux-2.2.16.SuSE
jfs-2.2.14-v1.0.1-patch  jfs-2.4.5-v1.0.1-patch  packages
jfs-2.2.16-v1.0.1-patch  jfs-common-v1.0.1-patch
jfs-2.2.18-v1.0.1-patch
# less README
```
We needed to apply two patches: `jfs-common-v1.0.1-patch` and `jfs-2.2.16-v1.0.1-patch`. We obtained them from the jfs version 1.0.1 tarball:

```bash
# cd linux
# patch -sp1 < /usr/src/jfs-common-v1.0.1-patch
# patch -sp1 < /usr/src/jfs-2.2.16-v1.0.1-patch
```

We proceeded by configuring the Linux kernel and including the JFS support in the kernel (you have to prompt for code that is in development in order to see the JFS file system option). After saving the new configuration, we recompiled the kernel and rebooted with the new image:

```bash
# make menuconfig

Code maturity level options --->
   [*] Prompt for development and/or incomplete code/drivers

FileSystems --->
   ...
   [*] JFS filesystem support (experimental)

# make dep clean image modules modules_install
# cp System.map /boot/
# cd arch/s390/boot/
# cp image /boot/image-jfs
# cp ipleckd.boot /boot/ipleckd.boot-jfs
# cd /boot
# ls
System.map  image-jfs  ipleckd.boot  parm.Bwl6Vc
System.map-2.2.16  image.autoconf.h  ipleckd.boot  parmfile
boot.map  image.config  ipleckd.boot-jfs
image  image.version.h  iplefb.boot
# mv System.map-2.2.16 System.map-old
# ln -s System.map System.map-2.2.16
# shutdown -r now
```

After the system came up, we compiled and installed the jfs utilities:

```bash
# cd /usr/src/linux/fs/jfs/utils/
# ls
SPECS  extendfs  libfs  logredo  man_html  xchkdmp  xpeek
defrag  fsck  logdump  makefile  mkfs  xchklog
# make
# make install
```

We created a JFS file system as follows:

```bash
# mkfs -t jfs /dev/dasdc1
mkfs.jfs development version: $Name: v1_0_1 $
```
Warning! All data on device /dev/dasdc1 will be lost!

Continue? (Y/N) y

Format completed successfully.

143988 kilobytes total disk space.
# mkdir /mnt/jfs1
# mount -t jfs /dev/dasdc1 /mnt/jfs1
# cd /mnt/jfs1

We ran some tests to make sure that the file system was sound by copying different directories and running the bonnie benchmark several times. We were also able to move the root file system to the JFS and boot from it successfully. Documentation on how to do that can be found at the JFS Web site.

Due to a lack of time, we were unable to do a serious test of how to recover a JFS. As of this writing, JFS version 1.0.2 was made available which contained fixes for SMP support (multiple CPUs). We were not able to test this version.

Note: Keep in mind that JFS version 1.0.2 just recently became available and the code is early on zSeries, so be sure to test your implementation thoroughly before moving the new file system into a production environment.
Debugging and problem diagnosis

This chapter contains a discussion on debugging and problem diagnosis. There are a number of debugging tools that are suitable for use by application developers and system programmers. While there are overlaps, the needs of these two groups are treated separately, with the major focus of this chapter being on the needs of the system programmer. Support issues are also discussed, and collection of diagnostic data that may be requested by technical support personnel is described as well.

The purpose of this chapter is to provide a starting point for debugging and diagnosing errors. This topic alone is worthy of an entire redbook, and so only the fundamentals are covered within the space available.

The source of much of the information in this chapter was from a paper “Debugging on Linux for 390” by Joseph Barrow, which can be found on the Internet at:

http://penguinvm.princeton.edu/notes.html#Debug390
19.1 Linux diagnostic tools

For system programmers or system administrators, the main concern is system availability and availability of system services. System programmers will not be concerned if a program that has been written by a user has crashed or keeps crashing unless it impacts system availability in some way.

System programmers have an array of tools available to them that perhaps are not available to the developer. The developer will have access to the same Linux tools as the system programmer, but will likely be more interested in different features. The system programmer will often have tools and facilities beyond what is available on Linux. Under VM, there are very useful diagnostic features, and even under LPAR, there is some extra capability.

Following is a summary of many of the debugging and diagnosis tools.

19.1.1 objdump

For OS/390 system programmers, objdump has similar capabilities to the OS/390 service aid AMBLIST. A binary object (load module) can be mapped for symbols, and even disassembled (a note of caution is needed, however: while this is acceptable and intended under the GPL, it may breach the conditions of other licences).

The following lists all the options for objdump.

$ objdump --help
Usage: objdump [-ahifDoprTxsSlw] [-b bfdname] [-m machine] [-j section-name]
       [---archive-headers] [---target=bfdname] [---debugging] [---disassemble]
       [---disassemble-all] [---disassemble-zeroes] [---file-headers]
       [---section-headers] [---headers]
       [---info] [---section=section-name] [---line-numbers] [---source]
       [---architecture=machine] [---reloc] [---full-contents] [---stabs]
       [---syms] [---all-headers] [---dynamic-syms] [---dynamic-reloc]
       [---wide] [---version] [---help] [---private-headers]
       [---start-address=addr] [---stop-address=addr]
       [---prefix-addresses] [---no-show-raw-insn] [---demangle]
       [---adjust-vma=offset] [---EB=EL] [---endian=(big|little)] objfile...

at least one option besides -l (--line-numbers) must be given
objdump: supported targets: elf32-s390 srec symbolsrec tekhex binary ihex
Report bugs to bug-gnu-utils@gnu.org

The following example shows how to get a report of bash (the Bourne again shell), where it will be disassembled, and symbol tables produced (although symbols may not be produced unless the gcc -g option was used when compiled).
Note that the -D option will disassemble all sections, whereas the -d option only disassembles code sections. The following example shows that data can be misinterpreted as instructions; the sections .interp and .note.ABI-tag are both data sections, and disassembling them may lead to misleading results.

```
$ objdump -D /bin/bash > bash.objlst
objdump: /bin/bash: No symbols
$ cat bash.objlst

/bin/bash:   file format elf32-s390

Disassembly of section .interp:

004000f4 <.interp>:
 004000f4:       2f 6c                   swr     %f6,%f12
 004000f6:       69 62 2f 6c             cd      %f6,3948(%r2,%r2)
 004000fa:       64 2e 73 6f             .long   0x642e736f
 004000fe:       2e 31                   awr     %f3,%f1
...

Disassembly of section .note.ABI-tag:

00400104 <.note.ABI-tag>:
 00400104:       00 00 00 04             .long   0x00000004
 00400108:       00 00 00 10             .long   0x00000010
 0040010c:       00 00 00 01             .long   0x00000001
 00400110:       47 4e 55 00             bm      1280(%r14,%r5)
 00400114:       00 00 00 00             .long   0x00000000
 00400118:       00 00 00 02             .long   0x00000002
...
```

The report produced above is directed into the file bash.objlst, which can be viewed using any browser/editor of choice. In this instance it was printed on the screen by using the `cat` command.

A visual inspection of the section using the -s option can often confirm that a section contains character data only. However, the -h option will explicitly confirm the attributes, but not allow the data to be seen.

To print out a map of the sections, use the --section-headers, --headers, or -h options, which are the same. This will include the attributes of the section, and in particular, you should note whether it has the data or code attribute. See the following example.
$ objdump -h /bin/date | more

/bin/date: file format elf32-s390

Sections:
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<th>Idx</th>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Size</th>
<th>VMA</th>
<th>LMA</th>
<th>File off</th>
<th>Algn</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
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<td>.interp</td>
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<td>004000f4</td>
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The next example shows a dump of sections in hex, followed by disassembled machine code back to assembly instructions of all sections:

```
$ objdump -Ds /bin/date | more
objdump: /bin/date: No symbols

/bin/date:     file format elf32-s390

Contents of section .interp:
 4000f4 2f6c6962 2f6c642e 736f2e31 00        /lib/ld.so.1.

Contents of section .note.ABI-tag:
 400104 00000004 00000010 00000001 474e5500  ...........GNU.
 400114 00000000 00000002 00000000 00000000  ................

Contents of section .hash:
 400124 00000025 00000034 0000001a 00000026  ...%...4.......&
 400134 00000005 00000000 00000000 00000000  ................
 400144 00000009 00000000 00000001 0000002d  ................-
 400154 00000028 000000031 00000032 00000000  ...(1...2...
 400164 0000002a 00000020 00000011 00000012  ...*...        
 400174 0000000c 00000001 6 00000000 00000004  ................
 400184 00000010 0000000e 00000000 00000021  ................!
 400194 00000014 00000008 00000017 0000002b  ............+

Contents of section .dynsym:
 400290 00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000  ................
 4002a0 00000000 00000000 00000000 20000000  ...................
 4002b0 000000010 04000d2c 0000010e 12000000  ...@...,.........
 4002c0 00000082 04000bac 000000a0 12000000  ...(,0...........
 4002d0 00000048 0400106c 0000000e 12000000  ...H.0.1.........
 4002e0 0000004f 040000ea 000000aa 22000000  ...0.0......"...

Contents of section .dynstr:
 4005d0 005f5f67 6d6f6e5f 73746172 745f5f00  ._gmon_start_ .
 4005e0 5f5f6465 726f6d79 73746572 5f667261  ._deregister_fra
 4005f0 6d656f69 6e666f00 5f5f7265 6797374  me_info._regist
 400600 65725f66 72616d65 5f696666 6f006c69  er_frame_info.li
 400610 62632e73 6f2e3600 73747263 709074  bc.so.6.strcpy.t
 400620 65787464 6f6d6169 6e007072 696e7466  extdomain.printf

Contents of section .gnu.version:
```

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Disassembly of section .interp:

```
004000f4 <.interp>:
  4000f4:       2f 6c                   swr     %f6,%f12
  4000f6:       69 62 2f 6c             cd      %f6,3948(%r2,%r2)
  4000fa:       64 2e 73 6f             .long   0x642e736f
  4000fe:       2e 31                   awr     %f3,%f1
```

Disassembly of section .init:

```
00400ad8 <.init>:
  400ad8:       90 bf f0 2c             stm     %r11,%r15,44(%r15)
  400adc:       a7 d5 00 08             bras    %r13,0x400aec
  400ae0:       00 00 00 b0             .long   0x000000b0
  400ae4:       ff bf f5 20             .long   0xffbff520
  400ae8:       00 00 74 a0             .long   0x000074a0
  400aec:       18 1f                   lr      %r1,%r15
  400afe:       a7 84 00 07             jz      0x400b14
  400b00:       58 10 d0 04             l       %r1,4(%r13)
```

Disassembly of section .plt:

```
00400b4c <.plt>:
  400b4c:       50 10 f0 1c             st      %r13,%r0
  400b50:       0d 10                   basr    %r1,%r0
  400b52:       58 10 10 12             l       %r1,18(%r1)
```

Disassembly of section .text:

```
00401090 <.text>:
  401090:       0d d0                   basr    %r13,%r0
  401092:       a7 da 00 38             ahi     %r13,38
  401096:       41 40 f0 04             la      %r4,4(%r15)
  40109a:       58 30 f0 00             l       %r1,3(%r15)
```
Use the --section=<section name> option if you are only interested in a specific section:

```
$ objdump -s --section=.init /bin/date | more
```

/bin/date: file format elf32-s390

Contents of section .init:

```
400ad8 90bff02c a7d50008 000000b0 ffbff520 ..........  
400ae8 000074a0 181fa7fa ffa05010 f00058c0 ...t....P...X.  
400af8 d0081acd 5810d000 5811c000 1211a784 ...X...X.......  
400b08 00075810 d0044111 d000d0e1 a7d50004 ...X...A.........  
400b18 000006ac 5810d000 4111d000 0de10707 ...X...A.........  
400b28 a7d50004 00006334 5810d000 4111d000 ......c4X...A...  
400b38 0de10707 a7d50002 5840f98 98bff08c ........X@......  
400b48 07f40707  
```

Notice that, by using --adjust-vma=nun, the offset is advanced by nun bytes (nun modulo 4096; that is, for nun > 4 K, it will be divided by 4 K and the remainder used. This is because a page is 4 K, and therefore no displacement can be larger):

```
$ objdump -s --section=.init --adjust-vma=256 /bin/date | more
```

/bin/date: file format elf32-s390

Contents of section .init:

```
400bd8 90bff02c a7d50008 000000b0 ffbff520 ..........  
400be8 000074a0 181fa7fa ffa05010 f00058c0 ...t....P...X.  
400bf8 d0081acd 5810d000 5811c000 1211a784 ...X...X.......  
400c08 00075810 d0044111 d000d0e1 a7d50004 ...X...A.........  
400c18 000006ac 5810d000 4111d000 0de10707 ...X...A.........  
400c28 a7d50004 00006334 5810d000 4111d000 ......c4X...A...  
```

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Following is the same section, disassembled:

```
$ objdump -d --section=.init /bin/date
objdump: /bin/date: No symbols

/bin/date: file format elf32-s390

Disassembly of section .init:

00400ad8 <.init>:
  400ad8: 90 bf f0 2c      stm  %r11,%r15,44(%r
  400adc: a7 d5 00 08      bras  %r13,0x400aec
  400ae0: 00 00 00 b0      .long  0x000000b0
  400ae4: ff bf f5 20      .long  0xffbf520
  400ae8: 00 00 74 a0      .long  0x000074a0
  400aec: 18 1f            lr  %r1,%r15
  400afe: a7 fa ff a0      ahi     %r15,-96
  400af2: 50 10 f0 00      st  %r1,0(%r15)
  400af6: 58 c0 d0 08      l  %r12,%r13
  400afa: 1a cd           ar  %r12,%r13
  400afc: 58 10 d0 00      l  %r1,0(%r13)
  400b00: 58 11 c0 00      l  %r1,0(%r1,%r12)
  400b04: 12 11           ltr  %r1,%r1
  400b06: a7 84 00 07      jz  0x400b14
  400b0a: 58 10 d0 04      l  %r1,4(%r13)
  400b0e: 41 11 d0 00      la  %r1,0(%r1,%r13)
  400b12: 0d el           basr  %r14,%r1
  400b14: a7 d5 00 04      bras  %r13,0x400b1c
  400b18: 00 00 06 ac      .long  0x000006ac
  400b1c: 58 10 d0 00      l  %r1,0(%r13)
  400b20: 41 11 d0 00      la  %r1,0(%r1,%r13)
  400b24: 0d el           basr  %r14,%r1
  400b26: 07 07           bcr  0,%r7
  400b2a: a7 d5 00 04      bras  %r13,0x400b30
  400b2c: 00 00 63 34      .long  0x00006334
  400b30: 58 10 d0 00      l  %r1,0(%r13)
  400b34: 41 11 d0 00      la  %r1,0(%r1,%r13)
  400b38: 0d el           basr  %r14,%r1
  400b3a: 07 07           bcr  0,%r7
  400b3c: a7 d5 00 02      bras  %r13,0x400b40
  400b40: 58 40 f0 98      l  %r4,152(%r15)
  400b44: 98 bf f0 8c      lm  %r11,%r15,140(%r15)
  400b48: 07 f4            br  %r4
  400b4a: 07 07           bcr  0,%r7
```
19.1.2 strace

The **strace** facility is quite similar to the Generalized Trace Facility (GTF) on OS/390. It allows tracing of system calls. At first this may seem limiting, but most events will involve a system call. For a list of Linux system calls, see:

http://penguinvm.princeton.edu/notes.html#_Hlk471721277

These can be very useful to trace. All system calls will be traced, as the following example shows:

```bash
# strace date
execve("/bin/date", ["date"], [/* 25 vars */]) = 0
brk(0) = 0x40829c
open="/etc/ld.so.preload", O_RDONLY) = -1 ENOENT (No such file or directory)
open="/etc/ld.so.cache", O_RDONLY) = 3
fstat(3, {st_mode=S_IFREG|0644, st_size=18019, ...}) = 0
old_mmap(NULL, 18019, PROT_READ, MAP_PRIVATE, 3, 0) = 0x40017000
close(3) = 0
open="/lib/libc.so.6", O_RDONLY) = 3
fstat(3, {st_mode=S_IFREG|0755, st_size=1276967, ...}) = 0
read(3, "/lib/libc.so.6", 4096) = 46
old_mmap(NULL, 4096, PROT_READ|PROT_WRITE, MAP_PRIVATE|MAP_ANONYMOUS, -1, 0) = 0
old_mmap(NULL, 1013884, PROT_READ|PROT_EXEC, MAP_PRIVATE, 3, 0xe0
old_mmap(0x4010d000, 20480, PROT_READ|PROT_WRITE, MAP_PRIVATE|MAP_FIXED, 3, 0xe0
old_mmap(0x40112000, 10364, PROT_READ|PROT_WRITE, MAP_PRIVATE|MAP_FIXED|MAP_ANONYMOUS, -1, 0) = 0
old_mmap(NULL, 4096, PROT_READ|PROT_WRITE, MAP_PRIVATE|MAP_ANONYMOUS, -1, 0) = 0
munmap(0x40017000, 18019) = 0
personality(PER_LINUX) = 0
getpid() = 2113
brk(0) = 0x40829c
brk(0x4082d4) = 0x4082d4
brk(0x4090000) = 0x4090000
time([992616771]) = 992616771
open="/etc/localtime", O_RDONLY) = 3
read(3, "/etc/localtime", 44) = 44
read(3, "/etc/localtime", 1170) = 110
fstat(3, {st_mode=S_IFREG|0644, st_size=1250, ...}) = 0
old_mmap(NULL, 4096, PROT_READ|PROT_WRITE, MAP_PRIVATE|MAP_ANONYMOUS, -1, 0) = 0
```
The following simple example demonstrates the power and use of the `strace` facility when combined with `grep`:

```
# strace /etc/rc.d/init.d/syslog status 2>&1|grep open
open("/etc/id.so.preload", O_RDONLY) = -1 ENOENT (No such file or directory)
open("/etc/id.so.cache", O_RDONLY) = 3
open("/lib/libdl.so.2", O_RDONLY) = 3
open("/lib/libc.so.6", O_RDONLY) = 3
open("/dev/tty", O_RDWR|O_NONBLOCK|O_LARGEFILE) = 3
open("/etc/rc.d/init.d/syslog", O_RDONLY|O_LARGEFILE) = 3
# strace date 2>&1|grep open
open("/etc/id.so.preload", O_RDONLY) = -1 ENOENT (No such file or directory)
open("/etc/id.so.cache", O_RDONLY) = 3
open("/lib/libc.so.6", O_RDONLY) = 3
open("/etc/localtime", O_RDONLY) = 3
```

There other options that are documented in the man pages, but the `-f` option will cause `strace` to trace forked processes too, as shown in the following example:

```
# strace -f /etc/rc.d/init.d/syslog status 2>&1|grep open
open("/etc/id.so.preload", O_RDONLY) = -1 ENOENT (No such file or directory)
open("/etc/id.so.cache", O_RDONLY) = 3
open("/lib/libdl.so.2", O_RDONLY) = 3
open("/lib/libc.so.6", O_RDONLY) = 3
open("/dev/tty", O_RDWR|O_NONBLOCK|O_LARGEFILE) = 3
open("/etc/rc.d/init.d/syslog", O_RDONLY|O_LARGEFILE) = 3
[pid 2110] open("/etc/id.so.preload", O_RDONLY) = -1 ENOENT (No such file or d)
```
19.1.3 ulimit

To allow core dumps to be taken, the **ulimit** command must be used. It can also be used to check to see that core dumps have been enabled. The **ulimit** command allows user limits to be displayed and set.

The **ulimit -a** command will display what the user limits are, as the following example shows:

```
$ ulimit -a
core file size (blocks)     0
data seg size (kbytes)      unlimited
file size (blocks)          unlimited
max locked memory (kbytes)  unlimited
max memory size (kbytes)    unlimited
open files                  1024
pipe size (512 bytes)       8
stack size (kbytes)         8192
cpu time (seconds)          unlimited
max user processes          256
virtual memory (kbytes)     unlimited
```
In that example, the core file size is currently set to 0 blocks, which means no core dumps can be taken. To change this and set the blocks to an unlimited amount, use the following:

```bash
$ ulimit -c unlimited
```

Superuser authority is required to set the core file size, although it appears that Turbolinux will allow a normal user to reduce or zero the size, but not increase it. This only becomes apparent when an actual number is used, and then the following message is received in response:

```bash
$ ulimit -c 1000
bash: ulimit: cannot modify limit: Operation not permitted
```

To reset to the default core file size, if it was non-zero, login again.

### 19.1.4 gdb

For OS/390 system programmers, `gdb` has similar capabilities to IPCS insofar as it has features that allow reading and analyzing dumps. It also contains features that allow interactive debugging, but these are of more interest to developers.

For system programmers, the interesting thing is that `gdb` can be used to read core dumps. A core dump is taken when a program crashes or fails (hanging is another matter, but a dump can be generated when crashed using `kill`). The dump and the binary object file is required for the version of the program that failed.

Use the `ulimit` command to ensure that core dumps can be taken. When a program crashes, the core dump generated will be left in the file called `core` in the home directory for that process. The command format when reading a core dump is:

```
gdb <program binary file> <core dump file>
```

When you use `gdb`, it's like entering a "gdb session" in which there are subcommands that will display different data. The following example shows its invocation and messages. Notice the `(gdb)` prompt.

```
$ gdb /usr/bin/gdb /home/cav/core
GNU gdb 5.0
Copyright 2000 Free Software Foundation, Inc.
GDB is free software, covered by the GNU General Public License, and you are welcome to change it and/or distribute copies of it under certain conditions.
Type "show copying" to see the conditions.
There is absolutely no warranty for GDB. Type "show warranty" for details.
```
This GDB was configured as "s390-ibm-linux"...(no debugging symbols found)... Core was generated by `/usr/bin/gdb /home/linuser/core'. Program terminated with signal 11, Segmentation fault. Reading symbols from /usr/lib/libncurses.so.5...(no debugging symbols found)... done. Loaded symbols for /usr/lib/libncurses.so.5 Reading symbols from /lib/libm.so.6...done. Loaded symbols for /lib/libm.so.6 Reading symbols from /lib/libdl.so.2...done. Loaded symbols for /lib/libdl.so.2 Reading symbols from /lib/libc.so.6...done. Loaded symbols for /lib/libc.so.6 Reading symbols from /lib/ld.so.1...done. Loaded symbols for /lib/ld.so.1 #0 0x4014c67a in poll () from /lib/libc.so.6 (gdb)

The **info** subcommands are very useful. The various options are shown in the following examples.

The **info stack** option displays stack entries, as follows:

(gdb) info stack
#0 0x4014c67a in poll () from /lib/libc.so.6
#1 0x4c3af6 in delete_file_handler ()
#2 0x4c3286 in _initialize_thread ()

The **info registers** option displays the values of the registers at the time of the failure, as shown in the following example:

(gdb) info registers
pswm 0x709d000 118083584
pswa 0xc014c67a -1072380294
gpr0 0x5d938 6109496
gpr1 0x400becec 1074523372
gpr2 0xffffffff -4
gpr3 0x1 1
gpr4 0xffffffff -1
gpr5 0x7fffffff 2147481056
gpr6 0x0 0
gpr7 0x1 1
gpr8 0x99a58 5872216
gpr9 0x0 0
gpr10 0x400bdabc 1074518956
gpr11 0x1 1
gpr12 0xc0196558 -1072077480
The following example displays the complete stack frame entry using the `info frame` option. By default, the current frame (stack level 0) is used, but others may be specified. This is useful for tracing back through the call flow.

```
(gdb) info frame
Stack level 0, frame at 0x7ffff448:
  pswa = 0x4014c67a in poll; saved pswa 0x4c3af6
  called by frame at 0x7ffff4c0
  Arglist at 0x7ffff448, args:
  Locals at 0x7ffff448, Previous frame's sp is 0x7ffff4fc
```
19.1.5 uptime, top commands

The `uptime` command displays the time; the length of time the system has been up; how many users are logged on; the load average for the past 1, 5, and 15 minutes:

```
$ uptime
 9:01am  up 23:43,  1 user,  load average: 0.00, 0.00, 0.00
```

The `top` command gives a display similar to those found in OS/390 SDSF DA and RMFMON ASD, and it also includes the uptime information at the very beginning of its output. This display will dynamically update; entering q will terminate the dynamic display and return you to the shell prompt:

```
$ top
 9:04am up 23:46,  1 user, load average: 0.00, 0.00, 0.00
30 processes: 29 sleeping, 1 running, 0 zombie, 0 stopped
CPU states:  0.1% user,  0.1% system,  0.0% nice, 99.6% idle
Mem: 516352K av, 87252K used, 429100K free, 45984K shrd, 53156K buff
Swap: 143980K av, 0K used, 143980K free 11280K cached

PID USER  PRI  NI  SIZE  RSS  SHARE  LC  STAT   %CPU  %MEM   TIME  COMMAND
1960  cav  19   0 936 936  744  R  0.3  0.1  0:00  top
  1 root  0    0 492 492  432  S  0.0  0.0  0:01  init
  2 root  0    0   0   0   0  SN  0.0  0.0  0:00  kmcheck
  3 root  0    0   0   0   0  SN  0.0  0.0  0:00  kflushd
  4 root  0    0   0   0   0  SN  0.0  0.0  0:00  kupdate
  5 root  0    0   0   0   0  SN  0.0  0.0  0:00  kpid
  6 root  0    0   0   0   0  SN  0.0  0.0  0:00  kswapd
 155 root  0    0  568  568  464  S  0.0  0.1  0:00  syslogd
 163 root  0    0  728  728  428  S  0.0  0.1  0:00  klogd
 173 daemon  0   508  508  440  S  0.0  0.0  0:00  atd
 183 root  0    0  636  636  544  S  0.0  0.1  0:00  crond
 193 root  0    0  508  508  440  S  0.0  0.0  0:00  inetd
 197 root  0    0  860  860  720  S  0.0  0.1  0:00  sshd
 201  lpd  0    0  736  736  632  S  0.0  0.1  0:00  lpd
 212 root  0    0 3500 3500 3368  S  0.0  0.6  0:00  httpd
 220 root  0    0  3188  3188 1312  S  0.0  0.6  0:00  miniserv.pl
 222 root  0    0  1156 1156  868  S  0.0  0.2  0:00  bash
```
19.1.6 System.map

This file contains a storage map of the kernel modules, similar to an OS/390 MVS nucleus map (IPCS NUCMAP). This will help determine which kernel module failed, and the offset of the failing instruction.

If there is a system crash, get the PSWA and map it to a kernel moduel using the System.map file.

For PSW=000A0000 800355F8, which is the disabled wait code received if the boot files are not in the correct order, do `grep -i 00035 /boot/System.map`, as follows:

```
# grep -i 00035 /boot/System.map
000352f8 T sys_delete_module
000355c0 t qm_modules
00035764 t qm_deps
0003598c t qm_refs
00035ba8 t qm_symbols
00035e00 t qm_info
00035f10 T sys_query_module
```

From here it is easy to work out that the PSW above is pointing to qm_modules+38 (hex offset).

For PSW=000A0000 80057BE4, which is the disabled wait code received if the boot files are not blocked correctly, do `grep -i 00057 /boot/System.map`, as follows:

```
# grep -i 00057 /boot/System.map
000570b8 T sys_newlstat
0005718c T sys_fstat
00057280 T sys_newfstat
00057374 T sys_readlink
000574e0 T binfmt_setup
00057510 T register_binfmt
00057570 T unregister_binfmt
000575b0 T open_dentry
000576b4 T sys_uselib
000577d8 t count
0005785c T copy_strings
00057ae8 T setup_arg_pages
00057c04 T read_exec
00057d70 t exec_mmap
00057efc T flush_old_exec
```

The PSW above in this instance is pointing to module setup_arg_pages+EC (again, hex offset).
19.1.7 ksymoops

The ksymoops utility decodes Linux kernel Oops reports. The object of this utility is to provide information about the modules that crashed by decoding PSW and stack information, and mapping it to the /boot/System.map.

For it to be really effective, the messages need to be abend-type messages—but for a kernel crash; otherwise, the utility cannot decode it. Unfortunately, in our testing there were no kernel crashes and accompanying messages to use as input. However, the following example shows both how to use ksymoops, and some of the options you need to use:

```
# ksymoops -m /boot/System.map /home/oops.file2
ksymoops 0.7c on s390 2.2.16. Options used
  -V (default)
  -k /proc/ksyms (default)
  -l /proc/modules (default)
  -o /lib/modules/2.2.16/ (default)
  -m /boot/System.map (specified)

Jun 12 21:07:43 vmlinux7 kernel: CPU: 0
Jun 12 21:07:43 vmlinux7 kernel: Process petri (pid: 6037, stackpage=1F67F000)
```

The most important thing is to identify the file that contains the system map. From the above example, you can see that it is /boot/System.map. The last argument is the file name that contains the Oops messages (in this case, /home/oops.file2), which is equally important.

19.1.8 Log files

You should not underestimate the diagnostic value of logs when doing problem determination. While core dumps are obviously also useful for diagnosis, the core dump is a snapshot of memory at the time of failure, and therefore shows only an instant in time. Depending on what residual data exists, there may be no trace of something that happened, for example, 7 minutes or even 7 seconds before the dump was generated. In contrast, log files can help you reconstruct a sequence of events leading up to a failure. Log files are kept in the /var/log directory.

Logs may kept in different places for different distributions or different applications, and the following command will help find them:

```
find / -iname *log -maxdepth 5 | more
```

Use find as the user root; otherwise, you will abound in permission denied messages.
For example, files and directories with “log” as part of their names can be listed by using the following command:

```bash
# find / -iname *log -maxdepth 3 | more
/etc/logrotate.d/syslog
/etc/logrotate.d/mars-nwe.log
/var/log
/var/log/lastlog
/var/log/maillog
/var/log/radius.log
/var/log/boot.log
/var/log/xdm-error.log
/var/log/radwatch.log
/dev/log
...
```

**syslogd, klogd daemons**

These daemons are important because they are needed to provide Linux system logging and kernel logging. They should be started automatically after boot.

The startup script is in `/etc/rc.d/init.d/syslog`; it can be used to check the status of these daemons and, if necessary, start them. To check them use `/etc/rc.d/init.d/syslog status`, as shown in the following example

```bash
# /etc/rc.d/init.d/syslog status
syslogd (pid 155) is running...
klogd (pid 163) is running...
```

If these messages are not received, then start the daemons with `/etc/rc.d/init.d/syslog start` and investigate why they were not started.

**The system log**

The system log contains all messages produced by the running system, and it is the place to start looking for many errors. This log is kept in `/var/log/messages`.

The following example shows extracts where a segment fault occurred. (The program interrupt code = 10 means a virtual address did not translate into a real one; this generally means the address is bad and is out of bounds.)

```bash
# cat /var/log/messages | more
Jun  3 04:02:37 vmunix syslogd 1.3-3: restart.
Jun  3 05:01:01 vmunix7 PAM_pwdb[7052]: (su) session opened for user news
Jun  3 05:01:01 vmunix7 PAM_pwdb[7052]: (su) session closed for user news
Jun  3 06:01:00 vmunix7 PAM_pwdb[7113]: (su) session opened for user news
Jun  3 06:01:00 vmunix7 PAM_pwdb[7113]: (su) session closed for user news
Jun  3 07:01:00 vmunix7 PAM_pwdb[7174]: (su) session opened for user news
Jun  3 07:01:00 vmunix7 PAM_pwdb[7174]: (su) session closed for user news
Jun  3 08:01:00 vmunix7 PAM_pwdb[7235]: (su) session opened for user news
```
Additionally, log messages related to mail are often kept in the file /var/log/maillog, and messages related to the X display manager are often kept in the file /var/log/xdm-error.log.

19.1.9 dmesg

The dmesg command displays messages that have been sent to the kernel ring buffer. Initially, the kernel ring buffer will contain the messages seen at bootup, but it will also contain messages about recent program checks and summary abend information as errors occur. In a way it is like an extract of the system log of serious recent events.

There is a suggestion implied in the man pages, and from the empty file /var/log/boot.log found on Turbolinux, that the boot messages should be saved by automating a command like dmesg > /var/log/boot.log at each startup. (For example, this could be put in the file /etc/rc.d/init.d/boot on a SuSE distribution).

This file can be used later for debugging, if needed, because older messages will be lost from the kernel ring buffer as they become overwritten by new messages.

The following example shows captured boot messages:

```bash
# dmesg
Linux version 2.2.16 (root@s390.dev.us.tlan) (gcc version 2.95.2 19991024 (rele0
Command line is: root=/dev/dasdb1 ro nointrad dasd=191,201-206
We are running under VM
This machine has an IEEE fpu
```
Detected device 292C on subchannel 0000 - PIM = 80, PAM = 80, POM = FF
Detected device 292D on subchannel 0001 - PIM = 80, PAM = 80, POM = FF
Detected device 0191 on subchannel 0002 - PIM = FO, PAM = FO, POM = FF
Detected device 0201 on subchannel 0003 - PIM = FO, PAM = FO, POM = FF
...
Highest subchannel number detected (hex) : 0013
SenseID : device 292C reports: Dev Type/Mod = 3088/60
SenseID : device 292D reports: Dev Type/Mod = 3088/60
SenseID : device 0191 reports: CU Type/Mod = 3990/E2, Dev Type/Mod = 3390/
SenseID : device 0201 reports: CU Type/Mod = 3990/EC, Dev Type/Mod = 3390/
SenseID : device 0202 reports: CU Type/Mod = 3990/EC, Dev Type/Mod = 3390/
... 
Calibrating delay loop... 1055.13 BogoMIPS
Memory: 516352k/524288k available (1160k kernel code, 4k reserved, 6772k da
Dentry hash table entries: 65536 (order 7, 512k)
Buffer cache hash table entries: 524288 (order 9, 2048k)
Page cache hash table entries: 131072 (order 7, 512k)
debug: 16 areas reserved for debugging information
debug: reserved 4 areas of 4 pages for debugging ccwcachedebug area is 0x 1760a8
VFS: Diskquotas version dquot_6.4.0 initialized
POSIX conformance testing by UNIFIX
Detected 1 CPU's
Boot cpu address 0
cpu 0 phys_idx=0 vers=FF ident=040ECB machine=2064 unused=0000
Linux NET4.0 for Linux 2.2
Based upon Swansea University Computer Society NET3.039
NET4: Unix domain sockets 1.0 for Linux NET4.0.
NET4: Linux TCP/IP 1.0 for NET4.0.
IP Protocols: ICMP, UDP, TCP, IGMP
TCP: Hash tables configured (ehash 524288 bhash 65536)
Initializing RT netlink socket
Starting kswapd v 1.5
pty: 256 Unix98 ptys configured
RAM disk driver initialized: 16 RAM disks of 8192K size
md driver 0.36.6 MAX_MD_DEV=4, MAX_REAL=8
...

In the following example, dmesg is used to recapture information about a segment
fault which occurred when using XEDIT:

```
# dmesg
0000 - PIM = 80, PAM = 80, POM = FF
Detected device 292D on subchannel 0001 - PIM = 80, PAM = 80, POM = FF
Detected device 0191 on subchannel 0002 - PIM = FO, PAM = FO, POM = FF
Detected device 0201 on subchannel 0003 - PIM = FO, PAM = FO, POM = FF
Detected device 0202 on subchannel 0004 - PIM = FO, PAM = FO, POM = FF
...
User process fault: interruption code 0x10
failing address: 0
CPU: 0
Process xedit (pid: 439, stackpage=1A74B000)

User PSW: 0709d000 c023ad30
task: 1a74a000 ksp: 1a74bd00 pt_regs: 1a74bf68
User GPRS:
00000003 402ce1c8 402ce1c8 00000018
00000000 00417350 ffffffee 402ce1a8
4023a49c 402ce1a8 00000000 00000010
c02cf558 c023a4a4 c023b8e0 7fffb3a8
User ACRS:
00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000
00000001 00000000 00000000 00000000
00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000
00000000 00000000 00000000 00000000
Kernel BackChain CallChain
1a74bd00 [<0011b040>]
1a74bd80 [<00000001>]
1a74bde8 [<000189ca>]
1a74be98 [<00012aa0>]
1a74bf08 [<00016732>]

19.1.10 Standalone dump

Much like OS/390, Linux now has a standalone dump facility. Its use and
installation instructions are documented in Using the Dump Tools, LNUX-1208.
This publication specifies using the 2.4 Linux kernel; using this facility with earlier
kernels may or may not work.

These tools are available in an s390-tools rpm package called zipl. Even though
these tools have not been tested, they are mentioned here for completeness.

19.2 VM diagnostic tools

VM provides many features that are useful for debugging errors in a guest
operating system. Refer to the VM library (specifically VM/ESA CMS User's
Guide, SC24-5775 and VM/ESA Quick Reference, SX24-5290 to start with, and
Debugging on Linux for 390) for more complete information. In this section, we
simply provide a basic overview of VM diagnostic tools.

The most useful thing about VM CP commands is that they can be executed
concurrently while the Linux system is up and running. The following simple
example shows a trace of SVC 5, which is Linux's open system call.
Using the previous `date` example:

```
# strace date 2>&1|grep open
open("/etc/ld.so.preload", O_RDONLY) = -1 ENOENT (No such file or direct
open("/etc/ld.so.cache", O_RDONLY) = 3
open("/lib/libc.so.6", O_RDONLY) = 3
open("/etc/localtime", O_RDONLY) = 3
```

Using the `trace` feature of VM, you can trace events beyond system calls (such as instruction execution, storage alteration, register alteration, and I/O activity). In addition, a combination of up to 255 of these event traps can be set.

Storage can also be displayed and altered (at your own risk). The `#CP D` command displays storage, registers, and instructions. The `#CP ST` command will alter storage and registers.

### 19.3 HMC diagnostic facilities

There is not much diagnostic capability built into the HMC, from a system software point of view. The only thing of value is the ability to alter and display real and virtual storage. In most cases you'd want to display virtual storage. The alter capability needs to be used wisely, as it has the ability to crash a running system.

From a hardware and I/O configuration point of view, many other features are also available which are not discussed in this publication.

### 19.4 Debugging for developers

All Linux tools are available for use by application developers, including features that have interactive source-level debugging capabilities. The man pages document these options and features; in particular, `gdb` and `strace` are useful.
Note that the following sections contain information only, and do not provide examples or specific instructions.

19.4.1 strace

strace is very useful when trying to understand how unexpected output or results have come about. Refer to 19.1.2, “strace” on page 356 for working examples. Its use will allow you to understand the sequence of events from a system call perspective.

19.4.2 gdb

gdb can be used with source code, for C, C++ and Modula2 programs. For a complete guide to using gdb as a source-level debugger, the man page says the following

For full details on GDB, see Using GDB: A Guide to the GNU Source-Level Debugger, by Richard M. Stallman and Roland H. Pesch. The same text is available online as the gdb entry in the info program.

19.5 Support

Because of the GPL and the GPL philosophy, there is no warranty support for Linux per se by its developers. It is a collective and collaborative effort in much the same vein of any scientific community, the spirit of which is captured in a quote of Sir Isaac Newton, “I stand on the shoulders of others.” Linus Torvalds started it, but many others have contributed and carried it further.

This does not mean that support is not available, far from it—there are many sources for technical support. What it does mean is that there is generally no entitlement for “free” (or warranty) support. The area of free support was not investigated for this redbook.

The more general case will be that a support agreement will be entered into with, perhaps, the distributor or the hardware vendor. The price of this may be included in the price of the machine or in the price of the distribution, or it may be entirely separate.

In this section we do not list types of support contracts and support providers; if you need detailed information about Linux on zSeries and S/390 support, you can contact a marketing representative or the IBM Support Center, or go to the following site and select Service Offerings, and then Support Line:

http://www.ibm.com/linux
Instead, we discuss the diagnostic data that will be useful to a support provider, and how to collect it. In addition, we describe how to develop a problem description, and we provide useful search arguments for searching IBM’s problem databases. Finally, we list sites for problem databases.

19.5.1 Support Line

Support Line is IBM’s generic software support service offering. Perhaps the only thing “generic” about it is the type of service offered, however, because the scope of software products covered can vary widely. Some agreements are platform-wide (for example, all IBM software running on zSeries), while others are specifically for a product that might span several hardware platforms.

The difference with Support Line for Linux is that this is the first time IBM has a software support service offering for another vendor’s software on this scale. While there may have been special “one offs” before, this offering uses the central support structure of IBM and is delivered through IBM Support Centers.

The following descriptions and procedures are based on what an IBM Support Center would use and request. However, they are likely to be applicable to any support provider.

19.5.2 Getting support

IBM generally makes the assumption that system programmers or personnel with equivalent technical skills will be the customer contact. Developers should consult with their system programmers (unless they themselves are the system programmers for their system).

A hierarchical support structure works effectively and efficiently. System programmers or those deemed equivalent should be responsible for reporting problems, that is, where a software defect is suspected.

For Q & A support, the system programmer may not be appropriate, particularly when the query involves knowledge in the skilled use of an end-use product or application.

19.5.3 Problem description

The problem reporting process begins with a *problem description*. A good problem description can go a long way toward speeding problem resolution, by reducing the number of interactions required between the user and support.
A problem description should include the following items:

- Date and time of occurrence.
- Environment (hardware will be S/390 or zSeries) Linux Kernel level, maintenance level.
- Problem symptom - wait code, messages, message codes, wait or hang.
- Failing or crashing program or component name.
- Sequence of events immediately leading up to failure. How many times has the failure occurred?
- Recent change history.
- Diagnostic data available.

### 19.5.4 Diagnostic data

The record most likely to be available if a program crashes is a core dump. The core dump should be saved, along with the binary of the program that actually crashed. That point is important—the binary for the program must actually match the one that crashed, so it is best that both the dump and the binary be saved together. This is just in case there is change or upgrade to the program in question between the time of the crash, and the time when the problem is reported and the data finally sent to the support provider.

The system log around the time of the crash will also be useful, since it will contain messages generated around the time of, and leading up to, the failure. Having this data will help you understand and confirm the sequence of events leading to the error.

### 19.5.5 Data collection

Linux, with its use of pipes and file redirection, makes it easy to collect diagnostic data; in most cases all that is needed is to save the data to a file.

#### Getting a dump

Generally if a program crashes, a core dump will be generated automatically—if dumps have been enabled. Use the following command to enable them:

```
# ulimit -c unlimited
```
Dumps will need to be enabled for processes before one can be obtained, which means that if a process is hung, it is too late to enable a dump for that process. Likewise, for hung processes, dumps will not automatically be generated because the processes have not crashed. However, even though they have not crashed, a dump can still be obtained by using the following command from another terminal or login session:

```
# kill -SIGSEGV <pid>
```

This is the equivalent of a `cancel` with a `dump` on OS/390.

### 19.5.6 Searching

IBMlink provides an interface to IBM's problem databases. Searches are best conducted initially using the program name and symptoms that include any message codes or failure codes. There are various formats that are used by convention for these symptoms to form "keywords". There are informational APARs that describe these keywords. A search on “keyword” should list one of these.
Today there are many Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP) implementations available, such as those provided by Netscape, Sun, Novell and IBM. OpenLDAP is an LDAP implementation created at the University of Michigan. It is part of the SuSE Linux 7.0 distribution. In this chapter, we give an overview of LDAP and describe how to install, configure and run OpenLDAP for a sample application on this Linux distribution.
20.1 What is LDAP

The first attempt to provide an open directory service was the OSI service directory called X.500, the Directory Access Protocol (DAP). It includes a rich set of functions, which also makes it very complex. Due to this complexity, X.500 applications are difficult to implement and use.

The Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP) was designed to act as a gateway to X.500 directory servers. The use of this gateway makes it easy to access the data, but it still requires a full X.500 implementation. LDAP was then further enhanced to act as a directory service itself, eliminating the need for X.500.

LDAP is an open Internet standard for providing directory services over the TCP/IP communication protocol. It allows information to be managed and queried through a set of easy-to-use utilities and API.

What can be stored in the directory

The LDAP directory service model is based on entries. An entry is a collection of attributes that has a name, called a distinguished name (DN). The DN is used to refer to the entry unambiguously.

Each of the entry's attributes has a type and one or more values. The types are often character strings, like cn for common name, or mail for e-mail address. A mail attribute might contain an e-mail address with an attribute value of evayan@us.ibm.com. A jpegPhoto attribute would contain a photograph in binary JPEG format.

How the information is arranged

The data in an LDAP server is arranged in a hierarchical format that reflects political, geographic or organizational boundaries. For example, entries representing countries appear at the top of the tree. Below them are entries representing states or national organizations. Below them might be entries representing people, organizational units, printers, documents, or just about anything else you can think of. Figure 20-1 shows an LDAP directory tree.
LDAP allows you to control which attributes are required and allowed in an entry through the use of a special attribute called `objectClass`. The values of the `objectClass` attribute determine the attributes that can be specified in the entry.

**How the information is referenced**

An entry is referenced by its distinguished name, which is constructed by taking the name of the entry itself (called the relative distinguished name, or RDN) and concatenating the names of its ancestor entries. For example, the entry for Eva Yan in the preceding example has an RDN of `cn=Eva Yan` and a DN of `cn=Eva Yan, o=IBM, c=US`.

**How the information is accessed**

LDAP defines operations for managing information in the directory through a set of simple-to-use utilities and APIs. These operations are provided for adding and deleting an entry from the directory and modifying an existing entry. The LDAP search operation allows some portion of the directory to be searched for entries that match some criteria specified by a search filter. Information can be requested from each entry that matches the criteria.
For example, you might want to search the entire directory subtree below IBM for people with the name Eva Yan, retrieving the e-mail address of each entry found. Or you might want to search the entries directly below the c=US entry for organizations with the string Lotus in their name, and that have a fax number.

**How information is protected**

An Access Control List (ACL) provides a means to protect information stored in an LDAP directory. Administrators use ACLs to restrict access to different portions of the directory, specific directory entries, or information within an entry. Access control can be specified for individual users or groups.

### 20.2 How does LDAP work

LDAP directory service is based on a client/server model. An LDAP server contains the data making up the directory. An LDAP client application connects to this server using LDAP APIs and requests a function. The server responds with a reply, or with a pointer to where the application can get more information (typically, another LDAP server).

The OpenLDAP server consists of two daemons: slapd and slurpd. The slapd (or standalone LDAP) daemon provides a directory service of your own. Your directory can contain anything you want to put in it. You can connect it to a global LDAP directory service, or run a service all by yourself.

The slurpd (or standalone replication) daemon helps slapd provide replicated service. It is responsible for distributing changes made to the master slapd database out to the various slapd replicas.

We do not discuss slurpd in this chapter. For additional information about slapd and slurpd, refer to The OpenLDAP Administration Guide available at:

[http://www.openldap.org/doc/admin](http://www.openldap.org/doc/admin)

### 20.3 Using OpenLDAP

The remainder of this chapter describes using the OpenLDAP package.

#### 20.3.1 Centralized user account management

A common problem facing customers today is how to manage large numbers of user accounts on many different hosts. Wouldn't it be nice to have a centralized authentication mechanism? LDAP enables this and much more.
LDAP allows all user information to be kept in one place, and yet be accessed over the network. As with a centralized /etc/passwd file, LDAP allows network administrators to store passwords, user names, preferences, telephone numbers and anything else they choose, in one place. Having a single instance of users on the network allows administrators to maintain users on many hosts from a single management point (i.e., you can create and delete accounts in the LDAP server, and the changes are available immediately to LDAP clients).

The remainder of this section describes how to set up the necessary components to authenticate and authorize users on resources in a standard Linux fashion, using the architecture shown in Figure 20-2 on page 379.

![Figure 20-2  Necessary components for authenticating and authorizing users](image)

On the server side, LDAP is used to provide clients with information about user accounts and user groups. OpenLDAP, an LDAP server, must be installed and configured. Information in the /etc/passwd and /etc/shadow files is migrated to the LDAP database with a migration tool available via the Internet.
The Pluggable Authentication Module (PAM)
On the client side, a pam_ldap module is used to provide the authentication mechanism. The Pluggable Authentication Module (PAM) is the standard authentication framework of the SuSE Linux distribution. It provides an API through which authentication requests for services such as login, passwd, ftp, etc. are mapped into technology-specific actions (implemented in pam modules). This mapping is done by PAM configuration files (found in /etc/pam.d) in which each service is given the authentication mechanisms to use.

In our case, the pam_ldap module, implemented in the shared library pam_ldap.so, allows user and group authentication using an LDAP service. Each service that needs an authentication facility can be configured through the PAM configuration files to use this authentication method.

The Name Service Switch (NSS)
Also on the client side, the Name Service Switch (NSS) needs to be configured.

Once a user is authenticated, many applications still need access to user information. This information is traditionally contained in text files (/etc/passwd, /etc/shadow, and /etc/group), but can also be provided by other name services. As a new name service (such as LDAP) is introduced, it can be implemented either in the C library (as it was for NIS and DNS) or in the application that wants to use the new name service.

This can be avoided by using a common, general purpose, name service API and by using a set of libraries to perform the task of retrieving this information by performing technology-based operations. This solution was adopted in the GNU C Library that implements the Name Service Switch. NSS uses a common API and a configuration file (/etc/nsswitch.conf) in which the name service providers for every supported database are specified.

20.3.2 Setting up the OpenLDAP server
In this section we describe installing and configuring the OpenLDAP server, and migrating data to the database.

Installing the OpenLDAP server
OpenLDAP is packaged with the SuSE distribution. You can install it by using yast. The package can be found in the Network Support Series. Simply select openldap and proceed with the installation. You can make sure that the installation was successful by checking the following:

- Information about the installed package now exists; verify this by using the rpm command:
# rpm -qa | grep ^ldap

This command should return the LDAP package name installed, such as ldaplib-1.2.11-50.

- A new directory named /etc/openldap was created.

**Configure the LDAP server**

The standalone LDAP server, slapd, is highly configurable through a configuration file known as slapd.conf, which is located in /etc/openldap. You need to edit this file to make it specific to your domain and server environment.
Following is simple example of the configuration file:

```
# slapd.conf example
# global options
#############################################################
include /etc/openldap/slapd.at.conf
include /etc/openldap/slapd.oc.conf
schemacheck off
pidfile /var/run/slapd.pid
argsfile /var/run/slapd.args
loglevel 256

#############################################################
# ldbm database definitions
#############################################################
database ldbm
suffix "o=Demo"
rootdn "cn=admin, o=Demo"
rootpw secret
directory /var/lib/ldap

# ldbm database access definitions
defaultaccess read
access to attr=userpassword
by self write
by dn="cn=admin,o=Demo" write
```

The first section in this configuration file contains global options which apply to the LDAP server as a whole, including all back-end databases:

1, 2 Specifies configuration files containing attribute and object class definitions.
3 Turns off schema checking.
4 Specifies the level of message logging.

The next section of this configuration file defines a back-end database that will handle queries for a specific domain:

5 Specifies the start of the database definition.
6 Specifies the DN suffix for queries to pass to this database.
7, 8 Identifies the “super user” entry and associated password.
9 Specifies the directory in which the database files reside.

The last section in this configuration file contains the back-end database access control definitions.
Specifies that all attributes allow read access by default.

The userPassword attribute is writable by the entry.

The userPassword attribute is writable by the "admin" entry.

The userPassword attribute is comparable by everyone else.

Starting the LDAP server
You are now ready to start the standalone LDAP server, slapd, by executing the command:

    # /etc/rc.d/ldap start

Slapd supports a monitoring interface you can use to find out status information about the LDAP server. You can access this information by doing a base search of the SLAPD_MONITOR_DN from the include/ladapconfig.h file (cn=monitor, by default). To verify that the server is running and configured correctly, issue the following search against the LDAP database:

    # ldapsearch -s base -b cn=monitor,'objectclass=*'

An entry similar to the following should be returned:

    CN=MONITOR
    version=slapd 1.2.11-Release (Sat Oct 28 01:15:31 GMT 2000)
    threads=1
    connection=7 : 20010615114627Z : 2 : 1 : NULLDN :
    currentconnections=1
    totalconnections=6
    dtablesize=1024
    writewaiters=0
    readwaiters=0
    opsinitiated=17
    opscompleted=16
    entryssent=54
    bytessent=17280
    currenttime=20010615114627Z
    startttime=20010615113849Z
    nbackends=1

20.3.3 Migrating data to the LDAP database

Once slapd is properly configured and started, you need to migrate old user account information to LDAP.
Useful tools to convert existing databases can be found on the Web. For example, PADL provides a tool which can be downloaded at:


The MigrationTools are a set of Perl scripts for migrating users, groups, aliases, hosts, netgroups, networks, protocols, RPCs, and services from existing nameservices (flat files, NIS, and NetInfo) to LDAP. The tools require the `ldapadd` and `ldif2dbm` commands, which are distributed with OpenLDAP.

Here is a summary of the Perl scripts provided by this tool:

- `migrate_base.pl` Creates naming context entries, including subordinate contexts such as `ou=people` and `ou=devices`
- `migrate_aliases.pl` Migrates aliases in `/etc/aliases`
- `migrate_group.pl` Migrates groups in `/etc/group`
- `migrate_hosts.pl` Migrates hosts in `/etc/hosts`
- `migrate_networks.pl` Migrates networks in `/etc/networks`
- `migrate_passwd.pl` Migrates users in `/etc/passwd`
- `migrate_protocols.pl` Migrates protocols in `/etc/protocols`
- `migrate_services.pl` Migrates services in `/etc/services`
- `migrate_netgroup*.pl` Migrates netgroups in `/etc/netgroups`
- `migrate_rpc.pl` Migrates RPCs in `/etc/rpc`

The configuration for these Perl scripts is contained in the `migrate_common.ph` file. You must edit this file to reflect your configurations, such as the `DEFAULT_BASE`.

Next, you need to decide what data to migrate. If you are an expert at LDAP, then you may want to only migrate the data you want by selecting the appropriate Perl scripts listed above. The easiest and simplest way is to use the `migrate_all_offline.pl` perl script. This script will migrate all the data, including the data in the `/etc/passwd` and `/etc/shadow` files. Refer to the README file for detailed information on how to use the MigrationTools.

You can verify that the user account data is migrated successfully by performing a search similar to the following on the LDAP database for a valid user:

```
# ldapsearch -b "uid=eva,ou=People,ou=Demo" "objectclass=*"
```
The search should be successful and information about this user should be returned, for example:

```
uid=eva,ou=People,o=Demo
uid=eva
cn=eva
objectclass=account
objectclass=posixAccount
objectclass=top
objectclass=shadowAccount
shadowlastchange=11477
shadowmax=99999
shadowwarning=7
loginshell=/bin/bash
uidnumber=100
gidnumber=100
homedirectory=/home/eva
```

### 20.3.4 Setting up the PAM-LDAP module

The `pam_ldap` module is packaged with the SuSE distribution. You can install it by using yast. The package can be found in the Network Support Series. Simply select `pam_ldap` and proceed with the installation.

To authenticate users, the PAM configuration files need to be changed. All PAM configuration files reside in `/etc/pam.d/`. Each service, such as FTP and login, has a configuration file in this directory. Generally the modifications that need to be made to the files involve adding lines of the following form to the configuration files:

```
type sufficient pam_ldap.so
```

Where type is one of account, auth, password, or session. A sample login configuration file, `/etc/pam.d/login`, is shown here:

```
# %PAM-1.0
auth    required    /lib/security/pam_securetty.so
auth    required    /lib/security/pam_nologin.so
auth    sufficient  /lib/security/pam_ldap.so
auth    required    /lib/security/pam_unix_auth.so use_first_pass
account required    /lib/security/pam_unix_acct.so
account required    /lib/security/pam_unix_passwd.so use_first_pass
password required    /lib/security/pam_unix_passwd.so use_first_pass
password sufficient /lib/security/pam_unix_session.so
```
Setting up Name Switch Service

The nss_ldap module is packaged with the SuSE distribution. You can install it by using yast. The package can be found in the Network Support Series. Simply select nss_ldap and proceed with the installation. This installs /lib/libnss_ldap.so, which is the nss_ldap library, and a set of example configuration files, /etc/nsswitch.ldap and /etc/ldap.conf, in case they do not exist already.

Next, you must edit the NSS configuration file /etc/nsswitch.conf. With the following configuration, entries are first looked for in the system files and, if no value is returned, the LDAP server is queried.

```bash
passwd:  files  ldap
group:   files  ldap
shadow:  files  ldap
```

Setting up the client environment

The LDAP client configuration file, /etc/openldap/ldap.conf, is read by pam_ldap and nss_ldap, as well as by other LDAP clients. The following example directs all LDAP client requests such as pam_ldap, nss_ldap, ldapadd, ldapsearch, and so on to the local LDAP server. It is possible to use a remote LDAP server by altering the host entry in this configuration file.

```bash
# Your LDAP server
host localhost
# The distinguished name of the search base
base o=Demo
```

Putting it all together

At this point you should be able to test your setup. Start the LDAP server, slapd, if it has not been started yet. If logging is enabled in the slapd configuration file, and syslog is configured to receive messages, then you should see messages indicating that LDAP is waiting for requests.

Now log in with a valid user ID to the client machine. The login should be successful and syslog should have messages indicating the authentication was successful.

You can set slapd to start automatically with the `chkconfig` command (however, on SuSE, this is a disabled script).

20.3.5 Possible deployment scenarios

As you can see, this sample LDAP application uses a client/server model. Since all the components involved are based on open source software, it is possible to distribute the client and server on different platforms.
We tested three different scenarios:

- Both client and server reside on the same Linux machine.
- The client and server reside on different Linux machines.
- The client resides on a Linux machine and the server resides on a z/OS machine.

In the configuration shown in Figure 20-3, both the client and server reside on the same machine. The client configuration file ldap.conf simply points to its own IP address, well-known name or localhost. All client LDAP queries will be directed to the local LDAP server.

In our sample application, the password file, /etc/passwd, was migrated and then imported into the same system. A user logging in to the linux1.pok.ibm.com system is authenticated with the LDAP database.

This configuration is suitable for:

- Testing applications
- Deploying simple and self-contained LDAP applications
In the configuration shown in Figure 20-4, the client and the server reside on different Linux machines. The client configuration file ldap.conf simply points to the IP address or well-known name of the remote LDAP server. All client LDAP queries will be directed to this remote LDAP server.

In our example, the password file, /etc/passwd, was migrated and then transferred to the remote server, where it is imported into the LDAP database. A user logging in to the linux1.pok.ibm.com system is authenticated with the LDAP database on linux2.pok.ibm.com.

With this configuration, it is possible for the server LDAP database to act as a centralized repository for user information. Each client would have a unique search base defined for it; refer to Figure 20-5 on page 389.
Figure 20-5  Client on Linux machine and server on z/OS

For example, linux1 can be defined as ou=linux1,o=pok, while linux2 can be defined as ou=linux2,o=pok. This scheme allows non-unique user names to exist on the same server. The client LDAP configuration file can point to the remote server with its search base.
The configuration shown in Figure 20-6 is similar to the previous one. The difference is that the LDAP server resides on a z/OS (or OS/390) instead of Linux. The z/OS LDAP server is part of the SecureWay Security Server (commonly known as RACF). It provides the same features and capabilities as OpenLDAP.

It is outside the scope of this redbook to explain how to set up the LDAP server in the z/OS environment. You can refer to the following documentation for detailed information regarding the installation and usage of the z/OS LDAP server:

- *Understanding LDAP*, SC24-4986
Depending on the version of LDAP client and the type of data you require, it might be necessary to update your schemas with object and attribute definitions that are not part of the z/OS LDAP server base. In our testing of this sample application, we needed to define additional attributes such as shadow account-related information.

For crypt encryption of password, which is used by most systems including our Linux system, note that the values returned by the crypt algorithm are not portable to other X/Open-conformant systems. This means the crypt() algorithm cannot be used for replication between z/OS and non-z/OS environment.

Since the migrated password was crypted by the client system, it cannot be used as is. We had to reset all users’ passwords manually on the server side with the ldapmodify tool. Alternatively, this task can be accomplished with a simple shell script if a large volume of data needs to be reset. Note that the user of the ldapmodify tool must have sufficient access to update the userPassword attribute.

Following are some of the added benefits of using a z/OS LDAP server:

**A robust database**
The z/OS LDAP server comes with a TDBM back-end database based on DB2. The TDBM database is a more highly scalable database implementation.

**Access to RACF data**
The z/OS LDAP server can be configured to provide access to RACF user and group profiles using the LDAP protocol. (RACF is a component of the SecureWay Security Server for z/OS.) If the RACF data is shared across the sysplex, then users and groups in the sysplex can be managed using LDAP. The LDAP server’s access to RACF is managed by an additional configurable back-end called SDBM.

**Secure communications**
The z/OS LDAP server can be configured to encrypt data to and from LDAP clients using the z/OS Cryptographic Services System SSL. It has a variety of ciphers for encryption to choose from, all of which provide server and optional client authentication through the use of X.509 certificates.

**Multiple concurrent servers**
The z/OS LDAP server can be configured to permit multiple instances to serve the same DB2-based backing store at the same time. The multiple server instances may run on the same z/OS image, and they may run on multiple z/OS images in a Parallel Sysplex. This support is available for either TDBM or RDBM back-ends. This improves availability and may offer improved performance in certain configurations.
**Dynamic workload management**

The z/OS LDAP server can be configured to participate in dynamic workload management in a Parallel Sysplex by exploiting TCP/IP connection optimization. With multiple concurrent server instances configured in this way, availability is improved, as is resource utilization. In addition, performance improvements may be experienced because sysplex resource utilization is more evenly balanced across z/OS systems in the sysplex.

### 20.4 Other considerations

Other considerations include security, referrals and replication.

#### 20.4.1 Security

The data in the directory tree will have to be protected in different ways: certain information must be searchable by everybody, and some of it must be readable, and most of it will be write-protected. In LDAP Version 3, there are no defined attributes to handle this. As a result, vendors support their own implementations of authorization. This is done by different implementations of access control lists (ACLs).

ACLs are used to define access rules to the different entries in the directory tree. The following is an example of an ACL implementation. The pertinent control attributes used here are aclsource, aclpropagate, and aclentry, where aclentry, for example, is the attribute that specifies who has access to the entry and what level of access he or she has. In this example, cn=Eva Yan,ou=Pok,o=IBM,c=US has read, write, search and compare (rwsc) rights for normal, sensitive and critical data (the entry is highlighted and spilled into two lines in the following example).

When setting up access control lists, it is important to do it with the goal of minimizing later administration. It is useful to delegate the access control hierarchically, if possible.

```plaintext
dn: ou=Pok, o=IBM, c=US
objectclass: top
objectclass: organizationalUnit
ou: Pok
description: Poughkeepsie Office
entryowner: access-id:cn=admin,o=IBM,c=US
inheritoncreate: TRUE
ownerpropagate: TRUE
aclpropagate: TRUE
ownersource: default
aclsource: OU=Pok,O=IBM,C=US
```

---

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20.4.2 Referrals

Using referrals provides a way for servers to refer clients to additional directory servers. With referrals you can:

- Distribute namespace information among multiple servers
- Provide knowledge of where data resides within a set of interrelated servers
- Route client requests to the appropriate server

Following are some of the advantages of using referrals:

- Distribute processing overhead, providing primitive load balancing
- Distribute administration of data along organizational boundaries
- Provide potential for widespread interconnection, beyond an organization’s own boundaries

20.4.3 Replication

Once the LDAP server is installed and configured, users can access the directory, add objects, delete objects, or perform search operations to retrieve particular sets of information.

Replication is a process which keeps multiple databases in sync. Through replication, a change made to one database is propagated to one or more additional databases. In effect, a change to one database shows up on multiple different databases. This means there are two types of databases, masters and replicas, which are defined as follows:

Master

All changes to the database are made to the master server. The master server is then responsible for propagating the changes to all other databases. It is important to note that, while there can be multiple databases representing the same information, only one of those databases can be the master.

Replica

Each of the additional servers which contain a database replica. These replica databases are identical to the master database.
Chapter 21. System management tools

With Linux, in many cases, you can manage a single server, or even a small set of servers, by using built-in Linux tools. A production environment, however, often has multiple Linux servers, assigned to perform different functions (Web serving, FTP serving, mail serving, file serving, and more).

As the number of servers grows, system management becomes more difficult and the need for appropriate tools for remote monitoring, automating and control increases. In this chapter we describe tools and products you can use to administer, monitor, troubleshoot and manage Linux systems.

For our examples, we used a SuSE Linux system; for other distributions, however, the paths and settings needed may differ.
21.1 Common Linux tools

We first provide a brief overview of some of the commonly used Linux tools that allow you to check system status, configure the network, and perform other administrative tasks. All of these tools have associated man pages containing detailed descriptions of their usage. You invoke man pages by entering the man command, followed by the name of the command you're interested in.

21.1.1 The /proc file system

The /proc file system is a virtual file system, mounted at boot time, which provides access to current system status information. The /proc file system is used by many tools to gather information, which is then presented by the tools in a human-readable form.

The directory structure of the /proc file system on a S/390 system appears as follows:

```
# ls /proc/
.
  20405 2637 493 630 8484  interrupts meminfo stat
  20406 2645  5  645 bus ioports misc swaps
..  20407 2898 513 678 cmdline kcore modules sys
  1540 20409 2910 517 710 config.gz kcore_elf mounts tty
  2 20600 2911 5184 8478 cpusinfo kmsg net uptime
  20028 20942 2912 5184 8479 dasd ksym modules sys
  20029 20942 2912 5184 8479 dasd kym modules sys
  20032 20942 2912 5184 8479 dasd ksym modules sys
  20033 20942 2912 5184 8479 dasd ksym modules sys
  20401 2632  4  623  8483 fs mdstat slabinfo
#```

The numbered directories contain information for the currently running processes under the respective process id. You can read information out of the /proc file system by using the cat command:

```
# cat /proc/dasd/devices
0201(ECKD) at (94:0) is dasda:active at blocksize: 4096, 468000 blocks, 1828 MB
# cat /proc/meminfo
  total:  used:  free:  shared: buffers:  cached:  
Mem:  528703488 124760064 403943424 42131456 39223296 17481728
Swap:  0  0  0
MemTotal:  516312 k8
MemFree:  394476 k8
MemShared:  41144 k8
Buffers:  38304 k8
Cached:  17072 k8
```
SwapTotal: 0 kB
SwapFree: 0 kB

The man page called man proc contains a detailed description of the /proc file system.

### 21.1.2 The ps command

You can use the `ps` command to snapshot the current running processes on the system and the resources used by each process. It provides many different options you can use to set the detail and appearance of the output, as shown:

```bash
# ps
PID TTY          TIME CMD
3313 console  00:00:00 mingetty
2432 pts/1    00:00:00 login
2433 pts/1    00:00:00 bash
5153 pts/1    00:00:00 ps
```

You can also use the `ps aux` command to display all the running processes on the system:

```bash
USER       PID %CPU %MEM   VSZ  RSS TTY      STAT START   TIME COMMAND
root         1  0.0  0.0   396  208 ?        S    May24   0:00 init
root         2  0.0  0.0     0    0 ?        SW   May24   0:00 [kmcheck]
root         3  0.0  0.0     0    0 ?        SW   May24   0:00 [kflushd]
root         4  0.0  0.0     0    0 ?        SW   May24   0:22 [kupdate]
root         5  0.0  0.0     0    0 ?        SW   May24   0:00 [kpiod]
root         6  0.0  0.0     0    0 ?        SW   May24   0:18 [kswapd]
bin        493  0.0  0.0  1164  420 ?        S    May24   0:00 /sbin/portmap
```

Refer to the man page for `ps` for more information and available parameters.

### 21.1.3 The top command

The `top` command, which provides information similar to the `ps` command, has a continuously self-updating interface with additional summary information. (Note that the `top` command does not work in a 3270 session, which you have when working from a VM virtual console.):

```
9:00am up 4 days, 16:19, 1 user, load average: 0.19, 0.07, 0.02
45 processes: 43 sleeping, 1 running, 1 zombie, 0 stopped
CPU states: 0.1% user, 0.3% system, 0.0% nice, 99.4% idle
Mem: 516312K av, 121904K used, 394408K free, 33276K shrd, 38304K buff
Swap: 0K av, 0K used, 0K free, 17132K cached

PID USER     PRI  NI  SIZE  RSS SHARE STAT LIB %CPU %MEM   TIME COMMAND
5807 root     8  0 1032 1032 864 R   0 0.5 0.1  0:00 top
```
Refer to the man page for `top` for more information and available parameters.

### 21.1.4 The `vmstat` command

The `vmstat` command gives you information about memory, swap space, I/O activity as well as CPU usage, as shown:

```
# vmstat
procs                      memory    swap          io  system cpu
 r  b  w   swpd   free   buff  cache si  so    bi    bo   in cs us sy  id
 0  0  0      0   394360  38304  17116   0   0     1     1    0 18 1 1  99
```

An easy way to gather information continuously about resource usage on a system is to invoke `vmstat` in a cron job (cron is a daemon used to execute scheduled commands), as follows:

```
0 0 * * * /usr/bin/vmstat -n 300 288 > logfile.'date +%d%m%y' &
```

When this line is added to the file `/etc/crontab` (cron's configuration file), it produces output in 5-minute (300 seconds) intervals for 24 hours with one header at the top, piped into a log file, with the date as the file extension. You can use these generated log files for further analyses; for example, they could be used in spreadsheet applications or to generate graphs in Web pages using CGI scripts.

Refer to the man page for `vmstat` for more information.

### 21.1.5 The `df` command

With the `df` command, you can display the usage of complete disks/file systems. The `-h` flag makes the output easier to read, as shown:

```
# df -h
Filesystem           Size  Used  Avail  Use% Mounted on
/dev/dasdb1          787M  214M  573M   29% /
/dev/dasdc1          1.4G  387M  926M   29% /home
/dev/dasdd1          6.8G  5.4G  1007M  85% /home/redbooks
```

As described in the man page for `df`, a set of options is available to manipulate the output.
21.1.6 The du command

The du command reports the amount of space used by files or complete
directory structures, and provides options to manipulate the output:

```
# du
4    ./news/OLD
8    ./news
360  ./httpd
4    ./ircd
4    ./uucp
4    ./radacct
836  .
nvmunix1:/var/log # du -h
4.0k  ./news/OLD
8.0k  ./news
360k  ./httpd
4.0k  ./ircd
4.0k  ./uucp
4.0k  ./radacct
836k  .
# du -hs
836k  .
```

For example, with du you can create a list of the top 10 users who are consuming
the most DASD space on your system. By writing a small cron job, you can easily
create a weekly overview:

```
0 0 * * 6 du -s /usr/bin/du /home/* | sort -rg | head
```

Refer to the man page for du for more information.

21.1.7 The netstat command

The netstat command is used for network analysis; it provides a huge set of
options for gathering information on network interfaces, socket connections and
protocols. A sample is shown in Example 21-1:

```
# netstat -a
Active Internet connections (servers and established)
Proto Recv-Q Send-Q Local Address           Foreign Address         State
  tcp        0      0 vmlinux1.itso.:www-http 9.12.2.169:wag-service
ESTABLISHED
  tcp        0      0 vmlinux1.itso.:www-http 9.12.2.169:connection
ESTABLISHED
  tcp        0    138 vmlinux1.itso.ib:telnet 9.12.2.169:bmca-r
ESTABLISHED
  tcp        0      0 *:*bb                        *:* LISTEN
```

Example 21-1  netstat output
tcp  0  0 *:www-http    *:* LISTEN
tcp  0  0 *:smtp        *:* LISTEN
tcp  0  0 *:printer     *:* LISTEN
tcp  0  0 *:swat        *:* LISTEN
tcp  0  0 *:http-rman   *:* LISTEN
tcp  0  0 *:finger      *:* LISTEN
tcp  0  0 *:pop3         *:* LISTEN
tcp  0  0 *:login       *:* LISTEN
tcp  0  0 *:shell       *:* LISTEN
tcp  0  0 *:telnet      *:* LISTEN
tcp  0  0 *:ftp         *:* LISTEN
tcp  0  0 *:time        *:* LISTEN
tcp  0  0 *:nfs         *:* LISTEN
tcp  0  0 *:con         *:* LISTEN
tcp  0  0 *:sunrpc      *:* LISTEN
udp  0  0 *:snmp        *:* LISTEN
udp  0  0 *:ntalk       *:* LISTEN
udp  0  0 *:talk        *:* LISTEN
udp  0  0 *:time        *:* LISTEN
udp  0  0 *:nfs         *:* LISTEN
udp  0  0 *:756         *:* LISTEN
udp  0  0 *:703         *:* LISTEN
udp  0  0 *:sunrpc      *:* LISTEN
raw  0  0 *:icmp        *:*  7
raw  0  0 *:tcp         *:*  7

Active UNIX domain sockets (servers and established)
Proto RefCnt Flags       Type       State I-Node Path
unix  5      [ ]         DGRAM 378 /dev/log
unix  0      [ ACC ]     STREAM LISTENING 394 /var/run/keyservsock
unix  0      [ ACC ]     STREAM LISTENING 533 /var/run/printerr
unix  0      [ ACC ]     STREAM LISTENING 578911 /var/run/.nscd_socket
unix  0      [ ACC ]     STREAM LISTENING 563 /var/run/sendmail/control
unix  0      [ ]         DGRAM 588
unix  0      [ ]         DGRAM 561
unix  0      [ ]         DGRAM 480
unix  0      [ ]         DGRAM 449
unix  0      [ ]         DGRAM 433
#

There are many situations where you will need to use netstat, so refer to the man pages as necessary.

21.1.8 Quotas

Using quotas, you can limit the amount of space that can be used on file systems by users and groups. To do this, you have to enable quotas for the file system, and set the quota policies for the users and groups.
For example, to enable quotas for your `/home` file system, you have to modify the entry for `/home` in `/etc/fstab` as follows:

```
/dev/dasdd1 /home ext2 defaults,usrquota,grpquota 1 2
```

Then remount the `/home` file system:

```
# mount -o remount /home
# mount /dev/dasda1 on / type ext2 (rw)
none on /proc type proc (rw)
/dev/dasdc1 on /opt type ext2 (rw)
/dev/dasdd1 on /home type ext2 (rw,usrquota,grpquota)
none on /dev/pts type devpts (rw,gid=5,mode=620)
```

Next, run `quotacheck` to create the files on `/home` where the quotas are stored. Then activate the quotas for the file system with the `quotaon` command:

```
# quotacheck /home
Cannot get exact used space... Results might be inaccurate.

# quotaon /home
```

You can create and modify the quotas for different users with the `edquota` command:

```
# edquota user1
...
Edit block and inode quota for user user1:
Device /dev/dasdd1 (/home):
  Used 56KB, limits: soft=10000 hard=15000
  Used 14 inodes, limits: soft=100 hard=120
...
```

In this example, we set the soft space limit for user1 to 10 MB, and the hard limit to 15 MB. This means that if user1 exceeds the 10 MB border, he will receive warning messages; if he reaches 15 MB, he will not be able to allocate more DASD space. We did the same with the inodes, allowing user1 to create up to 100 files as a soft limit and 120 files as a hard limit.

You can also copy these quotas for other users with the `edquota` command, so that you don’t have to edit the quotas for each user by hand. Therefore, in our example, where all normal users have user IDs above 500, we can apply the quotas from user1 to all of them with the following line, utilizing the `awk` command to process the output of `edquota`:

```
# edquota -p user1 `awk -F: '$3 > 499 {print $1}' /etc/passwd`
```

You can obtain a report on the system quotas by using the `repquota` command as follows:


```
# repquota -a
*** Report for user quotas on device /dev/dasdd1 (/home)
Block grace time: 7 days; Inode grace time: 7 days

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>User</th>
<th>used</th>
<th>soft</th>
<th>hard</th>
<th>grace</th>
<th>used</th>
<th>soft</th>
<th>hard</th>
<th>grace</th>
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<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
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<td>56</td>
<td>10000</td>
<td>15000</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>120</td>
<td></td>
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<td>user2</td>
<td>56</td>
<td>10000</td>
<td>15000</td>
<td>14</td>
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<td>10000</td>
<td>15000</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>120</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
```

For more information on how to implement and use quotas, refer to the man pages.

### 21.2 Administration tools

In this section, we discuss tools you can use to manage a Linux system. These tools are supplementary to the common Linux command line tools, and generally provide a graphical interface. They can be used to manage users and network services, add software packages, and more.

#### 21.2.1 YaST

Yet another Setup Tool, or YaST, is the administration tool that comes with the SuSE distribution. YaST is used for installation, administration and software package management on SuSE Linux systems. YaST is developed and maintained by SuSE, and has a special license and is not GPL. For more information on how to use YaST, refer to 6.1, “Using YaST” on page 92.

#### 21.2.2 Linuxconf

The package linuxconf is an Open Source administration tool for Linux systems. It is the default administration tool on Red Hat Linux systems, but can be used for other distributions as well.

With linuxconf, you can manage users, system services and devices for your Linux system. It has a dialog-based command line interface and can also be configured for Web access. For more information on how to use linuxconf, refer to 12.2, “Installing linuxconf” on page 178.
Webmin is an open source, Web-based system administration tool. It consists of a huge set of Perl scripts and comes with its own http server. You can manage users, configure daemons, and more from your Web browser. Webmin is available at:

http://www.webmin.com

Installation

Download the Webmin source package to a local directory and extract it into the directory /usr/local as follows:

```
# ls
.  ..  webmin-0.85.tar.gz
# tar -xzf webmin-0.85.tar.gz -C /usr/local/
# cd /usr/local/webmin-0.85/
```

Run the setup script and answer the questions as shown in Example 21-2.

**Example 21-2  Webmin setup**

```
vmlinux1:/usr/local/webmin-0.85 # ./setup.sh
********************************************************************************
*            Welcome to the Webmin setup script, version 0.85         *
********************************************************************************
Webmin is a web-based interface that allows Unix-like operating
systems and common Unix services to be easily administered.
Installing Webmin in /usr/local/webmin-0.85 ...

********************************************************************************
Webmin uses separate directories for configuration files and log files.
Unless you want to run multiple versions of Webmin at the same time
you can just accept the defaults.
Config file directory [/etc/webmin]:
Log file directory [/var/webmin]:

********************************************************************************
Webmin is written entirely in Perl. Please enter the full path to the
Perl 5 interpreter on your system.
Full path to perl (default /usr/bin/perl):
Testing Perl ...
Perl seems to be installed ok

For Webmin to work properly, it needs to know which operating system
type and version you are running. Please select your system type by entering the number next to it from the list below

---------------------------------------------------------------------------
1) Sun Solaris                          2) Caldera OpenLinux eServer
3) Caldera OpenLinux                  4) Redhat Linux
5) Slackware Linux                    6) Debian Linux
7) SuSE Linux                         8) Corel Linux
9) TurboLinux                         10) Cobalt Linux
11) Mandrake Linux                    12) Delix DLD Linux
13) Conectiva Linux                   14) MkLinux
15) LinuxPPC                           16) XLinux
17) LinuxPL                            18) Linux From Scratch
19) Trustix                            20) Cendio LBS Linux
21) Ute Linux                          22) FreeBSD
23) OpenBSD                            24) BSDI
25) HP/UX                               26) SGI Irix
27) DEC/Compaq OSF/1                   28) IBM AIX
29) SCO UnixWare                       30) SCO OpenServer
31) MacOS Server X                     32) FreeBSD
---------------------------------------------------------------------------

Operating system: 7

Please choose which version of SuSE Linux you are running, by entering the number next to it from the list below

---------------------------------------------------------------------------
1) SuSE Linux 5.1                       2) SuSE Linux 5.2
3) SuSE Linux 5.3                       4) SuSE Linux 6.0
5) SuSE Linux 6.1                       6) SuSE Linux 6.2
7) SuSE Linux 6.3                       8) SuSE Linux 6.4
9) SuSE Linux 7.0                       10) SuSE Linux 7.1
---------------------------------------------------------------------------

Version: 9

***********************************************************************
Webmin uses its own password protected web server to provide access to the administration programs. The setup script needs to know:
- What port to run the web server on. There must not be another web server already using this port.
- The login name required to access the web server.
- The password required to access the web server.
- The hostname of this system that the web server should use.
- If the webserver should use SSL (if your system supports it).
- Whether to start webmin at boot time.

Web server port (default 10000):
Login name (default admin):
Login password:
Password again:
Web server hostname (default vmlinux1): vmlinux1.itso.ibm.com
The Perl SSLeay library is not installed. SSL not available.
Start Webmin at boot time (y/n): y
***********************************************************************
Creating web server config files..
..done
Creating access control file..
..done
Inserting path to perl into scripts..
..done
Creating start and stop scripts..
..done
Copying config files..
..done
Configuring Webmin to start at boot time..
Created init script /sbin/init.d/webmin
..done
Creating uninstall script /etc/webmin/uninstall.sh ..
..done
Changing ownership and permissions ..
..done
Attempting to start Webmin mini web server..
Starting Webmin server in /usr/local/webmin-0.85
..done
***********************************************************************
Webmin has been installed and started successfully. Use your web browser to go to

    http://vmlinux1.itso.ibm.com:10000/

and login with the name and password you entered previously.

    vmlinux1:/usr/local/webmin-0.85 #

And that’s it; you can now login with your Web browser (see Figure 21-1 on page 406).
By default, you have five groups for handling different administrative tasks: the Webmin menu, the System section, the Servers section, the Hardware section, and the Others section.

The Webmin menu (not shown) offers choices for configuring Webmin itself.

The System section (see Figure 21-2 on page 407) offers options for configuring the boot process, administering user authentication, and more.
From the Servers section (see Figure 21-3), you can configure the daemons.
The Hardware section (not shown) allows you to integrate hardware into your system. The Others section (not shown) deals with telnet, ssh, and so on.

You can also set up Webmin for secure Web access using SSL connections; refer to the appropriate documentation.

## 21.2.4 AdminUX

AdminUX is an “all-in-one” UNIX administration tool developed by Green Light Advantage. It is not open source. It provides a single menu-driven interface for system administration. It can be used for user administration, supervising daemons, monitoring system resources and more. It provides a large, preconfigured set of monitors and alarms that work pretty much right “out of the box”. In addition, it also allows you to reconfigure existing monitors—or write your own.

For more information, visit:

http://www.gladvantage.com

## 21.3 Remote network management tools

With established network connections and secure tools such as ssh, an administrator can always connect to a system and work on it as if the computer were local. However, this effort becomes increasingly difficult and inefficient as more and more systems need to be monitored and maintained.

This leads to a need for tools and solutions that provide a single focal point, where data from all systems can be collected and then presented in different views.

Automation can provide a further solution; some programmable agents may react automatically to certain events without invoking manual action from the system administrator, thus automating some system programmer tasks.

In this section, we describe some of the tools and products that are available which make remote network management easier and more efficient.
21.3.1 snmp tools

The Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) was developed by Carnegie-Mellon University and allows the management of large networks with the help of the Management Information Base (MIB). The MIB contains information about servers, routers, workstations, printers and other details about the network.

In order to query information from remote systems, there has to be a snmp daemon (snmpd) running on the remote system. This daemon is included in most of the distributions and the configuration file is /etc/snmpd.conf. In the configuration file, you specify the type of information that will be available for different communities.

The snmp daemon is started by the runlevel start/stop scripts. With the SuSE distribution, you would start `snmpd` with:

```
# /sbin/init.d/snmpd start
Starting snmpd: done
```

You can set snmpd to start automatically at reboot time with the `chkconfig` command (however, on SuSE, this is a disabled script).

A set of command line tools that come with the snmp package can be used to query and set MIB variables, for example:

- `snmpget` query database variables
- `snmpnetstat` similar to netstat, with usage of the SNMP-protocol
- `snmpset` set variables
- `snmptrap` send event signals
- `snmpwalk` browse a MIB tree

Example 21-3 illustrates the use of `snmpwalk`:

```
Example 21-3  snmpwalk sample

# snmpwalk vmlinux2 public system
system.sysDescr.0 = Linux vmlinux2.itso.ibm.com 2.2.19-0.07vrdr #1 SMP Tue Apr 24 15:17:30 EDT 2001 s390
system.sysObjectID.0 = OID: enterprises.ucdavis.ucdSnmpAgent.linux
system.sysUpTime.0 = Timeticks: (421) 0:00:04.21
system.sysContact.0 = Root <root@localhost> (configure /etc/snmp/snmpd.local.conf)
system.sysName.0 = vmlinux2.itso.ibm.com
system.sysLocation.0 = Unknown (edit /etc/snmp/snmpd.conf)
system.sysORLastChange.0 = Timeticks: (4) 0:00:00.04
system.sysORTable.sysOREntry.sysORID.1 = OID: ifMIB
```
system.sysORTable.sysOREntry.sysORID.2 = OID: 
.iso.org.dod.internet.snmpV2.snmpModules.snmpMIB
system.sysORTable.sysOREntry.sysORID.3 = OID: tcpMIB
system.sysORTable.sysOREntry.sysORID.4 = OID: ip
system.sysORTable.sysOREntry.sysORID.5 = OID: udpMIB
system.sysORTable.sysOREntry.sysORID.6 = OID: 
.iso.org.dod.internet.snmpV2.snmpModules.snmpV3MIB.snmpV3MIBConformance.snmpV3MIBGroups.vacmBasicGroup
system.sysORTable.sysOREntry.sysORID.7 = OID: 
system.sysORTable.sysOREntry.sysORID.8 = OID: 
.iso.org.dod.internet.snmpV2.snmpModules.snmpMPDMIB.snmpMPDMIBConformance.snmpMPDMIBCompliances.snmpMPDMIBCompliance
system.sysORTable.sysOREntry.sysORID.9 = OID: 
.iso.org.dod.internet.snmpV2.snmpModules.snmpUsmMIB.snmpUsmMIBConformance.snmpUsmMIBCompliances.snmpUsmMIBCompliance
system.sysORTable.sysOREntry.sysORDescr.1 = The MIB module to describe
generic objects for network interface sub-layers
system.sysORTable.sysOREntry.sysORDescr.2 = The MIB module for SNMPv2
entities
system.sysORTable.sysOREntry.sysORDescr.3 = The MIB module for managing TCP
implementations
system.sysORTable.sysOREntry.sysORDescr.4 = The MIB module for managing IP
and ICMP implementations
system.sysORTable.sysOREntry.sysORDescr.5 = The MIB module for managing UDP
implementations
system.sysORTable.sysOREntry.sysORDescr.6 = View-based Access Control Model
for SNMP.
system.sysORTable.sysOREntry.sysORDescr.7 = The SNMP Management
Architecture MIB.
system.sysORTable.sysOREntry.sysORDescr.8 = The MIB for Message Processing
and Dispatching.
system.sysORTable.sysOREntry.sysORDescr.9 = The management information
definitions for the SNMP User-based Security Model.

system.sysORTable.sysOREntry.sysORUpTime.1 = Timeticks: (2) 0:00:00.02
system.sysORTable.sysOREntry.sysORUpTime.2 = Timeticks: (2) 0:00:00.02
system.sysORTable.sysOREntry.sysORUpTime.3 = Timeticks: (2) 0:00:00.02
system.sysORTable.sysOREntry.sysORUpTime.4 = Timeticks: (2) 0:00:00.02
system.sysORTable.sysOREntry.sysORUpTime.5 = Timeticks: (2) 0:00:00.02
system.sysORTable.sysOREntry.sysORUpTime.6 = Timeticks: (2) 0:00:00.02
system.sysORTable.sysOREntry.sysORUpTime.7 = Timeticks: (4) 0:00:00.04
system.sysORTable.sysOREntry.sysORUpTime.8 = Timeticks: (4) 0:00:00.04
system.sysORTable.sysOREntry.sysORUpTime.9 = Timeticks: (4) 0:00:00.04

End of MIB
Especially for large environments, SNMP-based systems management is almost a standard: most of the tools described in the following sections have SNMP support, and most of the commercial system management products are based upon SNMP. For more information on how to configure `snmpd` and how to use snmp tools, refer to the man pages.

### 21.3.2 Scotty/Tkined

The software packets Scotty and Tkined were developed at the Technical University of Braunschweig (Germany) by Juergen Schoenwaelder. These packages are included in many distributions today. If not in your distribution, you can obtain the source code from:

```
http://wwwhome.cs.utwente.nl/~schoenw/scotty/
```

**Features**

Scotty is based on the Tool Command Language (Tcl) and provides various special network management extensions (Tnm Tcl extension) for use in other scripts or programs. According to the home page, the Tnm extensions supports the following protocols:

1. SNMP (SNMPv1, SNMPv2c, SNMPv2u including access to MIB definitions)
2. ICMP (echo, mask, timestamp and udp/icmp traceroute requests)
3. DNS (a, ptr, hinfo, mx and soa record lookups)
4. HTTP (server and client side)
5. SUN RPC (portmapper, mount, rstat, etherstat, pcnfs services)
6. NTP (version 3 mode 6 request)
7. UDP (send and receive UDP datagrams - no channels yet)

Tkined is a graphical network editor for the X-Windows system, based on Tcl/Tk (see Figure 21-4 on page 412). It provides a framework for an extensible network management platform, so you can run `tkined` either on Linux for S/390 and redirect the output to your local X-Server, or just run it on your local Linux workstation.
Installation and configuration

To install Scotty/Tkined you usually only have to install the scotty rpm package. If you don’t have the binary rpm, get the source from the Web page and do a install from source.

With tkined, you can easily draw your network maps using predefined objects (see Figure 21-5 on page 413); it’s almost as easy to use as any other vector-oriented drawing program. You would then change the properties of the different objects, like IP addresses and names, to correspond to your network nodes.
A set of tools is available under the Tools menu, including some which you can use to automatically discover your network, so that you don’t have to draw it all by yourself. These auto-generated maps then usually need some editing and customizing.

You have several IP and SNMP monitoring and troubleshooting tools available under the Tools menu, as follows:

- **IP Trouble**: Tools like ping, telnet, finger
- **IP Monitor**: IP-based monitors like cpu and disk activity
- **IP Layout**: Tools for designing network maps
- **IP Discover**: Port scanners and traceroutes to discover the network
- **SNMP Trouble**: Query SNMP variables from other hosts
- **SNMP Host**: Query SNMP system information from other hosts
- **SNMP Monitor**: SNMP-based monitors like ethernet load, tcp services
- **SNMP Browser**: Browse the MIB of other hosts
- **SNMP Tree**: Graphical presentation of the MIB tree

You use these tools by selecting them and applying them to your network object.
Figure 21-6 shows a network map from the temporary network we used during our testing, as an example of how it looks when you use several tools and monitors:

![Network Map](image)

*Figure 21-6  Scotty/Tkined sample network map*

All graphs in this figure depict one currently-running monitor process for the various hosts. You can set the refreshing intervals and alarms, and also create your own monitors. For basic setups, **tkined** is very easy to use—it took us only about 30 minutes to create this map. When creating larger network maps, it is useful to group the systems.

Refer to the Scotty/Tkined documentation for more detailed information about installation, customization and use.

### 21.3.3 Big Brother

Big Brother is a Web-based client-server monitoring tool which runs on many different platforms. You can obtain Big Brother as source code from:

[http://www.bb4.com](http://www.bb4.com)
Big Brother is free for personal use only; be sure to read the license information on the home page.

**Features**

Big Brother provides a consolidated view for multiple monitors for many different hosts on Web pages. The status of each system and service is presented in a matrix form, with colored and animated dots for each item (see Figure 21-7). You can view historical data online, create reports, and write additional plug-ins. Big Brother provides notification functions, such as automatic e-mail or SMS messages and more.

![Big Brother example from home page](image)

**Installation and configuration**

First you have to download the source from the Big Brother home page. We recommend that you run Big Brother under a separate user. In our example, therefore, we created a user bb with its own group bb and /home/bb as its home directory.
After that, logon as that user and extract the source files from the archive. The first extract step leaves you with a readme file (which you should read for the first install) and another tar archive, which you extract afterwards:

```
$ ls
bb-1.8a.tar.gz
$ tar -xzf bb-1.8a.tar.gz
$ ls
README.FIRST  bb-1.8a.tar.gz  bb18a.tar
$ tar -xf bb18a.tar
$ ls
README.FIRST  bb-1.8a.tar.gz  bb18a  bb18a.tar  bbvar
$ 
```

Change into the newly created directory bb18a. Here you will find several readme files for installation and configuration, which you should read (at least the installation manual) before starting the installation. Change into the directory install, su to root, and start the configuration script as shown in Example 21-4.

**Example 21-4  Big Brother installation**

```
$ cd bb18a
# cd install/
# su
Password:
# ./bbconfig
...
<- license information will be displayed
Do you agree to the terms of this license (y/n): y
...
Please enter your OS: [suse]:
---> OK, we'll try suse...

*** WARNING: Don't run BB as root ! ***
Executing BB as root is not recommended

Prevent the execution of BB as user 'root' (y/n) [y]:
---> OK... BB is NOT ALLOWED to run as root

BB will only start under a designated user id. The startup script will verify that the current user ID and the designated user ID are identical.
Note: This check is only performed during the startup script. It does not prevent the execution of other BB binaries/scripts
while working using another user ID. It only prevents you from starting BB while working another user ID.

What will be the user ID of BB [bb]:
---> BB will only run from user 'bb'
```
Making sure BBHOME </home/bb/bb18a> is writable...

----> OK, /home/bb/bb18a is fine...

Do you want to preserve the old style directory structure?
You may want to do so if you use BB extensions or externals that do not understand the new directory structure.
This option is *NOT* recommend as keeping the old directory around represents a security risk.

Old-style directory structure (y/n): [n]

When you set up your machines, you should use Fully Qualified Domain names, this means you use the whole name, like www.bb4.com, instead of just 'www'. This is recommended.

Use FQDN (y/n): [y]

---> Good, we'll use FQDN

Big Brother creates HTML pages with the status of your network.
You'll need a web server to publish this information.

What machine will be the BBDISPLAY [vmlinux1]: vmlinux1.itso.ibm.com

---> OK... vmlinux1.itso.ibm.com will be a BBDISPLAY

Big Brother sends important messages to a pager server. This machine will at a minimum to be able to send mail.

What machine will be the BBPAGER [vmlinux1.itso.ibm.com]:

---> OK... vmlinux1.itso.ibm.com will be a BBPAGER

Some questions regarding the current host (vmlinux1) will be asked.

Is this host a BBDISPLAY host (y/n): [y]

Is this host a BBPAGER host (y/n): [y]

Enter the default recipient: [root@localhost]

Since Big Brother produces results to be displayed on web pages, we need to know where to view these results.

Enter the base URL for BB [/bb]: /bb/www

---> OK... Big Brother will live under http://vmlinux1.itso.ibm.com/bb/www

Big Brother also uses CGI scripts to create dynamic output. What directory do these scripts live in?
Enter CGI directory [/home/www/httpd/cgi-bin]: /usr/local/httpd/cgi-bin
 ---> OK... CGI scripts will live at /usr/local/httpd/cgi-bin
Enter the base URL of the CGI scripts [/cgi-bin]:
 ---> OK... The base URL location of CGI scripts is in /cgi-bin

---------------------------------------------
---> UPDATING Makefile
---> UPDATING runbb.sh
---> UPDATING bbsys.local
---> CHECKING COMMAND PATHNAMES
*** Verifying pathnames to necessary commands...
*** All pathnames OK.
---> UPDATING bbdef.sh
---> UPDATING URL location
---> INSTALLING CGI scripts

BB needs to set the group name of the www/rep directory
to the group name of the web server by using its user name

Enter web server user id [nobody]: wwwrun

    You may override the group name determined by the previous step.

Enter group name [nogroup]:

---> SETTING WRITE PERMISSION FOR OWNER AND GROUP FOR www/rep
---> CHANGING THE GROUP ID OF www/rep
---> UPDATING pager scripts

---------------------------------------------

---> Done.

After the configuration, you need to compile and install the program:

    # cd ../src
    # make
    ...
    # make install

You need to customize the Big Brother host configuration file in /etc:

    # cd ../etc/
    # vi bb-hosts
Comment out all the predefined hosts and insert the hostnames and services you want to monitor. In our example configuration, we are monitoring Linux systems under VM and their HTTP and FTP servers, so we set the system vmlinux1 as the Big Brother display and network monitor server, as follows:

```
# cat bb-hosts
...
9.12.6.98  vmlinux1.itso.ibm.com # BB DISPLAY BBNET ftp smtp
   http://vmlinux1.itso.ibm.com/
```

You can check the config files with checkscripts that are located in the etc directory:

```
# ./bbchkcfg.sh
```

If any comments are displayed, please fix the entries in your configuration

*** Verifying pathnames to necessary commands...
*** All pathnames OK.

```
bbwarnsetup.cfg: /dev/cuaa0 is an invalid entry in the ttyline token
   This is a valid error only if this host is a BBPAGER host
```

```
# ./bbchkhosts.sh
```

If any comments are displayed, please fix the entries in your configuration

Note that some error messages for tags of external scripts

After that, go back to the bb home directory and change the ownership of the Big Brother directories to the bb user.

```
# cd ../..
# chown -R bb bb18a
# chown -R bb bbvar
```

Then you have to create a symbolic link in your Web server’s html document root, pointing to the Big Brother Web pages. In our case, we used Apache and placed the symbolic link into a separate directory to protect the access, as shown:

```
# cd /                      <- only because the commands are so long
...
# mkdir /usr/local/htdocs/bb
# ln -s /home/bb/bb18a/www /usr/local/htdocs/bb/www
```
You need to configure the Web server to follow symbolic links in the Big Brother directory. Since this is a security concern, we protected this directory by user ID and password. So in our case, we added the following directory statement in the Apache configuration file /etc/httpd/httpd.conf:

```bash
# section for Big Brother
<Directory /usr/local/httpd/htdocs/bb>
  AllowOverride AuthConfig
  Options FollowSymLinks
  AuthName "Big Brother"
  AuthType Basic
  AuthUserFile /etc/httpd/passwd
  require user bb
</Directory>
```

Then you need to create the password file (or add a entry) for the bb user with the `htpasswd` command:

```bash
# htpasswd -c /etc/httpd/passwd bb
New password:
Re-type new password:
Adding password for user bb
#
```

Now you can go back to the bb user and start Big Brother:

```bash
# exit
exit
$ cd ..
$ ./runbb.sh start
Starting the Big Brother System & Network monitor
  Starting Big Brother Daemon (bbd)...
  Starting Local tests (bb-local)...
  Starting Network tests (bb-network)...
  Starting Display process (bb-display)...

Big Brother 1.8a started
```

At this point, you should be able to login via your Web browser (see Figure 21-8 on page 421) as the bb user when you go to:

```
http://<yourhost>/bb/www
```
Figure 21-8   Big Brother Web login

After login, you should see a screen something like that shown in Figure 21-9, depending on your configuration:

Figure 21-9   Big Brother first page

As you can see, network services like ftp, http and smtp can be monitored without having a Big Brother client installed on the remote hosts. For the other data, we needed to deploy clients on the systems we want to monitor.
In our case, we created a client package for one of our hosts specified in bb-hosts, by using the **bbclient** command:

```
$ ./bbclient vmlinux2.itso.ibm.com
*** Adding standard things...
*** Creating tar file for Big Brother on vmlinux2.itso.ibm.com
...
$ cd ../..
$ ls
README.FIRST  bb-vmlinux2.itso.ibm.com.tar  bb18a.tar
bb-1.8a.tar.gz  bb18a  bbvar
```

You should add a bb user, in the same way as on the server, on the remote host where you want to install the client. After that, transfer the newly created archive to the bb user's home directory on the remote host as follows:

```
$ ftp vmlinux2
Connected to vmlinux2.itso.ibm.com.
...
ftp> put bb-vmlinux2.itso.ibm.com.tar
```

Login to the remote host as the bb user and untar the client archive:

```
$ ls
bb-vmlinux2.itso.ibm.com.tar
$ tar -xf bb-vmlinux2.itso.ibm.com.tar
```

Start the client the same way as the server, by running the **runbb.sh** script:

```
$ cd bb18a/
$ ./runbb.sh start
Starting the Big Brother System & Network monitor
Starting Local tests (bb-local)...
Big Brother 1.8a started
```

After a while you should see an updated display in the Big Brother browser window, as shown in Figure 21-10 on page 423.
Repeat these steps for every Big Brother client you want to deploy.

To automatically start Big Brother at system boot, you can put the following line in your start-up script:

```
su - bb -c "cd /home/bb/bb18a;./runbb.sh start"
```

Big Brother provides history views for the different monitors when you click on the symbols. You can also generate reports that show the average availability for your systems and services for a defined period of time. To get help on specific monitors, click the monitor name in the column header. For more information how to configure and set up monitors, refer to the Big Brother documentation.

### 21.3.4 Remstats

Remstats is a Web-based system monitoring program written by Thomas Erskine from the Communication Research Center in Canada. It gathers data from remote systems, stores it by using the RRDtool, and presents it in charts. With Remstats, you can monitor your systems and automatically issue alerts.
Remstats can be obtained from:

http://silverlock.dgim.crc.ca/remstats/release

You also need the rrdtool and the Time::HiRes Perl module, which are available from the same site.

The RRDtool is a system that you can use to store and display time-series data. It stores the data in a very compact way that will not expand over time, and it presents useful graphs by processing the data to enforce a certain data density. It can be used either via simple wrapper scripts (from shell or Perl), or via front-ends that poll network devices and put friendly-user interfaces on them. For more information, refer to:

http://people.ee.ethz.ch/~oetiker/webtools/rrdtool/

Features

Remstats has many different monitoring tools and alert functions. All together, Remstats is a system of programs to:

- Gather data from servers and routers
- Store and maintain the data for long periods
- Produce graphs and Web pages tying them together
- Monitor the data for anomalous behaviors and issue alerts

For an impression of what can be done with the Remstats tool, visit the home page where live data from many systems is provided; see Figure 21-11 on page 425.
Figure 21-11  Remstats home page with live data

Installation and configuration

After downloading Remstats and the RRDtool sources, you need to compile, install and configure the programs.

```bash
# ls
  ... Time-HiRes-01.19.tar.gz  remstats-0.13.1.tar.gz rrdtool-1.0.33.tar.gz
```

First you install the rrdtool and the Time::HiRes module, which is shown here in a small example:

```bash
# tar -xzf Time-HiRes-01.19.tar.gz
# cd Time-HiRes-01.19
# perl Makefile.PL
...
# make
...
# make install
...
# cd ..
# tar -xzf rrdtool-1.0.33.tar.gz
# cd rrdtool-1.0.33
# vi config/ltconfig
...
set the host variable to host=s390
...
# ./configure --prefix=/usr/local/rrdtool
...
# make
...
# make install

Now you can build Remstats itself. First create a user remstats with its own group remstats. Then extract the sources, and compile and install it:

# tar -xzf remstats-0.13.1.tar.gz
# cd remstats-0.13.1
# less INSTALL
...
You should read the installation manual for the first install.
...
# ./configure
...
# make all
...
# make install

Configure the setting:

> cd /var/remstats/etc/config-base/
vmunix1:/var/remstats/etc/config-base >

Edit the file named general (see Figure 21-5) to specify which monitors and collectors you want to run:

Example 21-5    Remstats configuration file general

```
vmunix1:/var/remstats/etc/config-base > cat general
# The data for a given host is stored under "DATADIR/$hostname/xxx.rrd"
datadir /var/remstats/data
# where to put the datapage scripts
datapagedir /var/remstats/etc/config/datapages
# How long before we count status as stale
staletime 1800
# How long a machine must be up before it stops being flagged as recently up
minuptime 86400
# Do we want uptime alerts? Trigger it if uptime is less than this (in seconds)
uptimealert 3600
```

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# Where are log-files stored (long-term records of alerts)
logdir /var/remstats/data/LOGS

# Some SNMP traps are boring (most of them). Ignore the ones which
# match this pattern
#trapignore FIXME

# How long to let a collector run before assuming that it's hung.
watchdogtimer 500

# Pre-collector ping pass
# pinger ping-collector
# Collectors to run
collectors ping port snmp-route log unix-status snmp

# Monitors to run
monitors ping alert

# Pagemakers to run
pagemakers graph-writer snmpif-setspeed datapage-interfaces
datapage-inventory view-writer

Edit the alerts file to insert the e-mail address of the recipient of alerts:

vmlinux1:/var/remstats/etc/config-base > cat alerts
# alerts - what to do for various levels of alert

# N.B. Only the first matched alert is triggered, so put the wild-cards
# for each level.
LAST

# level host realrrd var mintime interval prog adresses
# If interval is zero, you get only one alert, no repeats

warn    * MISC UPTIME 0 0 /var/remstats/bin/alert-email remstats@localhost
error   * * * 600 0 /var/remstats/bin/alert-email remstats@localhost
critical * * * 600 0 /var/remstats/bin/alert-email remstats@localhost

Set the variables in the file named html for Web access:

htmlurl         /remstats/www
# where is the logo for this site (a URL)
logourl         /remstats/www/IMAGES/logo.gif
# Where is the "home" for this site
homeurl         /remstats/www/quick-index.cgi
# Where should pages go back to for top
topurl          /remstats/www/quick-index.cgi
...

# Where is rrdcgi (part of rrdtool, but it could be installed anywhere)
rrdcgi          /usr/local/rrdtool/bin/rrdcgi
Change back to the /etc directory and create a file with the hosts you want to monitor. Then use the Remstats tools to create a configuration:

```
# cd ..
# su remstats
# vi vmlxhosts
...
vmlinux1.itso.ibm.com
vmlinux2.itso.ibm.com
vmlinux3.itso.ibm.com
vmlinux4.itso.ibm.com
vmlinux5.itso.ibm.com
vmlinux6.itso.ibm.com
...
remstats@vmlinux1:/var/remstats/etc > ../bin/new-config config
remstats@vmlinux1:/var/remstats/etc > ../bin/new-ping-hosts vmlxgroup
vmlxhosts
remstats@vmlinux1:/var/remstats/etc > crontab -e
...
  setup a cron job for Remstats
  0,5,10,15,20,25,30,35,40,45,50,55 * * * * /var/remstats/bin/run-remstats
...
crontab: installing new crontab
remstats@vmlinux1:/var/remstats/etc > exit
```

Create a directory with a symbolic link in your Web server’s document root directory to point to the Remstats html directory:

```
# mkdir /usr/local/httpd/htdocs/remstats
# ln -s /var/remstats/html /usr/local/httpd/htdocs/remstats/www
```

**Note:** Remstats requires that/cgi scripts be executed as the remstats user. You can accomplish that by configuring suEXEC or CGIWrapper for Apache, or by simply running a Web server under the remstats user ID (which is the method we chose).

Configure the Web server to run under the user remstats, then password-protect the Remstats page, and allow symbolic links and scripts, as follows:

```
# vi /etc/httpd/httpd.conf
...
User remstats
...
# section for Remstats
<Directory /usr/local/httpd/htdocs/remstats>
  AllowOverride AuthConfig
  Options FollowSymLinks ExecCGI
  AuthName "Remstats"
  AuthType Basic
```
AuthUserFile /etc/httpd/passwd
require user remstats
</Directory>

Add a entry for the remstats user in the Web server password file:

```bash
# htpasswd /etc/httpd/passwd remstats
New password:
Re-type new password:
Adding password for user remstats
```

Restart the Web server:

```bash
#/sbin/init.d/apache restart
Shutting down service httpd       done
Starting service httpd           done
```

To gather system information like load, cpu and memory usage, you have to install additional servers (daemons) on these systems; for example, you can use the snmp daemon and the corresponding Remstats collectors. Also, the `unix-status-server` that comes with Remstats can be installed on the remote systems to gather information.

Create a remstats user on the remote system where you want to install the `unix-status-server`. Then you have to add a port entry in `/etc/services`:

```bash
unix-status 1957/tcp  # remstats unix-status server
```

Next, add a entry (as a single line!) in `/etc/inetd.conf` to get it invoked by `inetd`:

```bash
unix-status stream tcp nowait remstats /var/remstats/bin/unix-status-server
```

On Red Hat systems where you use `xinetd`, create a new file called `unix-status` in `/etc/xinetd.d/`:

```bash
# cat /etc/xinetd.d/unix-status
service unix-status
{
   disable = no
   socket_type  = stream
   wait        = no
   protocol    = tcp
   user        = remstats
   server      = /var/remstats/bin/unix-status-server
}
```

After that, you need to have `inetd/xinetd` to reread the configuration:

```bash
kill -HUP <pid-of-inetd/xinetd>
```
At this point, the `unix-status-server` should be running and listening on port 1957. You can verify that by checking with the `netstat -a` command.

Add entries to the configuration on the Remstats server for the remote hosts to collect cpu and load data:

```
# cd /var/remstats/etc/config/hosts/
# cat vmlinux1.itso.ibm.com
# hosts/vmlinux1.itso.ibm.com
desc  vmlxgroup host
group vmlxgroup
ip  9.12.6.98
tools ping traceroute
rrd  ping
rrd  cpu
rrd  load
rrd  port-ssh
rrd  port-http
community public
```

You can now logon to the Remstats page with your browser and provide user ID and password to view the statistical data.

In our case, we were unable to get everything working correctly on the SuSE where we had to compile the `rrdtool` ourselves, because of problems with CGI scripts generated by `rrdcgi` (requiring more time for investigation than we had at this point).

We later tried Remstats on the ThinkBlue 64-bit distribution (where the `rrdtool` is included as a binary rpm package), and there the CGI scripts worked. However, the collectors worked and the data was correctly stored in RRD databases. Figure 21-12 on page 431 shows the quick index view:
This view was generated on the Think Blue system, where the CGI scripts worked correctly. Figure 21-13 on page 432 shows data for ping time, load, CPU, users and the response time of the http and ssh port.
21.3.5 Other remote network management tools

**BMC Patrol**
BMCs Patrol is an enterprise UNIX systems management product with many features. Patrol is now also available for Linux for S/390. For more information, visit:

[http://www.bmc.com/ega/preview/8.3.01A](http://www.bmc.com/ega/preview/8.3.01A)

**NetSaint**
NetSaint is a powerful network monitoring application with a Web-based interface. It provides many different functions:

- Monitoring of network services (SMTP, POP3, HTTP, NNTP, ping, etc.)
- Monitoring of host resources (processor load, disk usage, etc.)
- Simple plug-in interface to allow for user-developed service checks
- Contact notifications when problems occur and get resolved (via e-mail, pager, or user-defined method)
– Ability to define event handlers to be run during service or host events for proactive problem resolution, logging events to a database, etc.
– Web interface for viewing current status, log file, notifications, event history, and network layout
– Parallelized service checks
– Host dependencies
– Automatic log rotation
– Helpful documentation

Unfortunately, because of time constraints, we were unable to install NetSaint during this project. If you want to try NetSaint, you have to download, compile and install it.

NetSaint is available on the Web at:
   http://www.netsaint.org

Big Sister
Big Sister is a Web-based system monitoring program, very similar and even compatible to Big Brother (see 21.3.3, “Big Brother” on page 414). Big Sister is open source software and licensed under the GPL. To get more information on how to get and use it, visit the project home page:
   http://bigsister.graeff.com

Mon
Mon is a multipurpose Perl-based system monitoring tool. It provides a CG-based Web interface that allows you to configure different views for system status and supervise system services. To learn more about how to get and configure Mon, visit the project home page:
   http://www.kernel.org/pub/software/admin/mon/html

See 18.5.3, “The mon tool and test” on page 333 for a more extensive description of this tool.

MRTG
The Multi Router Traffic Grapher (MRTG) is a network interface monitor. It is based on SNMP and RRDtool, and provides a Web-based interface with graphs on the network interface usage of the monitored systems. Get more information from the project home page:
   http://people.ee.ethz.ch/~oetiker/webtools/mrtg
OpenNMS
OpenNMS is an open source project which implements an enterprise SNMP-based system management tool. It is written completely in Java, and provides lots of features that are comparable to commercial products.

http://www.opennms.org
Overview of security on Linux

Although an entire book could easily be devoted to the subject of security, in this chapter we provide only an overview of the basics of security on Linux.

And while you can obtain very powerful tools to increase your Linux system’s security, it’s important to keep in mind that you will not automatically arrive at a security solution that is 100% effective, regardless of the operating system and the software. Why? Because effective security is not achieved simply through the use of tools. Rather, it has to be carefully planned in advance by means of a thoughtful security policy. In this chapter we discuss tools and hints you can utilize to increase the security level of your system after you install Linux for zSeries and S/390.
22.1 Security basics

The security basics can be summarized as follows:

- Disable unneeded services
- Use Secure Shell for remote access
- Use shadow password utilities
- Use the Pluggable Authentication Module (PAM)
- Monitor security news and alerts
- Use hardening tools
- Integrate z/VM security

In the following sections, we describe these points in more detail.

22.1.1 Disable unneeded services

Many network requests are handled by either the Internet Daemon (inetd), or the Extended Internet Daemon (xinetd). The Red Hat system uses xinetd as its default Internet daemon. All other distributions use inetd.

The inetd daemon listens on several ports on the network and starts the program which handles the connection. It has its own configuration file, where all services served by inetd are listed. However, some services are not handled by inetd; instead, they run their own daemon and listen on their agreed-upon port (an example is a Web server).

We recommend that you check all services running on the system before you connect Linux to an insecure network. All services that are not used should be disabled.

The services activated by default will differ, depending on which distribution is used. Table 22-1 lists which services are activated, by default, by each distribution.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Service</th>
<th>SuSE</th>
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<th>Red Hat</th>
<th>Caiman</th>
<th>Served by</th>
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<tr>
<td>telnet</td>
<td>active</td>
<td>- *</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>active</td>
<td>inetd/xinetd</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ftp</td>
<td>active</td>
<td>- *</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>active</td>
<td>inetd/xinetd</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>smtp</td>
<td>active</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>active</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>daemon (**)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>time</td>
<td>active</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>inetd/xinetd</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>finger</td>
<td>active</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>inetd/xinetd</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>http</td>
<td>active</td>
<td>- *</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>daemon (**)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Inetd

Services can be easily deactivated by editing the file /etc/inetd.conf. To disable services in inetd, place a hash character (#) before each service you want to disable.

If you want to disable telnet, for example, change this line:

```
telnet stream tcp nowait root /usr/sbin/tcpd in.telnetd
```

to this:

```
#telnet stream tcp nowait root /usr/sbin/tcpd in.telnetd
```

After making any changes to the file /etc/inetd.conf, you then have to force inetd to reload this information. The most basic way to accomplish this is to determine the process ID (pid) of inetd via the `ps` command, and send it the hangup (HUP) signal via the `kill` command, as shown:

```
# ps aux | grep inetd
root  233  0.0  0.0  1188  516 ?        S    Jun05   0:00 /usr/sbin/inetd
root  8861 0.0  0.1  1364  528 pts/3    S    15:39   0:00 grep inetd
# kill -HUP 233
```

Several scripts in the distributions will do this for you, as shown in Table 22-2:

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<tr>
<td>pop-3</td>
<td>active</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>inetd/xinetd</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>login</td>
<td>active</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>inetd/xinetd</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>shell</td>
<td>active</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>inetd/xinetd</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>printer</td>
<td>active</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>daemon **</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>nfs</td>
<td>active</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>daemon **</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ssh</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>active</td>
<td>active</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>daemon **</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Notes:

* Activation setting asked during installation
** Runs as a daemon, starts/stops via a separate script

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Table 22-2  Reloading inetd configuration file after any changes

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Distribution</th>
<th>Command</th>
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<tr>
<td>SuSE</td>
<td>rcinetd reload</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Turbo</td>
<td>/etc/rc.d/init.d/inetd reload</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
You can use a similar procedure to manipulate `xinetd`. To disable a service in `/etc/xinetd.conf`, add a line with the `disabled=<service>` value for disabling the respective service.

However, on Red Hat-based systems, besides the file `/etc/xinetd.conf`, there is a directory named `/etc/xinetd.d/`. Under that directory, there is a configuration file for each service. In the appropriate file (`/etc/xinetd.d/<service>`), you have to add a line such as:

```
disable=yes
```

Example 22-1 provides an example of the `xinetd.conf` configuration files:

Example 22-1  `xinetd.conf` - Extended Internet daemon

```
# # xinetd.conf
#
# Copyright (c) 1998-99 SuSE GmbH Nuernberg, Germany.
#

defaults
{
  log_type        = FILE /var/log/xinetd.log
  log_on_success  = HOST EXIT DURATION
  log_on_failure = HOST ATTEMPT RECORD
  only_from       = localhost
  instances       = 2

  # The specification of an interface is interesting, if we are on a firewall.
  # For example, if you only want to provide services from an internal
  # network interface, you may specify your internal interfaces IP-Address.
  #
  # interface = 127.0.0.1
  #

  # If you want to enable one of the following services, you only have to
  # comment it out. After that, send SIGUSR1 to xinetd to force a
  # reload of it's configuration
  #

  # disabled= ftp
```
disabled = rstatd
# disabled= telnet
disabled= shell
# disabled= login
disabled= finger
disabled= pop3
disabled= comsat
disabled= ntalk
disabled= talk
disabled= discard
disabled= chargen
disabled= daytime
disabled= time
disabled= echo
disabled= daytime
disabled= time
disabled= smtp
disabled= ident

}

##
## Now the definitions of the different services
##
##

service telnet
{
    socket_type = stream
    protocol = tcp
    wait = no
    user = root
    server = /usr/sbin/in.telnetd
    server_args= -n
    # only_from = localhost
    no_access =
}
...

Send **xinetd** the hangup signal after any changes in the file `/etc/xinetd.conf`:

```
# ps aux | grep inetd
root  233  0.0  0.0  1188  516 ?    S   Jun05  0:00 /usr/sbin/xinetd
root  8861 0.0  0.1  1364  528 pts/3 S   15:39  0:00 grep xinetd
# kill -SIGUSR1 233
```
The insecurity of Telnet

Most TCP/IP network traffic is sent without any encryption. Every computer on a local area network (LAN) segment is able to read all TCP/IP packets coming through. Sensitive information like passwords can be easily sniffed and stored by a program.

The common way to connect to a remote machine is via telnet. Although the typed-in password is hidden on the screen during the login process, it is still transferred over the network in clear text. Example 22-2 shows the very insecure password of password being sniffed (some characters are doubled because of console echo):

Example 22-2  A sniffed telnet session

```
Welcome to SuSE Linux 7.0 (s390) - Kernel 2.2.16 (0).
You have new mail in /var/spool/mail/root.
Last login: Mon May 21 14:37:58 from 9.12.2.171
Have a lot of fun...
```

To avoid sending passwords over the network in clear text, several encryption methods can be used (TCP/IP version 6 (IPv6) is able to do encryption at the network layer, but this goes beyond the scope of this chapter).

22.1.2 Use Secure Shell for remote access

With Secure Shell (SSH), you can connect as telnet does, but the connection is encrypted. An SSH daemon must be running on the target host in order to be able to establish the connection.
SSH protects you from:
- IP spoofing
- DNS spoofing
- Interception of cleartext passwords

Authentication can be done in several ways:
- By password
- By key authentication
- Via host authentication
- Via Kerberos

**Password**
Authentication by password is the common way to login via SSH.

**Key authentication**
Using key authentication, you can connect to a remote host without using a password. But using no password is a security risk, because if someone obtains the private key, he will have access to the remote machine.

To avoid this scenario, you can protect your key with a *passphrase*. Users will then need both the key and the passphrase to connect to the remote machine.

**Generating and using SSH keys**
Before you can use the authentication method with keys, you have to generate the keys. The command `ssh-keygen` can be used by users to generate their SSH keys, or it can be used by the administrator to generate keys for the host.

```
$ ssh-keygen
Generating RSA keys:  Key generation complete.
Enter file in which to save the key (/home/tot12/.ssh/identity):
Created directory '/home/tot12/.ssh'.
Enter passphrase (empty for no passphrase):
Enter same passphrase again:
Your identification has been saved in /home/tot12/.ssh/identity.
Your public key has been saved in /home/tot12/.ssh/identity.pub.
The key fingerprint is:
a1:44:ec:33:7e:c5:89:aa:e8:e1:1a:dd:8e:e0:4a:7d tot12@vmlinux2
$ 
```

The key generation routine generates two files in the `.ssh/` directory of the user:

- `identity` The private key
- `identity.pub` The public key

You should ensure that the file identity is read/writeable only by the user.
The directory structure would then look as follows:

```
$ ls -la .ssh/
```

```
-rw------- 2 tot12 users 4096 Mai 21 09:14 .
drw-------- 30 tot12 users 16384 Mai 29 13:50 ..
-rw------- 1 tot12 users 524 Mai 21 09:14 identity
-rw-r--r-- 1 tot12 users 328 Mai 21 09:14 identity.pub
```

To connect to another host without the usual password authentication, the file identity.pub has to be attached to the file .ssh/authorized_keys in the home directory of the remote user.

The directory structure of the remote .ssh/ directory will be:

```
$ ls -la .ssh/
```

```
-rw-r--r-- 1 user13 users 328 Mai 22 10:00 authorized_keys
-rw------- 1 user13 users 524 Mai 15 19:04 identity
-rw------- 1 user13 users 328 Mai 15 19:04 identity.pub
```

You can attach your own public key file. The following command will attach a public key file to your own authorized_keys file:

```
$ cat identity.pub >> .ssh/authorized_keys
```

**Attention:** Give only your public key to other users!

The first time you establish a connection to a remote host, you will be prompted to accept the fingerprint of the host key of the remote machine. This ensures that the remote host identifies itself to you, so you can be sure that the host isn’t replaced by someone (known as a “man in the middle attack”).

The remote host fingerprint is stored in the file .ssh/known_hosts. If the host changes because a new system install was performed, you have to delete the line which includes the fingerprint of the host. Otherwise, ssh will refuse to connect to the host, as shown:

```
$ ssh vmlinux1
```

```
@ WARNING: REMOTE HOST IDENTIFICATION HAS CHANGED! @
IT IS POSSIBLE THAT SOMEONE IS DOING SOMETHING NASTY!
Someone could be eavesdropping on you right now (man-in-the-middle attack)!
It is also possible that the RSA host key has just been changed.
Please contact your system administrator.
Add correct host key in /home/tot12/.ssh/known_hosts to get rid of this message.
```
RSA host key for vmlinux1 has changed and you have requested strict checking.

The first time you connect to a remote host, the host's fingerprint will be saved for future connections and verification:

```
$ ssh vmlinux1
The authenticity of host 'vmlinux1' can't be established.
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no)? yes
Warning: Permanently added 'vmlinux1,9.12.6.98' (RSA) to the list of known hosts.
tot12@vmlinux1's password:
Have a lot of fun...
```

You can also connect to a different user on the remote host by using the `-l` parameter:

```
$ ssh -l poke vmlinux2
poke@vmlinux2's password:
Last login: Thu Jun 7 17:08:58 2001 from vmlinux1.itso.ibm.com
Have a lot of fun...
```

Example 22-3 shows the many options that `ssh` can take.

```
Example 22-3   ssh options

# ssh -h
Usage: ssh [options] host [command]
Options:
-1 user     Log in using this user name.
-n          Redirect input from /dev/null.
-A          Enable authentication agent forwarding.
-a          Disable authentication agent forwarding.
-X          Enable X11 connection forwarding.
-x          Disable X11 connection forwarding.
-t          Tty; allocate a tty even if command is given.
-T          Do not allocate a tty.
-v          Verbose; display verbose debugging messages.
             Multiple -v increases verbosity.
-V          Display version number only.
-P          Don't allocate a privileged port.
-q          Quiet; don't display any warning messages.
-f          Fork into background after authentication.
-e char     Set escape character; "none" = disable (default: ~).
-c cipher   Select encryption algorithm: "3des", "blowfish"
-p port     Connect to this port. Server must be on the same port.
-L listen-port:host:port Forward local port to remote address
-R listen-port:host:port Forward remote port to local address
             These cause ssh to listen for connections on a port, and
```
forward them to the other side by connecting to host:port.

- C          Enable compression.
- N          Do not execute a shell or command.
- g          Allow remote hosts to connect to forwarded ports.
- 4          Use IPv4 only.
- 6          Use IPv6 only.
- 2          Force protocol version 2.
- o 'option' Process the option as if it was read from a configuration file.

Use secure copy for copying files

It is common to use FTP to transfer files over the network. But with FTP, as with telnet, the password is transferred in clear text and can be sniffed by a attacker. Therefore we recommend that rather than using FTP, you use the secure copy command scp for file transfers, because the connection will be encrypted and you can take advantage of the other authentication methods.

The following example shows how to copy the file openssh.rpm from vmlinux2 to vmlinux1:

$ scp openssh.rpm vmlinux1:
  tot12@vmlinux1's password:
  openssh.rpm          100% |***************************| 1264 KB    00:01

This is an example of copying in the reverse direction, from the remote host vmlinux1 to the local machine:

$ scp vmlinux1:/tmp/openssh.rpm ./
  tot12@vmlinux1's password:
  openssh.rpm          100% |***************************| 1264 KB    00:01

To copy a whole directory recursively, use the -r flag:

$ scp -r * vmlinux1:/tmp/
  tot12@vmlinux1's password:
  openssh.rpm          100% |***************************| 1264 KB    00:01
  archiv.tar.gz         100% |***************************| 3874 KB    00:05
  ...

The connection is closed after the transfer has finished. Transfer with scp is somewhat slower than normal FTP, because of the encryption.
Secure login (slogin)
To execute a command or program on a remote machine, use the `slogin` command. The syntax is:

```
slogin <host> <command>
```

Following is an example of running the command `uptime` on the remote host `vmlinux1`:

```
$ slogin vmlinux1 uptime
tot12@vmlinux1's password:
8:28pm up 1 day, 23 min, 2 users, load average: 0.00, 0.07, 0.10
```

SSH daemon configuration
Now let's look at the major settings of the sshd daemon. For proper operation of the ssh connection, several settings can be changed in the ssh configuration file, as shown in Example 22-4.

```
Example 22-4  /etc/ssh/sshd_config - ssh daemon configuration file

# This is ssh server systemwide configuration file.

Port 22
#Protocol 2,1
ListenAddress 0.0.0.0
#ListenAddress ::
HostKey /etc/ssh/ssh_host_key
ServerKeyBits 768
LoginGraceTime 600
KeyRegenerationInterval 3600
This enables root login if set to yes: (should be no)
PermitRootLogin no
#
# Don't read `~/.rhosts` and `~/.shosts` files
IgnoreRhosts yes
# Uncomment if you don't trust `~/.ssh/known_hosts` for RhostsRSAAuthentication
#IgnoreUserKnownHosts yes
StrictModes yes
This enables you to run X-sessions over the encrypted connection
X11Forwarding yes
X11DisplayOffset 10
PrintMotd yes
KeepAlive yes
#
# Logging
SyslogFacility AUTH
LogLevel INFO
#obsoletes QuietMode and FascistLogging
```

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This enables remote host authentication: (should be no)
RhostsAuthentication no
#
# For this to work you will also need host keys in /etc/ssh/ssh_known_hosts
RhostsRSAAuthentication no
#

Enables the key authentication when set to yes:
RSAAuthentication yes
#
# To disable tunneled clear text passwords, change to no here!

Enables password authentication if set to yes (should be no if you only want key authentication, but turn RSAAuthentication!!):
PasswordAuthentication yes

Allows empty passwords if set to yes: (should be no)
PermitEmptyPasswords no
#
# Uncomment to disable s/key passwords
#SkeyAuthentication no
#KbdInteractiveAuthentication yes
#
# To change Kerberos options
#KerberosAuthentication no
#KerberosOrLocalPasswd yes
#AFSTokenPassing no
#KerberosTicketCleanup no
#
# Kerberos TGT Passing does only work with the AFS kaserver
#KerberosTgtPassing yes

CheckMail no
#UseLogin no

---

**Note:** We recommend you turn off root login.

---

**Differences between SSH protocol version 1 and version 2**

There are two protocol versions of SSH, which are SSH1 and SSH2.

SSH1 has the following attributes:

- It uses the RSA algorithm, which is patented until Sept 2000.
- It is well-tested, and free.
SSH2 has the following attributes

- It has been totally rewritten.
- It has improved privacy.
- It has a more restrictive license than SSH1; it is free for non-commercial use only.

**SSH client/server sources**

There are quite a few sources of SSH. All of the distributions include OpenSSH, which is on the Web at:

http://www.openssh.org

If you are using a Windows client, there are also quite a few SSH clients:

TeraTerm Pro is on the Web at:

http://hp.vector.co.jp/authors/V802416/teraterm.html

Putty is on the Web at:

http://www.chiark.greenend.org.uk/~sgtatham/putty

SSH-win32 is on the Web at:

http://guardian.htu.tuwien.ac.at/therapy/ssh

### 22.1.3 Use shadow password utilities

Passwords and information about users are usually stored in the file /etc/passwd. Although the password is stored in an encrypted format, with some tools it's possible to *crack* the password if you have read access to this file.

The shadow password utility stores the encrypted password in the file /etc/shadow, separated from /etc/passwd, because some applications have to read the user/group id of users, so /etc/passwd must be readable to all.

The access privileges to /etc/passwd are:

```
$ ls -l /etc/passwd
-rw-r--r--  1 root  root    3534 Jun  6 09:52 /etc/passwd
```

The access privileges to /etc/shadow do not allow world read, and only allow group read to members of the shadow group:

```
$ ls -l /etc/shadow
-rw-r-----  1 root  shadow    2083 Jun  7 10:02 /etc/shadow
```
Therefore, a normal user cannot read the shadow password file, as shown:

```
$ head -1 /etc/passwd
root:x:0:0:root:/root:/bin/bash
$ head -1 /etc/shadow
head: /etc/shadow: Permission denied
```

To avoid this, you should use shadow password utilities instead of normal password files. With this utility, the file /etc/passwd does not contain the encrypted password from the user, but it does contain all other necessary information, such as the user’s user/group id, shell, and so on. The encrypted passwords are stored in the file /etc/shadow, which is only readable to the user root. The /etc/passwd file has an entry with the following format:

```
username:password:UID:GID:name:home_directory:shell
```

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Attribute</th>
<th>Login</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>username</td>
<td>The character login name of the user</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Password</td>
<td>Password (‘x, if shadow password is used)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UID</td>
<td>The integer user ID</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>GID</td>
<td>The integer group ID</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Home directory</td>
<td>Full path to home directory</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Default shell</td>
<td>The executable shell</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Now we log in as root and observe the root entry in the shadow password file, /etc/shadow. The letter x in the second field of the /etc/passwd file informs the system that the root password information is stored in the shadow password file:

```
# head -1 /etc/passwd
root:x:0:0:root:/root:/bin/bash
# head -1 /etc/shadow
root:U2TpkoRQ7dlo:11446:0:10000:....
```

The /etc/shadow file has many more attributes than /etc/passwd:

```
username:password:last:may:must:warn:expire:disable:reserved
```
Table 22-4 lists and describes these attributes:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Attribute</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>username</td>
<td>User name (login)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>password</td>
<td>Encoded password</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>last</td>
<td>Days since Jan 1, 1970 password was last changed</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>may</td>
<td>Days before password may be changed</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>must</td>
<td>Days after which password must be changed</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>warn</td>
<td>Days before password is to expire that user is warned</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>expire</td>
<td>Days after password expires that account is disabled</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>disable</td>
<td>Days since Jan 1, 1970 that account is disabled</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>reserved</td>
<td>Reserved for future use</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The first two characters of the encrypted password are the SALT value. Following are shadow utility commands:

- **useradd**: Adds a user to the system; can only be run by root.
- **userdel**: Deletes a user from system; can only be run by root.
- **usermod**: Shows/modifies user related data like name, UID and so on; can only be run by root.
- **passwd**: Changes the password of a user; if run by root, it can change the password of any user.
- **chage**: Changes the user password expiry information; can only be run by root.

Following are examples of tasks that can be accomplished via the shadow password utilities.

- To set the validity of a user ID for a short period of time, add the `-e` flag to the **useradd** command:

  ```
  # useradd -m -e 2001-06-15 user23
  ``

  The account will become invalid on June 15, 2001.

- To force the user to change his password regularly, add the `-M` flag to the **chage** command:

  ```
  # chage -M 7 user23
  ``

  The user will have to change his password every 7 days (of course, he will only be able to change it once, because after that it will be expired).
Use a password generator to avoid weak passwords:

```
# head --bytes=16 /dev/urandom | md5sum
230c41cefe3ac5c664512be3d52c5 -
```

Note, however, that overly complex passwords are often written down, which adds a new security exposure.

Force the user to change his password on the first login by adding the `-m` flag to the `useradd` command:

```
# useradd -m user23
# passwd user23
... 
# chage -m 0 -M 99999 -d 0 user23
```

In the preceding example, we added user23 to the system and changed set the password. We then changed the age at which he has to change the password on his first login. The initial password can be used for the first login, but then it must be reset; see the `chage` man page for details.

When the user logs into the system, he will be prompted to use a new password, as follows:

```
$ ssh vmlinux2 -l user23
The authenticity of host 'vmlinux2 (9.12.6.99)' can't be established.
```

```
```

```
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no)? yes
```

```
Warning: Permanently added 'vmlinux2,9.12.6.99' to list of known hosts.
```

```
user23@vmlinux2's password: <--- assigned password
```

```
Password changing requested. Choose a new password.
Warning: Password has expired, please change it now <--- user must change
```

... 

### 22.1.4 Use the Pluggable Authentication Module (PAM)

The traditional way to authenticate users is by password; see Figure 22-1. Many programs write their own authentication code. Sometimes the code is well-written, and sometimes it is not. But whenever authentication code exists in many programs, it is duplicated. If you want to use another authentication method, you have to recompile each program.

![Traditional password authentication](Figure 22-1)

Figure 22-1 Traditional password authentication
In contrast, however, if the program is compiled with the Pluggable Authentication Module (PAM) support, you can switch between several authentication methods without having to recompile each program. This uses the power of Linux’s share libraries.

The advantages of using PAM lie in its transparent authentication method. In a heterogeneous network, for example, the system administrator wants to authenticate the users against a NT box, or a NIS service. If there is a PAM module for such authentication, the administrator can perform the authentication easily, without having to maintain several different databases where users are listed for different systems—one authentication method can be used for different systems. And the authentication can be done with a magnetic card, retina scan, or whatever.

Figure 22-2 illustrates a PAM authentication block; PAM is installed by default on all distributions.

![Figure 22-2   PAM authentication block diagram](image)

**Configuring PAM**

The services are listed in the directory /etc/pam.d/. Each service has its own configuration file, which means that every service listed in the directory can have different security policies; see Example 22-5 on page 452.
Example 22-5  /etc/pam.d/login

```bash
#%PAM-1.0

#type  control  module-path  module-arguments
auth  requisite  /lib/security/pam_unix.so  nullok #set_sec_rpc
auth  required  /lib/security/pam_securetty.so
auth  required  /lib/security/pam_nologin.so
auth  required  /lib/security/pam_homecheck.so
auth  required  /lib/security/pam_env.so
auth  required  /lib/security/pam_mail.so
account required  /lib/security/pam_unix.so
password required  /lib/security/pam_pwcheck.so  nullok
password required  /lib/security/pam_unix.so  nullok use_first_pass use_authtok
session required  /lib/security/pam_unix.so
session required  /lib/security/pam_limits.so
```

The configuration file contains four columns, which are type, control, module-path, and module-arguments:

- **type**: Tells PAM what type of authentication is used for the module; can be one of the following values:
  - **auth**: Checks user ID and password.
  - **account**: Determines if the user has access to the service.
  - **password**: What to do if the user changes his authentication (password).
  - **session**: What to do after/before successful authentication.

- **control**: Tells PAM what to do if the authentication by the module fails; can be one of the following values:
  - **requisite**: If authentication with this module fails, the authentication will be denied.
  - **required**: If authentication fails, PAM still calls the other modules before denying authentication.
  - **sufficient**: If authentication is successful, PAM grants authentication even if a previous module failed.
  - **optional**: Whether the module succeeds or fails is only significant if it is the only module of its type for this service.

- **module-path**: The path to the PAM module.
- **module-arguments**: The arguments for the PAM module.
Following are examples using the PAM-module `pam_unix`. This module can be used in the following management groups (with examples):

- **auth**
  ```
  auth requisite /lib/security/pam_unix.sonullok
  ```
  The module gets the user ID and password. You should disable the NULL password by removing the `nulllok` argument.

- **account**
  ```
  account required /lib/security/pam_unix.so
  ```
  The module gets information such as password expire, last_change, and so on from `/etc/shadow`.

- **password**
  ```
  password required /lib/security/pam_unix.sonullok use_first_pass
  ```
  This is used for updating/changing passwords. You should disable the `nulllok` argument so it will not allow NULL passwords.

- **session**
  ```
  session required /lib/security/pam_unix.so
  ```
  This logs the username to the syslog.

Table 22-5 lists which module comes with each distribution, and also provides a brief description of each module.

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<th>Module</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>SuSE</th>
<th>Turbo</th>
<th>Red Hat</th>
<th>Caiman</th>
<th>Think Blue</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>pam_access</td>
<td>Provides logdaemon-style login access control</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_chroot</td>
<td>Puts user into chroot environment</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_console</td>
<td>Gives users access at the physical console</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_cracklib</td>
<td>Checks strength for passwords</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_deny</td>
<td>Denies everything</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_env</td>
<td>Allows you to set/unset environment variables</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
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<tr>
<td>pam_filter</td>
<td>Applies filter rules to input/output stream</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_ftp</td>
<td>Provides anonymous ftp</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_group</td>
<td>Provides group settings</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_issue</td>
<td>Displays the issue file /etc/issue</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_krb5</td>
<td>Performs Kerberos verification</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_krb5afs</td>
<td>Kerberos</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_lastlog</td>
<td>Writes last login into /var/log/lastlog</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_ldap</td>
<td>Authentication with LDAP</td>
<td>*</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_limits</td>
<td>Sets some system limits to the user</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_listfile</td>
<td>Deny or allow services based on an arbitrary file</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_localuser</td>
<td>User must be listed in /etc/passwd</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_mail</td>
<td>Indicates if user has mail</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_mkhomeedir</td>
<td>Creates home directory on the fly</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_motd</td>
<td>Displays the motd file /etc/motd</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_nologin</td>
<td>Prevent from login if file /etc/nologin exists</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_permit</td>
<td>Permits without confirmation</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_pwdb</td>
<td>Give status of user account</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_rhosts_auth</td>
<td>Authenticate via rhosts</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Module</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_rootok</td>
<td>Root access to a service without a password</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_securety</td>
<td>Checks in file /etc/securetty if the TTY is valid for login</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_shells</td>
<td>Checks in file /etc/shells if shell is valid</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_stack</td>
<td>Propagates login and password to underlaying module</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_stress</td>
<td>Stress test applications</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_tally</td>
<td>Counts login attempts and can deny access</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_time</td>
<td>Gives users restricted permissions depending on time and date to login</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_userdb</td>
<td>Checks username/password against Berkeley DB</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_unix</td>
<td>Checks passwords and more</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_warn</td>
<td>Logs information about a proposed authentication to update a password</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_wheel</td>
<td>Root access if user is member of the group wheel</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_xauth</td>
<td>Forwards xauth keys</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_homecheck</td>
<td>Checks if homedirectory of user exists</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>-</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pam_radius</td>
<td>Authenticate via radius</td>
<td>yes</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
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</tbody>
</table>
The file /etc/pam.d/others is for all unknown services that are not handled by a pam configuration file. You can edit the file to make the default policy stronger, but be careful with the module pam_deny, because it denies every attempt to login, even the user ID and the password suits.

For further information about the modules and their arguments, consult the PAM HOWTO file.

22.1.5 Monitor security news and alerts

Software on your system might have bugs or vulnerabilities that are not known at a certain point in time. When such vulnerabilities are discovered, it is important that they be fixed as soon as possible, because they can quickly be exploited by crackers.

Many Web sites exist where you can check for the latest news on vulnerabilities in software you plan to use, or are currently using; following are useful security-related sites:

http://securitytracker.com
http://www.securityportal.com
http://www.securitysearch.net
http://www.securityfocus.com
http://www.lwn.net

Monitor your own log files

It's important for you to know where your log files are being written, so you can monitor them. For example, nearly all applications write to log files in the directory /var/log/. By default, warning messages are sent to the file /var/log/warn, and all other messages are written to the file /var/log/messages.

However, many applications write to other directories and this may vary by distribution. For example, Samba typically writes log files to the directory /var/log/samba.
22.1.6 Use hardening tools

The kernel itself is able to handle incoming and outgoing network traffic in several ways. For each TCP or UDP packet, you can specify what to do with it—and although a discussion of how to set up a complete firewall is outside the scope of this redbook—we want to give an overview of how the utilities can be used.

**IPchains**

IPchains is used to set up, maintain, and inspect the IP firewall rules in the Linux kernel. Following are some of the basic IPchains commands:

- `ipchains -L` List all chains and the applied rules
- `ipchains -A <chain> <rule>` Add <rule> to chain named <chain>
- `ipchains -D <chain> <rule-number>` Delete <rule-number> in chain named <chain>
- `ipchains -P <chain> <policy>` Set default policy for chain named <chain> to <policy>

IPchains is used not only to act as a firewall between several networks, it can also be used to restrict network access to your machine. For example, if you want to give only dedicated hosts access to services such as http, use the following command:

```
# ipchains -A input -p tcp -s vmlinux1.itso.ibm.com/32 -d vmlinux2.itso.ibm.com/32 80
# ipchains -L
```

Chain input (policy DENY):
```
target     prot opt     source                destination           ports
```

Chain forward (policy DENY):
Chain output (policy ACCEPT):

**Note:** Take care with your configuration, because it’s possible to cut yourself off the host with an ipchains rule! If this happens, networking will effectively be down and you’ll only be able to get to the host to fix the problem via the local console under VM or the HMC.

If you want to use ip-forwarding in order to use ipchains with several networking devices, you have to enable it in the kernel. (We recommend you only enable ip-forwarding if you use ipchains to control network traffic and access, especially if you have more than one networking device.)

```
$ echo 1 > /proc/sys/net/ipv4/ip_forward
```

IPTables is the replacement for IPchains in the 2.4 kernel, but is not discussed further in this redbook.
Tripwire

If attackers manage to infiltrate a system, it is possible that they could install *trapdoors* or other utilities for sniffing passwords. This may not only be difficult to detect in your system, but it may also be difficult to determine *how* your system has been compromised.

One safe approach is to totally reinstall the operating system, but again, you may not even know your system is compromised. Because of this exposure, tools like *tripwire* have been developed to maintain an overview of all files and their modification in the system.

Tripwire is able to detect the following file/directory modifications:

- Added files/directories
- Deleted files/directories
- Changed files/directories

The latest version of Tripwire is available on the Web at:

```
http://www.tripwire.org
```

In the SuSE distribution that comes with Tripwire version 1.2, the files are installed in directory `/var/adm/tripwire/`. However, it is not installed with all installations. If you don't have tripwire installed, look for the rpm on CD1 under the sec directory, as shown:

```
# file /suse/cd1/suse/sec1/tripwire.rpm
/suse/cd1/suse/sec1/tripwire.rpm: RPM v3 bin tripwire-1.2-262
```

The `tw.config` file is an important configuration file. In it, you add all directories and files that you want tripwire to monitor. You can also exclude files from a directory; as follows:

```
#
# Tripwire config-file
#
/ R
!/proc
!/var
!/root
!/root/bin
!/dev
!/tmp
!/etc/mtab
!/etc/ntp.drift
!/etc/ld.so.cache
!/etc/snmpd.agentinfo
!/etc/ssh_random_seed
!/etc/mail/sendmail.st
```
Port scanning detection

An attacker can figure out what services are running on the target host by scanning a server's ports. That's why we recommend that you disable unnecessary services, because the fewer “doors” on your system, the harder it is for a cracker to get in.

*nmap*

Most port scanners can guess the operating system, and the attacker could have information about vulnerable services on the host. Some tools are able to recognize if a host is scanned by port scanners. Example 22-6 shows a host being scanned with the *nmap* tool.

*Example 22-6  Scanning a host with nmap*

```bash
# nmap -O vmlinux2
```

Starting nmap V. 2.53 by fyodor@insecure.org (www.insecure.org/nmap/)
(The 1506 ports scanned but not shown below are in state: closed)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Port</th>
<th>State</th>
<th>Service</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>21/tcp</td>
<td>open</td>
<td>ftp</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>22/tcp</td>
<td>open</td>
<td>ssh</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>23/tcp</td>
<td>open</td>
<td>telnet</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>25/tcp</td>
<td>open</td>
<td>smtp</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>37/tcp</td>
<td>open</td>
<td>time</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>79/tcp</td>
<td>open</td>
<td>finger</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>80/tcp</td>
<td>open</td>
<td>http</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>110/tcp</td>
<td>open</td>
<td>pop-3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>111/tcp</td>
<td>open</td>
<td>sunrpc</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>513/tcp</td>
<td>open</td>
<td>login</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>514/tcp</td>
<td>open</td>
<td>shell</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>515/tcp</td>
<td>open</td>
<td>printer</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>789/tcp</td>
<td>open</td>
<td>unknown</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>901/tcp</td>
<td>open</td>
<td>samba-swat</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1507/tcp</td>
<td>open</td>
<td>symplex</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1533/tcp</td>
<td>open</td>
<td>virtual-places</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2049/tcp</td>
<td>open</td>
<td>nfs</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

TCP Sequence Prediction: Class=random positive increments
 Difficulty=5525585 (Good luck!)
Remote operating system guess: Linux 2.1.122 - 2.2.14

Nmap run completed -- 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 1 second
vmlinux1:~ #
**scanlog**

The *scanlog* daemon can be used to recognize a scan if hosts request more than a specific amount of ports per second. In this example, we have scanlog running and the scan is detected and written to the file /var/log/messages:

```
# grep scanlogd /var/log/messages
```

### 22.1.7 Integrate VM and z/VM security

In this section we describe the security available in VM and z/VM. VM guest security can be used in addition to Linux security.

Operating system failures that occur in virtual machines do not normally affect the VM operating system running on the real processor. If the error is isolated to a virtual machine, only that virtual machine fails, and the user can re-IPL without affecting the testing and production work running in other virtual machines.

The Control Program (CP) common to VM and z/VM has integrity such that programs running in a virtual machine are unable to do the following:

- Circumvent or disable the CP real or auxiliary storage protection.
- Access a resource protected by RACF (resources protected by RACF include virtual machines, minidisks, and terminals)
- Access a CP password-protected resource
- Obtain control in a real supervisor state, or with a privilege class authority or directory capabilities greater than those it was assigned
- Circumvent the system integrity of any guest operating system that itself has system integrity as the result of an operation by any VM CP facility

Following are more detailed explanations of these terms:

**Real storage protection** Refers to the isolation of one virtual machine from another. CP accomplishes this by hardware dynamic address translation, start interpretive-execution guest storage extent limitation, and the Set Address Limit facility.

**Auxiliary storage protection**

Refers to the disk extent isolation implemented for minidisks/virtual disks through channel program translation.
Password-protected resource
Refers to a resource protected by CP logon passwords and minidisk passwords.

Guest operating system
Refers to a CP (such as Linux for S/390 and zSeries) that operates under the CP.

Directory capabilities
Refers to those directory options that control functions intended to be restricted by specific assignment, such as those that permit system integrity controls to be bypassed, or those not intended to be generally granted to users.

VM includes several facilities to enhance or improve the security and integrity of the system:

- Each guest and CMS user runs in a unique virtual machine definition which, in combination with hardware features, prohibits one user from accessing another's data in storage (unless specifically allowed through shared segments, communication vehicles such as IUCV and APPC/VM, or ESA/XC data sharing services).
- VM, in combination with hardware features, provides protection against channel programs accessing another user's virtual addresses.
- A password facility provides minidisk security to control both read-only and read-write access.
- Both user ID and password checking are provided to minimize unauthorized system access.
- User class restructure provides customers with the ability to control access to commands and DIAGNOSE codes more precisely through customer-defined classes.
- Journaling is supported on VM. In addition, RACF provides customers with many of these facilities, as well as other security capabilities.

In addition to these features for VM, z/VM offers the following function:

Directory control statements and system configuration file statements provide controls for certain POSIX-related functions, such as the ability to change another virtual machine's POSIX security values.

The TCP/IP Feature for z/VM offers:
- Kerberos authentication service
- Secure Socket Layer (SSL) support
RACF under z/VM

The Resource Access Control Facility (RACF) licensed program is a strategic security facility that provides comprehensive security capabilities. RACF controls user access to the system, checks authorization for use of system resources, and audits the use of system resources.

In the z/VM environment, RACF verifies logon passwords and checks access to minidisks, data in spool files, and RSCS nodes. You can use RACF commands to audit security-relevant events and prevent users from entering the CP DIAL and MSG commands before they log on.

The events you can audit include:

- Any CP command or DIAGNOSE code (including privileged commands and DIAGNOSE codes)
- Creating, opening, and deleting spool files
- Dumping and loading spool files through the SPXTAPE and SPTAPE commands
- IUCV CONNECT and SEVER operations, and certain VMCF functions
- APPC/VM CONNECT and SEVER operations
- Creating and deleting logical devices
In this chapter we discuss the following primary topics related to backing up and restoring data under Linux for zSeries and S/390:

- Backup of entire Linux images under VM using DDR
  This allows you to back up all of the VM minidisks that comprise a Linux system (we recommend that you shut the system down during the backup process).

- Tape support under Linux for zSeries and S/390
  This allows you to perform backups from the Linux guest directly to tape. However, because Linux for zSeries is "young", it has taken some time for a tape driver to be made available. For this reason, the generally available distributions do not currently include tape support (although it's anticipated they will soon). Because tape support is not standard, we describe how to rebuild the Linux kernel and include tape support.

- Disaster backup and restore
  This allows you to create contingencies to handle a disaster where an entire system is wiped out due to fire, flood, a malicious cracker, or other unexpected causes.

- Incremental backup
  This allows you to handle situations where individual files or directories are lost and need to be restored quickly (which is often due to users accidentally deleting data, or to poorly-written applications deleting data).
23.1 Linux image backup and restore under VM

VM and z/VM provide a useful facility called DASD Dump Restore (DDR) which, although having other capabilities, can also be used to back up a Linux guest. In the following section, we examine this capability of DDR as it relates to disaster recovery.

23.1.1 Backing up a Linux guest using DDR

A restorable image of an entire Linux for zSeries and S/390 system can be made using DDR by following these basic steps:

1. Create a simple REXX script to run DDR.
2. Run your DDR script with the appropriate responses to back up your Linux guest.
3. Run your DDR script with the appropriate responses to restore your Linux guest.

Use of DDR requires read access to your source device, write access to your destination device, and an attached tape drive. You may need to coordinate with your system administration staff for such capability.

Bring down your Linux guest

To use DDR, your Linux system should be offline. You can bring it offline by using the command `shutdown -h now`, while logged in as root on Linux. Then log on to VM from a 3270 session, and use the command `CP IPL CMS` to bring up CMS.

Creating the REXXX EXEC

You can create a file on VM, which in our example we named RUNDDR EXEC, similar to the following:

```bash
/* */
'CLOSE RDR'
'PURGE RDR ALL'
'SPOOL PUN **'
'PUNCH IPL DDRXA S (NOHEADER'
'SPOOL RDR HOLD CLASS **'
'IPL C'
```

This exec puts the standalone DDRXA program in your VM reader, and then IPLs that system from the reader.
Running DDR to back up a Linux guest

You execute the RUNDDR EXEC by entering the command `RUNDDR`. Respond to each of the DDR ENTER: prompts with the responses:

1. **SYSPRINT CONS**  (sends system messages to the console)
2. **IN 201 3390**  (201 is the source DASD, which is the entire root file system)
3. **OUT B38 TAPE**  (B38 is the physical address of the tape drive)
4. **DUMP ALL**  (source cylinders could also be specified, such as COPY 0 3338)

To get out of DDR, just press ENTER at the ENTER: prompt. The output of the DDR process should be similar to that shown in Example 23-1:

```
Example 23-1 Running DDR to back up a Linux guest

Ready; T=0.01/0.01 15:09:47
runddr
00000001 FILE PURGED
RDR FILE 0016 SENT FROM VMLINUX3 PUN WAS 0016 RECS 1298 CPY 001 A NOHOLD
NOKEEP
z/VM DASD DUMP/RESTORE PROGRAM
ENTER CARD READER ADDRESS OR CONTROL STATEMENTS
ENTER: SYSPRINT CONS
ENTER: IN 201 3390
ENTER: OUT b38 TAPE
ENTER: DUMP ALL
HCPDDR711D VOLID READ IS LNX201
DO YOU WISH TO CONTINUE? RESPOND YES, NO OR REREAD: YES
DUMPING LNX201
DUMPING DATA 06/06/01 AT 19.11.14 GMT FROM LNX201
INPUT CYLINDER EXTENTS OUTPUT CYLINDER EXTENTS
START STOP START STOP
END OF VOLUME CYL 00000803 HD 11, MOUNT NEXT TAPE
00000000 00000803 00000000 00000803
15:14:44 HCPERP2233I TAPE 0B38 NOT READY, CP-OPERATOR NOTIFIED
END OF VOLUME CYL 00001579 HD 14, MOUNT NEXT TAPE
00000803 00001579 00000803 00001579
15:21:03 HCPERP2233I TAPE 0B38 NOT READY, CP-OPERATOR NOTIFIED
END OF VOLUME CYL 00002353 HD 13, MOUNT NEXT TAPE
00001579 00002353 00001579 00002353
15:24:41 HCPERP2233I TAPE 0B38 NOT READY, CP-OPERATOR NOTIFIED
00002353 00002599 00002353 00002599
END OF DUMP
ENTER:
```

Running DDR to restore a Linux guest

Again, execute RUNDDR. Respond to each of the four DDR ENTER: prompts by using the responses from the following list:
1. **SYSPRINT CONS** (send system messages to the console)
2. **IN B38 TAPE** (B38 is the source tape drive)
3. **OUT 202 3390** (202 is the destination minidisk to contain the root file system).
4. **RESTORE ALL** (a destination start and stop cylinder could also be specified, such as RESTORE 0 3338)

The entire DDR restore process should resemble the screen shown in Example 23-2:

**Example 23-2  Running DDR to restore a Linux guest**

```
runaddr
Ready; T=0.01/0.01 15:53:43
0000001 FILE  PURGED
RDR FILE 0019 SENT FROM VMLINUX3 PUN WAS 0019 RECS 1298 CPY 001 A NOHOLD
NOKEEP
z/VM DASD DUMP/RESTORE PROGRAM
ENTER CARD READER ADDRESS OR CONTROL STATEMENTS
ENTER: SYSPRINT CONS
ENTER: IN B38 TAPE
ENTER: OUT 202 3390
ENTER: RESTORE ALL
HCPDDR717D DATA DUMPED FROM LNX201 TO BE RESTORED
DO YOU WISH TO CONTINUE?  RESPOND YES, NO OR REREAD: YES
HCPDDR711D VOLID READ IS LNX201
DO YOU WISH TO CONTINUE?  RESPOND YES, NO OR REREAD: YES
RESTORING LNX201
DATA DUMPED 06/06/01 AT 19.11.14 GMT FROM LNX201 RESTORED TO LNX201
INPUT CYLINDER EXTENTS     OUTPUT CYLINDER EXTENTS
  START       STOP       START       STOP
END OF VOLUME CYL 00000803 HD 11, MOUNT NEXT TAPE
5:58:56 HCPERP2233I TAPE 0838 NOT READY, CP-OPERATOR NOTIFIED
END OF VOLUME CYL 00001579 HD 14, MOUNT NEXT TAPE
16:04:14 HCPERP2233I TAPE 0838 NOT READY, CP-OPERATOR NOTIFIED
END OF VOLUME CYL 00002353 HD 13, MOUNT NEXT TAPE
16:09:17 HCPERP2233I TAPE 0838 NOT READY, CP-OPERATOR NOTIFIED
00000000 00002599 00000000 00002599
END OF RESTORE
ENTER:
```

We chose to restore the Linux guest to the 202 minidisk so as to preserve the system on 201. We could then IPL the restored Linux system via the command **CP IPL 202**. If your Linux system exists on multiple minidisks, you would simply back up and restore them in sets.
23.2 Tape support under Linux for zSeries and S/390

The use of S/390 and zSeries tape hardware is still in the early stages of development and therefore is not currently integrated into any GA Linux distributions. The Version 6.5 “beta” of Turbolinux does include the tape driver, but the /dev files are not included and must be created as documented in this section.

Documentation for the tape driver was found in the 2.2 kernel document LINUX for S/390 Device Drivers and Installation. It is on the Web at:


At the start of this document is the warning:

“This driver is considered to be BETA. Do NOT use it in production environments. Feel free to test it and report problems back to us.”

Despite the warning, we proceeded; we recompiled the kernel to include tape support, and observed no instabilities with the current development beta driver off the IBM developerWorks Web site. In the following section we document the steps taken to add tape support into Linux for zSeries and S/390.

Note: Tape hardware is not currently supported under VIF because there is no means to define a tape device to any of the Linux guests.

23.2.1 Download kernel source, kernel patch, and lcs module

In order to rebuild your kernel, you must get the vanilla Linux kernel, the kernel patches, and the network device driver to the corresponding kernel. The vanilla kernel can be obtained from kernel.org. We downloaded the 2.2.19 kernel from the following URL:

http://www.kernel.org/pub/linux/kernel/v2.2/linux-2.2.19.tar.gz

To add tape support, you must get the driver from developerworks. We downloaded the tape driver from the following URL:


There we found the experimental patch for linux kernel version 2.2.19 with the tarball named linux-2.2.19-s390.tar.gz, dated 2001-04-18. It contained the following release notes:

This patch provides an updated S/390 backend for linux kernel version 2.2.19. It contains the following:
- all bug fixes and updates dropped for kernel version 2.2.16
  plus some recent ones
- a backport of the tape device driver:
The tape device driver has support for multiple volumes. Note that you must use the mt tool for the rewind/unload operation (it must be software driven). The tape device driver cannot control rewind/unload operations performed directly on the device. This restriction is permanent.

- support for VM pseudo page fault handling

When we clicked the file link, we were asked to accept with the GPL before we could download the patch.

As mentioned, in addition to the kernel patch, a network device driver is needed. The IBM zSeries network drivers are object code only (OCO). As such, the driver must correspond to the version of the kernel you will be building. We found the modules at the following URL:


We needed the LCS Driver (e.g. ethernet, fast ethernet, token ring) because we were using fast ethernet via an OSA card. We found it in the file lcs-2.2.19-s390.tar.gz, dated 2001-04-26. It contained the following release notes:

The following device drivers are compatible with the experimental Linux kernel version 2.2.19 and are object code only.
Documentation on their use can be found in the LINUX for S/390 device drivers manual in the Documentation section.

When we clicked the file link, we were asked to accept an IBM license. This license gives us the right to use, copy and distribute the object code, but not the right to the source code, nor to modify the program.

23.2.2 Extract kernel source and patch

After downloading all files, we copied the kernel source and kernel patch to the /usr/src directory. By convention, the directory /usr/src/linux is a symbolic link to the current source tree. We therefore removed the link and pointed the new one to /usr/src/linux-2.2.19. We executed the following commands:

```
# cd /usr/src
# rm -fv linux
# mkdir linux-2.2.19
# ln -s linux-2.2.19 linux
# tar -xvzf linux-2.2.19.tar.gz
# tar -xvzf linux-2.2.19-s390.tar.gz
# mkdir linux-2.2.19/configs
# cp linux-2.2.16/configs/kernel-2.2.16-127-vm-s390.config linux-2.2.19/configs
```
23.2.3 Apply the patch

When we untarred the kernel patch, we got the release notes and the IBM license, but the important file is the diff file. Let's look at the head of that file:

```bash
# cd /usr/src
# head -4 linux-2.2.19-s390.diff
diff -urN linux-2.2.19/Documentation/Debugging390.txt
   linux-2.2.19-s390/Documentation/Debugging390.txt
+++ linux-2.2.19-s390/Documentation/Debugging390.txt Mon Jan 29 16:49 2001
@@ -1,19 +1,21 @@
```

As you can see, the IBM patch file appends a kernel version number (-2.2.19), while the vanilla kernel just goes to the /linux directory. Thus the symbolic link from linux/ to linux-2.2.19/ was critical:

```bash
# ls -ld linux-2.2.19 linux
lrwxrwxrwx   1 root     root           12 Jul 3 14:19 linux -> linux-2.2.19
drwxrwxr-x   2 root     root         4096 Jul 3 14:19 linux-2.2.19
```

Now we applied the patch from /usr/src:

```bash
# patch -p0 < linux-2.2.19-s390.diff
```

Ensure the patch is applied cleanly (no error messages are issued).

23.2.4 Recompile kernel

We recompiled the Linux kernel by first cleaning up, then copying the .config file and issuing `make menuconfig` to bring up the kernel configuration menu:

```bash
# cd /usr/src/linux
# make clean
# make mrproper
# cp configs/kernel-2.2.16-127-vm-s390.config .config
# make oldconfig
# make menuconfig
```
We chose the **S/390 character device drivers** menu option, and changed settings on the next page to match those shown in Example 23-3:

**Example 23-3  Linux kernel S/390 character device drivers panel**

```
Linux Kernel v2.2.19 Configuration  
+-------------------- S/390 character device drivers ---------------------+  
|  Arrow keys navigate the menu.  <Enter> selects submenus --->.  |  
|  Highlighted letters are hotkeys. Pressing <Y> includes, <N> excludes, |  
|  <M> modularizes features. Press <Esc><Esc> to exit, <?> for Help.  |  
|  Legend: [*] built-in  [ ] excluded  <M> module  < > module capable  |  
+---------------------------------------------------------------------+  
|                      <Select>    < Exit >    < Help >                     |  
+-------------------------------------------------------------------------+  
```

We used the **Escape** key to exit, selecting **Yes** when prompted to save the new configuration file.

```
# cp .config configs/kernel-2.2.19-vm-s390tape.config  
# make dep modules modules_install image  
```

If you would like to see the output of the compile, but would prefer not to watch the entire process, you can redirect the output as shown:

```
make dep modules modules_install image > /var/log/mycompile.log  
```

### 23.2.5 Copy the new kernel files

We now made copies of the important files to the boot directory:

```
# cp /usr/src/linux/Makefile /boot/Makefile-2.2.19-s390t  
# cp /usr/src/linux/System.map /boot/System.map-2.2.19-s390t  
# cp /usr/src/linux/arch/s390/boot/image /boot/image-2.2.19-s390t  
# cp -f /usr/src/linux/arch/s390/boot/ipl* /boot/  
```
23.2.6 Replace the System.map

We replaced the system map for debugging purposes:

```bash
# rm -fv /boot/System.map
# ln -s /boot/System.map-2.2.19-s390t /boot/System.map
```

23.2.7 Extract the new LCS driver

We downloaded the new LCS driver to the directory /lib/modules/2.2.19/net and executed the following commands:

```bash
# cd /lib/modules/2.2.19/net
# tar -xvzf lcs-2.2.19-s390.tar.gz
```

Because we had a copy of this source tarball, we removed the extraneous files from the /lib/modules directory tree, as shown:

```bash
# rm -fv lcs-2.2.19-s390.tar.gz
# rm -fv README
# rm -fv LICENSE
```

23.2.8 Enable the new LCS driver

In case you need to go back to your previous kernel, it might be a good idea to make a copy of your /etc/modules.conf file at this time, as follows:

```bash
# cp /etc/modules.conf /etc/modules.conf.2.2.16
```

Edit /etc/modules.conf and change the two LCS lines to resemble the following example:

```plaintext
alias eth0 lcs-2.2.19-s390
options lcs-2.2.19-s390 auto
```

23.2.9 Update boot record and reboot to new kernel

The command `silo` is used to prepare a DASD to become an IPL device. In order to use our new kernel, we had to rerun `silo` to update the boot record. Our root file system is on the first DASD, /dev/dasda. After updating the IPL device, we rebooted:

```bash
# /sbin/silo -f /boot/image-2.2.19-s390t -d /dev/dasda -p /boot/parm -b
# /boot/ipleckd.boot -t2
# /sbin/shutdown -r now
```
23.2.10 Recovering from a bad compile

The previous process was tested and found to work. However, should something go wrong and you find that you’re unable to re-IPL Linux, you’ll need to reboot your system from your original installation media (such as your installation tape, VM reader, or so forth) in order to “rescue” your system back to the previous kernel version.

Based upon the previous steps, the following “rescue procedure” was tested with our VM guest-based Turbolinux Version 6.0 system, to return our system from the 2.2.19 kernel to the original 2.2.16 kernel:

1. Run \texttt{lin} (this is the LIN EXEC created during the Turbolinux install, executed from a CMS VM Read prompt).
2. Answer \texttt{n} to the eth0, tr0, ctc0, and escon0 configuration prompts.
3. Press <Enter> twice for each of the Configure Device Independent Network Settings prompts.
4. Answer \texttt{y} to accept the default settings, which should lead you to a Linux prompt. Then try to back out your change, as follows:

\begin{verbatim}
# insmod dasd_mod dasd=201
# mkdir /mnt/save
# mount /dev/dasd1 /mnt/save
# chroot /mnt/save
# cp /etc/modules.conf /etc/modules.conf.2.2.19
# cp /etc/modules.conf.2.2.16 /etc/modules.conf
# rm -fv /boot/System.map
# ln -s System.map-2.2.16-127-tape System.map
# /sbin/silo -f /boot/image-2.2.16-127-tape -d /dev/dasda -p /boot/parm -b /boot/ipleckd.boot -t2
# halt
\end{verbatim}

5. Now IPL from VM or, if you’re running in an LPAR, from the HMC. Here is our example from VM:

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23.2.11 Create tape devices

Since Linux for S/390 distributions may not include any tape devices, the following commands may be used to create a Linux device for each available tape device:

\begin{verbatim}
# mknod /dev/rtibm0 c 254 0 (first rewinding character device)
# mknod /dev/ntibm0 c 254 0 (first non-rewinding character device)
# mknod /dev/btibm0 b 254 0 (first block device)
\end{verbatim}
23.2.12 Load the tape driver

We loaded the tape driver via the command:

```bash
# /sbin/modprobe tape390
```

Because we were running Linux under z/VM and there is only one tape drive assigned, the tape driver associates /dev/ntibm0 with the physical tape drive at address B38.

23.2.13 Test the tape driver

At this point, we had rebuilt the kernel with tape support, created devices in the /dev directory, and added the tape390 module.

The Magnetic Tape tool, or mt, is used for general tape control operations. It can also be used to test whether the new device is working properly: mount a tape in the tape drive and execute the following commands to test the newly added tape support (assuming the first tape device on the system):

```bash
# mt -f /dev/ntibm0 rewind
# mt -f /dev/ntibm0 retension
# mt -f /dev/ntibm0 erase
```

If these commands are successful, it means you have tape support on your Linux system.

23.3 Disaster backup and restore

Disaster backup and recovery addresses the possibility of your entire system being wiped out as a result, for example, of fire or flood. Comprehensive disaster recovery planning can be a complex process, requiring the consideration of a variety of factors such as tape rotation schemes, offsite tape storage, tape vaults, testing and documentation of procedures, and so on. In fact, entire books, such as Unix Backup & Recovery by W. Curtis Preston, are devoted to this subject.
For the purposes of this redbook, we limit the scope of our discussion to the following topics:

- A brief introduction to a complete file system-based backup and restore
- Back up and restore of the entire Linux file system using standard Linux utilities such as \texttt{tar} and \texttt{cpio} on the local Linux system
- Back up and restore of the entire Linux file system using the Tivoli Storage Manager (TSM) client to an enterprise's existing TSM server

### 23.3.1 Complete file system-based backup and restore

While it might seem like an obvious point, a complete, or "full" file system-based backup and restore requires access to the file system being either backed up or restored. This means that the following conditions must exist:

- The Linux user that is backing up the file system must have sufficient rights to \texttt{read} from all of the directories and files on the Linux system being backed up.
- The Linux user that is restoring the file system must have sufficient rights to \texttt{write} to all of the directories and files on the Linux system being restored.
- If backing up to, or restoring from, a local tape device, tape support must be working on the system being backed up or restored to.
- If backing up to, or restoring from, a device and/or other system across a network connection, network connectivity must be working.
- A complete restore of a missing or destroyed system first requires that the Linux file system be accessible, generally requiring that Linux be reinstalled and function prior to restoration. Furthermore, if restoring from a local tape device, tape support might need to be reinstalled as well.

### 23.3.2 Complete file system backup and restore via Linux utilities

Linux and UNIX have a variety of tools that allow for the copy and/or manipulation of files and file system. Because system administrators often prefer to use the particular tools that they are most familiar with, the examples in this section are based upon three of the most common tools: \texttt{tar}, \texttt{cpio}, and \texttt{afio}.

The command \texttt{tar} (Tape ARchive), is the most commonly used.

\begin{quote}
\textbf{Note:} A discussion of the \texttt{afio} command was included in this section because of its enhanced ability to deal with corrupted archives, as compared with \texttt{cpio}. However, \texttt{afio} may not be installed and available on all systems.
\end{quote}
Back up and restore using tar:
- To back up: `tar -cpzvf /dev/ntibm0 / --exclude /proc`
- To restore: `tar -xpzvf /dev/ntibm0`
- To list tape contents: `tar -tpzvf /dev/ntibm0`
- The `-M` switch can also be used to support multiple tapes, but is incompatible with the `-z` compression switch, and was not tested here.

Back up and restore using cpio:
- To back up: `find / -print|cpio -oacvB > /dev/ntibm0`
- To restore: `cpio -icvdBum * < /dev/ntibm0`
- To list tape contents: `cpio -itcvB < /dev/ntibm0`

Back up and restore using afio:
- To back up: `find / -print|afio -oZv /dev/ntibm0`
- To restore: `afio -iZv * /dev/ntibm0`
- To list tape contents: `afio -tZv /dev/ntibm0`

23.3.3 Complete file system backup and restore via TSM Client

Up to this point, all of our discussion about backup and restore under Linux for zSeries and S/390 has centered around localized schemes, wherein tape hardware that is directly attached to the system is used. However, another common backup and restore method is enterprise backup, wherein all of the backup and restore operations for an entire organization are managed centrally on an enterprise backup server.

Two examples of enterprise backup servers are the Advanced Maryland Automatic Network Disk Archiver (AMANDA), an open-source offering, and the Tivoli Storage Manager (TSM), a commercial software package.

Additional information on AMANDA can be found on the AMANDA Web site:

http://www.amanda.org

We focus on using the 4.2 Version of the TSM Client to allow for the backup and restoration of Linux for zSeries and S/390 file systems and files.
Installation of the TSM Client

The minimum system requirements for installing the Version 4.2 TSM backup client and APIs are as follows:

- Linux kernel 2.2.16 or higher
- glibc 2.1.2 or higher
- libstdc++ 2.9.0 or higher
- RPM 3.0.4 or higher
- 50 MB of available file system space under /opt

Version 4.2 of the TSM Client for S/390 is distributed in Redhat Package Manager (RPM) format. After confirming that your Linux for zSeries and S/390 installation fulfills the minimum system requirements, and downloading the TSM client, you can install the software as follows:

1. `rpm -ivh TIVsm-BA.s390.rpm` (this will install the TSM backup client)
2. `rpm -ivh TIVsm-API.s390.rpm` (this will install the TSM backup APIs)

All of the TSM files will be installed under /opt/tivoli/tsm/client.

**Note:** The Version 4.2 TSM Client that we tested was a beta version that should soon be Generally Available (GA). However, because the client was still in beta, we were unable to include a URL for downloading. Tivoli’s TSM Web site can be accessed at the following URL:


Configuration of the TSM Client

The basic configuration of the TSM Client is contained within two files:

- `dsm.sys`, the main configuration file, contains the actual TSM server information.
- `dsm.opt` is a secondary configuration file that can be used to specify a specific TSM server name if more than one TSM server is defined in the `dsm.sys` file.
Each of these files resides in the /opt/tivoli/tsm/client/ba/bin directory. Example 23-4 shows a sample dsm.sys file:

Example 23-4  dsm.sys

************************************************************************
* Tivoli Storage Manager                                     *
*                                                                      *
* Sample Client System Options file for UNIX (dsm.sys.smp)           *
************************************************************************

* This file contains the minimum options required to get started
* using TSM. Copy dsm.sys.smp to dsm.sys. In the dsm.sys file,
* enter the appropriate values for each option listed below and
* remove the leading asterisk (*) for each one.

* If your client node communicates with multiple TSM servers, be
* sure to add a stanza, beginning with the SERVERNAME option, for
* each additional server.

************************************************************************
SERVERNAME  server_a
COMMmethod   TCPip
TCPPort      1500
TCPServeraddress node.domain.company.COM

Example 23-5 shows a sample dsm.opt file:

Example 23-5  dsm.opt

************************************************************************
* Tivoli Storage Manager                                     *
*                                                                      *
* Sample Client User Options file for UNIX (dsm.opt.smp)          *
************************************************************************

* This file contains an option you can use to specify the TS
* server to contact if more than one is defined in your clie
* system options file (dsm.sys). Copy dsm.opt.smp to dsm.opt
* If you enter a server name for the option below, remove th
* leading asterisk (*).

************************************************************************
SERVERNAME  A server name defined in the dsm.sys file
Configuration of the TSM Client is accomplished by completing the following steps:

```bash
# cd /opt/tivoli/tsm/client/ba/bin
# cp dsm.sys.smp dsm.sys
# cp dsm.opt.smp dsm.opt
# vi dsm.sys
... change the "TCPServeraddress" to match that of your TSM server
# vi dsm.opt
... change the "Servername" to match that of your TSM server
# vi /home/yourbackupusername/.profile
... add the following lines:
export DSM_CONFIG=/opt/tivoli/tsm/client/ba/bin/dsm.opt
export DSM_DIR=/opt/tivoli/tsm/client/ba/bin
```

### Using the TSM Client

A complete discussion of the capabilities and options of the TSM Client is beyond the scope of this redbook. However, there are many ways you can get additional documentation on the TSM Client including the following:

- The TSM client help facility (dsmc --help)
- The TSM documentation that is supplied with the client software in the file /opt/tivoli/tsm/client/books/pdf/tsmref/ansbcr41.pdf
- The Web-based downloadable documentation:
  http://www.tivoli.com/support/public/Prodman/public_manuals/storage_mgr/admanual.htm#tarcom

The following common commands will provide a brief introduction:

- To back up, use the command:
  ```bash
  # dsmc incremental -password=<your_password>
  ```

- To restore, use the command:
  ```bash
  # dsmc restore -password=<your_password> <files_to_be_restored>
  ```

- To query backed-up files:
  ```bash
  # dsmc query backup -password=<your_password> <files_to_be_queried>
  ```

- To enable the TSM scheduler (allowing backups to be scheduled from the TSM server), use the command:
  ```bash
  # dsmc schedule -password=your_password
  ```

**Note:** If you’d like the TSM scheduler to start automatically at system startup, and you’re running under a SystemV-compatible Linux distribution such as Red Hat or Turbolinux, add this line to the `/etc/rc.d/rc.local` file:

```
/opt/tivoli/tsm/client/ba/bin/dsmc_schedule -password=yourownodespassword
```
The TSM Web client

Although not used in our testing, Version 4.2 of the TSM Client for Linux for zSeries also includes an optional Web client, which can be used instead of the `dsmc` command line for client-side TSM tasks. Refer to the README.WEBCLI.txt file included with the TSM Client for further information on the configuration and usage of this feature.

Troubleshooting the TSM Client

The basic architecture of TSM is such that storage management, policy, and the management of scheduled tasks takes place on the server, and the parameters related to a specific activity (such as which files should be backed up, which directories should be excluded, and so on), are managed by the client.

In situations where a specific task did not complete as expected, the following two client-side log files may be assistance:

- `/currentdirectory/dsmerror.log` - records any errors received in response to issued `dsmc` commands
- `/opt/tivoli/tsm/client/ba/bin/dsmsched.log` - records any logged client-side errors related to the TSM scheduler

23.4 Incremental backup and restore

Incremental backup addresses the case of accidentally deleting files. In this section we discuss the following topics:

- A brief introduction to incremental file system-based backup and restore
- Incremental backup and restore using standard Linux utilities such as `tar` and `cpio` on the local Linux system
- Incremental backup and restore using the Tivoli Storage Manager (TSM) client to an enterprise’s existing TSM server

23.4.1 Incremental file system-based backup and restore

The similarities between a complete (or “full”) file system-based backup and restore, and an incremental file system-based backup and restore are probably obvious: access to the actual file system to be backed up or restored is required, (either by local access or via a network), as are sufficient user privileges to either read from or write to the file system.
In addition to sufficient file system access, however, an incremental backup or restore requires some method of differentiating between specific versions (“generations”) of files. This differentiation is usually accomplished through an examination of the date and time a file was last modified.

Knowing when a file was last changed allows a backup operator (or an end user with access to backup media and the appropriate software tool) to make comparisons between current and archived/backup versions of files, so that the appropriate files can then be either backed up or restored/replaced.

### 23.4.2 Incremental file system backup and restore via Linux utilities

In this section, we once again examine two of the most common Linux tools, `tar` and `cpio`, as their use relates to incremental backup and restore.

#### Incremental backup and restore using `tar`

- To back up:
  ```bash
  # tar -cpzvf -g /var/log/tarbu.log -f /dev/ntibm0 / --exclude /proc
  ```

- To restore:
  ```bash
  # tar -xpzvf /dev/ntibm0
  ```

- To list tape contents:
  ```bash
  # tar -tpzvf /dev/ntibm0
  ```

- The `-M` switch can also be used to support multiple tapes, but is incompatible with the `-z` compression switch, and was not tested here.

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**Note:** The `-g filename` option merely records filenames and modification times/dates in the filename file (which is `/var/log/tarbu.log`, in our example). The tarballs created with this option are standard, so there is no difference in the “incremental” restore or list commands.

Removal of the filename file, or use of an alternative empty file, will then allow for a new complete or “full” backup to occur.

`Tar` also has a `-G` incremental switch, but it creates non-standard tar files.

#### Incremental backup and restore using `cpio`

- First day’s backup:
  ```bash
  # find / -print > /var/log/MMDDbu.log
  # cat /var/log/MMDDbu.log|cpio -oacvB > /dev/ntibm0
  # find / -print > /var/log/0530bu.log
  ```
# cat /var/log/0530bu.log|cpio -oacvB > /dev/ntibm0

- **Next day’s backup:**
  
  ```
  # find / -newer /var/log/prevMMDDbu.log -print > /var/log/MMDDbu.log
  # cat /var/log/MMDDbu.log|cpio -oacvB > /dev/ntibm0
  # find / -newer /var/log/0530bu.log -print > /var/log/0531bu.log
  # cat /var/log/0531bu.log|cpio -oacvB > /dev/ntibm0
  ```

  ![Note:](Note.png) In the second `cpio` incremental backup example, the previous day's log file, /var/log/0530bu.log, is left on the system and will probably need to be deleted at some point.

  Alternatively, you could choose to append the following line to the end of the “Next day’s backup” command line:

  ```
  a ;rm -fv /var/log/0530bu.log
  ```

  Or retain the file, and use another file maintenance method at a later date.

- **To restore:**
  
  ```
  # cpio -icvdBum * < /dev/ntibm0
  ```

- **To list tape contents:**
  
  ```
  # cpio -itcvB < /dev/ntibm0
  ```

### Incremental backup and restore using afio

- **First day’s backup:**
  
  ```
  # find / -print > /var/log/MMDDbu.log
  # cat /var/log/MMDDbu.log|afio -o2v /dev/ntibm0
  # find / -print > /var/log/0530bu.log
  # cat /var/log/0530bu.log|afio -o2v /dev/ntibm0
  ```

- **Next day’s backup:**
  
  ```
  find / -newer /var/log/prevMMDDbu.log -print > /var/log/MMDDbu.log
  # cat /var/log/MMDDbu.log|afio -o2v /dev/ntibm0
  # find / -newer /var/log/0530bu.log -print > /var/log/0531bu.log
  # cat /var/log/0531bu.log|afio -o2v /dev/ntibm0
  ```
23.4.3 Incremental file system backup and restore via TSM Client

In a sense, this topic is covered in “Using the TSM Client” on page 478, as all TSM backups are inherently incremental in nature. A full backup is only done the first time, and all future backups reference the original backup, as well as intermediary backups, and back up incrementally.

That said, however, there are specific TSM options that allow for a more granular selection of files to be backed up and restored, as follows:

- Backup and/or restore using **include** and **exclude**
- Restore based upon file dates and times

**TSM backup using include and exclude**

Specific **include** and **exclude** statements can be added to the dsm.sys file, allowing for a more granular selection of which files you wish to back up or restore. Example 23-6 shows the dsm.sys file we used to test this functionality:

Example 23-6  dsm.sys with include and exclude statements

```
* Tivoli Storage Manager
* Sample Client System Options file for UNIX (dsm.sys.smp)
************************************************************************
* This file contains the minimum options required to get started
* using TSM. Copy dsm.sys.smp to dsm.sys. In the dsm.sys file,
* enter the appropriate values for each option listed below and
```

**Note:** In the second **afio** incremental backup example, the previous day’s log file, `/var/log/0530bu.log`, is left on the system and will probably need to be deleted at some point.

Alternatively, you could choose to append the following line to the end of the “Next day’s backup” command line:

```
d a ;rm -fv /var/log/0530bu.log
```

Or retain the file and use another file maintenance method at a later date.

- To restore:
  
  ```
  # afio -iZv * /dev/ntibm0
  ```

- To list tape contents:
  
  ```
  # afio -iZv /dev/ntibm0
  ```
* remove the leading asterisk (*) for each one.

* If your client node communicates with multiple TSM servers, be sure to add a stanza, beginning with the SERVERNAME option, for each additional server.

************************************************************************

SERVERNAME server_a
  COMMmethod TCPip
  TCPPort 1500
  TCPServeraddress wtscmxa.itso.ibm.com

NODename vmlinux3

EXCLUDE.DIR /proc
EXCLUDE.DIR /tmp
EXCLUDE.DIR /home/vmlinux3/amanda
EXCLUDE.DIR /home/vmlinux3/backup
EXCLUDE.DIR /home/vmlinux3/incoming
EXCLUDE.DIR /home/vmlinux3/taper
EXCLUDE.DIR /home/vmlinux3/tpmrestdir
EXCLUDE /home/vmlinux3/*
INCLUDE /home/vmlinux3/TSMClient4.2/*

**Note:** In our testing of the 4.2 beta version of the TSM Client for Linux for zSeries and S/390, we were unable to get includes to work for files and/or directories located underneath directories specified with EXCLUDE.DIR statements, seemingly due a higher precedence being granted to EXCLUDE.DIR. (INCLUDE and EXCLUDE statements are normally read from the bottom up, though that did not appear to be the case with EXCLUDE.DIR.)

Our workaround, as shown in Example 23-6 on page 482, was to use EXCLUDE instead of EXCLUDE.DIR for directories that might also have INCLUDEed content.

Once you’ve defined your includes and excludes in the dsm.sys file, you can then use standard TSM dsmc commands to either back up or restore files, as described in “Using the TSM Client” on page 478.
TSM restore based upon file dates and times
You can also perform a selective TSM restore that is based upon the state of files at a particular date and time, as follows:

```
dsmc restore -pitd=dd/mm/yyyy -pitt=hh:mm:ss -password=<your_password>
<files_to_be_restored>
```

For example, we used the command:

```
# dsmc restore -pitd=06/01/2001 -pitt=13:00:00 -password=vmlinux3
/home/vmlinux3
```
Every operating system needs a professional database, to either access the data structures on another platform, or to store the data on the system itself—especially in an e-business environment.

The Open Software Community offers a product called MySQL, which enables basic database functionality, but most likely is not sufficient to run enterprise-based transaction systems on Linux on S/390 or zSeries.

To satisfy the requirement for reliability, high availability and performance, IBM offers the database management software DB2 Universal Database (UDB). In this chapter, we discuss DB2 UDB and Linux.
24.1 DB2 UDB overview

Because UDB is basically the same software as DB2 on OS/390 (now z/OS), it is especially useful for customers who keep their main data on OS/390 systems. It allows them perfect cross-system interoperability and reuse of the database know-how in the company. The application can decide whether the data should be stored on a central OS/390 system, or whether it should be kept on the more decentralized Linux on S/390 environment. You can run your application using open software technology on Linux, and use the superior systems management tools on OS/390.

With the DB2 Connect software available with UDB on Linux, you can access a remote DB2 on OS/390 as though it were local. If you consider the future availability of Hipersockets between the Linux on S/390 and OS/390 on the same box, this will allow you a huge bandwidth transfer rate between application and database server.

Customers who want to use data stored in the IBM Information Management System (IMS) database system can use the new IMS Connect feature to access the remote system via the TCP/IP network.

For more information on DB2 Universal Database and the DB2 Connect product, go to the following sites:

http://www.ibm.com/software/data/db2/linux
http://www.ibm.com/software/data/db2/linux/s390

24.2 Downloading DB2 UDB for Linux on S/390

IBM offers a 90-day trial copy of DB2 UDB EE (Enterprise Edition) for Linux for S/390 and zSeries on the Internet, available at:

http://www6.software.ibm.com/dl/db2udbd1/db2udbd1-p

Download DB2 UDB EE on Linux for S/390 and zSeries V7.1 for Linux. You can also select the required language for the software product. After registering yourself and obtaining a user ID/password, you can sign in and start the actual download.

IBM will ask you to answer a few questions about yourself and your installation before you can accept the license. Be aware that the complete product download will be between 57 MB and 80MB, and may take some time to complete.
24.3 Installing DB2 UDB on Linux

In our project, we used a Red Hat 7.0 beta version for our DB2 UDB installation. Unfortunately, this caused some problems which we expect will be solved by the time Red Hat for Linux on S/390 goes GA.

To complete the installation we had to install an additional component from the SuSe distribution, which is not really a good solution. But the fact that it worked afterwards made us confident that you will not have these kind of problems if you use the SuSe distribution instead of Red Hat.

Following is a list of the steps and problems we encountered during the installation:

1. Copy the linuxee.tar file to your Linux on S/390 system
   If you did not do the download directly to the target system, you could use FTP, SMB, or NFS to binary-transfer the file. In our case, we just used one of our home directories to store the package.

2. Untar the file using the -xvf option to expand the directory structure:
   ```
   # cd /home/eterwedo
   # tar -xvf linux390.english.tar
   ```

3. Remove existing user IDs.
   In some distributions, the user IDs for UDB/DB2 are already set up but they do not always match the specifications required for a successful installation.
   Remove all user IDs starting with db2* using yast or any other setup tool.

4. We next followed the installation instructions and ran the `db2setup` script:
   ```
   # ./db2setup
   ```
   We got the following error only during our first test with a Red Hat distribution. (If you do not encounter this error in your distribution, just skip to the next step):
   ```
   ./db2inst: error while loading shared libraries:
   libstdc++libc6.1-2.so.3: cannot load shared object file: No such file or directory
   ```
   We found out that this error was caused by Red Hat including a newer libstdc package into the distribution, as required by DB2 UDB:
   ```
   # rpm -qa | grep libstdc
   libstdc++-2.95.3-0.07
   # rpm -ql libstdc++-2.95.3-0.07
   /usr/lib/libstdc++-3-libc6.2-2-2.10.0.a
   /usr/lib/libstdc++-3-libc6.2-2-2.10.0.so
   ```
The version included by Red Hat is libc6.2, while DB2 UDB required libc6.1. To solve this, we loaded the gppshare-2.95.2-165 RPM from the SuSe distribution. Unfortunately, this required us to completely download the cd1 Suse ISO image and mount it on a Linux file system:

```
# rpm -i /usr/src/gppshare-2.95.2-165
```

Afterwards we had the required libraries on our system:

```
# rpm -ql gppshare-2.95.2-165
/usr/lib/libg++-3-libc6.1-2-2.8.1.3.a
/usr/lib/libg++-3-libc6.1-2-2.8.1.3.so
/usr/lib/libg++-libc6.1-2.a.3
/usr/lib/libg++-libc6.1-2.so.3
/usr/lib/libstdc++-3-libc6.1-2-2.10.0.a
/usr/lib/libstdc++-3-libc6.1-2-2.10.0.so
/usr/lib/libstdc++-libc6.1-2.a.3
/usr/lib/libstdc++-libc6.1-2.so.3
```

Therefore, we could run `db2setup`.

5. Select setup options.

Follow the directions in the setup panel. You can use the Tab key to skip from one selection field to the next, the space key to select/deselect, and the Enter key to execute a selection.

We selected all components offered for the trial version:

- [*] DB2 Run-Time Client
- [*] DB2 UDB Enterprise Edition
- [*] DB2 Connect Enterprise Edition
- [*] DB2 Application Development Client

6. Select options to create the DB2 Instance and Administration Server.

By default, the home directory of the instance will be located in the /home directory. Modify the entry if you want to place it somewhere else.

7. Run the installation.

8. Check the installation log file.

This log file can be found in /tmp/db2setup.log. Everything should install successfully.

The product will be in the /usr/IBMdb2/V7.1/Linux directory.

### 24.4 Verifying the UDB DB2 installation

The database instance is automatically stared as part of the installation process.

1. Logon to the Linux system using the db2inst1 user ID.
To verify the successful installation, use a telnet session and login with the user ID db2inst1. (Note that this is the default; if you changed this user ID during the installation process, then you must use the user ID you specified.)

The default password for db2inst1 is ibmdb2. (It's either this, or the one you specified during installation.) In case of a problem, you can always reset the password using your root account and the `passwd db2inst1` command.

2. Verify that DB2 is running.

You can check if DB2 is already running by entering the `db2start` command. The following message indicates that the database is already started:

   SQL1026N  The database manager is already active.

3. Create the sample database.

   Enter the `db2samp1` command to create the sample database.
4. Connect to the sample database.

You can connect to the sample database by using the DB2 command line interface. Enter the following:

```
$ db2 connect to sample
Database Connection Information
Database server      = DB2/LINUX 7.1.0
SQL authorization ID = DB2INST1
Local database alias = SAMPLE
```

5. Issue a sample query to verify the installation:

```
$ db2 "select * from department"
```

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<td>SOFTWARE SUPPORT</td>
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</table>

9 record(s) selected.
WebSphere Application Server

The WebSphere Application Server (WAS) is a Java 2 Enterprise Edition-based e-business application runtime environment. It's available on almost all Java-capable platforms.

The Standard Edition allows you to run Java servlets according to JavaSoft V.2.11 and JavaServer Pages written to JavaSoft V.10 or .91. The Advanced Edition, which is available for Linux for zSeries, adds the full Enterprise Java Beans (EJB) standards. The Enterprise Edition contains all features of the standard and advanced edition, and includes also the object management features of the IBM Component Broker technology.

The current version on most platforms is WebSphere V.4.0, which combines the WebSphere 3.5 Standard Edition and Enterprise Edition into a single product. The only available WebSphere product for Linux for zSeries is Version 3.5 Advanced Edition. The installation of this product is limited to the SuSe distribution. We tried to run the installation under Red Hat, but this failed due to incompatibility between Java and the Red Hat kernel. We recommend to use the SuSe distribution until IBM changes or enhances their recommendation to Red Hat or Turbolinux.

Note: Based on our experience, WebSphere needs at least 512 MB of physical memory; otherwise, it will not be usable at all.
25.1 Downloading the evaluation version of WebSphere

IBM offers an evaluation version of WebSphere 3.5 for Linux for S/390 on the Web at:


It's currently limited to the installation in a SuSe distribution, and includes following components:

▶ IBM Developer Kit, Java 2, Technology Edition, 1.2.2
▶ IBM HTTP Server 1.3.12
▶ InstantDB

InstantDB will allow you to use WebSphere in your environment even if you don’t have a database installed. We recommend that you use the DB2/UDB product for Linux for zSeries instead. This will give you a full-function database and it will be a more productive environment. The installation and use of this product is described in Chapter 24, “DB2” on page 485.

For the download you have to register for the IBM Download Zone. (Remember this user ID/password because you’ll need it later on for further downloads and you are repeatedly asked for this information.)

25.2 Installing WebSphere

You install WebSphere by following these steps:

Unload the tar file
After you’ve transferred the tar file in binary to your Linux for zSeries system, you have to untar the file to run the installation script. The tar file contains its own directory structure, and it will create a new directory by the name of /advtrial during the reload process:

```
# tar -xvf ../download/adv_trial_was3.5_s390.tar
```

You will use this unload directory only for installation. The actual product will be installed under the /opt directory.

Stop the Web server
During the installation, you'll be offered the option of using either the IBM HTTP Server, or customizing your already-installed Apache Web server.
We tried both options, and make the following recommendations:

- If you do not need to keep your WebSphere application work separate from the normal Web server environment, you can use the standard Apache server.

- If you decide to install and use the IBM HTTP Server for WebSphere, and still keep your existing environment running, you should move your distribution Web server to another port number.
  
  a. To do this, open up your Web server configuration file (for SuSe this is /etc/httpd/httpd.conf) and change the directive `Port` to another number, e.g. `Port 8080`.

  b. Stop and restart your Web server and verify that the standard port number 80 is now free to use for the IBM HTTP server. Running the installation script with an active Web server will cause problems.

**Modify the install.sh script (req. only for IBM HTTP Server)**

We noticed that the latest version of the WebSphere evaluation copy had a conflict with a file and package that is a basic part of the SuSE distribution. Although this does not really cause problems (WebSphere is trying to create a directory which is already allocated as a symbolic link), you have to add the `--force` option to the `rpm` command for the IBM HTTP Server.

Use your favorite editor to change the rpm line in install.sh as follows:

```
rpm -Uvh --force ./IBM_HTTP_Server/*/IBM_HTTP_Server-1.3.12-*.rpm
```

If you run the install script without this modification and you get the rpm error message, we strongly recommend that you uninstall all rpms using YaSt and start from scratch. The unsuccessful installation of the IBM HTTP Server causes the script to skip several important steps in the installation of other products, and fixing these problems individually requires an in-depth understanding of Linux shell scripts and rpm processing.

**Run the install script**

In this example, we install the IBM HTTP Server. (Note that answering 2.) No to the question Install and use IBM HTTP Server? will modify the installation process slightly.)

```
# ./install.sh
#####################################################################
Installing pre-requisites: Java: Version 1.2.2
#####################################################################
IBMJava2-SDK

Install and use IBM HTTP Server? [default is yes]
1.) Yes
2.) No
1
```
Installing IBM HTTP Server Version 1.3.12.2

Select the database you wish to use and press <ENTER>.
1.) DB2 Quick Install [default]
2.) Custom

Custom Selected

Select the database you wish to use and press <ENTER>.
1.) DB2
2.) Oracle

DB2 Selected

WebSphere Custom Repository configuration initiated.

Please answer the following questions. Your responses will be used to configure WebSphere Application Server for your database installation.

What is your database user id?

database user id: db2inst1

Database user: db2inst1

What is your database user password?

database user password: start

Database user password: start

Where is the base database directory/home so the JDBC driver can be located?

Default is: /home/db2inst1/

Database Base Directory:

/home/db2inst1

What is your JDBC database url?
The default is: jdbc:db2:was

Note: DB2 URL format: jdbc:db2:<dbname> Oracle format: jdbc:oracle:thin:@<hostname>:<port>:<sid>

jdbc:db2:was

Database JDBC URL:

JDBC URL: jdbc:db2:was

Installing IBM WebSphere Application Server for Linux
A copy of the configuration file was made and is located at
/opt/IBMWebAS//properties/bootstrap.properties.bak
A copy of the configuration file was made and is located at
/opt/IBMWebAS/bin/admin.config.bak
A copy of the configuration file was made and is located at
/opt/IBMWebAS/bin/startupServer.sh.bak
A copy of the configuration file was made and is located at
/opt/IBMWebAS/properties/initial_setup.config.bak

IBM WebSphere Application Server for Linux installation is complete.
Please run startupServer.sh in /opt/IBMWebAS/bin to invoke the server.
Also, please restart your web server if you selected IHS at this time to
ensure the plug-in configuration is updated. If you installed with Apache,
please refer to the install documentation for configuration information.

25.3 Upgrading WebSphere to Fixpack Level 3.5.4

You can find the latest support information about WebSphere on all platforms, as
well as a link to download fixpacks, on the Web at:

http://www.ibm.com/software/webservers/appserv/support.html

IBM provides several fixpacks for WebSphere on all supported systems. At the
time of writing this redbook, the latest fixpack available is level 3.5.4. You always
have to use the Linux for S/390-specific version of the fixpack. Non-S/390 Linux
versions will not work on this platform.

Reply to all authorization requests with your download user ID and password,
which you registered during the download of the WebSphere for Linux for S/390
evaluation copy.
1. Binary-transfer the file to Linux.
2. Unpack the fixpack file.
   Create an empty directory and untar the file with:
   
   tar -xvf ../download/was35_adv_ptf_4_LINUX.s390.tar

   Read the was35_adv_ptf_3.readme file for the latest information.
3. Stop the WebSphere Server and the Web Server (if active).
The WAS server can be stopped by using the Administration Client. Select your host name and click the STOP icon. This will also automatically terminate your Administration Client.

The Web Server can be stopped by issuing:

Apache Server = /etc/rc.d/apache stop
IBM HTTP Server = /opt/IBMHTTPServer/bin/apachectl stop

4. Add the JVM to your PATH.

To allow the script to use the java JVM from the command line, you must add the java bin directory to your PATH:

PATH=/opt/IBMWebAS/IBMJava2-122/bin:$PATH

The following command will confirm that you can now use the JVM:

java -fullversion
java full version "J2RE 1.2.2 IBM build c390_x122-20001209"

5. Run the installation script:

./install.sh

During the installation, you will be asked to enter the WebSphere installation directory /opt/IBMWebAS and the Web server root directory:

Apache Server = /usr/local/httpd/htdocs
IBM HTTP Server = /opt/IBMHTTPServer/htdocs/en_US.

For information how to uninstall the package, refer to the readme file in step 2.

25.4 Starting the Web server

Some of the customization is only required for the Apache Web server, because the IBM HTTP server is automatically configured for the use in a WebSphere environment. In the following procedure, ensure that you always use the correct file names and directories for your specific configuration.

1. Copy the WebSphere sample pages.

Before we can start the Web server we have to copy some WebSphere-related example pages to the Web server document root directory.

For the Apache server:

```
cp -r /opt/IBMWebAS/WSsamples /usr/local/httpd/htdocs
cp -r /opt/IBMWebAS/WSsamplesIDB /usr/local/httpd/htdocs
```
For the IBM HTTP Server:

```
cp -r /opt/IBMWebAS/WSsamples /opt/IBMHTTPServer/htdocs/en_US
cp -r /opt/IBMWebAS/WSsamplesIDB /opt/IBMHTTPServer/htdocs/en_US
```

2. Update the Web server configuration file.

To configure the Apache Web server, and for an error-free presentation of the example Web pages, we have to update the Web server configuration file.

For Apache, update `/etc/httpd/httpd.conf` with the following:

```
LoadModule app_server_module /opt/IBMWebAS/bin/mod_app_server.so
AddModule mod_app_server.c
Alias /IBMWebAS/ /opt/IBMWebAS/web
NcfAppServerConfig BootFile
/opt/IBMWebAS/properties/bootstrap.properties

Alias /theme/
 */opt/IBMWebAS/hosts/default_host/WSsamples_app/web/theme/*

<Directory "/opt/IBMWebAS/hosts/default_host/WSsamples_app/web/theme/">
   Options Indexes MultiViews
   AllowOverride None
   Order allow,deny
   Allow from all
</Directory>
```

For the IBM HTTP server, update `/opt/IBMHTTPServer/conf/httpd.conf` with the following:

```
Alias /theme/
 */opt/IBMWebAS/hosts/default_host/WSsamples_app/web/theme/*

<Directory "/opt/IBMWebAS/hosts/default_host/WSsamples_app/web/theme/">
   Options Indexes MultiViews
   AllowOverride None
   Order allow,deny
   Allow from all
</Directory>
```

3. Start the Web server.

The following command will check whether the IBM HTTP Server is already started and stop/restart if necessary. If it is currently down, it will simply issue a start command.

```
Apache server = /etc/rc.d/apache restart
IBM HTTP server = /opt/IBMHTTPServer/bin/apachectl restart
```
25.5 Starting the WebSphere Application Server

Starting the WebSphere Application Server will take some time, so be aware of this and resist the temptation to interrupt the process. To begin, enter the following start command:

```
# /opt/IBMWebAS/bin/startupserver.sh &
```

The ampersand (&) at the end of the command forces the process to start in the background, and it will free up your normal shell session. If you omit this, you can still free up your session with <Ctrl>c. This will not interrupt the processing of your WebSphere server.

During the startup process, WebSphere writes a number of messages to the /opt/IBMWebAS/logs/tracefile. You can check this file for errors. When you receive the message The WebSphere Administration Server is open for e-business, it indicates the server started successfully. You can now use the Advanced Administration Client to control your WebSphere environment.

25.6 Test the WebSphere Application Server

Note that the Advanced Administration Console is only required to control the WebSphere runtime environment. It can be used to perform following functions:

- Stop the WebSphere Application Server
- Stop and start the servlet engine
- Enable, disable and configure individual servlets
- Add/delete servlets and Web applications
- Control JDBC Connection and Data Sources
- Control the interface to the Web server

To test the WebSphere Application Server, perform the following steps.

1. Start the WebSphere Administration Console.

   Note that you must use the console the first time to start the default servlet engine and to do some customization, but it's not required for a normal runtime environment.

   You need an XWindow-based workstation to run this Administration Client, so we recommend you run it from a KDE workstation—or at least have an XServer (like Exceed) active.

   To allow your telnet session to communicate with your workstation, you must set the DISPLAY environment variable, e.g. `export DISPLAY=9.12.2.116:0`, to the IP address of the workstation.
You start the WebSphere Administration Console with the following command:

```
# /opt/IBMWebAS/bin/adminclient.sh&
```

This will give you a graphical interface on your XWindow session. (Again, this may take some time.) If you use a KDE session, you can run the `xosview` command to monitor the system activity, to verify that your system is busy processing your request.

The only alternative to using the WebSphere Administration Console from the XWindow system is—install it on another platform and connect to your application server remotely. We tried this with a Windows 2000 system and it worked fine. The only issues are:

- You may need an additional license.
- You must have an exact match of WebSphere versions, and both platforms must run on the same fixpack level.

Both types of administrative consoles will give you exactly the same kind of functionality.

2. Start the Default Server.

- Expand the topology view by clicking the plus (+) sign next to the Administrative Domain.
- Expand the entry with your machine name.
- Expand the entry Default Server to display the default container and servlet engine.
- Select the Default Server.
- If the current status is stopped, then click the START icon on the tool bar, or right-click the server for the menu START option. Wait until you get a confirmation message and all icons show a little blue wheel, representing an active server.
- You can now expand the entries Default Server, Default Servlet Engine and default_app or examples to see the installed servlets.
- By clicking each of the examples, you can see how to call them from a Web browser. The URL information is in the Servlet Web Path List.

3. Run a few examples from a browser.

```
http://vmlinux6.itso.ibm.com/servlet/snoop
http://vmlinux6.itso.ibm.com/servlet/hello
http://vmlinux6.itso.ibm.com/webapp/examples/simpleJSP
http://vmlinux6.itso.ibm.com/webapp/examples/ping
http://vmlinux6.itso.ibm.com/webapp/examples/showCfg
http://vmlinux6.itso.ibm.com/webapp/examples/HitCount
```

If these examples only work without the full-qualified domain name (FQDN), for example `http://vmlinux6/servlet/snoop`, then follow the instructions in step 4 to modify the Virtual Host alias entry.
4. Modify the Virtual Host alias (if required).
   
   Add a virtual host alias for the fully-qualified domain name (FQDN) of your
   machine running the Web server (the short name is automatically defined, but
   some systems do not automatically define the FQDN):
   
   – Go to the Topology view of the Administrative Console.
   – Select `default_host`.
   – Edit the Advanced properties panel and add a fully-qualified virtual host
     alias, including domain name.
   – Restart the Default Server Application Server.

25.7 Setting up the WebSphere Samples Gallery

IBM delivers a complete set of examples to run database accesses and
enterprise java beans in your new WebSphere environment. However, to do this
you have to install at least the InstantDB on your server. We ran all the tests with
a full UDB DB2 installation.

You will find the Samples Gallery on your Web server on URL:

   http://<your_server_name>/WSsamples

Figure 25-1 on page 501 shows the Samples Gallery page.

Although the explanations on the Web pages are quite useful, in this section we
provide additional detail which will allow you to work on the WebSphere
Administration Console without having to switch back to your Web browser
session.
25.7.1 Configuring the database

First you have to configure the database. To do this, click the Database configuration link and choose Start DB2 Database configuration.

You’ll see the screen shown in Figure 25-2 on page 502.
At this point, you should have already added the fully qualified host name into the Application Server Host Alias list, as described in “Modify the Virtual Host alias (if required).” on page 500.

After you follow the instructions listed in Figure 25-2, click Step 2. You'll see the screen shown in Figure 25-3 on page 503, from which you can create the SAMPLE Database.
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If you’ve followed the instructions in “Create the sample database”, everything should already be in place and you can continue by clicking Step 3.

You’ll see the screen shown in Figure 25-4 on page 504, from which you can create a DB2 database user for SAMPLE.
To allocate a new user ID, you have to logon as root to your Linux for zSeries system and use `Yast -> System Administration -> User Administration -> PF4 Create User`.

To issue DB2 commands, you should logon as `db2inst1` and use the `db2` command. For more information about using `db2`, see “Verifying the UDB DB2 installation” on page 488.

After you complete the instructions, click Step 4. You’ll see the screen shown in Figure 25-5 on page 505, from which you can create a DataSource Object.
Follow the instructions on the page and then click **Substep 2**. You’ll see the screen shown in Figure 25-6 on page 506, from which you define the DataSource.
Figure 25-6  DB2 Database Configuration Step 4 - Substep 2

Follow the instructions and enter the Database Name SAMPLE in upper case letters. Then click Substep 3.

You’ll see the screen shown in Figure 25-7 on page 507, from which you can install the driver.
To start the connection, you may need to stop and start the Default Server in the Application Server Administrator Console. To do this:

1. Select the Topology view.
2. Expand the tree until the Default Server is displayed.
3. Right-click the Default Server and choose **Stop**; the wheel icons indicating the server's status should be red and white.
4. Once the server is stopped, right-click again and choose **Start**; the wheel icons indicating the server's status should be blue and white.

Afterwards, click **Step 5**.

You see the screen shown in Figure 25-8 on page 508, from which you can run the database servlet.
25.7.2 Configuring Enterprise Java Beans

If you want to run the complete Samples Gallery, you also have to configure your system for Enterprise Java Beans. To do this click, the Enterprise Beans link on the left side of the Getting Started - Configuration frame. Select Start DB2 Enterprise Beans Configuration.

You'll see the screen shown in Figure 25-9 on page 509, from which you can create a database user.
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Figure 25-9  DB2 Enterprise Beans Configuration Step 1

This is a reminder that you have to perform the Configure Database step first, before you can start DB2 Enterprise Beans Configuration. Just click Step 2 for confirmation.

You’ll see the screen shown in Figure 25-10 on page 510, from which you can specify a default data source for the EJB Container.
Figure 25-10  DB2 Enterprise Beans Configuration Step 2

Follow the instructions on this page and click **Step 3**.

You'll see the screen shown in Figure 25-11 on page 511, from which you can install and deploy the Enterprise Beans.
When you browse the Enterprise Bean directory for the first time, you will be positioned to the directory deployedEJBs. Do not try to deploy any of these beans again, because it will seriously damage your environment.

Instead, use the Up-on-Level icon and open the deployableEJBs directory. This step is documented on the page, but it can be easily overlooked.

To run all samples, you have to repeat the process for all beans in the deployableEJBs directory. Afterwards, click Step 4.

You’ll see the screen shown in Figure 25-12 on page 512, from which you can configure the YourCo SAMPLE database.
Now you’ve almost completed the configuration procedure. After clicking **Run the servlet**, you’ll receive a confirmation and you can run all the example servlets from the left side of the frame.
Conclusion

In this chapter we briefly compare the Linux for zSeries distributions that we worked with. As stated in the overview, we do not specifically recommend a single distribution. It is difficult to draw conclusions from so many aspects of the many distributions we tested.

Table 26-1 compares the three strategic Linux distributions.

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<td>945 Binary 45 Source (as of June 12, 2001)</td>
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<td>Yes</td>
<td>No in v6.0, Yes in v6.5</td>
<td>No</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Journaled file system</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>No in v6.0, Yes in v6.5</td>
<td>No</td>
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26.1 Observations

In this section we list our high-level observations that resulted from this project:

- All of the six distributions we worked with installed and ran well on the z900. Those based on the Linux 2.2 kernel (the majority) were more stable than those that could run with the Linux 2.4 kernel.
- Tape support was still not built in to Linux for zSeries at the time of writing, though Turbolinux v6.5 will probably have it built in. The tape driver proved to be stable for us, but we did not exercise it heavily.
- While there are many journaled file systems that are candidates to become the de facto standard on Linux for zSeries, none were enterprise-ready as of July 2001.
- Webmin is a dependable and usable general purpose system administration tool.
- It is advisable to keep the memory size of Linux systems as small as possible (64 MB or even less). However, some Linux guests need large memory sizes (up to 512 M for WebSphere). Running under z/VM, this seemed to cause hangs when the guests were being paged out on system. Modification to the z/VM storage buffers resolved the problem. We modified the following:

  \[
  \text{STORBUF: } Q1=125\% 
  \text{ Q2=105\% } \text{ Q3=95\%} \\
  \text{to:} \\
  \text{STORBUF: } Q1=375\% 
  \text{ Q2=315\% } \text{ Q3=285\%} 
  \]

- Though it is generally agreed that zSeries hardware should not be used to drive graphical applications, KDE2 is useful for displaying a graphical desktop from Linux for zSeries to your desktop.
- VIF is useful as a platform for creating and maintaining multiple Linux images. However, it has limitations, especially because of its limited function (tuning tools, tape support, etc.) and IBM’s statement that it will not enhance it.
As such, z/VM is recommended for customers who need capabilities beyond those provided by VIF, and have (or can develop) the skills necessary to manage the more full-function environment it provides.
Commands and other references

In this appendix, we concisely list the syntax of commonly used Linux commands and the layout of commonly used files.

Command syntax

Following are simple examples of some commonly used Linux commands:

```bash
# insmod dasd dasd=201-203
# dasdfmt -b 4096 -y -f /dev/dasdc
# mke2fs -b 4096 /dev/dasdc1

# ifconfig iucv0 10.1.1.1 pointopoint 10.1.2.1 mtu 1492 up
# route add default gw 10.10.2.1
# inted &

# mkdir /suse/ /suse/cd1 /suse/cd2 /suse/cd3
# mount -o loop /linuxSystems/suse/suse-us-s390-cd1.iso /suse/cd1
# mount
# umount /suse/cd1

# cd /boot
# silo -b ./ipleckd.boot -d /dev/dasda -f ./image -p ./parmfile -t2
```
VIF commands

Following is a quick reference to VIF commands (and we assume you have written a v script as described in 16.6.1, "Writing a simple v script" on page 288). This is not the complete list of VIF commands, but rather is a large subset. For a complete description of these commands, refer to S/390 Virtual Image Facility for LINUX Guide and Reference, GC24-5930.

Query commands

v q all          // query everything
v q net          // IUCV network
v q boot         // query uptime
v q conf         // answers to install questions
v q vol          // query volumes
v q par          // query partitions
v q act          // active images
v q level        // VIF release level ('about VIF')
v q image 'name' // query a linux image by name

HYPervisor commands

v hyp errors     // write ./ereprept.yyyymmdd
v hyp install 'IP0' 'user' 'pw' 'path' // replace kernel, RAMdisk, parmfile
v hyp net add 'name' 'IP0' 'mask'      // add an IUCV connection
v hyp restart    // restart hypervisor and all images
v hyp shutdown   // shutdown VIF (careful!)
v hyp ver full    // verify hypervisor environment
v hyp vol add image 'addr' 'label'     // add volume for partitions
v hyp vol add paging 'addr' 'label'    // add volume for paging
v hyp vol del image 'addr'             // delete a partition volume
v hyp vol map free 'addr'              // query free space on volume
v hyp vol map used 'addr'              // query used space on volume

IMAGE commands

v image create 'name' // create an image
v image del 'name'   // delete an image
v image start 'name' // start an image
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v image stop 'name'  // stop an image
v image stopall     // stop all images
v image set 'name' boot 'addr'  // set image's boot partition
v image set 'name' cpu 'num'    // set image's number of CPUs
v image set 'name' sto 'addr'   // set image's storage size in MB

PARTition commands:

v part create 'name' 'addr' 'size'  // create a partition for an image
v part copy 'name' 'addr' to 'name' 'addr'    // copy a partition
v part del 'name' 'addr'             // delete a partition
v part share 'name' 'addr' with 'name' 'addr' // share a partition

Run levels

Linux run levels are defined in the Linux Standards Base at:

http://www.linuxbase.org/spec/gLSB/gLSB/runlevels.html

Originally SuSE had a different set of run levels. Distributions other than SuSE for zSeries and S/390 comply with this standard. On the PC platform, SuSE has complied with these run levels since V7.1. However, the current SuSE distribution on zSeries and S/390 does not. See Table 26-2:

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<th>Run level</th>
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<td>Single user mode</td>
<td>Multiuser without network</td>
<td>Single user mode</td>
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<td>Multiuser with no network services exported</td>
<td>Multi-user with network</td>
<td>Multiuser, without NFS (The same as 3, if you do not have networking)</td>
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<td>Normal/full multiuser</td>
<td>Multiuser with xdm or equivalent</td>
<td>Full multiuser mode</td>
</tr>
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<td>4</td>
<td>Reserved for local use, default is normal/full multiuser</td>
<td>Unused</td>
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Parameter file values

In this appendix, we document the valid parameters of the Linux for S/390 parameter file. This is sometimes called the parmfile or the parmline file. Where appropriate, we also discuss how parameters are passed to the drivers when they are compiled as modules. Following is a summary of the valid parameters.

- condev - condev=cuu
- ctc - ctc=prid,0xrrrr,0xwwww,ddddd -or- ctc=noauto
  
  For multiple CTC pairs, and ctc support compiled into the kernel:
  
  ctc=0,0x3000,0x3001,ctc0  ctc=0,0x2000,0x2001,ctc1

  For multiple CTC pairs, and ctc support compiled as a module, the entry in the /etc/modules.conf file would be specified as:
  
  options ctc setup="ctc=0,0x3000,0x3001,ctc0  ctc=0,0x2000,0x2001,ctc1"

- dasd (2.2 kernel DASD device driver) - dasd=[devno | devlist] | [autodetect] | [probeonly] dasd_force_diag=range[,...]

- dasd_mod (2.4 kernel modularizable DASD device driver)

- lcs - lcs=hwstats,ip_checksumming

- mdisk - mdisk=vdev [,vdev[,...]]

- netiucv - iucv=USERIDx[,USERIDy,[,...]]

- root - root=path [ro] [noinitr]

- xpram - xpram_parts=<number_of_partition>[,<partition_size>[,...]]
In regard to the parameter file, note the following:

- Linux for zSeries and S/390 has a general read routine that reads in chunks of 1024 bytes. This routine handles short blocks. When reading the parameter file, this will be normally the case.

- The Linux for S/390 kernel handles parameter data up to only 896 bytes. This is a hard limit. You cannot exceed it.

- In case you have a setting that ends exactly in the last column of a “card”, insert a blank in column one on the following card if you have to continue with further parameters. This is necessary because all card images are concatenated and presented as one line of text to the kernel.

For drivers that are compiled as modules, an important file to configure properly is /etc/modules.conf. (You may also see an /etc/conf.modules file on your system but that file has been made obsolete (deprecated) and will be ignored in some future release of Linux.)

During the actual installation process, distributions such as SuSE will put the necessary entries into /etc/modules.conf. If you make any changes after installation that affect the modules, you will need to update /etc/modules.conf yourself.

**Condev - 3215 line mode terminal**

The 3215 terminal device driver makes it possible to use a 3270 terminal in 3215 emulation mode as a line mode terminal with Linux for S/390. This is typically the case only when running Linux for S/390 under VM or z/VM. The intended use of the 3215 terminal device driver is solely to launch Linux. When Linux is running, the user should access Linux for S/390 via telnet, because the terminal is a line mode terminal and is unable to support curses applications such as vi.

**Note:** This parameter is only necessary if your Linux for S/390 virtual machine’s console is defined on an address other than the default of 0x0009.

Since the 3215 driver is needed to be able to IPL, it must be compiled into the kernel, and cannot be a module. Therefore, there should be no entry for it in /etc/modules.conf.

**Syntax**

The syntax for this parameter is as follows:

```
condev=cuu
```
where:

\texttt{cuu} - is the unit address/device number in hexadecimal.

\textbf{Example}

\begin{verbatim}
condev=0x001f
\end{verbatim}

This forces the 3215 device driver to use the device number 0x1f for its 3215 device (the prefix 0x denotes a hexadecimal number).

\textbf{ctc - CTC/ESCON}

Normally the CTC driver selects the channels in order (automatic channel selection), and alternately assigns them as read channels and write channels. If you need to use the channels in a different order, or only need to use a specific set of addresses, or do not want to use automatic channel selection with your installation, you can make these choices using the \texttt{ctc=} parameter in the parameter file, or in \texttt{/etc/modules.conf}.

\textbf{Syntax}

The syntax for this parameter is as follows:

\begin{verbatim}
ctc=prid,0xrrrr,0xwwww,ddddd
\end{verbatim}

where:

\texttt{prid} - is the protocol id (must always be 0)

\texttt{rrrr} - is the read channel address (hexadecimal)

\texttt{wwww} - is the write channel address (hexadecimal)

\texttt{ddddd} - is the network device (ctc0 to ctc7 for a parallel channel, escon0 to escon7 for ESCON channels).

To switch automatic channel selection off, use the \texttt{ctc=\textasciitilde\textasciitilde} parameter. This might be necessary if your installation uses 3172 devices or other devices that use the CTC device type and model, but operate with a different protocol.
Examples

For one network device, using the CTCs at addresses 600/601:

```
ctc=0,0x600,0x601,ctc0
```

This will assign CTC 600 as the read channel, and 601 as the write channel for device ctc0.

For two network devices at addresses 600/601 and 605/608:

```
ctc=0,0x601,0x600,ctc0 ctc=0,0x605,0x608,escon3
```

This will assign CTC 601 as the read channel, and 600 as the write channel for ctc0. ESCON channel 605 will be assigned the read channel, and 608 as the write channel for escon3.

If the defaults had been taken, 600 would have been the read channel for ctc0, and 601 would have been the write channel. ESCON channels 605 & 608 would still have been a read/write pair, but they would have been assigned to escon0, not escon3.

When the CTC driver is compiled as a module, you must add some entries to the `/etc/modules.conf` file. To duplicate the previous example for one CTC connection, you would add the following. (Note the use of both single and double quotes):

```
alias ctc0 ctc
options ctc setup="ctc=0,0x0600,0x0601,ctc0"
```

For multiple CTC connections, the entries would be these:

```
alias ctc0 ctc
alias escon3 ctc
options ctc setup="ctc=0,0x0601,0x0600,ctc0 ctc=0,0x0605,0x0608,escon3"
```

If for any reason you need to issue the `insmod` command for the CTC driver from the VM 3215 console, and specify parameters other than what is in `/etc/modules.conf`, there is another consideration. By default, the double quote character (") is the VM escape character, similar to the Linux back slash (\). Unless you change that default using the CP set term command, you will need to double up on the double quotes as follows:

```
insmod ctc setup=""ctc=0,0x0601,0x0600,ctc0 ctc=0,0x0605,0x0608,escon3"
```
dasd or dasd_mod - DASD

The DASD driver is configured by the dasd= or dasd_mod= kernel parameter in the parameter file. Depending on what version of the kernel you are running, the driver may be named dasd.o, or dasd_mod.o (if you're not sure, try the commands locate dasd.o and locate dasd_mod.o). Unless you are running from a ramdisk during installation, this will not be important to you, because the driver must be compiled into the kernel, and not as a module if your root file system is on DASD.

It is conceivable that your root file system is on a volume specified by the mdisk= parameter, so the entries needed in /etc/modules.conf are shown here.

Syntax

The syntax for this parameter is as follows:

\[ \text{dasd} = \text{address}[,\ldots] \mid \text{autodetect} \mid \text{probeonly} \quad \text{dasd\_force\_diag} = \text{range}[,\ldots] \]

or

\[ \text{dasd\_mod} = \text{address}[,\ldots] \mid \text{autodetect} \mid \text{probeonly} \quad \text{dasd\_force\_diag} = \text{range}[,\ldots] \]

where:

Address - is in the form from(device number) - to(device number), or explicitly specifies each device number, separated by commas. From - to and explicit device number can be specified multiple times and must be specified in hex, without a leading 0x. If multiple instances are specified, then Linux for S/390 will reserve a minor number for each DASD device specified, up to 64 devices. These devices are reserved in the order that they appear, and all extraneous device specifications (past 64) are ignored.

Multiple dasd= statements are allowed. Device names are assigned in the same order as the devices are specified.

Autodetect - determines DASD that is actually registered for use by Linux for S/390. Autodetect is the default for kernel version 2.2.14. If autodetect is specified without specifically calling out a DASD range or DASD device number, then the DASD will be ordered by subchannel path id (chpid) in ascending order.

Probeonly - is the default mode if there is no dasd= keyword in the parameter file. The device driver will then only report all the DASDs found, but not actually register them for use by Linux for S/390.

dasd\_force\_diag - tells the DASD driver to use the DIAG 250 instruction to access devices (minidisks) instead of channel programs.
Examples

dasd=9AC,996-998 dasd_force_diag=100

This reserves minor numbers 0,4,8,12 for devices 9AC, 996, 997, and 998 respectively. Device 100 is accessed by means of VM's DIAG 250 instruction. This would be equivalent to specifying:

dasd=9AC,996,997,998 dasd_force_diag=100

When the DASD driver is compiled as a module, you must put the following entries in /etc/modules.conf. You will need to check whether your system is using the dasd.o or dasd_mod.o module names, and use the corresponding entry.

**Note:** Remember that your root file system cannot be on a DASD volume if you make the DASD driver a module. It must either be on a minidisk (with the minidisk driver compiled into the kernel), or on a ramdisk.

```sh
alias block-major-94 dasd
options dasd dasd=9AC,996-998
```

**lcs - LAN channel station (OSA cards)**

The lcs driver is an Object Code Only (OCO) module provided by IBM. It can only be used as a module. It cannot be compiled directly into the kernel. You must specify the parameters for the module in the parmfile, or in /etc/modules.conf.

**Syntax**

The syntax for this parameter is really three separate parameters, as follows:

```sh
lcs=hw-stats,ip-checksumming[,additional_cu_model,max_rel_adapter_no[,additional cu model,max rel adapter no[,...]]]
lcs_devno=devno,rel_adapter_no pairs
lcs_noauto
```

**where:**

- **hw-stats** - gets network statistics from LANSTAT LCS primitive, as opposed to doing it in software. This is not used by MVS, it is not recommended, it does not appear to work, and it usually does not work.

- **ip-checksumming** - does IP checksumming on inbound packets. It is normally not required because Ethernet CRC32 is usually more than adequate (except perhaps for financial applications).
additional_cu_model, max_rel_adapter_no - comprised of sets of model/maximum relative adapter number pairs. It is important that the parameters are entered in pairs (2, 4, 6 or 8 parameters), because the cu model and max rel adapter no are a pair.

lcs_devno=devno,rel_adapter_no - takes devno,rel_adapter_no(port) pairs. Relative adapter number of -1 indicates that you should not use this adapter. This can be used to force certain CHPIDs to use a particular port number if the LCS protocol provides an incorrect one (hopefully this will fix a few problems happening in the field). This is identical to the devno_portno_pairs parameter described for modules. The name lcs_devno is quite short because of limitations in the allowable length of kernel parameter names.

lcs_noauto - tells the kernel to set auto-detection to off. You then have to explicitly configure LCS devices with the lcs_devno parameter.

Examples

lcs=1,1,97,8

will collect network statistics from the hardware; IP checksumming will be on; the model number is 0x61 (97 decimal); and an attempt is made to detect 8 ports on that model.

lcs_devno=0x2928,0 lcs_noauto

will not try to autodetect any LCS devices, and will use device number 2928 (hexidecimal), port 0 for the LCS device.

When the LCS driver is not specified in the kernel parameters, a different set of parameters that must be specified in /etc/modules.conf:

```
options lcs [use_hw_stats] [do_sw_ip_checksumming]
     [additional_model_info=model,port[,model,port][...]]
     [devno_portno_pairs=baseaddress,portnum] [noauto=1]
```

use_hw_stats - gets network statistics from LANSTAT LCS primitive, as opposed to doing it in software. This is not used by MVS, it is not recommended, it does not appear to work, and it usually does not work.

do_sw_ip_checksumming - does IP checksumming on inbound packets. Normally not required because Ethernet CRC32 is usually more than adequate (except perhaps for financial institutions).
additional_model_info - made up of sets of model/maximum relative adapter number pairs. It is important that the parameters are entered in pairs (2, 4, 6 or 8 parameters), because the cu model and max rel adapter no are a pair. For example:

```bash
insmod lcs additional_model_info=0x70,3,0x71,5
```

will look for 3 ports on a 3088 model 0x70 and will also look for 5 ports on a 3088 model 0x71.

devno_portno_pairs - takes devno.rel_adapter_no(port) pairs. Relative adapter number of -1 indicates that you should not use this adapter. This can be used to force certain chipids to use a particular port number if the LCS protocol provides an incorrect one (hopefully this will fix a few problems happening in the field). For example:

```bash
insmod lcs devno_portno_pairs=0x1c00,0,0x1c02,1,0x1d00,-1
```

tells the LCS device driver to:

- Only use port 0 if available for the device numbers 0x1c00 and 0x1c01
- Only use port 1 if available for the device numbers 0x1c02 and 0x1c03
- Do not under any circumstances use the device at 0x1d00 and 0x1d01 as an LCS device.

noauto=1 - tells the kernel to set auto-detection to off. You then have to explicitly configure LCS devices with the devno_portno_pairs parameter.

### mdisk - VM/CMS minidisks

VM minidisks can be reserved for Linux for S/390 use with the mdisk= kernel parameter in the parameter file. A reserved minidisk must be formatted with a blocksize of 512 bytes, 1 KB, 2 KB, or 4 KB. They can be of any size. It is possible to reserve a minidisk and create a file the size of the entire disk. This file can then be written to using the DIAG 250 instruction.

#### Syntax

The syntax for this parameter is as follows:

```bash
mdisk=<vdev>[::<size>::<offset>::<blksize>][,<vdev>[::<size>::<offset>...]]
```

Since most people only specify the virtual device number, this is typically shortened to:

```bash
mdisk=vdev[,...]
```
where:

**vdev** is the virtual device number specified in hex without the leading 0x.

**size** - the size of the device in kilobytes.

**offset** - the offset after which the minidisk is available.

**blksize** - the blocksize with which the minidisk was formatted.

Multiple mdisk= statements are allowed. The minor numbers of the device will be assigned in the order that they appear in the parmline file.

**Example**

```plaintext
mdisk=193,194
```

This reserves minor numbers 0 and 4 for minidisks at addresses 193 and 194.

When the minidisk driver is compiled as a module, you must put the following entries in /etc/modules.conf.

```plaintext
alias block-major-95 mdisk
options mdisk mdisk=193,194
```

**netiucv - IUCV communications**

The Inter-User Communications Vehicle is a type of communications, used on z/VM and VIF, between guest virtual machines running on the same machine. This is similar to using virtual CTCs in that the connections are point-to-point.

The IUCV driver needs to know the VM user IDs of the other virtual machines with which it can communicate.

**Syntax**

The syntax for this parameter is as follows:

```plaintext
iucv=useridx[,useridy[,...]]
```

where:

**userid** - is the userid of the other virtual machine with which to communicate
Example

iucv=tcpip,linux3

In this example the Linux virtual machine can establish IUCV communication with user ID TCPIP (the VM TCP/IP service machine) on device iucv0, and with user ID LINUX3 (Linux for S/390 running in another virtual machine) on device iucv1.

When the iucv driver is compiled as a module, you must put the following entries in /etc/modules.conf.

alias iucv netiucv
options iucv iucv=tcpip,linux3

root

This parameter tells Linux where to find the root file system.

Syntax

The syntax for this parameter is as follows:

root=path [ro] [noinitrd]

where:

path - points to the root filesystem.

ro - initially sets the filesystem to read-only; later it is accessed read/write

noinitrd - does not use the initial RAMdisk.

Examples

root=/dev/ram0 ro

This tells Linux that the root file system is to be found on a ramdisk. This is a temporary RAMdisk (ram0) used to get a mini-Linux system running, so that you can perform the rest of the IPL or repair tasks.

root=/dev/dasda1 noinitrd

This tells Linux that the root file system is to be found on the first DASD device specified by the dasd= kernel parameter. Additionally, the initial ramdisk is not to be used.
**xpram**

Although Linux addresses only about 2 GB (1919 MB) of memory, you can also access expanded storage. The xpram driver maps a file system or a swap space onto expanded storage.

An xpram device has major number 35 and can be partitioned, starting with minor number 0. You can have up to 32 partitions. The associated device node is /dev/xpram<letter>.

**Syntax**

The syntax for this parameter is as follows:

\[
\text{xpram} \_\text{parts}=<\text{number} \_\text{of} \_\text{partitions}>[,<\text{partition} \_\text{size} >[,...]]
\]

where:

number_of_partitions - can be a number from 1 to 32; the default is 1.

partition_size - is divided into three parts: <hex><number><unit>. For the first part, hex has a value 0x and specifies that the size is in hexadecimal. If this part is omitted, the size is treated as decimal. For the third part, the unit can be k or K for kilobytes, m or M for megabytes, and g or G for gigabytes. A size of 0 requests the driver to allocate the rest of expanded storage that is available.

**Examples**

\[
\text{xpram} \_\text{parts}=1,0x200m
\]

This reserves one partition (/dev/xpram0) of hex 200 megabytes (decimal 512 MB).

\[
\text{xpram} \_\text{parts}=2,200m,1g
\]

In contrast, this reserves two partitions: one with a size of 200 MB (/dev/xpram0), and a second with a size of 1 GB (/dev/xpram1).

When the xpram driver is compiled as a module, you must add some entries to the /etc/modules.conf file.

\[
\text{alias block-major-35 xpram}
\]

\[
\text{options xpram devs=<number} \_\text{of} \_\text{devices}[<sizes>=<size>[,...]]\]
\]
Customizing Linux checklist

This appendix provides a checklist of tasks that you may want to do to customize Linux:

- Add a non-root user ID for yourself and anyone else that will be using the system. This is an important (and standard) systems administration practice. Logging on as root all the time can lead to disaster.

  Enable Secure Shell (SSH). Unless you are using the one secure telnet that is available (and you almost certainly are not), this is a security must. It also provides a secure copy (scp) program that replaces/supplements the typical non-secure ftp client.

  In the case of the SuSE distribution, you will have to download the RPMs for openssh and openssl from ftp://ftp.suse.de/pub/suse/s390/7.0/sec1/ since they were not included in the main distribution.

- Install some kind of system administration tool. For examples of these tools, refer to 21.2, “Administration tools” on page 402, and 21.3, “Remote network management tools” on page 408.

- Enable and customize a firewall using ipchains or iptables.

- Enable and customize an FTP server.
  - Decide if you want to allow anonymous access.
  - Enable or disable anonymous access per your decision.

- Enable and customize the sudo command.
- Customize the `/etc/suauth` file.
- Enable and customize an HTTP server.
- Enable and customize Samba.
- Enable and customize (x)ntpd to keep your system time accurate.
- Enable and customize a mail server.
  - Alternatively, set a pointer to an existing “smart” relay host.
- Enable and customize a DNS server.
- Enable and customize an INN (news) server.
- Enable and customize xdm/kdm/gdm/whatever for graphical X logins.
- Create a second, third, fourth, etc., IPL volume.
- Add additional DNS servers to `/etc/resolv.conf`.
- Add additional domain search values to `/etc/resolv.conf`.
- Add entries to `/etc/hosts` for systems that do not have DNS records.
- Add alias xxxx off entries to `/etc/modules.conf` for things that are generating unnecessary error messages.
- Install a package such as logrotate to manage your system logs, or write your own scripts to do something similar.
- Enable quotas to limit the amount of disk space your users can consume.
- Make your root file system as small as possible (containing only `/bin`, `/boot`, `/lib`, and `/root`) and put everything else on a journaling file system such as GFS, AFS, ext3, JFS, etc. (This may seem to contradict the information in Chapter 26, “Conclusion” on page 513, but eventually journaling file systems on Linux will mature, and this is something you will want to do then.)
- Enable and customize lpd to print to any network printers you might have.
64-bit Linux

To run 64-bit Linux, you will need zSeries hardware. It will not run on S/390 hardware. It is not a simple process to create a 64-bit Linux system and we did not try it during the residency to produce this redbook. We recommend you get a system that is already built. See Chapter 15, “Think Blue 64 Linux for zSeries” on page 239 for a description of the Think Blue 64-bit distribution.

For reference, to see how a 64-bit system is built, there is Neale Ferguson’s 64-bit starter system Web site at:

http://penguinvm4.princeton.edu/

That Web site contains the components necessary for creating a Linux 2.4 system for z/Architecture. The kernel operates in 64-bit mode and the executables are all 64 bit objects. The starter system consists of the following:

- Kernel for booting from virtual reader
- Parameter line (EBCDIC)
- Parameter line (ASCII)
- Initial RAMdisk - this contains 32 bit objects and is only used so you can build the starter system disk

Following is an overview.

**Building your first kernel**

1. Create a cross-compile environment
– binutils-2.10.0.8 + experimental patches
– gcc-2.95.2 + experimental patches
– glibc-2.2.2 + experimental patches

2. Download kernel from ftp.kernel.org
3. Apply patches
4. Update Makefile:
   – ARCH := s390x
   – CROSS_COMPILE=s390x-ibm-linux-
5. Make kernel
   – make menuconfig
   – make dep
   – make
   – make modules
   – make modules_install
6. Build silo:
   – cd arch/s390x/tools/silo
   – make
7. Copy files to /boot:
   – cp arch/s390x/boot/image /boot
   – cp arch/s390x/boot/*.boot /boot
   – cp System.map /boot
8. Run silo:
   – cd /boot
   – <path-to-kernel-tools>/silo –f image –p parmfile –d /dev/dasdx

Building a file system from scratch

1. Use first kernel as a base
2. Get “Building LFS from Scratch” from:

   http://linuxfromscratch.org
3. Get second disk and mount as /root64
4. Build ncurses using cross-compiler
5. Follow instructions in LFS document to populate /root64
6. Basically a two-stage process:
   a. Starter pack:
      • Build statically linked versions of core packages (inc. gcc)
• Create traditional file layouts (i.e. /etc, /lib etc.)
• Create /dev nodes – need to manually define /dev/dasdx
• Create /etc contents (e.g. passwd, groups)
• chroot to /root64

b. Production pack:
• Build new glibc-2.2.2
• Rebuild core packages - this time dynamically linked
• Create and tailor startup scripts
• Copy /boot contents & /lib/modules
• Update parameter file and run silo
• Run depmod
• Reboot off the /root64 disk

**Relevant linux-390 appends**

Following are two appends from the linux-390 list server which may help with the build process.

“I'm trying to build the cross-platform environment for s390x, I've followed the steps below and have successfully performed steps 1-7. When I go to rebuild gcc, this time enabling c++ I get the following:"

```
/root64/home/usanefe/gcc-build/gcc/xgcc
-B/root64/home/usanefe/gcc-build/gcc/ -B/usr/local/s390x-ibm-linux/bin/ -c 
-g -O2 -fvtabe-thunks -D_GNU_SOURCE -fno-implicit-templates -I.
-I../.../gcc-2.95.2/libio -nostdinc++ -D_IO_MTSAFE_10 
../.../gcc-2.95.2/libio/pfstream.cc 
xgcc: ../.../gcc-2.95.2/libio/pfstream.cc: C++ compiler not installed on this system
```

but g++ had just been built:

```
gcc -DCROSS_COMPILE -DIN_GCC -g -O2 -DHAVE_CONFIG_H -o g++ 
gcc.o g++spec.o int1.o prefix.o version.o obstack.o 
../libiberty/libiberty.a
rm -f g++-cross 
cp g++ g++-cross
```

(The lack of success comes from it trying to link prior to there being any objects to link against (namely crt1.o). What you get at this stage is a cross-compiler good enough to build glibc. glibc links only stuff that it has created which includes crt1.o. Thus after you do the make install you can go back to gcc and rebuild, this time it will find what it needs to link and can build libiberty successfully. Now if only mine would build libc!}
What I've tracked down is that when xgcc is invoked it checks the suffix of
the filename (in this case .cc) and matches it against a table of things.
If the language is supported it will find in this table an entry whose
"specs" member contains '0' as the first character. In my case it is
finding '#' which is the default table implying it has failed to update
this table with the correct state of play.)

The following steps should provide you a cross build environment:
1) unpack all source packages
   tar xfz binutils-2.10.1.tar.gz
   tar xfz gcc-2.95.2.tar.gz
   tar xfz glibc-2.2.tar.gz
   cd glibc-2.2
   tar xfz ~/glibc-linuxthreads-2.2.tar.gz
   cd ..
   tar xfz linux-2.4.2.tar.gz
   mv linux linux-2.4.2

2) apply the patches
   patch -sp0 < ~/binutils-2.10.1-s390.diff
   patch -sp0 < ~/gcc-2.95.2-s390x.diff
   patch -sp0 < ~/glibc-2.2-s390x.diff
   patch -sp0 < ~/linux-2.4.2-s390x.diff

3) configure, compile and install the binutils
   mkdir binutils-build
   cd binutils-build
   ../binutils-2.10.1/configure --prefix=/usr/local \
   --target=s390x-ibm-linux --host=s390-ibm-linux
   make
   su (enter root password)
   make install
   exit
   cd ..

4) configure, compile and install the C compiler
   mkdir gcc-build
   cd gcc-build
   ../gcc-2.95.2/configure --prefix=/usr/local \
   --target=s390x-ibm-linux --host=s390-ibm-linux \
   --enable-languages="c" --with-newlib
   make (ignore the compile error in libiberty)
   su (enter root password)
   make install
   exit
   cd ..
5) configure the kernel
   cd linux-2.2.13
   vi Makefile (set "ARCH := s390x" and
   "CROSS_COMPILE=s390x-ibm-linux-")
   make menuconfig
   cd ..

6) copy kernel header files
   su    (enter root password)
   cp -ar linux-2.4.2/include/linux
   /usr/local/s390x-ibm-linux/include/linux
   cp -ar linux-2.4.2/include/asm-s390x
   /usr/local/s390x-ibm-linux/include/asm
   exit

7) configure, compile and install the glibc
   mkdir glibc-build
   cd glibc-build
   ../../../glibc-2.2/configure --prefix=/usr/local/s390x-ibm-linux \
   --host=s390x-ibm-linux --build=s390-ibm-linux \
   --enable-add-ons --disable-profile --enable-omitfp
   make
   su    (enter root password)
   make install
   exit
   cd ..

8) configure, compile and install all needed compilers
   cd gcc-build
   rm -fr *
   ../../../gcc-2.95.2/configure --prefix=/usr/local \
   --target=s390x-ibm-linux --host=s390-ibm-linux \
   --enable-shared --enable-threads --enable-languages="c,c++"
   make
   su    (enter root password)
   make install
   exit
   cd ..
Appendix E. ICKDSF bootstrap job

This appendix lists a sample job for ICKDSF bootstrap. For a description of this process, see 3.4.1, "Using the ICKDSF bootstrap" on page 34. This sample job was obtained on the Web starting at:

http://pucc.princeton.edu/~rvdheij/linuxipl.html

```assembly
// SET LINUX=LINUXZ, (*)
// SET UID=NL66157
// after change in volser for LINUXZ you need to change the
// verify in the ICKDSF STEP
//ASMIPLD EXEC PGM=ASMA90
//SYSLIB DD DSN=SYS1.MACLIB,DISP=SHR
//SYSUT1 DD UNIT=VIO,SPACE=(CYL,(10,5))
//SYSLIN DD DSN=&&IPLDECK,BLKSIZE=3120,RECFM=FB,LRECL=80,
// SPACE=(TRK,(15,0)),DISP=(,PASS)
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=*,DCB=(BLKSIZE=3509)
//SYSPN DD *

* Bootstrap to boot Linux with ramdisk from an OS formatted volume.

* The volume is prepared for IPL by an ICKDSF with the BOOTSTRAP option
* Use the concatenation of SYS.SAMPLIB(IPLRECS) and this object deck as
* the input for IPLDD. When the volume is IPLed the bootstrap locates
* the 3 datasets in the VTOC, loads them into memory and transfer
* control to the Linux kernel.

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* 7 Jun 2001 rmh Added retry for I/O

LINO00010
LINO00020
LINO00030
LINO00040
LINO00050
LINO00060
LINO00070
LINO00080
LINO00090
LINO00100
LINO00110
LINO00120
IPLPSW DC X'00080000',AL4(X'80000000'+ENTRY) LINO0130
ORG LINUXIPL+X'200' LINO0140
DC C'+----------------------------------------------------------'+
DC C'|Linux for S/390 Bootstrap |' LINO0150
DC C'+----------------------------------------------------------'+
ORG LINUXIPL+X'260' LINO0160

ENTRY DS OH LINO0170
BALR R12,0 LINO0180
USING * , R12 LINO0190
LA R13,X'0800' Use next 2K as work space LINO0200
L R1,X'B8' Save subchannel address of IPL LINO0210
ST R1, DEVSUBCH device LINO0220
LCTL R6, R6, =X'FF000000' Enable for I/O interrupts LINO0230

BAL R11, READVTOC LINO0240
MVI STATUS, X'30' LINO0250

L R8, =X'0001000' Load kernel into memory LINO0260
LR R4, R8 LINO0270
LA R6, EXT1 LINO0280
BAL R11, READFILE LINO0290
MVI STATUS, X'60' LINO0300

L R8, =X'00800000' Load initrd at 8M LINO0310
LA R6, EXT3 LINO0320
BAL R11, READFILE LINO0330
MVI STATUS, X'90' LINO0340

S R8, =X'00800000' Compute size of ramdisk image LINO0350
L R6, =X'00010400' Parameter area for setup.h LINO0360
MVC 14(4, R6), =X'00800000' LINO0370
STCM R8, B'1111', 18(R6) LINO0380

L R8, =X'00008000' Load parm file at page 8 LINO0390
LA R6, EXT2 LINO0400
BAL R11, READFILE LINO0410
MVI STATUS, X'80' LINO0420

L R6, =X'00010480' Move parm file contents down LINO0430
L R7, =F'B96' into area defined by setup.h LINO0440
L R8, =X'00008000' LINO0450
LR R9, R7 LINO0460
MVCL R6, RB LINO0470
MVI STATUS, X'F0' LINO0480

L R1, =X'0010000' Run the kernel now LINO0490
BR R1 LINO0500

DSN DC CL4'LINUX.TAPEIPL.IKR' LINO0510
DC CL4'LINUX.PARMFILE' LINO0520
DC CL4'LINUX.INITRD' LINO0530

SCHIB DS 8D LINO0540
DROPDEAD ST R14, WAITPSW+4 Show caller address instead LINO0550

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MVC   WAITPSW+3(1),STATUS                                      LIN00670
MVI   WAITPSW,X'00'                                        LIN00680
LPSW  WAITPSW                                              LIN00690
DS    0D                                                   LIN00700
WAITPSW  DC    X'020A0000',X'80DEAD00'                           LIN00710
MYNEWPSW DC    X'00080000',A(X'80000000'+INT)                   LIN00720
LIN00730
IOR6     DS    F                                                  LIN00740
*                                 Execute a channel program at (R1)     LIN00750
IO10     EQU   *                                                 LIN00760
ST    R6,IOR6            Save R6 to be used as counter         LIN00770
LA    R6,10              10 retries                             LIN00780
MVC   X'78'(8),MYNEWPSW  Prepare I/O new PSW                   LIN00790
ST    R1,ORB+8                                                 LIN00800
L     R1,DEVSUBCH        Get subchannel address back           LIN00810
IO1     SSCH  ORB                                               LIN00820
IO4     LPSW  WAITPSW                                          LIN00830
INT     C    R1,X'B8'    Did my I/O complete?                  LIN00840
BNE   IO4                                                      LIN00850
ST    R6,IOR6            Restore R6                            LIN00860
BR    R5                                                       LIN00870
*                                 Read a single dataset                 LIN00880
* R6: Points to CCHH of first track and CCHH of last track      LIN00890
* R8: Address where data must be loaded                         LIN00900
* R4: Number of bytes to skip initially                        LIN00910
READFILE EQU   *                                               LIN00920
MVC   CCW1P+8(8),0(R6)   Copy CCHH's to Define Extent          LIN00930
L     R3,0(R6)           First track                           LIN00940
RF01   EQU   *                                               LIN00950
ST    R3,CCW2P+4         Put CCHH in Locate Record             LIN00960
ST    R3,CCW2P+8                                               LIN00970
LA        R1,CCW1   Read a single track                        LIN00980
BAL       R5,IO                                                LIN00990
* Process raw track just read and move the payload to (R8)      LIN01000
* Skip the first R4 bytes while doing so                        LIN01010
L     R2,CCW3+4     See where data was loaded                  LIN01020
A     R4,=F'8'      Also skip R0                                LIN01030
RF02   EQU   *                                               LIN01040
SLR   R3,R3                                                    LIN01050
IC    R3,5(R2)       Load keylength                             LIN01060
AH    R3,6(R2)       Add datalength                              LIN01070
LA    R2,8(R2)       Payload address is beyond count field     LIN01080
LR    R9,R3                                                    LIN01090
LTR   R4,R4         Any bytes to skip?                          LIN01100
BZ    RF03                                                     LIN01110

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CR R4,R3 Part of payload to be skipped? LIN01210
BP RFO4 Less than one record to skip LIN01220
AR R2,R4 Account for bytes skipped LIN01230
SLR R3,R4 So many bytes less to move LIN01240
LR R9,R3 Correct target LIN01250
SLR R4,R4 No more bytes to skip LIN01260
B RF03 Go and move the LIN01270
RF04 SLR R4,R3 Skip entire record LIN01280
AR R2,R3 Adjust pointer to input data LIN01290
B RF05 LIN01300
RF03 MVCL R8,R2 LIN01310
RF05 CLC O(4,R2),='F'-1' Next count field -1 ? LIN01320
BNZ RF01 LIN01330
+unu-
L R3,CCW2P+4 Get CCHH back again LIN01340
C R3,CCW1P+12 Are we done already? LIN01350
BNZ RF01 LIN01360
A R3,=AL4(X'10000'-15) LIN01370
B RF01 LIN01380
RF09 BR R11 LIN01390
* Read the VTOC of the volume in a buffer LIN01400
* and search for the 3 datasets LIN01410
READVTOC EQU * LIN01420
LA R1,CCW4 Channel program to read R3 LIN01430
LR R10,R11 Save my return address LIN01440
BAL R5,I0 Read R3 LIN01450
BZ RF09 LIN01460
LA R1,SENSEID LIN01470
BAL R5,I0 LIN01480
BAL R14,DROPDEAD LIN01490
VT01 MVC VOL1BUF+15(4),VOL1BUF+11 Get VOLVTOC pointer LIN01500
LA R6,VOL1BUF+11 And use one track as the extent LIN01510
SLR R4,R4 LIN01520
L R8,='X'00800000'
BAL R11,READFILE Read this single track LIN01530
L R8,='X'00800000'
BAL R11,READFILE LIN01540
CLC VOL1BUF+15(4),X'2D'(R8) Just one track? LIN01550
BE VT02 LIN01560
L R8,='X'00800000'
SLR R4,R4 LIN01570
MVC VOL1BUF+15(4),X'2D'(R8) Last CCHH used by VTOC LIN01580
BAL R11,READFILE LIN01590
VT02 L R3,='F'+3' 3 datasets to find LIN01600
LA R2,DSN Point to first one LIN01610
LA R4,EXT1 Point to first extent LIN01620
LR R9,R8 End of VTOC in memory LIN01630
VT03 IC R8,STATUS LIN01640
LA R8,I(R8) LIN01650
STC   R8,STATUS                                                LIN01750
L     R8,=X'00800000'                                          LIN01760
VT04  CLC  O(44,R2),O(R8)                                     LIN01770
BNZ  VT05                                                  LIN01780
MVC  O(8,R4),X'06B'(R8) Copy extent info                  LIN01790
B    VT06                                                  LIN01800
VT05  LA  R8,140(R8)  Advance to next VTOC entry            LIN01810
CR  R8,R9                                                  LIN01820
BL  VT04                                                  LIN01830
BAL   R14,DROPDEAD                                         LIN01840
VT06  SLR  R1,R1                                             LIN01850
LA  R2,44(R2)     Next DSN                                   LIN01860
LA  R4,8(R4)      Next extent                                LIN01870
BCT  R3,VT03                                               LIN01880
BR  R10                                                  LIN01890
*                                                                  LIN01900
DS    0D                                                    LIN01910
IRB   DS    16F                                              LIN01920
DEVSUBCH DS    F                                              LIN01930
ORB   DC    A(0)                                              LIN01940
DC    X'0080FF00'                                          LIN01950
DC    A(CCW1)       Channel Program Address                  LIN01960
STATUS  DC    AL1(0)                                          LIN01970
*                                                                  LIN01980
DS    0D                                                    LIN01990
CCW1P  DC    X'00CC0000',X'00000000' ECKD for sequential read LIN02000
   DC    X'00000000',X'00000000'                              LIN02010
CCW2P  DC    X'4c000001',X'00000000' Prepare to read full track LIN02020
   DC    X'00000000',X'01FF0000'                              LIN02030
*                                                                  LIN02040
SENSEID DC    X'04000020',A(SENSEID1)                      LIN02050
CCW1   DC    X'63400010',A(CCW1P) Define Extent              LIN02060
CCW2   DC    X'47400010',A(CCW2P) Locate Record               LIN02070
CCW3   DC    X'DE20F000',X'00700000' Read full track          LIN02080
   DS    0D                                                  LIN02090
   DS    0D                                                  LIN02100
CCW4P  DC    X'00CD0000',X'00000000' ECKD channel program     LIN02110
   DC    X'00000000',X'00000000'                              LIN02120
CCW5P  DC    X'06000001',X'00000000' Locate R3 for reading    LIN02130
   DC    X'00000000',X'03FF0000'                              LIN02140
CCW4   DC    X'63400010',A(CCW4P) Define Extent              LIN02150
CCW5   DC    X'47400010',A(CCW5P) Locate Record               LIN02160
CCW6   DC    X'06200050',A(VOL1BUF) Read 80 bytes            LIN02170
SENSEID1 DS    8F                                             LIN02180
EXT1   DS    2F                                              LIN02190
EXT2   DS    2F                                              LIN02200
EXT3   DS    2F                                              LIN02210
VOL1BUF DS    80C                                             LIN02220
R0     EQU   0                                              LIN02230
R1 EQU 1 LIN02280
R2 EQU 2 LIN02290
R3 EQU 3 LIN02300
R4 EQU 4 LIN02310
R5 EQU 5 LIN02320
R6 EQU 6 LIN02330
R7 EQU 7 LIN02340
R8 EQU 8 LIN02350
R9 EQU 9 LIN02360
R10 EQU 10 LIN02370
R11 EQU 11 LIN02380
R12 EQU 12 LIN02390
R13 EQU 13 LIN02400
R14 EQU 14 LIN02410
R15 EQU 15 LIN02420
END , LIN02430
//INTLINUX EXEC PGM=ICKDSF,PARM='NOREPLYU' 00051600
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=* 00051700
//IPLTEXT DD DSN=SYS1.SAMPLIB(IPLRECS),DISP=SHR 00051800
// DD DSN=&&IPLDECK,DISP=(OLD,DELETE) 00051900
//LINUX DD UNIT=SYSALLDA,VOL=SER=&LINUX.,DISP=OLD 00052000
//SYSIN DD * 00060000
INIT DDNAME(LINUX) - 00190000
OWNER(SYS1) - 00200000
BOOTSTRAP - 00201000
IPLDD(IPLTEXT) - 00202000
PURGE - 00210000
VERIFY(LINUX) - 00220000
VTOC(1,0,15) - 00250000
NIX 00260000
//TAPEIPL EXEC PGM=IEBGENER 00290000
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=* 00300000
//SYSUT1 DD DSN=AU1D..TAPEIPL.IKR,DISP=SHR 00310000
//SYSUT2 DD DSN=SYS1.LINUX.TAPEIPL.IKR,DISP=(NEW,KEEP), 00320000
// UNIT=SYSALLDA,RECFM=FB,LRECL=1024,BLKSIZ=0, 00330000
// SPACE=(TRK,(28,0),,CONTIG),VOL=SER=&LINUX 00340002
//SYSIN DD DUMMY 00350000
//* 00360000
//INITRD EXEC PGM=IEBGENER 00370000
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=* 00380000
//SYSUT1 DD DSN=AU1D..INITRD,DISP=SHR 00390000
//SYSUT2 DD DSN=SYS1.LINUX.INITRD,DISP=(NEW,KEEP), 00400000
// UNIT=SYSALLDA,RECFM=FB,LRECL=1024,BLKSIZ=0, 00410000
// SPACE=(TRK,(179,0),,CONTIG),VOL=SER=&LINUX 00420002
//SYSIN DD DUMMY 00430000
//* 00440000
//PARMFILE EXEC PGM=IEBGENER 00450000
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=* 00460000
//SYSUT1 DD DSN=AU1D..PARAMFILE,DISP=SHR 00470000
//SYSUT2 DD DSN=SYS1.LINUX.PARMFILE,DISP=(NEW,KEEP), 00480000
// UNIT=SYSALLDA,RECFM=FB,LRECL=1024,BLKSIZ=0, 00490000
// SPACE=(TRK,(1,0),,CONTIG),VOL=SER=&LINUX 00500002
//SYSIN DD DUMMY 00510000
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- Understanding LDAP, SG24-4986

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These publications are also relevant as further information sources:

- SuSE documentation (available only on CD 1, which is the file suse-us-s390-GA-CD1-with-rb.iso):
  - manual.pdf - SuSE 7.0 Installation, Networking, Know How
Turbolinux documentation, available on:

  - Preparing for Installing Turbolinux for S/390, December 2000
  - Installing Turbolinux for S/390, December 2000

developerWorks documents:

- Using the Dump Tools, July 2001
- LINUX for S/390 Device Drivers and Installation Commands, July 2000
- LINUX for S/390 ELF Application Binary Interface Supplement, July 2001

- Caiman Linux for zSeries Installation Guide, July 2001
  ftp://linux390.linuxkorea.co.kr/caiman/doc

- VM/ESA Quick Reference, SX24-5290

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- Downloading Red Hat Linux beta; start at either:
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