



Disks

Outline

- Interfaces
- Geometry
- Add new disks
 - Installation procedure
 - Filesystem check
 - Add a disk
- RAID
 - GEOM

Disk Interfaces

- SCSI
 - Small Computer Systems Interface
 - High performance and reliability
 - IDE (or ATA)
 - Integrated Device Electronics (or Advanced Technology Attachment)
 - Low cost
 - Become acceptable for enterprise with the help of RAID technology
 - SATA
 - Serial ATA
 - SAS
 - Serial Attached SCSI
 - USB
 - Universal Serial Bus
 - Convenient to use
- Expensive!
SCSI Card ~ 10k
- Low Price!
- Enhancement
- Speeds up!

Disk Interfaces – ATA & SATA

□ ATA (AT Attachment)

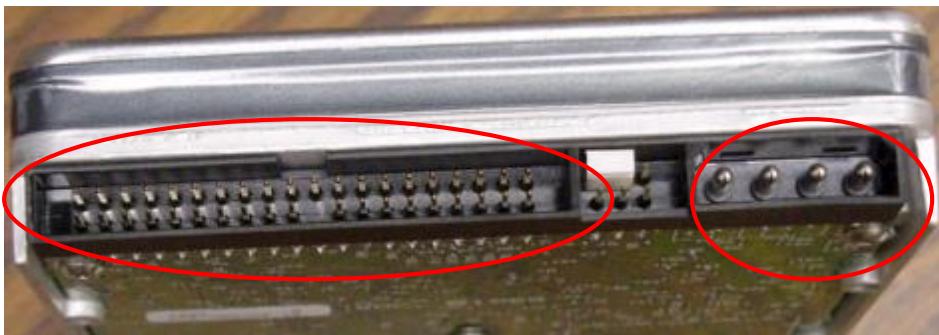
- ATA2
 - PIO, DMA
 - LBA (Logical Block Addressing)
- ATA3, Ultra DMA/33/66/100/133
- ATAPI (ATA Packet Interface)
 - CDROM, TAPE
- Only one device can be active at a time
 - **SCSI support overlapping commands, command queuing, scatter-gather I/O**
- Master-Slave Primary Master (0) / Slave (1)
 Secondary Master (2) / Slave (3)
- 40-pin ribbon cable

□ SATA

- Serial ATA
- SATA-1 1.5Gbit/s, SATA-2 3Gbit/s, SATA-3 6Gbit/s
- SATA 3.1, SATA 3.2 16Gbit/s, SATA 3.3, eSATA, mSATA

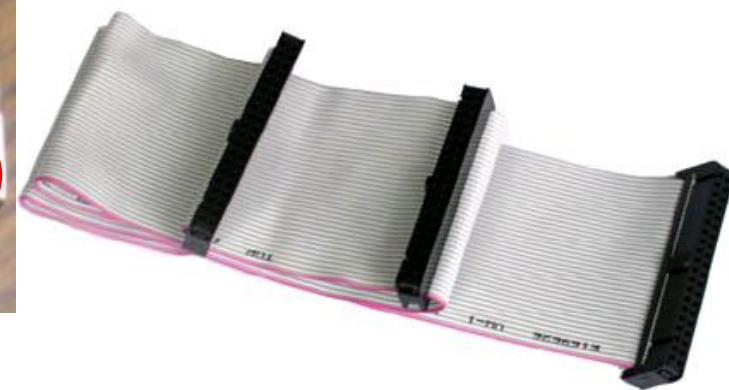
Disk Interfaces – ATA & SATA Interfaces

- ATA interface and it's cable

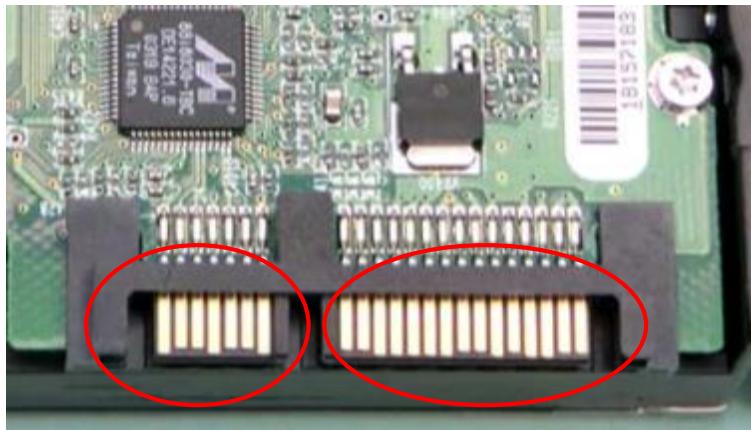


Data

Power



- SATA interface and it's cable



Data

Power



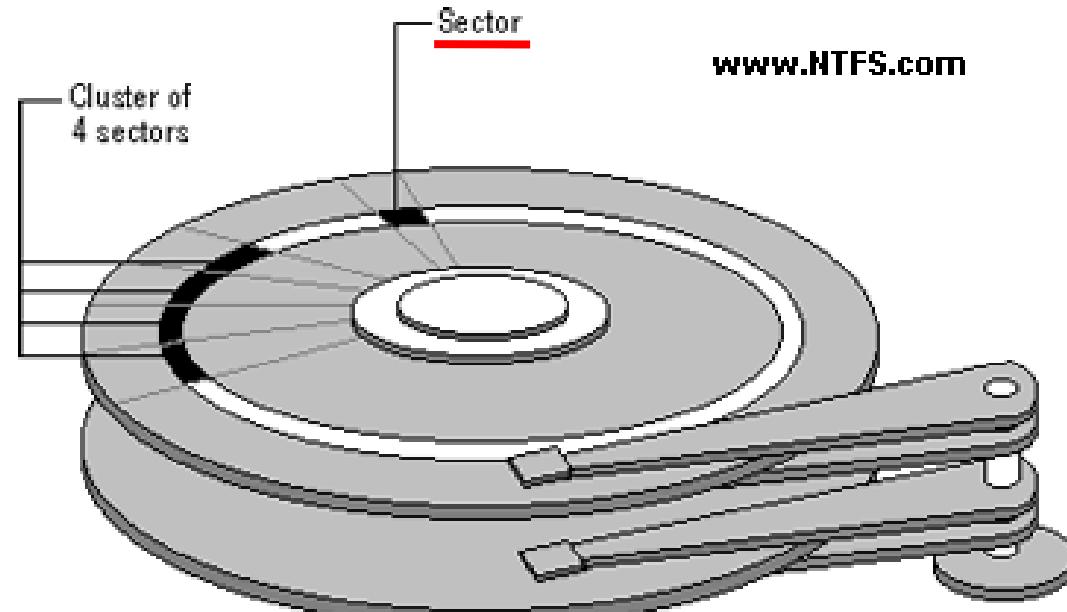
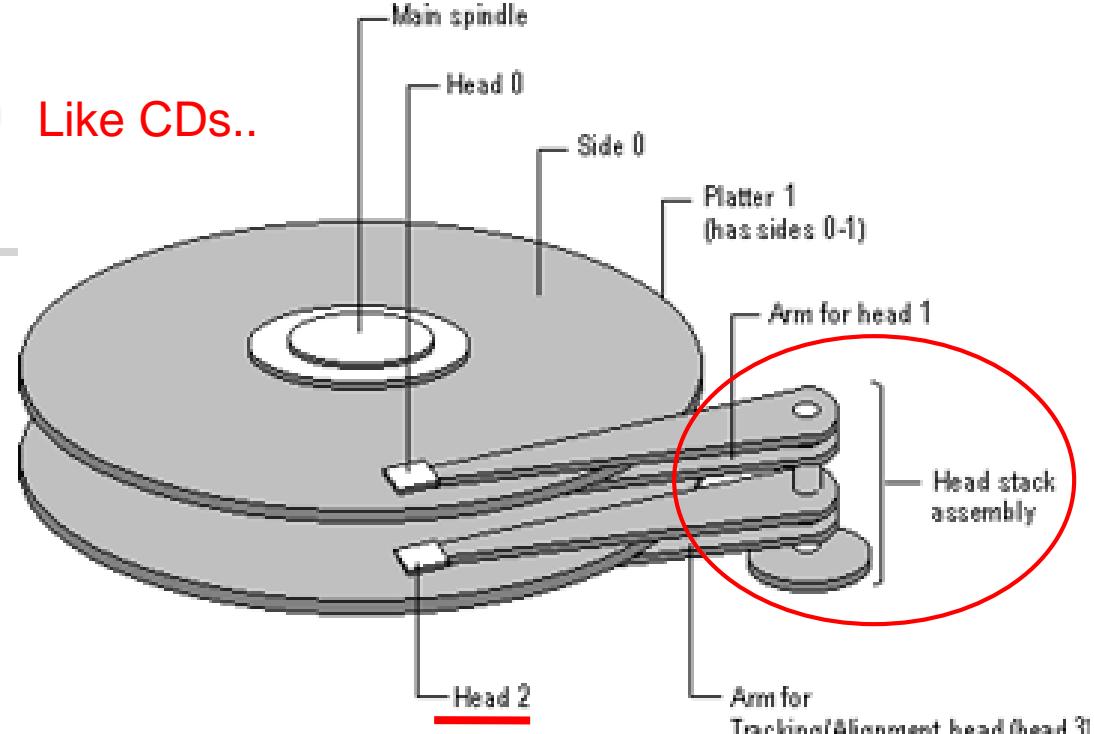
Disk Interfaces – USB

- IDE/SATA to USB
Converters

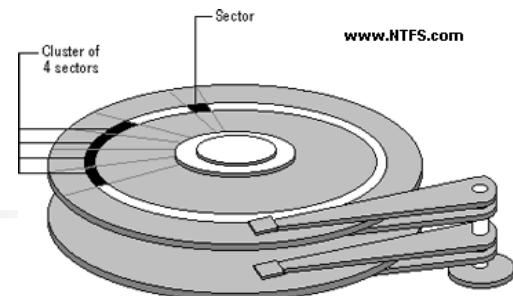


Disk Geometry (1) Like CDs..

- Sector
 - Individual data block
- Track
 - circle
- Cylinder
 - circle on all platters
- Position
 - **CHS:**
Cylinder,
Head (0, 1, ...),
Sector



Disk Geometry (2)



 40G HD

- 4866 cylinders, 255 heads
 - 63 sectors per track, 512 bytes per sector
 - $512 * 63 * 4866 * 255 = 40,024,212,480$ bytes
 - G M K
 - 1KB = 1024 bytes
 - 1MB = 1024 KB = 1,048,576 bytes
 - 1GB = 1024 MB = 1,073,741,824 bytes
 - $40,024,212,480 / 1,073,741,824 \doteq 37.275$ GB

Why?

10³ vs. 2¹⁰...

Disk Installation Procedure (in BSD...)

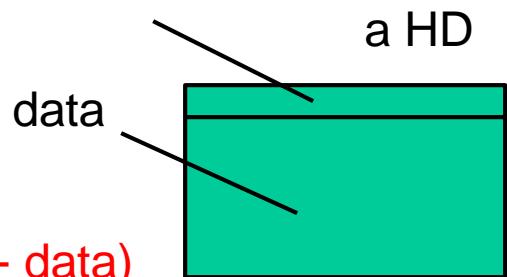
Disk Installation Procedure (1)

□ The procedure involves the following steps:

- Connecting the disk to the computer
 - IDE: master/slave
 - SATA
 - SCSI: ID, terminator
 - power
- Creating device files
 - Auto created by devfs
- Formatting the disk
 - Low-level format
 - Manufacturer diagnostic utility
 - **Kill all** address information and timing marks on platters
 - Repair bad sectors → mark the bad sectors and don't use them!

Please do it offline...

Meta data



Format (metadata + data)
v.s. fast format (metadata only)

Disk Installation Procedure (2)

- **Partitioning (and Labeling) the disk**
 - Allow the disk to be treated as a group of independent data area
 - e.g. root, home, swap partitions
 - Former Suggestions:
 - /var, /tmp ➔ separate partition (for backup issue)
 - Make a copy of root filesystem for emergency
- **Establishing logical volumes**
 - Combine multiple partitions into a logical volume
 - Related to RAID
 - Software RAID technology
 - GEOM: geom(4)、geom(8)
 - ZFS: zpool(8)、zfs(8)、zdb(8)

Disk Installation Procedure (3)

- Creating UNIX filesystems within disk partitions
 - Use “**newfs**” to install a filesystem for a partition
 - Establish all filesystem components
 - A set of inode storage cells
 - A set of data blocks
 - A set of superblocks
 - A map of the disk blocks in the filesystem
 - A block usage summary

Disk Installation Procedure (4)

➤ Superblock contents

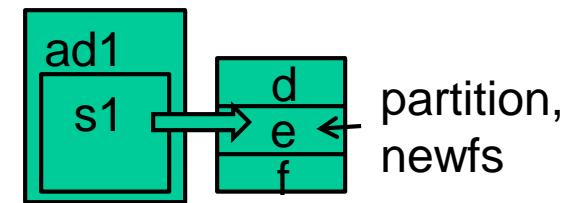
- The length of a disk block
- Inode table's size and location
- Disk block map
- Usage information
- Other filesystem's parameters

➤ sync

- The ***sync() system call*** forces a write of dirty (modified) buffers in the block buffer cache out to disk.
- The ***sync utility*** can be called to ensure that all disk writes have been completed before the processor is halted in a way not suitably done by reboot(8) or halt(8).

Disk Installation Procedure (5)

- **mount**
 - Bring the new partition to the filesystem tree
 - mount point can be any directory (empty)
 - # **mount /dev/ad1s1e /home2**
- **Setting up automatic mounting**
 - Automount at boot time
 - **/etc/fstab**
 - **% mount -t ufs /dev/ad2s1a /backup**
 - ← – % mount -t cd9600 -o ro,noauto /dev/acd0c /cdrom**



Mount CD
Also for ISO image file

```
liuyh@NASA:/etc> cat fstab
```

# Device	Mountpoint	Fstype	Options	Dump	Pass#
/dev/ad0s1b	none	swap	sw	0	0
/dev/ad2s1b	none	swap	sw	0	0
/dev/ad0s1a	/	ufs	rw	1	1
/dev/acd0	/cdrom	cd9660	ro,noauto	0	0
/dev/ad2s1a	/backup	ufs	rw,noauto	2	2
csduty:/bsdhome	/bsdhome	nfs	rw,noauto	0	0

Mount from the network; talk about it in “NFS”...

Usually: 2, 1 for root;
No write = 0

Disk Installation Procedure (6)

- **Setting up swapping on swap partitions**

- swapon, swapoff, swapctl
 - **# swapon -a**
 - » mount all partitions for swap usage
- swapinfo, pstat

```
nctucs [~] -wangth- swapinfo
Device      1K-blocks  Used   Avail Capacity
/dev/da0p2    2097152  42772  2054380   2%
```

fsck – check and repair filesystem (1)

- System crash will cause
 - Inconsistency between memory image and disk contents
- fsck
 - Examine all local filesystem listed in /etc/fstab at boot time. (fsck -p)
 - Automatically correct the following damages:
 - Unreferenced inodes
 - Inexplicably large link counts
 - Unused data blocks not recorded in block maps
 - Data blocks listed as free but used in file
 - Incorrect summary information in the superblock
 - fsck(8) 、 fsck_ffs(8)
 - ffsinfo(8): dump metadata

Check if filesystem is clean...

1: clean (ro)

0: dirty (rw)

fsck – check and repair filesystem (2)

- Run fsck in manual to fix serious damages
 - Blocks claimed by more than one file
 - Blocks claimed outside the range of the filesystem
 - Link counts that are too small
 - Blocks that are not accounted for
 - Directories that refer to unallocated inodes
 - Other errors
 - fsck will suggest you the action to perform
 - Delete, repair, ...
- No guarantee on
fully recover you HD...

Adding a disk to FreeBSD (1)

1. Check disk connection

> Look system boot message

```
ada3: 238475MB <Hitachi HDS722525VLAT80 V36OA6MA> at ata1-slave UDMA100
```

Line, speed

2. Use gpart(8) to create a partition on the new HD

> # gpart create -s GPT ada3

> # gpart add -t freebsd-ufs -a 1M ada3

3. Use newfs(8) to construct new UFS file system

> # newfs -U /dev/ada3p1

4. Make mount point and mount it

> # mkdir /home2

> # mount -t ufs /dev/ada3p1 /home2

> # df

4. Edit /etc/fstab

- <https://www.freebsd.org/doc/handbook/disks-adding.html>

Adding a disk to FreeBSD (2)

- If you forget to enable soft-update when you add the disk

- % umount /home2
- % tunefs -n **enable** /dev/ada3p1
- % mount -t ufs /dev/ada3p1 /home2
- % mount

```
/dev/ada0p2 on / (ufs, local, soft-updates)
/dev/ada1p1 on /home (ufs, local, soft-updates)
procfs on /proc (procfs, local)
/dev/ada3p1 on /home2 (ufs, local, soft-updates)
```

- <https://www.freebsd.org/doc/handbook/configtuning-disk.html>

GEOM

Modular Disk Transformation Framework

GEOM – (1)

□ Support

- ELI – geli(8): cryptographic GEOM class
 - JOURNAL – gjournal(8): jounaled devices Journalize (logs) before write
 - LABEL – glabel(8): disk labelization
 - MIRROR – gmirror(8): mirrored devices Software RAID1
 - STRIPE – gstripe(8): striped devices Software RAID0
 - ...
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- <http://www.freebsd.org/doc/handbook/geom.html>

GEOM – (2)

□ GEOM framework in FreeBSD

- Major RAID control utilities
- Kernel modules (/boot/kernel/geom_*)
- Name and Prodivers 

Logical
volumes 

- “manual” or “automatic”
- Metadata in the last sector of the providers



□ Kernel support

- {glabel,gmirror,gstripe,g*} load/unload
 - device GEOM_* in kernel config
 - geom_*_enable="YES" in /boot/loader.conf

- (1) On demand load/unload kernel modules
 - load automatically at booting
- (2) Build-in kernel and recompile

GEOM – (3)

□ LABEL

Why use it? → bundle by name instead of bundle by provider

- Used for GEOM provider labelization
- Kernel

➤ device GEOM_LABEL

e.g. ad0s1d → usr

➤ geom_label_load="YES"

- glabel (for new storage)

glabel label ... → Create permanent labels
glabel create ... → Create transient labels

➤ # glabel label -v usr da2

/dev/label/usr

➤ # newfs /dev/label/usr

➤ # mount /dev/label/usr /usr

➤ # glabel stop usr

Stop using the name

➤ # glabel clear da2

Clear metadata on provider

- UFS label (for an using storage)

➤ # tunefs -L data /dev/da4s1a

“data” is a name

➤ # mount /dev/ufs/data /mnt/data

GEOM – (4)

□ MIRROR

- Kernel
 - device GEOM_MIRROR
 - geom_mirror_load="YES"
- gmirror

```
➤ # gmirror label -v -b round-robin data da0
```

```
➤ # newfs /dev/mirror/data
```



logical volume called “data”,
using HD: da0, ...

```
➤ # mount /dev/mirror/data /mnt
```

```
➤ # gmirror insert data da1
```



Add in HD

```
➤ # gmirror forget data
```



Kill inexist HDs

```
➤ # gmirror insert data da1
```

```
➤ # gmirror stop data
```

```
➤ # gmirror clear da0
```

GEOM – (5)

□ STRIPE

- Kernel
 - device GEOM_STRIPE
 - geom_stripe_load="YES"
- gstripe
 - # gstripe label -v -s 131072 data da0 da1 da2 da3
 - # newfs /dev/stripe/data
 - # mount /dev/stripe/data /mnt
 - # gstripe stop data
 - # gstripe clear da0

Create logical volume “data”,
which stripe da0~da3 HDs

RAID

RAID – (1)



□ Redundant Array of Inexpensive Disks

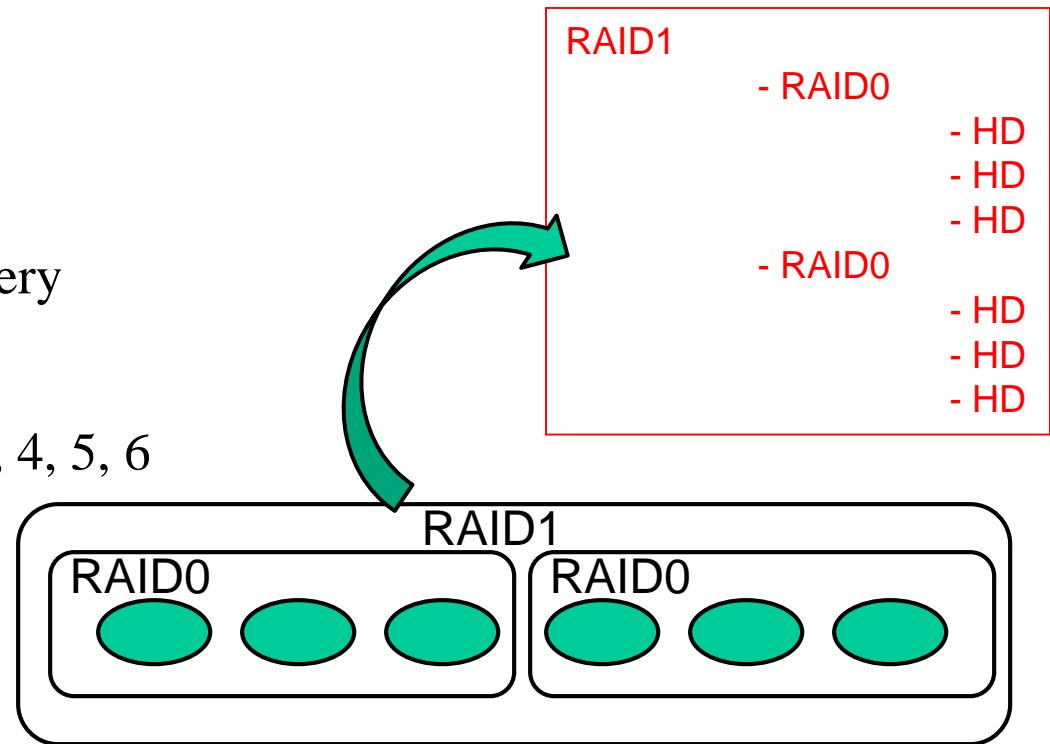
- A method to combine several physical hard drives into one logical unit
e.g. HD1, HD2 → D:\ in windows

□ Depending on the type of RAID, it has the following benefits:

- Fault tolerance
- Higher throughput
- Real-time data recovery

□ RAID Level

- RAID 0, 1, 0+1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
- Hierarchical RAID



RAID – (2)

□ Hardware RAID

- There is a dedicate controller to take over the whole business
- RAID Configuration Utility after BIOS
 - Create RAID array, build Array

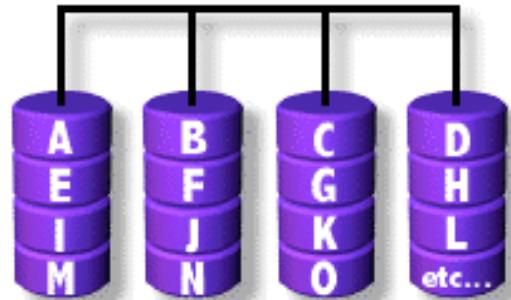
□ Software RAID

- **GEOM**
 - **CACHE**、**CONCAT**、**ELI**、**JOURNAL**、**LABEL**、**MIRROR**、**MULTIPATH**、**NOP**、**PART**、**RAID3**、**SHSEC**、**STRIPE**、**VIRSTOR**
- **ZFS**
 - **JBOD**、**STRIPE**
 - **MIRROR**
 - **RAID-Z**、**RAID-Z2**、**RAID-Z3**

RAID 0 (normally used)

(500GB+500GB=1TB)

- Stripped data intro several disks
- Minimum number of drives: 2
- Advantage
 - Performance increase in proportional to n **theoretically**
 - Simple to implement
- Disadvantage
 - No fault tolerance
- Recommended applications
 - Non-critical data storage
 - Application requiring high bandwidth (such as video editing)

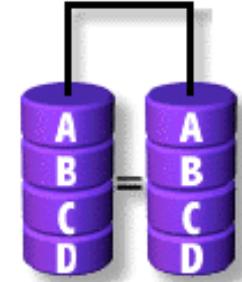


e.g. HD1 (500GB), HD2 (500GB)
→ D:\ in windows (1TB)

parallel file io from/to different HDs

RAID 1 (normally used)

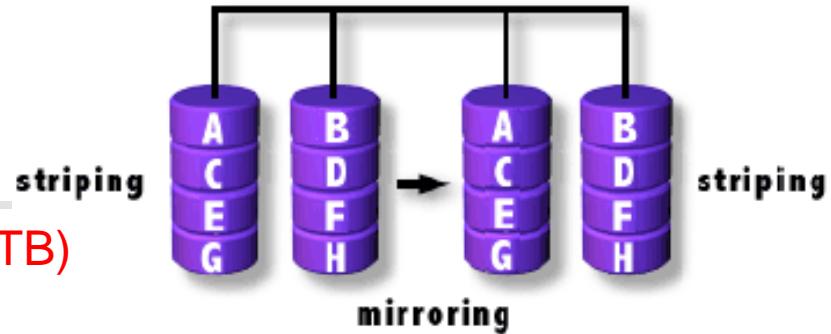
(500GB+500GB=500B)



- ❑ Mirror data into several disks
- ❑ Minimum number of drives: 2
- ❑ Advantage
 - 100% redundancy of data
- ❑ Disadvantage
 - 100% storage overage
 - Moderately slower write performance
- ❑ Recommended application Cause by double check mechanisms on data...
 - Application requiring very high availability (such as home)

RAID 0+1 (normally used)

$[(500\text{GB}+500\text{GB})+(500\text{GB}+500\text{GB})]=1\text{TB}$

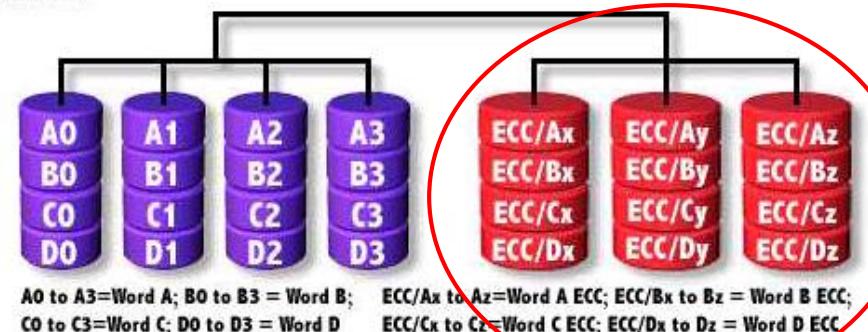


- Combine RAID 0 and RAID 1
- Minimum number of drives: 4

RAID1, RAID1
Them RAID0 above it

RAID 2

RAID 2



❑ Hamming Code ECC Each bit of data word

❑ Advantages:

- "On the fly" data error correction

Read, check if correct, then read

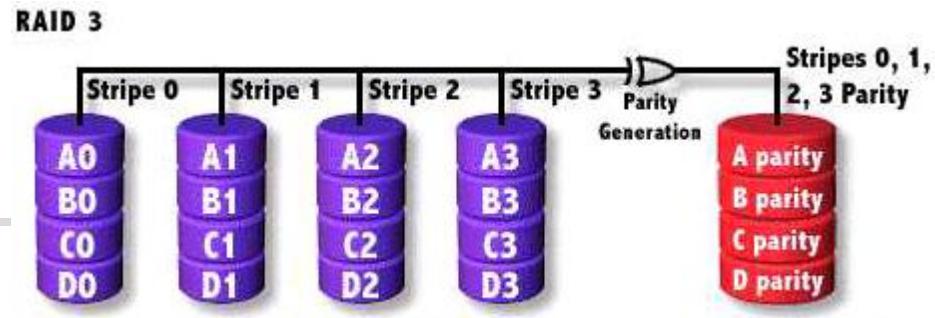
❑ Disadvantages:

- Inefficient
- Very high ratio of ECC disks to data disks

❑ Recommended Application

- No commercial implementations exist / not commercially viable

RAID 3

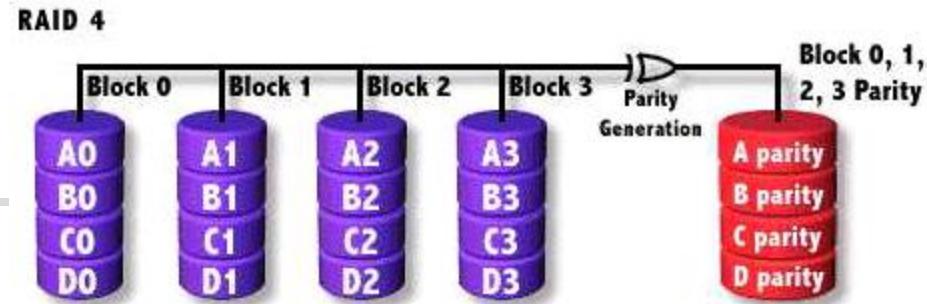


RAID1 if two HDs

Save parity

- Parallel transfer with Parity
- Minimum number of drives: 3
- Advantages:
 - Very high data transfer rate
- Disadvantages:
 - Transaction rate equal to that of a single disk drive at best
- Recommended Application
 - Any application requiring high throughput

RAID 4

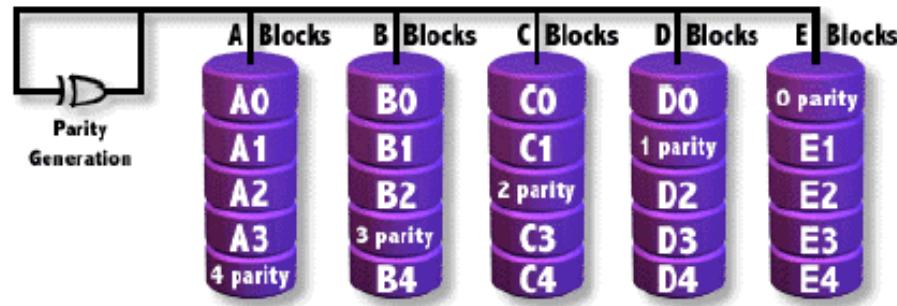


- Similar to RAID3
- RAID 3 V.S RAID 4

- Byte Level V.S Block Level
- Block interleaving
 - Small files (e.g. 4k)

Block normally 512bytes (4k for WD HDs)

RAID 5 (normally used)



- Independent Disk with distributed parity blocks

- Minimum number of drives: 3

Origin from RAID3

- Advantage **Parallel file I/O**

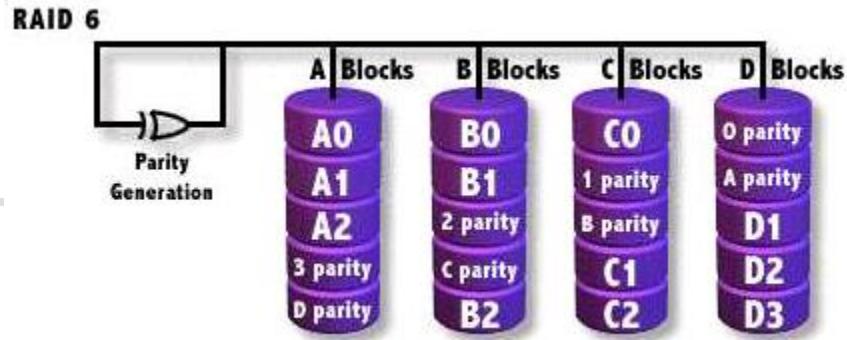
- Highest read data rate
 - Medium write data rate

- Disadvantage

- Disk failure has a medium impact on throughput
 - Complex controller design
 - When one disk failed, you have to rebuild the RAID array

Can tolerate only 1 HD failure

RAID 6 (normally used)



- Similar to RAID5
- Minimum number of drives: 4
- 2 parity checks, 2 disk failures tolerable.

Slower than RAID5 because of storing 2 parities...