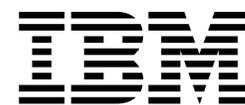


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## About this book

This document provides information for installing and configuring the IBM Subsystem Device Driver on IBM® AIX®, HP, Sun, Microsoft® Windows NT®, and Microsoft® Windows 2000 hosts.

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## Who should use this book

This publication is for storage administrators, system programmers, and performance and capacity analysts.

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## Related publications

The following related publications are also available:

- *IBM Subsystem Device Driver Installation and User's Guide*

This book describes how to use the IBM Subsystem Device Driver on open-systems hosts to enhance performance and availability on the ESS. The Subsystem Device Driver creates redundant paths for shared logical unit numbers. The Subsystem Device Driver permits applications to run without interruption when path errors occur. It balances the workload across paths, and it transparently integrates with applications.

This publication is not available in hard copy. However, it is available on the CD that is delivered with your ESS. You can also view and copy this publication from the Web site:

[www.ibm.com/storage/support/techsup/swtechsup.nsf/support/sddupdates](http://www.ibm.com/storage/support/techsup/swtechsup.nsf/support/sddupdates)

- *IBM Enterprise Storage Server™*, SG24-5465

This book, from the IBM International Technical Support Organization, introduces the IBM Enterprise Storage Server (ESS) and provides an understanding of its benefits. It also describes in detail the architecture, hardware and functions of the ESS.

- *Implementing the IBM Enterprise Storage Server*, SG24-5420

This book, from the IBM International Technical Support Organization, can help you install, tailor, and configure the IBM Enterprise Storage Server (ESS) in your environment.

- *IBM Enterprise Storage Server Introduction and Planning Guide*, GC26-7294

This guide introduces the product and lists the features you can order. It also provides guidelines on planning for the installation and configuration of the ESS.



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## Summary of changes for the *IBM Subsystem Device Driver Installation and User's Guide*

The summary of changes informs you of changes to this book. Revision bars (|) in the left margin of the book indicate changes from the previous edition.

This book contains information previously presented in *Subsystem Device Driver Installation and User's Guide Version 1 Release 2.1 March 2001*. The following sections summarize the changes that have been made to the book since that edition.

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### New information

This edition includes the following new information:

#### **What's new in Chapter 2. Installing and configuring the Subsystem Device Driver on an AIX host:**

- The addition of two more fibre-channel device driver APARS in appropriate sections.
- The addition of cfallvpath file definition in Table 5 on page 13.
- The addition of four scenarios in "Special requirements" on page 26 (for determining the state of a *pvid* as displayed by the *lspv* command, in order to select the appropriate import volume group action).

#### **What's new in Chapter 3. Using the IBM Subsystem Device Driver on an AIX host system:**

- The references to *mkvg4vp* command in "Configuring a volume group for failover protection" on page 33 and "Subsystem Device Driver utility programs" on page 46.
- The reference to *extendvg4vp* command in "Subsystem Device Driver utility programs" on page 46.
- A section about "Importing a volume group with Subsystem Device Driver" on page 34.
- A section about "Exporting a volume group with Subsystem Device Driver" on page 36.
- A section about "Backing-up all files belonging to a Subsystem Device Driver volume group" on page 41.
- A section about "Restoring all files belonging to a Subsystem Device Driver volume group" on page 42.

#### **What's new in Chapter 4. Installing and configuring IBM Subsystem Device Driver on a Windows NT host:**

- The procedure for "Uninstalling the Subsystem Device Driver" on page 61.
- The procedure for "Displaying the current version of the Subsystem Device Driver" on page 61.
- The procedures for "Adding paths to Subsystem Device Driver devices" on page 62. These procedures include:
  1. "Reviewing the existing Subsystem Device Driver configuration information" on page 62
  2. "Installing and configuring additional paths" on page 63

3. “Verifying additional paths are installed correctly” on page 64
- The procedures for “Adding or modifying multipath storage configuration to the ESS” on page 66. These procedures include:
  1. “Reviewing the existing Subsystem Device Driver configuration information” on page 66
  2. “Adding new storage to existing configuration” on page 67
  3. “Verifying new storage is installed correctly” on page 68

**What’s new in Chapter 5. Installing and configuring the IBM Subsystem Device Driver on a Windows 2000 host:**

- A procedure for “Uninstalling the Subsystem Device Driver” on page 74.
- A procedure for “Displaying the current version of the Subsystem Device Driver” on page 75.

**What’s new in Chapter 6. Installing and configuring the IBM Subsystem Device Driver on an HP host:**

- The reference to Subsystem Device Driver support for 32-bit and 64-bit mode on HP-UX 11.0 in appropriate sections.
- A list of HP patches necessary for proper operation of Subsystem Device Driver on HP-UX 11.0 (for 32-bit and 64-bit mode applications) in Table 11 on page 82.

**What’s new in Chapter 7. Installing and configuring IBM Subsystem Device Driver on a Sun host:**

- The web site reference for *Veritas Volume Manager System Administrator’s Guide*, and *Veritas Volume Manager Command Line Interface for Solaris* publications in “Veritas Volume Manager” on page 111.

## Modified information

This edition includes the following modified information:

**What’s modified in Chapter 2. Installing and configuring the Subsystem Device Driver on an AIX host:**

- The Subsystem Device Driver version release levels for AIX are updated as follows:
  - Subsystem Device Driver 1.2.0.1 to Subsystem Device Driver 1.2.2.0
  - Subsystem Device Driver 1.2.1.0 to Subsystem Device Driver 1.2.2.0
  - Subsystem Device Driver 1.2.1.1 to Subsystem Device Driver 1.2.2.0
- The AIX package file names are changed as follows:
  - `ibmSdd.rte.421` to `ibmSdd_421.rte`
  - `ibmSdd.rte.432` to `ibmSdd_432.rte`
  - `ibmSdd.rte.433` to `ibmSdd_433.rte`
- The command `cfgmgr -l dpo` is replaced with `cfallvpath` in “Adding paths to a device that is part of a volume group” on page 18.
- The command `reboot -q` is replaced with `shutdown -rf` in “Configuring fibre-channel attached devices” on page 11.

**What’s modified in Chapter 3. Using the IBM Subsystem Device Driver on an AIX host system:**

- The Subsystem Device Driver version release levels for AIX are updated as follows:

- Subsystem Device Driver 1.2.0.1 to Subsystem Device Driver 1.2.2.0
- Subsystem Device Driver 1.2.1.0 to Subsystem Device Driver 1.2.2.0
- Subsystem Device Driver 1.2.1.1 to Subsystem Device Driver 1.2.2.0
- The AIX package file names are changed as follows:
  - ibmSdd.rte.421 to ibmSdd\_421.rte
  - ibmSdd.rte.432 to ibmSdd\_432.rte
  - ibmSdd.rte.433 to ibmSdd\_433.rte
- The command `cfgmgr -l dpo` is replaced with `cfallvpath` in “By manually deleting devices and running the configuration manager (**cfgmgr**)” on page 39.
- The AIX section titled, “Selecting Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices as physical volumes” is renamed to Subsystem Device Driver specific SMIT panels. This section is reorganized and expanded as follows:
  - The Subsystem Device Driver specific SMIT panels and their procedures are listed in Table 9 on page 42
  - Added procedure for “Accessing the Display Data Path Device Configuration SMIT panel” on page 43
  - Added procedure for “Accessing the Display Data Path Device Status SMIT panel” on page 43
  - Added procedure for “Accessing the Display Data Path Device Adapter Status SMIT panel” on page 43
  - Added procedure for “Accessing the Define and Configure All Data Path Devices SMIT panel” on page 43
  - Added procedure for “Accessing the Configure a Defined Data Path Device SMIT panel” on page 44
  - Added procedure for “Accessing the Remove a copy from a datapath Logical Volume SMIT panel” on page 45
  - Added procedure for “Accessing the Back Up a Volume Group with Data Path Devices SMIT panel” on page 45
  - Added procedure for “Accessing the Remake a Volume Group with Data Path Devices SMIT panel” on page 46
- Step 4 in “Example of migrating an existing non-Subsystem Device Driver volume group to Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices in concurrent mode” on page 52 is updated.
- The error message `VPATH_DEVICE_OPEN` is updated to `VPATH_PATH_OPEN` in “Error log messages” on page 54.

**What’s modified in Chapter 5. Installing and configuring the IBM Subsystem Device Driver on a Windows 2000 host:**

- The service pack requirement on Windows 2000 host system in “Host system requirements” on page 72 section is updated to Service Pack 2.

**What’s modified in Chapter 6. Installing and configuring the IBM Subsystem Device Driver on an HP host:**

- Step 7 on page 83 in “Installing the Subsystem Device Driver” on page 83 is updated. The directory location of the `IBMdpo.depot` file has changed.



# Chapter 1. Introducing the IBM Subsystem Device Driver

The IBM Subsystem Device Driver resides in the host server with the native disk device driver for the IBM Enterprise Storage Server (ESS). It uses redundant connections between the host server and disk storage in an ESS to provide enhanced performance and data availability.

Figure 1 is an example of the type of configuration that IBM Subsystem Device Driver supports. These connections comprise many different components through which data flows during input and output processes. Redundancy and the ability to switch between these components provides many different paths for the data to travel. In the event of failure in one input-output path, it automatically switches to another input-output path. This automatic switching in the event of failure is called *failover*.

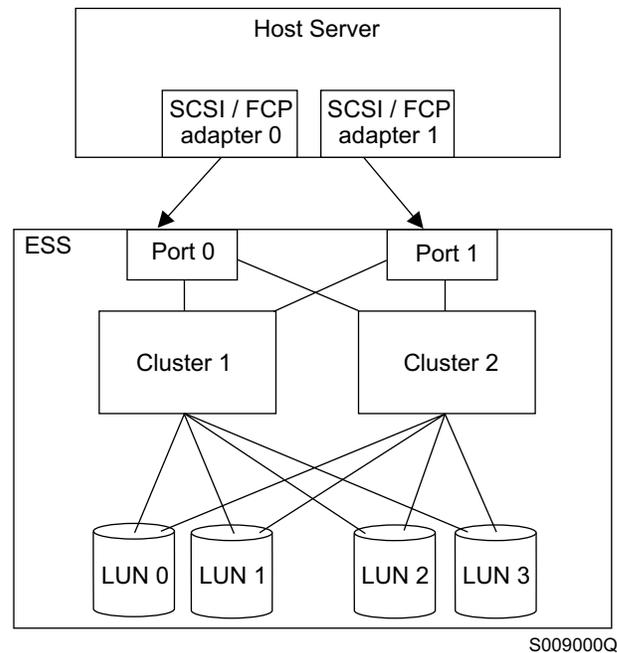


Figure 1. Multipath connections between a host server and ESS logical unit numbers (LUNs)

The Subsystem Device Driver provides the following functions:

- Enhanced data availability
- Automatic path failover and recovery to an alternate path
- Dynamic load balancing of multiple paths
- Path selection policies for the AIX operating system
- Concurrent download of licensed internal code

In most cases, host servers are configured with multiple host adapters with SCSI or fibre-channel connections to an ESS that, in turn, provides internal component redundancy. With dual clusters and multiple host interface adapters, the ESS provides more flexibility in the number of input-output (I/O) paths that are available.

When there is a failure, the Subsystem Device Driver reroutes I/O operations from the failed path to the remaining paths. This function eliminates the following

connections as single points of failure: a bus adapter on the host server, an external SCSI cable, a fiber-connection cable, or a host interface adapter on the ESS.

In addition, multipath load balancing of data flow prevents a single path from becoming overloaded with I/O operations.

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## Concurrent download of licensed internal code (microcode)

*Concurrent download of licensed internal code* is the capability to download and install licensed internal code on an ESS while applications continue to run. During the time when new licensed internal code is being installed in an ESS, the upper-interface adapters inside the ESS may not respond to host I/O requests for approximately 30 seconds. The Subsystem Device Drivers makes this transparent to the host through its path selection and retry algorithms.

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## Path algorithms

The path algorithms basically work the same for all the platforms that the Subsystem Device Driver runs on. There are two modes of operation:

### single-path mode

The host server has only one path that is configured to an ESS logical unit number (LUN). The Subsystem Device Driver in single-path mode has the following characteristics:

- When an I/O error occurs, the I/O is retried a sufficient number of times to bypass the interval when the ESS upper-interface adapters are not available. See “Concurrent download of licensed internal code (microcode)”.
- This path is never put into the Dead state.

### multiple-path mode

The host server has multiple paths that are configured to an ESS LUN. The Subsystem Device Driver in multiple-path mode has the following characteristics:

- Host servers with only one operational path are in single-path mode.
- If an I/O error occurs on the last operational path to a device, the Subsystem Device Driver attempts to reuse (or fail back to) a previously failed path. The operational path is only placed offline permanently after a fixed number of fall-back attempts are completed.

**Note:** You can always bring the path online by using the **datapath** command.

- If an I/O error occurs on a path, the Subsystem Device Driver does not attempt to use the path again until 2000 successful I/O operations have been performed on an operational path. This process is known as bypassing a path. The Subsystem Device Driver bypasses a failing path twice (until the I/O error count reaches three), and then the path is changed to the Dead state. After the path is put into the Dead state, the Subsystem Device Driver uses this same bypass algorithm an additional two times.
- After the Subsystem Device Driver puts a path into the Dead state, it puts the path into the Open state after a certain number of successful I/O operations have completed on an operational path. This number is operating system specific. Table Table 1 on page 3 lists the number of successful I/O operations that must complete on an operational path

before a path in the Dead state is changed to Open state.

Table 1. Number of successful I/O operations performed before putting path into Open state

Operating System	Number of I/O operations
AIX	50 000
Windows NT	50 000
Windows 2000	50 000
HP	200 000
Solaris	200 000

If the first I/O operation fails after the path is put back into the Open state, the Subsystem Device Driver puts the path into the Dead state immediately and permanently. You must manually bring the path online by using the **datapath** command.

- If an I/O error occurs on all the paths to a LUN, the Subsystem Device Driver returns an I/O error back to the application.

**Note:**

- The Subsystem Device Driver *never* puts the last operational path to a LUN into the Dead state. This is true even if I/O errors have occurred on the path.
- For updated and additional information not included in this publication, see the README file on the IBM Subsystem Device Driver compact disc or visit the Subsystem Device Driver Web site at:

[www.ibm.com/storage/support/techsup/swtechsup.nsf/support/sddupdates/](http://www.ibm.com/storage/support/techsup/swtechsup.nsf/support/sddupdates/)



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## Chapter 2. Installing and configuring the Subsystem Device Driver on an AIX host

This chapter provides instructions for installing and setting up the IBM Subsystem Device Driver on an AIX host system attached to an ESS. The *IBM Subsystem Device Driver/Data Path Optimizer on an ESS—Installation Procedures/Potential Gotchas* publication is a very helpful source of information. This is especially true if you have SP systems. This publication can be found at the following Web site:

[www.ibm.com/storage/support/techsup/swtechsup.nsf/support/sddupdates](http://www.ibm.com/storage/support/techsup/swtechsup.nsf/support/sddupdates)

### Notes:

1. You must have AIX 4.2.1, 4.3.2, or AIX 4.3.3 installed on your host server.
  2. The Subsystem Device Driver v1.2.2.0 is a 32-bit device driver, which supports 32-bit mode applications on AIX host systems. Any 64-bit mode application will fail if it attempts to access a Subsystem Device Driver device directly. However, 64-bit mode applications work as long as all the I/O requests use the AIX LVM interface. That is because the logical volume manager (LVM) converts 64-bit requests from the application to 32-bit requests before they are sent to the Subsystem Device Driver device.
  3. The `ibmSdd_433.rte` fileset for Subsystem Device Driver v1.2.2.0 is supported on AIX 4.3.3 and is for HACMP/6000 environments only; It supports non-concurrent and concurrent modes. However, in order to make the best use of the manner in which the device reserves are made, IBM recommends that you:
    - Use `ibmSdd_432.rte` fileset for Subsystem Device Driver v1.2.2.0 when running HACMP on concurrent mode on AIX 4.3.3
    - Use `ibmSdd_433.rte` fileset for Subsystem Device Driver v1.2.2.0 when running HACMP on non-concurrent mode on AIX 4.3.3
- Table 4 on page 13 lists and describes the installation package file names (filesets) for the Subsystem Device Driver v1.2.2.0.
4. The Subsystem Device Driver does not support a system restart from a Subsystem Device Driver pseudo device.
  5. The Subsystem Device Driver does not support placing a primary system paging device (e.g. `/dev/hd6`) on a Subsystem Device Driver pseudo device. Secondary system paging devices (e.g. `/dev/paging00`) are supported on pseudo devices if they are placed on volumes that are part of a volume group other than `rootvg`.
  6. The `ibmSdd_421.rte` and `ibmSdd_432.rte` filesets for Subsystem Device Driver V1.2.2.0 do not support any application that depends on a reserve/release device on AIX 4.2.1, 4.3.2, or 4.3.3.
  7. The published AIX limitation on one system is 10,000 devices. The combined number of `hdisk` and `vpath` devices should not exceed the number of supported devices by AIX. In a multipath environment, since each path to a disk creates an `hdisk`, the total number of disk being configured can be reduced by the number of paths to each disk.
  8. For updated and additional information not included in this manual, see the README file on the compact disc or visit the Subsystem Device Driver site at:

[www.ibm.com/storage/support/techsup/swtechsup.nsf/support/sddupdates](http://www.ibm.com/storage/support/techsup/swtechsup.nsf/support/sddupdates)

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## Understanding how the Subsystem Device Driver works

The following section briefly describes the Subsystem Device Driver failover system and the device driver. A table describing the support for 32-bit and 64-bit applications is included.

### Failover system

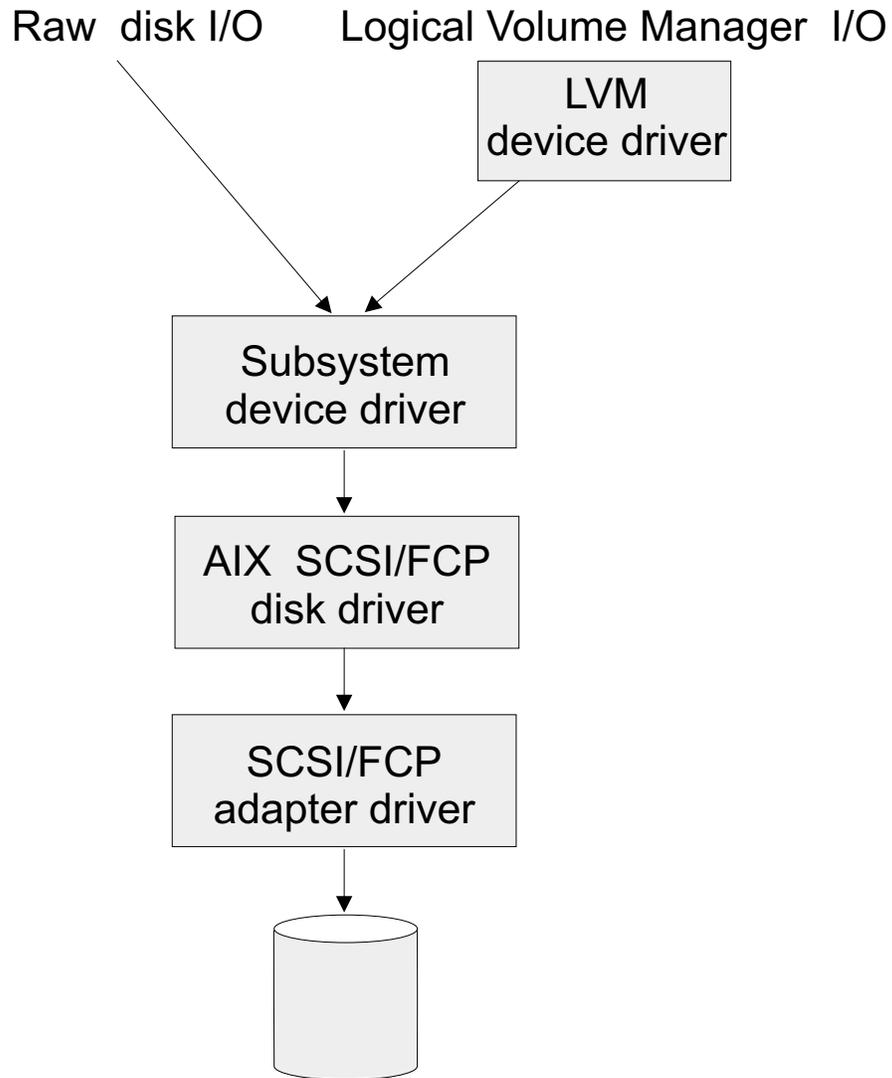
The Subsystem Device Driver failover system is designed to provide recovery upon failure of a data path. If a data path fails, the failover system selects an alternate data path and minimizes any disruptions in operation. This failover process consists of the following actions:

- Detecting a failure
- Signaling to the AIX host that a failure has occurred
- Compensating for the failure by selecting an alternate data path

The Subsystem Device Driver dynamically selects an alternate I/O data path when a software or hardware problem is detected.

### Subsystem Device Driver

The Subsystem Device Driver resides above the AIX disk driver in the protocol stack. Each Subsystem Device Driver device represents a unique physical device on the storage subsystem. There can be up to 32 hdisk devices that represent up to 32 different paths to the same physical device. See Figure 2 on page 7.



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Figure 2. Where the Subsystem Device Driver fits in the protocol stack

Subsystem Device Driver devices behave almost like hdisk devices. Most operation on an hdisk device can be performed on the Subsystem Device Driver device, including commands such as **open**, **close**, **dd**, or **fsck**.

The Subsystem Device Driver acts as a pseudo device driver. I/O operations sent to the Subsystem Device Driver are passed to the AIX disk driver after path selection. When an active path experiences a failure (such as a cable or controller failure), the Subsystem Device Driver dynamically switches to another path. The device driver dynamically balances the load, based on the workload of the adapter.

The Subsystem Device Driver also supports one SCSI adapter on the host system. With SCSI single-path access, concurrent download of licensed internal code is supported. However, the load-balancing and failover features are not available.

### Support for 32-bit and 64-bit applications on AIX 4.3.3

Table 2 on page 8 summarizes the Subsystem Device Driver support for 32-bit and 64-bit applications on AIX 4.3.3

Table 2. Support for 32-bit and 64-bit applications

Application mode	Subsystem Device Driver interface	AIX kernel/Subsystem Device Driver	Support
32-bit =====>	raw device ===>	32-bit	Yes
32-bit =====>	LVM =====>	32-bit	Yes
64-bit =====>	raw device ===>	32-bit	No
64-bit =====>	LVM =====>	32-bit	Yes (if all I/O uses LVM)
32-bit =====>	raw device ===>	64-bit	Not currently available
32-bit =====>	LVM =====>	64-bit	Not currently available
64-bit =====>	raw device ===>	64-bit	Not currently available
64-bit =====>	LVM =====>	64-bit	Not currently available

## Hardware and software requirements

The following hardware and software components must be installed to ensure that the Subsystem Device Driver installs and operates successfully.

### Hardware

- ESS
- Host system
- SCSI adapters and cables
- Fibre adapters and cables

### Software

- ibm2105.rte ESS package
- AIX operating system
- SCSI and fibre-channel device drivers

## Host system requirements

To successfully install the Subsystem Device Driver, you must have AIX 4.2.1, 4.3.2, or 4.3.3 installed on your host system along with the fixes shown in Table 3.

Table 3. AIX PTF required fixes

AIX level	PTF number	Component name	Component level
4.2.1	IX62304		
	U451711	perfagent.tools	2.2.1.4
	U453402	bos.rte.libc	4.2.1.9
	U453481	bos.adt.prof	4.2.1.11
	U458416	bos.mp	4.2.1.15

Table 3. AIX PTF required fixes (continued)

AIX level	PTF number	Component name	Component level
	U458478	bos.rte.tty	4.2.1.14
	U458496	bos.up	4.2.1.15
	U458505	bos.net.tcp.client	4.2.1.19
	U462492	bos.rte.lvm	4.2.1.16
4.3.2	U461953	bos.rte.lvm	4.3.2.4

An AIX 4.3.3 system must be at maintenance level 4.

You must check for the latest information on APARs, maintenance level fixes and microcode updates at the following downloadable Web site:

[service.software.ibm.com/support/rs6000](http://service.software.ibm.com/support/rs6000)

### ESS requirements

To successfully install the Subsystem Device Driver, ensure that your ESS meets the following requirements:

- The `ibm2105.rte` ESS package must be installed on your AIX host system.
- The ESS devices must be configured as either an:
  - IBM 2105xxx (SCSI-channel attached device)
  - IBM FC 2105xxx (fibre-channel attached device)

**Note:** xxx is the ESS model number.

### SCSI requirements

To use the Subsystem Device Driver SCSI support, ensure your host system meets the following requirements:

- The `bos.adt` package must be installed. The host system can be a uniprocessor or a multiprocessor system, such as SMP.
- The maximum number of SCSI adapters that is supported is 32.
- A SCSI cable is required to connect each SCSI host adapter to an ESS port.
- The Subsystem Device Driver I/O load-balancing and failover features require a minimum of two SCSI adapters.

**Note:** The Subsystem Device Driver also supports one SCSI adapter on the host system. With single-path access, concurrent download of licensed internal code is supported with SCSI devices.

For information about the SCSI adapters that can attach to your AIX host system, go to the following Web site:

[www.storage.ibm.com/hardsoft/products/ess/supserver.htm](http://www.storage.ibm.com/hardsoft/products/ess/supserver.htm)

### Fibre requirements

To use the Subsystem Device Driver fibre support, ensure your host system meets the following requirements:

- The AIX host system is an IBM RS/6000® with AIX Version 4.3.3.
- The AIX host system has the fibre-channel device drivers installed along with APARS IY10201, IY10994, IY11245, IY13736, IY17902, and IY18070.
- The `bos.adt` package must be installed. The host system can be a uniprocessor or a multiprocessor system, such as SMP.
- A fiber-optic cable is required to connect each fibre-channel adapter to an ESS port.

- **Attention:** If more than one adapter is attached to a peripheral component interconnect (PCI) bus, both adapter devices will be configured. Sometimes, though, one adapter saturates the entire PCI bus and causes command timeouts. The Emulex LP7000E adapter should be attached to its own PCI bus and the adapter should not be shared with other PCI adapters.

**Notes:**

1. The RS/6000 Models S70, S7A, and S80 support the attachment of a maximum of four Emulex LP7000E adapters.
  2. The RS/6000 Models F50 and H50 support the attachment of a maximum of three Emulex LP7000E adapters.
- The Subsystem Device Driver I/O load-balancing and failover features require a minimum of two fibre adapters.

For information about the fibre-channel adapters that can be used on your AIX host system go to the following Web site:

[www.storage.ibm.com/hardsoft/products/ess/supserver.htm](http://www.storage.ibm.com/hardsoft/products/ess/supserver.htm)

## Non-supported environments

The following environments are not supported by the Subsystem Device Driver:

- A host server with a single-path fibre-channel connection to an ESS is not supported.

**Note:** A host server with a single fibre-channel adapter that connects through a switch to multiple ESS ports is considered a multipath fibre-channel connection; and, thus is a *supported* environment.

- A host server with SCSI channel connections and a single-path fibre-channel connection to an ESS is not supported.
- A host server with both a SCSI channel and fibre-channel connection to a shared LUN is not supported.

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## Configuring the ESS

Before you install the Subsystem Device Driver, configure your ESS for single-port or multiple-port access for each LUN. The Subsystem Device Driver requires a minimum of two independent paths that share the same logical unit to use the load-balancing and failover features.

For more information about configuring your IBM Enterprise Storage Server, see the *IBM Enterprise Storage Server Introduction and Planning Guide*.

**Note:** Ensure the `ibm2105.rte` installation package is installed.

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## Installing fibre-channel device drivers and configuring fibre-channel devices

AIX fibre-channel device drivers are developed by IBM for the Emulex LP7000E adapter.

This section contains the procedures for installing fibre-channel device drivers and configuring fibre-channel devices. These procedures include:

1. Installing the AIX fibre-channel device drivers
2. Installing the Emulex adapter firmware (sf320A9)

### 3. Configuring fibre-channel attached devices

This section also contains procedures for:

- Removing fibre-channel attached devices
- Uninstalling fibre-channel device drivers

**Requirement:** For fibre-channel support, the AIX host system must be an IBM RS/6000 system with AIX Version 4.3.3. The AIX host system should have the fibre-channel device drivers installed along with APARS IY10201, IY10994, IY11245, IY13736, IY17902, and IY18070.

## Installing the AIX fibre-channel device drivers

Perform the following steps to install the AIX fibre-channel device drivers:

1. Install the fibre-channel device drivers from the AIX V4.3.3 compact disc. The fibre-channel device drivers include the following filesets:

**devices.pci.df1000f7**

Adapter device driver for RS/6000 feature code 6227

**devices.fcp.disk**

FCP disk driver

**devices.common.IBM.fc**

FCP and SCSI protocol driver

2. Check to see if APARS IY10201, IY10994, IY11245, IY13736, IY17902, and IY18070 are installed by issuing the **instfix -i | grep IY10201, instfix -i | grep IY10994, instfix -i | grep IY11245, instfix -i | grep IY13736, instfix -i | grep IY17902, and instfix -i | grep IY18070** commands. If the APARS are listed, that means that they are installed. If they are installed, go to “Configuring fibre-channel attached devices”. Otherwise, go to step 3.
3. Install APARS IY10201, IY10994, IY11245, IY13736, IY17902, and IY18070.

## Configuring fibre-channel attached devices

The newly installed devices must be configured before they can be used. There are two ways to configure these devices. You can:

- Use the **cfgmgr** command.
- Use the **shutdown -rF** command to restart the system.

After the system restarts, use the **lsdev -Cc disk** command to check the ESS fibre-channel protocol (FCP) disk configuration. If the FCP devices are configured correctly, they should be in the Available state. If the FCP devices are configured correctly, go to “Determining the Emulex adapter firmware level (sf320A9)” to determine if the proper firmware level is installed.

## Determining the Emulex adapter firmware level (sf320A9)

You are required to install new adapter firmware only if the current adapter firmware is not at the sf320A9 level. Perform the following steps to download the Emulex adapter firmware:

1. First, determine the firmware level that is currently installed. Issue the **lscfg -vl fcsN** command. The adapter’s vital product data is displayed.
2. Look at the **ZB** field. The **ZB** field should look something like this:

```
(ZB).....S2F3.20A9
```

To determine the firmware level, ignore the second character in the **ZB** field. In the example, the firmware level is sf320A9.

3. If the adapter firmware level is at the sf320A9 level, there is no need to upgrade; otherwise, the firmware level must be upgraded. To upgrade the firmware level, go to “Upgrading the Emulex adapter firmware level”.

## Upgrading the Emulex adapter firmware level

Upgrading the firmware level consists of downloading the firmware (microcode) from your AIX host system to the adapter. Before this can be done, however, the fibre-channel attached devices must be configured. After the devices are configured, you are ready to download the firmware from the AIX host system to the FCP adapter. Perform the following steps to download the firmware:

1. Verify that the correct level of firmware is installed on your AIX host system. Locate the file called df1000f7.131.320.320.503. It should be in the /etc/microcode directory. This file was copied into the /etc/microcode directory during the installation of the fibre-channel device drivers.
2. From the AIX command prompt, type `diag` and press Enter.
3. Select the **Task Selection** option.
4. Select the **Download Microcode** option.
5. Select all the fibre-channel adapters to which you want to download firmware. Press F7. The Download window is displayed with one of the selected adapters highlighted. Press Enter to continue.
6. Type the filename for the firmware that is contained in the /etc/microcode directory and press Enter; or use the Tab key to toggle to **Latest**.
7. Follow the instructions that are displayed to download the firmware, one adapter at a time.
8. After the download is complete, issue the `lscfg -v -l fcsN` command to verify the firmware level on each fibre-channel adapter.

## Removing fibre-channel attached devices

To remove all fibre-channel attached devices, you must issue the `rmdev -dl fcsN -R` command for each installed FCP adapter, where *N* is the FCP adapter number. For example, if you have two installed FCP adapters (adapter 0 and adapter 1), you must issue both the commands: `rmdev -dl fcs0 -R` and the `rmdev -dl fcs1 -R`

## Uninstalling fibre-channel device drivers

There are two methods for uninstalling all of your fibre-channel device drivers. You can:

- Use the `smitty deinstall` command.
- Manually uninstall the drivers using the `installp` command.

Perform the following steps to use the `smitty deinstall` command:

1. Type `smitty deinstall` at the AIX command prompt and press Enter. The Remove Installed Software panel is displayed.
2. Press F4. All of the software that is installed is displayed.
3. Select the file name of the fibre-channel device driver you want to uninstall. Press Enter. The selected file name is displayed in the **Software Name Field** of the Remove Installed Software panel.
4. Use the Tab key to toggle to **No** in the **PREVIEW Only?** field. Press Enter. The uninstallation process begins.

Perform the following steps to use the **installp** command from the AIX command line:

1. Type `installp -ug devices.pci.df1000f7` and press Enter.
2. Type `installp -ug devices.common.IBM.fc` and press Enter.
3. Type `installp -ug devices.fcp.disk` and press Enter.

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## Installing the Subsystem Device Driver

You must have root access and AIX system administrator knowledge to install the Subsystem Device Driver.

To install the Subsystem Device Driver, use the installation package that is appropriate for your environment. Table 4 lists and describes the installation package file names (filesets) for the Subsystem Device Driver.

*Table 4. Subsystem Device Driver package file names*

Package file names	Description
ibmSdd_421.rte	AIX 4.2.1
ibmSdd_432.rte	AIX 4.3.2 or AIX 4.3.3  (also use when running HACMP on concurrent mode on AIX 4.3.3)
ibmSdd_433.rte	AIX 4.3.3  (only use when running HACMP on non-concurrent mode on AIX 4.3.3)

The installation package installs a number of major files on your AIX system. Table 5 lists the major files that are part of the Subsystem Device Driver installation package.

*Table 5. Major files included in the Subsystem Device Driver installation package*

Filename	Description
defdpo	Define method of the Subsystem Device Driver pseudo parent data path optimizer (dpo)
cfgdpo	Configure method of the Subsystem Device Driver pseudo parent dpo
define_vp	Define method of the Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices
cfgvpath	Configure method of Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices
cfallvpath	Fast-path configure method to configure the Subsystem Device Driver pseudo parent dpo and all vpath devices
vpathdd	The Subsystem Device Driver
hd2vp	The Subsystem Device Driver script that converts an ESS hdisk device volume group to a Subsystem Device Drive vpath device volume group
vp2hd	The Subsystem Device Driver script that converts a Subsystem Device Driver vpath device volume group to an ESS hdisk device volume group

Table 5. Major files included in the Subsystem Device Driver installation package (continued)

datapath	The Subsystem Device Driver driver console command tool
lsvpcfg	The Subsystem Device Driver driver query configuration status command
mkvg4vp	The command that creates a Subsystem Device Driver volume group
extendvg4vp	The command that extends Subsystem Device Driver devices to a Subsystem Device Driver volume group
dpovgfix	The command that fixes a Subsystem Device Driver volume group that has mixed vpath and hdisk physical volumes
savevg4vp	The command that backs-up all files belonging to a specified volume group with Subsystem Device Driver devices.
restvg4vp	The command that restores all files belonging to a specified volume group with Subsystem Device Driver devices.

The following procedures assume that the Subsystem Device Driver will be used to access all of your single and multipath devices.

To install the Subsystem Device Driver, use the System Management Interface Tool (SMIT) . The SMIT facility runs in two interfaces, nongraphical (type SMITTY to invoke the nongraphical user interface) or graphical (type SMIT to invoke the graphical user interface). The Subsystem Device Driver is released as an installation image. The fileset name is `ibmSdd_nnn.rte`, where *nnn* represents the AIX version level (4.2.1, 4.3.2, or 4.3.3). For example, the fileset name for the AIX 4.3.2 level is `ibmSdd_432.rte`.

**Note:** The `ibmSdd_432.rte` installation package can be installed on an AIX 4.3.2 or AIX 4.3.3 system

Throughout this SMIT procedure, `/dev/cd0` is used for the compact disc drive address. The drive address might be different in your environment. Perform the following SMIT steps to install the Subsystem Device Driver package on your system.

1. Log in as the root user.
2. Load the compact disc into the CD-ROM drive.
3. From your desktop window, type `smitty install_update` and press Enter to go directly to the installation panels. The Install and Update Software menu is displayed.
4. Highlight **Install and Update from LATEST Available Software** and press Enter.
5. Press F4 to display the INPUT Device/Directory for Software panel.
6. Select the compact disc drive that you are using for the installation; for example, `/dev/cd0`, and press Enter.
7. Press Enter again. The Install and Update from LATEST Available Software panel is displayed.
8. Highlight **Software to Install** and press F4. The SOFTWARE to Install panel is displayed.

- Select the installation package that is appropriate for your environment. Table 4 on page 13 lists and describes the installation package file names (filesets) for the Subsystem Device Driver.

**Note:** The fileset name for the Subsystem Device Driver is `ibmSdd_421.rte`, `ibmSdd_432.rte`, or `ibmSdd_433.rte`. The AIX version level is included as part of the fileset name (421, 432, or 433).

- Press Enter. The Install and Update from LATEST Available Software panel is displayed with the name of the software you selected to install.
- Check the default option settings to ensure that they are what you need.
- Press Enter to install. SMIT responds with the following message:

```
ARE YOU SURE??
Continuing may delete information you may want to keep.
This is your last chance to stop before continuing.
```

- Press Enter to continue. The installation process can take several minutes to complete.
- When the installation is complete, press F10 to exit from SMIT. Remove the compact disc.

## Verifying the installation

You can verify that the Subsystem Device Driver has been successfully installed by issuing the `lspp -l ibmSdd_421.rte`, `lspp -l ibmSdd_432.rte`, or `lspp -l ibmSdd_433.rte` command.

If you have successfully installed the `ibmSdd_432.rte` package, the output from the `lspp -l ibmSdd_432.rte` command looks like this:

```
Fileset                Level State      Description
-----
Path: /usr/lib/objrepos
ibmSdd_432.rte        1.2.2.0 COMMITTED  IBM Subsystem Device Driver
                        for AIX V432 & up wo/HACMP

Path: /etc/objrepos
ibmSdd_432.rte        1.2.2.0 COMMITTED  IBM Subsystem Device Driver
                        for AIX V432 & up wo/HACMP
```

If you have successfully installed the `ibmSdd_433.rte` package, the output from the `lspp -l ibmSdd_433.rte` command looks like this:

```
Fileset                Level State      Description
-----
Path: /usr/lib/objrepos
ibmSdd_433.rte        1.2.2.0 COMMITTED  IBM Subsystem Device Driver
                        for AIX V433 & up w/HACMP

Path: /etc/objrepos
ibmSdd_433.rte        1.2.2.0 COMMITTED  IBM Subsystem Device Driver
                        for AIX V433 & up w/HACMP
```

## Configuring the Subsystem Device Driver

The following section describes the steps needed to prepare for and to configure the Subsystem Device Driver.

## Preparing to configure the Subsystem Device Driver

Before you configure the Subsystem Device Driver, ensure that:

- The ESS is operational.
- The `ibmSdd_nnn.rte` software is installed on the AIX host system
- The ESS hdisks are configured correctly on the AIX host system.

When multiple paths to an ESS device are configured on storage subsystems, ensure that all paths (hdisks) are configured to the `Available` condition on the AIX host before the Subsystem Device Driver is configured. Otherwise, some Subsystem Device Driver devices will lose multiple-path capability.

Perform the following steps:

1. Use the `lsdev -Cc disk | grep 2105` command to check the ESS device configuration.
2. If you have already created some ESS volume groups, vary off (deactivate) all active volume groups with ESS subsystem disks by using the `varyoffvg` (LVM) command.

**Attention:** Before you vary off a volume group, unmount all file systems of that volume group that are mounted. If some ESS devices (hdisks) are used as physical volumes of an active volume group, and there are file systems of that volume group being mounted, then you must unmount all file systems, and vary off (deactivate) all active volume groups with ESS Subsystem Device Driver disks.

## Configuring the Subsystem Device Driver

Perform the following steps to configure the Subsystem Device Driver using SMIT:

1. Type `smitty device` from your desktop window. The Devices menu is displayed.
2. Highlight **Data Path Device** and press Enter. The Data Path Device panel is displayed.
3. Highlight **Define and Configure All Data Path Devices** and press Enter. The configuration process begins.
4. Check the Subsystem Device Driver configuration status. See “Displaying the ESS vpath device configuration” on page 31.
5. Enter the `varyonvg` command to vary on all deactivated ESS volume groups.
6. If you want to convert the ESS hdisk volume group to Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices, you must run the `hd2vp` utility. (See “`hd2vp` and `vp2hd`” on page 46 for information about this utility.)
7. Mount the file systems for all volume groups that were previously unmounted.

## Verifying the Subsystem Device Driver configuration

To check the Subsystem Device Driver configuration, you can use either the SMIT Display Device Configuration panel or the `lsvpcfg` console command.

Perform the following steps to verify the configuration of the Subsystem Device Driver on an AIX host system:

1. Type `smitty device` from your desktop window. The Devices menu is displayed.
2. Highlight **Data Path Device** and press Enter. The Data Path Device panel is displayed.

3. Highlight **Display Data Path Device Configuration** and press Enter. A list is displayed of the condition (either Defined or Available) of all Subsystem Device Driver pseudo devices, in addition to the multiple paths of each device.

If any device is listed as Defined, the configuration was not successful. Check the configuration procedure again. See “Configuring the Subsystem Device Driver” on page 15 for information about the procedure.

Perform the following steps to verify that multiple paths are configured for *each* adapter connected to an ESS port:

1. Type `smitty device` from your desktop window. The Devices menu is displayed.
2. Highlight **Data Path Device** and press Enter. The Data Path Device panel is displayed.
3. Highlight **Display Data Path Device Adapter Status** and press Enter. All attached paths for each adapter are displayed.

If you want to use the command-line interface to verify the configuration, type `lsvpcfg`.

You should see output similar to this:

```
vpath0 (Avail pv vpathvg) 018FA067 = hdisk1 (Avail )
vpath1 (Avail ) 019FA067 = hdisk2 (Avail )
vpath2 (Avail ) 01AFA067 = hdisk3 (Avail )
vpath3 (Avail ) 01BFA067 = hdisk4 (Avail ) hdisk27 (Avail )
vpath4 (Avail ) 01CFA067 = hdisk5 (Avail ) hdisk28 (Avail )
vpath5 (Avail ) 01DFA067 = hdisk6 (Avail ) hdisk29 (Avail )
vpath6 (Avail ) 01EFA067 = hdisk7 (Avail ) hdisk30 (Avail )
vpath7 (Avail ) 01FFA067 = hdisk8 (Avail ) hdisk31 (Avail )
vpath8 (Avail ) 020FA067 = hdisk9 (Avail ) hdisk32 (Avail )
vpath9 (Avail pv vpathvg) 02BFA067 = hdisk20 (Avail ) hdisk44 (Avail )
vpath10 (Avail pv vpathvg) 02CFA067 = hdisk21 (Avail ) hdisk45 (Avail )
vpath11 (Avail pv vpathvg) 02DFA067 = hdisk22 (Avail ) hdisk46 (Avail )
vpath12 (Avail pv vpathvg) 02EFA067 = hdisk23 (Avail ) hdisk47 (Avail )
vpath13 (Avail pv vpathvg) 02FFA067 = hdisk24 (Avail ) hdisk48 (Avail )
```

The output shows:

- The name of each pseudo device (for example, `vpath13`)
- The Defined or Available condition of a pseudo device
- Whether or not the pseudo device is defined to AIX as a physical volume (the `pv` flag)
- The name of the volume group the device belongs to (for example, `vpathvg`)
- The unit serial number of the ESS LUN (for example, `02FFA067`)
- The names of the AIX disk devices making up the pseudo device and their configuration and physical volume status

## Changing the path-selection policy

The IBM Subsystem Device Driver supports path-selection policies that increase the performance of multi-path configured ESSs and make path failures transparent to applications. The following path-selection policies are supported:

### load balancing (lb)

The path to use for an I/O operation is chosen by estimating the load on the adapter to which each path is attached. The load is a function of the number of I/O operations currently in process. If multiple paths have the same load, a path is chosen at random from those paths.

### round robin (rr)

The path to use for each I/O operation is chosen at random from those paths not used for the last I/O operation. If a device has only two paths, the Subsystem Device Driver alternates between the two.

### failover only (fo)

All I/O operations for the device are sent to the same (preferred) path until the path fails because of I/O errors. Then an alternate path is chosen for subsequent I/O operation.

The path-selection policy is set at the Subsystem Device Driver device level. The default path-selection policy for a Subsystem Device Driver device is load balancing. You can change the policy for a Subsystem Device Driver device with the **chdev** command.

Before changing the path-selection policy, determine the active attributes for the Subsystem Device Driver device. Type the **lsattr -El vpathN** command. Press Enter, where *N* represents the vpath-number, *N*=[0,1,2,...]. The output should look similar to this:

```
pvid          0004379001b90b3f0000000000000000 Data Path Optimizer Parent False
policy        df                               Scheduling Policy           True
active_hdisk  hdisk1/30C12028                          Active hdisk                  False
active_hdisk  hdisk5/30C12028
```

The path-selection policy is the only attribute of a Subsystem Device Driver device that can be changed. The valid policies are *rr*, *lb*, *fo*, and *df*. Here are the explanations for these policies:

**rr**      round robin  
**fo**      failover only  
**lb**      load balancing  
**df**      (load balancing) default policy

**Attention:** By changing a Subsystem Device Driver device's attribute, the **chdev** command unconfigures and then reconfigures the device. You must ensure the device is not in use if you are going to change its attribute. Otherwise, the command fails.

Use the following command to change the Subsystem Device Driver path-selection policy:

```
chdev -l vpathN -a policy=[rr/fo/lb/df]
```

## Adding paths to a device that is part of a volume group

To activate additional paths to a Subsystem Device Driver device, the related Subsystem Device Driver devices must be unconfigured and then reconfigured. The Subsystem Device Driver conversion scripts should be run to enable the necessary Subsystem Device Driver associations and links between the Subsystem Device Driver vpath (pseudo) devices and the ESS hdisk devices.

**Note:** Ensure that logical volume sharing is enabled at the ESS for all applicable devices. Logical volume sharing is enabled using the ESS Specialist. See *IBM Enterprise Storage Server Web Interface User's Guide for ESS Specialist and ESS Copy Services*, SC26-7346, for information about enabling volume sharing.

Perform the following steps from the AIX command line to activate additional paths to a Subsystem Device Driver device:

1. Identify the volume groups containing the Subsystem Device Driver devices to which you want to add additional paths. Type the following command:

```
lspv
```

2. Check if all the physical volumes belonging to that Subsystem Device Driver volume group are Subsystem Device Driver devices (vpathNs). If they are not, you need to fix the problem.

**Attention:** You must fix this problem with the volume group before proceeding to step 3. Otherwise, the volume group loses path failover capability.

To fix the problem, type the following command:

```
dpovgfix vg-name
```

*Vg-name* represents the volume group.

3. Identify the associated file systems for the selected volume group. Type the following command:

```
lsvgfs vg-name
```

4. Identify the associated mounted file systems for the selected volume group. Type the following command:

```
mount
```

5. Unmount the file systems of the selected volume group listed in step 3. Type the following command:

```
umount mounted-filesystem
```

6. Run the `vp2hd` volume group conversion script to convert the volume group from Subsystem Device Driver devices to ESS hdisk devices. Type the following command to run the script:

```
vp2hd vg-name
```

When the conversion script completes, the volume group is in the Active condition (varied on).

7. Vary off the selected volume group in preparation for Subsystem Device Driver reconfiguration. Type the following command:

```
varyoffvg vg-name
```

8. Run the AIX configuration manager **cfgmgr** to recognize all new hdisk devices. You can do this in one of two ways:

- Run the **cfgmgr** command *n* times, where *n* represents the number of paths for the Subsystem Device Driver. (See Note on page 40 for an explanation of why **cfgmgr** should be run *n* times.)
- Run the **cfgmgr -l [scsiN/fcsN]** command for each relevant SCSI or FCP adapter.

**Note:** Ensure that all logical drives on the ESS are identified as hdisks before continuing.

9. Unconfigure affected Subsystem Device Driver devices to the Defined condition by using the **rmdev -l vpathN** command; where *N* represents the vpath-number you want to set to the Defined condition *N*=[0,1,2,...]. This command allows you to unconfigure only Subsystem Device Driver devices for which you are adding paths.

**Note:** Use the **rmdev -l dpo -R** command if you need to unconfigure *all* Subsystem Device Driver devices. The Subsystem Device Driver

volume groups must be inactive before unconfiguring. This command attempts to unconfigure all Subsystem Device Driver devices recursively.

10. Reconfigure Subsystem Device Driver devices by using either the System Management Interface Tool (SMIT) or the command-line interface.

If you are using SMIT, perform the following steps:

- a. Type `Smitty device` from your desktop window. The Devices menu is displayed.
- b. Highlight **Data Path Devices** and press Enter. The Data Path Devices menu is displayed.
- c. Highlight **Define and Configure All Data Path Devices** and press Enter. SMIT executes a script to define and configure all Subsystem Device Driver devices that are in the Defined condition.

If you are using the command-line interface, type the `mkdev -l vpathN` command for each Subsystem Device Driver device or type the `cfallvpath` command to configure *all* Subsystem Device Driver devices.

11. Verify your datapath configuration using either SMIT or the command-line interface.

If you are using SMIT, perform the following steps:

- a. Type `Smitty device` from your desktop window. The Devices menu is displayed.
- b. Highlight **Data Path Devices** and press Enter. The Data Path Devices menu is displayed.
- c. Highlight **Display Data Path Device Configuration** and press Enter.

If you are using the command-line interface, type the `lsvpcfg` command to display the Subsystem Device Driver configuration status.

Subsystem Device Driver devices should show two or more `hdisks` associated with each Subsystem Device Driver device when failover protection is required.

12. Vary on the volume groups selected in step 3 on page 19. Type the following command:

```
varyonvg vg-name
```

13. Run the `hd2vp` script to convert the volume group from ESS `hdisk` devices back to Subsystem Device Driver `vpath` devices. Type the following command:

```
hd2vp vg-name
```

14. Mount all file systems for the volume groups that were previously unmounted.

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## Unconfiguring Subsystem Device Driver devices

Before you unconfigure the Subsystem Device Driver devices, all the file systems belonging to Subsystem Device Driver volume groups must be unmounted. Then, run the `vp2hd` conversion script to convert the volume group from Subsystem Device Driver devices (`vpathN`) to ESS subsystem devices (`hdisks`).

**Note:** If you are running HACMP with `ibmSdd_433.rte` fileset installed on your host system, there are special requirements regarding unconfiguring and removing Subsystem Device Driver v1.2.2.0 `vpath` devices. See “Special requirements” on page 26.

Using the System Management Interface Tool (SMIT), you can unconfigure the Subsystem Device Driver devices in two ways. Either you can unconfigure *without*

*deleting* the device information from the Object Database Management (ODM) database, or you can *delete* device information from the ODM database. If you unconfigure *without* deleting the device information, the device remains in the Defined condition. Using either SMIT or the **mkdev -l vpathN** command, you can return the device to the Available condition.

If you delete the device information from the ODM database, that device is removed from the system. To return it, follow the procedure described in “Configuring the Subsystem Device Driver” on page 15.

Perform the following steps to unconfigure the Subsystem Device Driver devices:

1. Type `smitty device` from your desktop window. The Devices menu is displayed.
2. Highlight **Devices** and press Enter. The Devices menu is displayed.
3. Highlight **Data Path Device** and press Enter. The Data Path Device panel is displayed.
4. Highlight **Remove a Data Path Device** and press Enter. A list of all Subsystem Device Driver devices and their condition (either Defined or Available) is displayed.
5. Select the device that you want to unconfigure. Select whether or not you want to delete the device information from the ODM database.
6. Press Enter. The device is unconfigured to the condition that you selected.
7. To unconfigure more Subsystem Device Driver devices you have to repeat steps 4-6 for each Subsystem Device Driver device.

**Notes:**

1. The fast-path command to unconfigure *all* Subsystem Device Driver devices from the Available to the Defined condition is: **rmdev -l dpo -R**
2. The fast-path command to remove *all* Subsystem Device Driver devices from your system is: **rmdev -dl dpo -R**

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## Removing the Subsystem Device Driver

Before you remove the Subsystem Device Driver package from your AIX host system, all the Subsystem Device Driver devices must be removed from your host system. The fast-path **rmdev -dl dpo -R** command removes all the Subsystem Device Driver devices from your system. After all Subsystem Device Driver devices are removed, perform the following steps to remove the Subsystem Device Driver.

1. Type `smitty deinstall` from your desktop window to go directly to the Remove Installed Software panel.
2. Type `ibmSdd_421.rte`, `ibmSdd_432.rte`, or `ibmSdd_433.rte` in the **SOFTWARE name** field and press Enter.
3. Press the Tab key in the **PREVIEW Only?** field to toggle between Yes and No. Select **No** to remove the software package from your AIX host system.

**Note:** If you select **Yes**, the process stops at this point and previews what you are removing. The results of your pre-check are displayed without removing the software. If the condition for any Subsystem Device Driver device is either Available or Defined, the process fails.

4. Select **No** for the remaining fields on this panel.
5. Press Enter. SMIT responds with the following message:

ARE YOU SURE??  
Continuing may delete information you may want to keep.  
This is your last chance to stop before continuing.

6. Press Enter to begin the removal process. This might take a few minutes.
7. When the process is complete, the Subsystem Device Driver software package is removed from your system.

If you are upgrading the Subsystem Device Driver, go to “Upgrading the Subsystem Device Driver”.

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## Upgrading the Subsystem Device Driver

**Note:** If you attempt to install Subsystem Device Driver over an existing version of Subsystem Device Driver or IBM Data Path Optimizer (DPO), the installation fails.

To upgrade the Subsystem Device Driver to a newer version, all the Subsystem Device Driver devices must be removed, and the existing Subsystem Device Driver must be uninstalled. If your application program accesses Subsystem Device Driver devices through AIX LVM, then you have to use Subsystem Device Driver's conversion tools to convert all physical volumes of the Subsystem Device Driver volume groups into ESS hdisks before removing the Subsystem Device Driver. After installing and configuring the newer version of the Subsystem Device Driver, you need to convert these physical volumes back from ESS hdisk devices to Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices.

Perform the following steps to upgrade the Subsystem Device Driver:

1. Remove any .toc files generated during previous installs of the Subsystem Device Driver or DPO. Type the following command to delete any .toc file found in the /usr/sys/inst.images directory:

```
rm .toc
```

Ensure that this file is removed because it contains information about the previous version of Subsystem Device Driver or DPO.

2. Run the **lspv** command to find out all the Subsystem Device Driver volume groups.
3. Run the **lsvgfs** command for each Subsystem Device Driver volume group, to find out its mounted file systems. Type the following command:  

```
lsvgfs vg_name
```
4. Run the **umount** command to unmount all file systems belonging to Subsystem Device Driver volume groups. Type the following command:  

```
umount filesystem_name
```
5. Run the **vp2hd** script to convert the volume group from Subsystem Device Driver devices to ESS hdisk devices.
6. Run the **varyoffvg** command to vary off the volume groups. Type the following command:  

```
varyoffvg vg_name
```
7. Remove all Subsystem Device Driver devices. Type the following command:  

```
rmdev -dl dpo -R
```
8. Use the **smitty** command to uninstall the Subsystem Device Driver. Type **smitty deinstall** and press Enter. The uninstall process begins. Complete the

uninstall process. See “Removing the Subsystem Device Driver” on page 21 for a step-by-step procedure on uninstalling the Subsystem Device Driver.

9. Use the **smitty** command to install the newer version of Subsystem Device Driver from the compact disc. Type `smitty install` and press Enter. The installation process begins. Go to “Installing the Subsystem Device Driver” on page 13 to complete the installation process.
10. Use the **smitty device** command to configure all the Subsystem Device Driver devices to the Available condition. See “Configuring the Subsystem Device Driver” on page 15 for a step-by-step procedure for configuring devices.
11. Run the **lsvpcfg** command to verify the Subsystem Device Driver configuration. Type the following command:  
`lsvpcfg`
12. Run the **varyonvg** command for each volume group that was previously varied offline. Type the following command:  
`varyonvg vg_name`
13. Run the `hd2vp` script for each Subsystem Device Driver volume group, to convert the physical volumes from ESS `hdisk` devices back to Subsystem Device Driver `vpath` devices. Type the following command:  
`hd2vp vg_name`
14. Run the **lspv** command to verify that all physical volumes of the Subsystem Device Driver volume groups are Subsystem Device Driver `vpath` devices.

**Attention:** If a Subsystem Device Driver volume group's physical volumes are mixed with `hdisk` devices and `vpath` devices, you must run the `dpoavgfix` utility to fix this problem. Otherwise, the Subsystem Device Driver will not function properly. Use the `dpoavgfix vg_name` command to fix this problem.

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## Using the ESS feature (concurrent download of licensed internal code)

*Concurrent download* of licensed internal code is the capability to download and install licensed internal code on an ESS while applications continue to run. This capability is supported for single-path (SCSI only) and multiple-path (SCSI or FCP) access to an ESS.

**Attention:** During the download of licensed internal code, the AIX error log might overflow and excessive system paging space could be consumed. When the system paging space drops too low it could cause your AIX system to hang. To avoid this problem, you can perform the following steps prior to doing the download:

1. Save the existing error report by typing the following command from the AIX command-line interface:  
`> errpt > file.save`
2. Delete the error log from the error log buffer by typing the following command:  
`> errclear 0`
3. Enlarge the system paging space by using the SMIT tool.
4. Stop the AIX error log daemon by typing the following command:  
`/usr/lib/errstop`

Once you've completed steps 1- 4, you can perform the download of the ESS licensed internal code. After the download completes, type `/usr/lib/errdemon` from the command-line interface to restart the AIX error log daemon.

## Understanding the support for High Availability Cluster Multi-Processing (HACMP/6000)

You can now run the Subsystem Device Driver in concurrent and non-concurrent multihost environments in which more than one host is attached to the same LUNs on an ESS. RS/6000 servers running HACMP/6000 in concurrent or non-concurrent mode are supported. Different releases of Subsystem Device Driver support different kinds of environments. (See Table 6 and Table 7 on page 25.)

HACMP/6000 provides a reliable way for clustered IBM RS/6000 servers which share disk resources to recover from server and disk failures. In a HACMP/6000 environment, each RS/6000 server in a cluster is a node. Each node has access to shared disk resources that are accessed by other nodes. When there is a failure, HACMP/6000 transfers ownership of shared disks and other resources based on how you define the relationship among nodes in a cluster. This process is known as *node failover or node fallback*. HACMP supports two modes of operation:

### non-concurrent

Only one node in a cluster is actively accessing shared disk resources while other nodes are standby.

### concurrent

Multiple nodes in a cluster are actively accessing shared disk resources.

The Subsystem Device Driver supports RS/6000 servers connected to shared disks with SCSI adapters and drives as well as FCP adapters and drives. The kind of attachment support depends on the version of Subsystem Device Driver that you have installed. Table 6 summarizes the software requirements to support HACMP/6000:

Table 6. Software support for HACMP/6000 in concurrent mode

Subsystem Device Driver Version and Release Level	HACMP 4.3.1 + APARs	HACMP 4.4 + APARs
Subsystem Device Driver 1.1.4.0 (SCSI only)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IY07392</li> <li>• IY03438</li> <li>• IY11560</li> <li>• IY08933</li> <li>• IY11564</li> <li>• IY12021</li> <li>• IY12056</li> <li>• F model requires IY11110</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IY11563</li> <li>• IY11565</li> <li>• IY12022</li> <li>• IY12057</li> <li>• F model requires IY11480</li> </ul>
Subsystem Device Driver 1.2.0.0 (SCSI/FCP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IY07392</li> <li>• IY13474</li> <li>• IY03438</li> <li>• IY08933</li> <li>• IY11560</li> <li>• IY11564</li> <li>• IY12021</li> <li>• IY12056</li> <li>• F model requires IY11110</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IY13432</li> <li>• IY11563</li> <li>• IY11565</li> <li>• IY12022</li> <li>• IY12057</li> <li>• F model requires IY11480</li> </ul>

Table 6. Software support for HACMP/6000 in concurrent mode (continued)

Subsystem Device Driver Version and Release Level	HACMP 4.3.1 + APARs	HACMP 4.4 + APARs
Subsystem Device Driver 1.2.2.0 (SCSI/FCP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IY07392</li> <li>• IY13474</li> <li>• IY03438</li> <li>• IY08933</li> <li>• IY11560</li> <li>• IY11564</li> <li>• IY12021</li> <li>• IY12056</li> <li>• F model requires IY11110</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IY13432</li> <li>• IY11563</li> <li>• IY11565</li> <li>• IY12022</li> <li>• IY12057</li> <li>• F model requires IY11480</li> </ul>

Table 7. Software support for HAMCP/6000 in nonconcurrent mode

Subsystem Device Driver Version and Release Level	HACMP 4.3.1 + APARs	HACMP 4.4 + APARs
Subsystem Device Driver 1.2.2.0 (SCSI/FCP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IY07392</li> <li>• IY13474</li> <li>• IY03438</li> <li>• IY08933</li> <li>• IY11560</li> <li>• IY11564</li> <li>• IY12021</li> <li>• IY12056</li> <li>• IY14682</li> <li>• F model requires IY11110</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IY13432</li> <li>• IY11563</li> <li>• IY11565</li> <li>• IY12022</li> <li>• IY12057</li> <li>• IY14683</li> <li>• F model requires IY11480</li> </ul>

**Note:** For the most up-to-date list of required APARs go to the following Web site:  
[www.storage.ibm.com/hardsoft/products/ess/supserver.htm](http://www.storage.ibm.com/hardsoft/products/ess/supserver.htm)

Even though the Subsystem Device Driver supports HACMP/6000, certain combinations of features are not supported. Table 8 lists those combinations:

Table 8. HACMP/6000 and supported Subsystem Device Driver features

Feature	RS/6000 node running HACMP
ESS concurrent code load	Yes
Subsystem Device Driver load balancing	Yes
SCSI	Yes
FCP (fibre)	Yes
Single-path fibre	No
SCSI and fibre-channel connections to the same LUN from one host (mixed environment)	No

## What's new in Subsystem Device Driver for HACMP/6000

The `ibmSdd_433.rte` fileset for Subsystem Device Driver v1.2.2.0 has different features compared with `ibmSdd_432.rte` fileset for Subsystem Device Driver v1.2.2.0 release. The `ibmSdd_433.rte` fileset implements the SCSI-3 Persistent Reserve command set, in order to support HACMP in non-concurrent mode with single-point failure protection. The `ibmSdd_433.rte` fileset requires the ESS G3 level microcode on the ESS to support the SCSI-3 Persistent Reserve command set. If the ESS G3 level microcode is not installed, the `ibmSdd_433.rte` fileset switches the multi-path configuration to a single-path configuration. There is no single-point failure protection for single-path configurations.

The `ibmSdd_433.rte` fileset has a new attribute under its pseudo parent (`dpo`), that reflects whether the ESS supports the Persistent Reserve Command set or not. The attribute name is `persistent_resv`. If the Subsystem Device Driver detects that G3 level microcode is installed, the `persistent_resv` attribute is created in the CuAt ODM and its value is set to `yes`; otherwise this attribute only exists in the PdAt ODM and its value is set to `no` (default). You can use the following command to check the `persistent_resv` attribute, after the Subsystem Device Driver device configuration is complete:

```
odmget -q "name = dpo" CuAt
```

If your attached ESS has the G3 microcode, the output should look similar to this:

```
name = "dpo"
attribute = "persistent_resv"
value = "yes"
generic = "D"
rep = "s1"
nls_index = 0
```

In order to implement the Persistent Reserve command set, each host server needs a unique 8-byte reservation key. There are 2 ways to get a unique reservation key. In HACMP/6000 environments, HACMP/6000 generates a unique key for each node in the ODM database. When the Subsystem Device Driver cannot find that key in the ODM database, it generates a unique reservation key by using the middle 8 bytes of the output from the `uname -m` command.

To check the Persistent Reserve Key of a node, provided by HACMP, issue the command:

```
odmget -q "name = ioaccess" CuAt
```

The output should look similar to this:

```
name = "ioaccess"
attribute = "perservekey"
value = "01043792"
type = "R"
generic = ""
rep = "s"
nls_index = 0
```

### Special requirements

There is a special requirement regarding unconfiguring and removing the `ibmSdd_433.rte` fileset for Subsystem Device Driver v1.2.2.0 vpath devices. You must unconfigure and remove the vpath devices *before* you unconfigure and remove the vpath devices' underlying ESS hdisks. Otherwise if the ESS hdisks are unconfigured and removed first, the persistent reserve will not be released, even though the vpath devices have been successfully unconfigured and removed.

The Subsystem Device Driver does not automatically create the *pvid* attribute in the ODM database for each vpath device. The AIX disk driver automatically creates the *pvid* attribute in the ODM database, if a *pvid* exists on the physical device; however, the Subsystem Device Driver does not. Therefore, the first time you import a new Subsystem Device Driver volume group to a new cluster node, you must import the volume group using hdisks as physical volumes. Next, run the hd2vp conversion script (see “Subsystem Device Driver utility programs” on page 46) to convert the volume group’s physical volumes from ESS hdisks to vpath devices. This conversion step not only create *pvid* attributes for all vpath devices which belong to that imported volume group, it also deletes the *pvid* attributes for these vpath devices’ underlying hdisks. Later on you can import and vary on the volume group directly from the vpath devices. These special requirements apply to both concurrent and non-concurrent volume groups.

Under certain conditions, the state of a physical device’s *pvid* on a system is not always as expected. So it is necessary to determine the state of a *pvid* as displayed by the lspv command, in order to select the appropriate import volume group action.

There are four scenarios:

**Scenario 1.** lspv displays pvid’s for both hdisks and vpath:

```
>lspv
hdisk1 003dfc10a11904fa None
hdisk2 003dfc10a11904fa None
vpath0 003dfc10a11904fa None
```

**Scenario 2.** lspv displays pvid’s for hdisks only:

```
>lspv
hdisk1 003dfc10a11904fa None
hdisk2 003dfc10a11904fa None
vpath0 none None
```

For both Scenario 1 and Scenario 2, the volume group should be imported using the hdisk names and then converted using the hd2vp command:

```
>importvg -y vg_name -V major# hdisk1
>hd2vp vg_name
```

**Scenario 3.** lspv displays the *pvid* for vpath only:

```
>lspv
hdisk1 none None
hdisk2 none None
vpath0 003dfc10a11904fa None
```

For Scenario 3, the volume group should be imported using the vpath name:

```
>importvg -y vg_name -V major# vpath0
```

**Scenario 4.** lspv does not display the *pvid* on the hdisks or the vpath:

```
>lspv
hdisk1 none None
hdisk2 none None
vpath0 none None
```

For Scenario 4, the *pvid* will need to be placed in the odm for the vpath devices and then the volume group can be imported using the vpath name:

```
>chdev -l vpath0 -a pv=yes
>importvg -y vg_name -V major# vpath0
```

**Note:** See “Importing a volume group with Subsystem Device Driver” on page 34 for a detailed procedure for importing a volume group with Subsystem Device Driver devices.

***How to recover paths that are lost during HACMP/6000 node failover:***

Normally, when there is a node failure, HACMP/6000 transfers ownership of shared disks and other resources, through a process known as node failover. Certain situations, such as, a loose or disconnected SCSI or fibre-adapter card, can cause your vpath devices to lose one or more underlying paths during node failover. To recover these paths, you need to first check to ensure that all the underlying paths (hdisks) are in the Available state. Next, you need to unconfigure and reconfigure your Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices.

**Note:** Simply running the **cfgmgr** command while vpath devices are in the Available state will not recover the lost paths; that is why you need to unconfigure and reconfigure the vpath devices.

If your vpath devices have lost one or more underlying paths and they belong to an active volume group, perform the following steps to recovery the lost paths:

1. Run the **lspv** command to find the volume group name for the vpath devices that have lost paths.
2. Run the **lsvgfs vg-name** command to find out the file systems for the volume group.
3. Run the **mount** command to find out if any file systems of the volume group were mounted. Run the **umount filesystem-name** command to un-mount any file systems that were mounted.
4. Run the **vp2hd vg-name** command to convert the volume group's physical volumes from vpath devices to ESS hdisks.
5. Vary off the volume group. This puts the physical volumes (hdisks) in the Close state.
6. Run the **rmdev -l vpathN** command on each vpath device that has lost a path; run the **mkdev -l vpathN** command on the same vpath devices to recover the paths.
7. Run the **lsvpcfg** or **lsvpcfg vpathN<sub>0</sub> vpathN<sub>1</sub> vpathN<sub>2</sub>** command to ensure that all the paths are configured.
8. Vary on the volume group.
  - Use the **varyonvg vg-name** command for non-concurrent volume groups.
  - Use the **varyonvg -u vg-name** or **/usr/sbin/cluster/events/utlis/convaryonvg vg-name** command for concurrent volume groups
9. Run the **hd2vp vg-name** command to convert the volume group's physical volumes back to Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices.
10. Mount all the file systems which were un-mounted at step 3.

**Notes:**

1. HACMP/6000 running in concurrent mode is supported with the **ibmSdd\_432.rte** fileset for Subsystem Device Driver 1.1.4. (SCSI only)
2. HACMP/6000 running in concurrent mode is supported with the **ibmSdd\_432.rte** fileset for Subsystem Device Driver 1.2.0. (SCSI and fibre)
3. The **ibmSdd\_433.rte** fileset for Subsystem Device Driver v1.2.2.0 (or later) is for HACMP/6000 environments only; it supports non-concurrent and concurrent modes. However, in order to make the best use of the manner in which the device reserves are made, IBM recommends that you:

- Use `ibmSdd_432.rte` fileset for Subsystem Device Driver v1.2.2.0 when running HACMP on concurrent mode
  - Use `ibmSdd_433.rte` fileset for Subsystem Device Driver v1.2.2.0 when running HACMP on non-concurrent mode
4. HACMP/6000 is not supported on all models of the ESS.
  5. For information about supported ESS models and required ESS microcode levels, go to the following Web site:  
[www.ibm.com/storage/support/techsup/swtechsup.nsf/support/sddupdates](http://www.ibm.com/storage/support/techsup/swtechsup.nsf/support/sddupdates)



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## Chapter 3. Using the IBM Subsystem Device Driver on an AIX host system

After you configure the Subsystem Device Driver, it creates Subsystem Device Driver devices (vpath devices) for ESS LUNs. ESS LUNs are accessible through the connection between the AIX host server SCSI or FCP adapter and the ESS ports. The AIX disk driver creates the original or ESS devices (hdisk). Therefore, with Subsystem Device Driver, an application now has two ways in which to access ESS devices.

To use the load balancing and failover features of the Subsystem Device Driver and access ESS devices, your application must use the Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices rather than the ESS hdisk devices.

Two types of applications use ESS disk storage. One type of application accesses ESS devices through the Subsystem Device Driver vpath device (raw device). The other type of application accesses ESS devices through the AIX logical volume manager (LVM). For this type of application, you must create a volume group with the Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices.

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### Providing load-balancing and failover protection

The Subsystem Device Driver provides load-balancing and failover protection on AIX for applications and for the LVM when ESS vpath devices are used. These devices must have a minimum of two paths to a physical logical unit number (LUN) for failover protection to exist.

### Displaying the ESS vpath device configuration

To provide failover protection, an ESS vpath device must include a minimum of two paths. Both the Subsystem Device Driver vpath device and the ESS hdisk devices must all be in the Available condition. In the following example, vpath0, vpath1, and vpath2 all have a single path and, therefore, will not provide failover protection because there is no alternate path to the ESS LUN. The other Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices have two paths and, therefore, can provide failover protection.

To display which ESS vpath devices are available to provide failover protection, use either the Display Data Path Device Configuration SMIT panel, or run the **lsvpcfg** command. Perform the following steps to use SMIT:

1. Type **smitty device** from your desktop window. The Devices menu is displayed.
2. Select **Data Path Devices** and press Enter. The Data Path Devices menu is displayed.
3. Select **Display Data Path Device Configuration** and press Enter.

You will see output similar to the following:

```

vpath0 (Avail pv vpathvg) 018FA067 = hdisk1 (Avail )
vpath1 (Avail ) 019FA067= hdisk2 (Avail )
vpath2 (Avail ) 01AFA067 = hdisk3 (Avail )
vpath3 (Avail ) 01BFA067 = hdisk4 (Avail ) hdisk27 (Avail )
vpath4 (Avail ) 01CFA067 = hdisk5 (Avail ) hdisk28 (Avail )
vpath5 (Avail ) 01DFA067 = hdisk6 (Avail ) hdisk29 (Avail )
vpath6 (Avail ) 01EFA067 = hdisk7 (Avail ) hdisk30 (Avail )
vpath7 (Avail ) 01FFA067 = hdisk8 (Avail ) hdisk31 (Avail )
vpath8 (Avail ) 020FA067 = hdisk9 (Avail ) hdisk32 (Avail )
vpath9 (Avail pv vpathvg) 02BFA067 = hdisk20 (Avail ) hdisk44 (Avail )
vpath10 (Avail pv vpathvg) 02CFA067 = hdisk21 (Avail ) hdisk45 (Avail )
vpath11 (Avail pv vpathvg) 02DFA067 = hdisk22 (Avail ) hdisk46 (Avail )
vpath12 (Avail pv vpathvg) 02EFA067 = hdisk23 (Avail ) hdisk47 (Avail )
vpath13 (Avail pv vpathvg) 02FFA067 = hdisk24 (Avail ) hdisk48 (Avail )

```

Figure 3. Output from the Display Data Path Device Configuration SMIT panel

The following information is displayed:

- The name of each Subsystem Device Driver vpath device; for example, vpath1.
- The configuration condition of the Subsystem Device Driver vpath device. It is either Defined or Available. There is no failover protection if only one path is in the Available condition. At least two paths to each Subsystem Device Driver vpath device must be in the Available condition to have failover protection.

**Example of vpath devices with and without failover protection:** Vpath0, vpath1, and vpath2 have only a single path and therefore will not provide failover protection. The other ESS vpath devices each have two paths and thus can provide failover protection. The requirement for failover protection is that the ESS vpath device, and at least two hdisk devices making it up, must be in the Available condition.

**Attention:** The configuration condition also indicates whether or not the Subsystem Device Driver vpath device is defined to AIX as a physical volume (pv flag). If pv is displayed for *both* Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices and ESS hdisk devices, you might not have failover protection. Run the **dprovfix** command to fix this problem.

- The name of the volume group the device belongs to (for example, vpathvg)
- The unit serial number of the ESS LUN; for example, 019FA067
- The names of the AIX disk devices that comprise the Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices, their configuration condition, and the physical volume status.

You can also use the **datapath** command to display information about a Subsystem Device Driver vpath device. This command displays the number of paths that the device has. For example, the **datapath query device 10** command might produce this output:

```

DEV#: 10  DEVICE NAME: vpath10  TYPE: 2105B09  SERIAL: 02CFA067
-----
Path#    Adapter/Hard Disk  State   Mode    Select   Errors
  0      scsi6/hdisk21     OPEN   NORMAL   44       0
  1      scsi5/hdisk45     OPEN   NORMAL   43       0

```

The example output shows that device vpath10 has two paths and both are operational.

## Configuring a volume group for failover protection

You can create a volume group with Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices using the Logical Volume Groups SMIT panel. The Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices included in the volume group should be chosen from those that can provide failover protection.

It is possible to create a volume group that has only a single path (see Figure 3 on page 32) and then add paths later by reconfiguring the ESS. (See “Adding paths to a device that is part of a volume group” on page 18 for information about adding paths to a Subsystem Device Driver device.) If you have a physical volume with only a single path, failover protection will not be provided to that Subsystem Device Driver volume group.

To create a new volume group with Subsystem Device Driver vpaths, perform the following steps:

1. Type **SMITTY** from your desktop window. The System Management Interface Tool is displayed.  
**Tip:** The SMIT facility runs in two interfaces, nongraphical and graphical. This step uses the nongraphical interface. You can type **SMIT** to invoke the graphical user interface.
2. Select **System Storage Management (Physical & Logical Storage)** and press Enter. The System Storage Management (Physical & Logical Storage) panel is displayed.
3. Select **Logical Volume Manager** and press Enter. The Volume Group panel is displayed.
4. Select **Volume Group** and press Enter. The Add Volume Group with Data Path Devices panel is displayed.
5. Select **Add Volume Group with Data Path Devices** and press Enter.

**Note:** Press F4 while highlighting the **PHYSICAL VOLUME names** field to list all the available Subsystem Device Driver vpaths.

If you use a script file to create a volume group with Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices, you must modify your script file and replace the **mkvg** command with the **mkvg4vp** command.

All the functions that apply to a regular volume group also apply to a Subsystem Device Driver volume group. Use SMIT to create a logical volume group (mirrored, striping, or compressed), or a file system (mirrored, striping, or compressed) on a Subsystem Device Driver volume group.

Once you create the volume group, AIX creates the Subsystem Device Driver vpath device as a physical volume (pv). In Figure 3 on page 32, vpath9 through vpath13 are included in a volume group and they become physical volumes. To list all the physical volumes known to AIX, use the **lspv** command. Any ESS vpath devices that were created into physical volumes are included in the output. The output should look similar to this:

```

hdisk0      0001926922c706b2  rootvg
hdisk1      none                None
...
hdisk10     none                None
hdisk11     00000000e7f5c88a  None
...
hdisk48     none                None
hdisk49     00000000e7f5c88a  None
vpath0      00019269aa5bc858  None
vpath1      none                None
vpath2      none                None
vpath3      none                None
vpath4      none                None
vpath5      none                None
vpath6      none                None
vpath7      none                None
vpath8      none                None
vpath9      00019269aa5bbadd  vpathvg
vpath10     00019269aa5bc4dc  vpathvg
vpath11     00019269aa5bc670  vpathvg
vpath12     000192697f9fd2d3  vpathvg
vpath13     000192697f9fde04  vpathvg

```

To display the devices that comprise a volume group, enter the **lsvg -p vg-name** command. For example, the **lsvg -p vpathvg** command might produce the following output:

```

PV_NAME      PV STATE  TOTAL PPs  FREE PPs  FREE DISTRIBUTION
vpath9       active    29         4         00..00..00..00..04
vpath10      active    29         4         00..00..00..00..04
vpath11      active    29         4         00..00..00..00..04
vpath12      active    29         4         00..00..00..00..04
vpath13      active    29         28        06..05..05..06..06

```

The example output indicates that the **vpathvg** volume group uses physical volumes vpath9 through vpath13.

## Importing a volume group with Subsystem Device Driver

You can import a new volume group definition from a set of physical volumes with Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices using the Volume Groups SMIT panel.

**Note:** To use this command, you must either have root user authority or be a member of the system group.

**Attention:**

The Subsystem Device Driver does not automatically create the *pvid* attribute in the ODM database for each vpath device. The AIX disk driver automatically creates the *pvid* attribute in the ODM database, if a *pvid* exists on the physical device; however, the Subsystem Device Driver does not. Therefore, the first time you import a new Subsystem Device Driver volume group to a new cluster node, you must import the volume group using hdisks as physical volumes. Next, run the hd2vp conversion script (see “Subsystem Device Driver utility programs” on page 46) to convert the volume group’s physical volumes from ESS hdisks to vpath devices. This conversion step not only create *pvid* attributes for all vpath devices which belong to that imported volume group, it also deletes the *pvid* attributes for these vpath devices’ underlying hdisks. Later on you can import and vary on the volume group directly from the vpath devices. These special requirements apply to both concurrent and non-concurrent volume groups.

Under certain conditions, the state of a *pvid* on a system is not always as we expected. So it is necessary to determine the state of a *pvid* as displayed by the lspv command, in order to select the appropriate action.

There are four scenarios:

**Scenario 1.** lspv displays pvid’s for both hdisks and vpath:

```
>lspv
disk1 003dfc10a11904fa None
disk2 003dfc10a11904fa None
vpath0 003dfc10a11904fa None
```

**Scenario 2.** lspv displays pvid’s for hdisks only:

```
>lspv
disk1 003dfc10a11904fa None
disk2 003dfc10a11904fa None
vpath0 none None
```

For both Scenario 1 and Scenario 2, the volume group should be imported using the hdisk names and then converted using the hd2vp command:

```
>importvg -y vg_name -V major# disk1
>hd2vp vg_name
```

**Scenario 3.** lspv displays the *pvid* for vpath only:

```
>lspv
disk1 none None
disk2 none None
vpath0 003dfc10a11904fa None
```

For Scenario 3, the volume group should be imported using the vpath name:

```
>importvg -y vg_name -V major# vpath0
```

**Scenario 4.** lspv does not display the *pvid* on the hdisks or the vpath:

```
>lspv
disk1 none None
disk2 none None
vpath0 none None
```

For Scenario 4, the *pvid* will need to be placed in the odm for the vpath devices and then the volume group can be imported using the vpath name:

```
>chdev -l vpath0 -a pv=yes
```

```
>importvg -y vg_name -V major# vpath0
```

See “Special requirements” on page 26 for special requirements regarding unconfiguring and removing the `ibmSdd_433.rte` fileset for Subsystem Device Driver Subsystem Device Driver v1.2.2.0 vpath devices.

To import a volume group with Subsystem Device Driver devices, follow these steps:

1. Type `SMITTY` from your desktop window. The System Management Interface Tool is displayed.  
**Tip:** The SMIT facility runs in two interfaces, nongraphical and graphical. This step uses the nongraphical interface. You can type `SMIT` to invoke the graphical user interface.
2. Select **System Storage Management (Physical & Logical Storage)** and press Enter. The System Storage Management (Physical & Logical Storage) panel is displayed.
3. Select **Logical Volume Manager** and press Enter. The Volume Group panel is displayed.
4. Select **Volume Groups** and press Enter. The Volume Groups panel is displayed.
5. Select **Import a Volume Group** and press Enter. The Import a Volume Group panel is displayed.
6. In the Import a Volume Group panel, perform the following steps:
  - Type in the volume group you want to import.
  - Type in the physical volumes that you want to import over.
  - Press Enter after making all desired changes.

You can use the F4 key to get a choice list.

## Exporting a volume group with Subsystem Device Driver

You can export a volume group definition from a set of physical volumes with Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices using the Volume Groups SMIT panel.

The `exportvg` command removes the definition of the volume group specified by the `VolumeGroup` parameter from the system. Since all system knowledge of the volume group and its contents are removed, an exported volume group can no longer be accessed. The `exportvg` command does not modify any user data in the volume group.

A volume group is a nonshared resource within the system; it should not be accessed by another system until it has been explicitly exported from its current system and imported on another. The primary use of the `exportvg` command, coupled with the `importvg` command, is to allow portable volumes to be exchanged between systems. Only a complete volume group can be exported, not individual physical volumes.

Using the `exportvg` command and the `importvg` command, you can also switch ownership of data on physical volumes shared between two systems.

**Note:** To use this command, you must either have root user authority or be a member of the system group.

To export a volume group with Subsystem Device Driver devices, follow these steps:

1. Type SMITTY from your desktop window. The System Management Interface Tool is displayed.  
**Tip:** The SMIT facility runs in two interfaces, nongraphical and graphical. This step uses the nongraphical interface. You can type SMIT to invoke the graphical user interface.
2. Select **System Storage Management (Physical & Logical Storage)** and press Enter. The System Storage Management (Physical & Logical Storage) panel is displayed.
3. Select **Logical Volume Manager** and press Enter. The Volume Group panel is displayed.
4. Select **Volume Groups** and press Enter. The Volume Groups panel is displayed.
5. Select **Export a Volume Group** and press Enter. The Export a Volume Group panel is displayed.
6. Type in the volume group to export and press Enter.

You can use the F4 key to select which volume group you want to export.

## How failover protection can be lost

AIX can only create volume groups from disk (or pseudo) devices that are physical volumes. If a volume group is created using a device that is not a physical volume, AIX makes it a physical volume as part of the procedure of creating the volume group. A physical volume has a physical volume identifier (pvid) written on its sector 0 and also has a pvid attribute attached to the device attributes in the CuAt ODM. The **lspv** command can be used to list all the physical volumes known to AIX. Here is sample output from this command:

```

hdisk0      0001926922c706b2    rootvg
hdisk1      none                    None
...
hdisk10     none                    None
hdisk11     00000000e7f5c88a    None
...
hdisk48     none                    None
hdisk49     00000000e7f5c88a    None
vpath0      00019269aa5bc858    None
vpath1      none                    None
vpath2      none                    None
vpath3      none                    None
vpath4      none                    None
vpath5      none                    None
vpath6      none                    None
vpath7      none                    None
vpath8      none                    None
vpath9      00019269aa5bbadd    vpathvg
vpath10     00019269aa5bc4dc    vpathvg
vpath11     00019269aa5bc670    vpathvg
vpath12     000192697f9fd2d3    vpathvg
vpath13     000192697f9fde04    vpathvg

```

In some cases, access to data is not lost, but failover protection might not be present. Failover protection can be lost in several ways:

1. Through the loss of a device path
2. By creating a volume group from single-path vpath (pseudo) devices
3. As a side effect of running the disk change method
4. Through running the **mksysb restore** command
5. By manually deleting devices and running the configuration manager (**cfgmgr**)

The following sections provide more information about the ways that failover protection can be lost.

### Through the loss of a device path

Due to hardware errors, the Subsystem Device Driver may remove one or more paths to a vpath pseudo device. Once the point is reached where only one path remains, failover protection for the pseudo devices no longer exists. The **datapath query device** command can be used to show the state of paths to a pseudo device. Any path whose condition is shown as Dead can no longer be used for I/O operations.

### By creating a volume group from single-path vpath (pseudo) devices

A volume group created using any single-path pseudo devices does not have failover protection because there is no alternate path to the ESS LUN.

### As a side effect of running the disk change method

It is possible to modify attributes for an hdisk device by running the **chdev** command. The **chdev** command invokes the hdisk configuration method to make the requested change. In addition, the hdisk configuration method sets the pvid attribute for an hdisk if it determines that the hdisk has a pvid written on sector 0 of the LUN. This causes the vpath pseudo device and one or more of its hdisks to have the same pvid attribute in the ODM. If the volume group containing the vpath pseudo device is now activated, the LVM uses the first device it finds in the ODM with the desired pvid to activate the volume group.

As an example, if you issue the **lsvpcfg** command, the following output is displayed:

```
vpath0 (Avail pv vpathvg) 018FA067 = hdisk1 (Avail )
vpath1 (Avail ) 019FA067 = hdisk2 (Avail )
vpath2 (Avail ) 01AFA067 = hdisk3 (Avail )
vpath3 (Avail ) 01BFA067 = hdisk4 (Avail ) hdisk27 (Avail )
vpath4 (Avail ) 01CFA067 = hdisk5 (Avail ) hdisk28 (Avail )
vpath5 (Avail ) 01DFA067 = hdisk6 (Avail ) hdisk29 (Avail )
vpath6 (Avail ) 01EFA067 = hdisk7 (Avail ) hdisk30 (Avail )
vpath7 (Avail ) 01FFA067 = hdisk8 (Avail ) hdisk31 (Avail )
vpath8 (Avail ) 020FA067 = hdisk9 (Avail ) hdisk32 (Avail )
vpath9 (Avail pv vpathvg) 02BFA067 = hdisk20 (Avail ) hdisk44 (Avail )
vpath10 (Avail pv vpathvg) 02CFA067 = hdisk21 (Avail ) hdisk45 (Avail )
vpath11 (Avail pv vpathvg) 02DFA067 = hdisk22 (Avail ) hdisk46 (Avail )
vpath12 (Avail pv vpathvg) 02EFA067 = hdisk23 (Avail ) hdisk47 (Avail )
vpath13 (Avail pv vpathvg) 02FFA067 = hdisk24 (Avail ) hdisk48 (Avail )
```

The following example of a **chdev** command could also set the pvid attribute for an hdisk:

```
chdev -l hdisk46 -a queue_depth=30
```

For this example, the output of the **lsvpcfg** command would look similar to this:

```

vpath0 (Avail pv vpathvg) 018FA067 = hdisk1 (Avail )
vpath1 (Avail ) 019FA067 = hdisk2 (Avail )
vpath2 (Avail ) 01AFA067 = hdisk3 (Avail )
vpath3 (Avail ) 01BFA067 = hdisk4 (Avail ) hdisk27 (Avail )
vpath4 (Avail ) 01CFA067 = hdisk5 (Avail ) hdisk28 (Avail )
vpath5 (Avail ) 01DFA067 = hdisk6 (Avail ) hdisk29 (Avail )
vpath6 (Avail ) 01EFA067 = hdisk7 (Avail ) hdisk30 (Avail )
vpath7 (Avail ) 01FFA067 = hdisk8 (Avail ) hdisk31 (Avail )
vpath8 (Avail ) 020FA067 = hdisk9 (Avail ) hdisk32 (Avail )
vpath9 (Avail pv vpathvg) 02BFA067 = hdisk20 (Avail ) hdisk44 (Avail )
vpath10 (Avail pv vpathvg) 02CFA067 = hdisk21 (Avail ) hdisk45 (Avail )
vpath11 (Avail pv vpathvg) 02DFA067 = hdisk22 (Avail ) hdisk46 (Avail pv vpathvg)
vpath12 (Avail pv vpathvg) 02EFA067 = hdisk23 (Avail ) hdisk47 (Avail )
vpath13 (Avail pv vpathvg) 02FFA067 = hdisk24 (Avail ) hdisk48 (Avail )

```

The output of the **lsvpcfg** command shows that vpath11 contains hdisk22 and hdisk46. However, hdisk46 is the one with the pv attribute set. If you run the **lsvg -p vpathvg** command again, you might see something like this:

```

vpathvg:
PV_NAME          PV STATE    TOTAL PPs   FREE PPs   FREE DISTRIBUTION
vpath10          active      29           4           00..00..00..00..04
hdisk46         active      29           4           00..00..00..00..04
vpath12          active      29           4           00..00..00..00..04
vpath13          active      29           28          06..05..05..06..06

```

Notice that now device vpath11 has been replaced by hdisk46. That is because hdisk46 is one of the hdisk devices included in vpath11 and it has a pvid attribute in the ODM. In this example, the LVM used hdisk46 instead of vpath11 when it activated volume group vpathvg. The volume group is now in a mixed mode of operation because it partially uses vpath pseudo devices and partially uses hdisk devices. This is a problem that must be fixed because failover protection is effectively disabled for the vpath11 physical volume of the vpathvg volume group.

**Note:** The way to fix this problem with the mixed volume group is to run the **dpovgfix vg-name** command after running the **chdev** command.

### Through running the **mksysb restore** command

If a system is restored from a mksysb restore file or tape, the vpath pseudo device pvid attribute is not set. All logical volumes made up of vpath pseudo devices use hdisk devices instead of vpath devices. This can be rectified by using the hd2vp shell script to convert the volume group back to using vpath devices.

### By manually deleting devices and running the configuration manager (**cfgmgr**)

Assume for example that vpath3 is made up of hdisk4 and hdisk27 and that vpath3 is currently a physical volume. If the vpath3, hdisk4, and hdisk27 devices are all deleted by using the **rmdev** command and then **cfgmgr** is invoked at the command line, only one path of the original vpath3 is configured by AIX. The following commands would produce this situation:

```

rmdev -d1 vpath3 rmdev -d1 hdisk4 rmdev -d1 hdisk27
cfgmgr

```

The **datapath query device** command displays the vpath3 configuration status.

Next, all paths to the vpath must be restored. You can restore the paths in one of the following ways:

- Run **cfgmgr** once for each installed SCSI or fibre-channel adapter.

- Run **cfgmgr** *n* times, where *n* represents the number of paths per Subsystem Device Driver device.

**Tip:** Running the AIX configuration manager (**cfgmgr**) *n* times for *n*-path configurations of ESS devices is not always required. It depends on whether the ESS device has been used as a physical volume of a volume group or not. If it has, it is necessary to run **cfgmgr** *n* times for a *n*-path configuration. Since the ESS device has been used as a physical volume of a volume group before, it has a pvid value written on its sector 0. When the first SCSI or fibre adapter is configured by **cfgmgr**, the AIX disk driver configuration method creates a pvid attribute in the AIX ODM database with the pvid value it read from the device. It then creates a logical name (hdiskN), and puts the hdiskN in the Defined condition. When the second adapter is configured, the AIX disk driver configuration method reads the pvid from the same device again, and searches the ODM database to see if there is already a device with the same pvid in the ODM. If there is a match, and that hdiskN is in a Defined condition, the AIX disk driver configuration method does not create another hdisk logical name for the same device. That is why only one set of hdisks gets configured the first time **cfgmgr** runs. When **cfgmgr** runs for the second time, the first set of hdisks are in the Available condition, so a new set of hdisks are Defined and configured to the Available condition. That is why you must run **cfgmgr** *n* times to get *n* paths configured. If the ESS device has never belonged to a volume group, that means there is no pvid written on its sector 0. In that case, you only need to run **cfgmgr** once to get all multiple paths configured.

If you run the **cfgmgr** command instead of restarting the system after all the ESS hdisk devices are restored, you must unconfigure *all* Subsystem Device Driver devices to the Defined condition. Then reconfigure the Subsystem Device Driver devices to the Available condition in order to restore all paths to the Subsystem Device Driver (vpath) devices.

The following command shows an example of how to unconfigure a Subsystem Device Driver device to the Defined condition using the command-line interface:

```
rmdev -l vpathN
```

The following command shows an example of how to unconfigure *all* Subsystem Device Driver devices to the Defined condition using the command-line interface:

```
rmdev -l dpo -R
```

The following command shows an example of how to configure a vpath device to the Available condition using the command-line interface:

```
mkdev -l vpathN
```

The following command shows an example of how to configure all vpath devices to the Available condition using the SMIT:

```
smitty device
```

The following command shows an example of how to configure all vpath devices to the Available condition using the command-line interface:

```
cfa1lvpath
```

## Recovering from mixed volume groups

Run the dpovgfix shell script to recover a mixed volume group. The syntax is **dpovgfix** *vg-name*. The script tries to find a pseudo device corresponding to each hdisk in the volume group and replaces the hdisk with the vpath pseudo device. In

order for the shell script to be executed, all mounted file systems of this volume group have to be unmounted. After successful completion of the `dpovgfix` shell script, mount the file systems again.

## Extending an existing Subsystem Device Driver volume group

You can extend a volume group with Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices using the Logical Volume Groups SMIT panel. The Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices to be added to the volume group should be chosen from those that can provide failover protection. It is possible to add a Subsystem Device Driver vpath device to a Subsystem Device Driver volume group that has only a single path (vpath0 in Figure 3 on page 32) and then add paths later by reconfiguring the ESS. With a single path, failover protection is not provided. (See “Adding paths to a device that is part of a volume group” on page 18 for information about adding paths to a Subsystem Device Driver device.)

To extend a volume group with Subsystem Device Driver devices, follow these steps:

1. Type `SMITTY` from your desktop window. The System Management Interface Tool is displayed.  
**Tip:** The SMIT facility runs in two interfaces, nongraphical and graphical. This step uses the nongraphical interface. You can type `SMIT` to invoke the graphical user interface.
2. Select **System Storage Management (Physical & Logical Storage)** and press Enter. The System Storage Management (Physical & Logical Storage) panel is displayed.
3. Select **Logical Volume Manager** and press Enter. The Volume Group panel is displayed.
4. Select **Volume Group** and press Enter. The Add Volume Group with Data Path Devices panel is displayed.
5. Select **Add Volume Group with Data Path Devices** and press Enter.
6. Type in the volume group name and physical volume name and press Enter. You can also use the F4 key to list all the available Subsystem Device Driver devices, and you can select the devices you want to add to the volume group.

If you use a script file to extend an existing Subsystem Device Driver volume group, you must modify your script file and replace the `extendvg` command with the `extendvg4vp` command.

## Backing-up all files belonging to a Subsystem Device Driver volume group

You can backup all files belonging to a specified volume group with Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices using the Volume Groups SMIT panel.

To backup a volume group with Subsystem Device Driver devices, go to “Accessing the Back Up a Volume Group with Data Path Devices SMIT panel” on page 45.

If you use a script file to back-up all files belonging to a specified Subsystem Device Driver volume group, you must modify your script file and replace the `savevg` command with the `savevg4vp` command.

**Attention:** Backing-up files (running the **savevg4vp** command) will result in the loss of all material previously stored on the selected output medium. Data integrity of the archive may be compromised if a file is modified during system backup. Keep system activity at a minimum during the system backup procedure.

## Restoring all files belonging to a Subsystem Device Driver volume group

You can restore all files belonging to a specified volume group with Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices using the Volume Groups SMIT panel.

To restore a volume group with Subsystem Device Driver devices and go to “Accessing the Remake a Volume Group with Data Path Devices SMIT panel” on page 46.

If you use a script file to restore all files belonging to a specified Subsystem Device Driver volume group, you must modify your script file and replace the **restvg** command with the **restvg4vp** command.

## Subsystem Device Driver specific SMIT panels

The Subsystem Device Driver supports several special SMIT panels. Some SMIT panels provide Subsystem Device Driver specific functions, while other SMIT panels provide AIX functions (but requires the Subsystem Device Driver specific commands). For example, the “Add a volume group with data path devices” function uses the Subsystem Device Driver **mkvg4vp** command, instead of the AIX **mkvg** command.

Table 9 lists the Subsystem Device Driver specific SMIT panels and how you should proceed.

*Table 9. Subsystem Device Driver specific SMIT panels and how to proceed*

SMIT panels	How to proceed:
Display Data Path Device Configuration	Go to: “Accessing the Display Data Path Device Configuration SMIT panel” on page 43
Display Data Path Device Status	“Accessing the Display Data Path Device Status SMIT panel” on page 43
Display Data Path Device Adapter Status	“Accessing the Display Data Path Device Adapter Status SMIT panel” on page 43
Define and Configure all Data Path Devices	“Accessing the Define and Configure All Data Path Devices SMIT panel” on page 43
Configure a Defined Data Path Device	“Accessing the Configure a Defined Data Path Device SMIT panel” on page 44
Remove a Data Path Device	“Accessing the Remove a Data Path Device SMIT panel” on page 44
Add a Volume Group with Data Path Devices	“Accessing the Add a Volume Group with Data Path Devices SMIT panel” on page 44
Add a Data Path Volume to a Volume Group	“Accessing the Add a Data Path Volume to a Volume Group SMIT panel” on page 45
Remove a copy from a datapath Logical Volume	“Accessing the Remove a copy from a datapath Logical Volume SMIT panel” on page 45
Back Up a Volume Group with Data Path Devices	“Accessing the Back Up a Volume Group with Data Path Devices SMIT panel” on page 45

Table 9. Subsystem Device Driver specific SMIT panels and how to proceed (continued)

Remake a Volume Group with Data Path Devices	"Accessing the Remake a Volume Group with Data Path Devices SMIT panel" on page 46
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### Accessing the Display Data Path Device Configuration SMIT panel

To access the Display Data Path Device Configuration panel, perform the following steps:

1. Type SMITTY from your desktop window. The System Management Interface Tool is displayed.  
**Tip:** The SMIT facility runs in two interfaces, nongraphical and graphical. This step uses the nongraphical interface. You can type SMIT to invoke the graphical user interface.
2. Select **Devices** and press Enter. The Devices menu is displayed.
3. Select **Data Path Devices** and press Enter. The Data Path Devices menu is displayed.
4. Select **Display Data Path Device Configuration** and press Enter.

### Accessing the Display Data Path Device Status SMIT panel

To access the Display Data Path Device Status panel, perform the following steps:

1. Type SMITTY from your desktop window. The System Management Interface Tool is displayed.  
**Tip:** The SMIT facility runs in two interfaces, nongraphical and graphical. This step uses the nongraphical interface. You can type SMIT to invoke the graphical user interface.
2. Select **Devices** and press Enter. The Devices menu is displayed.
3. Select **Data Path Devices** and press Enter. The Data Path Devices menu is displayed.
4. Select **Display Data Path Device Status** and press Enter.

### Accessing the Display Data Path Device Adapter Status SMIT panel

To access the Display Data Path Device Status panel, perform the following steps:

1. Type SMITTY from your desktop window. The System Management Interface Tool is displayed.  
**Tip:** The SMIT facility runs in two interfaces, nongraphical and graphical. This step uses the nongraphical interface. You can type SMIT to invoke the graphical user interface.
2. Select **Devices** and press Enter. The Devices menu is displayed.
3. Select **Data Path Devices** and press Enter. The Data Path Devices menu is displayed.
4. Select **Display Data Path Device Status** and press Enter.

### Accessing the Define and Configure All Data Path Devices SMIT panel

To access the Define and Configure All Data Path Devices panel, perform the following steps:

1. Type SMITTY from your desktop window. The System Management Interface Tool is displayed.

**Tip:** The SMIT facility runs in two interfaces, nongraphical and graphical. This step uses the nongraphical interface. You can type SMIT to invoke the graphical user interface.

2. Select **Devices** and press Enter. The Devices menu is displayed.
3. Select **Data Path Devices** and press Enter. The Data Path Devices menu is displayed.
4. Select **Define and Configure All Data Path Devices** and press Enter.

### **Accessing the Configure a Defined Data Path Device SMIT panel**

To access the Configure a Defined Data Path Device panel, perform the following steps:

1. Type SMITTY from your desktop window. The System Management Interface Tool is displayed.

**Tip:** The SMIT facility runs in two interfaces, nongraphical and graphical. This step uses the nongraphical interface. You can type SMIT to invoke the graphical user interface.

2. Select **Devices** and press Enter. The Devices menu is displayed.
3. Select **Data Path Devices** and press Enter. The Data Path Devices menu is displayed.
4. Select **Configure a Defined Data Path Device** and press Enter.

### **Accessing the Remove a Data Path Device SMIT panel**

To access the Remove a Data Path Device panel, perform the following steps:

1. Type SMITTY from your desktop window. The System Management Interface Tool is displayed.

**Tip:** The SMIT facility runs in two interfaces, nongraphical and graphical. This step uses the nongraphical interface. You can type SMIT to invoke the graphical user interface.

2. Select **Devices** and press Enter. The Devices menu is displayed.
3. Select **Data Path Devices** and press Enter. The Data Path Devices menu is displayed.
4. Select **Remove a Data Path Device** and press Enter.

### **Accessing the Add a Volume Group with Data Path Devices SMIT panel**

To access the Add a volume group with data path devices panel, perform the following steps:

1. Type SMITTY from your desktop window. The System Management Interface Tool is displayed.

**Tip:** The SMIT facility runs in two interfaces, nongraphical and graphical. This step uses the nongraphical interface. You can type SMIT to invoke the graphical user interface.

2. Select **System Storage Management (Physical & Logical Storage)** and press Enter. The System Storage Management (Physical & Logical Storage) panel is displayed.
3. Select **Logical Volume Manager** and press Enter. The Volume Group panel is displayed.
4. Select **Volume Groups** and press Enter. The Add Volume Group with Data Path Devices panel is displayed.
5. Select **Add Volume Group with Data Path Devices** and press Enter.

**Note:** Press F4 while highlighting the **PHYSICAL VOLUME names** field to list all the available Subsystem Device Driver vpaths.

### **Accessing the Add a Data Path Volume to a Volume Group SMIT panel**

To access the Add a Data Path Volume to a Volume Group panel, perform the following steps:

1. Type SMITTY from your desktop window. The System Management Interface Tool is displayed.  
**Tip:** The SMIT facility runs in two interfaces, nongraphical and graphical. This step uses the nongraphical interface. You can type SMIT to invoke the graphical user interface.
2. Select **System Storage Management (Physical & Logical)** and press Enter. The System Storage Management (Physical & Logical) panel is displayed.
3. Select **Logical Volume Manager** and press Enter. The Logical Volume Manager panel is displayed.
4. Select **Volume Group** and press Enter. The Volume Group panel is displayed.
5. Select **Add a Data Path Volume to a Volume Group** and press Enter.
6. Type the volume group name and physical volume name and press Enter. Alternately, you can use the F4 key to list all the available Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices and use the F7 key to select the physical volumes you want to add.

### **Accessing the Remove a copy from a datapath Logical Volume SMIT panel**

To access the Remove a copy from a datapath Logical Volume panel, perform the following steps:

1. Type SMITTY from your desktop window. The System Management Interface Tool is displayed.  
**Tip:** The SMIT facility runs in two interfaces, nongraphical and graphical. This step uses the nongraphical interface. You can type SMIT to invoke the graphical user interface.
2. Select **Logical Volume manager** and press Enter. The Logical Volume manager panel is displayed.
3. Select **Volume Groups** and press Enter. The Volume Groups panel is displayed.
4. Select **Set Characteristics of a Volume Group** and press Enter. The Set Characteristics of a Volume Group panel is displayed.
5. Select **Remove a Copy from a datapath Logical Volume** and press Enter. The Remove a Physical Volume from a Volume Group panel is displayed.

### **Accessing the Back Up a Volume Group with Data Path Devices SMIT panel**

To access the Back Up a Volume Group with Data Path Devices panel and to backup a volume group with Subsystem Device Driver devices, perform the following steps:

1. Type SMITTY from your desktop window. The System Management Interface Tool is displayed.  
**Tip:** The SMIT facility runs in two interfaces, nongraphical and graphical. This step uses the nongraphical interface. You can type SMIT to invoke the graphical user interface.

2. Select **System Storage Management (Physical & Logical Storage)** and press Enter. The System Storage Management (Physical & Logical Storage) panel is displayed.
3. Select **Logical Volume Manager** and press Enter. The Volume Group panel is displayed.
4. Select **Volume Groups** and press Enter. The Volume Groups panel is displayed.
5. Select **Back Up a Volume Group with Data Path Devices** and press Enter. The Back Up a Volume Group with Data Path Devices panel is displayed.
6. In the Back Up a Volume Group with Data Path Devices panel, perform the following steps:
  - Type in the Backup DEVICE or FILE name.
  - Type in the Volume Group to back up.
  - Press Enter after making all desired changes.

**Tip:** You can also use the F4 key to list all the available Subsystem Device Driver devices, and you can select the devices or files you want to backup.

**Attention:** Backing-up files (running the **savevg4vp** command) will result in the loss of all material previously stored on the selected output medium. Data integrity of the archive may be compromised if a file is modified during system backup. Keep system activity at a minimum during the system backup procedure.

### Accessing the Remake a Volume Group with Data Path Devices SMIT panel

To access the Remake a Volume Group with Data Path Devices panel and restore a volume group with Subsystem Device Driver devices, perform the following steps:

1. Type SMITTY from your desktop window. The System Management Interface Tool is displayed.
 

**Tip:** The SMIT facility runs in two interfaces, nongraphical and graphical. This step uses the nongraphical interface. You can type SMIT to invoke the graphical user interface.
2. Select **System Storage Management (Physical & Logical Storage)** and press Enter. The System Storage Management (Physical & Logical Storage) panel is displayed.
3. Select **Logical Volume Manager** and press Enter. The Volume Group panel is displayed.
4. Select **Volume Groups** and press Enter. The Volume Groups panel is displayed.
5. Select **Remake a Volume Group with Data Path Devices** and press Enter. The Remake a Volume Group with Data Path Devices panel is displayed.
6. Type in the Restore DEVICE or FILE name, and press Enter. You can also use the F4 key to list all the available Subsystem Device Driver devices, and you can select the devices or files you want to restore.

## Subsystem Device Driver utility programs

### hd2vp and vp2hd

The Subsystem Device Driver provides two conversion scripts, **hd2vp** and **vp2hd**. The **hd2vp** script converts a volume group from original ESS hdisks into Subsystem Device Driver vpaths, and the **vp2hd** script converts a volume group from Subsystem Device Driver vpaths into ESS hdisks. Use the **vp2hd** program when

you want to configure your applications back to original ESS hdisks, or when you want to remove the Subsystem Device Driver from your AIX host system.

**Note:** You must convert all your applications and volume groups to the original ESS hdisk device special files before removing the Subsystem Device Driver.

The syntax for these conversion scripts is as follows:

```
hd2vp vname
vp2hd vname
```

These two conversion programs require that a volume group contain either *all* original ESS hdisks or *all* Subsystem Device Driver vpaths. The program fails if a volume group contains both kinds of device special files (mixed volume group).

**Tip:** Always use SMIT to create a volume group of Subsystem Device Driver devices. This avoids the problem of a mixed volume group.

### **dpovgfix**

You can use the dpovgfix script tool to recover mixed volume groups.

Performing AIX system management operations on adapters and ESS hdisk devices might cause original ESS hdisks to be contained within a Subsystem Device Driver volume group. This is known as a mixed volume group. Mixed volume groups happen when a Subsystem Device Driver volume group is inactivated (varied off), and certain AIX commands to the hdisk put the pvid attribute of hdisk back into the ODM database. The following is an example of a command that does this:

```
chdev -l hdiskN -a queue_depth=30
```

If this disk is an active hdisk of a vpath that belongs to a Subsystem Device Driver volume group, and you run the **varyonvg** command to activate this Subsystem Device Driver volume group, LVM might pick up the hdisk device rather than the vpath device. The result is that a Subsystem Device Driver volume group partially uses Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices, and partially uses ESS hdisk devices. The result is the volume group loses path failover capability for that physical volume. The dpovgfix script tool fixes this problem. The command syntax is:

```
dpovgfix vg-name
```

### **lsvpcfg**

You can use the lsvpcfg script tool to display the configuration status of the Subsystem Device Driver devices. This displays the configuration status for all Subsystem Device Driver devices. The **lsvpcfg** command can be issued in two ways.

1. The command can be issued without parameters. The command syntax is:

```
lsvpcfg
```

See “Verifying the Subsystem Device Driver configuration” on page 16 for an example of the output and what it means.

2. The command can also be issued using the vpath device name as a parameter. The command syntax is:

```
lsvpcfg vpathN0 vpathN1 vpathN2
```

You will see output similar to this:

```
vpath10 (Avail pv ) 13916392 = hdisk95 (Avail ) hdisk179 (Avail )
vpath20 (Avail ) 02816392 = hdisk23 (Avail ) hdisk106 (Avail )
vpath30 (Avail ) 10516392 = hdisk33 (Avail ) hdisk116 (Avail )
```

See “Verifying the Subsystem Device Driver configuration” on page 16 for an explanation of the output.

### **mkvg4vp**

You can use the `mkvg4vp` command to create a Subsystem Device Driver volume group. For more information about this command, go to section “Configuring a volume group for failover protection” on page 33.

### **extendvg4vp**

You can use the `extendvg4vp` command to extend an existing Subsystem Device Driver volume group. For more information about this command, go to section “Extending an existing Subsystem Device Driver volume group” on page 41.

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## **Using ESS devices directly**

If your application used ESS hdisk device special files directly before installing the Subsystem Device Driver, convert it to using the Subsystem Device Driver vpath device special files. After installing the Subsystem Device Driver, perform the following steps:

1. Type `SMITTY` from your desktop window. The System Management Interface Tool is displayed.  
**Tip:** The SMIT facility runs in two interfaces, nongraphical and graphical. This step uses the nongraphical interface. You can type `SMIT` to invoke the graphical user interface.
2. Select **Devices** and press Enter. The Devices menu is displayed.
3. Select **Data Path Devices** and press Enter. The Data Path Devices panel is displayed.
4. Select **Display Data Path Device Configuration**. The system displays all Subsystem Device Driver vpaths with their attached multiple paths (hdisks).
5. Search the list of hdisks to locate the hdisks your application is using.
6. Replace each hdisk with its corresponding Subsystem Device Driver vpath device.

**Note:** Depending upon your application, the manner in which you replace these files is different. If this is a new application, use the Subsystem Device Driver vpath rather than hdisk to use the Subsystem Device Driver load-balancing and failover features.

**Note:** Alternately, you can type `lsvpcfg` from the command-line interface rather than using SMIT. This displays all configured Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices and their underlying paths (hdisks).

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## Using ESS devices through AIX LVM

### Attention:

- You must use the System Management Interface Tool (SMIT). The SMIT facility runs in two interfaces, nongraphical (type SMITTY to invoke the nongraphical user interface) or graphical (type SMIT to invoke the graphical user interface).
- Do not use the **mkvg** command directly. Otherwise, the path failover capability could be lost.

If your application accesses ESS devices through LVM, determine the volume group that it uses before you convert volume groups. Then, perform the following steps to convert the volume group from the original ESS device hdisks to the Subsystem Device Driver vpaths:

1. Determine the file systems or logical volumes that your application accesses.
2. Type SMITTY from your desktop window. The System Management Interface Tool is displayed.
3. Select **System Storage Management (Physical & Logical Storage)** and press Enter. The System Storage Management (Physical & Logical Storage) panel is displayed.
4. Select **Logical Volume Manager** and press Enter. The Logical Volume Manager panel is displayed.
5. Select **Logical Volume** and press Enter. The Logical Volume panel is displayed.
6. Select **List All Logical Volumes by Volume Group** to determine the logical volumes that belong to this volume group and their logical volume mount points.
7. Press Enter. The logical volumes are listed by volume group.

To determine the file systems, perform the following steps:

- a. Type SMITTY from your desktop window. The System Management Interface Tool is displayed.
  - b. Select **Logical Volume Manager** and press Enter. The Logical Volume Manager panel is displayed.
  - c. Select **File Systems** and press Enter. The File Systems panel is displayed.
  - d. Select **List All File Systems** to locate all file systems that have the same mount points as the logical volumes.
  - e. Press Enter. The file systems are listed.
  - f. Note the file system name of that volume group and the file system mount point, if it is mounted.
  - g. Unmount these file systems.
8. Enter the following to convert the volume group from the original ESS hdisks to Subsystem Device Driver vpaths:  
hd2vp vgroupname
  9. When the conversion is complete, mount all file systems that you previously unmounted.

When the conversion is complete, your application now accesses ESS physical LUNs through Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices. This provides load balancing and failover protection for your application.

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## Migrating a non-Subsystem Device Driver volume group to an ESS Subsystem Device Driver multipath volume group in concurrent mode

Before you migrate your non-Subsystem Device Driver volume group to a Subsystem Device Driver volume group, make sure that the following things have been done:

- The AIX Subsystem Device Driver is installed and configured. To see if the Subsystem Device Driver is installed, issue one of the following commands:

```
lslpp -l ibmSdd_421.rte, lslpp -l ibmSdd_432.rte, lslpp -l ibmSdd_433.rte
```

An example of output from the **lslpp** command is:

Fileset	Level	State	Description
-----			
Path: /usr/lib/objrepos			
ibmSdd_432.rte	1.2.2.0	COMMITTED	IBM Subsystem Device Driver for AIX V432 & up wo/HACMP
Path: /etc/objrepos			
ibmSdd_432.rte	1.2.2.0	COMMITTED	IBM Subsystem Device Driver for AIX V432 & up wo/HACMP

- The ESS subsystem devices to which you want to migrate have multiple paths configured per LUN. To check the status of your Subsystem Device Driver configuration, use the System Management Interface Tool (SMIT) or issue the **lsvpcfg** command from the command line. To use SMIT:
  - Type **SMITTY** and press Enter from your desktop window. The System Management Interface Tool panel is displayed.  
**Tip:** The SMIT facility runs in two interfaces, nongraphical and graphical. This step uses the nongraphical interface. You can type SMIT to invoke the graphical user interface.
  - Select **Devices** and press Enter. The Devices panel is displayed.
  - Select **Data Path Device** and press Enter. The Data Path Device panel is displayed.
  - Select **Display Data Path Device Configuration** and press Enter. A list is displayed of the pseudo devices and whether there are multiple paths configured for the devices.
- Make sure the Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices you are going to migrate to do not belong to any other volume group, and that the corresponding physical device (ESS LUN) does not have a pvid written on it. Use the **lsvpcfg** command output to check the Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices that you are going to use for migration. Make sure there is no pv displayed for this vpath and its paths (hdisks). If a LUN has never belonged to any volume group, there is no pvid written on it. In case there is a pvid written on the LUN and the LUN does not belong to any volume group, you need to clear the pvid from the LUN before using it to migrate a volume group. The commands to clear the pvid are:

```
chdev -l hdiskN -a pv=clear  
chdev -l vpathN -a pv=clear
```

**Attention:** Exercise care when clearing a pvid from a device with this command. Issuing this command to a device, that *does* belong to an existing volume group can cause system failures.

You should complete the following steps to migrate a non-Subsystem Device Driver volume group to a multipath Subsystem Device Driver volume group in concurrent mode:

1. Add new Subsystem Device vpath devices to an existing non-Subsystem Device volume group:
  - a. Type `SMITTY` and press Enter from your desktop window. The System Management Interface Tool panel is displayed.
 

**Tip:** The SMIT facility runs in two interfaces, nongraphical and graphical. This step uses the nongraphical interface. You can type `SMIT` to invoke the graphical user interface.
  - b. Select **System Storage Management (Physical & Logical)** and press Enter. The System Storage Management (Physical & Logical) panel is displayed.
  - c. Select **Logical Volume Manager** and press Enter. The Logical Volume Manager panel is displayed.
  - d. Select **Volume Group** and press Enter. The Volume Group panel is displayed.
  - e. Select **Add a Data Path Volume to a Volume Group** and press Enter.
  - f. Type the volume group name and physical volume name and press Enter. Alternately, you can use the F4 key to list all the available Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices and use the F7 key to select the physical volumes you want to add.

2. Mirror logical volumes from the original volume to a Subsystem Device Driver ESS volume. Use the command:

```
smitty mklvcopy
```

Use the new Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices for copying all logical volumes. Do not forget to include JFS log volumes.

**Note:** The command **smitty mklvcopy** copies one logical volume at a time. A fast-path command to mirror *all* the logical volumes on a volume group is **mirrorvg**.

3. Synchronize logical volumes (LVs) or force synchronization. Use the following command to synchronize all the volumes:

```
smitty syncvg
```

There are two options on the smitty menu:

- Synchronize by Logical Volume
- Synchronize by Physical Volume

The fast way to synchronize logical volumes is to select the **Synchronize by Physical Volume** option.

4. Remove the mirror and delete the original LVs. Use the following command to remove the original copy of the logical volumes from all original non-Subsystem Device Driver physical volumes:

```
smitty rmlvcopy
```

5. Remove the original non-Subsystem Device Driver devices from the volume group. Use the command:

```
smitty reducevg
```

The Remove a Physical Volume panel is displayed. Remove all non-Subsystem Device Driver devices.

**Notes:**

1. A non-Subsystem Device Driver volume group can consist of non-ESS or ESS hdisk devices.

2. There is no failover protection unless multiple paths are configured for each LUN.

## Example of migrating an existing non-Subsystem Device Driver volume group to Subsystem Device Driver vpath devices in concurrent mode

This procedure shows how to migrate an existing AIX volume group to use Subsystem Device Driver vpath (pseudo) devices that have multipath capability. You do not take the volume group out of service. The example shown starts with a volume group, vg1, made up of one ESS device, hdisk13.

**Tip:** This procedure uses the System Management Interface Tool (SMIT). The SMIT facility runs in two interfaces, nongraphical (type SMITTY to invoke the nongraphical user interface) or graphical (type SMIT to invoke the graphical user interface).

To perform the migration, you must have vpath devices available that are greater than or equal to the size of each of the hdisks making up the volume group. In this example, we have a pseudo device, vpath12, with two paths, hdisk14 and hdisk30, that we will migrate the volume group to.

1. Add the vpath device to the volume group as an Available volume:
  - a. Type SMITTY and press Enter from your desktop window. The System Management Interface Tool panel is displayed.
  - b. Select **System Storage Management (Physical & Logical)** and press Enter. The System Storage Management (Physical & Logical) panel is displayed.
  - c. Select **Logical Volume Manager** and press Enter. The Logical Volume Manager panel is displayed.
  - d. Select **Volume Group** and press Enter. The Volume Group panel is displayed.
  - e. Select **Add a Data Path Volume to a Volume Group** and press Enter.
  - f. Type vg1 in the **Volume Group Name** field. Type vpath12 in the **Physical Volume Name** field. Press Enter.  
You can also enter the command:  

```
extendvg4vp -f vg1 vpath12
```
2. Mirror logical volumes from the original volume to the new Subsystem Device Driver vpath volume:
  - a. Type SMITTY and press Enter from your desktop window. The System Management Interface Tool panel is displayed.
  - b. Select **System Storage Management (Physical & Logical)** and press Enter. The System Storage Management (Physical & Logical) panel is displayed.
  - c. Select **Logical Volume Manager** and press Enter. The Logical Volume Manager panel is displayed.
  - d. Select **Volume Group** and press Enter. The Volume Group panel is displayed.
  - e. Select **Mirror a Volume Group** and press Enter. The Mirror a Volume Group panel is displayed.
  - f. Type a volume group name. Type a physical volume name. Press Enter.  
You can also enter the command:  

```
mirrorvg vg1 vpath12
```

3. Synchronize the logical volumes in the volume group:
  - a. Type SMITTY and press Enter from your desktop window. The System Management Interface Tool panel is displayed.
  - b. Select **System Storage Management (Physical & Logical)** and press Enter. The System Storage Management (Physical & Logical) panel is displayed.
  - c. Select **Logical Volume Manager** and press Enter. The Logical Volume Manager panel is displayed.
  - d. Select **Volume Group** and press Enter. The Volume Group panel is displayed.
  - e. Select **Synchronize LVM Mirrors** and press Enter. The Synchronize LVM Mirrors panel is displayed.
  - f. Select **Synchronize by Physical Volume**.

You can also enter the command:

```
syncvg -p hdisk13 vpath12
```

4. Delete copies of all logical volumes from the original physical volume:
  - a. Type SMITTY and press Enter from your desktop window. The System Management Interface Tool panel is displayed.
  - b. Select **Logical Volumes** and press Enter. The Logical Volumes panel is displayed.
  - c. Select **Set Characteristic of a Logical Volume** and press Enter. The Set Characteristic of a Logical Volume panel is displayed.
  - d. Select **Remove Copy from a Logical Volume** and press Enter. The Remove Copy from a Logical Volume panel is displayed.

You can also enter the command:

```
rmlvcopy loglv01  
1 hdisk13 and rmlvcopy lv01 1 hdisk13
```

5. Remove the old physical volume from the volume group:
  - a. Type SMITTY and press Enter from your desktop window. The System Management Interface Tool panel is displayed.
  - b. Select **Logical Volume manager** and press Enter. The Logical Volume manager panel is displayed.
  - c. Select **Volume Groups** and press Enter. The Volume Groups panel is displayed.
  - d. Select **Set Characteristics of a Volume Group** and press Enter. The Set Characteristics of a Volume Group panel is displayed.
  - e. Select **Remove a Physical Volume from a Volume Group** and press Enter. The Remove a Physical Volume from a Volume Group panel is displayed.

You can also enter the command:

```
reducevg vg1 hdisk13
```

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## Using the trace function

The Subsystem Device Driver supports AIX trace functions. The trace ID for the Subsystem Device Driver is 2F8. Trace ID 2F8 traces routine entry, exit, and error paths of the algorithm. To use it, manually turn on the trace function before the program starts to run, then turn off the trace function either after the program stops, or any time you need to read the trace report. To start the trace function, type:

```
trace -a -j 2F8
```

To stop the trace function, type:

```
trcstop
```

To read the report, type:

```
trcrpt | pg
```

**Note:** To perform the AIX trace function, you must have the bos.sysmgmt.trace fileset installed on your system.

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## Error log messages

The Subsystem Device Driver logs error conditions into the AIX errlog system. To check if the Subsystem Device Driver generated an error log message, type the following command:

```
errpt -a | grep VPATH
```

The following list shows the Subsystem Device Driver error log messages and explains each one:

### **VPATH\_XBUF\_NOMEM**

An attempt was made to open a Subsystem Device Driver vpath file and to allocate kernel-pinned memory. The system returned a null pointer to the calling program and kernel-pinned memory was not available. The attempt to open the file failed.

### **VPATH\_PATH\_OPEN**

The Subsystem Device Driver device file failed to open one of its paths (hdisks). An attempt to open a vpath device is successful if at least one attached path opens. The attempt to open a vpath device fails only when *all* the vpath device paths fail to open.

### **VPATH\_DEVICE\_OFFLINE**

Several attempts to retry an I/O request for a vpath device on a path have failed. The path state is set to Dead and the path is taken offline. Use the **datapath** command to set the offline path to online. For more information, see “Chapter 8. Using the datapath commands” on page 121.

### **VPATH\_DEVICE\_ONLINE**

The Subsystem Device Driver supports Dead path auto\_failback and Dead path reclamation. A Dead path is selected to send an I/O, after it has been bypassed by 2000 I/O requests on an operational path. If the I/O is successful, the Dead path is put Online, and its state is changed back to Open; a Dead path is put Online, and its state changes to Open after it has been bypassed by 50 000 I/O requests on an operational path.

## Subsystem Device Driver for HACMP new and modified error log messages

The following list shows the new and modified error log messages in ibmSdd\_ibm433.rte fileset for Subsystem Device Driver v1.2.2.0. This release of Subsystem Device Driver is for HACMP environments only. See “What’s new in Subsystem Device Driver for HACMP/6000” on page 26 for more information on this release.

### **VPATH\_DEVICE\_OPEN**

The Subsystem Device Driver device file failed to open one of its paths (hdisks). An attempt to open a vpath device is successful if at least one attached path opens. The attempt to open a vpath device fails only when *all*

the vpath device paths fail to open. In addition, this error log message is posted when the vpath device fails to register its underlying paths or fails to read the persistent reserve key for the device.

**VPATH\_OUT\_SERVICE**

There is no path available to retry a I/O request that failed for a vpath device. The I/O request is returned to the calling program and this error log is posted.

**VPATH\_FAIL\_RELPRESERVE**

An attempt was made to close a vpath device that was not opened with the **RETAIN\_RESERVE** option on the persistent reserve. The attempt to close the vpath device was successful; however, the persistent reserve was not released. The user is notified that the persistent reserve is still in effect, and this error log is posted.

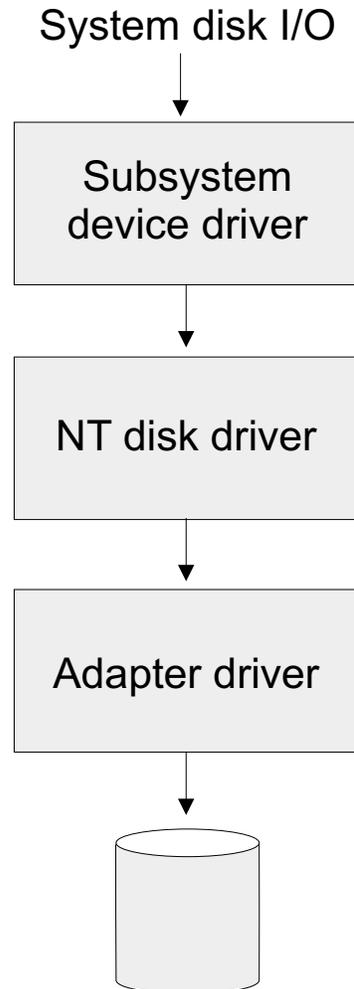
**VPATH\_RESV\_CFLICT**

An attempt was made to open a vpath device, but the reservation key of the vpath device is different from the reservation key currently in effect. The attempt to open the device fails and this error log is posted. The device could not be opened because it is currently reserved by someone else.



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## Chapter 4. Installing and configuring IBM Subsystem Device Driver on a Windows NT host



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*Figure 4. Where the Subsystem Device Driver fits in the protocol stack*

This chapter provides instructions for installing and configuring the IBM Subsystem Device Driver on an Windows NT host system attached to an ESS. For updated and additional information not included in this chapter, see the README file on the compact disc or visit the Subsystem Device Driver Web site at: [www.ibm.com/storage/support/techsup/swtechsup.nsf/support/sddupdates](http://www.ibm.com/storage/support/techsup/swtechsup.nsf/support/sddupdates)

**Notes:**

1. If you attempt to install the Subsystem Device Driver *over* an existing version of Subsystem Device Driver or Data Path Optimizer (DPO), the installation fails. You must uninstall any previous version of Subsystem Device Driver or DPO before installing this version of the Subsystem Device Driver.
2. Subsystem Device Driver 1.2.1 is required to support Windows NT clustering.

3. Windows NT clustering requires Windows NT 4.0 Enterprise Edition.
4. Subsystem Device Driver 1.2.1 does not support I/O load-balancing in a Windows NT clustering environment.
5. You cannot store the Windows NT operating system or a paging file on a multipath device controlled by the Subsystem Device Driver. This environment is not supported.
6. You must have Windows NT 4.0 Service Pack 3 or higher installed on your system.
7. The Subsystem Device Driver only supports 32-bit mode applications.

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## Hardware and software requirements

The successful installation and operation of the Subsystem Device Driver involves the following hardware and software components:

### Hardware

- ESS
- Host system
- SCSI adapters and cables
- Fibre adapters and cables

### Software

- Windows NT operating system
- SCSI and fibre-channel device drivers

## Host system requirements

To successfully install the Subsystem Device Driver, your Windows NT host system should be an Intel-based system with Windows NT Version 4.0 Service Pack 3 or higher installed. The host system can be a uni-processor or a multi-processor system.

### ESS requirements

To successfully install the Subsystem Device Driver, ensure that your host system is configured to the ESS as an Intel-based PC (personal computer) server with Windows NT 4.0 or higher.

### SCSI requirements

To use the Subsystem Device Driver SCSI support, ensure your host system meets the following requirements:

- The maximum number of SCSI adapters that is supported is 32.
- A SCSI cable is required to connect each SCSI host adapter to an ESS port.
- The Subsystem Device Driver I/O load-balancing and failover features require a minimum of two SCSI adapters.

**Note:** The Subsystem Device Driver also supports one SCSI adapter on the host system. With single-path access, concurrent download of licensed internal code is supported with SCSI devices. However, the load balancing and failover features are not available.

- For information about the SCSI adapters that can attach to your Windows NT host system go to [www.storage.ibm.com/hardsoft/products/ess/supserver.htm](http://www.storage.ibm.com/hardsoft/products/ess/supserver.htm)

### Fibre requirements

To use the Subsystem Device Driver fibre support, ensure your host system meets the following requirements:

- The maximum number of fibre-channel adapters that are supported is 256.
- A fiber-optic cable is required to connect each fibre-channel adapter to an ESS port.
- The Subsystem Device Driver I/O load-balancing and failover features require a minimum of two fibre adapters.
- For information about the fibre-channel adapters that can attach to your Windows NT host system go to the Web site at:  
[www.storage.ibm.com/hardsoft/products/ess/supserver.htm](http://www.storage.ibm.com/hardsoft/products/ess/supserver.htm)

## Non-supported environments

The following environments are not supported by the Subsystem Device Driver:

- A host server with a single-path fibre-channel connection to an ESS is not supported.  
  
**Note:** A host server with a single fibre adapter that connects through a switch to multiple ESS ports is considered a multipath fibre-channel connection; and, thus is a *supported* environment.
- A host server with SCSI channel connections and a single-path fibre-channel connection to an ESS is not supported.
- A host server with both a SCSI channel and fibre-channel connection to a shared LUN is not supported.

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## Configuring the ESS

Before you install the Subsystem Device Driver, configure your ESS for single-port or multiple-port access for each LUN. The Subsystem Device Driver requires a minimum of two independent paths that share the same LUN to use the load-balancing and failover features.

For information about configuring your ESS, see *IBM Enterprise Storage Server Introduction and Planning Guide*, GC26–7294.

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## Configuring SCSI adapters

**Attention:** Failure to disable the BIOS of attached non-boot devices may cause your system to attempt boot from an unexpected non-boot device.

Before you install and use the Subsystem Device Driver, you must configure your SCSI adapters. For SCSI adapters that attach boot devices, ensure that the BIOS for the adapter is *enabled*. For all other adapters that attach non-boot devices, ensure the BIOS for the adapter is *disabled*.

**Note:** When the adapter shares the SCSI bus with other adapters, the BIOS must be *disabled*.

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## Configuring fibre-channel adapters

Unlike SCSI adapters, there are no special configuration requirements for fibre-channel adapters attached to Windows NT host systems.

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## Installing the Subsystem Device Driver

To install all components, you must have 1 MB (MB equals approximately 1 000 000 bytes) of disk space available, and you must have Windows NT 4.0 Service Pack 3 or higher installed on your system.

You must have root access and you must log on as an administrator user to install the Subsystem Device Driver.

Perform the following steps to install the Subsystem Device Driver filter and application programs on your system:

1. Log on as the administrator user.
2. Insert the Subsystem Device Driver installation compact disc into the CD-ROM drive.
3. Start the Windows NT Explorer program.
4. Select the CD-ROM drive. A list of all the installed directories on the compact disc is displayed.
5. Select the /winnt directory.
6. Run the **setup.exe** program. This starts the installshield.
7. Click **Next**. The Software License agreement is displayed.
8. Click **Yes**. The User Information panel is displayed.
9. Type your name and your company name.
10. Click **Next**. The Choose Destination Location panel is displayed.
11. Click **Next**. The Setup panel is displayed.
12. Select the type of setup you prefer from the following setup choices: IBM recommends that you select **Typical**.
  - Typical**  
Selects all options.
  - Compact**  
Selects the minimum required options *only* (the installation driver and the README file).
  - Custom**  
Select the options that you need.
13. Click **Next**. The Setup Complete panel is displayed.
14. Click **Finish**. The Subsystem Device Driver program prompts you to start your computer again.
15. Click **Yes** to start your computer again. When you log on again, you see a **Subsystem Device Driver Management** entry in your Program menu containing the following files:
  - a. Subsystem Device Driver management
  - b. Subsystem Device Driver manual
  - c. README file

**Note:** You can verify that the Subsystem Device Driver has been successfully installed by issuing the **datapath query device** command. If the command executes, the Subsystem Device Driver is installed.

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## Uninstalling the Subsystem Device Driver

To uninstall the Subsystem Device Driver on a Windows NT host system, perform the following steps:

1. Log on as the administrator user.
2. Click **Start** → **Settings** → **Control Panel**. The Control Panel window will open.
3. Open **Add/Remove Programs** in Control Panel. The Add/Remove Programs window will open.
4. In the Add/Remove Programs window, select the Subsystem Device Driver from the Currently installed programs selection list.
5. Click on the **Add/Remove** button.

**Attention:** After uninstalling the previous version, you must *immediately* install the new version of Subsystem Device Driver to avoid any potential data loss (See “Installing the Subsystem Device Driver” on page 60 for instructions).

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## Displaying the current version of the Subsystem Device Driver

You can display the current version of the Subsystem Device Driver on a Windows NT host system by viewing the **sddpath.sys** file properties. To view the properties of **sddpath.sys** file, perform the following steps:

1. Click **Start** → **Run** → **Programs** → **Accessories** → **Windows Explorer**. Windows will open Windows Explorer.
2. In Windows Explorer, go to c:\Winnt\system32\drivers directory.
3. Click the **sddpath.sys** file in c:\Winnt\system32\drivers directory.
4. Right-click on the **sddpath.sys** file and then click **Properties**. The **sddpath.sys** properties window will open.
5. In the **sddpath.sys** properties window, click the **Version** panel. The file version and copyright information about **sddpath.sys** will be displayed.

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## Upgrading the Subsystem Device Driver

If you attempt to install the Subsystem Device Driver *over* an existing version of Subsystem Device Driver or Data Path Optimizer (DPO), the installation fails. You must uninstall any previous version of the Subsystem Device Driver or DPO before installing a new version of the Subsystem Device Driver.

Perform the following steps to upgrade to a newer version of the Subsystem Device Driver:

1. Uninstall the previous version of Subsystem Device Driver (See “Uninstalling the Subsystem Device Driver” for instructions)..

**Attention:** After uninstalling the previous version, you must *immediately* install the new version of Subsystem Device Driver to avoid any potential data loss.

2. Install the new version of Subsystem Device Driver (See “Installing the Subsystem Device Driver” on page 60 for instructions).

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## Configuring the Subsystem Device Driver

To activate the Subsystem Device Driver, you need to restart your Windows NT system after it is installed. In fact, a restart is required to activate multipath support whenever a new file system or partition is added.

**Note:** You must log on as an administrator user to have access to the Windows NT disk administrator.

## Adding paths to Subsystem Device Driver devices

**Attention:** Ensure that the Subsystem Device Driver is installed *before* you add a new path to a device. Otherwise, the Windows NT server's ability to access existing data on that device could be lost.

This section contains the procedures for adding paths to Subsystem Device Driver in multipath environments. These procedures include:

1. "Reviewing the existing Subsystem Device Driver configuration information"
2. "Installing and configuring additional paths" on page 63
3. "Verifying additional paths are installed correctly" on page 64

### Reviewing the existing Subsystem Device Driver configuration information

Before adding any additional hardware, you should review the configuration information for the adapters and devices currently on your Windows NT server.

You should verify that the number of adapters and the number of paths to each ESS volume match the known configuration. Perform the following steps to display information about the adapters and devices:

1. Click **Start** → **Program** → **Subsystem Device Driver** → **Subsystem Device Driver Management**. An MS-DOS window is displayed.
2. Type `datapath query adapter` and press Enter. The output should include information about all the installed adapters. In this example, one SCSI adapter has 10 active paths. The following output is displayed:

```
Active Adapters :1
Adpt#   Adapter Name   State   Mode   Select   Errors   Paths   Active
  0     Scsi Port6 Bus0  NORMAL  ACTIVE   542       0       10       10
```

3. Next, type `datapath query device` and press Enter. In this example, 10 devices are attached to the SCSI path. The following output is displayed:

```

Total Devices : 10
DEV#:  0  DEVICE NAME: Disk2 Part0  TYPE: 2105E20  SERIAL: 00A12028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk  State  Mode  Select  Errors
  0      Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk2 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL  14      0
DEV#:  1  DEVICE NAME: Disk2 Part1  TYPE: 2105E20  SERIAL: 00A12028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk  State  Mode  Select  Errors
  0      Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk2 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL  94      0
DEV#:  2  DEVICE NAME: Disk3 Part0  TYPE: 2105E20  SERIAL: 00B12028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk  State  Mode  Select  Errors
  0      Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk3 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL  16      0
DEV#:  3  DEVICE NAME: Disk3 Part1  TYPE: 2105E20  SERIAL: 00B12028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk  State  Mode  Select  Errors
  0      Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk3 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL  94      0
DEV#:  4  DEVICE NAME: Disk4 Part0  TYPE: 2105E20  SERIAL: 00D12028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk  State  Mode  Select  Errors
  0      Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk4 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL  14      0
DEV#:  5  DEVICE NAME: Disk4 Part1  TYPE: 2105E20  SERIAL: 00D12028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk  State  Mode  Select  Errors
  0      Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk4 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL  94      0
DEV#:  6  DEVICE NAME: Disk5 Part0  TYPE: 2105E20  SERIAL: 50812028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk  State  Mode  Select  Errors
  0      Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk5 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL  14      0
DEV#:  7  DEVICE NAME: Disk5 Part1  TYPE: 2105E20  SERIAL: 50812028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk  State  Mode  Select  Errors
  0      Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk5 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL  94      0
DEV#:  8  DEVICE NAME: Disk6 Part0  TYPE: 2105E20  SERIAL: 60012028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk  State  Mode  Select  Errors
  0      Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk6 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL  14      0
DEV#:  9  DEVICE NAME: Disk6 Part1  TYPE: 2105E20  SERIAL: 60012028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk  State  Mode  Select  Errors
  0      Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk6 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL  94      0

```

## Installing and configuring additional paths

Perform the following steps to install and configure additional paths to a vpath device:

1. Install any additional hardware on the Windows NT server.
2. Install any additional hardware to the ESS.
3. Configure the new paths to the server.
4. Restart the Windows NT server. Restarting will ensure correct multi-path access to both existing and new storage, and your Windows NT server.
5. Verify that the path is added correctly. See "Verifying additional paths are installed correctly" on page 64

## Verifying additional paths are installed correctly

After installing additional paths to Subsystem Device Driver devices, you should verify:

- That all additional paths have been installed correctly.
- The number of adapters and the number of paths to each ESS volume match the updated configuration.
- The Windows disk numbers of all primary paths are labeled as path #0.

Perform the following steps to verify that the additional paths have been installed correctly:

1. Click **Start** → **Program** → **Subsystem Device Driver** → **Subsystem Device Driver Management**. An MS-DOS window appears.
2. Type `datapath query adapter` and press Enter. The output should include information about any additional adapters that were installed. In this example, an additional path is installed to the previous configuration. The following output is displayed:

```
Active Adapters :2
```

Adpt#	Adapter Name	State	Mode	Select	Errors	Paths	Active
0	Scsi Port6 Bus0	NORMAL	ACTIVE	188	0	10	10
1	Scsi Port7 Bus0	NORMAL	ACTIVE	204	0	10	10

3. Type `datapath query device` and press Enter. The output should include information about any additional devices that were installed. In this example, the output includes information about the new SCSI adapter that was assigned. The following output is displayed:

Total Devices : 10

```
DEV#: 0 DEVICE NAME: Disk2 Part0 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 00A12028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0      Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk2 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL     5      0
  1      Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk7 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL     9      0

DEV#: 1 DEVICE NAME: Disk2 Part1 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 00A12028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0      Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk2 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL    32      0
  1      Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk7 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL    32      0

DEV#: 2 DEVICE NAME: Disk3 Part0 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 00B12028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0      Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk3 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL     7      0
  1      Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk8 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL     9      0

DEV#: 3 DEVICE NAME: Disk3 Part1 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 00B12028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0      Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk3 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL    28      0
  1      Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk8 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL    36      0

DEV#: 4 DEVICE NAME: Disk4 Part0 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 00D12028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0      Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk4 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL     8      0
  1      Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk9 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL     6      0

DEV#: 5 DEVICE NAME: Disk4 Part1 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 00D12028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0      Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk4 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL    35      0
  1      Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk9 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL    29      0

DEV#: 6 DEVICE NAME: Disk5 Part0 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 50812028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0      Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk5 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL     6      0
  1      Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk10 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL     8      0

DEV#: 7 DEVICE NAME: Disk5 Part1 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 50812028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0      Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk5 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL    24      0
  1      Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk10 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL    40      0

DEV#: 8 DEVICE NAME: Disk6 Part0 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 60012028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0      Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk6 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL     8      0
  1      Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk11 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL     6      0

DEV#: 9 DEVICE NAME: Disk6 Part1 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 60012028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0      Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk6 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL    35      0
  1      Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk11 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL    29      0
```

**Note:** The definitive way to identify unique volumes on the ESS is by the serial number displayed. The volume will appear at the SCSI level as multiple disks (more properly, Adapter/Bus/ID/LUN), but it's the same volume on the ESS. The example above shows two paths to each partition (path 0: Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk2; And path 1: Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk7).

The above example shows partition 0 (Part0) for each of the device. This partition stores information about windows partition on the drive. The operating system masks this partition from the user, but it still exists. In general, you'll see one more partition from the output of Datapath Query Device than what is being displayed from the Disk Administrator application.

## Adding or modifying multipath storage configuration to the ESS

This section contains the procedures for adding new storage to existing configuration in multipath environments. These procedures include:

1. "Reviewing the existing Subsystem Device Driver configuration information"
2. "Adding new storage to existing configuration" on page 67
3. "Verifying new storage is installed correctly" on page 68

### Reviewing the existing Subsystem Device Driver configuration information

Before adding any additional hardware, you should review the configuration information for the adapters and devices currently on your Windows NT server.

You should verify that the number of adapters and the number of paths to each ESS volume match the known configuration. Perform the following steps to display information about the adapters and devices:

1. Click **Start** → **Program** → **Subsystem Device Driver** → **Subsystem Device Driver Management**. An MS-DOS window is displayed.
2. Type datapath query adapter and press Enter. The output should include information about all the installed adapters. In this example, two SCSI adapters are installed on the Windows NT host server. The following output is displayed:

```
Active Adapters :2

Adpt#   Adapter Name   State   Mode   Select   Errors   Paths   Active
  0 Scsi Port6 Bus0  NORMAL  ACTIVE  188      0      10     10
  1 Scsi Port7 Bus0  NORMAL  ACTIVE  204      0      10     10

Previous configuration with one additional path
```

3. Next, type datapath query device and press Enter. In this example, 10 devices are attached to the SCSI path. The following output is displayed:

Total Devices : 10

```
DEV#: 0 DEVICE NAME: Disk2 Part0 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 00A12028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0   Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk2 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL    5      0
  1   Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk7 Part0   OPEN  NORMAL    9      0

DEV#: 1 DEVICE NAME: Disk2 Part1 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 00A12028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0   Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk2 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL   32      0
  1   Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk7 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL   32      0

DEV#: 2 DEVICE NAME: Disk3 Part0 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 00B12028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0   Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk3 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL    7      0
  1   Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk8 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL    9      0

DEV#: 3 DEVICE NAME: Disk3 Part1 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 00B12028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0   Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk3 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL   28      0
  1   Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk8 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL   36      0

DEV#: 4 DEVICE NAME: Disk4 Part0 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 00D12028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0   Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk4 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL    8      0
  1   Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk9 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL    6      0

DEV#: 5 DEVICE NAME: Disk4 Part1 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 00D12028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0   Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk4 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL   35      0
  1   Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk9 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL   29      0

DEV#: 6 DEVICE NAME: Disk5 Part0 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 50812028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0   Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk5 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL    6      0
  1   Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk10 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL    8      0

DEV#: 7 DEVICE NAME: Disk5 Part1 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 50812028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0   Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk5 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL   24      0
  1   Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk10 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL   40      0

DEV#: 8 DEVICE NAME: Disk6 Part0 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 60012028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0   Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk6 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL    8      0
  1   Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk11 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL    6      0

DEV#: 9 DEVICE NAME: Disk6 Part1 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 60012028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0   Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk6 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL   35      0
  1   Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk11 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL   29      0
```

## Adding new storage to existing configuration

Perform the following steps to install additional storage:

1. Install any additional hardware to the ESS.
2. Configure the new storage to the server.
3. Restart the Windows NT server. Restarting will ensure correct multi-path access to both existing and new storage, and your Windows NT server.

4. Verify that the new storage is added correctly. See "Verifying new storage is installed correctly"

## Verifying new storage is installed correctly

After adding new storage to existing configuration, you should verify:

- That all added storage have been installed and configured correctly.
- The number of adapters and the number of paths to each ESS volume match the updated configuration.
- The Windows disk numbers of all primary paths are labeled as path #0.

Perform the following steps to verify that the additional storage have been installed correctly:

1. Click **Start** → **Program** → **Subsystem Device Driver** → **Subsystem Device Driver Management**. An MS-DOS window appears.
2. Type datapath query adapter and press Enter. The output should include information about all the installed adapters. In this example, two SCSI adapters are installed on the Windows NT host server. The following output is displayed:

```
Active Adapters :2
```

Adpt#	Adapter Name	State	Mode	Select	Errors	Paths	Active
0	Scsi Port6 Bus0	NORMAL	ACTIVE	295	0	16	16
1	Scsi Port7 Bus0	NORMAL	ACTIVE	329	0	16	16

3. Type datapath query device and press Enter. The output should include information about any additional devices that were installed. In this example, the output includes information about the new devices that were assigned. The following output is displayed:

Total Devices : 16

```
DEV#: 0 DEVICE NAME: Disk2 Part0 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 00A12028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0   Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk2 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL    9      0
  1   Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk10 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL    5      0

DEV#: 1 DEVICE NAME: Disk2 Part1 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 00A12028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0   Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk2 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL   26      0
  1   Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk10 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL   38      0

DEV#: 2 DEVICE NAME: Disk3 Part0 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 00B12028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0   Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk3 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL    9      0
  1   Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk11 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL    7      0

DEV#: 3 DEVICE NAME: Disk3 Part1 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 00B12028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0   Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk3 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL   34      0
  1   Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk11 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL   30      0

DEV#: 4 DEVICE NAME: Disk4 Part0 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 31512028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0   Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk4 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL    8      0
  1   Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk12 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL    6      0

DEV#: 5 DEVICE NAME: Disk4 Part1 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 31512028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0   Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk4 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL   35      0
  1   Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk12 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL   28      0

DEV#: 6 DEVICE NAME: Disk5 Part0 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 00D12028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0   Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk5 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL    5      0
  1   Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk13 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL    9      0

DEV#: 7 DEVICE NAME: Disk5 Part1 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 00D12028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0   Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk5 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL   28      0
  1   Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk13 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL   36      0

DEV#: 8 DEVICE NAME: Disk6 Part0 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 40812028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0   Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk6 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL    5      0
  1   Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk14 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL    9      0

DEV#: 9 DEVICE NAME: Disk6 Part1 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 40812028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0   Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk6 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL   25      0
  1   Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk14 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL   38      0

DEV#: 10 DEVICE NAME: Disk7 Part0 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 50812028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0   Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk7 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL    7      0
  1   Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk15 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL    7      0

DEV#: 11 DEVICE NAME: Disk7 Part1 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 50812028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0   Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk7 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL   34      0
  1   Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk15 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL   30      0
```

```

DEV#: 12  DEVICE NAME: Disk8 Part0  TYPE: 2105E20  SERIAL: 60012028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk  State  Mode  Select  Errors
  0   Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk8 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL  7      0
  1   Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk16 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL  7      0

DEV#: 13  DEVICE NAME: Disk8 Part1  TYPE: 2105E20  SERIAL: 60012028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk  State  Mode  Select  Errors
  0   Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk8 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL  29     0
  1   Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk16 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL  35     0

DEV#: 14  DEVICE NAME: Disk9 Part0  TYPE: 2105E20  SERIAL: 00812028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk  State  Mode  Select  Errors
  0   Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk9 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL  6      0
  1   Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk17 Part0  OPEN  NORMAL  8      0

DEV#: 15  DEVICE NAME: Disk9 Part1  TYPE: 2105E20  SERIAL: 00812028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk  State  Mode  Select  Errors
  0   Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk9 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL  28     0
  1   Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk17 Part1  OPEN  NORMAL  36     0

```

**Note:** The definitive way to identify unique volumes on the ESS is by the serial number displayed. The volume will appear at the SCSI level as multiple disks (more properly, Adapter/Bus/ID/LUN), but it's the same volume on the ESS. The example above shows two paths to each partition (path 0: Scsi Port6 Bus0/Disk2; And path 1: Scsi Port7 Bus0/Disk10).

The above example shows partition 0 (Part0) for each of the device. This partition stores information about windows partition on the drive. The operating system masks this partition from the user, but it still exists. In general, you'll see one more partition from the output of Datapath Query Device than what is being displayed from the Disk Administrator application.

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## Special considerations in the Windows NT clustering environment

Subsystem Device Driver 1.2.1 is required to support Windows NT clustering. Subsystem Device Driver 1.2.1 does not support I/O load-balancing in a Windows NT clustering environment.

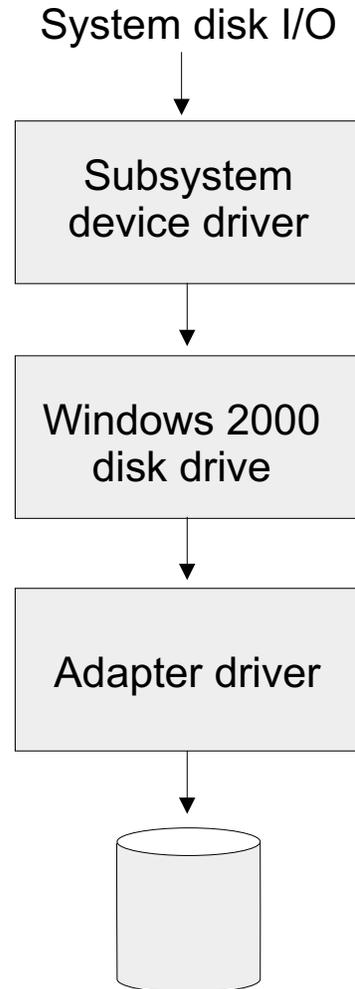
There are subtle differences in the way that the Subsystem Device Driver handles path reclamation in a Windows NT clustering environment compared to a non-clustering environment. When the Windows NT server loses a path in a non-clustering environment, the path state changes from Open to Dead and the adapter state changes from Active to Degraded. The adapter and path state will not change until the path is made operational again. When the Windows NT server loses a path in a clustering environment, the path state changes from Open to Dead and the adapter state changes from Active to Degraded. However, after a period of time, the path state changes back to Open and the adapter state changes back to Normal, even if the path has not been made operational again.

The **datapath set adapter # offline** command operates differently in a clustering environment as compared to a non-clustering environment. In a clustering environment, the **datapath set adapter offline** command won't change the state of the path if the path is active or being reserved. If you issue the command the following message is displayed: to preserve access some paths left online

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## Chapter 5. Installing and configuring the IBM Subsystem Device Driver on a Windows 2000 host

This chapter provides instructions to install and set up the Subsystem Device Driver on a Windows 2000 host system attached to an ESS. For updated and additional information not included in this chapter, see the README file on the compact disc or visit the Subsystem Device Driver Web site at:  
[www.ibm.com/storage/support/techsup/swtechsup.nsf/support/sddupdates](http://www.ibm.com/storage/support/techsup/swtechsup.nsf/support/sddupdates)



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Figure 5. Where the Subsystem Device Driver fits in the protocol stack

**Notes:**

1. You cannot store the Windows 2000 operating system or a paging file on a multi-path device controlled by the Subsystem Device Driver. This environment is not supported.
2. You cannot run the Subsystem Device Driver in a non-concurrent environment in which more than one host is attached to the same logical unit number (LUN)

on a Enterprise Storage Server; for example, in a multi-host environment. However, concurrent multi-host environments are supported.

3. The Subsystem Device Driver supports 32-bit mode applications.

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## Hardware and software requirements

The successful installation and operation of the Subsystem Device Driver involves the following hardware and software components:

### Hardware

- ESS
- Host system
- SCSI adapters and cables
- Fibre adapters and cables

### Software

- Windows 2000 operating system
- SCSI and fibre-channel device drivers

## Host system requirements

To successfully install the Subsystem Device Driver, your Windows 2000 host system should be an Intel-based system. Your host system should have Windows 2000 Service Pack 2 installed. The host system can be a uni-processor or a multi-processor system.

### ESS requirements

To successfully install the Subsystem Device Driver, ensure your ESS devices must be configured as IBM 2105xxx (where xxx is the ESS model number) on your Windows 2000 host system.

### SCSI requirements

To use the Subsystem Device Driver SCSI support, ensure your host system meets the following requirements:

- The maximum number of SCSI adapters that is supported is 32.
- A SCSI cable is required to connect each SCSI host adapter to an ESS port.
- The Subsystem Device Driver I/O load-balancing and failover features require a minimum of two SCSI adapters.

**Note:** The Subsystem Device Driver also supports one SCSI adapter on the host system. With single-path access, concurrent download of licensed internal code is supported with SCSI devices. However, the load-balancing and failover features are not available.

- For information about the SCSI adapters that can attach to your Windows 2000 host system go to [www.storage.ibm.com/hardsoft/products/ess/supserver.htm](http://www.storage.ibm.com/hardsoft/products/ess/supserver.htm)

### Fibre requirements

To use the Subsystem Device Driver fibre support, ensure your host system meets the following requirements:

- The maximum number of fibre-channel adapters that are supported is 256.
- A fiber-optic cable is required to connect each fibre-channel adapter to an ESS port.
- The Subsystem Device Driver I/O load-balancing and failover features require a minimum of two fibre-channel adapters.

- For information about the fibre-channel adapters that can attach to your Windows 2000 host system go to the Web site at:  
[www.storage.ibm.com/hardsoft/products/ess/supserver.htm](http://www.storage.ibm.com/hardsoft/products/ess/supserver.htm)

## Non-supported environments

The following environments are not supported by the Subsystem Device Driver:

- A host server with a single-path fibre-channel connection to an ESS is not supported.

**Note:** A host server with a single fibre adapter that connects through a switch to multiple ESS ports is considered a multipath fibre-channel connection; and, thus is a *supported* environment.

- A host server with SCSI channel connections and a single-path fibre-channel connection to an ESS is not supported.
- A host server with both a SCSI channel and fibre-channel connection to a shared LUN is not supported.

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## Configuring the ESS

Before you install the Subsystem Device Driver, configure your ESS for single-port or multiple-port access for each LUN. The Subsystem Device Driver requires a minimum of two independent paths that share the same logical unit to use the load balancing and failover features.

For information about configuring your ESS, see the *IBM Enterprise Storage Server Introduction and Planning Guide*.

**Note:** During heavy usage, the Windows 2000 operating system might slow down while trying to recover from error conditions.

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## Configuring SCSI adapters

Before you install and use the Subsystem Device Driver, you must configure your SCSI adapters. For SCSI adapters that attach boot devices, ensure that the BIOS for the adapter is *enabled*. For all other adapters that attach non-boot devices, ensure the BIOS for the adapter is *disabled*.

**Note:** When the adapter shares the SCSI bus with other adapters, the BIOS must be *disabled*.

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## Configuring fibre-channel adapters

Unlike SCSI adapters, there are no special configuration requirements for fibre-channel adapters attached to Windows 2000 host systems.

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## Installing the Subsystem Device Driver on a Windows 2000 host system

The following section describes how to install the Subsystem Device Driver

**Note:** You must have root access and you must log on as an administrator user to install the Subsystem Device Driver.

Perform the following steps to install the Subsystem Device Driver filter and application programs on your system:

1. Log on as the administrator user.
2. Insert the Subsystem Device Driver installation CD-ROM into the selected drive. The Subsystem Device Driver panel is displayed.
3. Start the Windows 2000 Explorer program.
4. Select the CD-ROM drive. A list of all the installed directories on the compact disc is displayed.
5. Select the /win2k directory.
6. Run the **setup.exe** program. The Installshield starts.
7. Click **Next**. The Software Licensing Agreement panel is displayed.
8. Click **Yes**. The User Information panel is displayed.
9. Type your name and your company name.
10. Click **Next**. The Choose Destination Location panel is displayed.
11. Click **Next**. The Setup panel is displayed.
12. Select the type of setup you prefer from the following setup choices described below. IBM recommends that you select **Typical**.

**Typical**

Selects all options.

**Compact**

Selects the minimum required options *only* (the installation driver and README file).

**Custom**

Select the options that you need.

13. Click **Next**. The Setup Complete panel is displayed.
14. Click **Finish**. The Subsystem Device Driver program prompts you to start your computer again.
15. Click **Yes** to start your computer again. When you log on again, you see a **Subsystem Device Driver** entry in your Program menu containing the following files:
  - a. Subsystem Device Driver management
  - b. Subsystem Device Driver manual
  - c. README file

**Note:** You can verify that the Subsystem Device Driver has been successfully installed by issuing the **datapath query device** command. If the command executes, the Subsystem Device Driver is installed.

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## Uninstalling the Subsystem Device Driver

To uninstall the Subsystem Device Driver on a Windows 2000 host system, perform the following steps:

1. Log on as the administrator user.
2. Click **Start** → **Settings** → **Control Panel**. The Control Panel window will open.
3. Open **Add/Remove Programs** in Control Panel. The Add/Remove Programs window will open.
4. In the Add/Remove Programs window, select the Subsystem Device Driver from the Currently installed programs selection list.
5. Click on the **Change/Remove** button.

**Attention:** After uninstalling the previous version, you must *immediately* install the new version of Subsystem Device Driver to avoid any potential data loss (See “Installing the Subsystem Device Driver on a Windows 2000 host system” on page 73 for instructions).

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## Displaying the current version of the Subsystem Device Driver

You can display the current version of the Subsystem Device Driver on a Windows 2000 host system by viewing the **sddpath.sys** file properties. To view the properties of **sddpath.sys** file, perform the following steps:

1. Click **Start** → **Run** → **Programs** → **Accessories** → **Windows Explorer**. Windows will open Windows Explorer.
2. In Windows Explorer, go to c:\Winnt\system32\drivers directory.
3. Click the **sddpath.sys** file in c:\Winnt\system32\drivers directory
4. Right-click on the **sddpath.sys** file and then click **Properties**. The **sddpath.sys** properties window will open.
5. In the **sddpath.sys** properties window, click the **Version** panel. The file version and copyright information about **sddpath.sys** will be displayed.

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## Configuring the Subsystem Device Driver

To activate the Subsystem Device Driver, you need to restart your Windows 2000 system after it is installed. In fact, a restart is required to activate multipath support whenever a new file system or partition is added.

**Note:** You must log on as an administrator user to have access to the Windows 2000 disk administrator.

## Adding paths to Subsystem Device Driver devices

**Attention:** Ensure that the Subsystem Device Driver is installed *before* you add additional paths to a device. Otherwise, the Windows 2000 server’s ability to access existing data on that device could be lost.

Before adding any additional hardware, you should review the configuration information for the adapters and devices currently on your Windows 2000 server. Perform the following steps to display information about the adapters and devices:

1. Click **Start** → **Program** → **Subsystem Device Driver** → **Subsystem Device Driver Management**. An MS-DOS window is displayed.
2. Type `datapath query adapter` and press Enter. The output should include information about all the installed adapters. In this example, one SCSI adapter is installed on the Windows 2000 host server. The following output is displayed:

```
Active Adapters :1
Adpt#   Adapter Name  State   Mode   Select  Errors  Paths  Active
0       Scsi Port1 Bus0  NORMAL ACTIVE  4057    0       8       8
```

3. Next, type `datapath query device` and press Enter. In this example, 8 devices are attached to the SCSI path. The following output is displayed:

Total Devices : 8

```
DEV#: 0 DEVICE NAME: Disk7 Part7 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 01312028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
 0      Scsi Port1 Bus0/Disk7 Part0  OPEN   NORMAL 1045     0
DEV#: 1 DEVICE NAME: Disk6 Part6 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 01212028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
 0      Scsi Port1 Bus0/Disk6 Part0  OPEN   NORMAL  391     0
DEV#: 2 DEVICE NAME: Disk5 Part5 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 01112028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
 0      Scsi Port1 Bus0/Disk5 Part0  OPEN   NORMAL 1121     0
DEV#: 3 DEVICE NAME: Disk4 Part4 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 01012028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
 0      Scsi Port1 Bus0/Disk4 Part0  OPEN   NORMAL  332     0
DEV#: 4 DEVICE NAME: Disk3 Part3 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 00F12028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
 0      Scsi Port1 Bus0/Disk3 Part0  OPEN   NORMAL  375     0
DEV#: 5 DEVICE NAME: Disk2 Part2 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 31412028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
 0      Scsi Port1 Bus0/Disk2 Part0  OPEN   NORMAL  258     0
DEV#: 6 DEVICE NAME: Disk1 Part1 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 31312028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
 0      Scsi Port1 Bus0/Disk1 Part0  OPEN   NORMAL  267     0
DEV#: 7 DEVICE NAME: Disk0 Part0 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 31212028
=====
Path#          Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
 0      Scsi Port1 Bus0/Disk0 Part0  OPEN   NORMAL  268     0
```

Perform the following steps to activate additional paths to a vpath device:

1. Install any additional hardware on the Windows 2000 server or the ESS.
2. Restart the Windows 2000 server.
3. Verify that the path is added correctly. See “Verifying additional paths are installed correctly”.

## Verifying additional paths are installed correctly

After installing additional paths to Subsystem Device Driver devices, you should verify that the additional paths have been installed correctly.

Perform the following steps to verify that the additional paths have been installed correctly:

1. Click **Start** → **Program** → **Subsystem Device Driver** → **Subsystem Device Driver Management**. An MS-DOS window appears.
2. Type datapath query adapter and press Enter. The output should include information about any additional adapters that were installed. In this example, an additional SCSI adapter has been installed. The following output is displayed:

Active Adapters :2

Adpt#	Adapter Name	State	Mode	Select	Errors	Paths	Active
0	Scsi Port1 Bus0	NORMAL	ACTIVE	1325	0	8	8
1	Scsi Port2 Bus0	NORMAL	ACTIVE	1312	0	8	8

3. Type datapath query device and press Enter. The output should include information about any additional devices that were installed. In this example, the output includes information about the new SCSI adapter and the new device numbers that were assigned. The following output is displayed:

```
Total Devices : 8
DEV#: 0 DEVICE NAME: Disk7 Part7 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 01312028
=====
Path#      Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0      Scsi Port1 Bus0/Disk7 Part0   OPEN  NORMAL    190     0
  1      Scsi Port2 Bus0/Disk15 Part0   OPEN  NORMAL    179     0
DEV#: 1 DEVICE NAME: Disk6 Part6 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 01212028
=====
Path#      Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0      Scsi Port1 Bus0/Disk6 Part0   OPEN  NORMAL    179     0
  1      Scsi Port2 Bus0/Disk14 Part0   OPEN  NORMAL    184     0
DEV#: 2 DEVICE NAME: Disk5 Part5 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 01112028
=====
Path#      Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0      Scsi Port1 Bus0/Disk5 Part0   OPEN  NORMAL    194     0
  1      Scsi Port2 Bus0/Disk13 Part0   OPEN  NORMAL    179     0
DEV#: 3 DEVICE NAME: Disk4 Part4 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 01012028
=====
Path#      Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0      Scsi Port1 Bus0/Disk4 Part0   OPEN  NORMAL    187     0
  1      Scsi Port2 Bus0/Disk12 Part0   OPEN  NORMAL    173     0
DEV#: 4 DEVICE NAME: Disk3 Part3 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 00F12028
=====
Path#      Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0      Scsi Port1 Bus0/Disk3 Part0   OPEN  NORMAL    215     0
  1      Scsi Port2 Bus0/Disk11 Part0   OPEN  NORMAL    216     0
DEV#: 5 DEVICE NAME: Disk2 Part2 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 31412028
=====
Path#      Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0      Scsi Port1 Bus0/Disk2 Part0   OPEN  NORMAL    115     0
  1      Scsi Port2 Bus0/Disk10 Part0   OPEN  NORMAL    130     0
DEV#: 6 DEVICE NAME: Disk1 Part1 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 31312028
=====
Path#      Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0      Scsi Port1 Bus0/Disk1 Part0   OPEN  NORMAL    122     0
  1      Scsi Port2 Bus0/Disk9 Part0    OPEN  NORMAL    123     0
DEV#: 7 DEVICE NAME: Disk0 Part0 TYPE: 2105E20 SERIAL: 31212028
=====
Path#      Adapter/Hard Disk      State   Mode   Select  Errors
  0      Scsi Port1 Bus0/Disk0 Part0   OPEN  NORMAL    123     0
  1      Scsi Port2 Bus0/Disk8 Part0    OPEN  NORMAL    128     0
```



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## Chapter 6. Installing and configuring the IBM Subsystem Device Driver on an HP host

This chapter provides instructions to install and set up the Subsystem Device Driver on an HP host system attached to an ESS. For updated and additional information not included in this manual, please see the README file on the compact disc or go to the Subsystem Device Driver Web site at:  
[www.ibm.com/storage/support/techsup/swtechsup.nsf/support/sddupdates](http://www.ibm.com/storage/support/techsup/swtechsup.nsf/support/sddupdates)

### Notes:

1. The Subsystem Device Driver does not support a system boot from a Subsystem Device Driver pseudo device.
2. The Subsystem Device Driver does not support placing a system paging file on a Subsystem Device Driver pseudo device.

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## Understanding how Subsystem Device Driver

The following section briefly describes the Subsystem Device Driver failover system and the device driver.

### Support for 32-bit and 64-bit applications on HP-UX 11.0

The Subsystem Device Driver supports 32-bit and 64-bit applications on HP-UX 11.0.

**Attention:** HP patches (as appropriate for a 32-bit or 64-bit application) must be installed on your host system to ensure that the Subsystem Device Driver operates successfully. See Table 11 on page 82.

### Failover system

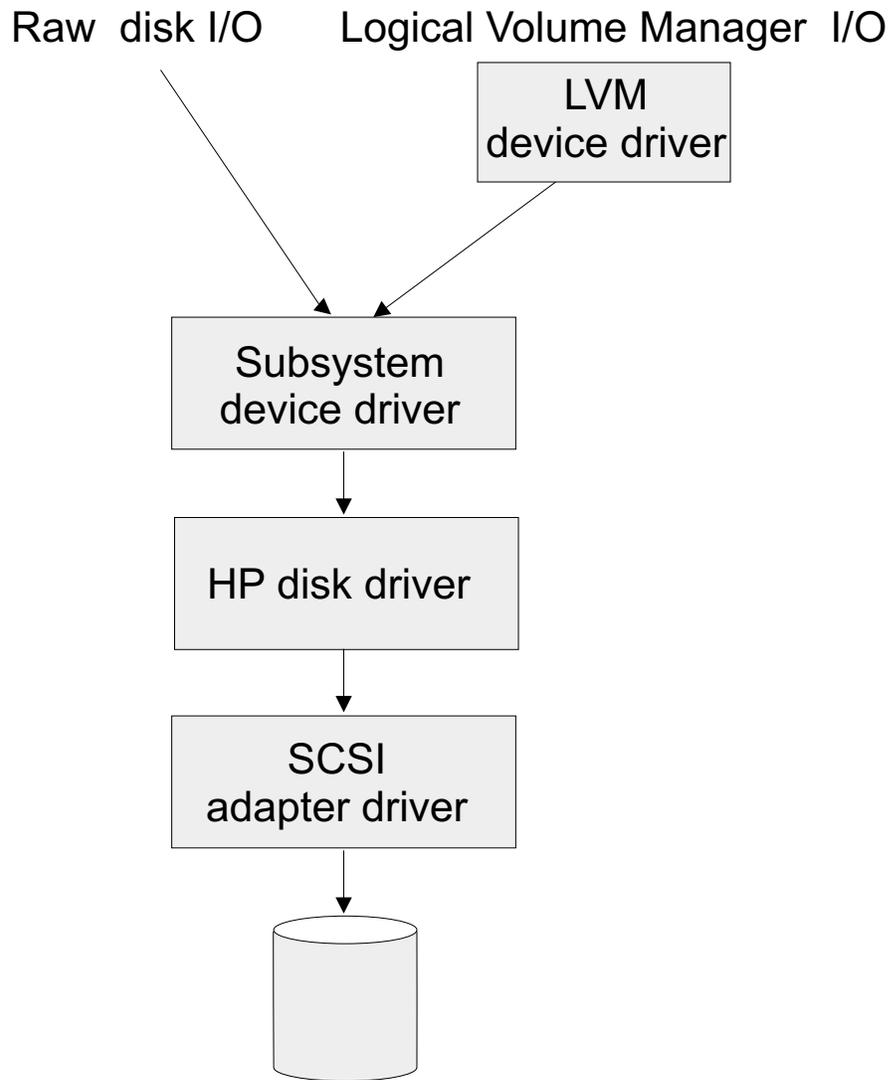
The Subsystem Device Driver failover system is designed to provide recovery upon failure of a data path. If a data path fails, the failover system selects an alternate data path and minimizes any disruptions in operation. This failover process consists of:

- Detecting a failure
- Signaling to the HP host that a failure has occurred
- Compensating for the failure by selecting an alternate data path

The Subsystem Device Driver dynamically selects an alternate I/O data path when a software or hardware problem is detected.

### Subsystem Device Driver

The Subsystem Device Driver resides above the HP SCSI disk driver (sdisk) in the protocol stack (see Figure 6 on page 80).



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Figure 6. Where the Subsystem Device Driver fits in the protocol stack

Subsystem Device Driver devices behave exactly like sdisk devices. Any operation on an sdisk device can be performed on the Subsystem Device Driver device, including commands such as **mount**, **open**, **close**, **umount**, **dd**, **newfs**, or **fsck**. For example, with the Subsystem Device Driver you use the **mount /dev/dsk/vpath0 /mnt1** command instead of the HP-UX **mount /dev/dsk/clt2d0 /mnt1** command.

The Subsystem Device Driver acts as a pass-through agent. I/O operations sent to the Subsystem Device Driver are passed to an sdisk driver after path selection. When an active path experiences a failure (such as a cable or controller failure), the Subsystem Device Driver dynamically switches to another path. The device driver dynamically balances the load, based on the workload of the adapter.

The Subsystem Device Driver also supports one SCSI adapter on the host system. With single-path access, concurrent download of licensed internal code is supported. However, the load balancing and failover features are not available.

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## Hardware and software requirements

To be able to install the Subsystem Device Driver on your HP host system, you must meet the following minimum hardware and software requirements:

- A PA-RISC system running HP-UX 11.00
- A multi-port storage subsystem, such as ESS
- At least one SCSI host adapter (two are required for load balancing and failover)
- You need a SCSI cable to connect each SCSI host adapter to a storage system controller port.
- Subsystem LUNs which have been created and confirmed for multi-port access
- For information on the fibre-channel adapters that can be used on your HP host system go to [www.storage.ibm.com/hardsoft/products/ess/supserver.htm](http://www.storage.ibm.com/hardsoft/products/ess/supserver.htm)
- You need a fiber-optic cable to connect each fibre-channel adapter to a ESS port.

To install the Subsystem Device Driver and use the input-output load balancing and failover features, you need a minimum of two SCSI or fibre-channel adapters.

### Notes:

1. A host server with a single fibre adapter that connects through a switch to multiple ESS ports is considered a multipath fibre-channel connection.
2. A host server with a single-path fibre connection to an ESS is not supported.
3. A host server with SCSI channel connections and a single-path fibre connection to an ESS is not supported.
4. A host server with both a SCSI channel and fibre channel connection to a shared LUN is not supported.

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## Configuring the ESS

Before you install the Subsystem Device Driver, configure your ESS for single-port or multiple-port access for each LUN. The Subsystem Device Driver requires that you provide a minimum of two independent paths that share the same logical unit to use the load balancing and failover features.

For information about configuring your ESS, see *IBM Enterprise Storage Server Introduction and Planning Guide*, GC26–7294.

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## Planning for installation

Before you install Subsystem Device Driver on your HP host, you need to understand what kind of software runs on your host. The way you install Subsystem Device Driver depends on the kind of software you have running. There are two types of special device files that are supported:

- Block device files
- Character device files

There are three possible scenarios for installing Subsystem Device Driver. The scenario you choose depends on the kind of software you have installed:

### Scenario 1

Your system has no software applications (other than UNIX) or DBMSs that talk directly to the HP-UX disk device layer

## Scenario 2

Your system already has a software application or DBMS, such as Oracle, that talks directly with the HP-UX disk device layer

## Scenario 3

Your system already has Subsystem Device Driver and you want to upgrade the software

The following table further describes the various installation scenarios and how you should proceed.

Table 10. Subsystem Device Driver installation scenarios

Installation Scenario	Description	How To Proceed
Scenario 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Subsystem Device Driver not installed</li><li>No software application or DBMS that talks directly to sdisk interface</li></ul>	Go to: 1. "Installing the Subsystem Device Driver" on page 83 2. "Standard UNIX applications" on page 86
Scenario 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Subsystem Device Driver not installed</li><li>Existing application package or DBMS that talks directly to sdisk interface</li></ul>	Go to: 1. "Installing the Subsystem Device Driver" on page 83 2. "Using applications with Subsystem Device Driver" on page 86
Scenario 3	Subsystem Device Driver installed	Go to "Upgrading the Subsystem Device Driver" on page 86

For the Subsystem Device Driver to operate properly on HP-UX 11.0, ensure that the following patches are installed on your operation system:

Table 11. HP patches necessary for proper operation of Subsystem Device Driver

Application mode:	Install HP Patch:	Patch Description:
32-bit	PHKL_20674	Fix VxFS unmount hang & NMF, sync panics
32-bit	PHKL_20915	Trap-related panics/hangs
32-bit	PHKL_21834	Fibre channel Mass Storage Driver Patch
32-bit	PHKL_22759	SCSI IO Subsystem Cumulative patch
32-bit	PHKL_23001	Signal, threads, spinlock, scheduler, IDS, q3p
32-bit	PHKL_23406	Probe, sysproc, shmем, thread cumulative patch
32-bit or 64-bit	PHKL_21392	VxFS performance, hang, icache, DPFs
32-bit or 64-bit	PHKL_21624	Boot, JFS, PA8600, 3Gdata, NFS, IDS, PM, VM, async
32-bit or 64-bit	PHKL_21989	SCSI IO Subsystem Cumulative patch
64-bit	PHKL_21381	Fibre Channel Mass Storage driver

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## Installing the Subsystem Device Driver

You need to complete the following procedure if you are installing Subsystem Device Driver for the first time on your HP host:

1. Make sure the Subsystem Device Driver compact disc is available.
2. Insert the compact disc into your CD-ROM drive.
3. Mount the CD-ROM drive using the **mount** command. Here is an example of the **mount** command:

```
mount /dev/dsk/c0t2d0 /cdrom
```

or

```
mount /dev/dsk/c0t2d0 /your_installation_directory
```

**Note:** */cdrom* or */your\_installation\_directory* is the name of the directory you want to mount the CD-ROM drive.

4. Run **sam**  
> **sam**
5. Select **Software Management**.
6. Select **Install Software to Local Host**.
7. At this point, the **SD Install - Software Selection** panel is displayed. Almost immediately afterwards, a Specify Source menu is displayed:
  - For **Source Depot Type**, select the local CD-ROM.
  - For **Source Depot Path**, choose the directory and the IBMdpo.depot file  
For 32-bit mode applications, use:  
*/cdrom/hp32bit/IBMdpo.depot*  
or  
*/your\_installation\_directory/hp32bit/IBMdpo.depot*  
For 64-bit mode applications, use:  
*/cdrom/hp64bit/IBMdpo.depot*  
or  
*/your\_installation\_directory/hp32bit/IBMdpo.depot*
  - Click **OK**.
8. At this point, you will get either one of the following similar output on the SD Install - Software Selection window (display will be for for 32-bit or 64-bit application, as appropriate):

Name	Revision	Information	Size(Kb)
<b>IBMdpo_tag</b> ->	B.11.00.01	IBMdpo Driver 32-bit	<i>nnnn</i>

Figure 7. IBMdpo Driver 32-bit

Name	Revision	Information	Size(Kb)
<b>IBMdpo_tag</b> ->	B.11.00.01	IBMdpo Driver 64-bit	<i>nnnn</i>

Figure 8. IBMdpo Driver 64-bit

- a. Choose the **IBMdpo\_tag** product.

- b. Select **Actions** from the Bar menu, then select **Mark for Install**.
- c. Select **Actions** from the Bar menu, then select **Install (analysis)**. You will see an Install Analysis window, and on it you will see the status of **Ready**.
- d. Select **OK** to proceed. A Confirmation window is displayed which states that the installation will begin.
- e. Type Yes and press Enter. The analysis phase starts.
- f. After the analysis phase has finished, another Confirmation window is displayed informing you that the system will be restarted after installation is complete. Type Yes and press Enter. The installation of IBMdpo will now proceed.
- g. Next, an Install window is displayed which informs you about the progress of the IBMdpo software installation. This is what the window looks like:

```

Press 'Product Summary' and/or 'Logfile' for more target information.
Target          : XXXXX
Status          : Building kernel
Percent Complete : 17%
Kbytes Installed : 276 of 1393
Time Left (minutes) : 1
Product Summary  Logfile
Done                                     Help
  
```

While the installation process is going on, the **Done** option is not available for you to select. Once the installation of the software has completed, the option is available for you to select.

9. Click **Done**. A Note window is displayed informing you that the local system will restart with the newly installed software.
10. Select **OK** to proceed. The following message is displayed on the machine console before it restarts:

```

* A reboot of this system is being invoked. Please wait.

*** FINAL System shutdown message (XXXXX) ***
System going down IMMEDIATELY
  
```

**Note:** You can verify that the Subsystem Device Driver has been successfully installed by issuing the **datapath query device** command. If the command executes, the Subsystem Device Driver is installed.

## Post-installation

After Subsystem Device Driver is installed, the device driver resides above the HP SCSI disk driver (sdisk) in the protocol stack. In other words, Subsystem Device Driver now talks to the HP-UX device layer. The Subsystem Device Driver software installation procedure installs a number of Subsystem Device Driver components and updates some system files. Those components and files are listed in the following tables:

*Table 12. Subsystem Device Driver components installed*

File	Location	Description
libvpath.a	/usr/conf/lib	Subsystem Device Driver device driver
vpath	/usr/conf/master.d	Subsystem Device Driver configuration file

Table 12. Subsystem Device Driver components installed (continued)

Executables	/opt/IBMdpo/bin	Configuration and status tools
README.sd	/opt/IBMdpo	README file
defvpath	/sbin	Subsystem Device Driver configuration file used during startup

Table 13. System files updated

File	Location	Description
system	/stand/build	Forces the loading of the Subsystem Device Driver device driver
lvnrc	/etc	Causes <b>defvpath</b> to run at boot time

Table 14. Subsystem Device Driver commands and their descriptions

Command	Description
cfgvpath	Configures vpath devices
defvpath	Second part of <b>cfgvpath</b> configuration during boot time
showvpath	Lists the configuration mapping between Subsystem Device Driver devices and underlying disks
datapath	Subsystem Device Driver driver console command tool

If you are not using a DBMS or an application package that talks directly to the sdisk interface, then the installation procedure is nearly complete. However, you still need to customize HP-UX so that standard UNIX applications can use Subsystem Device Driver. Go to section “Standard UNIX applications” on page 86. If you have a DBMS or an application package installed that talks directly to the sdisk interface, such as Oracle, go to “Using applications with Subsystem Device Driver” on page 86 and read the information specific to the application you will be using.

**Note:** During the installation process, the following files were copied from the IBMdpo\_depot to the system:

**# Kernel-related files**

- /usr/conf/lib/libvpath.a
- /usr/conf/master.d/vpath

**# Subsystem Device Driver driver related files**

- /opt/IBMdpo
- /opt/IBMdpo/bin
- /opt/IBMdpo/README.sd
- /opt/IBMdpo/bin/cfgvpath
- /opt/IBMdpo/bin/datapath
- /opt/IBMdpo/bin/defvpath
- /opt/IBMdpo/bin/libvpath.a

- /opt/IBMdpo/bin/pathtest
- /opt/IBMdpo/bin/showvpath
- /opt/IBMdpo/bin/vpath
- /sbin/defvpath

In addition, the /stand/vmunix kernel was created with the device driver. The /stand/system directory was modified in order to add the device driver entry into the file. After these files were created, the /opt/IBMdpo/bin/cfgvpath program was initiated in order to create vpaths in the /dev/dsk and /dev/rdisk directories for all IBM disks which are available on the system. This information is stored in the /opt/IBMdpo file for use after rebooting the machine.

**Note:** Subsystem Device Driver devices are found in /dev/rdisk and /dev/dsk. The device is named according to the Subsystem Device Driver number. A device with a number of 0 would be /dev/rdisk/vpath0.

## Upgrading the Subsystem Device Driver

Upgrading the Subsystem Device Driver consists of uninstalling and reinstalling the IBMdpo package. If you are upgrading Subsystem Device Driver, go to “Uninstalling Subsystem Device Driver” on page 96 and then go to “Installing the Subsystem Device Driver” on page 83.

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## Using applications with Subsystem Device Driver

If your system already has a software application or an DBMS installed that communicates directly with the HP-UX disk device drivers, you need to insert the new Subsystem Device Driver device layer between the software application and the HP-UX disk device layer. You also need to customize the software application in order to have it communicate with the Subsystem Device Driver devices instead of the HP-UX devices.

In addition, many software applications and DBMSs need to control certain device attributes such as ownership and permissions. Therefore, you must ensure that the new Subsystem Device Driver devices that these software applications or DBMSs access in the future have the same attributes as the HP-UX sdisk devices that they replace. You need to customize the application or DBMS to accomplish this.

This section contains the procedures for customizing the following software applications and DBMS for use with Subsystem Device Driver:

- Standard UNIX applications
- Network File System file systems
- Oracle.

## Standard UNIX applications

If you have not already done so, install Subsystem Device Driver using the procedure in “Installing the Subsystem Device Driver” on page 83. When this is done, the Subsystem Device Driver resides above the HP SCSI disk driver (sdisk) in the protocol stack. In other words, Subsystem Device Driver now talks to the HP-UX device layer. To use standard UNIX applications with Subsystem Device Driver, you must make some changes to your logical volumes. You must either convert your existing logical volumes or create new ones.

Standard UNIX applications such as **newfs**, **fsck**, **mkfs**, and **mount**, that normally take a disk device or raw disk device as a parameter, also accept the Subsystem Device Driver device as a parameter. Similarly, entries in files such as `vfstab` and `dfstab` (in the format of `cntndnsn`) can be replaced by entries for the corresponding Subsystem Device Driver devices' `vpathNs`. Make sure that the devices that are replaced are replaced with the corresponding Subsystem Device Driver device. Running the **showvpath** command lists all Subsystem Device Driver devices and their underlying disks.

In order to use the Subsystem Device Driver driver for an existing logical volume, it is necessary to remove the existing logical volume and volume group and recreate it using the Subsystem Device Driver device.

**Attention:** Do not use the Subsystem Device Driver for critical file systems needed at boot time, such as `/(root)`, `/stand`, `/usr`, `/tmp` or `/var`. Doing so may render your system unusable if Subsystem Device Driver is ever uninstalled (for example, as part of an upgrade).

### Converting existing logical volumes

The task of converting an existing logical volume to use Subsystem Device Driver can be broken down into the following subtasks:

1. Determining the size of the logical volume
2. Removing the existing logical volume
3. Removing the existing volume group
4. Recreating the logical volume.

**Note:** You must have super-user privileges to perform these subtasks.

As an example, suppose you have a logical volume called `lv01` under a volume group `vgibm`, which is currently using the disk directly, (for example, through path `/dev path /dev/dsk/c3t4d0`). You would like to convert logical volume `lv01` to use Subsystem Device Driver. In order to recreate the logical volume, you first need to determine the size of the logical volume.

**Determining the size of the logical volume:** Use the **lvdisplay** command to determine this:

```
# lvdisplay | grep LV Size
```

A message is displayed:

```
LV Size (Mbytes) 100
```

In this case, the logical volume size is 100 megabytes. Next, remove the logical volume from the system.

**Removing the existing logical volume:** Before the logical volume is removed, it must be unmounted. Here is an example of using the **umount** command to unmount logical volume `lv01`:

```
# umount /dev/vgibm/lv01
```

Next, remove the logical volume. You can use the following command to remove logical volume `lv01`:

```
# lvremove /dev/vgibm/lv01
```

A message is displayed:

```
The logical volume "/dev/vgibm/lvol1" is not empty;
do you really want to delete the logical volume (y/n)
```

Type Y and press Enter. A message is displayed that is similar to the following:

```
Logical volume "/dev/vgibm/lvol1" has been successfully removed.
Volume Group configuration for /dev/vgibm has been saved in
/etc/lvmconf/vgibm.conf
```

When prompted to delete the logical volume, type y.

Next, remove the volume group.

**Removing the existing volume group:** You can use the following command to remove the volume group vgibm:

```
# vgrename /dev/vgibm
```

You see a message similar to this:

```
Volume group "/dev/vgibm" has been successfully removed.
```

Now recreate the logical volume.

**Recreating the logical volume:** Recreating the logical volume consists of a number of smaller steps:

1. Recreating the physical volume
2. Recreating the volume group
3. Recreating the logical volume
4. Setting the proper timeout value for the logical volume manager.

**Recreating the physical volume:** Use the following command to recreate the physical volume:

```
# pvcreate /dev/rdisk/vpath0
```

You see a message similar to this:

```
Physical volume "/dev/rdisk/vpath0" has been successfully created.
```

This assumes that the Subsystem Device Driver device associated with the underlying disk is vpath0. Verify this with the **showvpath** command:

```
# /opt/IBMdpo/bin/showvpath
```

A message is displayed:

```
vpath0:
/dev/dsk/c3t4d0
```

Next, recreate the volume group.

*Recreating the volume group:* Use the following command to recreate the volume group:

```
# vgcreate /dev/vgibm /dev/dsk/vpath0
```

You see a message that says:

```
Increased the number of physical extents per physical volume to 2187.  
Volume group "/dev/vgibm" has been successfully created.  
Volume Group configuration for /dev/vgibm has been saved in  
/etc/lvmconf/vgibm.conf
```

Now recreate the logical volume.

*Recreating the logical volume: Attention:* The recreated logical volume should be the same size as the original volume; otherwise, the recreated volume cannot store the data that was on the original.

Use the following command used to recreate the logical volume:

```
# lvcreate -L 100 -n lvol1 vgibm
```

You see a message that says:

```
Logical volume "/dev/vgibm/lvol1" has been successfully created with  
character device "/dev/vgibm/rlvol1".  
Logical volume "/dev/vgibm/lvol1" has been successfully extended.  
Volume Group configuration for /dev/vgibm has been saved in  
/etc/lvmconf/vgibm.conf
```

Note that the `-L 100` parameter comes from the size of the original logical volume, determined by using the `lvdisplay` command. In this example, the original logical volume was 100 MB in size.

*Setting the correct timeout value for the logical volume manager: Attention:* The timeout values for the logical volume manager must be set correctly for the Subsystem Device Driver to operate properly. This is particularly true if you are going to be using concurrent microcode download.

If you are going to be using concurrent microcode download with single-path SCSI, perform the following steps to set the correct timeout value for the logical volume manager:

1. Ensure the timeout value for a Subsystem Device Driver logical volume is set to default. Type `lvdisplay /dev/vgibm/lvol1` and press Enter. If the timeout value is not default, type `lvchange -t 0 /dev/vgibm/lvol1` and press Enter to change it. (vgibm is the name of the logical volume group previously configured to use the Subsystem Device Driver; in your environment the name may be different.)
2. Change the timeout value for a Subsystem Device Driver physical volume to 240. Type `pvchange -t 240 /dev/dsk/vpathn` and press Enter. (*n* refers to the vpath number.) If you are not sure about the vpath number, type `/opt/IBMdpo/bin/showvpath` and press Enter to obtain this information.

If you are going to be using concurrent microcode download with multi-path SCSI, perform the following steps to set the proper timeout value for the logical volume manager:

1. Ensure the timeout value for a Subsystem Device Driver logical volume is set to default. Type `lvdisplay /dev/vgibm/lvol1` and press Enter. If the time-out value

is not default, type **lvchange -t 0 /dev/vgibm/lvoly** and press Enter to change it. (vgibm is the name of logical volume group previously configured to use the Subsystem Device Driver; in your environment the name may be different, y=[0,1,2,...].)

2. Change the timeout value for a Subsystem Device Driver physical volume to 240. Type **pvchange -t 240 /dev/dsk/vpathn** and press Enter. (*n* refers to the vpath number.) If you are not sure about the vpath number, type **/opt/IBMdpo/bin/showvpath** and press Enter to obtain this information.

**Note:** The recreated logical volume must be mounted before it can be accessed.

**Attention:** In some cases it may be necessary to use standard HP recovery procedures to fix a volume group that has become damaged or corrupted. For information on using recovery procedures, such as, vgscan, vgextend, pvchange, or vgreduce, see the *HP-UX Reference Volume 2* at the Web site: docs.hp.com.

### Creating new logical volumes

The task of creating a new logical volume to use Subsystem Device Driver can be broken down into the following subtasks:

**Note:** You must have super-user privileges to perform the following subtasks.

1. Determining the major number of the logical volume device
2. Creating a device node for the logical volume device
3. Creating a physical volume
4. Creating a volume group
5. Creating a logical volume
6. Creating a file system on the volume group
7. Mounting the logical volume.

In order to create a new logical volume that uses the Subsystem Device Driver, you first need to determine the major number of the logical volume device.

**Determining the major number of the logical volume device:** Use the **lsdev** command to determine this:

```
# lsdev | grep lv
```

A message is displayed:

```
64      64      lv      lvml
```

The first number is the major number of the character device, which is what you want to use. Next, create a device node for the logical volume device.

**Creating a device node for the logical volume device:** Creating a device node actually consists of:

1. Creating a directory in /dev for the volume group
2. Changing to the /dev directory
3. Creating a device node for the logical volume device.

**Creating a directory in /dev for the volume group:** Use the following command to create a directory in /dev for the volume group:

```
# mkdir /dev/vgibm
```

In this example, vgibm is the name of the directory.

Next, change to the directory that you just created

**Changing to the /dev directory:** Use the following command to change to the /dev directory:

```
# cd /dev/vgibm
```

Next, create a device node for the logical volume device.

**Creating a device node for the logical volume device:** If you do not have any other logical volume devices, you can use a minor number of 0x010000. In this example, assume that you have no other logical volume devices. Use the following command to create a device node:

```
# mknod group c 64 0x010000
```

Now create a physical volume.

**Creating a physical volume:** Use the following command to create a physical volume:

```
# pvcreate /dev/rdisk/vpath0
```

Now create the volume group

**Creating a volume group:** Use the following command to create a volume group:

```
# vgcreate /dev/vgibm /dev/dsk/vpath0
```

Now create the logical volume.

**Creating a logical volume:** Use the following command to create logical volume lv01 :

```
# lvcreate -L 100 -n lv01 vgibm
```

The -L 100 makes a 100 MB volume group; you can make it larger if you want to. Now you are ready to create a file system on the volume group.

**Creating a file system on the volume group:** Use the following command to create a file system on the volume group:

```
# newfs -F hfs /dev/vgibm/rlv01
```

Finally, mount the logical volume (assuming that you have a mount point called /mnt).

**Mounting the logical volume:** Use the following command to mount the logical volume lv01:

```
# mount /dev/vgibm/lv01 /mnt
```

**Attention:** In some cases it may be necessary to use standard HP recovery procedures to fix a volume group that has become damaged or corrupted. For information on using recovery procedures, such as, vgsan, vgextend, vpchange, or vgreduce, see the *HP-UX Reference Volume 2* at the Web site: docs.hp.com.

## Network File System file server

The procedures in this section show how to install Subsystem Device Driver for use with an exported file system (Network File System file server).

## Setting up Network File System for the first time

Follow the instructions in this section if you are installing exported file systems on Subsystem Device Driver devices for the first time:

1. If you have not already done so, install Subsystem Device Driver using the procedure in “Installing the Subsystem Device Driver” on page 83.
2. Determine which Subsystem Device Driver (**vpathN**) volumes you will use as file system devices.
3. Create file systems on the selected Subsystem Device Driver devices using the appropriate utilities for the type of file system you will use. If you are using the standard HP-UX LJFS file system, use the following command:

```
# newfs /dev/rdsk/vpathN
```

In this example, *N* is the Subsystem Device Driver device instance of the selected volume. Create mount points for the new file systems.

4. Install the file systems into the directory `/etc/fstab`. Be sure to set the **mount at boot** field to yes.
5. Install the file system mount points into `/etc/exports` for export.
6. Reboot.

## Installing Subsystem Device Driver on a system that already has Network File System file server

Follow the instructions in this section if you have Network File System file server already configured for exported file systems that reside on a multi-port subsystem, and if you want to use Subsystem Device Driver partitions instead of `sdisk` partitions to access them.

1. List the mount points for all currently exported file systems by looking in the `/etc/exports` directory.
2. Match the mount points found in step 1 with `sdisk` device link names (files named `/dev/(r)dsk/cntndn`) by looking in the `/etc/fstab` directory.
3. Match the `sdisk` device link names found in step 2 with Subsystem Device Driver device link names (files named `/dev/(r)dsk/vpathN`) by running the **showvpath** command.
4. Make a backup copy of the current `/etc/fstab` file.
5. Edit the `/etc/fstab` file, replacing each instance of an `sdisk` device link named `/dev/(r)dsk/cntndn` with the corresponding Subsystem Device Driver device link.
6. Reboot. Verify that each exported file system passes the boot time **fsck pass**, that each mounts properly, and that each is exported and available to NFS clients.

If there is a problem with any exported file system after completing step 6, restore the original `/etc/fstab` file and reboot to restore Network File System service. Then review your steps and try again.

## Oracle

### Notes:

1. Procedures listed below require you to have Oracle documentation on hand.
2. You must have super-user privileges to perform these procedures.
3. These procedures were tested with Oracle 8.0.5 Enterprise server, with the 8.0.5.1 patch set from Oracle.

## Installing an Oracle database for the first time

You can set up your Oracle database in one of two ways. You can set it up to use a file system or raw partitions. The procedure for installing your database differs depending on the choice you make.

### ***If using a file system:***

1. If you have not already done so, install Subsystem Device Driver using the procedure in “Installing the Subsystem Device Driver” on page 83.
2. Create and mount file systems on one or more Subsystem Device Driver partitions (Oracle recommends three mount points on different physical devices).
3. Follow the *Oracle Installation Guide* for instructions on installing to a file system. (During the Oracle installation, you will be asked to name three mount points. Supply the mount points for the file systems you created on the Subsystem Device Driver partitions).

### ***If using raw partitions:***

#### **Notes:**

1. Make sure that the ownership and permissions of the Subsystem Device Driver devices are the same as the ownership and permissions of the raw devices they are replacing.
2. Make sure that all the databases are closed before making changes.

In the following procedure you will be replacing the raw devices with the Subsystem Device Driver devices.

1. If you have not already done so, install Subsystem Device Driver using the procedure in “Installing the Subsystem Device Driver” on page 83.
2. Create the Oracle Software Owner user in the server’s local `/etc/passwd` file. You must also complete the following related activities:
  - a. Complete the rest of the Oracle pre-installation tasks described in the *Oracle8 Installation Guide*.
  - b. Plan the installation of Oracle8 on a file system residing on a Subsystem Device Driver partition.
  - c. Set up the Oracle user’s `ORACLE_BASE` and `ORACLE_HOME` environment variables to be directories of this file system.
  - d. Create two more Subsystem Device Driver-resident file systems on two other Subsystem Device Driver volumes. Each of the resulting three mount points should have a subdirectory named `oradata`, to be used as a control file and redo log location for the Installer’s Default Database (a sample database) as described in the *Oracle8 Installation Guide*. Oracle recommends using raw partitions for redo logs. To use Subsystem Device Driver raw partitions as redo logs, create symbolic links from the three redo log locations to Subsystem Device Driver raw device links (files named `/dev/rdsk/vpathNs`, where `N` is the Subsystem Device Driver instance number, and `s` is the partition ID) that point to the slice.
3. Determine which Subsystem Device Driver (`vpathN`) volumes you will use as Oracle8 database devices.
4. Partition the selected volumes using the HP-UX format utility. If Subsystem Device Driver raw partitions are to be used by Oracle8 as database devices, be sure to leave disk cylinder 0 of the associated volume unused. This protects UNIX disk labels from corruption by Oracle8, as described in the *Oracle8 Installation Guide* in the information on *raw devices*.

5. Ensure that the Oracle Software Owner has read and write privileges to the selected Subsystem Device Driver raw partition device files under the /devices directory.
6. Set up symbolic links from the oradata directory (under the first of the three mount points) that link the database files system<db>.dbf, tempdb.dbf, rbsdb.dbf, toolsd.bdbf, and usersdb.dbf to Subsystem Device Driver raw device links (files named /dev/rdsk/vpathNs) pointing to partitions of the appropriate size, where " db" is the name of the database that you are creating. (The default is test.)
7. Install the Oracle8 Server following the instructions in the *Oracle8 Installation Guide*. Be sure to be logged in as the Oracle Software Owner when you run the **orainst /m** command. Select the **Install New Product - Create Database Objects** option. Select **Raw Devices** for storage type. Specify the raw device links set up in steps 2 on page 93 and 6 for the redo logs and database files of the default database.
8. To set up other Oracle8 databases you must set up control files, redo logs, and database files following the guidelines in the *Oracle8 Administrator's Reference*. Make sure any raw devices and file systems you set up reside on Subsystem Device Driver volumes.
9. Launch the sqlplus utility.
10. Use the **create database** SQL command, specifying the control, log, and system data files that you have set up.
11. Use the **create tablespace SQL** command to set up each of the temp, rbs, tools, and users database files that you created.
12. Use the **create rollback segment** SQL command to create the three redo log files that you set. For the syntax of these three **create** commands, see the *Oracle8 Server SQL Language Reference Manual*.

### Installing Subsystem Device Driver on a system that already has Oracle in place

Your installation procedure for a new Subsystem Device Driver install will differ depending on whether you are using a file system or raw partitions for your Oracle database.

**If using a file system:** Follow this procedure if you are installing Subsystem Device Driver for the first time on a system with an Oracle database that uses a file system:

1. Record the raw disk partitions being used (they are in the cntndnsn format) or the partitions where the Oracle file systems reside. You can get this information from /etc/vfstab if you know where the Oracle files are. Your database administrator can tell you where the Oracle files are, or you can check for directories with the name oradata.
2. Complete the basic installation steps in "Installing the Subsystem Device Driver" on page 83.
3. Change to the directory where you installed the Subsystem Device Driver utilities. Run the **showvpath** command.
4. Check the display to see whether you find a cntndn directory that is the same as the one where the Oracle files are.
5. Use the Subsystem Device Driver partition identifiers instead of the original HP-UX identifiers when mounting the file systems.

If you would originally have used:

```
mount /dev/dsk/c1t3d2 /oracle/mp1
```

You now use:

```
mount /dev/dsk/vpath2 /oracle/mp1
```

(assuming that you had found vpath2 to be the Subsystem Device Driver identifier)

Follow the instructions in the *Oracle Installation Guide* for setting ownership and permissions.

**If using raw partitions:** Follow this procedure if you have Oracle8 already installed and want to reconfigure it to use Subsystem Device Driver partitions instead of sdisk partitions (for example, partitions accessed through /dev/rdisk/cntndn files).

All Oracle8 control, log, and data files are accessed either directly from mounted file systems, or using links from the oradata subdirectory of each Oracle mount point set up on the server. Therefore, the process of converting an Oracle installation from sdisk to Subsystem Device Driver has two parts:

- Changing the Oracle mount points' physical devices in /etc/fstab from sdisk device partition links to the Subsystem Device Driver device partition links that access the same physical partitions.
- Recreating links to raw sdisk device links to point to raw Subsystem Device Driver device links that access the same physical partitions.

*Converting an Oracle installation from sdisk to Subsystem Device Driver:* Following are the conversion steps:

1. Back up your Oracle8 database files, control files, and redo logs.
2. Obtain the sdisk device names for the Oracle8 mounted file systems by looking up the Oracle8 mount points in /etc/fstab and extracting the corresponding sdisk device link name. (for example, /dev/rdisk/c1t4d0)
3. Launch the sqlplus utility.
4. Type the command:

```
select * from sys.dba_data_files;
```

Determine the underlying device that each data file resides on, either by looking up mounted file systems in /etc/fstab, or by extracting raw device link names directly from the **select** command output.

5. Fill in the following table, which is for planning purposes:

Oracle Device Link	File Attributes			Subsystem Device Driver Device Link
	Owner	Group	Permissions	
/dev/rdisk/c1t1d0	oracle	dba	644	/dev/rdisk/vpath4

6. Fill in column 2 by running **ls -l** on each device link listed in column 1 and extracting the link source device file name.
7. Fill in the **File Attributes** columns by running **ls -l** on each **Actual Device Node** from column 2.
8. Install Subsystem Device Driver following the instructions in the "Installing the Subsystem Device Driver" on page 83.
9. Fill in the **Subsystem Device Driver Device Links** column by matching each **cntndnsn** device link listed in the **Oracle Device Link** column with its associated **vpathN** device link name by running the command:

`/opt/IBMdpo/bin/showvpath`

10. Fill in the **Subsystem Device Driver Device Nodes** column by running **ls -l** on each Subsystem Device Driver Device Link and tracing back to the link source file.
11. Change the attributes of each node listed in the **Subsystem Device Driver Device Nodes** column to match the attributes listed to the left of it in the **File Attributes** column using the UNIX **chown**, **chgrp**, and **chmod** commands.
12. Make a copy of the existing `/etc/fstab` file. Edit the `/etc/fstab` file, changing each Oracle device link to its corresponding Subsystem Device Driver device link.
13. For each link found in an `oradata` directory, recreate the link using the appropriate Subsystem Device Driver device link as the source file instead of the associated `sdisk` device link listed in the Oracle Device Link column.
14. Reboot the server.
15. Verify that all file system and database consistency checks complete successfully.

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## Uninstalling Subsystem Device Driver

**Note:** You must uninstall the current level of Subsystem Device Driver must be uninstalled before upgrading to a newer level.

Complete the following procedure to uninstall the Subsystem Device Driver:

1. Reboot or unmount all Subsystem Device Driver file systems.
2. If you are using the Subsystem Device Driver with a database, such as Oracle, edit the appropriate database configuration files (database partition) to remove all the Subsystem Device Driver devices.
3. Run **sam**  
`> sam`
4. Select **Software Management**.
5. Choose **Remove Software**.
6. Choose **Remove Local Host Software**.
7. Choose the **IBMdpo\_tag** selection.
  - a. Select **Actions** from the Bar menu, then select **Mark for Remove**.
  - b. Select **Actions** from the Bar menu, then select **Remove (analysis)**. You will see a Remove Analysis window, and on it you will see the status of **Ready**.
  - c. Select **OK** to proceed. A Confirmation window is displayed which states that the uninstall will begin.
  - d. Type Yes. The analysis phase starts.
  - e. After the analysis phase has finished, another Confirmation window is displayed informing you that the system will be rebooted after the uninstall is complete. Type Yes and press Enter. The uninstall of IBMdpo will now proceed.
  - f. Next, an Uninstall window is displayed which informs you about the progress of the IBMdpo software uninstall. This is what the window looks like:

```
Target      : XXXXX
Status      : Executing unconfigure
Percent Complete : 17%
Kbytes Removed : 340 of 2000
Time Left (minutes) : 5
Removing Software : IBMdpo_tag,.....
```

While the uninstall process is going on, the **Done** option is not available for you to select. Once the uninstall is complete, the option is available for you to select.

8. Click **Done**. A Note window is displayed informing you that the local system will reboot with the newly installed software.
9. Select **OK** to proceed. The following message is displayed on the machine console before it reboots:

```
* A reboot of this system is being invoked. Please wait.

*** FINAL System shutdown message (XXXXX) ***
System going down IMMEDIATELY
```

**Note:** When Subsystem Device Driver has been successfully uninstalled, the first part of the procedure for upgrading the Subsystem Device Driver is complete. To complete an upgrade, you need to reinstall Subsystem Device Driver. See the installation procedure in “Installing the Subsystem Device Driver” on page 83.

The uninstall of the Subsystem Device Driver involved the following actions:

- The `/sbin/defvpath` file was removed.
- The `/usr/conf/master.d/vpath`, and `/usr/conf/lib/libvpath.a` files were removed.
- The files in the `/opt/IBMdpo` directory were removed.
- The `/opt/IBMdpo` directory was removed.
- The Subsystem Device Driver driver entry was removed from the `/stand/system` file.
- The Subsystem Device Driver driver was removed from the `/stand/vmunix` kernel.

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## Changing a Subsystem Device Driver hardware configuration

When adding or removing multi-port SCSI devices from your system, you must reconfigure Subsystem Device Driver to recognize the new devices. Perform the following steps to reconfigure Subsystem Device Driver:

1. Reboot the system:  
`shutdown -r 0`
2. Run `cfgvpath` to reconfigure vpath:  
`/opt/IBMdpo/bin/cfgvpath -c`
3. Reboot the system:  
`shutdown -r 0`



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## Chapter 7. Installing and configuring IBM Subsystem Device Driver on a Sun host

### Notes:

1. The Subsystem Device Driver does not support a system boot from a Subsystem Device Driver pseudo device.
2. The Subsystem Device Driver does not support placing a system paging file on a Subsystem Device Driver pseudo device.
3. For updated and additional information not included in this manual, see the README file on the compact disc or visit the Subsystem Device Driver Web site [www.ibm.com/storage/support/techsup/swtechsup.nsf/support/sddupdates](http://www.ibm.com/storage/support/techsup/swtechsup.nsf/support/sddupdates)

This chapter provides instructions to install and set up the Subsystem Device Driver on an host system attached to an ESS.

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## Understanding how Subsystem Device Driver works on a Sun host

### Subsystem Device Driver failover system

The Subsystem Device Driver failover system is designed to provide recovery upon failure of a data path. If this situation occurs, then the failover system selects an alternate data path, while minimizing any disruptions in operation. This failover process consists of:

- Detecting a failure
- Signaling to the host that a failure has occurred
- Compensating for the failure by selecting an alternate data path.

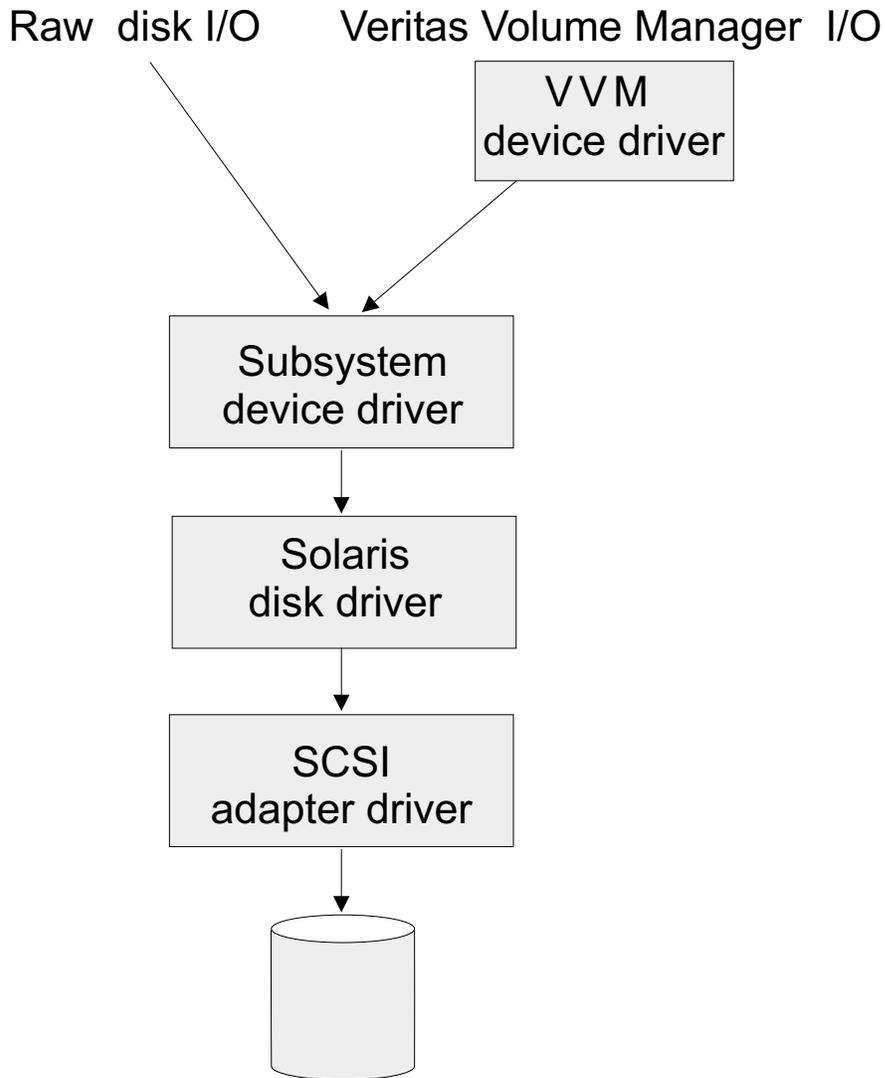
The Subsystem Device Driver dynamically selects an alternate I/O data path when a software or hardware problem is detected. For the failover system to work, the device must be configured for multi-path access.

### Subsystem Device Driver

#### Notes:

1. The Subsystem Device Driver only supports 32-bit applications on Solaris 2.6.
2. The Subsystem Device Driver supports 32-bit and 64-bit applications on Solaris 7.
3. The Subsystem Device Driver supports 32-bit and 64-bit applications on Solaris 8.

The Subsystem Device Driver resides above the Sun SCSI disk driver (sd) in the protocol stack. There can be a maximum of eight sd devices underneath each Subsystem Device Driver device in the protocol stack. Each sd device represents a different path to the physical device. There can be up to eight sd devices that represent up to eight different paths to the physical device.



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Figure 9. Where the Subsystem Device Driver fits in the protocol stack

Subsystem Device Driver devices behave exactly like sd devices. Any operation on an sd device can be performed on the Subsystem Device Driver device, including commands such as **mount**, **open**, **close**, **umount**, **dd**, **newfs**, or **fsck**. For example, with Subsystem Device Driver you enter **mount /dev/dsk/vpath0c /mnt1** instead of the Solaris **mount /dev/dsk/c1t2d0s2 /mnt1** command.

The Subsystem Device Driver acts as a pass-through agent. I/Os sent to the device driver are passed to an sdisk driver after path selection. When an active path experiences a failure (such as a cable or controller failure), the device driver dynamically switches to another path. The device driver dynamically balances the load, based on the workload of the adapter.

The Subsystem Device Driver also supports one SCSI adapter on the host system. With single-path access, concurrent download of licensed internal code is supported. However, the load balancing and failover features are not available.

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## Hardware and software requirements

You must meet the following minimum hardware and software requirements to install the Subsystem Device Driver on your host system:

- A Sparc system running Solaris 2.6, Solaris 7, or Solaris 8
- A multi-port storage subsystem; for example, multi-active redundant RAID controllers (ESS)
- One or more pairs of SCSI or fibre-channel host adapters
- Subsystem LUNs which have been created and confirmed for multi-port access. There should be up to eight sdisk instances for each LUN. (One for each path on the server)
- A SCSI cable to connect each SCSI host adapter to a storage system controller port per cable
- A fiber-optic cable to connect each fibre-channel adapter to a ESS port
- For information on the SCSI or fibre-channel adapters that can be used on your Sun host system go to the Web site [www.storage.ibm.com/hardsoft/products/ess/supserver.htm](http://www.storage.ibm.com/hardsoft/products/ess/supserver.htm)

To install the Subsystem Device Driver and use the input-output load balancing and failover features, you need a minimum of two SCSI or fibre-channel adapters.

### Notes:

1. A host server with a single fibre adapter that connects through a switch to multiple ESS ports is considered a multipath fibre-channel connection.
2. A host server with a single-path fibre connection to an ESS is not supported.
3. A host server with SCSI channel connections and a single-path fibre connection to an ESS is not supported.
4. A host server with both a SCSI channel and fibre-channel connection to a shared LUN is not supported.

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## Configuring the ESS

Before you install the Subsystem Device Driver, configure your ESS for single-port or multiple-port access for each LUN. The Subsystem Device Driver requires a minimum of two independent paths that share the same logical unit to use the load balancing and failover features.

For information about configuring your ESS, see *IBM Enterprise Storage Server Introduction and Planning Guide*, GC26–7294.

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## Planning for installation

Before you install Subsystem Device Driver on your Sun host, you need to understand what kind of software is running on it. The way you install Subsystem Device Driver depends on the kind of software you are running. Basically, there are three types of software that talk directly to raw or block disk device interfaces such as sd and Subsystem Device Driver:

- UNIX file systems, where there is no logical volume manager present
- Logical volume managers (LVMs), such as Sun's Solstice Disk Suite. LVMs allow the system manager to logically integrate, for example, several different physical volumes to create the image of a single large volume.
- Major application packages, such as certain database managers (DBMSs).

There are three possible scenarios for installing Subsystem Device Driver. The scenario you choose depends on the kind of software you have installed:

**Scenario 1**

Your system has no volume manager, DBMS, or software applications (other than UNIX) that talk directly to the Solaris disk device layer.

**Scenario 2**

Your system already has a volume manager, software application, or DBMS, such as Oracle, that talks directly with the Solaris disk device drivers.

**Scenario 3**

Your system already has Subsystem Device Driver and you want to upgrade the software.

The following table further describes the various installation scenarios and how you should proceed.

*Table 15. Subsystem Device Driver installation scenarios*

<b>Installation Scenario</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>How To Proceed</b>
Scenario 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Subsystem Device Driver not installed</li> <li>• No volume managers</li> <li>• No software application or DBMS installed that talks directly to sd interface</li> </ul>	Go to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. "Installing the Subsystem Device Driver" on page 103</li> <li>2. "Standard UNIX applications" on page 106</li> </ol>
Scenario 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Subsystem Device Driver not installed</li> <li>• Existing volume manager, software application, or DBMS installed that talks directly to sd interface</li> </ul>	Go to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. "Installing the Subsystem Device Driver" on page 103</li> <li>2. "Using applications with Subsystem Device Driver" on page 106</li> </ol>
Scenario 3	Subsystem Device Driver installed	Go to: "Upgrading the Subsystem Device Driver" on page 105

The following table lists the install package file names that come with the Subsystem Device Driver.

*Table 16. Subsystem Device Driver package file names*

<b>Package file names</b>	<b>Description</b>
sun32bit/IBMdpo	Solaris 2.6
sun64bit/IBMdpo	Solaris 7
sun64bit/IBMdpo	Solaris 8

For the Subsystem Device Driver to operate properly, ensure that the following Solaris patches are installed on your operating system:

*Table 17. Solaris patches necessary for proper operation of Subsystem Device Driver*

	<b>Solaris 2.6</b>	<b>Solaris 7</b>
glm	105580-15	106925-04

Table 17. Solaris patches necessary for proper operation of Subsystem Device Driver (continued)

	Solaris 2.6	Solaris 7
isp	105600-19	106924-06
sd & ssd	105356-16	107458-10

**Attention:** Analyze and study your operating and application environment to ensure there are no conflicts with these patches prior to their installation.

Go to the following Web site for the latest information on Solaris patches  
[sunsolve.Sun.COM](http://sunsolve.Sun.COM)

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## Installing the Subsystem Device Driver

You need to complete the following procedure if you are installing Subsystem Device Driver for the first time on your Sun host.

1. Make sure the Subsystem Device Driver compact disc is available.
2. Insert the compact disc into your CD-ROM drive.
3. Change to the install directory:  

```
# cd /cdrom/cdrom0/sun32bit or
# cd /cdrom/cdrom0/sun64bit
```
4. Run **pkgadd**, and point the **-d** option of **pkgadd** to the directory containing **IBMdpo**. For example,:  

```
pkgadd -d /cdrom/cdrom0/sun32bit IBMdpo or
pkgadd -d /cdrom/cdrom0/sun64bit IBMdpo
```
5. You should see messages similar to this:

```
Processing package instance <IBMdpo> from <var/spool/pkg>

IBM DPO driver
(sparc) 1
## Processing package information.
## Processing system information.
## Verifying disk space requirements.
## Checking for conflicts with packages already installed.
## Checking for setuid/setgid programs.

This package contains scripts which will be executed with super-user
permission during the process of installing this package.

Do you want to continue with the installation of <IBMdpo> [y,n,?]
```

6. Type **Y** and press **Enter** to proceed.
7. You should see messages similar to this:

```

Installing IBM DPO driver as <IBMdpo>

## Installing part 1 of 1.
/etc/defvpath
/etc/rc2.d/S00vpath-config
/etc/rcS.d/S20vpath-config
/kernel/drv/vpathdd
/kernel/drv/vpathdd.conf
/opt/IBMdpo/cfgvpath
/opt/IBMdpo/datapath
/opt/IBMdpo/devlink.vpath.tab
/opt/IBMdpo/etc.system
/opt/IBMdpo/pathtest
/opt/IBMdpo/showvpath
/usr/sbin/vpathmkdev
[ verifying class <none> ]
## Executing postinstall script.

DPO: Configuring 24 devices (3 disks * 8 slices)

Installation of <IBMdpo> was successful.

The following packages are available:
1 IBMcli ibm2105cli
   (sparc) 1.1.0.0
2 IBMdpo IBM DPO driver Version: May-10-2000 16:51
   (sparc) 1
Select package(s) you wish to process (or 'all' to process
all packages). (default: all) [?,??,q]:

```

Type q and press Enter to proceed.

- You should see messages similar to this:

```

*** IMPORTANT NOTICE ***
This machine must now be rebooted in order to ensure
sane operation. Execute
    shutdown -y -i6 -g0
and wait for the "Console Login:" prompt.

DPO is now installed. Proceed to Post-Installation.

```

- Note:** You can verify that the Subsystem Device Driver has been successfully installed by issuing the **datapath query device** command. If the command executes, the Subsystem Device Driver is installed.

## Post-installation

After the installation is complete, manually unmount the compact disc. Run the **umount /cdrom** command from the root directory. Go to the CD-ROM drive and press the Eject button.

After Subsystem Device Driver is installed, your system must be rebooted to ensure proper operation. Type the command:

```
# shutdown -i6 -g0 -y
```

- Note:** Subsystem Device Driver devices are found in the `/dev/rdisk` and `/dev/dsk` directories. The device is named according to the Subsystem Device Driver *instance* number. A device with an *instance* number of 0 would be: `/dev/rdisk/vpath0a` where *a* denotes the slice. Therefore, `/dev/rdisk/vpath0c` would be instance zero (0) and slice 2.

After Subsystem Device Driver is installed, the device driver resides above the Sun SCSI disk driver (sd) in the protocol stack. In other words, Subsystem Device Driver now talks to the Solaris device layer. The Subsystem Device Driver software installation procedure installs a number of Subsystem Device Driver components and updates some system files. Those components and files are listed in the following tables:

*Table 18. System files updated*

File	Location	Description
/etc/system	/etc	Forces the loading of the Subsystem Device Driver
/etc/devlink.tab	/etc	Tells the system how to name Subsystem Device Driver devices in /dev

*Table 19. Subsystem Device Driver components installed*

File	Location	Description
vpathdd	/kernel/drv	Device driver
vpathdd.conf	/kernel/drv	Subsystem Device Driver config file
Executables	/opt/IBMdpo/bin	Configuration and status tools
S20vpath-config	/etc/rcS.d	Boot initialization script*

*Table 20. Subsystem Device Driver commands and their descriptions*

Command	Description
cfgvpath	Configures vpath devices
showvpath	Lists all Subsystem Device Driver devices and their underlying disks
vpathmkdev	Create Subsystem Device Driver devices for /dev/dsk entries
datapath	Subsystem Device Driver driver console command tool

**Note:** \* This script must come before other LVM initialization scripts, such as Veritas initialization scripts.

If you are not using a volume manager, software application, or DBMS that talks directly to the sd interface, then the installation procedure is nearly complete. If you have a volume manager, software application, or DBMS installed that talks directly to the sd interface, such as Oracle, go to “Using applications with Subsystem Device Driver” on page 106 and read the information specific to the application you will be using.

## Upgrading the Subsystem Device Driver

Upgrading the Subsystem Device Driver consists of uninstalling and reinstalling the IBMdpo package. If you are upgrading Subsystem Device Driver, go to “Uninstalling Subsystem Device Driver” on page 118 and then go to “Installing the Subsystem Device Driver” on page 103.

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## Using applications with Subsystem Device Driver

If your system already has a volume manager, software application, or DBMS installed that communicates directly with the Solaris disk device drivers, you need to insert the new Subsystem Device Driver device layer between the program and the Solaris disk device layer. You also need to customize the volume manager, software application, or DBMS in order to have it communicate with the Subsystem Device Driver devices instead of the Solaris devices.

In addition, many software applications and DBMSs need to control certain device attributes such as ownership and permissions. Therefore, you must ensure that the new Subsystem Device Driver devices that these software applications or DBMSs access in the future have the same attributes as the Solaris sd devices that they replace. You need to customize the software application or DBMS to accomplish this.

This section describes how to use the following applications with Subsystem Device Driver:

- Standard UNIX applications
- Network File System file systems
- Oracle
- Veritas Volume Manager.

### Standard UNIX applications

If you have not already done so, install Subsystem Device Driver using the procedure in section “Installing the Subsystem Device Driver” on page 103. When this is done, the device driver resides above the Solaris SCSI disk driver (sd) in the protocol stack. In other words, the Subsystem Device Driver now talks to the Solaris device layer.

Standard UNIX applications such as **newfs**, **fsck**, **mkfs**, and **mount**, that normally take a disk device or raw disk device as a parameter, also accept the Subsystem Device Driver device as a parameter. Similarly entries in files such as vfstab and dfstab (in the format of cntndnsn) can be replaced by entries for the corresponding Subsystem Device Driver devices' vpathNs. Make sure that the devices that are replaced are replaced with the corresponding Subsystem Device Driver device. Running the **showvpath** command lists all Subsystem Device Driver devices and their underlying disks.

**Note:** The Subsystem Device Driver does not support being used for the root (/), /var, /usr, /opt, /tmp and swap partitions.

### Network File System file server

The procedures in this section show how to install Subsystem Device Driver for use with an Exported File System (Network File System file server).

#### Setting up Network File System for the first time

Follow the instructions in this section if you are installing exported file systems on Subsystem Device Driver devices for the first time:

1. If you have not already done so, install Subsystem Device Driver using the procedure in “Installing the Subsystem Device Driver” on page 103.
2. Determine which Subsystem Device Driver (**vpathN**) volumes you will use as file system devices.

- Partition the selected volumes using the Solaris format utility.
- Create file systems on the selected Subsystem Device Driver devices using the appropriate utilities for the type of file system you will use. If you are using the standard Solaris UFS file system, use the following command:

```
# newfs /dev/rdsk/vpathNs
```

In this example, **N** is the Subsystem Device Driver device instance of the selected volume. Create mount points for the new file systems.

- Install the file systems into the **/etc/fstab** directory. Be sure to set the **mount at boot** field to yes.
- Install the file system mount points into the directory **/etc/exports** for export.
- Reboot.

### Installing Subsystem Device Driver on a system that already has Network File System file server

Follow the instructions in this section if you have Network File System file server already configured for exported file systems that reside on a multiport subsystem, and if you want to use Subsystem Device Driver partitions instead of sd partitions to access them.

- List the mount points for all currently exported file systems by looking in the **/etc/exports** directory.
- Match the mount points found in step 1 with sdisk device link names (files named **/dev/(r)dsk/cntndn**) by looking in the **/etc/fstab** directory.
- Match the sd device link names found in step 2 with Subsystem Device Driver device link names (files named **/dev/(r)dsk/vpathN**) by running the **showvpath** command.
- Make a backup copy of the current **/etc/fstab** file.
- Edit the **/etc/fstab** file, replacing each instance of an sd device link named **/dev/(r)dsk/cntndn** with the corresponding Subsystem Device Driver device link.
- Reboot. Verify that each exported file system passes the boot time **fsck pass**, that each mounts properly, and that each is exported and available to NFS clients.

If there is a problem with any exported file system after completing step 6, restore the original **/etc/fstab** file and reboot to restore Network File System service. Then review your steps and try again.

## Oracle

### Notes:

- Procedures listed below require you to have Oracle documentation on hand.
- You must have super-user privileges to perform these procedures.
- These procedures were tested with Oracle 8.0.5 Enterprise server, with the 8.0.5.1 patch set from Oracle.

### Installing a Oracle database for the first time

You can set up your Oracle database in one of two ways. You can set it up to use a file system or raw partitions. The procedure for installing your database differs depending on the choice you make.

#### ***If using a file system:***

- If you have not already done so, install Subsystem Device Driver using the procedure in "Installing the Subsystem Device Driver" on page 103.

2. Create and mount file systems on one or more Subsystem Device Driver partitions. (Oracle recommends three mount points on different physical devices.)
3. Follow the *Oracle Installation Guide* for instructions on installing to a file system. (During the Oracle installation, you will be asked to name three mount points. Supply the mount points for the file systems you created on the Subsystem Device Driver partitions.)

***If using raw partitions:***

**Notes:**

1. Make sure all the databases are closed before going further.
2. Make sure that the ownership and permissions of the Subsystem Device Driver devices are the same as the ownership and permissions of the raw devices they are replacing.
3. Do not use disk cylinder 0 (sector 0), which is the disk label. Using it corrupts the disk. For example, slice 2 on Sun is the whole disk. If you use this device without repartitioning it to start at sector 1, the disk label is corrupted.
  1. If you have not already done so, install Subsystem Device Driver using the procedure outlined in "Installing the Subsystem Device Driver" on page 103.
  2. Create the Oracle Software Owner user in the server's local /etc/passwd file. You must also complete the following related activities:
    - a. Complete the rest of the Oracle pre-installation tasks described in the *Oracle8 Installation Guide*. Plan to install Oracle8 on a file system residing on a Subsystem Device Driver partition.
    - b. Set up the Oracle user's ORACLE\_BASE and ORACLE\_HOME environment variables to be directories of this file system.
    - c. Create two more Subsystem Device Driver-resident file systems on two other Subsystem Device Driver volumes. Each of the resulting three mount points should have a subdirectory named oradata, to be used as a control file and redo log location for the Installer's Default Database (a sample database) as described in the *Installation Guide*. Oracle recommends using raw partitions for redo logs. To use Subsystem Device Driver raw partitions as redo logs, create symbolic links from the three redo log locations to Subsystem Device Driver raw device links (files named /dev/rdisk/vpathNs, where N is the Subsystem Device Driver instance number, and s is the partition ID) that point to the slice.
  3. Determine which Subsystem Device Driver (vpathN') volumes you will use as Oracle8 database devices
  4. Partition the selected volumes using the Solaris format utility. If Subsystem Device Driver raw partitions are to be used by Oracle8 as database devices, be sure to leave sector 0/disk cylinder 0 of the associated volume unused. This protects UNIX disk labels from corruption by Oracle8.
  5. Ensure the Oracle Software Owner has read and write privileges to the selected Subsystem Device Driver raw partition device files under the /devices/pseudo directory.
  6. Set up symbolic links in the oradata directory under the first of the three mount points created in step 2 on page 108 to link the database files to Subsystem Device Driver raw device links (files named /dev/rdisk/vpathNs) pointing to partitions of the appropriate size.
  7. Install the Oracle8 Server following the instructions in the *Oracle Installation Guide*. Be sure to be logged in as the Oracle Software Owner when you run the **orainst /m** command. Select the **Install New Product - Create Database**

**Objects** option. Select **Raw Devices** for storage type. Specify the raw device links set up in step 2 on page 108 for the redo logs. Specify the raw device links set up in step 3 on page 108 for the database files of the default database.

8. To set up other Oracle8 databases you must set up control files, redo logs, and database files following the guidelines in the *Oracle8 Administrator's Reference*. Make sure any raw devices and file systems you set up reside on Subsystem Device Driver volumes.
9. Launch the sqlplus utility.
10. Use the **create database** SQL command, specifying the control, log, and system data files that you have set up.
11. Use the **create tablespace** SQL command to set up each of the temp, rbs, tools, and users database files that you created.
12. Use the **create rollback segment** SQL command to create the three redo log files that you set. For the syntax of these three **create** commands, see the *Oracle8 Server SQL Language Reference Manual*.

## Installing Subsystem Device Driver on a system that already has Oracle in place

Your installation procedure for a new Subsystem Device Driver install will differ depending on whether you are using a file system or raw partitions for your Oracle database.

**If using a file system:** Follow this procedure if you are installing Subsystem Device Driver for the first time on a system with a Oracle database that uses a file system:

1. Record the raw disk partitions being used (they are in the cntndnsn format) or the partitions where the Oracle file systems reside. You can get this information from /etc/vfstab if you know where the Oracle files are. Your database administrator can tell you where the Oracle files are, or you can check for directories with the name oradata.
2. Complete the basic installation steps in "Installing the Subsystem Device Driver" on page 103.
3. Change to the directory where you installed the Subsystem Device Driver utilities. Enter the **showvpath** command.
4. Check the display to see whether you find a cntndn directory that is the same as the one where the Oracle files are. For example, if the Oracle files are on c1t8d0s4, look for c1t8d0s2. If you find it, you will know that /dev/dsk/vpath0c is the same as /dev/dsk/clt8d2s2. (Subsystem Device Driver partition identifiers end in abcdefg rather than s0, s1, s2, etc.) Write this down. The output from the **showvpath** command looks similar to this:

```
vpath0c
c1t8d0s2 /devices/pci@1f,0/pci@1/scsi@2/sd@1,0:c,raw
c2t8d0s2 /devices/pci@1f,0/pci@1/scsi@2,1/sd@1,0:c,raw
```

5. Use the Subsystem Device Driver partition identifiers instead of the original Solaris identifiers when mounting the file systems.

If you would originally have used:

```
mount /dev/dsk/c1t3d2s4 /oracle/mp1
```

You now use:

```
mount /dev/dsk/vpath2e /oracle/mp1
```

(assuming you had found vpath2c to be the Subsystem Device Driver identifier)

Follow the instructions in *Oracle Installation Guide* for setting ownership and permissions.

**If using raw partitions:** Follow this procedure if you have Oracle8 already installed and want to reconfigure it to use Subsystem Device Driver partitions instead of sd partitions (for example, partitions accessed through /dev/rdsk/cntndn files).

If the Oracle8 installation is accessing Veritas logical volumes, go to “Veritas Volume Manager” on page 111 for information about installing Subsystem Device Driver with that application.

All Oracle8 control, log, and data files are accessed either directly from mounted file systems, or through links from the oradata subdirectory of each Oracle mount point set up on the server. Therefore, the process of converting an Oracle installation from sd to Subsystem Device Driver has two parts:

1. Changing the Oracle mount points’ physical devices in /etc/fstab from sd device partition links to the Subsystem Device Driver device partition links that access the same physical partitions.
2. Recreating any links to raw sd device links to point to raw Subsystem Device Driver device links that access the same physical partitions.

*Converting an Oracle installation from sd to Subsystem Device Driver partitions:*  
Following are the conversion steps:

1. Back up your Oracle8 database files, control files, and redo logs.
2. Obtain the sd device names for the Oracle8 mounted file systems by looking up the Oracle8 mount points in /etc/vfstab and extracting the corresponding sd device link name (for example, /dev/rdsk/c1t4d0s4).
3. Launch the **sqlplus** utility.
4. Type the command:

```
select * from sys.dba_data_files;
```

The output lists the locations of all data files in use by Oracle. Determine the underlying device that each data file resides on, either by looking up mounted file systems in /etc/vfstab or by extracting raw device link names directly from the select command output.

5. Run the **ls -l** command on each device link found in step 4 on page 110 and extract the link source device file name. For example, if you type command:

```
# ls -l /dev/rdsk/c1t1d0s4
```

You might see output that is similar to this:

```
/dev/rdsk/c1t1d0s4 /devices/pci@1f,0/pci@1/scsi@2/sd@1,0:e
```

6. Write down the file ownership and permissions by running the **ls -lL** command on either the files in /dev/ or /devices (it yields the same result). For example, if you type the command:

```
# ls -lL /dev/rdsk/c1t1d0s4
```

You might see output that is similar to this:

```
crw-r--r-- oracle dba 32,252 Nov 16 11:49 /dev/rdsk/c1t1d0s4
```

7. Complete the basic installation steps in “Installing the Subsystem Device Driver” on page 103.
8. Match each `cntndns` device with its associated `vpathNs` device link name by running the **showvpath** command. Remember that `vpathNs` partition names use the letters [a-h] in the `s` position to indicate slices [0-7] in the corresponding `cntndnsn` slice names.
9. Run the **ls -l** command on each Subsystem Device Driver device link.
10. Write down the Subsystem Device Driver device nodes for each Subsystem Device Driver device link by tracing back to the link source file.
11. Change the attributes of each Subsystem Device Driver device to match the attributes of the corresponding disk device using the **chgrp** and **chmod** commands.
12. Make a copy of the existing `/etc/vfstab` file for recovery purposes. Edit the `/etc/vfstab` file, changing each Oracle device link to its corresponding Subsystem Device Driver device link.
13. For each link found in an `oradata` directory, recreate the link using the appropriate Subsystem Device Driver device link as the source file instead of the associated `sd` device link. As you perform this step, generate a reversing shell script that can restore all the original links in case of error.
14. Reboot the server.
15. Verify that all file system and database consistency checks complete successfully.

## Veritas Volume Manager

For these procedures, you should have a copy of the *Veritas Volume Manager System Administrator's Guide*, and *Veritas Volume Manager Command Line Interface for Solaris*. These publications can be found at the following Web site: [www.sun.com/products-n-solutions/hardware/docs/Software/Storage\\_Software/VERITAS\\_Volume\\_Manager/index.html](http://www.sun.com/products-n-solutions/hardware/docs/Software/Storage_Software/VERITAS_Volume_Manager/index.html)

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These procedures were tested using Veritas 3.0.1. The Sun patches 105223 and 105357 must be installed with Veritas (this is a Veritas requirement).

### Notes:

1. You must have super-user privileges to perform these procedures.
2. Subsystem Device Driver does not support being used for the root (`/`), `/var`, `/usr`, `/opt`, `/tmp` and swap partitions.

### Installing Veritas Volume Manager for the first time

Follow the instructions in this section if you are installing Veritas on the multiport subsystem's server for the first time. Installing Veritas for the first time on a Subsystem Device Driver system consists of:

1. Installing Subsystem Device Driver using the procedure in “Installing the Subsystem Device Driver” on page 103, if you have not already done so.
2. Adding a Solaris hard disk device to the Veritas root disk group (`rootdg`).
3. Adding a Subsystem Device Driver device to Veritas.
4. Creating a new disk group from a Subsystem Device Driver device.
5. Creating a new volume from a Subsystem Device Driver device.

***Adding a Solaris hard disk device to the Veritas root disk group (rootdg):***

During installation, Veritas requires that at least one disk device be added to the Veritas root disk group (rootdg). This device must be a standard Solaris hard disk device, and not a Subsystem Device Driver device. It is important that the last disk in the rootdg be a regular disk and not a Subsystem Device Driver device. Therefore, it is recommended that you use a different disk group for your Subsystem Device Driver disks.

Subsystem Device Driver disks may only be added to a Veritas disk group as a whole, for example, any previous partitioning is ignored. The c partition (the whole disk) is used, so the Subsystem Device Driver device name for the disk in the /dev/dsk and /dev/rdisk directories would be vpath0c, for example. Veritas always looks in these directories by default, so only the device name is needed, for example, vpath0c, when issuing Veritas commands.

Partitioning of the given disk once it has been added to a Veritas disk group is achieved by dividing the Veritas disk into Veritas subdisks.

***Adding a Subsystem Device Driver device to Veritas:*** The following is an example of a command that adds a Subsystem Device Driver device to Veritas:

```
vxdisk -f init vpath0c
```

After running this command, the Veritas graphical user interface tool (VMSA) can be used to create a new disk group and, a new volume from a Subsystem Device Driver device.

**Attention:** VMSA and the command-line interface are the only supported methods of creating new disks or volumes with Veritas.

***Creating a new disk group from a Subsystem Device Driver device:*** The following command creates a new disk group from the Subsystem Device Driver physical device. In this example, the new disk group is called ibmdg and the disk is vpath0c.

```
vxdg init ibmdg vpath0c
```

You can add a Subsystem Device Driver device to an existing disk group using the **vxdgadd** command.

***Creating a new volume from a Subsystem Device Driver device:*** This command gets the maximum size of the disk vpath0c in blocks:

```
/usr/sbin/vxassist -g ibmdg -p maxsize [vpath0c]
```

Write down the output of the last command and use it in the next command, which creates a volume called ibmv within the disk group called ibmdg.

The command to create a volume is:

```
/usr/sbin/vxassist -g ibmdg make ibmv 17846272 layout=nostripe
```

You can change the size of the volume and use less than the maximum number of blocks.

## **Installing Subsystem Device Driver on a system that already has Veritas Volume Manager in place**

This section describes the Veritas command-line instructions needed to reconfigure a Veritas volume for use as a Subsystem Device Driver disk device. This reconfiguration consists of:

- Adding Subsystem Device Driver devices to the disk group that corresponds to the existing sd disks.
- Setting the size of a Subsystem Device Driver device to that of the original disk.
- Setting the size of the original device to zero.

At the conclusion, you will have a disk group that contains twice the number of devices as the original disk group. The new Subsystem Device Driver devices in the disk group will be the same size as the original sd disks. The Solaris operating system will use the Subsystem Device Driver devices, and not the original sd disk.

**Note:** Versions of Veritas that support multi-pathing (dpm) must be disabled. See *Veritas Volume Manager Release Notes* for instructions on doing this. Some versions of Veritas do not support the disabling of multi-pathing (dpm). In that case, you must first upgrade to a version of Veritas that supports this before proceeding. See the Veritas Volume Manager documentation for further details.

The following procedure assumes that you have:

1. Configured Veritas volumes to use Solaris disk device drivers for accessing the multiport subsystem drives.
2. Created Subsystem Device Driver devices that refer to the same multiport subsystem drive.

These instructions allow you to replace all sd references to the original hard disks that occur in the Veritas volume's configuration with references to the Subsystem Device Driver devices. The example provided shows the general method for replacing the sd device with the corresponding Subsystem Device Driver device in an existing Veritas volume.

**Note:** At least one device in the rootdg disk group must be a non-Subsystem Device Driver disk; do not attempt to change all the disks in rootdg to Subsystem Device Driver devices.

The example uses the following identifiers:

**ibmv** the Veritas volume

**ibmv-01**

the plex associated with the ibmv volume

**disk01-01**

Veritas VM disk containing the original Sun hard disk device

**vpath0c**

the Subsystem Device Driver device that refers to the same hard disk that disk01-01 does

**c1t1d0s2**

the sd disk associated with vpath0c, and disk01-01

**disk02**

Veritas VM disk containing the vpath0c device

**rootdg**

the name of the Veritas disk group to which ibmv belongs

A simplifying assumption is that the original volume, ibmv, contains exactly one subdisk. However, the method outlined here should be easy to adapt to other cases.

Before proceeding, record the multiport subsystem device links (/dev/(r)dsk/cntndnsn) being used as Veritas volume device files. Next, determine the corresponding Subsystem Device Driver device link (/dev/(r)dsk/vpathNs) using the **showvpath** command. Record this information.

**Reconfiguring a Veritas Volume to use a Subsystem Device Driver disk device:**

1. If you have not already done so, install Subsystem Device Driver using the procedure in “Installing the Subsystem Device Driver” on page 103.
2. Display information about the disk used in the volume **ibmv**.

```
vxdisk list c1t1d0
```

The resulting display includes information about the disk, including its public and private offset and length:

```
public: slice=4 offset=0 len=17846310
private: slice=3 offset=1 len=2189
```

From this information, calculate the parameters *privlen* (length of the private region) and *puboffset* (offset of the public region). In this case, *privlen=2189*, and *puboffset=2190* because *puboffset* is one block more than the length of *privlen*.

3. Initialize the Subsystem Device Driver device for use by Veritas as a simple disk, using the *privlen* and *puboffset* values from step 2.  

```
vxdisk -f init vpath0c puboffset=2190 privlen=2189
```
4. Add the Subsystem Device Driver device to the disk group:  

```
vx dg -g rootdg adddisk disk02=vpath0c
```
5. Make sure that the file systems that are part of this volume are not mounted and then stop the volume  

```
umount /ibmvfs
vxvol -g rootdg stop ibmv
```
6. Get the volume length (in sectors). This information is used in later steps. For this example, a volume length of 17846310 is assumed.  

```
vxprint ibmv
```
7. Disassociate the plex but do not delete it.  

```
vxplex -g rootdg dis ibmv-01
vxvol -g rootdg set len=0 vol01
```

**Attention:** The plex should remain to serve as backup should backing out of the Subsystem Device Driver installation be necessary.

8. Create a subdisk from the Subsystem Device Driver VM disk:  

```
vxmake -g rootdg sd disk02-01 disk02,0,17846310
```

(Use *len* from step 6)

9. Create a new plex called **ibmv-02** containing the **disk02-01** subdisk  

```
vxmake -g rootdg plex ibmv-02 sd=disk02-01
```
10. Attach the plex to the volume  

```
vxplex -g rootdg att ibmv ibmv-02
vxvol set len=17846310 ibmv
```

(Use *length* from step 6)

11. Make the volume active:

```
vxvol -g rootdg init active ibmv
```

**Notes:**

- a. When a disk is initialized for use by Veritas, it is repartitioned as a sliced disk containing a private region at slice 3 and a public region at slice 4. The length and offsets of these regions can be displayed using the **vxdisk list cntndn** command.
- b. When using an sd device as a Subsystem Device Driver device, you must initialize the Subsystem Device Driver disk as a simple disk. This simple disk uses only a single slice (slice 2). The private region starts at block 1, after the disk's VTOC region, which is situated at block 0. Note that the length of the private region varies with the type of disk used, with the public region following the private region.

At this stage you can delete the original disk, after verifying that everything is working correctly.

## Solstice DiskSuite

For these procedures, you need access to the Solaris answerbook facility. These procedures were tested using Solstice DiskSuite 4.2, with the patch, 106627-04 (DiskSuite patch), installed. You should have a copy of the *DiskSuite Administration Guide* available to complete these procedures.

**Notes:**

1. You must have super-user privileges to perform these procedures.
2. Subsystem Device Driver vpath does not support being used for the root (/), /var, /usr, /opt, /tmp and swap partitions.

### Installing Solstice DiskSuite for the first time

Perform the following steps if you are installing Solstice DiskSuite on the multiport subsystem's server for the first time. The installation of Solstice DiskSuite for the first time on a Subsystem Device Driver system consists of:

1. Installing Subsystem Device Driver using the procedure in "Installing the Subsystem Device Driver" on page 103, if you have not already done so.
2. Configuring the Sparc server to recognize all devices over all paths using the **boot -r** command.
3. Installing the Solstice DiskSuite packages and the answerbook. Do not reboot yet.

**Note:** Do not install the DiskSuite Tool (metatool)

4. Determine which vpath devices you will use to create Disk Suite metadevices. Partition these devices by selecting them in the Solaris format utility. The devices appear as vpathNs, where *N* is the vpath driver instance number). Use the partition submenu, just as you would for an sd device link of the form, cntndn. If you want to know which cntndn links correspond to a particular vpath device, type the **showvpath** command and press Enter. Reserve at least three partitions of three cylinders each for use as DiskSuite Replica database locations.

**Note:** You do not need to partition any sd (cntndn) devices.

5. Set up the replica databases on a partitions of its own. This partition needs to be at least three partitions of three cylinders, and do not use a partition that includes Sector 0 for this database replica partition. Follow the instructions for setting up replica databases on vpathN's partitions, where *N* is the vpath device instance number and *s* is the letter denoting the three cylinder partition, or slice,

of the device that you wish to use as a replica. Remember that partitions [a-h] of a vpath device correspond to slices [0-7] of the underlying multiport subsystem device.

6. Follow the instructions in the *DiskSuite Administration Guide* to build the types of metadevices you need, using the **metainit** command and the `/dev/(r)dsk/vpathNs` device link names, wherever the instructions specify `/dev/(r)dsk/cntndnsn` device link names.
7. Insert the setup of all vpathNs devices used by DiskSuite into the `/etc/opt/SUNWmd/md.tab` file

## Installing Subsystem Device Driver on a system that already has Solaris DiskSuite in place

Perform the following steps if Solaris DiskSuite is already installed:

1. Back up all data.
2. Back up the current Solstice configuration by making a copy of the `/etc/opt/SUNWmd/md.tab` file, and recording the output of the **metastat** and **metadb -i** commands. Make sure all sd device links in use by DiskSuite are entered in `md.tab`, and that they all come up properly after a reboot.
3. Installing Subsystem Device Driver using the procedure in “Installing the Subsystem Device Driver” on page 103, if you have not already done so. After the installation completes, type the **shutdown -i6 -y -g0** command and press Enter. This verifies the vpath installation.

**Note:** Do not do a reconfiguration reboot

4. Using a plain sheet of paper, make a two-column list matching up the `/dev/(r)dsk/cntndnsn` device links found in step 2 with the corresponding `/dev/(r)dsk/vpathNs` device links using the **showvpath** command.
5. Delete each replica database currently configured with an `/dev/(r)dsk/cntndnsn` device, by using the **metadb -d -f <device>** command, and replace it with the corresponding `/dev/(r)dsk/vpathNs` device found in step 2, by using the **metadb -a <device>** command.
6. Create a new `md.tab` file, inserting the corresponding vpathNs device link name in place of each cntndnsn device link name. Do not do this for boot device partitions (vpath does not currently support these). When you are confident that the new file is correct, install it in the `/etc/opt/SUNWmd` directory.
7. Reboot the server or proceed to the next step, if you wish to avoid rebooting your system.
8. Stop all applications using DiskSuite, including file systems.
9. Enter the following commands for each existing metadevice:  

```
metaclear <device>
metainit -a
```
10. Restart your applications.

**Note:** To back out vpath in case of any problems following step 7, reverse the procedures in step 6, reinstall the original `md.tab` into `/etc/opt/SUNWmd`, and run the command **pkgrm IBMdpo**, and reboot.

## Setting up UFS logging on a new system (no existing UFS logging that need to be switched over to vpath)

For these procedures, you need access to the Solaris answerbook facility.

**Notes:**

1. You must have super-user privileges to perform these procedures.

Perform the following steps if you are installing a new UFS logging file system on vpath devices:

1. Installing Subsystem Device Driver using the procedure in “Installing the Subsystem Device Driver” on page 103, if you have not already done so.
2. Determine which vpath (vpathNs) volumes you will use as file system devices. Partition the selected vpath volumes using the Solaris format utility. Be sure to create partitions for UFS logging devices as well as for UFS master devices.
3. Create file systems on the selected vpath UFS master device partitions using the **newfs** command.
4. Install Solstice DiskSuite if you have not already done so.
5. Create the metatrans device using **metainit**. For example, assume `/dev/dsk/vpath0d` is your UFS master device used in step 3, `/dev/dsk/vpath0e` is its corresponding log device, and `d0` is the trans device you want to create for UFS logging. Type **metainit d0 -t vpath0d vpath0e** and press Enter.
6. Create mount points for each UFS logging file system you have created using steps 3 and 5.
7. Install the file systems into the `/etc/vfstab` directory, specifying `/dev/md/(r)dsk/d <metadevice number>` for the raw and block devices. Be sure to set the **mount at boot** field to **yes**.
8. Reboot.

### Installing vpath on a System that already has UFS Logging in Place

Perform the following steps if you have UFS logging file systems already residing on a multiport subsystem and you wish to use vpath partitions instead of sd partitions to access them.

1. Make a list of the DiskSuite metatrans devices for all existing UFS logging file systems by looking in the `/etc/vfstab` directory. Make sure that all configured metatrans devices are correctly set up in the `/etc/opt/SUNWmd/md.tab` file. If the devices are not set up now, set them up before continuing. Save a copy of `md.tab`.
2. Match the device names found in step 1 with sd device link names (files named `/dev/(r)dsk/cntndnsn`) through the **metastat** command.
3. Install Subsystem Device Driver using the procedure in “Installing the Subsystem Device Driver” on page 103, if you have not already done so.
4. Match the sd device link names found in step 2 with vpath device link names (files named `/dev/(r)dsk/vpathNs`) by executing the **/opt/IBMdpo/bin/showvpath** command.
5. Unmount all current UFS logging file systems known to reside on the multiport subsystem through the **umount** command.
6. Type **metaclear -a** and press Enter.
7. Create new metatrans devices from the vpathNs partitions found in step 4 corresponding to the sd device links found in step 2. Remember that vpath partitions [a-h] correspond to sd slices [0-7]. Use the **metainit d <metadevice number> -t <"vpathNs" - master device> <"vpathNs" - logging device>** command. Be sure to use the same metadevice numbering as was originally used with the sd partitions. Edit the `/etc/opt/SUNWmd/md.tab` file to change each metatrans device entry to use vpathNs devices.
8. Reboot.

**Note:** If there is a problem with a metatrans device after steps 7 and 8, restore the original /etc/opt/SUNWmd/md.tab file and reboot. Review your steps and try again.

**Create:**

```
metadb -a -c 3 -f vpath0f # add database replicas
metainit d0 1 1 vpath0e # add metadvice
```

**Info**

```
metastat
metadb -i
```

**Delete:**

```
metaclear d0 # delete metadvice
metadb -d -f vpat
```

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## Uninstalling Subsystem Device Driver

**Note:** You must uninstall the current level of Subsystem Device Driver before upgrading to a newer level.

**Attention:** Do not reboot between the uninstall and the reinstall of the Subsystem Device Driver.

Upgrading the Subsystem Device Driver consists of uninstalling and reinstalling the IBMdpo package. Perform the following steps to uninstall the Subsystem Device Driver:

1. Reboot or umount all Subsystem Device Driver file systems.
2. If you are using the Subsystem Device Driver with a database, such as Oracle, edit the appropriate database configuration files (database partition) to remove all the Subsystem Device Driver devices.
3. If you are using a database, restart the database.
4. Type # pkgrm IBMdpo and press Enter.

**Attention:** A number of different installed packages is displayed. Make sure you specify the correct package to uninstall.

A message similar to the following is displayed:

```
The following packages are available:
1 IBMcli ibm2105cli
  (sparc) 1.1.0.0
2 IBMdpo IBM DPO driver Version: May-10-2000 16:51
  (sparc) 1
```

5. Type Y and press Enter. A message similar to the following is displayed:

```
## Removing installed package instance <IBMdpo>

This package contains scripts that will be executed with super-user
permission during the process of removing this package.

Do you want to continue with the removal of this package [y,n,?,q] y
```

6. Type Y and press Enter. A message similar to the following is displayed:

```
## Verifying package dependencies.
## Processing package information.
## Executing preremove script.
Device busy
Cannot unload module: vpathdd
Will be unloaded upon reboot.
## Removing pathnames in class <none>
/usr/sbin/vpathmkdev
/opt/IBMdpo
/kernel/drv/vpathdd.conf
/kernel/drv/vpathdd
/etc/rcS.d/S20vpath-config
/etc/rc2.d/S00vpath-config
/etc/defvpath
## Updating system information.

Removal of <IBMdpo> was successful.
```

**Attention:** Do not reboot at this time.

**Note:** When the Subsystem Device Driver has been successfully uninstalled, the first part of the procedure for upgrading the Subsystem Device Driver is complete. To complete the upgrade, you now need to reinstall Subsystem Device Driver. See “Installing the Subsystem Device Driver” on page 103 for detailed procedures.

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## Changing a Subsystem Device Driver hardware configuration

When adding or removing multiport SCSI devices from your system, you must reconfigure Subsystem Device Driver to recognize the new devices. Perform the following steps to reconfigure the Subsystem Device Driver:

1. Shut down the system. Type **shutdown -i0 -g0 -y** and press Enter.
2. Do a configuration reboot. From the **OK** prompt, type **boot -r** and press Enter. This uses the current Subsystem Device Driver entries during reboot, not the new entries. The reboot forces the new disks to be recognized.
3. After the reboot, run the Subsystem Device Driver configuration utility to make the changes to the directory /opt/IBMdpo/bin. Type **cfgvpath -c** and press Enter.
4. Shut down the system. Type **shutdown -i6 -g0 -y** and press Enter.
5. After the reboot, change to the /opt/IBMdpo/bin directory.  
**cd /opt/IBMdpo/bin**
6. Type **drvconfig** and press Enter. This reconfigures all the drives.
7. Type **vpathmkdev** and press Enter. This creates all the vpath devices.



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## Chapter 8. Using the datapath commands

The Subsystem Device Driver provides commands that you can use to display the status of adapters that are used to access managed devices, or to display the status of devices that the device driver manages. You can also set individual path conditions either to online or offline, or you can set all paths that are connected to an adapter or bus either to online or offline. This chapter includes descriptions of these commands. Table 21 provides an alphabetical list of these commands, a brief description, and where to go in this chapter for more information.

*Table 21. Commands*

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## datapath query adapter command

The **datapath query adapter** command displays information about a single adapter or all adapters.

### Syntax

▶▶—datapath query adapter—*adapter number*————▶▶

### Parameters

*adapter number*

The adapter number for which you want information displayed. If you do not enter an adapter number, information about all adapters is displayed.

### Examples

If you enter the following command, **datapath query adapter**, the following output is displayed:

Active Adapters :4

Adpt#	Adapter Name	State	Mode	Select	Errors	Paths	Active
0	scsi3	NORMAL	ACTIVE	129062051	0	64	0
1	scsi2	NORMAL	ACTIVE	88765386	303	64	0
2	fscsi2	NORMAL	ACTIVE	407075697	5427	1024	0
3	fscsi0	NORMAL	ACTIVE	341204788	63835	256	0

The terms used in the output are defined as follows:

**Adpt #**

The number of the adapter.

**Adapter Name**

The name of the adapter.

**State** The condition of the named adapter. It can be either:

**Normal**

Adapter is in use.

**Degraded**

One or more paths are not functioning.

**Failed** The adapter is no longer being used by Subsystem Device Driver.

**Mode** The mode of the named adapter, which is either Active or Offline.

**Select** The number of times this adapter was selected for input or output.

**Errors** The number of errors on all paths that are attached to this adapter.

**Paths** The number of paths that are attached to this adapter.

**Note:** In the Windows NT host system, this is the number of physical and logical devices that are attached to this adapter.

**Active** The number of functional paths that are attached to this adapter. The number of functional paths is equal to the number of paths minus any that are identified as failed or offline.

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## datapath query adaptstats command

The **datapath query adaptstats** command displays performance information for all SCSI and FCS adapters that are attached to Subsystem Device Driver devices. If you do not enter a device number, information about all devices is displayed.

### Syntax

```
▶▶—datapath query adaptstats—adapter number————▶▶
```

### Parameters

*adapter number*

The adapter number for which you want information displayed. If you do not enter an adapter number, information about all adapters is displayed.

### Examples

If you enter the following command, **datapath query adaptstats 0**, the following output is displayed:

```
Adapter #: 0
=====
                Total Read  Total Write  Active Read  Active Write  Maximum
I/O:                1442      41295166         0           2           75
SECTOR:              156209      750217654         0           32          2098

/*-----*/
```

The terms used in the output are defined as follows:

#### Total Read

- I/O: total number of completed Read requests
- SECTOR: total number of sectors that have been read

#### Total Write

- I/O: total number of completed Write requests
- SECTOR: total number of sectors that have been written

#### Active Read

- I/O: total number of Read requests in process
- SECTOR: total number of sectors to read in process

#### Active Write

- I/O: total number of Write requests in process
- SECTOR: total number of sectors to write in process

#### Maximum

- I/O: the maximum number of queued I/O requests
- SECTOR: the maximum number of queued sectors to Read/Write

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## datapath query device command

The **datapath query device** command displays information about a single device or all devices. If you do not enter a device number, information about all devices is displayed.

### Syntax

▶—datapath query device—*device number*————▶

### Parameters

#### *device number*

The device number refers to the device *index* number, rather than the Subsystem Device Driver device number.

### Examples

If you enter the following command, **datapath query device 35**, the output is displayed as follows:

```
DEV#: 35  DEVICE NAME: vpath0  TYPE: 2105E20  SERIAL: 60012028
=====
Path#      Adapter/Hard Disk  State  Mode  Select  Errors
  0          scsi6/hdisk58  OPEN  NORMAL  7861147  0
  1          scsi5/hdisk36  OPEN  NORMAL  7762671  0
```

**Note:** Usually, the *device number* and the device *index* number are the same. However, if the devices are configured out of order, the two numbers are not always consistent. To find the corresponding index number for a specific device, you should always run the **datapath query device** command first.

The terms used in the output are defined as follows:

**Dev#** The number of this device.

**Name** The name of this device.

**Type** The device product ID from inquiry data.

**Serial** The logical unit number (LUN) for this device.

**Path** The path number.

#### **Adapter**

The name of the adapter that the path is attached to.

#### **Hard Disk**

The name of the logical device that the path is bound to.

**State** The condition of the named device:

**Open** Path is in use.

**Close** Path is not being used.

**Dead** Path is no longer being used. It was either removed by the Subsystem Device Driver due to errors or manually removed using the **datapath set device M path N offline** or **datapath set adapter N offline** command.

#### **Invalid**

Path verification failed. The path was not opened.

**Mode** The mode of the named device. It is either Normal or Offline.

**Select** The number of times this path was selected for input or output.

**Errors** The number of errors on a path that is attached to this device.

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## datapath query devstats command

The **datapath query devstats** command displays performance information for a single Subsystem Device Driver device or all Subsystem Device Driver devices. If you do not enter a device number, information about all devices is displayed.

## Syntax

▶▶—datapath query devstats—*device number*————▶▶

## Parameters

*device number*

The device number refers to the device *index* number, rather than the Subsystem Device Driver device number.

## Examples

If you enter the following command, **datapath query devstats 0**, the following output is displayed:

```
Device #: 0
=====
                Total Read  Total Write  Active Read  Active Write  Maximum
I/O:                387      24502563         0           0           62
SECTOR:              9738      448308668         0           0          2098

Transfer Size:      <= 512      <= 4k      <= 16K      <= 64K      > 64K
                   4355850      1024164      19121140      1665        130

/*-----*/
```

The terms used in the output are defined as follows:

### Total Read

- I/O: total number of completed Read requests
- SECTOR: total number of sectors that have been read

### Total Write

- I/O: total number of completed Write requests
- SECTOR: total number of sectors that have been written

### Active Read

- I/O: total number of Read requests in process
- SECTOR: total number of sectors to read in process

### Active Write

- I/O: total number of Write requests in process
- SECTOR: total number of sectors to write in process

### Maximum

- I/O: the maximum number of queued I/O requests
- SECTOR: the maximum number of queued sectors to Read/Write

### Transfer size

- <= 512: the number of I/O requests received, whose transfer size is 512 bytes or less

- $\leq 4k$ : the number of I/O requests received, whose transfer size is 4 KB or less (where KB equals 1024 bytes)
- $\leq 16K$ : the number of I/O requests received, whose transfer size is 16 KB or less (where KB equals 1024 bytes)
- $\leq 64K$ : the number of I/O requests received, whose transfer size is 64 KB or less (where KB equals 1024 bytes)
- $> 64K$ : the number of I/O requests received, whose transfer size is greater than 64 KB (where KB equals 1024 bytes)

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## datapath set adapter command

The **datapath set adapter** command sets all device paths attached to an adapter either to online or offline.

### Notes:

1. This command will not remove the last path to a device.
2. The **datapath set adapter offline** command fails if there is any device having the last path attached to this adapter.
3. This command can be issued even when the device are closed.
4. If all paths are attached to a single fibre-channel adapter, that connects to multiple ESS ports through a switch, the **set adapter 0 offline** command fails; all the paths are not set offline.

## Syntax

```
▶▶ datapath set adapter-adapter number [ online | offline ] ▶▶
```

## Parameters

*adapter number*

The adapter number that you want to change.

*online*

Sets the adapter online.

*offline*

Sets the adapter offline.

## Examples

If you enter the following command, **datapath set adapter 0 offline**, adapter 0 changes to Offline mode and its state changes to failed; while all paths attached to adapter 0 change to Offline mode and their states change to Dead, if they were in the Open state.

---

## datapath set device command

The **datapath set device** command sets the path of a device either to online or offline.

### Notes:

1. You cannot remove the last path to a device from service. This prevents a data access failure from occurring.
2. This command can be issued even when the device is closed.

## Syntax

```
▶▶ datapath set device device number path number online  
offline ▶▶
```

## Parameters

### *device number*

The device index number that you want to change.

### *path number*

The path number that you want to change.

### *online*

Sets the path online.

### *offline*

Removes the path from service.

## Examples

If you enter the following command, **datapath set device 0 path 0 offline**, path 0 for device 0 changes to Offline mode.



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