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Introduction

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About This Guide

This document provides diagrams and information about connecting your workstation to your Autodesk® Stone® Direct storage. It covers HP® and IBM® workstations, as well as IR and XR-series storage units.

Since a given workstation may work with various storage configurations, the diagrams are organized as two sets: a set that illustrates where to connect the fibre optic cables to your workstation, and a set that illustrates where to connect the fibre optic cables to your storage. Thus, to connect your workstation to your storage, use the two diagrams that represent your configuration: one for the workstation and one for the storage.

Audience

Basic knowledge of UNIX (or Windows® for Autodesk Lustre® systems running under Windows), and computer hardware in a professional video/film production

environment is assumed throughout this guide. Do not attempt to carry out the procedures outlined in this guide if you do not have this knowledge.

Terminology

The following terms are used throughout this guide.

Term	Description	
Disk array	XR- or IR-series disk array	
Enclosure	Synonym for disk array	
Unit	Synonym for disk array	
XR-Series	XR enclosure, XE enclosure	
XR	XR-Series RAID enclosure	
XE	XR-Series RAID expansion enclosure	
EBOD	Expansion Bunch Of Disks (synonym for XE)	
IR-Series	IR36, IR36-HR, IR73, IR73-HR, IR146, IR146-HR, IR300, IR300-HR	
JBOD	Just a Bunch Of Disks	
Loop	A workstation-to-storage fibre channel connection	
Storage as- sembly	A storage assembly consists of one enclosure connected to your workstation, and any additional enclosures daisy-chained to that enclosure.	
Stone filesystem	A UNIX kernel driver that is used to control the storage of material on a Stone Direct disk array. The Stone filesystem is optimized for managing large multimedia files.	
Standard Filesystem	Any POSIX compatible filesystem recognized and mountable by the $\operatorname{Linux}^{\text{@}}$ operating system.	
Stone filesystem partition	A logical division of the Stone filesystem. When you configure the Stone filesystem, you decide how many partitions you will use.	

Notation Conventions

A number of style conventions are used throughout this guide. These conventions and examples of their use are shown as follows.

Convention	Example
Text that you enter in a command line or terminal appears in Courier bold. You must press the Enter key after each command.	rpm -qa
Variable names appear in Courier, enclosed in angle brackets. No spaces are allowed in variable names.	<pre><variable_name></variable_name></pre>
Variables that appear enclosed in square brackets are optional.	[<filename>]</filename>
Feedback from the command line or terminal appears in Courier.	limit coredump- size
Directory names, filenames, URLs, and command line utilities appear in italics.	/usr/discreet

Commands

The Linux® operating system is case sensitive. You must type commands, file names, and pathnames exactly as they appear in this guide. For more information on the commands used when configuring hardware, refer to the online operating system documentation. In a terminal, type man followed by the name of the command. For example, type: man cp to display information on copying files.

Related Documentation

This release has documentation that helps you install, configure, and use the software. The documentation is available from your product DVD, on the Autodesk Web site, and installed with the product (as PDF files and as an HTML help system).

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Autodesk Stone Direct Storage Configurations

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About Stone Direct

Stone Direct is Autodesk's high-performance direct-attached storage, designed to address the different real-time playback requirements of SD, HD, 2K film, and mixed resolution workflows.

The following three components are required in a system that uses Stone Direct storage.

Component	Description
One or more disk arrays	The physical storage units
Stone filesystem or standard filesystem	The filesystem that determines how disk arrays are partitioned and media is stored on disk arrays
Visual Effects, Finishing, and Colour Grading application	The way you access the media on the disk arrays

In the simplest configuration, a Stone Direct consists of a single disk array attached using fibre channel cables to a workstation running a Visual Effects, Finishing, and Colour Grading application. More complex configurations consist of two or more disk arrays, daisy-chained together and attached to the workstation. The capacity of each disk array varies with the number of disks it contains and the capacity of each of the disks. The capacity of the Stone Direct in turn depends on the capacity of each disk array and the number of disk arrays it contains.

Stone Direct storage is flexible and scalable. You can increase storage capacity by adding disk arrays. Note however that the Stone Direct configurations available may vary depending on the type of RAID controller used and workstation running your Visual Effects and Finishing or Lustre application. If your platform is an older generation system, refer to the *Stone Direct Configuration Guide, 7th Edition* for help determining the storage configurations currently supported on your platform.

Storage Configuration Workflow

This section presents the workflow for setting up and configuring Stone Direct storage from scratch. It is intended to provide context for the current document, and ensure that you have completed the necessary hardware setup prior to connecting your Stone Direct storage.

To set up and configure Stone Direct storage:

1 Verify that all peripheral, video and hardware components of your system are properly wired. Refer to the appropriate Hardware Setup Guide for your workstation.

- 2 Understand the different components of your storage configuration. See Autodesk Stone Direct Storage Configurations on page 5.
- **3** Review the safety and work environment guidelines in this guide. See Safety and Work Environment Guidelines on page 13.
- 4 Physically connect the Stone Direct storage to your workstation using the diagrams in this guide. You use two diagrams to connect the fibre optic cables: the first illustrates the connectors on your workstation, and the second illustrates the connectors on the storage unit (or units). Refer to the appropriate diagrams for your system in Workstation Connections on page 17 and for your storage configuration in Storage Connections on page 31.
- **5** Power on the storage.

NOTE In a hardware RAID configuration, the sequence in which you power the units on or off is important: the RAID controller must be able to detect the other units in the Stone Direct storage at all times. Thus when you power on the hardware RAID, the last unit you power on is the RAID controller. When you power off the hardware RAID, the first unit you power off is the RAID controller.

- **6** Power on your workstation.
- 7 Check the Hardware Setup Guide for your workstation as well as the Release Notes for your application for any release-specific workstation or fibre channel BIOS settings, and verify these match with those of your workstation and fibre channel adapters.
- **8** Configure logical volumes (LUNs) on RAID controllers using the XR configuration utility. See LUN Management Guidelines on page 49 for more information on how to proceed for your storage configuration.
- 9 Install your Visual Effects, Finishing, and Colour Grading application.
- **10** Create the filesystem used for media storage.
 - For Visual Effects and Finishing products refer to the *Stone and Wire* Filesystem and Networking Guide for your release, for help creating a Stone filesystem or standard filesystem.
 - For Lustre, refer to the installation documentation for your Lustre release.

11 Once you complete the setup of your Stone Direct storage, if you need to configure Wire® networking, refer to the Stone and Wire Filesystem and Networking Guide.

XR-Series and IR-Series Disk Arrays

XR-series and IR-series refer to the disk arrays used to build the Stone Direct configuration. The XR-series is the new generation of storage and the IR-series is the previous generation.

XR-Series Disk Arrays

The XR-series includes the XR146, XR300, XE146, and XE300 disk array types. Each XR-series disk array contains twelve 146 GB or 300 GB hard drives. For technical specifications, assembly, and maintenance information, refer to the XR/XE RAID Solution Maintenance Guide.

IR-Series Disk Arrays

A single IR-series disk array holds fifteen 36-, 73-, 146-, or 300-GB hard drives.

NOTE The IR-series superseded the D-series and R-series of disk arrays. For help with D- and R-series disk arrays, refer to the Discreet Storage Configuration Guide, 6th edition.

RAID Strategy

Autodesk Stone and Wire uses hardware RAID (Redundant Array of Independent Disks) to provide high performance, reliability, and protection against data loss. RAID combines many hard disks into a single logical disk to obtain I/O performance levels that cannot be obtained with a single disk.

RAID operations are performed by a hardware RAID controller included in the disk array enclosure. Hardware RAID has the advantage of a dedicated CPU that substantially improves throughput and does not impact workstation performance.

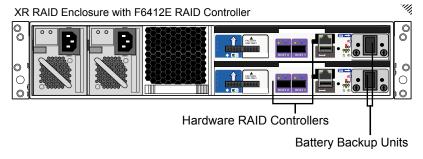
Physical Enclosures

The XR- and IR-series both provide two types of enclosures: a RAID enclosure and either an EBOD (Expansion Bunch Of Disks) enclosure (also called an XE enclosure) in the case of the XR-series, or a JBOD (Just a Bunch Of Disks) enclosure in the case of the IR-series.

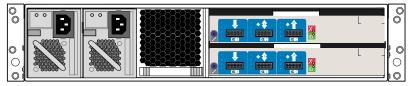
NOTE RAID, JBOD, and EBOD enclosures are not interchangeable. Each type of enclosure has its own firmware, Ethernet ports, fibre channel ports and expansion ports (EBOD enclosures use Serial Attached SCSI (SAS) expansion ports, JBOD expansion enclosures use fibre channel (FC) expansion ports). Also, you cannot mix and match enclosures with different disk sizes: all disks in all enclosures in a storage configuration must be of the same size and series.

Hardware RAID storage configurations require either one RAID enclosure (for 2-loop) or up to two RAID enclosures (for 4-loop). These configurations may include additional XE (XR-series) or hardware RAID JBOD (IR-series) expansion enclosures. RAID enclosures contain hardware RAID controllers. The RAID enclosure or enclosures perform RAID operations for all enclosures in the configuration.

The following illustrations show the XR-series RAID using the F6412E RAID controller and EBOD enclosures. The F6412E RAID controller is used with the HP xw8600 Workstation only.

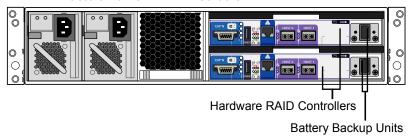


XE (EBOD) Expansion Enclosure (used with F6412E RAID Controller)

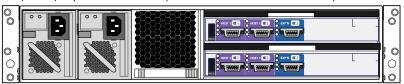


The following illustrations show the XR-series RAID using the F5412E RAID controller and EBOD enclosures. An XR RAID enclosure using the F5412E or F5402E RAID controller is used with the HP xw9400, HP xw8400 Workstaions, and the HP xw8600 Workstations.

XR RAID Enclosure with F5412E RAID Controller



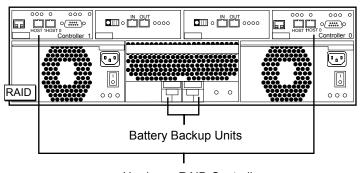
XE (EBOD) Expansion Enclosure (used with F5412E RAID Controller)



IR-Series Enclosures

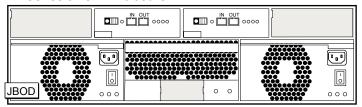
The following illustrations show, respectively, the IR-series RAID and JBOD enclosures. There are two types of JBOD enclosures: enclosures used in software RAID configurations (JBOD enclosures) and JBOD enclosures used in hardware RAID configurations (JBOD expansion enclosures). Although there is no physical difference between the two, the different firmware each uses means the two types cannot be interchanged between hardware and software RAID configurations.

IR-Series RAID Enclosure



Hardware RAID Controllers

IR-Series JBOD Enclosure



Enclosure Capacities

Usable capacities for enclosures, based on drive capacity and number of enclosures, are listed in the tables in Recommended Inode Ratios for XR-Series on page 93.

XR-Series Storage Power and Air Conditioning Requirements

The following table summarizes the power consumed by XR-series storage solutions and the heat they can generate from continuous access by your application. For detailed specifications, including noise output, see the documentation provided by the manufacturer.

Component	Quant- ity	Startup Amps (120V / 240V)	Cont' Amps (120V / 240V)	Watts	Heat (BTUs)
XR RAID Enclosure	1	5.5 / 2.8	3.0 / 1.5	360	1228.68
XE Expansion Enclos- ure	1	5.5 / 2.8	2.5 / 1.3	300	1228.68
XR RAID with 1 XE	-	11 / 5.5	5.5 / 2.8	660	2252.58
XR RAID with 2 XE	-	16.5 / 8.3	8.0 / 4.0	960	3276.48

You must be able to meet the startup power requirements and have a climate control system with the capacity to maintain the temperature of these components during continuous access. Refer to the following table for standard conversion benchmarks and an example of how they are used to establish climate control requirements.

Unit Conversion	Example
1 Watt = 3.413 BTU	360 Watts = 1228.68 BTU
12000 BTU = 1 Ton of air conditioning	1228.68 BTU = 1.024 Ton of air conditioning

Supported Drive RPMs

The RPM (Revolutions Per Minute) of the disks in the enclosure is important as not all RPM values are supported in all Stone Direct storage configurations. If your workstation is among the current generation of platforms, consult the *Storage vs Systems Matrix* document available on the Web site to determine which RPM values are supported by your storage configuration. If your platform is one of an earlier generation, refer to the *Stone Direct Configuration Guide, 7th Edition* for help determining the RPM values supported by your storage configuration.

Safety and Work Environment Guidelines

Topics in this chapter:

- About These Guidelines on page 13
- Setting Up Your Work Site and Handling Storage Hardware on page 14
- Establishing Ideal Environmental Conditions on page 14
- Avoiding Electrostatic Discharge on page 15
- Powering Up and Down on page 15

About These Guidelines

This chapter presents essential precautions you should review prior to installing and configuring your Stone Direct storage. These considerations and site preparations will help ensure a safe installation.

WARNING All safety and work environment guidelines presented in this chapter relate to Stone Direct disk arrays only and do not replace or modify guidelines or requirements set by the manufacturers of the workstation or of the peripheral devices attached to your system.

Setting Up Your Work Site and Handling **Storage Hardware**

Guidelines for setting up your workspace and handling your storage hardware are included in the documentation for your disk array.

- For XR-series disk arrays, refer to Chapter 2, "Getting Started" in the XR/XE RAID Solution Maintenance Guide.
- For IR-series disk arrays, refer to Chapter 3, "Installing, Connecting, and Powering On a Discreet Storage Array," in the Installation and Hardware Reference Guide, 3rd Edition.

Establishing Ideal Environmental Conditions

The following guidelines describe the ideal environmental conditions for your disk array to function properly. Ensure these conditions are met:

- Room temperature and ambient humidity are at acceptable levels.
- The disk array is at room temperature before operating.
- The environment is clean and dust-free.
- Disk array fans are not obstructed. Do not drape anything, such as a jacket or blanket, over any part of the system.
- There is good air circulation.
- The environment has minimal vibration and humidity.
- Electromagnetic noise is minimal by separating digital data and power cables from analog audio cables and running them in different cable ducts.
- The power requirements of the system are met by your electrical installation.
- Any cable ties you use to bundle cables together are slack enough to prevent damage to the wires inside the cables, and any loops in optical cables are relaxed enough to prevent damage to the optical fibres inside the cables (for example, no smaller than two centimeters in diameter). Damage to wires or optical fibres can render cables unstable or completely unusable.

Avoiding Electrostatic Discharge

By eliminating the possibility of electrostatic discharge, you ensure a safe work environment. As well, disk array components are less likely to be damaged. The following safety guidelines minimize the possibility of electrostatic discharge.

- Power your system on and off according to the procedures in the section Powering Up and Down on page 15.
- Using a grounded static wrist strap, attach the strap's alligator clip to any grounded metal surface on the disk array enclosure and place the wristband on your wrist.
- Stand on a conductive rubber mat.
- Do not handle the boards for the disk arrays or workstations unnecessarily.
- Read and observe warning labels on enclosures and drives.
- Call Customer Support for repair/replacement of disk drives or circuitry within the enclosure by using one of the methods listed in Contacting Customer Support on page 4.

NOTE The power supplies for all Stone Direct disk arrays are universal, and therefore automatically detect the correct voltage for your country.

Powering Up and Down

Powering your system up or down should be done in a proper sequence. This will ensure that the system functions properly.

WARNING It is critical that you follow the correct sequence when powering your system up and down to ensure proper operation of the storage configuration. An incorrect sequence can mean your system does not recognize all drives.

To power up your system:

- 1 Power up all disk arrays. Power on the RAID controller units last. This ensures the RAID controllers detect the other units in the Stone Direct storage.
- 2 Wait about 90 seconds for all the drives to spin up.

3 Power up your workstation.

To power down your system:

1 Power down your workstation. If you are on a UNIX system, in a Terminal, as root, type:

shutdown -g0

- **2** Wait for your workstation to shut down completely and power off. If the system does not power off automatically, power it off manually.
- **3** Power down your disk arrays.

Power off the RAID units first. This ensures the RAID controllers can always detect the other units in the Stone Direct storage.

Workstation Connections

Topics in this chapter:

- Understanding the Diagrams on page 17
- Cabling for 2- and 4-Port Fibre Channel Adapters on page 18
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Understanding the Diagrams

The diagrams in this chapter illustrate the fibre channel connections on the back panel of the workstation, and the corresponding connection on the storage enclosure. Note the following about the diagrams:

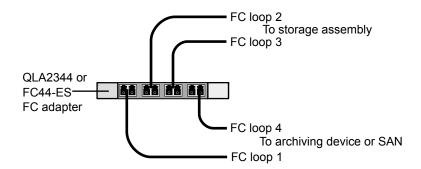
■ All diagrams are independent of the specific type of XR- or IR-series enclosures available for a system except for the HP xw8600 workstation. Use the same diagram to connect either storage series.

- If both 2-loop and 4-loop configurations are available for a workstation, both are illustrated in the same diagram. If you are configuring a 2-loop configuration, ignore the connections for the second storage assembly. For an explanation of 2-loop and 4-loop configurations, and "first storage assembly" and "second storage assembly" references, see About 2-Loop and 4-Loop Configurations on page 31.
- Labels for fibre channel ports correspond to the default port numbers assigned by the operating system. For example, on a 4-port fibre channel adapter, the left-most port is port 1 and the right-most port is port 4; the corresponding labels on the diagram are "FC Loop 1" and "FC Loop 4".
- The diagrams in this chapter illustrate only one fibre channel adapter or fibre channel adapter combination per workstation. In cases where the diagram does not reflect your fibre channel adapter configuration, refer to Cabling for 2- and 4-Port Fibre Channel Adapters on page 18 to determine which ports to connect to storage.

Cabling for 2- and 4-Port Fibre Channel **Adapters**

Workstations may be equipped with either or both 2-port and 4-port fibre channel adapters, depending on the storage configurations available for that workstation. If the diagram for your workstation does not reflect your fibre channel adapter configuration, use the following to determine which ports to connect to storage:

- If the diagram illustrates a 4-port adapter and yours is a 2-port adapter, the illustration should show connections for only the two innermost ports of the four ports. Ignore the two outermost ports and cable according to the two innermost ports.
- If the diagram illustrates a 2-port adapter, and yours is a 4-port adapter, connect the two innermost ports to Stone Direct storage as indicated in the following diagram. Note that with a 4-port adapter you can connect the two outermost ports to archiving devices, or to a Storage Area Network (SAN) system. Depending on your configuration, it may also be possible to connect all four ports to a SAN.



Terminating 4-Port Fibre Channel Adapters

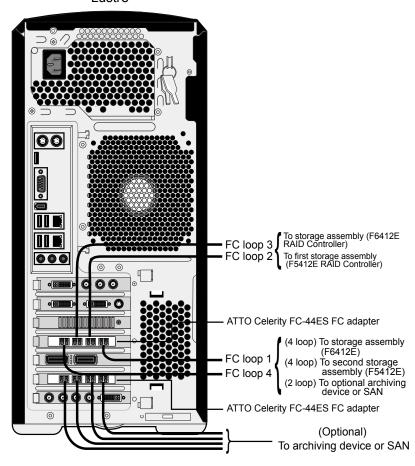
If you are not using the two outermost ports of a 4-port fibre channel adapter, it is recommended that you terminate these ports using the FC loopback couplers that shipped with your system. Terminating these ports significantly decreases the time required to boot the system.

HP xw8600

The following diagram illustrates 2-loop and optional 4-loop connections for a Visual Effects and Finishing configuration running on the HP xw8600 workstation. The same diagram can be used for the Lustre Media Server.

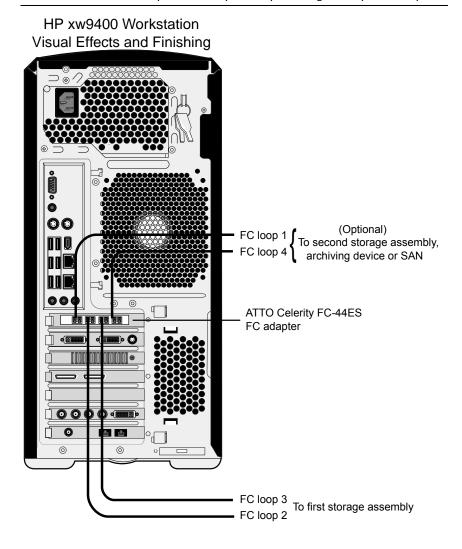
NOTE Terminate unused ports on a 4-port adapter using FC loopback couplers.

HP xw8600 Workstation Visual Effects and Finishing Lustre

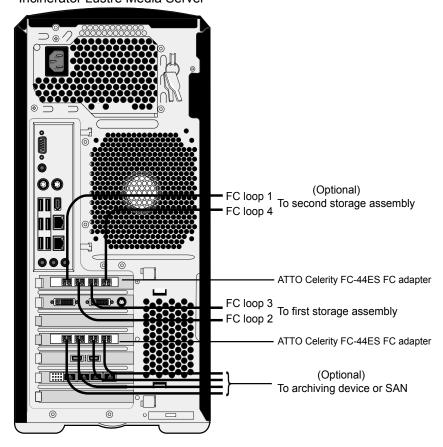


HP xw9400

The first of the following diagrams illustrates 2-loop and optional 4-loop connections for a Visual Effects and Finishing configuration running on the HP xw9400 workstation. The second diagram illustrates 2-loop and optional 4-loop connections for a Lustre Media Server running on the HP xw9400 workstation.



HP xw9400 Workstation Incinerator Lustre Media Server

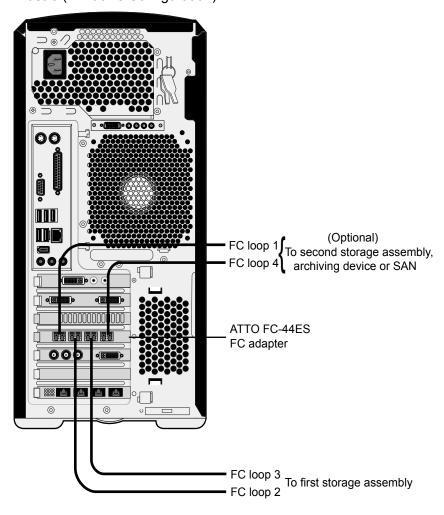


HP xw8400

The following diagrams illustrate 2-loop (and optional 4-loop) connections for a Lustre (Windows) configuration on the HP xw8400 workstation.

NOTE Terminate unused ports on a 4-port adapter using FC loopback couplers.

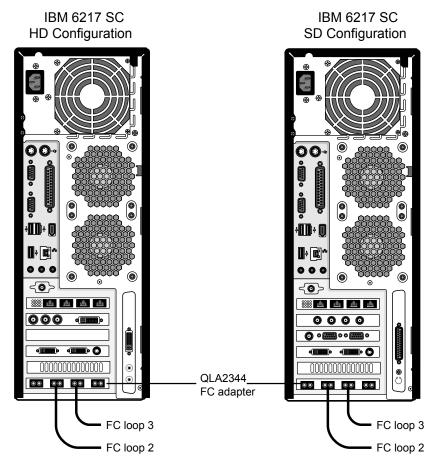
HP xw8400 Workstation Lustre (Windows Configuration)



NOTE HP xw8400 workstations running Lustre (Linux) with Autodesk Incinerator[®] do not support direct attached storage.

IBM 6217 SC

The following diagram at left illustrates 2-loop connections for an HD configuration of the IBM 6217 Single Core workstation. The diagram at right illustrates 2-loop connections for an SD configuration.

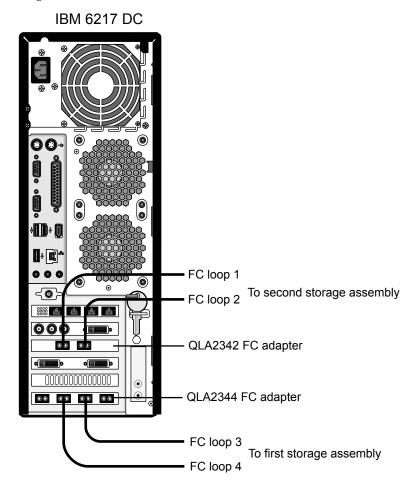


NOTE If the number of ports in the fibre channel adapters in your workstation are not as shown in the diagram, refer to Cabling for 2- and 4-Port Fibre Channel Adapters on page 18 for help determining which ports to connect to storage. Also remember that any unused ports on a 4-port adapter should be terminated using FC loopback couplers.

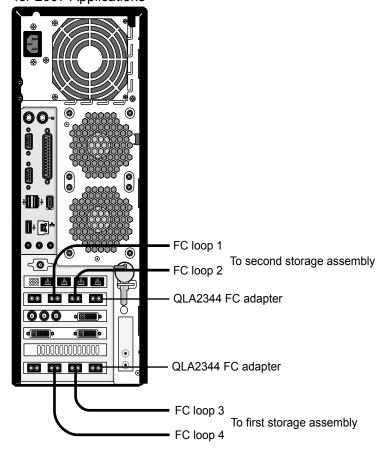
IBM 6217 DC

The first diagram illustrates 2-loop and 4-loop connections for an IBM 6217 Dual Core workstation equipped with either two QLA2342 adapters, or one QLA2342 and one QLA2344 adapter.

The second diagram illustrates 2-loop and 4-loop connections for an IBM 6217 Dual Core workstation equipped with two QLA2344 adapters, and running the 2007, 2008, or 2009 release of an Visual Effects and Finishing application. A pre 2007 release requires that you swap the locations of the DVS Centaurus board in slot 2 and the QLA 2344 adapter in slot 3, as described in the release notes for 2007 Visual Effects and Finishing applications, and shown in the diagram.



IBM 6217 DC Dual QLA2344 Configuration for 2007 Applications



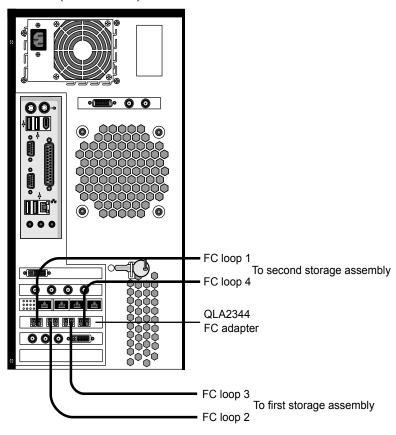
NOTE Terminate unused ports on a 4-port adapter using FC loopback couplers.

IBM 6223

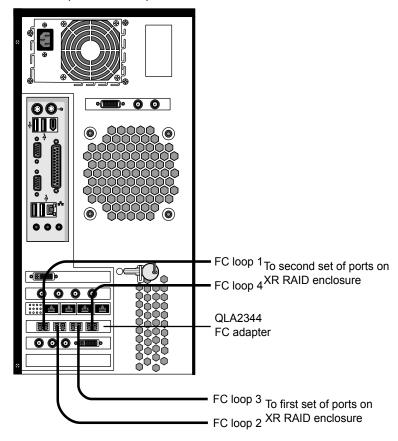
These diagrams illustrate connections for Lustre running on the IBM 6223 workstation. The first illustrates 4-loop connections with two storage assemblies for Lustre running under Linux. The second illustrates 4-loop connections with a single storage assembly for Lustre running under Linux. The third illustrates 2-loop and 4-loop connections for Lustre running under Windows.

NOTE If the number of ports in the fibre channel adapters in your workstation are not as shown in the diagram, refer to Cabling for 2- and 4-Port Fibre Channel Adapters on page 18 for help determining which ports to connect to storage. Also remember that any unused ports on a 4-port adapter should be terminated using FC loopback couplers.

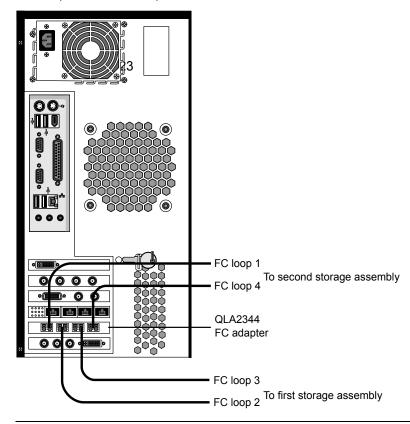
IBM 6223 (Lustre Linux)



IBM 6223 (Lustre Linux)



IBM 6223 (Lustre Windows)



NOTE The graphics card as well as the position of the DVS Centaurus daughter board in your workstation may vary from those shown in the diagram.

Storage Connections

Topics in this chapter:

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- XR-Series Storage Connections on page 32
- IR-Series on page 40
- Disconnecting and Reconnecting Storage on page 43

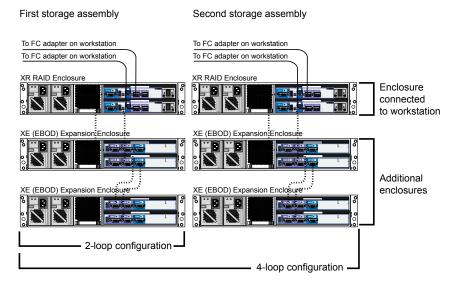
About 2-Loop and 4-Loop Configurations

A storage assembly consists of the enclosure directly connected to your workstation, and any additional enclosures daisy-chained to that enclosure. Each workstation-to-storage fibre channel connection is referred to as a "loop". A 2-loop configuration consists of one storage assembly. A 4-loop configuration consists of two storage assemblies unless using the F6412E RAID controller, which uses one storage assembly.

The diagrams using F5402E or F5412E RAID controllers in this guide refer to "first" and "second" storage assembly. In a 2-loop configuration, "first" storage assembly refers to the only one in the configuration. In a 4-loop configuration, the "first" storage assembly is the one on the left of the diagram, and the "second" is the one on the right.

NOTE It is important to cable exactly as illustrated in the diagrams and explained in the text to ensure storage functions properly. For example, do not reverse fibre channel connections for first and second enclosures, or reverse individual workstation-to-storage connections.

The following diagram summarizes the information in this section. Although it illustrates XR-series enclosures using the F5402E/F5412E RAID controller, the information applies to both XR- and IR-series configurations.



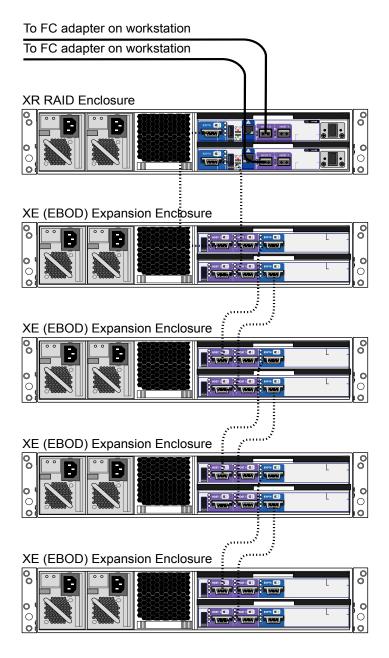
XR-Series Storage Connections

The XR-series provides both 2-loop and 4-loop hardware RAID configurations.

2-Loop Hardware RAID Configurations

This diagram illustrates how to cable a 2-loop hardware RAID storage configuration. Solid lines represent cabling for the simplest 2-loop configuration (a single RAID enclosure). Dotted lines represent cabling for additional enclosures (up to four EBOD enclosures). The table below the diagram lists the hardware you need to cable different sizes of this storage configuration.

NOTE Although the diagram displays an XR RAID enclosure with F5412E RAID controllers and corresponding XE (EBOD) expansion enclosures, the concept of wiring would be the same if using an XR RAID enclosure with F6412E RAID controllers.



...... Cabling for additional enclosures

NOTE A 2-loop configuration using the F5402E and F5412E RAID controllers supports a maximum of four expansion enclosures. The F6412E RAID controller supports a maximum of seven expansion enclosures.

Number of RAID Units	Number of XE (EBOD) Expansion Units	Number of fibre optic LC cables	Number of SFP transceiv- er modules	inter-chassis
			LC	cables
F5402E, F5	414E, and F6412E RAID C	Controllers		
1	0	2	2	0
1	1	2	2	2
1	2	2	2	4
1	3	2	2	6
1	4	2	2	8
F6412E Controller only				
1	5	2	2	10
1	6	2	2	12
1	7	2	2	14

NOTE When using two ATTO cards the first ATTO card is be connected to local storage and the second optional ATTO card to a SAN and/or archiving device.

NOTE 4 Gb storage configurations require 4 Gb SFP transceivers. A label on 4 Gb SFP transceivers differentiates them from 2 Gb transceivers (which do not have labels).

4-Loop Hardware RAID Configurations

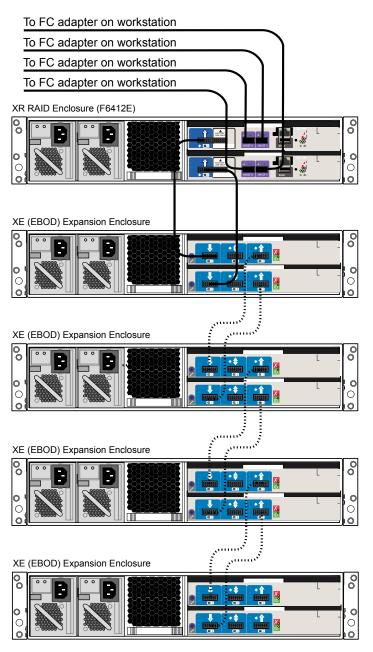
These diagrams illustrate how to cable enclosures in a 4-loop hardware RAID storage configuration.

■ The first illustrates the cabling when using an XR RAID enclosure with F6412E RAID controllers.

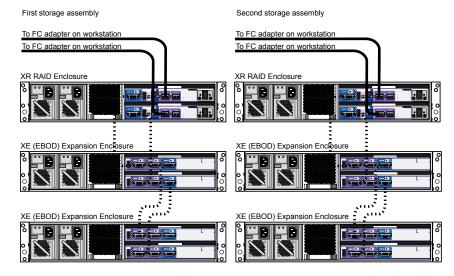
- The second illustrates the cabling for all other 4-loop configurations *except* Lustre running under Linux on the IBM 6223 workstation.
- The third illustrates the 4-loop configuration for Lustre running under Linux on the IBM 6223 workstation.

In the diagrams, solid lines represent cabling for the simplest 4-loop configuration and dotted lines represent cabling for additional enclosures. In 4-loop configurations with two storage assemblies (the configuration illustrated in the first diagram), you can have either two or four additional enclosures.

The table after the diagrams lists the hardware you need to cable different sizes of this storage configuration.

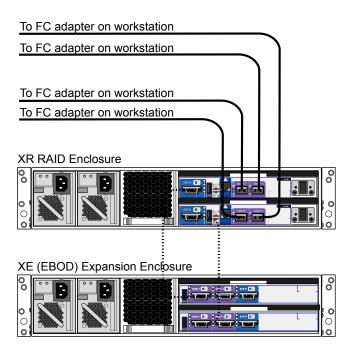


Cabling for additional enclosures



Cabling for additional enclosures

NOTE A 4-loop configuration for Visual Effects and Finishing systems supports a maximum of two expansion enclosures per RAID controller. A 4-loop configuration for Lustre (Windows) or Incinerator supports a maximum of four expansion enclosures per RAID controller.



...... Cabling for additional enclosures

Number of RAID Units		Number of fibre optic LC cables	Number of SFP transceiv- er modules LC		
F5402E and	d F5414E RAID Cont	rollers			
2	0	4	4	0	
2	2	4	4	2	
2	4	4	4	4	
F6412E RAI	F6412E RAID Controller only				
1	1	4	4	2	
1	3	4	4	6	
1	5	4	4	10	
1	7	4	4	14	

NOTE 4 Gb storage configurations require 4 Gb SFP transceivers. A 4 Gb SFP transceiver is differentiated from a 2 Gb transceiver by its label, which is not present on the 2 Gb transceiver.

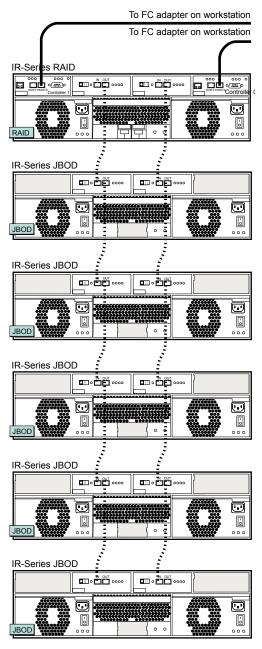
IR-Series

The IR-series provides both 2-loop and 4-loop hardware RAID configurations. Hardware RAID configurations use RAID units, and depending on the configuration, may use JBOD RAID expansion units to provide additional storage. The hardware RAID controller manages the number of drives in each channel.

NOTE If you want to use 720p video resolution on HD configurations, you must use 15k drives. You cannot use 720p with 10k drives.

2-Loop Hardware RAID Configurations

This diagram illustrates how to cable a 2-loop hardware RAID storage configuration. Solid lines represent cabling for the simplest 2-loop configuration (a single RAID enclosure). Dotted lines represent cabling for additional enclosures (one to five hardware RAID JBOD expansion enclosures). The table below the diagram lists the hardware you need to cable different sizes of this storage configuration.

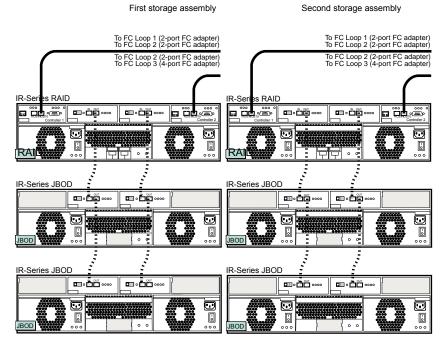


..... Cabling for additional enclosures

Number of RAID Units	Number of JBOD Expan- sion Units	Number of fibre optic LC cables	Number of SFP transceiv- er modules LC	
1	1	2	2	2
1	3	2	2	6
1	5	2	2	8

4-Loop Hardware RAID Configurations

This diagram illustrates how to cable a 4-loop hardware RAID storage configuration. Solid lines represent cabling for the simplest 4-loop configuration (two RAID enclosures). Dotted lines represent cabling for additional enclosures (two to four hardware RAID JBOD expansion enclosures). The table below the diagram lists the hardware you need to cable different sizes of this storage configuration.



.... Cabling for additional enclosures

Number of RAID Units	Number of JBOD Expansion Units	Number of fibre optic LC cables		Number of SFP 0.5 m inter-chassis cables
2	0	4	4	0
2	2	4	4	4
2	4	4	4	8

Disconnecting and Reconnecting Storage

After you configure your storage, you must ensure that cable connections do not change. If you must disconnect storage at any time, be sure to note which cables connect to which ports prior to disconnecting the cables so that you can re-establish the correct connections.

Internal Storage Connections

Topics in this chapter:

- About Internal Storage on page 45
- IBM 6217 SC on page 46

About Internal Storage

This chapter describes how to connect internal storage on workstations that support internal storage. Only Autodesk-supplied hard disks can be used for internal storage.

WARNING Connecting internal storage requires work inside the workstation enclosure. Wear a grounding strap to ensure you do not inadvertently damage components as you work inside the enclosure. Also, Internal drives require adequate ventilation, always close the side cover of the workstation before you boot the system.

I/O and Playback Limitations

The following limitations apply to internal storage configurations.

Platform	I/O	Playback Limitation
IBM 6217 SC	SD	Single-stream SD only (no cross-dissolve in Autodesk Smoke®)

Setting Up Internal Storage

After you install your Visual Effects and Finishing application on the workstation, use the Stone and Wire *sw_config* utility to set up the Stone filesystem and manage the internal storage on the workstation. For information about this utility, see the *Stone and Wire Filesystem and Networking Guide* for your release.

Protecting Data on Internal Storage

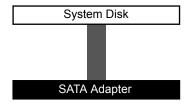
You normally protect data on a Stone filesystem using hardware RAID. However, these features are not available for workstations using the internal storage configuration. Because disk failure may result in media loss, apply the following recommendations to protect media while working on the workstation:

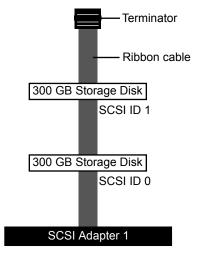
- Do not store critical or long-term projects on the internal storage of the workstation.
- Ensure media used in projects is backed up and can be recaptured, if necessary.
- Save projects and project archives to a network drive that is backed up on a regular basis.

IBM 6217 SC

Internal storage on the IBM 6217 SC workstation is available only for the SD configuration. The internal storage configuration uses four 300 GB Ultra 320 SCSI storage disks inside the system enclosure. These disks are connected to a SCSI adapter separate from the system disk. The system disk is a Serial Advanced Technology Attachment (SATA) disk.

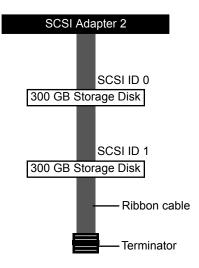
Each hard disk used for internal storage must have a unique SCSI identification number. This number is set using jumpers on the hard disk. If you replace a hard disk in internal storage, refer to its documentation to give the disk a unique SCSI identification number using its jumpers.





Ultra SCSI 320 Adapter 1: - 2 data drives - 300 GB each

Ultra SCSI 320 Adapter 2: - 2 data drives - 300 GB each



LUN Management Guidelines

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- XR-Series LUN Creation and Management Using the SSM Utility on page 58
- XR-Series LUN Mapping for Red Hat Enterprise Linux WS 3 on page 70
- XR-Series LUN Mapping for Lustre Under Red Hat 3 Linux on page 76
- Configuring LUNs on IR-Series Storage on page 89
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About LUN Configuration

The first step after connecting new storage to your workstation is to configure logical volumes (LUNs).

■ If this is a first time setup of the RAID controllers for XR-series storage, refer to Connecting to the RAID Controller for the First Time on page 59.

- If your RAID controller is already connected and configured to your network, then proceed to Configuring LUNs on XR-Series Storage on page 50. IR-series storage RAID controllers are pre-configured with LUNs.
- If you need to reconfigure LUNs on IR-series storage, refer to Configuring LUNs on IR-Series Storage on page 89.

NOTE RAID configurations are designed and tested by Autodesk to provide optimal performance for media playback on your workstation. Although the RAID management utilities (Stone Storage Manager for the XR-series, and Discreet[®] Storage Manager for the IR-series) let you customize LUN configuration manually, deviating from the documented LUN configuration processes contained in the chapter is not supported.

Once the LUNs are created and configured, you must create a filesystem on your storage. For Visual Effects and Finishing workstations, refer to the *Stone and Wire Filesystem and Networking Guide*. For Lustre or Incinerator workstations, refer to *Lustre Software Installation Guide*.

Configuring LUNs on XR-Series Storage

You must configure logical volumes (LUNs) on XR-series storage RAID controllers prior to initial use.

This chapter provides LUN creation and management guidelines for:

- Configuring Visual Effects and Finishing Systems With XR-Series Storage on page 50
- Configuring Lustre Systems With XR-Series Storage on page 51

Configuring Visual Effects and Finishing Systems With XR-Series Storage

The step you must follow to configure your storage depends on the operating system and hardware you have.

■ If you are running Red Hat[®] Enterprise Linux[®] WS 4, Update 3, using either a 2-loop or 4-loop, single XR-RAID enclosure (with an additional XR EBOD enclosure) storage configuration, see XR-Series LUN Creation Using the XR Configuration Utility on page 52.

NOTE Red Hat Enterprise Linus WS 4, Update 2 is used with IBM workstations only and does not use the XR Configurator. Refer to Configuring LUNs on IR-Series Storage on page 89.

- If you are running Red Hat Enterprise Linux WS 3, Update 5 or earlier, see XR-Series LUN Creation and Management Using the SSM Utility on page 58 and XR-Series LUN Mapping for Red Hat Enterprise Linux WS 3 on page 70.
- If you are running Red Hat Enterprise Linux WS 3, Update 5 or earlier and are connecting the workstation to XR-series storage for the first time, replacing the fibre channel adapter on a workstation that was already connected to XR-series storage, or reorganizing individual workstation-to-storage connections, you *must* map logical drive numbers to fibre channel adapter ports prior to mounting and creating the filesystem on the workstation. Failure to do so will result in the operating system detecting only a portion of the available storage. Refer to XR-Series LUN Creation and Management Using the SSM Utility on page 58 and XR-Series LUN Mapping for Red Hat Enterprise Linux WS 3 on page 70.

Configuring Lustre Systems With XR-Series Storage

The step you must follow to configure your storage depends on the operating system and hardware you have.

- If you are using Windows XP SP1 using a a 2-loop or 4-loop, single XR-RAID enclosure (with an additional XR EBOD enclosure) storage configuration, see XR-Series LUN Creation Using the XR Configuration Utility on page 52.
- If you are running Red Hat[®] Enterprise Linux[®] WS 4, Update 3, using either a 2-loop or 4-loop, single XR-RAID enclosure (with an additional XR EBOD enclosure) storage configuration, see XR-Series LUN Creation Using the XR Configuration Utility on page 52.
- If you are using Red Hat Enterprise Linux WS 3, Update 5 or earlier, see XR-Series LUN Creation and Management Using the SSM Utility on page 58 and XR-Series LUN Mapping for Red Hat Enterprise Linux WS 3 on page 70.
- If you are running Red Hat Enterprise Linux WS 3, Update 5 or earlier, using a 4-loop, single XR-RAID enclosure (with or without an additional XR EBOD enclosure) storage configuration, you must map logical drive

numbers to fibre channel adapter ports prior to mounting and creating the filesystem on the workstation. Failure to do so will result in the operating system detecting only a portion of the available storage. Refer to Creating LUNs on a 4-Loop Single XR-RAID Lustre Configuration on page 65 and XR-Series LUN Mapping for Lustre Under Red Hat 3 Linux on page 76.

■ If you are running Red Hat Enterprise Linux WS 3, Update 5 or earlier, and you are connecting the workstation to XR-series storage for the first time, replacing the fibre channel adapter on a workstation that was already connected to XR-series storage, or reorganizing individual workstation-to-storage connections, you *must* map logical drive numbers to fibre channel adapter ports prior to mounting and creating the filesystem on the workstation. Failure to do so will result in the operating system detecting only a portion of the available storage. Refer to Creating LUNs on a 4-Loop Single XR-RAID Lustre Configuration on page 65 and XR-Series LUN Mapping for Lustre Under Red Hat 3 Linux on page 76.

XR-Series LUN Creation Using the XR **Configuration Utility**

To create the LUNs on your XR-series storage, you must use the XR configuration utility that automates the LUN creation process.

NOTE The XR configuration utility is compatible with HP workstations only.

The XR configuration utility is used with either Visual Effects and Finishing systems installed on Red Hat Enterprise Linus WS 4, Update 3 or Lustre systems installed on Windows XP SP1. If you are using other setups, refer to Configuring LUNs on XR-Series Storage on page 50 for the correct configuration method.

NOTE Although XR-series LUN creation is now performed by the XR configuration utility, it is a good idea to monitor the LUN creation process by accessing the RAID controllers and launching the Stone Storage Manager (SSM) RAID management utility. To launch SSM, refer to Accessing the RAID Controllers on page 58. However, it is not necessary to launch SSM for LUN configuration using the XR configuration utility.

Configuring LUNs with the XR Configuration Utility

The procedure in this section configures LUNs on XR-series storage for the following system types.

Filesystem	Application(s)	Platform
Stone FS	Autodesk Inferno [®] , Flame [®] , Flint [®] , Smoke [®] 2007 and above	Linux
XFS	Autodesk Inferno, Flame, Flint, Smoke 2008 and above	Linux
XFS	Autodesk Lustre Incinerator LMS/AMS 2007 and above	Linux
NTFS	Autodesk Lustre 2007 and above	Windows

To configure LUNs on XR-series storage:

- 1 Download the latest XR Configuration Utility from the Autodesk FTP site: ftp://ftp.discreet.com/pub1/release/Utilities/XR_Configurator_v1.2.zip.
- **2** Unzip the file locally to your workstation.
- **3** Open a command line interface:
 - On a Linux system, open a Terminal.
 - On a Windows system, open a Command Prompt.
- 4 In the Terminal or Command Prompt, launch the LUN configuration utility.

On Linux, go to the /XR_Configurator directory where the file was unzipped and type:

./XR config.pl

On Windows, go to the \XR Configurator directory where the file unzipped and type:

XR config.exe

The script determines the operating system of the workstation on which it is running and detects whether a LUN configuration exists on the storage attached to that workstation.

5 If a LUN configuration already exists on the storage, you are prompted for confirmation to overwrite that configuration.

WARNING LUN configuration is destructive. Make sure you want to overwrite an existing configuration before you confirm.

6 After the script detects the number of enclosures and drives, it prompts you to indicate the filesystem your storage configuration uses. Use the following table to determine the number to enter.

Enter:	To select:
0	Clear Configuration
1	Stone FS:
	Stone FS for NON CXFS-Attached Visual Effects and Finishing Workstation.
	(StoneFS DAS only) (4096B sector size)
2	Others:
	Stone FS for CXFS-Attached Visual Effects and Finishing Workstation.
	(StoneFS DAS to be connected to a SAN) (512B sector size)
	XFS for NON CFXS-Attached Visual Effects and Finishing Workstation. (XFS
	DAS) (512B sector size)
	XFS for Incinerator Lustre Media Server. (XFS DAS) (512B sector size)
	XFS for Lustre Linux Workstation. (XFS DAS) (512B sector size)
	NTFS for Lustre Windows Workstation. (NTFS DAS) (512B sector size)
3	Exit Configuration Utility

The XR configuration utility will exit without configuring your storage if any of the following parameters are detected:

- An incorrect number of disks. The total number of disks must be a multiple of 12.
- Each enclosure must have the correct firmware.
- In a dual RAID enclosure environment, there must be an equal number of expansion chassis on each RAID enclosure. The script would have to be run with a single RAID enclosure connected at a time.

If the XR configuration utility encounters any of these parameters, it will exit.

Sample LUN Configuration Session

The following is a sample session for configuring LUNs on a 2-loop Lustre Windows system. Text in bold indicates user input.

\XR_Configurator_v1.2\XR_config.exe

```
===> This is Windows Operation System
********Current Configuration******
* Configuration name: Default Configuration Name
* Raid Controller firmware version: AD21
* Enclosure type: F6412E
* Number of enclosures: 2
* -----
* Number of logical drives: 0
  _____
* Number of arrays: 0
* -----
* Number of unused drives: 24
* Total number of drives: 24
*********
===== No SAN detected. Please proceed with caution. ======
Please select the desired configuration to be created:
 0) Clear Configuration.
 1) Stone FS:
      Stone FS for NON CXFS-Attached Visual Effects and Finishing
Workstation. (StoneFS DAS only) (4096B sector size)
 2) Others:
       Stone FS for CXFS-Attached Visual Effects and Finishing
Workstation. (StoneFS DAS to be connected to a SAN) (512B sector
size)
       XFS for NON-CXFS-Attached Visual Effects and Finishing
Workstation. (XFS DAS) (512B sector size)
      XFS for Incinerator Lustre Media Server. (XFS
DAS) (512B sector size)
      XFS for Lustre Linux Workstation. (XFS DAS) (512B sector
size)
      NTFS for Lustre Windows Workstation. (NTFS DAS) (512B
sector size)
 3) Exit configuration utility
       *****!!!-WARNING--WARNING-!!!****
This will clear the configuration. All data will be lost.
```

```
Are you sure you want to continue? [y/N]: y
Clearing the configuration... Done!
Creating arrays for enclosure 1... Done!
Creating arrays for enclosure 2... Done!
Number of arrays created; 4
Creating logical device on array 0... Done!
Assigning logical drive 0 to c0p0... Done!
Creating logical device on array 1... Done!
Assigning logical drive 1 to c0p1... Done!
Creating logical device on array 2... Done!
Assigning logical drive 2 to c1p0... Done!
Creating logical device on array 3... Done!
Assigning logical drive 3 to clp1... Done!
Here is the new configuration:
********
* Configuration name: DAS 512Bytes config
* Number of logical drives: 4
* c0p0 accesses LUNS 0
* c0p1 accesses LUNS 1
* c1p0 accesses LUNS 2
* clp1 accesses LUNS 3
* Size of logical drives 0: 1484 GB (512B sector size)
* Size of logical drives 1: 1484 GB (512B sector size)
* Size of logical drives 2: 1484 GB (512B sector size)
* Size of logical drives 3: 1484 GB (512B sector size)
* -----
* Number of arrays: 4
* Array:0, RAID 5, 6 drives (5 + 1) (-1%), 256k Chunk, 1484 GB
* Array:1, RAID 5, 6 drives (5 + 1) (-1%), 256k Chunk, 1484 GB
* Array: 2, RAID 5, 6 drives (5 + 1) (-1%), 256k Chunk, 1484 GB
* Array: 3, RAID 5, 6 drives (5 + 1) (-1%), 256k Chunk, 1484 GB
* -----
  Number of unused drives: 0
```

To save your configuration, wait for the initialization to be done. Go in SSM and select Archive Configuration.

Click on SAVE.

Rescanning New LUNs from the Host Operating System

Newly-created LUNs must be rescanned by the host operating system to associate the proper disk devices with each LUN.

To rescan LUNs:

- **1** Reboot the system.
- 2 To verify the new LUNs were detected, examine the content of the file /proc/scsi/scsi.

XR-Series LUN Creation and Management Using the SSM Utility

To create or manage the LUNs on your XR-series storage, access the RAID controllers using the Storage Manager (SSM) utility provided with your storage configuration. See Accessing the RAID Controllers on page 58. Refer to the *Autodesk Stone Direct Storage Manager User's Guide* guide for detailed descriptions and procedures.

Accessing the RAID Controllers

If your RAID controller is already connected and configured on your local network, you can launch the Stone Storage Manager RAID management utility by pointing a Web browser (Internet Explorer, Firefox®, etc.) to http://<ip adress>:9292.

If your RAID controller is not yet connected and configured on your local network, see Connecting to the RAID Controller for the First Time on page 59.

Connecting to the RAID Controller for the First **Time**

Before you can connect to the RAID controller on your local network for the first time, you must set or change its IP address. Each of the two RAID controllers in an XR RAID enclosure has its own IP address; you can configure LUNs by connecting to either of the two. The factory default IP address of RAID controller 0 (the bottom controller) is 10.1.1.5. For RAID controller 1 (the top controller) the factory default IP address is 10.1.1.6.

Connect the second Ethernet port on your workstation to the Ethernet port of RAID controller 0 (you may require a twisted pair cat5 cable).

Then set the second Ethernet interface on your workstation to 10.1.1.x.

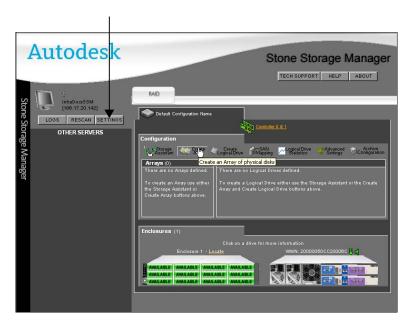
Launch the Stone Storage Manager RAID management utility by pointing a Web browser at the IP address of the RAID controller, from your workstation. For example: firefox http://10.1.1.5:9292.

Setting the IP Address of the Controller

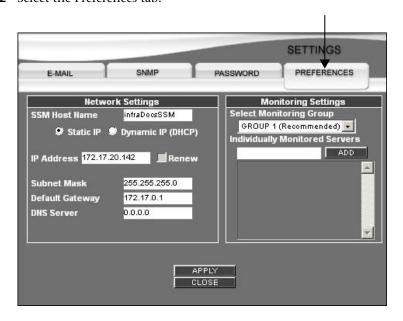
Once you are in Stone Storage Manager, you can change its IP address to one that is consistent with your local network.

To set the IP address of the controller:

1 In the Stone Storage Manager, click Settings.



2 Select the Preferences tab.



3 Enter hostname and IP information and click APPLY.

Creating the LUNs

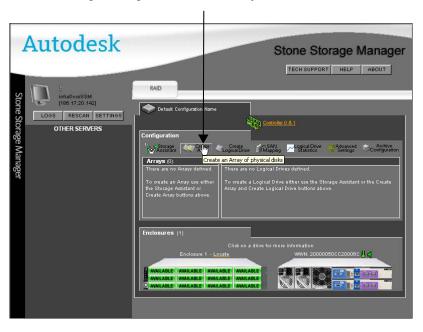
Each enclosure in an XR-Series storage configuration has the same LUN configuration. The procedure in this section describes how to create a LUN configuration for a single RAID enclosure. If you have a 4-loop configuration with a second RAID enclosure, repeat the procedure for the second RAID enclosure.

If you have a 4-loop, single XR-RAID enclosure storage configuration, use the procedure in Creating LUNs on a 4-Loop Single XR-RAID Lustre Configuration on page 65 instead of the one in this section to create the LUNs.

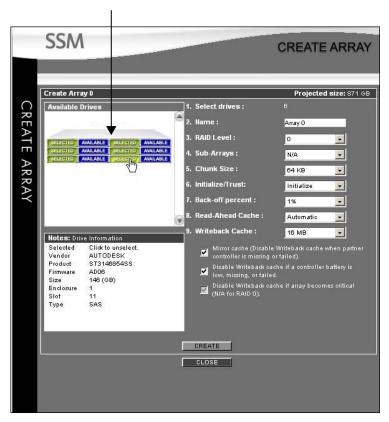
NOTE You use the same procedure whether you are creating a LUN on a brand-new enclosure, or recovering a LUN configuration on an enclosure that previously had a LUN configuration. The only difference between the two cases is that in the first you also initialize the disk array during the procedure. Note that you can write to the disk during the initialization process.

To create a LUN on an XR-series storage configuration:

- Connect to Stone Storage Manager.
- **2** In Stone Storage Manager, click Create Array.



In the Create Array panel that appears, select the drives for the first disk array.

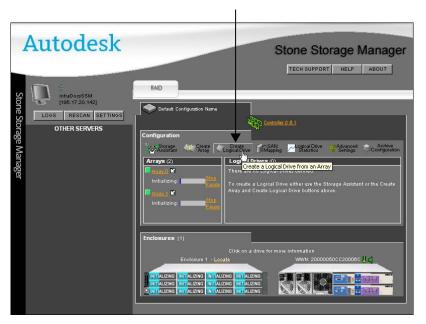


Adjust the following settings to the values listed.

Setting:	Value:
RAID Level	5
Chunk Size	256
Mirror Cache	Disabled
Initialize/Trust	Initialize Newly created LUNs must undergo an initialization which is performed in the background. During this initialization, storage is avail-

Setting:	Value:		
	able but performance may be slightly degraded for the duration of the initialization.		
	NOTE Never select Trust Array.		

- Click Create.
- Repeat steps 3 through 5 to create the remaining drives.
- Click Close.
- In Stone Storage Manager, click Create Logical Drive.



The Create Logical Drive panel appears.



9 In the Create Logical Drive panel, adjust the following settings to the values listed to create the LUN on RAID controller 0.

Setting:	Value:
Select arrays to use	Array 0
Block size	4096 for Visual Effects and Finishing workstations. 512 for Lustre workstations (Linux and Windows).
	NOTE The block size you define here is unrelated to the allocation unit size you define when you set up a stripe set for Lustre Windows.
Availability	Select Controller 0 Port 0

10 In the Create Logical Drive panel, adjust the following settings to the values listed to create the LUN on RAID controller 1.

Setting:	Value:
Select arrays to use	Array 1

Setting:	Value:
Block size	4096 for Visual Effects and Finishing workstations. 512 for Lustre workstations (Linux and Windows).
	NOTE The block size you define here is unrelated to the allocation unit size you define when you set up a stripe set for Lustre Windows.
Availability	Select Controller 1 Port 0

- 11 Click Close.
- **12** Repeat this procedure for each RAID enclosure.

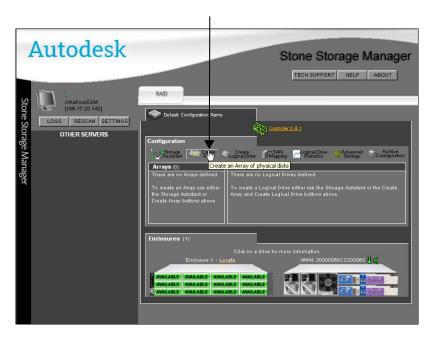
Creating LUNs on a 4-Loop Single XR-RAID Lustre **Configuration**

Each enclosure in an XR-Series storage configuration has the same LUN configuration. The procedure in this section describes how to create a LUN configuration for a 4-loop, single RAID enclosure, with or without one additional XR EBOD enclosure.

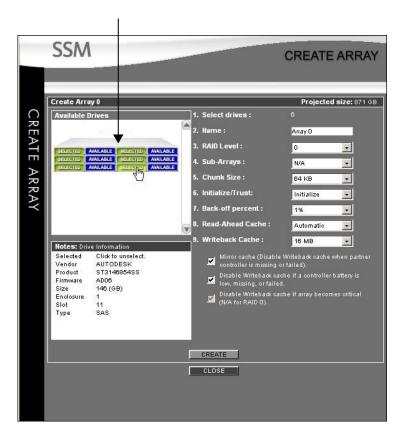
NOTE You use the same procedure whether you are creating a LUN on a brand-new enclosure, or recovering a LUN configuration on an enclosure that previously had a LUN configuration. The only difference between the two cases is that in the first you also initialize the disk array during the procedure. Note that you can write to the disk during the initialization process.

To create a LUN on an XR-series storage configuration:

- 1 Connect to Stone Storage Manager.
- **2** In Stone Storage Manager, click Create Array.



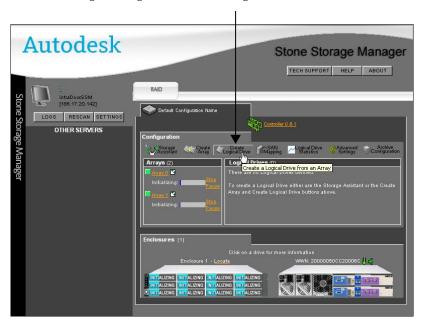
3 In the Create Array panel that appears, select the drives for the first disk array.



Adjust the following settings to the values listed.

Setting:	Value:	
RAID Level	5	
Chunk Size	256	
Mirror Cache	Disabled	
Initialize/Trust	Initialize Newly created LUNs must undergo an initialization which is performed in the background. During this initialization, storage is available but performance may be slightly degraded for the duration of the initialization.	
	NOTE Never select Trust Array.	

- 5 Click Create.
- **6** Repeat steps 3 through 5 to create the remaining drives.
- Click Close.
- In Stone Storage Manager, click Create Logical Drive.



The Create Logical Drive panel appears.

- In the Create Logical Drive panel, create the logical drives as follows:
 - In the Select arrays to use area, select an array.
 - Adjust the settings for the LUN, as specified in the tables below.
 - Click Create.

NOTE The Block Size field is unrelated to the allocation unit size you define when you set up a stripe set for Lustre Windows.

Array 0, LUN 0

Setting:	Value:
Select arrays to use	Array 0

Setting:	Value:
Size (GB)	363
Block size	512
Availability	Controller 0 Port 0
Array 0, LUN 1	
Setting:	Value:
Select arrays to use	Array 0
Size (GB)	363
Block size	512
Availability	Controller 0 Port 1
Array 1, LUN 0	
Setting:	Value:
Select arrays to use	Array 1
Size (GB)	363
Block size	512
Availability	Controller 1 Port 0
Array 1, LUN 1	
Setting:	Value:
Select arrays to use	Array 1
Size (GB)	363
Block size	512
Availability	Controller 1 Port 1

10 Click Close.

Rescanning New LUNs from the Host Operating System

Newly-created LUNs must be rescanned by the host operating system to associate the proper disk devices with each LUN.

To rescan LUNs:

- 1 Reboot the system.
- **2** Verify the new LUNs were detected, by examining the content of the file */proc/scsi/scsi*.

XR-Series LUN Mapping for Red Hat Enterprise Linux WS 3

The procedure in this section is mandatory for all XR-series storage connected to systems running Visual Effects and Finishing software under Linux Red Hat® Enterprise Linux® WS 3, Update 5 or earlier. If you are running Red Hat Enterprise Linux WS 4, you do not need to perform this procedure.

You must perform this procedure when you connect the workstation to XR-series storage for the first time, when you replace a fibre channel adapter on a workstation that was already connected to XR-series storage, and when you reorganize individual workstation-to-storage connections. You perform the procedure prior to mounting and creating the filesystem on the workstation.

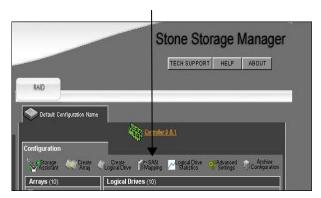
The procedure associates logical drive numbers with LUNs, and maps these to each of the fibre channel ports on the Linux workstation that you are connecting to your storage configuration. This mapping ensures the operating system detects all LUNs in the storage configuration, and consequently ensures all storage in the configuration is available for use.

NOTE This procedure assumes you have already created the arrays and logical drives for the storage configuration. If necessary, refer to XR-Series LUN Creation Using the XR Configuration Utility on page 52.

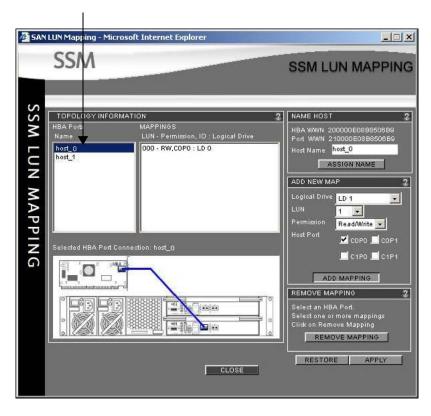
To map logical drive numbers to fibre channel ports:

1 Cable the Linux workstation to storage as illustrated in this guide.

- **2** Power on the storage and workstation, in the correct sequence. See Powering Up and Down on page 15.
- 3 Connect to the Stone Storage Manager on the XR RAID enclosure. If you have a four-loop configuration, connect to one of the two XR RAID enclosures (you will perform the procedure once for each XR RAID enclosure). See Accessing the RAID Controllers on page 58.
- **4** In the Stone Storage Manager, click SAN Mapping.



5 In the SSM LUN Mapping window that appears, locate the names of the fibre channel adapter ports on the Linux workstation, in the Name area on the left of the window. Only the ports physically connected to this XR RAID enclosure appear. If this is the first time you are mapping logical drive numbers to the fibre channel ports, each port appears as 'Unnamed'.



- 6 If necessary, rename the ports 'host_0' and 'host_1'. Ensure that 'host_0' refers to controller 0 (the bottom controller) and host_1 refers to controller 1 (the top controller). Use the graphic of the backplane of the XR RAID enclosure at the bottom of the window to verify this is the case. To rename a port, type the new name in the Host Name field to the right of the Name area, then click ASSIGN NAME.
- 7 Map the first LUN and logical drive to the host_0 port on the Linux workstation as follows:
 - In the Name area, select host_0.
 - In the ADD NEW MAP area, adjust the settings to the following values.

Field:	Value:
Logical Drive	LD 0
LUN	0

Field:	Value:
Permission	Read/Write
Host Port	COPO (The host_0 port connects to port 0 of RAID controller 0 on the XR RAID enclosure.)

■ Click ADD MAPPING.

The MAPPINGS area to the right of the Name area updates to reflect the mapping.

NOTE If you inadvertently create an incorrect mapping you can delete it by selecting the mapping in the MAPPINGS area, and clicking REMOVE MAPPING (at the bottom right of the window).

- **8** Map the first LUN and logical drive to the host_1 port on the Linux workstation as follows:
 - In the Name area, select host_1.
 - In the ADD NEW MAP area, adjust the settings to the following values:

Field:	Value:	
Logical Drive	LD 1	
LUN	0	
Permission	Read/Write	
Host Port	C1P0 (The host_1 port connects to port 0 of RAID controller 1 on the XR RAID enclosure.)	

■ Click ADD MAPPING.

The MAPPINGS area to the right of the Name area updates to reflect the mapping.

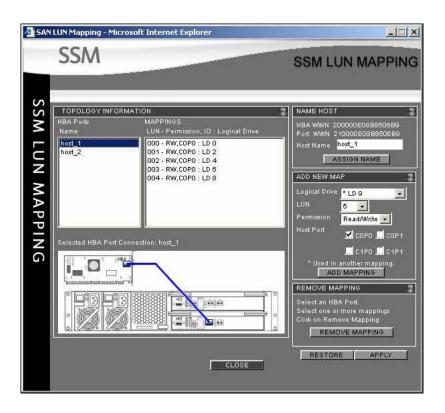
9 If you have XE RAID expansion enclosures connected to the XR RAID enclosure, repeat steps 7 and 8 to map the remaining LUN and logical drive pairs for those enclosures. The following table lists the correct

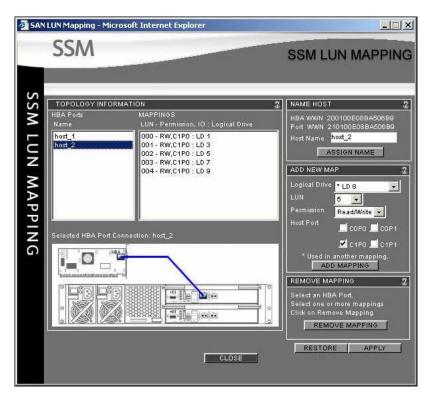
mappings for one XR RAID enclosure and up to two XE (EBOD) expansion enclosures:

LUN	LD	Permission	Host Port
0	0	Read/Write	СОРО
1	2	Read/Write	СОРО
2	4	Read/Write	СОРО
0	1	Read/Write	C1P0
1	3	Read/Write	C1P0
2	5	Read/Write	C1P0
	0 1 2 0 1	0 0 1 2 2 4 0 1 1 3	0 0 Read/Write 1 2 Read/Write 2 4 Read/Write 0 1 Read/Write 1 3 Read/Write

When you have completed the mapping, all even logical drive numbers should be associated with host_0, and all odd logical drive numbers should be associated with host_1.

The following two screenshots show an example mapping for one XR RAID enclosure and two XE RAID expansion enclosures.





- **10** If you have a four-loop configuration, repeat steps 3 through 9 for the second XR RAID enclosure.
- 11 Reboot the Linux workstation.
 The Linux workstation now detects all LUNs in the storage configuration.

XR-Series LUN Mapping for Lustre Under Red Hat 3 Linux

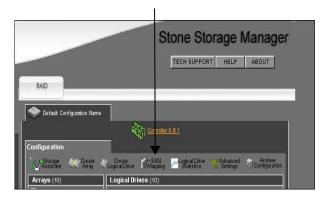
The procedure in this section is mandatory for all 4-loop, single XR-RAID enclosure storage configurations connected to Linux workstations running Lustre under Red Hat® Enterprise Linux® WS 3, Update 5 or earlier.

You perform the procedure prior to mounting and creating the filesystem on the workstation. The procedure associates logical drive numbers with LUNs, and maps these to each of the fibre channel ports on the Linux workstation that you are connecting to your storage configuration. This mapping ensures the operating system detects all LUNs in the storage configuration, and consequently ensures all storage in the configuration is available for use.

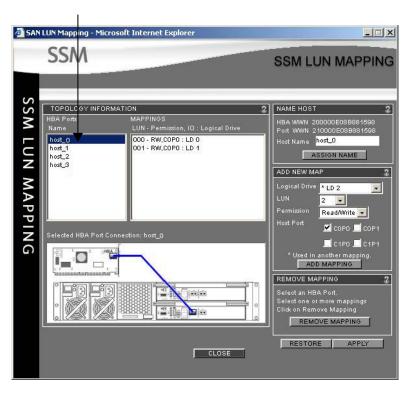
NOTE This procedure assumes you have already created the arrays and logical drives for the storage configuration. If necessary, refer to XR-Series LUN Creation Using the XR Configuration Utility on page 52.

To map logical drive numbers to fibre channel ports:

- 1 Cable the Linux workstation to storage as illustrated in this guide.
- **2** Power on the storage and workstation, in the correct sequence. See Powering Up and Down on page 15.
- **3** Connect to the Stone Storage Manager on the XR RAID enclosure. See Accessing the RAID Controllers on page 58.
- 4 In the Stone Storage Manager, click SAN Mapping.



5 In the SSM LUN Mapping window that appears, locate the names of the fibre channel adapter ports on the Linux workstation, in the Name area on the left of the window. Only the ports physically connected to this XR RAID enclosure appear. If this is the first time you are mapping logical drive numbers to the fibre channel ports, each port appears as 'Unnamed'.



6 If necessary, rename the fibre channel ports 'host_0' through 'host_3'.

NOTE To rename a port, type the new name in the Host Name field to the right of the Name area, then click ASSIGN NAME.

Ensure that the ports are mapped to the correct controllers, as listed below. Use the graphic of the XR RAID enclosure at the bottom of the window to verify the mappings.

Port Name	Physical Port on QLA2344 Board	XR RAID Controller and Port
host_0	1	Controller 0, Port 0 (bottom left)
host_1	2	Controller 0, Port 1 (bottom right)
host_2	3	Controller 1, Port 0 (top left)
host_3	4	Controller 1, Port 1 (top right)

- 7 Map LUNs and logical drives to each of the fibre channel ports as follows:
 - In the Name area, select the fibre channel port.
 - In the ADD NEW MAP area, adjust the settings to the correct values for the first LUN on that port, as listed in the tables below.
 - Click ADD MAPPING.
 The MAPPINGS area to the right of the Name area updates to reflect the mapping.
 - In the ADD NEW MAP area, adjust the settings to the correct values for the second LUN on that port, as listed in the tables below.
 - Click ADD MAPPING.

 The MAPPINGS area to the right of the Name area updates to reflect the mapping.
 - Repeat the above sequence of steps for each fibre channel port.

NOTE If you inadvertently create an incorrect mapping you can delete it by selecting the mapping in the MAPPINGS area, and clicking REMOVE MAPPING (at the bottom right of the window).

host_0, first LUN		
Field:	Value:	
Logical Drive	LD 0	
LUN	0	
Permission	Read/Write	
Host Port	COPO (The host_0 port connects to port 0 of RAID controller 0 on the XR RAID enclosure.)	
host_0, second	d LUN	
Field:	Value:	
Logical Drive	LD 1	
LUN	1	
Permission	Read/Write	

Field:	Value:
Host Port	COPO (The host_0 port connects to port 0 of RAID controller 0 on the XR RAID enclosure.)
host_1, first L	UN
Field:	Value:
Logical Drive	LD 4
LUN	0
Permission	Read/Write
Host Port	COP1 (The host_1 port connects to port 1 of RAID controller 0 on the XR RAID enclosure.)
host_1, second	d LUN
Field:	Value:
Logical Drive	LD 5
LUN	1
Permission	Read/Write
Host Port	COP1 (The host_1 port connects to port 1 of RAID controller 0 on the XR RAID enclosure.)
host_2, first L	UN
Field:	Value:
Logical Drive	LD 2
LUN	0
Permission	Read/Write
Host Port	C1P0 (The host_2 port connects to port 0 of RAID controller 1 on the XR RAID enclosure.)

host_2, second LUN

Field:	Value:
Logical Drive	LD 3
LUN	1
Permission	Read/Write
Host Port	C1P0 (The host_2 port connects to port 0 of RAID controller 1 on the XR RAID enclosure.)
host_3, first LU	JN .
Field:	Value:
Logical Drive	LD 6
LUN	0
Permission	Read/Write
Host Port	C1P1 (The host_3 port connects to port 1 of RAID controller 1 on the XR RAID enclosure.)
host_3, second	LUN
Field:	Value:
Logical Drive	LD 7
LUN	1
Permission	Read/Write
Host Port	C1P1 (The host_3 port connects to port 1 of RAID controller 1 on the XR RAID enclosure.)

- **8** Map LUNs and logical drives to each of the fibre channel ports as follows:
 - In the Name area, select the fibre channel port.
 - In the ADD NEW MAP area, adjust the settings to the correct values for the first LUN on that port, as listed in the tables below.
 - Click ADD MAPPING.

The MAPPINGS area to the right of the Name area updates to reflect the mapping.

- If your configuration includes an XE (EBOD) expansion enclosure, in the ADD NEW MAP area, adjust the settings to the correct values for the second LUN on that port, as listed in the tables below. Then Click ADD MAPPING to add the mapping for the LUN on the EBOD enclosure.
- Repeat the above sequence of steps for each fibre channel port.

NOTE If you inadvertently create an incorrect mapping you can delete it by selecting the mapping in the MAPPINGS area, and clicking REMOVE MAPPING (at the bottom right of the window).

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Field:	Value:
Logical Drive	LD 0
LUN	0
Permission	Read/Write
Host Port	COPO (The host_0 port connects to port 0 of RAID controller 0 on the XR RAID enclosure.)

host_0, second LUN (only for configurations with an XE (EBOD) expansion enclosure)

Field:	Value:
Logical Drive	LD 1
LUN	1
Permission	Read/Write
Host Port	COPO (The host_0 port connects to port 0 of RAID controller 0 on the XR RAID enclosure.)

host_1, first LUN

Field:	Value:	
Logical Drive	LD 1 (for configurations without an XE (EBOD) expansion enclosure)LD 4 (for configurations with an XE (EBOD) expansion enclosure)	
LUN	0	
Permission	Read/Write	
Host Port	COP1 (The host_1 port connects to port 1 of RAID controller 0 on the XR RAID enclosure.)	

host_1, second LUN (only for configurations with an XE (EBOD) expansion enclosure)

Value:
LD 5
1
Read/Write
COP1 (The host_1 port connects to port 1 of RAID controller 0 on the XR RAID enclosure.)

host_2, first LUN

Field:	Value:
Logical Drive	LD 2
LUN	0
Permission	Read/Write
Host Port	C1P0 (The host_2 port connects to port 0 of RAID controller 1 on the XR RAID enclosure.)

host_2, second LUN (only for configurations with an XE (EBOD) expansion enclosure)

Field:	Value:
Logical Drive	LD 3
LUN	1
Permission	Read/Write
Host Port	C1P0 (The host_2 port connects to port 0 of RAID controller 1 on the XR RAID enclosure.)

host_3, first LUN

Field:	Value:		
Logical Drive	LD 3 (for configurations without an XE (EBOD) expansion enclosure)LD 6 (for configurations with an XE (EBOD) expansion enclosure)		
LUN	0		
Permission	Read/Write		
Host Port	C1P1 (The host_3 port connects to port 1 of RAID controller 1 on the XR RAID enclosure.)		

host_3, second LUN (only for configurations with an XE (EBOD) expansion enclosure)

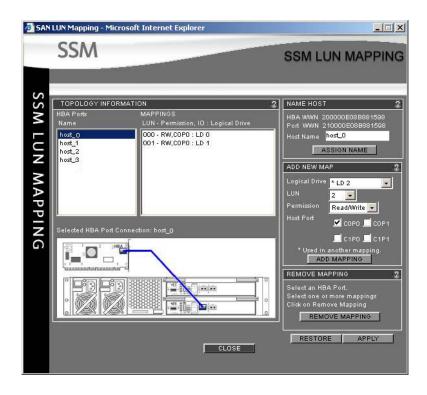
Field:	Value:
Logical Drive	LD 7
LUN	1
Permission	Read/Write
Host Port	C1P1 (The host_3 port connects to port 1 of RAID controller 1 on the XR RAID enclosure.)

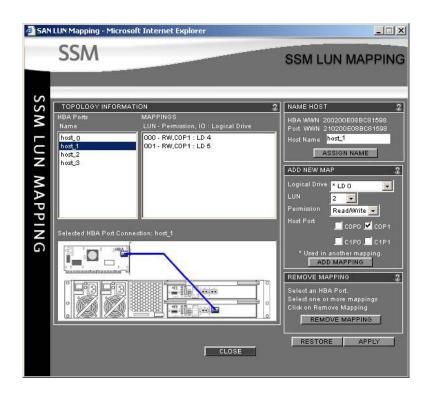
9 Verify the mappings are correct. The first of the following two tables lists the correct mappings for a single XR RAID configuration. The second

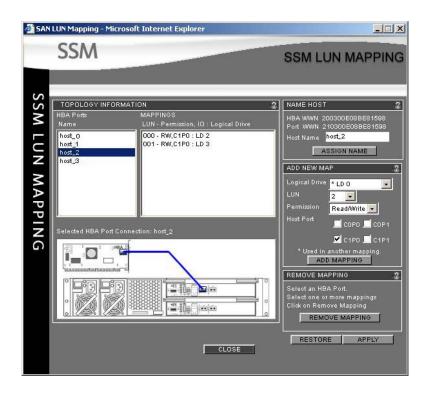
lists the correct mappings for one XR RAID enclosure and one XE (EBOD) expansion enclosure.

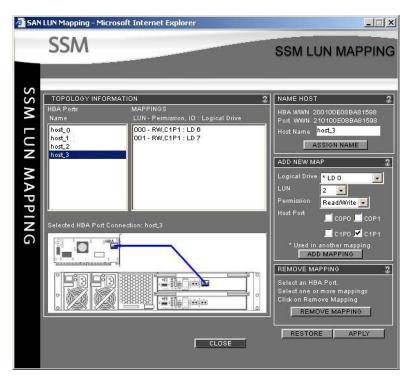
Host	LUN	LD	Permission	Host Port
host_0	0	0	Read/Write	СОРО
host_1	0	1	Read/Write	C0P1
host_2	0	2	Read/Write	C1P0
host_3	0	3	Read/Write	C1P1
Host	LUN	LD	Permission	Host Port
host_0	0	0	Read/Write	СОРО
	1	1	Read/Write	СОРО
host_1	0	4	Read/Write	C0P1
	1	5	Read/Write	C0P1
host_2	0	2	Read/Write	C1P0
	1	3	Read/Write	C1P0
host_3	0	6	Read/Write	C1P1
	1	7	Read/Write	C1P1

The following screenshots show an example mapping for one XR RAID enclosure and one XE RAID expansion enclosure.









Reboot the Linux workstation.

The Linux workstation now detects all LUNs in the storage configuration.

Configuring LUNs on IR-Series Storage

All IR-series storage RAID controllers are pre-configured with LUNs and ready to connect to your Visual Effects and Finishing workstation. All you need to do is mount the storage and create the filesystem. Consult the Stone and Wire Filesystem and Networking Guide for more information.

Should you need to re-configure LUNs on your IR-series storage, refer to IR-Series LUN Creation and Management Using DSM on page 90. If you require more detailed procedures than those provided in this chapter, refer to the Discreet Storage Manager Installation and User's Guide, 3rd Edition.

All procedures in this chapter assume you have connected your storage as illustrated in the Workstation Connections and Storage Connections chapters of this guide.

WARNING The only case in which LUN configuration is *not* destructive is if it recreates a layout that is identical to the existing one.

IR-Series LUN Creation and Management Using DSM

To create or manage the LUNs on your IR-series, access the RAID controllers using the Discreet Storage Manager (DSM) utility provided with your storage configuration. Refer to the *Discreet Storage Manager Installation and User's Guide, 3rd Edition* for detailed descriptions and procedures.

Accessing the RAID Controller

Before you can access the IR-series RAID controller, you must enable the DSM. If you have a workstation running version 7.0 of Finishing products, version 9.5 of Autodesk Flame[®] or Autodesk Flint[®], products, version 6.5 of Autodesk Inferno[®], or any later version of these products, you can enable the DSM server by typing the following:

chkconfig httpd on

/etc/init.d/httpd restart

If you have an earlier version of your product, please refer to *Discreet Storage Manager Installation and User's Guide 3rd Edition* for instructions on how to set up and enable the DSM server.

Accessing the DSM

Access the DSM by pointing a web browser to the IP or hostname of the workstation to which the RAID storage is attached. This Web browser can be launched from the workstation itself or from any workstation on the same local network. Point the browser at the address <a href="http://<hostname.or">http://<hostname.or IP>/dsm/dsm.htm

NOTE The root password is required.

Creating LUNs

To configure RAID LUNs on IR-series storage, you upload a preset LUN configuration file to the RAID controller through DSM.

Preset LUN configuration files differ depending on the size of drives in your enclosures, the number of expansion enclosures and the type of application you are using. Contact Customer Support to obtain the certified LUN configuration file for your configuration.

Download this LUN configuration file to your workstation, and then use the following procedure to upload that file to the RAID controller.

To upload the LUN configuration file to the RAID controller:

- 1 In the DSM, select "Controller >> Restore Configuration". A file browser opens.
- **2** Browse to your preset LUN configuration file and select it. The LUN configuration is uploaded and applied.

Initializing a LUN

Newly created LUNs must undergo an initialization which can be performed in the background. During this initialization, storage is available but performance may be slightly degraded for the duration of the initialization.

To initialize a LUN you write to the volume. You can perform an FX or FDISK to force a background initialization on the LUN. Alternatively, you can click on a LUN in the DSM and select Initialize Arrays.

Rescanning New LUNs from the Host Operating **System**

Newly-created LUNs must be rescanned by the host operating system to associate the proper disk devices with each LUN.

To rescan LUNs:

- **1** Reboot the system.
- 2 Verify the new LUNs were detected, by examining the content of the file /proc/scsi/scsi.

Recommended Inode Ratios for XR-Series



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About This Appendix

The tables in this appendix provide recommended inode ratios for single resolution workflows on XR-series storage. If you are using a mixed resolution workflow with XR-series storage, use the inode value for the lowest resolution. For example, if you use NTSC and HD resolutions in your workflows, use the inode ratio value for NTSC.

NOTE This appendix applies to the Stone filesystem only.

About Inodes and Inode Ratios

An inode is a data structure that holds information about a single frame stored in a Stone partition. Each frame in your clip library is identified by a single inode in the Stone partition.

When you set up your Stone filesystem, you must enter an inode ratio that is used to calculate the total number of inodes available per Stone partition. For example, you might have one inode for every 2048 KB of filesystem space. If you have an 8TB filesystem, this would provide you with 4 million inodes, and therefore, the possibility of storing 4 million frames.

The default inode ratio is 2048. The minimum value is 512 and the maximum value is 6656. The inode ratio is rounded up to the nearest 512 KB multiple (i.e. 513 rounds up to 1024). Generally, the number of inodes is related to the frame size of your most common production format and the size of your Stone partition.

NOTE The maximum size of a Stone filesystem is 8 terabytes.

For help entering the inode ratio parameter during storage configuration, refer to the chapter "Creating the Stone Filesystem" in the *Stone and Wire Filesystem and Networking Guide*.

Recommended Inode Ratios for 146 GB Drives

The tables in this section provide inode ratio information for XR-series arrays with 146 GB drives.

NTSC Workflows

The values in this table are for NTSC 10-bit workflows with a frame size of 1399680 bytes at 30 fps.

	Single XR Enclosure	+ 1 XE Ex- pansion Enclosure	+ 2 XE Ex- pansion Enclos- ures	+ 3 XE Expansion Enclosures	pansion
Usable space (GB)	1367.4	2734.8	4102.2	Not sup- ported	Not sup- ported
Recommended in- ode ratio	1024	1024	1024	Not sup- ported	Not sup- ported

	Single XR Enclosure	pansion	pansion	+ 3 XE Ex- pansion Enclosures	pansion
Hours of footage (hh:mm)	9:42	19:25	29:08	Not sup- ported	Not sup- ported

HD Workflows

The values in this table are for 1080i 10-bit HD workflows with a frame size of 8294400 bytes at 30 fps.

	Single XR Enclosure	pansion	+ 2 XE Ex- pansion Enclosures	pansion	+ 4 XE Ex- pansion Enclos- ures
Usable space (GB)	1367.4	2734.8	4102.2	5469.6	6837.0
Recommended in- ode ratio	2560	3072	3072	3072	3072
Hours of footage (hh:mm)	1:38	3:16	4:55	6:33	8:12

2K Film Workflows

The values in this table are for 2K 10-bit workflows with a frame size of 12746752 bytes at 24 fps.

	Single XR Enclosure	pansion	+ 2 XE Expansion Enclosures	+ 3 XE Ex- pansion Enclos- ures	+ 4 XE Ex- pansion Enclos- ures
Usable space (GB)	1367.4	2734.8	4102.2	5469.6	6837.0
Recommended in- ode ratio	4096	4096	4096	4608	4608
Hours of footage (hh:mm)	1:19	2:40	4:00	5:19	6:40

4K Film Workflows

The values in this table are for 4K 10-bit workflows with a frame size of 50899872 bytes at 24 fps.

	2 XR Enclosures	+ 2 XE Ex- pansion Enclosure	+ 4 XE Ex- pansion Enclos- ures	+ 6 XE Ex- pansion Enclos- ures	+ 8 XE Ex- pansion Enclosures
Usable space (GB)	2734.8	5469.6	8204.4	10939.2	13674.0
Recommended in- ode ratio	6144	6144	6144	6144	6144
Hours of footage (hh:mm)	0:40	1:20	2:00	2:40	3:20

Recommended Inode Ratios for 300 GB Drives

The tables in this section provide inode ratio information for XR-series arrays with 300 GB drives.

NTSC Workflows

The values in this table are for NTSC 10-bit workflows with a frame size of 1399680 bytes at 30 fps.

	Single XR Enclosure	+ 1 XE Ex- pansion Enclosure	+ 2 XE Ex- pansion Enclosures	+ 3 XE Ex- pansion Enclosures	+ 4 XE Ex- pansion Enclosures
Usable space (GB)	2764.48	5528.96	8293.44	Not sup- ported	Not sup- ported
Recommended inode ratio	1024	1536	2560	Not sup- ported	Not sup- ported
Number of frames	2118594	3774438	3396994	Not sup- ported	Not sup- ported
Hours of footage (hh:mm)	19:37	34:57	31:27	Not sup- ported	Not sup- ported

HD Workflows

The values in this table are for 1080i 10-bit HD workflows with a frame size of 8294400 bytes at 30 fps.

	Single XR Enclosure	+ 1 XE Ex- pansion Enclosure	+ 2 XE Ex- pansion Enclosures	+ 3 XE Ex- pansion Enclosures	+ 4 XE Ex- pansion Enclos- ures
Usable space (GB)	2764.48	5528.96	8293.44	11057.92	13822.41
Recommended in- ode ratio	2048	2048	4096	4096	4096
Number of frames	357663	714621	1071980	1426494	1784874
Hours of footage (hh:mm)	3:18	6:37	9:55	13:12	16:32

2K Film Workflows

The values in this table are for 2K 10-bit workflows with a frame size of 12746752 bytes at 24 fps.

	Single XR Enclosure	+ 1 XE Ex- pansion Enclosure	+ 2 XE Ex- pansion Enclos- ures	+ 3 XE Expansion Enclosures	+ 4 XE Ex- pansion Enclos- ures
Usable space (GB)	2764.48	5528.96	8293.44	11057.92	13822.41
Recommended in- ode ratio	4096	4096	4096	4096	4096
Number of frames	232710	465121	698130	929049	1161312
Hours of footage (hh:mm)	2:42	5:23	8:05	10:45	13:26

4K Film Workflows

The values in this table are for 4K 10-bit workflowwith a frame size of 50899872 bytes at 24 fps.

2 XR Enclosures	+ 2 XE Ex- pansion Enclosure	+ 4 XE Ex- pansion Enclos- ures	+ 6 XE Ex- pansion Enclosures	+ 8 XE Ex- pansion Enclos- ures
2764.48	5528.96	8293.44	11057.92	13822.41
4096	4096	4096	4096	4096
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