

# **PixelStor 5000**

High Performance and Reliable MegaPixel IP Storage Array User Manual

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Conventions Safety Symbols Safety Precautions Regulatory and Integration Information

#### Conventions

To make sure that you perform certain tasks properly, take note of the following symbols used throughout this manual.

<u>~</u>	Warning:	Provides Information to prevent injury in the process of completing a task.
0	Caution:	Provides Information to prevent damage to the components in the process of completing a task.
	Important:	Provides Information required for completing a task.
B	Note:	Provides Tips to aid in completing a task.

#### Safety Symbols

The following symbols are placed on some components of the system to alert the user to potential hazards,



**WARNING**: Electric Shock Hazard – To reduce risk of injury from electric shock hazards, do not open this component.



**WARNING:** Contains no user or field serviceable parts – To reduce the risk of injury from electric shock hazards, do not open this component.



**WARNING:** Hot Surface or Component - To reduce risk of injury from a hot component; allow the surface to cool before touching.



**WARNING:** Insert Network Interface Only - Any receptacle (e.g. RJ45) marked with this symbol indicates a network interface connection. To reduce the risk of electric shock, fire or damage to equipment, do not plug telephone or telecommunications connectors into this receptacle.



**WARNING:** This symbol, on power supplies or systems, indicates that the equipment is supplied by multiple sources of power. To reduce the risk of injury from electric shock, remove all power cords to completely power down the system.



**WARNING:** This symbol indicates that the component exceeds the recommended weight for one individual to handle safely. To reduce the risk of personal injury or damage to the equipment, observe local occupational health and safety requirements and guidelines for manual material handling.

#### Safety Precautions



**Technician Notes** 

- Only authorized technicians should attempt to repair this equipment.
- Before installing this system, carefully read all the manuals included with the system.
- All repair procedures allow only module replacement. Because of the complexity of the individual boards and sub-assemblies, no one should attempt to make repairs at the component level or make modifications to any printed wiring board. Improper repairs can create a safety hazard.

- To reduce the risk of personal injury from electric shock and hazardous energy levels, do not exceed the level of repairs specified in these procedures.
- The system is designed to be electrically grounded. To ensure proper operation, plug the AC power cord into a properly grounded AC outlet only.



Electrostatic Discharge Precautions

• Electrostatic discharge (ESD) can damage static sensitive devices or micro circuitry. Proper packaging and grounding techniques are required to prevent damage.

- Keep electrostatic-sensitive parts in their containers until they arrive at a static free work area.
- Use a wrist strap connected to the work surface as well as properly grounded tools and equipment
- Keep the area free of nonconductive materials such as ordinary plastic tools and foam packing.
- Avoid touching pins, leads, or circuitry.
- Always place drives with printed circuit board (PCB) assembly-side down.
- Grasp cards and boards by the edges. Hold drives by the frame. Avoid touching the solder joints or pins.
- If you need to lay the device down while it is out of the antistatic bag, lay it on the antistatic bag. Before picking it up again, touch the antistatic bag and the metal frame of the system unit at the same time.



 This storage is provided with an internal Lithium battery or battery pack. There is a danger of explosion and risk of personal injury if the battery is incorrectly replaced or mistreated.

• For more information about battery replacement or proper disposal, contact an authorized reseller or your authorized service provider.



#### **Rack Warnings**

If you plan to rack mount the PixelStor 5000, follow the rack manufacturer's safety instructions.

- Install the enclosure only in a rack that has been properly secured in an area with suitable environmental conditions.
- Have someone assist you during physical installation.
- To properly ventilate the system, you must provide at least 7.6 cm of clearance at the front and back of the system.
- To reduce the risk of personal injury or damage to equipment, always ensure that the rack is adequately stabilized prior to extending a component outside the rack. A rack may become unstable if more than one component is extended. Extend only one at a time.
- Do not stand or step on any components in the rack.
- If installed in a closed or multi-unit rack assembly, the operating ambient temperature of the rack environment may be greater than room ambient. Therefore, consideration should be given to installing the equipment in an environment compatible with the maximum ambient temperature (Tma) specified by the manufacturer.
- Do not overload the AC power supply branch circuit that provides power to the rack. Observe extension cable and power strip ratings. Ensure that the total ampere rating of all equipment plugged into the extension cable or power strip does not exceed 80 percent of the ampere ratings limit for the extension cable or power strip.

#### System Warnings

- Avoid dust, humidity, and extreme temperatures; place the system on a stable surface.
- To reduce the risk of personal injury from hot surfaces, allow the hot-plug disk modules and other system modules to cool before touching them.
- To reduce the risk of electric shock or damage to the equipment, do not disable the power cord grounding plug. The grounding plug is an important safety feature.
- Ensure the power cord is inserted into a grounded electrical outlet that is easily accessible

at all times. Unplug the power cord from the power supply module to shut off power to the equipment

- Protect the storage system from power fluctuations and temporary power interruptions with a regulating uninterruptible power supply (UPS). This device protects the hardware from damage caused by power surges and voltage spikes and keeps the system operational during a power failure.
- The storage system must always be operated with all hot plug modules installed or slot covers in place to ensure proper cooling.
- Route power cords so that they will not be walked on or pinched by items placed upon or against them. Pay particular attention to the plug, electrical outlet, and the point where the cords exit from the product.

#### Regulatory and Integration Information

#### Regulatory Compliance Identification Numbers

For the purpose of regulatory compliance certifications and identification, this system is assigned a serial number. This system serial number can be found on the product label, along with the required approval markings and information. When requesting certification information for this product, always refer to this serial number. This serial number should not be confused with the marketing name or model number.

#### Product Regulatory Compliance

#### **Product Safety Compliance**

This system complies with the following safety requirements:

IEC 60950-1	Safety of Information Technology Equipment	
EN 60950-1	Safety of Information Technology Equipment Including Electrical Business Equipment, European Committee for Electro-technical Standardization (CENELEC)	
UL 60950-1	Safety of Information Technology Equipment	
UL 94	Tests for Flammability of Plastic Materials for Parts in Devices & Appliances	
GB4943	Safety of Information Technology Equipment	

Table 1-1	Product Safet	y Requirements
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Worldwide Safety approvals can be supplied upon request. Please contact your sales representative for approvals.

#### **Product EMC Compliance**

This product has been tested and verified to comply with the following electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) regulations.

#### **Communications Commission Notice**

Part 15 of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Rules and Regulations has established Radio Frequency (RF) emission limits to provide an interference-free radio frequency spectrum. Many electronic devices, including computers, generate RF energy incidental to their intended function and are, therefore, covered by these rules. These rules place computers and related peripheral devices into two classes, A and B, depending upon their

intended installation. Class A devices are those that may reasonably be expected to be installed in a business or commercial environment. Class B devices are those that may reasonably be expected to be installed in a residential environment (for example, personal computers). The FCC requires devices in both classes to bear a label indicating the interference potential of the device, as well as additional operating instructions for the user.

The rating label on the device shows which class (A or B) the equipment falls into. Class A devices do not have an FCC logo or FCC ID on the label. Class B devices have an FCC logo or FCC ID on the label. Once the class of the device is determined, refer to the following corresponding statement.

#### **Class A Equipment**

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class A digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when the equipment is operated in a commercial environment. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. Operation of this equipment in a residential area is likely to cause harmful interference, in which case the user will be required to correct the interference at personal expense.

Declaration of Conformity for Products Marked with the FCC Logo—United States Only This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules Operation and is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation. For questions regarding your product, please contact your sales representative. To identify this product, refer to the Part, Series, or Model number found on the product.

#### **European Union Notice**

Products with the CE Marking comply with both the EMC Directive (89/336/EEC) and the Low-Voltage Directive (73/23/EEC) issued by the Commission of the European Community. Compliance with these directives implies conformity to the following European Norms (items in brackets are the equivalent international standards):

EN55022 (CISPR 22)	Electromagnetic Interference	
EN55024 (IEC61000-4-2,3,4,5,6,8,11)	Electromagnetic Immunity	
EN61000-3-2 (IEC61000-3-2)	Power Line Harmonics	
EN61000-3-3 (IEC61000-3-3)	Power Line Flicker	
EN60950 (IEC950)	Product Safety	
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Table 1-2	European	Union Safety	Requirements
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Canadian Notice (Avis Canadien)

#### **Class A Equipment**

This Class A digital apparatus meets all requirements of the Canadian Interference-Causing Equipment Regulations.

Cet appareil numérique de la classe A respecte toutes les exigences du Règlement sur le matériel brouilleur du Canada.

#### Japanese Notice

VCCIマークが付いていない場合には、次の点にご注意下さい。

この装置は、情報処理装置等電波障害自主規制協議会(VCCI)の基準に 基づくクラスA情報技術装置です この装置を家庭環境で使用すると電波 妨害を引き起こすことがあります。この場合には使用者が適切な対策を講ず るよう要求されることがあります。

#### **Taiwanese Notice**

警告使用者: 這是甲類的資訊產品,在居住的環境中使用時,可能 會造成射頻干擾,在這種情況下,使用者會被要求採 取某些適當的對策。

#### Power Cords

The power cord set included in the system meets the requirements for use in the country where the system was purchased. If this system is to be used in another country, contact your sales representative to purchase a power cord that is approved for use in that country.

The power cord must be rated for the product and for the voltage and current marked on the product's electrical ratings label. The voltage and current rating of the cord should be greater than the voltage and current rating marked on the product. In addition, the cross-sectional area of the wires must be a minimum of 1.00mm<sup>2</sup> or 18AWG, and the length of the cords must be between 1.8m (6 feet) and 3.6m (12 feet). If you have questions about the type of power cord to use, contact your sales representative.

The following statement applies only to rack-installed products that are GS-Marked: This equipment is not intended for use at workplaces with visual display units, in accordance with §2 of the German ordinance for workplaces with visual display units."

# Chapter 1 Introduction

Audience Assumptions About This Guide Description Features Specifications

### 1 Introduction

#### 1.1 Audience Assumptions

This manual assumes that you are a service technician or network administrator familiar with computer hardware, data storage and network administration terminology and tasks.

#### 1.2 About This Guide

This user guide provides step by step instructions on how to install, use and maintain the PixelStor 5000 SAN RAID Array. This manual is generally organized as follows:

Introduction	General introduction to the PixelStor 5000 and its components.
Preparation	What you need to do before you start.
Installation	Detailed description of each hardware module and instructions for installation and removal.
Configuration	Initializing your system, setting up your system on a network, configuring your storage, and connecting hosts.
Operation	Ongoing usage and maintenance information provided in a reference format and organized by major system component.

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#### 1.3 System Description

PixelStor 5000 is a low cost, high bandwidth and high availability RAID array. Unlike most arrays designed to support a single controller with proprietary architectures, the PixelStor 5000 can be configured as a single or dual controller system. It is built around a flexible and open architecture utilizing dual active-active storage controllers, and a custom tuned Linux operating system. It is offered in a 2U rack mount form factor and can be populated with 12 hot plug SATAII hard disk drives.

The PixelStor 5000 offers direct attach iSCSI SAN host connectivity. Each controller module on the PixelStor 5000 comes with three Gigabit Ethernet ports that are bonded together for higher performance and connectivity. The PixelStor 5000 is equipped with a battery backed cache module(s), redundant power supplies, redundant fans and a serviceable mid-plane.

The capacity of the PixelStor 5000 can be expanded by connecting multiple 2U/12 bay PixelStor 100e/312e or multiple PixelStor 324e 4U/24 bay expansion enclosures. The PixelStor 100e/312e is provided in single or dual controller configurations while the PS324e is a single controller on product. The PixelStor 100e/312e enclosures can also be populated with 12 hot plug SATAIII or SAS hard disk drives while the PS324e can be populated with 12 hot plug SATAIII or SAS hard disk drives. These can be daisy chained to a PixelStor 5000 via fast 24 Gbps SAS connectors for low cost high performance scalability.

1.4 System Features



Figure 1-1 PixelStor 5000

**Unparalleled Flexibility** – The PixelStor 5000 offers iSCSI SAN host connectivity within the same box. This functionality makes the PixelStor 5000 one of the most flexible storage building blocks on the market today. The flexibility inherent in the PixelStor 5000 allows customers to address diverse needs in the storage space without the need for multiple specialized platforms.

**Zero Down-Time Architecture** - In the PixelStor 5000, every active component, including drives, controllers, fan trays, and power supplies, are hot swappable without interruption in service or loss of data. Its active-active dual controllers, sophisticated mirrored and battery backed cache and path failover capabilities give the PixelStor 5000 best-in-class system fault

#### tolerance.

Active-Active Controllers & Transparent Fail-over & Fail-back - Fast throughput and data availability are paramount for dedicated storage systems. This is why PixelStor 5000 is designed with active-active controllers to improve both performance and data availability. Each Disk Group has an assigned "primary" controller to take advantage of the fastest route to the drives. So, optimal performance is achieved when traffic goes through both controllers to their associated Disk Groups. For availability, both controllers can serve any Disk Groups within the system. When there is a controller failure Disk Groups assigned to the failed controller will automatically "migrate" to the surviving controller without user intervention. When the failed controller is replaced, the systems will automatically fail-back to its original state. In PixelStor 5000, the relationship between two controllers is tight. Each controller has the precise status of the other, which results in quick and accurate actions when failure happens.

**Mirrored Cache** - With Dual controllers, the "auto cache" option puts a mirrored copy of the write cache on the redundant controller. The data is fully protected. If there is a failure in any controller, the system flushes the mirrored copy and automatically switches to the "write-through" setting. This is the best compromise between performance and protection.

**Multi-Path IO and Cache Coherency** - The PixelStor 5000 makes no assumption regarding the behavior of the hosts since they can switch from one path to the other. This is normally referred as "multi-path IO" – a technology to ensure the end-to-end high availability for path failure. RASILIENT Systems patent-pending technology supports path failure with our cache coherency features. In the extreme case, the host can send commands to either controller randomly.

**Dedicated SATA Channels** - PixelStor 5000's multi-path design provides a dedicated drive channel from each controller. The elimination of inter-drive dependencies enhances performance. The independent controller access provides additional data availability.

**Disk Roaming** - In the PixelStor 5000, the concept of Disk Groups is introduced, which represents a set of drives that share similar characteristics. The Disk Group configuration, including RAID, and volume, roams with the drives. Once inserted, the Disk Group can be discovered and the service can start with a mouse click. Within the enclosure, the drives can also be moved around. The roaming operation can be carried out while the system is on-line. Users can take advantage of this flexibility to arrange their storage for different on-line and off-line tasks. This feature provides a basic and inexpensive way to upgrade a system and retain your data or move drives to another system for basic system recovery.

Capacity Expansion - The PixelStor 5000 has the best capacity expansion capability on the

market. The 2U/12 bay controller unit can be expanded with up to eight 2U/12 bay PixelStor 100e/312e/324e expansion enclosures for a total capacity of 108 SATAII drives. The PixelStor 100e/312e provide 2U and 12 bays single or dual controller expansion enclosures and PixelStor 324e 4U/24 bay single controller expansion enclosure. These enclosures can be hot added to the system via the PixelStor 5000 24Gbps SAS connectors. The capacity expansion feature simplifies the task of adding additional storage capacity. You can expand Disk Groups across enclosures. The user can expand the LUN capacity on-line within the Disk Group, or expand the Disk Group by adding disks from the pool of global spare disks.

**Software RAID** - The PixelStor 5000 architecture focuses on the critical performance elements of protocol processing and data movement. The powerful multi-core processor and server chipset (high-speed front-side bus and DDR3) present a data mover architecture that is superior over embedded processor solutions found in traditional storage arrays. Traditional embedded solutions tend to be a generation behind in memory technology and require special chips to enhance performance. With a dedicated IA processor with multiple cores in our array, there is little benefit of using expensive "hardware" RAID. "Hardware" RAID is important in general-purpose servers to off-load the CPU. In an external array with dedicated controllers and memory, "hardware" RAID only adds cost.

**Global Spares** - In PixelStor 5000, any drives not assigned to a Disk Group are automatically available as global hot spares. If a drive fails, the RAID controller can automatically rebuild its data on the spare drive without requiring intervention by the administrator. The rebuild operation occurs in the background while the controller processes normal operations.

**LUN Masking** - Authentication and Access Control List (ACL) - Enterprise data must be secured and closely guarded. In PixelStor 5000, LUNs are only exposed to the hosts that have authority to access them. This is generally referred to as LUN masking. In addition, CHAP authentication is used for each iSCSI session login. All management access is also protected with the access control list, which filters out the machines that are not on the list.

Active Mid-plane - PixelStor 5000 is built around an active mid-plane. This permits the PixelStor 5000 to achieve a shorter chassis length and a smaller foot-print. Additionally, a single component failure only affects one drive of a Disk Group.

**Robust Enclosure** - Both the enclosure and the drive carriers are designed for operation without IO errors in various temperature and vibration conditions. The whole enclosure is built in one piece. Extensive thermal and vibration testing has been conducted on the enclosure by itself and in a densely populated rack. Special attention has been taken to recover the data path failure due to signals stuck at zero or one. In addition, each active component such as the drives and controllers monitor the incoming current and shut down power in case of a

short-circuit.

**Simple, Intuitive Configuration** - The web based management utility called the PixelStor Storage Manager has been designed to be intuitive and extremely easy to use. It requires little to no training. With the PixelStor Storage Manager, a system administrator can set up a system in 6 simple steps. The utility allows you to:

- Assign System IP address(s)
- Select and name multiple drive groups and establish different RAID levels for each group.
- Create and size virtual drives for each drive group. The system supports up to 256 LUNs.
- Create a list of available hosts with WWN's and IP addresses
- Present Volumes to Hosts
- •
- Establish access rights to each virtual drive with the option to enable powerful security policies to each virtual disk. Add capacity, check system status, set email alerts in the event of system problems.

**System Management and Full Monitoring Capability** - RASILIENT Systems is committed to developing storage arrays that reduce administrative complexity and management costs. PixelStor 5000 comes with powerful remote management software that dramatically simplifies setup and monitoring of storage volumes. The robust self-monitoring technology and automatic notification service maximizes storage availability while minimizing the pressure on system administrators. In the event of a hardware failure, PixelStor 5000 can automatically notify you via email. The user interface also provides monitoring for each hardware module. The log and all system information are kept in persistent memory, which can be recovered after reboot. For remote diagnostics, the administrator can dump the whole log to a remote email address with a single mouse click.

**Non-disruptive On-Line Firmware Update** - Using PixelStor 5000, there is no need to take your system down when upgrading the firmware. As part of the high-availability design, PixelStor 5000 keeps mirrored copies of its System Software in flash on each controller. You can upgrade the kernel on-line with no disruption of service.

#### Table 1-2 Product Features

		Product Features for Storage	
Chassis	۶	2U/12 bay, rack-mounted chassis	
Power	٨	Support dual 600W redundant power supplies equipped with universal AC input that includes PFC	
Storage	۶	Twelve 3.5" SATAII/SAS drives per PixelStor 5000	
	۶	Can add up to 8 additional PixelStor 100e/312e 2u/12 bay or 4	
		capacity to a maximum of 108 SATAIII or SAS drives	
Mid-Plane	$\triangleright$	Controller backplane	
	۶	Hard drive backplane	
Controller Module	$\blacktriangleright$	One or two controller modules	
	Pro	duct Features for each Controller Module	
Processor	٨	Intel Ivy Bridge processor	
	$\triangleright$	CPU Socket Type LGA 1155	
Chipset	۶	Panther Point C216	
Memory	≻	Two 240-pin UDIMM sockets	
	>	Supports 2GBx2, 4GBx2 or 8GBx2 of unbuffered DDR3 1600MHz DIMMs	
	≻	Supports ECC	
External I/O Ports	٨	Two mini-serial port	
	۶	Five Gigabit Ethernet RJ45 ports (LAN)	
		<ul> <li>5 GE ports can be bonded together for performance or assigned individual IP address for additional connectivity</li> </ul>	
		1 of the 5 Gigabit Ethernet ports can be configured as out-of-band management port.	
	≻	2 10 Gigabit Ethernet RJ45 ports (LAN) optional	
	$\triangleright$	One SFF-8470 SAS expansion connectors	
	$\triangleright$	Two USB ports	
	≻	One Mini Display Port	

1.5 System Overview

#### 1.5.1 System Layout



Figure 1-2 Chassis Layout

• Chassis	Power Supplies
Ø Mid-Plane	3.5" Drives 0-11
Ontroller Modules	<ul><li>Assembled Chassis</li></ul>

Depending on your purchased configuration, the PixelStor 5000 may have one or multiple controller, power supply or hard drive modules installed. When one of these module slots does not contain a module, a corresponding slot cover must be installed to maintain proper airflow.

#### 1.5.2 Module Locations - Front

The front of the PixelStor 5000 allows easy access to the 12 hot plug drive canisters. Each drive canister has a status multi-color LED located to the right of the release handle (see figure 1-4).





Figure 1-3 Front View – Hot -plug Modules

Type of LED	Color	Status
	Blue (upper)	On: HDD present
		Off: HDD not present
HDD Tray LEDs		Blinking: HDD data access
		On or Blinking (individually): Drive Faulty
	(lower)	On or Blinking (all 12 together): System Component failure



Hard disk drives are numbered 0 through 11 as the shown in figure above.

#### 1.5.3 Module Locations - Back

The back of the PixelStor 5000 provides easy access to the hot plug RAID controller modules, fan modules and power supply modules. All of the device and power connections are externally accessible and are located in the back of the system.



Figure 1-4 Rear Panel

1 Power Supply 0	5 Power Supply 1
2 Controller 0	6 COM 0 (rightmost)
3 SAS Connectors (🔷 = Out 🔵 = In)	7 USB Port
4 Controller 1	8 5 NIC Ports (RJ45)

Table 1-3 Rear Panel



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1 2 10GbE Ports (RJ45)	2 5 NIC Ports (RJ45)	

Table 1-4 Rear Panel ports

Status Indicators & System Alerts

The PixelStor 5000 is equipped with a full complement of status indicators and system alerts.

**System Health Alert -** PixelStor 5000 has a general alert that enables an administrator to identify an unhealthy system in a rack of systems. When a PixelStor 5000 system encounters operational problems with any hardware component all of the red LEDs on the hard drives flash in sequence to identify the unhealthy system in a rack.

**System Log Notifications** – PixelStor 5000 also captures status and health alerts in the system log. These alerts are viewable by the administrator in the PixelStor Storage Manager. The alerts can be viewed through the "System Log" or "System Health Alert" sub-menus. For proactive notification, the administrator can set up to 8 email addresses to receive system log notifications.

**Status Indicators (LEDs)** - PixelStor 5000 has multi-color LEDs located on all the removable modules. These provide system administrators visual cues to the status of all major components. The LEDs are located on:

- Controllers
- Ethernet Interface Ports
- Power Supplies
- Hard Drives

When the system is started for the first time or in cases when the system is improperly shutdown, the system waits 2 minutes to initialize and run a full system check. If initialization sequence is interrupted, the process starts over from the beginning. Please allow the system to finish its initialization sequence to avoid system startup delays.

#### 1.5.4 LED Location and Information

The PixelStor 5000 is equipped with LED indicators for all major components of the system. These LEDs provide visual cues to the status of each of these components.



Figure 1-6 Front Panel

Type of LED	Color	Status
	Blue	On: HDD present
		Off: HDD not present
HDD Tray I EDs		Blinking: HDD data access
	<b>9</b> Pod	On or Blinking (individually): Drive Faulty
	(lower)	Off: HDD not present Blinking: HDD data access On or Blinking (individually): Drive Faulty On or Blinking (all 12 together): System Component failure

Figure 1-7 HDD LED Status



Figure 1-8 PS 5000

Type of LED	Color	Status
Beacon (1)	White	On: Identify Unit Off: Normal
Cache (2)	Yellow	On: Cache contents "Dirty" Off: Normal
[OK] (3)	Blue	On (blinking): Normal (Heart Beat) Off: Controller Problem
<u>/!\</u> (4)	Red	On: Controller Fault Off: Normal

#### Figure 1-9 LED Status



Figure 1-10 –PS 100e/312e/324e

Type of LED Color		Color	Status
[OK]	(1)	Blue	On (blinking): Normal (Heart Beat) Off: Controller Problem
/!\	(2)	Red	On: Controller Fault Off: Normal

Figure 1-11 Back View LEDs

### **1.6** System Specifications

Dimensions	>	Height: 8.75cm
	>	Width: 43.00cm
	$\checkmark$	Length: 68.70cm
Weight	>	Max-weight: 30.96kg±5% (12xHDDs)
Temperature	>	Operating System: +10°C~+35°C
	$\triangleright$	Non-operating System: -40°C~+70°C
Humidity	>	Operating System: 20%~80%
	$\succ$	Non-operating System: 10%~95%
Power	>	100-240Vac input, 50/60Hz
	$\succ$	600 watts
Current	$\triangleright$	Typical - 5/2.5A max 8.6A

Table 1-5 PixelStor 5000 Specifications
# Chapter 2 Before You Begin

Packing Checklist Rules for Adding Storage

## 2 Before You Begin

Thoroughly research and establish an installation and configuration plan for your specific network environment. You should also plan how you want to configure your storage.

The system has the ability to be set with one or multiple IP addresses. The simple online configuration procedures will allow you to set-up your system on your network using these IP addresses. Be sure to ask your network administrator to provide you with sufficient IP addresses for your planned configuration. Your administrator should provide the following information so that you can properly configure your system on your network:

- IP Address(s)
- Gateway address
- Net mask address
- DNS server information.

### 2.1.1 Packing Checklist

Make sure you have all the components that shipped with your system. If any item is damaged or missing, please contact your sales representative for a replacement. The PixelStor 5000 is shipped with the following:

Chassis	$\mathbf{A}$	2U/12 bay rack-mounted chassis
Controllers Module(s)	>	One or two RAID controller modules
Power Supply Modules	>	Two power supply modules.
Chassis Brackets	>	Two chassis brackets for rack installation.
Hard Disk Drives (HDDs)	•	Up to twelve hot plug 3.5" SATAII drive canisters with or without drives depending on the configuration.
Cables	>	One RS232 Console Cable
Power Cords	>	Two power cords
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Table 2-1 Packing Checklist

### 2.1.2 Rules for Adding Storage

PixelStor 5000 and PixelStor 100e/312e/324e expansion enclosures follow the concept of "disk groups". A "disk group" (DG) is composed of an associated group of disks with similar RAID properties. All DGs must be assigned a RAID level. The system supports RAID 0, 1, 5, 6, 50, 60 10. The following rules must be followed when creating DGs for a PixelStor 5000/100e/312e/324e system:

- To improve the utilization of the available storage capacity and ensure reliability, it is recommended that all disk drive modules within a DG be the same size and from the same manufacturer. This is because for each RAID Group, the system scales down to the size of the smallest drive (except for RAID 0).
- A DG can span across interconnected PixelStor 5000 and PixelStor 100e/312e/324e systems.
- Drives within a DG can reside in any order across any of the enclosures in a system.
- Capacity of a DG can be expanded by adding disks from the available pool of global spare disks. (Adding disks to a disk group may require multiple disks.)
- DGs can be accessed by either controller, but must be assigned a primary controller.
- Drives not assigned to a disk group will be classified as "Global Spares"
- Global spare(s) can reside on any of the interconnected chassis to protect any DG. A Global Spare cannot be added to RAID 0 DG.
- Failed disks or disks disassociated from their disk group will be classified as "Orphans" by the system.

Disk Group (DG) Parameters	RAID 0	RAID5	RAID50	RAID6	RAID60	RAID1	RAID 1+0
Minimum # of Drives per DG	2	3	6	4	8	2	4
Maximum # of Drives per DG	108	108	108	108	108	108	108
Maximum # of Drives per	108	108	108	108	108	108	108
System (PixelStor 5000)							
DGs Allowed per System	1-16	1-16	1-16	1-16	1-16	1-16	1-16
RAID Levels Allowed per DG	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Drives Must be Added in	Singles	Three's	Group 6	Four's	Group 8	Pairs	Pairs
Global Spare Capability	N/A	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Access to DG by both	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Table 2-2 Disk Group Parameters

# Chapter 3 Hardware Installation

Power Off Installing in a Rack Installing Hardware Modules Adding Expansion Enclosures Powering On

## 3 Hardware Preparation and Installation

This chapter describes the hardware setup procedures that you have to perform when installing or removing system components. The PixelStor 5000 is designed with tool less modules which allow users to remove or install modules without any tools. The tool less modules are listed below:

- Controller Modules
- Controller Fan Board
- Power Supply Modules
- Fan Modules
- Mid-plane
- SATAII Hard Drive Modules

### 3.1 Make sure power is off

Before any installation or replacement, you must power off the storage completely. Follow the steps below to power off the storage completely.



Moving the Power On/Off switch to the Off position does not completely remove power from the system. Some portions of the power supply and some internal circuitry remain active. Disconnect all power cords from the storage to completely remove power from the system. To shut down power supply:

Press the power switch \ to the off position. This will turn off the green AC power LED **(2)**, AC power fault **(3)** and chassis power DC on **(4)**.



Figure 3-1 Shut Down Power Supply

To unplug the power cords:

First unplug the power cords from the AC outlet and then from the storage.

**3.2** Installing in a Rack

The rail kit included with the system can be used to mount the PixelStor 5000 in 4-post racks with square holes or with round holes.

### 3.2.1 Rack preparation

Review the rack manufacturer's documentation to become familiar with their installation requirements. Locate the chassis brackets that are supplied with the PixelStor 5000. Have them ready for use in the rack installation. If you are installing more than one PixelStor 5000 into the rack, start at the lowest available position, and work upward. You may need to remove the rack's power distribution unit (PDU) before you install the PixelStor 5000. Refer to rack manufacturer's instructions for further instructions

- A stabilizer must be attached to the bottom, front of the rack to prevent the rack from tipping forward while the enclosure is being removed or installed. Do not remove or install any enclosure if a stabilizer is not attached to the rack.
- Do not attempt to lift the enclosure by yourself. Ask another person for aid.
- Do not use the handles from the controller or power supply modules to carry the enclosure. These handles are not intended to support the weight of the enclosure.

• Install the brackets as shown in the example below.



Figure 3-2 Installing the Mounting Brackets in the Rack

• The Chassis slides along the support edges of the Bracket.



Figure 3-3 Secure the Mounting Brackets

PixelStor 5000 User Manual Rev. 1, May 2013 Each pair of Brackets is supplied with a set of screws: 10-32, 12-24, M6. Use the size appropriate for your Rack. For those Racks with square holes use the included flanged nuts to secure the screws. Note the pair of screws that are attached to the chassis. Use these screws to secure the chassis into the Rack.



Make sure the Brackets are installed at the level where you wish to install your PixelStor 5000 system.

• Lift the system to the desired position on the rack with the help of a second person.



For best results, start installing systems from the bottom of the rack and move up.

- Tighten the screws to fix the chassis to the rack.
  - 3.3 Installing Hardware Modules
  - 3.3.1 Controller Modules

This PixelStor 5000 is designed to operate with one or two controller modules. When the PixelStor 5000 is equipped with dual controller modules, the hot-swappable redundant function is enabled. If one controller module fails, the surviving controller takes over all storage volumes and host connections. With redundant controllers, you can replace the failed controller module without powering off the PixelStor 5000, because the surviving controller module takes the place of the failed one.

The location of the controller modules on the chassis is shown below:



Figure 3-4 Location of Controller Modules

To install the controller module

• Carefully insert the controller module into the bay until it completely enters the bay and the latches engage.



Figure 3-5 Inserting the Controller Module

Make sure that the controller modules are fully inserted and the connectors firmly seated to the backplane.

To remove the controller module

• Pull latches to release controller

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Figure 3-6 Release the Controller Module

3.3.2 Controller Fan Board

The PixelStor 5000 is designed with two 600 watt power supply modules with fan to provide redundant power for the entire enclosure. One power supply provides enough power to boot up and run a fully loaded system. The second power supply/fan assembly serves as a backup in the event of a system failure and provides cooling.

Each power supply module contains two non-removable external fans to cool the power supply module. The power supply module shuts itself down if the specified limit is exceeded for temperature or output current.

Features:

- On/Off DC power switch
- Two Non removable variable speed fans
- AC plug receptacle
- Power supply status LEDs (AC present, power on and AC fault)

# \* Reminder

Before you remove a power supply module, disconnect the power supply power cord from AC power and then from the power supply.

To install the Power Supply/Fan assembly

Carefully insert the Power Supply/Fan assembly into the bay with the handle fully opened until it completely enters the bay.



Figure 3-7 Inserting the Controller Fan Board

To remove the Power Supply/Fan assembly

• Press the latch and pull the handle to remove the Power Supply/Fan assembly.



Figure 3-8 Pressing the Locking Button

### 3.3.3 Hard Drive Modules

This PixelStor 5000 system supports installation of 3.5" SATAII drives drives. The drives are housed in SATA hot plug drive canister and can be installed in the following slots on the PixelStor 5000:



Figure 3-9 Hard Drive Module Location

The layout of hard drive modules is shown below:



• The drive must be inserted into the drive slot with the drive label facing up.

To install the hard drive module

- Place Tray holder as shown in Figure 3-11
- Position the hard drive into the carrier.

### • Secure the hard drive with four screws.

• Carefully insert the HDD assembly into the PixelStor 5000 chassis as shown below.

Figure 3-11 HDD Assembly installed in Chassis

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There must be a minimum of 2 to 3 drives (depending on RAID type) to configure a Disk Group in the system. (See "Rules for Adding Storage)

To remove the hard drive module

- Reverse the above process to remove the drive from the chassis.
- Slide the released button to the right to release the drive handle.
- Pull the handle to unseat the drive and slide the hard drive module out of the drive bay.



When removing the hard drive module, pull the drive out slightly until disconnected. Do not pull it out completely. Wait at least 30 seconds to allow the drive to stop spinning before remove drive completely.

### 3.3.4 Mid-plane

The Mid-plane consists of the drive backplane, controller backplane and mid-plane bracket. The drive backplane can support twelve 3.5" SATA drives. The system uses a controller backplane to connect the drive backplane with the controller modules and power supply modules. The shape of drive backplane is shown below:

The location of mid-plane is shown below:



# Reminder

Before you remove or install the mid-plane, you must remove all modules connected to the mid-plane. Please follow the steps below:

- Step 1: Make sure the PixelStor 5000 is turned off and not connected to AC power.
- Step 2: Remove the controller module.
- Step 3: Remove the power supply module.
- Step 4: Remove the drives.

To install the Mid-plane

**1** Insert the Mid-plane into the chassis.



Figure 3-13 Installing the Mid-plane

To remove the mid-plane

- Push both locking buttons in the direction of the arrow below.
- Lift the mid-plane straight up from the chassis.



Figure 3-14 Removing the Mid-plane

### **3.4** Adding Expansion Enclosures (PixelStor 100e/312/324e)

The PixelStor 100e/312e/324e functions as an expansion enclosures for the PixelStor 5000 RAID system. Up to eight PixelStor 100e/312e's and up to four PixelStor 324e's expansion enclosures can be added to a PixelStor 5000 in a daisy chain fashion using the supplied SAS IO cables to enable a maximum capacity of 108 drives. PixelStor 100e/312e/324e enclosures can be added while the system is running (hot-added).

PixelStor 100e/312e are 2U/12 bay single or dual controller expansion enclosures while the PixelStor 324e 4U/24 bay single controller only expansion enclosure.

The PixelStor 100e/312e/324e is designed with external SAS connectors to connect with the PixelStor 5000 RAID system and to other 100e/312e/324e enclosures. These SAS connectors can be used for upstream connection (subtractive routing) or downstream cascading (table routing). Upstream and downstream connections are required to be connected to different SAS connectors. Please see illustration below for details.







Figure 3-16 100e/312e/324e SAS Connectors

٠	SAS OUT - SFF-8470 Connector
•	SAS IN - SEE-8470 Connector

Figure 3-21 SAS Cable Connections - Shows the supported cabling configuration for PixelStor 5000 RAID system and 100e/312e/324e expansion enclosures. Start from the PixelStor 5000 chassis at the top of the diagram and connect to the first 100e/312e/324e enclosure below it. Then add additional 100e/312e/324e enclosures.

Note in the single controller configuration only the bottom controller should be installed and SAS cable connections should never be made between bottom and top controller.

The PixelStor 324e is a single controller only product should and should be connect as such.

- 1. Each RAID controller on the PixelStor 5000 has a SAS connector marked with the icon. Connect one end of one of the included SAS cables to SAS connector with on the PixelStor 5000.
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♦ icon SAS OUT always connects to ● icon SAS IN.

 Each IO module on the PixelStor 100e/312e/324e has 2 SAS connectors. One is marked with a ◆ icon (SAS OUT) and one is marked with a ● icon (SAS IN). Connect the other end of the SAS cable from Step 1 to the right-most module SAS connector

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marked with a ● icon on SAS IO module 0 of the 1st PixelStor 100e/312/324e.

- For a dual controller configuration, follow the same exact process described above to connect RAID controller 1 on the PixelStor 5000 to SAS IO module 1 on the 1<sup>st</sup> 312e/100e. You have now properly connected the PixelStor 5000 RAID system to the 1st 300e expansion enclosure.
- 4. If you have additional 100e/312e/324e enclosures to add to this RAID system, follow the rest of these steps to daisy chain them to the 1st 100e/312e/324e.
- Connect one end of another of the included SAS cables to the SAS connector marked with an ◆ icon on the SAS IO module 0 of the 1st 100e/312e/324e expansion chassis. Connect the other end of the SAS cable to the SAS connector marked with an ● icon on SAS IO module 0 of the 2nd 100e/312e/324e expansion enclosure.
- Follow the same exact instructions above for connecting SAS IO module 1 on the 1st 300e expansion enclosure to SAS IO module 1 on the 2nd 300e expansion enclosure. You have now properly connected a 2nd 100e/312e/324e expansion enclosure to the first 300e enclosure.
- 7. To add additional 100e/312e/324e.expansion enclosures to this RAID array system, repeat steps 5 and 6.



Figure 3-21 SAS Cable Connections

### 3.5 Powering on the System

PixelStor 5000 is equipped with a 3-wire power cable and plug for user safety. Use only the cable provided with the system. Ensure that the electrical outlet is correctly grounded to avoid electric shock.

At the back of the enclosure, plug the power cords to the power supplies. Plug the other end of the power cord into the power source of the rack. Make sure the power source is fully grounded. It is recommended you plug each of the two power cords into separate power sources on the rack to increase availability. It is recommended that you always use a regulating uninterruptible power supply (UPS) to protect your system. Now that all the hardware has been installed power on your system by toggling the power switches **①** on each power supply to the on position.



Figure 3-17 Turn on Power Supply

# Chapter 4 System Configuration

Initialize the System Configure the System Additional Configuration Options E

## 4 System Configuration

Once the physical hardware components are installed, you are ready to start configuring your storage. First you will need to set up the PixelStor 5000 on your network.

It is always recommended that you set up the PixelStor 5000 on protected storage network separate from you data network for security and performance reasons.

### 4.1 Initialize the System

The PixelStor 5000 ships with 5 to 10 Gigabit Ethernet (GE) ports per system depending on your purchased configuration. These are bonded together using RASILIENT's IP redirect technology. RASILIENT offers additional flexibility by offering the ability to set one of these GE link links as a separate out-of-band management port.

By default the system ships with all the included GE links bonded together into one IP address. This provides the best performance because the system intelligently balances IO requests across the multiple bonded GE links. This approach also offers the best fault tolerance because if any link goes down, hosts can continue to access the PixelStor 5000 via the surviving GE links.

With the physical hardware components installed, you are now ready to initialize the system and start configuring your storage. The first step in setting up the PixelStor 5000 is to get it ready to connect to your network. There are two options for setting up the PixelStor 5000 on your network.

### 4.1.1 Option 1 – Use Pre-configured IP Address to Connect to System

Each PixelStor 5000 comes pre-configured with an IP address. Once you have connected your PixelStor 5000 to your network and started the system, you can use the web based PixelStor Storage Manager included with your system to configure your storage. Using the PixelStor Storage Manager and default IP addresses instead of the CLI is recommended, especially if this is your first time setting up a PixelStor 5000. The PixelStor Storage Manager is designed to get your system up and running in six simple steps.



There will be only one base System IP address regardless of number of physical GE ports or number of controllers.

- Power-on PixelStor 5000, using the DC power/standby switch-on each power supply. The green DC power light on the power supply will turn on and stay on. The green activity light on each installed disk drive should be on. The PixelStor 5000 comes with its own pre-installed system software. When the system is powered on, the system software boots automatically.
  - When PixelStor 5000 is started for the first time, the system may take 1-2 minutes as it does a full system check. This only happens on the first start-up or after an improper power shut down. If the system is restarted during the initialization sequence, the process starts over from the beginning. Please wait for the system to finish its initialization sequence to avoid start-up delays.
- 2. Move to a workstation with a web browser such as Microsoft Internet Explorer on the same subnet as PixelStor 5000. Type http://192.168.0.1 into the web browser address window to access the PixelStor Storage Manager.

The workstation that will be used for system configuration should be on the same subnet as PixelStor 5000 . Set the Workstation IP address to 192.168.0.x and the net mask to 255.255.255.0 before trying to access the PixelStor Storage Manager.□

- 3. You will see the PixelStor 5000 login. Enter the following login information when prompted.
  - Password: root
  - User Name: root
- 4. This will take you to Systems Properties page. Use the Setup Wizard on the far right side of the browser window (Steps 1-6) to guide you through the setup process.
- 4.1.2 Option 2 Configure Private IP Address to Connect to System

Before connecting the PixelStor 5000 to your network, you will first need to access the built-in Command Line Interface (CLI) that is included with your system. The PixelStor 5000 is designed with one mini-serial port on the back of each controller module. This can be used to PixelStor 5000 User Manual 4-17 Rev. 1, May 2013 connect a serial console to the PixelStor 5000 to manage the system. The CLI can be accessed via a terminal emulator running on a PC or laptop connected directly to the mini Serial port on the back of the PixelStor 5000.



See Appendix B – Using the Command Line Interface, for more information on the CLI and a full list of commands. The mini-serial port is configured for 115.2K Baud, N81.

- 1. To minimize any IP address conflicts, make sure the PixelStor 5000 is not connected to your network.
- 2. Connect the supplied serial cable to the COM port on either controller.
- 3. Connect the opposite end of the cable to a workstation or laptop with a terminal emulation program (i.e. Microsoft Windows HyperTerminal).
- 4. You must use the following terminal emulation settings on the workstation/laptop to access the CLI:
  - Baud Rate 115,200
  - Data Bits 8
  - Parity None
  - Stop Bits 1
  - Flow Control Off
- 5. Power-on the PixelStor 5000, using the DC power/standby switch-on each power supply. The green DC power light on the power supply should turn on and stay on. The green activity light on each installed disk drive should be on. The PixelStor 5000 comes with its own pre-installed CLI and system software. When the system is powered on, the software boots automatically.

When the PixelStor 5000 is started for the first time, the system may take 1-2 minutes as it does a full system check. This only happens on the first start-up or after an improper power shut down. If the system is restarted during the initialization sequence, the process starts over from the beginning. Please wait for the system to finish its initialization sequence to avoid start-up delays. The mini-serial connector can be connected to monitor information sent to the console during the boot process.

- 6. Once connected and running the PixelStor 5000 will prompt you for the following login information on the workstation/laptop terminal screen:
  - Login root
  - Password root

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If you have not done so already, consult with your network administrator for IP addresses that you can use to set up PixelStor 5000 on your network

7. This will start the CLI setup wizard.

RAStor - HyperTerminal
le Edit View Call Transfer Help
) 🖆   📾 🐉   🛍 🎦   📸
Setting raid5_force_reconstruct to 0 itoring
Starting UPS monitoring:[ OK ] After daemoize Starting snpnd Starting snmpd: [ OK ] Starting ofgsys da_host register to the KEM successfullylogger: dalun -R succeeded <iscsi): 0="" 192.168.0.2<="" group="" ip="" portal="" set="" td=""></iscsi):>
Portal 192.168.0.2 with tag 0 is set Starting httpd: [ OK ] Starting crond: [ OK ]
Battery present and fully charged Battery charger is good Main Chassis: Power Supply 0 present Main Chassis: Power Supply 0 DC is OK Main Chassis: Power Supply 0 DC is OK Main Chassis: Power Supply 1 is present Main Chassis: Power Supply 1 FAN is OK Main Chassis: Power Supply 1 DC is OK Fan board is present. expander 6. Power Supply 0 present expander 6. Power Supply 0 PC is OK expander 6. Power Supply 1 DC is OK expander 6. Power Supply 1 DC is OK expander 6. Power Supply 1 DC is OK
login: root Password:
This wizard will walk you through the network configuration. You can configure the rest of the system using the web GUI. The default values are in the bracket, you can press "Enter" to select the default value. If you make any mistake, you can press "ctrl-c", then logout and login to run this wizard again.
Enter IP address for system [192.168.0.1]:192.168.123.60 Enter metmask [225.25.0]: Enter mit [1500 - Jumbo frame isabled]: Enter mit [1500 - Jumbo frame Enter NIC2 IP [1:192.168.123.61 Enter NIC3 IP [1:192.168.123.63 Enter NIC4 IP [1:192.168.123.65 Enter NIC5 IP [1:192.168.123.65 Enter NIC5 IP [1:192.168.123.65 Enter NIC6 IP [1:192.168.123.65 Enter MIC6 IP [1:192.168.123.65 Enter default gateway for system [1:255.255.255.06 Invalid IP Address 255.255.255.0 Enter default gateway for system [1:192.168.123.24 Enter DNS address for system [1:192.168.123.4 Enter JNC address 160 system [1:192.168.123.4 Enter default gateway for system [1:192.168.123.4 Enter default gateway for system [1:192.168.123.4 Enter JNS address for system [1:192.168.123.4 Enter DNS address for system [1:192.168.123.4 Enter DN

Figure 4-1 CLI Setup Wizard

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This wizard will only run automatically when you log in from the serial terminal as "root". It will NOT run when you login using telnet or log in as a non-root user. Once the network is configured, the wizard will not run automatically again. However, you can run the wizard manually by issuing the command 'dasetup' from the CLI (See Appendix B – Using the Command Line Interface for more information)

8. Once launched, the wizard will walk your through the network configuration. The default values are in the brackets. You can hit your enter key to accept the default value or type in the private network information you received from your network administrator to

change the default value. Here is a sample of the what you will be asked to provide:

- Configure NIC1 as dedicated management port [no]:
- Enter the IP address for system [192.168.0.1]:
- Enter netmask [255.255.255.0]:
- Enter MTU [1500 Jumbo frame disabled]:
- Enter NIC1 [ ]:
- Enter NIC2 [ ]:
- Enter NIC3 [ ]:
- Enter default gateway for system []:
- Enter DNS address for system []:
- 9. Once wizard is complete, connect the PixelStor 5000 to your network (RJ45 network cables not provided). You are now ready to launch the PixelStor web based management utility to install and configure your PixelStor 5000.
  - **4.2** Configure the System

### 4.2.1 Storage Manager Overview

PixelStor 5000 ships with a comprehensive web based management console, "PixelStor Storage Manager". The web based management console enables users to install, configure and maintain the PixelStor 5000 from an intuitive easy to use web interface. To access the PixelStor Storage Manager:

 Login to the PixelStor 5000 from any laptop or workstation on the same subnet as the one you assigned to your PixelStor 5000 in step 8 above. You do this by opening a browser window and typing in any of the IP addresses you setup on the PixelStor 5000 in the previous section.

The workstation that will be used for system configuration should be on the same subnet as PixelStor 5000.

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Be sure to add the IP address to your Local Intranet access list in Internet Explorer otherwise your browser may not generate the correct output..

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Figure 4-2 Storage Manager Login

- 2. Enter the following login information when prompted.
  - User Name: root
  - Password: root

This will take you to Systems Properties page of the management console.





There are 6 primary sections within the Storage Manager (see Figure 4-3 Management Console Layout)

Console Banner
Navigation Tabs
Setup Wizard
Navigation Tree
Work Area
System Status Icon

The Console Banner provides links to the support page, an exit link and a link to the Shutdown page. For easy reference, the System IP address and the Storage System name are displayed as shown in Figure 4-4.

<b>Fasilient</b> PixelStor 5000 Storage Manager		<b>s</b> CMS ? Support < Exit x Shutdown System IP Address: 192.168.124.83 System Hostname: BF2PVT
Figure 4-4	Console Banner	

The Navigation Tabs provide quick access to utilities that allow you to manage the PixelStor 5000 as shown in Figure 4-5. Each is discussed in greater detail in subsequent sections of this document.

System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options				

Figure 4-5 Navigation Tabs

### The Setup Wizard shown in

serves as a setup guide and progress bar that takes you through the six basic steps needed to configure and use your PixelStor 5000.

These steps include:

- 1. Network Setup
- 2. System Initialization
- 3. Disk Group Setup
- 4. Virtual Disk Setup
- 5. Host Setup
- 6. Present Virtual Disks







The Navigation tree shown in

Figure 4-7 provides a second level of navigation associated with the tab that is currently selected. For example, when System tab is selected, you can go to 5 additional sub categories.

These include:

- 1. Hardware Status
- 2. System Log
- 3. iSCSI Statistics
- 4. Notification
- 5. System Health Alert

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- Hardware Status
- System Log
- Host Connectivity
- Notification
- System Health Alert
- Performance Data

Figure 4-7 Navigation Tree

The Work Area, shown in Figure 4-8, changes depending on the Navigation tab you have selected. For each Navigation tab you will find information, input fields and action buttons associated with the specific Navigation tab/Navigation tree you have selected.

System	Disk Groups	Virt	ual Disks	Hosts	Options				
Storage System Properties									
Name: (none)									
	Operational st	ate:	Active/-						
Т	otal storage sp	ace:	0.00 GB						
	Controller t	ime:	Wed Dec	Wed Dec 12 17:59:09 UTC 2007					
System	n software vers	ion:	(L)K:3.1.	15-20071204					
Expansion 0	firmware vers	ion:	(L)2.3 - /	Aug 14 2007					
Expansion 1	firmware vers	ion:	(L)2.3 - /	Aug 14 2007					
Expansion 2	firmware vers	ion:	(L)2.3 - /	Aug 14 2007					
Expansion 3	firmware vers	ion:	(L)2.3 - Aug 14 2007						
Expansion 4	firmware vers	ion:	(L)2.3 - /	Aug 14 2007					
Expansion 5 firmware version: (L)2.3 - Aug 14 2007									
	Initialize				Help				

Figure 4-8 Work Area

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The System Status Icons shown in Figure 4-9 provides a visual representation of the hardware status for the PixelStor 5000. Healthy components are presented in green and faulty components are represented in Red. Figure 4-9 shows how a drive color changes when a drive has a fault condition.

System Status	System Status <u> Alert</u>
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Figure 4-9 System Status Icon

### 4.2.2 Using the Setup Wizard

The Setup Wizard which is located on the right hand side of the Storage Manager serves as a setup guide and a progress bar for the six basic steps for setting-up a PixelStor 5000 (See When you click on any of the steps in the Setup Wizard, that step is highlighted and the work area opens the associated pages for that step. Upon completion of a step, that step in the setup wizard is shaded to show that you completed that step in the setup procedure.

Once you have completed the initial setup, you can use the Setup Wizard to jump to any of the steps you care to repeat. Those familiar with the system my chose to use the Navigation tabs to get to the same pages.

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System	System Disk Groups Virtual Disks Hosts Options		
Hardware Status			Setup Wizard
System Log	Network Setup	- 1 of (	
Host Connectivity	Stel	51010	U LA
Notification	Management Port: Disabled V		Setup
<ul> <li>System Health Alert</li> </ul>	System Hostname: BF2PVT		2
Performance Data	System IP Address: 192.168.124.83		System Initialization
	Netmask: 255.255.255.0		(3) PP3
	CO NIC 1 IP: dhcp		Disk Group Setup
	C0 NIC 2 IP: dhcp	_	(4) BP20
System Status	CO NIC 3 IP: dhcp		Virtual Disk Setup
	CO NIC 4 IP: dhcp		
a antic is affic is affic is affic is	CO NIC 5 IP: dhcp		Host Setup
(nns) (nns) (nns) (nns) (nns) (nns) (nns)	C1 NIC 1 IP: dhcp		0 0
	Cancel Save Changes Help	· ·	Present Virtual Disks



System	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options					
Hardware Status										Cature Millerand
System Log			dhcp						^	Setup wizard
Host Connectivity		C0 N	IIC 3 IP: dhcp							1 200
Notification		C0 N								Network Setup
System Health			ancp							betup
Alert		C0 N	IIC 5 IP: dhcp							2
Performance Data		C1 N								System
			dhcp							Initialization
		C1 N	IIC 2 IP: dhcp							3 PB
		C1 N								Disk Group
		CIN	dhcp							Setup
		C1 N	IIC 4 IP: dhcp							(A) \$250
System Status		C1 N								Virtual Disk
System status		CIN	dhcp							Setup
		Default Gate	eway IP: 192.1	68.124.254	1					0 27
		DNS Se	PLOP ID:							
		010 00	192.1	68.1.4						Host Setup
				0						
	Enable	ole Jumbo Fram	e, MTU: 9000	⊖ Disa	ble Jumbo F	rame, MTU: 1	500	_	~	
		Cancel	]	Save C	hanges		Help			Present Virtual Disks

Figure 4-11 Network Setup – Bottom of Page

### 4.2.3 Step 1 – Network Setup

Use Network Setup (see Figure 4-10) to configure network connectivity to the system. If you logged-in using the default IP address or if you changed the default IP address using the CLI wizard, you can make adjustments using this step. This step allows you to make the following changes:

- 1. Set System Name?
- 2. Enter a system IP address. This bonds all the installed GE ports. Then, assign individual IP addresses to each GE port.



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All IP addresses must be assigned in order for port bonding to operate properly.

- 3. Enter Net-mask value
- 4. Enter Default Gateway (GW) address
- 5. Enter Domain Name Server (DNS) IP address
- 6. Check the box to activate Jumbo Frames
- 7. Or Check the box to de-select Jumbo Frames
- 8. Click on Save Changes for your settings take effect.

If you change the IP address or netmask value you used to log into the controller, you will have to login again after clicking on Save Changes with your new IP Address.

### 4.2.4 Step 2 – System Initialization

Step 2 System Initialization, shown in Figure 4-12 and Figure 4-13, is used to define a system name and to set the date and time on the system. Once you have entered the system name, you can click on Finish to save these settings or click on Next to set the date and time.

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System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options		C 1 107 1
Initiali	ze a Stora	a System	n		step 2 of 6	Setup Wizard
Intrati		ige Syster			300 2 01 0	
Complete th	is step and click	Finish to initial	lize your stora	ge system in th	e simplest way	Setup
the step and	d click <b>Next</b> inst	ead.	mualization o	i your storage	system, complete	2
STEP 1: E	nter a Hostnam	e				System Initialization
Enter a Hos	stname for your s	torage system:				() Po
RASTOR1						Disk Group
						Setup
						Setup
						5
						Host Setup
						6
	Cancel		Next		Finish	Present Virtual Disks

Figure 4-12 System Initialization – Step 1

System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options		
Initiali	Setup Wizard					
STEP 2: Se OUse exist	et the system d	ate/time ate/time setting:				(2) System Initialization
Wed Dec 1	2 19:55:34 UTC 20 ustom date/time :	007 setting:				3 Disk Group Setup
	D Ti	ate: Jan ▼ - me: 00 ▼	- 01 ▼ 200 00 ▼ 00 ▼	7 🔻		(4) Virtual Disk Setup
	Time Zi	one: PST(US)	•			S Host Setup
P	revious		Finish		Cancel	6 Present Virtual Disks



### 4.2.5 Step 3 – Disk Group Setup

A Disk Group is a collection of disk drives that is created by selecting disks to become members of the Disk Group and building a RAID device with the selected disks. Clicking on Step 3, Disk Group Setup, shown in Figure 4-14, opens the Disk Group Properties page where you see an overview of the Disks in the system.

The fields displayed on the Disk Group Properties page are:

- <u>Operational State</u> Shows the status of the Disk Groups
- <u>Total Disk Groups</u> Shows the number of Disk Groups created
- <u>Total Grouped Disks</u> Shows the number of disk drives that are members of a Disk Group
- <u>Total Spare Disks</u> Shows the number of spare disks that are eligible to become members of a Disk Group
- <u>Total Orphan Disks</u> Shows the number of disks that have Disk Group information, but are not currently a member of a Disk Group
- <u>Total Not-Owner Disks</u> Shows the number of disks that belong to a Disk Group owned by the remote controller. (This state is possible for dual configurations only). Disks are shown as Not-Owner disks when the remote controller is not available. This condition may occur when the remote controller is in the process of booting. You may wait for the remote controller to boot or use the Takeover DG to reassign these disks to the local controller.
- <u>Total Faulty Disks</u> Shows the number of disks that have been declared faulty in the storage system.
- <u>Total Unqualified Disks</u> Shows the number of disks that have been produced by Rasilient in the storage system and are not usable.
- <u>Total Physical Disks</u> Shows the number of disks installed in the storage system.

**Buttons** 

- <u>Cancel</u> Return to the Storage Systems Properties page.
- <u>Create DG</u> Create a new Disk Group.
- <u>Discover DG</u> Manually discover Disk Groups.
- <u>Orphan to Spare</u> Convert Orphan disks into Spare Disks. This removes all Disk Group information from the selected disks.
- <u>Takeover DG</u> Reassign Not-Owner disks to the local controller
- <u>Help</u> Display the help page.

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Disk Group List	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options				
Disk Groups	Disk G	Setup Wizard							
	Operational State: Initialized - Good Total Disk Groups: 0 Total Grouped Disks: 0								
	Total Spare Disks: 12 Total Orphan Disks: 0 Total Not-Owner Disks: 0								
System Status	Ti Total U Tota	otal Faulty Disk Inqualified Disk al Physical Disk	s: 0 s: 0 s: 12				(4) Virtual Disk Setup		
Europe         Europe         Europe         Europe           Europe         Europe         Europe         Europe	_	Cancel		reate DG	Dis	scover DG	Host Setup		
Kem30CKem30CKem30CKem30C Kem30CKem30CKem30CKem30C Kem30CKem30CKem30CKem30C Kem30CKem30CKem30CKem30C	Orph	an to Spare	Ta	keover DG		Help	Present Virtual Disks		

Figure 4-14 Disk Group Setup - Properties

To create a Disk Group, click on the Create DG button of the Disk Group Properties page. This will open the Create a Disk Group page shown in Figure 4-15.

System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options		
Create	Setup Wizard					
Select dis	Enter a Nam k group member RAID Syster	e: s: 0 1 2 n:	3 4 5 6 7	8 9 10 11		2 System Initialization
Expa Expa Expa	nsion Enclosure- nsion Enclosure- nsion Enclosure-	0: • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •				3 Disk Group Setup
Expa Sele	nsion Enclosure- ct protection leve	3: RAID 6				(4) Virtual Disk Setup
Select the j	orimary controlle	r: (  Control	ler 0			5 Host Setup
(	Cancel	A	dvanced		Finish	6 Present Virtual Disks


Once you open the Create a Disk Group page, you need to enter a name for the Disk Group (see Figure 4-16). The Disk Group name should not contain spaces or special characters. You will also need to select the drives to be used as members of the Disk Group. Then select a RAID level from the pull down menu by clicking on the down arrow of "Select protection level:". The RAID level selected for the Disk Group further imposes requirements associated with that RAID level.

The following table describes the requirements for each RAID level:

Table 4-1 Disk Group Parameters											
Disk Group (DG) Parameters	RAID 0	RAID5	RAID50	RAID6	RAID60	RAID1	RAID 1+0				
Minimum # of Drives per DG	2	3	6	4	8	2	4				
Maximum # of Drives per DG	108	108	108	108	108	108	108				
Maximum # of Drives per	108	108	108	108	108	108	108				
System (PixelStor 5000)											
DGs Allowed per System	1-16	1-16	1-16	1-16	1-16	1-16	1-16				
RAID Levels Allowed per DG	1	1	1	1	1	1	1				
Drives Must be Added in	Singles	Three's	Group 6	Four's	Group 8	Pairs	Pairs				
Global Spare Capability	N/A	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes				
Access to DG by both	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes				

Drives that are not assigned to a Disk Group are available as Global Spares unless they are in an Orphan state or Failed Disk state. A Disk Group built as RAID 0 cannot use a global spare.

It is recommended that for a RAID 1, RAID 5, RAID 6, RAID 50, RAID 60 or RAID 10 Disk Groups, the drives the same size. The usable space on any given drive in the Disk Group will be equal to the size of the smallest drive in the Disk Group (except for RAID 0).

Next, you select a primary controller for the new Disk Group on the Create a Disk Group page. When using an iSCSI initiator, this setting will associate the Disk Group with the IP address of the controller you select as defined in the network setup. Simply click on the button for the controller you wish to associate with the Disk Group.

Figure 4-16 shows the selection of Controller 0 for the new Disk Group. Clicking on the Finish button will create the Disk Group. Clicking on the advanced button will open the Advanced Features page shown in Figure 4-17, where you can set an Occupancy Warning level and add any comments to the Disk Group attributes.

System Disk Groups Vi	tual Disks Hosts Op	tions	
Create a Disk Grou	p	Setup Wiza	rd
Enter a Name: Select disk group members: RAID System:	NewDiskGroup1 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 V V V V V	10 11 System Initialization	
Expansion Enclosure-0: Expansion Enclosure-1: Expansion Enclosure-2:		Disk Group Setup	Ð
Expansion Enclosure-3: Select protection level:	RAID 6	Virtual Disk Setup	
Select the primary controller:	Controller 0	(5) Host Setup	2
Cancel	Advanced	Finish Orresent Virtual Disks	



System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options			
Create Continue wi	a Disk Gi	OUD	sh to create ye	our Disk Group.		Setup Wiz	ard
Enter the 95 %	occupancy alar	m level				<ul> <li>System Initializatio</li> <li>3</li> </ul>	
Enter you	r Comments			A V		Disk Group Setup Virtual Disk Setup	
						5 Host Setup	2
Р	revious	F	inish		Cancel	6 Present Virtual Disk	3

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Once you click on Finish, a progress page will open, shown in Figure 4-18.



Figure 4-18 Create Disk Group – Progress Page



You can continue to create additional Disk Groups or start using the Disk Group while it is being created.

When the Disk Group has been created, a properties page for the newly created Disk Group is opened. You can get to any specific Disk Group Properties page by selecting the Disk Group you are interested in from the Disk Group List on the left hand side of the Management Console. The currently selected Disk Group is highlighted in the Disk Group List as shown in Figure 4-19.

Disk Group List	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options			
Disk Groups		1				1		Setup Wizard
NewDiskGroup1	Dist. C.						-	Setup mizard
	DISK GI	roup Prop	erties					1 200
							_	Network
		Nam	e: NewDiskG	roup1				Setup
			,					a solo
	0	perational stat	e: Active					
		Total Disk	s: 6					System
		Total Capacit	y: 1859.00 G	3			Ξ	Initialization
		Occupanc	y: 0.00 GB					3
	Select Pri	imary Controlle	er: 0	-				Disk Group
			U	•				Setup
		Protection Leve	el: RAID6					a pa
C 1 C 1	Disk	Group Member	s: 0 1 2	34567	8 9 10 11			
System Status		RAID Syster	n: 🗸 🗸 🗸	<u> </u>				Virtual Disk Setup
	Expans	sion Enclosure-	0:					
Kinnebe Kinnebe Kinnebe Kinnebe	Expans	ion Enclosure-	1·					5
Kendor Kendor Kendor Kendor	Expans							-D
Kinnebe Kinnebe Kinnebe Kinnebe	Expans	sion Enclosure-	2:					Host Setup
	Raid	is Building	De	activate		Expand		6
Kanste Kanste Kanste Kanste						<u> </u>		
Kinnebe Kinnebe Kinnebe Kinnebe		Delete	Sav	e Changes		Help		Virtual Disks

Figure 4-19 Disk Group Properties

A RAID build is automatically started on the Disk Group when it is created according to the RAID level specified. The RAID is Building button is highlighted while the RAID is building. You can use the Disk Group while the RAID is building. You may also click on the RAID is Building button to open the RAID Build Progress page shown in Figure 4-20.

Disk Group List	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options	
NewDiskGroup1	Disk RA	AID Build	in Progre	SS		 Setup Wizard
	Type Pero resync 3.8% Note:Disk g	cent Time(left % 352.1min roup can be us	) Speed 22174K/sec ed while RAID i	Progress [> s building.	]	3 System Initialization
						3 Disk Group Setup
System Status						Virtual Disk Setup
<ul> <li>K. (1993)</li> <li>K. (1993)</li></ul>						(3) Host Setup
K(111)         K(111)         K(111)         K(111)				ок		Present Virtual Disks

Figure 4-20 RAID Build Progress

The Disk Group Properties page for a specific Disk Group shows:

- Name The name of the Disk Group
- <u>Operational State</u> A Disk Group may be in one of the following states:
  - <u>Active</u> is where the Disk Group is up and running with all member disks with no faults on any of the disks in the Disk Group.
  - Inactive is where the Disk Group has been deactivated and is not running or unavailable to any host.
  - RAID <u>Degraded</u> is where the Disk Group is up and running but is either missing one or more Disk Group Members or where one or more of the Disk Group members has been declared faulty. In this state, the Disk Group is usable but without RAID protection.
  - RAID <u>Unhealthy</u> is where the Disk Group is missing two or more disk members. An Unhealthy Disk Group is not usable.
- Total Disks Shows the total number of disks in the Disk Group
- <u>Total Capacity</u> Shows the Disk Group capacity in Gigabytes
- <u>Occupancy</u> Shows the percentage of the capacity of the Disk Group that has been allocated to Virtual Disks
- <u>Select Primary Controller</u> Shows the current Primary controller selection or allows you to change the primary controller selection through the pull down menu. Selecting an alternative primary controller will not take effect until you click on the Save Changes Button.
- Protection Level Shows the RAID protection level of the Disk Group
- <u>Disk Group Members</u> Shows the disk drives that are members of the Disk Group
- <u>Comments</u> Shows any comments that were entered from the advance features of the Create Disk Group page or allows you to enter comments for the specific Disk Group. Comments will not be associated with the Disk Group until you click on the Save Changes button.

# **Buttons**

- <u>RAID is Building</u> The RAID is Building button is shown while a RAID is building. This occurs during the initial creation of a Disk Group or when the RAID is being reconstructed. A RAID device is reconstructed when a member has been declared faulty and has been replaced by a global spare drive or by physically replacing the faulty drive.
- <u>Deactivate/Activate</u> Clicking on the Deactivate button will take a Disk Group off line, making all of the Virtual Disks unavailable to host on the network. For Disk Groups that have been deactivated, clicking on Active will make the Disk Group and all the Virtual Disks contained in the Disk Group available to hosts.

- <u>Expand</u> Click on Expand to increase the capacity of a Disk Group. You add members to the Disk Group in sets that are consistent with the RAID type.
- <u>Delete</u> Click on Delete to remove a Disk Group from the system. You must remove any Virtual Disk from the Disk Group before deleting the Disk Group.
- <u>Save Changes</u> Click on save changes to apply any changes to the Disk Group.
- <u>Help</u> Displays the Help page

When the RAID build is done the RAID is Building button is no longer visible.

### **Disk Group Discovery**

Disk Groups may be moved between chassis. When disks belonging to a Disk Group are installed in a new chassis, they may appear as Orphaned Disks. The Discovery process, shown in Figure 4-21, will examine disks to determine if they belong to a Disk Group, if all the Disk Group members are present, the Disk Group will be reactivated.



You should de-activate a Disk Group before moving the disks to a new or different chassis. Removing multiple drives from an active Disk Group without deactivation can create a failure scenario that makes the Disk Group unhealthy and unusable

You may select to Force Disk Group(s) online to bring a Disk Group online even when it is in a degraded state. You cannot use Force Disk Group(s) online to bring an unhealthy Disk Group online.

Disk Group List	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options							
NewDiskGroup1	Discove	Discovery Disk Group										
	Discovery ex Orphan Stat disks in the I	Discovery examines the disks that are currently in the Orphan State. If the Disks in the Orphan State have the matching Superblock (the disks were in the same group), and all disks in the Disk Group are present and not faulty. Discovery will bring up this Disk Group.										
	If you check even when i faulty disk.	If you check the "Force Disk Group(s) online" option, Discovery will bring up the Disk Group even when it is in the degraded mode. For example, a RAID 5 Disk Group with a missing or faulty disk.										
	Select a Prin	Select a Primary Controller										
	Controller     Earce Dick (	0	ought up in da	anadad mada			Setup					
System Status	Force Disk	Groups to be br	ought up in de	graded mode			Virtual Disk Setup					
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X(mag)         X(mag)         X(mag)         X(mag)		Cancel			Discover		Present Virtual Disks					

Figure 4-21 Disk Group Discovery

# **Orphan Disks**

An Orphan Disk is a disk that contains information about membership in a Disk Group that has either been removed from the Disk Group or is designated as an Orphan because there are not enough of the Disk Group members available in the system to build the Disk Group.

This condition can occur when a disk has been improperly removed from the system and a hot spare disk has replaced the Orphan Disk in the Disk Group. Since the Disk Group is rebuilt using the Spare Disk, the Orphan cannot be used in the Disk Group.

This condition may also occur when some of the disks from a Disk Group are moved to a new chassis. Without enough Disk Group members present to reassemble the Disk Group, the system labels the disks as orphans. In this case, you can either locate and add the missing Disk Group members or convert the Orphan Disks to Spare Disks and rebuild the Disk Group from available Spare Disks. In this case all information on the disks will be lost.

Converting an Orphan Disk to a Spare will remove all data from the disks. Only those disks that are in an Orphan state may be selected to be converted. Click on the Convert button in the Orphan Disk to Spare disk page, shown in, to convert the disks.

Disk Groups							Setup Wizard
NewDiskGroup1	Conver	rt Orphar	n disk to S	Spare disk			0 2
	Select the C	orphan Disk an help page.	d click on <b>Conv</b>	ert to convert th	em to spare <mark>d</mark> isks. He	elp Button to	Setup
			7 0 0 10				0
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							Disk Group Setup
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ystem Status							Virtual Disk Setup
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Figure 4-22 Convert Orphan Disk to Spare

Expanding a Disk Group

The ability to expand a Disk Group depends upon the number of drives and the type of RAID used in the Disk Group and having enough spare drives to complete the expansion. Expanding Disk Groups follows the same rules for each RAID type as when you created the Disk Group (See Table 4-1 Disk Group Parameters ).

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When expanding a RAID 5 DG, the expansion set will be appended to the original set and the total size adjusted accordingly. The striping of the original RAID 5 set will not be re-arranged.

Disk Group List	Guaham	Diele Comme	Minhard Diala	Useba	Ontines				
Disk Groups	System	Disk Groups	VIETUAL DISKS	HOSES	Options			C + 110 - 1	
NewDiskGroup1	Disk G	Disk Group Properties							
		Name: NewDiskGroup1							
	C	perational state	: Active					2	
		Total Disks	:: 6					System Initialization	
		Total Capacity	r: 1859.00 G	в			=		
		Occupancy	r: 0.00 GB					3	
	Select Pr	imary Controller	• 0	•				Disk Group Setup	
		Protection Leve	I: RAID6						
System Status	Disk	Group Members RAID System	: 012 : 777	34567	8 9 10 11			Virtual Disk	
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Figure 4-23 Disk Group Properties - Expand

To expand a Disk Group, select the Disk Group you wish to expand from the Disk Group List on the left hand side of the Management Console and click on the Expand button at the bottom of the properties page for that Disk Group shown in Figure 4-23.

This will open the Expand a Disk Group window shown in Figure 4-24, where you select the additional drives for the Disk Group.

Disk Group List	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options					
Disk Groups • NewDiskGroup1	Expand a Disk Group Select the disks to expand the Disk Group, and Click the Finish to expand the Disk Group.									
	Select exter	Aded NewDiskG           4         5         6         7         8	iroup1 members       9     10       V     V       I     I       I     I       I     I	5			System Initialization     System Disk Group Setup			
System Status                •••••••••••••••••••••••••							Virtual Disk Setup (3) Host Setup			
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Figure 4-24 Expand a Disk Group

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Once you have selected the drives to add to the Disk Group, click the Finish button to start the expansion.

4.2.6 Step 4 – Virtual Disk Setup

Once you have built at least one Disk Group, clicking on Step 4, Virtual Disk Setup will open the Virtual Disk Properties pages shown in Figure 4-25.

The number of Virtual Disks (also known as logical volumes or LUNs) in all the Disk Groups in the system must not exceed 256.

Disk Group List	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options		
NewDiskGroup1	Virtual	Disk Prop	perties			step 4 of 6	Setup Wizard
	To Total Act	tal Virtual Disk ive Disk Group	s: 0 s: 1				Setup System Initialization
							3 Disk Group Setup
System Status							Virtual Disk Setup
							(i) Host Setup
		Cancel		Create VD		Help	Present Virtual Disks

Figure 4-25 Virtual Disk Setup

The Virtual Disk Properties page in Figure 4-25, shows the Total number of Virtual Disk and Total active Disk Groups in the work area.

Buttons on the page include:

- Cancel Returns the user to the System Properties Page
- <u>Create VD</u> Opens the page to create a Virtual Disk
- <u>Help</u> Displays help information.

Clicking on Create VD will open the page shown in Figure 4-26.

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Disk Group List	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options							
Disk Groups						1	Setup Wizard					
<ul> <li>NewDiskGroup1</li> </ul>	Create	Create Virtual Disk										
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		Virtual Disk nam	ie:				0 A					
		Select Disk Grou	P: NewDiskG	Group1 (2788.50(G	B)F 🔻		System					
		Size (GE	3):				Initialization					
		alect cache polic			_		3 PPa					
		select cache polit	Write Back	5	•		Disk Group					
	Select	read-ahead polic	y: Enabled		-		Setup					
System Status							Virtual Disk					
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Figure 4-26 Initial Create VD Page

To create a Virtual Disk, do the following as shown in Figure 4-27:

- 1. Enter a name for the Virtual Disk.
- 2. Select the source Disk Group for the Virtual Disk as shown.

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Disk Group List	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options		
• NewDiskGroup1	Create	Virtual D	isk	1			Setup Wizard
		Virtual Disk name					Network Setup
		Select Disk Grou	p: NewDisk	Group1 (2788.50)	(GB) F 🔻		② System
	s	Size (GB Select cache polic	): 25	,			Initialization
	Select	read-ahead polic	C Enabled	~	• •		Disk Group Setup
System Status							Virtual Disk Setup
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<ul> <li>Konsol Konsol Konsol Konsol Konsol Konsol Konsol Konsol</li> </ul>							Host Setup
		Cancel		Finish		Help	Present Virtual Disks

Figure 4-27 Create VD – Enter Parameters

- 3. Enter the size in Gigabytes (GB) from the available free space in the Disk Group
- 4. Select the cache policy for the Virtual Disk
  - Auto provides mirrored cache and write back policies while two controllers are present and operational. Should one controller fail, or be removed the cache policy is switched to write through. Default setting
  - Write Through passes data to the disk and cache simultaneously.
  - Write Back does not provide mirrored cache. Write Back stores data in battery protected cache and writes to disks as cycles are available.
- 5. Select the read-ahead policy
  - Enable allows read ahead operations. The read-ahead logic adjusts for traffic patterns to improve bandwidth. Default setting
  - Disable turns off read ahead operations. It may be desirable to disable read-ahead in environments with highly random small block read and write operations.

Disk Group List	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options			
<ul> <li>Disk Groups</li> <li>NewDiskGroup1</li> <li>NewVD1</li> </ul>	VewDiskGroup1         Virtual Disk Family Properties							
		Nan	NewVD1				Network Setup	
	Da	te/Time Create	ed: Thu May 23 : te: Available	12:45:25 2013			3 System Initialization	
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C	Re	ead Ahead Poli	cy: Enabled v	]				
System Status	Extend	l to new capaci	ty:	GB			Virtual Disk Setup	
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Figure 4-28 Virtual Disk Properties

The Virtual Disk Properties page shown in Figure 4-28 displays:

- Name The name of the VD
- <u>Date/Time Created</u> Displays the date and time the Virtual Disk was created
- Operational State
  - o Active when available
  - o Inactive when the Disk Group is deactivated or doesn't have an owner
- Disk Group The name of the Disk Group in which the Virtual Disk resides
- <u>Cache Policy</u> Auto, Write Through or Write Back.
- Capacity The size of the Virtual Disk in GB
- <u>Read Ahead Policy</u> Enabled or Disabled
- <u>Extend to new capacity</u> For expanding the capacity of the VD. You need to press the "Save Changes button" to take effect.

### Buttons

- <u>Cancel</u> Returns you to the Storage System Properties Page
- <u>Save Changes</u> Works with Name, Cache Policy, Read Ahead policy and Extend Capacity field to make changes effective
- <u>Presentation</u> Used to open the Presentation window where you specify the host or hosts to connect to the LUN in SAN environments.
- <u>Take Snapshot</u> Opens the Snapshot window where you can take point in time read only snapshots (if option is installed).

- <u>Delete</u> Remove the Virtual Disk from the system.
- <u>Help</u> Displays the help page

Disk Group List	System Disk Groups Virtual Disks Hosts Options	
NewVD1	Virtual Disk Family Properties	Setup Wizard
	Date/Time Created: Thu May 23 12:45:25 2013 Operational State: Available Disk Groups: ras	System     Initialization
	Cache_Policy: Auto	Disk Group Setup
System Status	Extend to new capacity: 5000 GB	Virtual Disk Setup
	Cancel Save Changes Presentations Delete Help	(5) Host Setup Present Virtual Disks

Figure 4-29 Extending VD Capacity

Once you have created a Virtual Disk you can change several operational characteristics by entering a new value in a field on the Virtual Disk properties page and then clicking on the Save Changes Button. Figure 4-29 shows how to expand the capacity for the Virtual disk. The additional space must be available in the Disk Group to allow the Virtual Disk to expand.

4.2.7 Step 5 – Host Setup

Clicking on Step 5 in the Setup Wizards opens the Host Properties page that is used to describe a Host to the Storage array as shown in Figure 4-29. On PixelStor 5000, there is no need to create a Host definition because the VD is presented to all hosts by default. Only if presentation is intentionally limited to one host will a host need to be defined.

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			6				
Host List	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options		
Hosts			•	*1 X			Setup Wizard
Host1     Host2	Hosts F	Properties	S			step 5 of 6	1 200
		Total Hos	ts: 2				Network Setup
							3 System Initialization
							3 Disk Group Setup
System Status							Virtual Disk Setup
* (1003)         * (1003)         * (1003)           * (1003)         * (1003)         * (1003)         * (1003)           * (1003)         * (1003)         * (1003)         * (1003)           * (1003)         * (1003)         * (1003)         * (1003)           * (1003)         * (1003)         * (1003)         * (1003)           * (1003)         * (1003)         * (1003)         * (1003)           * (1003)         * (1003)         * (1003)         * (1003)           * (1003)         * (1003)         * (1003)         * (1003)							(5) Host Setup
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Figure 4-30 Host Properties Page

The left hand side of the screen shows any Hosts that have been defined in the system. Clicking on the Add Host button will launch the Add Host wizard to guide you through the 4 simple steps to describe a Host to the system. Figure 4-31 shows the first 2 steps to add a host. Enter a Name for the new host in Step 1. Then in Step 2, select the interface to the host and enter the iqn name of the iSCSI initiator.

Host List	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options				
• Host1									
• Host2	Add a Host								
	STEP1: Enter a Name Enter a name for this new host: host3								
	STEP2: Enter the Host's adapter port information								
System Status	iSCSI Initia	ator Name: 5.com.microsoft.h	ost3				Virtual Disk Setup		
	Note:Select the Help button for hints on finding the Initiator Name or World Wide Name.						(S) Host Setup		
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Figure 4-31 Adding a Host - Step 1 & 2

Figure 4-32 shows Steps 3 & 4 of adding a host. Use Step 3 to set up CHAP security. Enter the Target Secret and the Initiator Secret in the associated fields. Use Step 4 to add any comments about the Host that will be displayed when you select the host from the Host List.

Host List	System Disk Groups Virtual Disks Hosts Options			
• Host1 • Host2	Add a Host	Setup Wizard		
	STEP 3: CHAP Authorization         User Name:       iqn.1991-05.com.microsoft.host3         Target Secret:	System Initialization     Disk Group Setup		
System Status	STEP 4: Enter your comments	(1) Virtual Disk Setup Host Setup		
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Click on Finish to complete the process of describing a Host to the system.

Figure 4-32 Adding a Host - Step 3 & 4

Host List	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options		C + 110 1				
<ul><li>Host1</li><li>Host2</li><li>Host3</li></ul>	Host Pr	Host Properties									
		Host Name	Host3	Host3							
		Connectior Initiator (IQNs)	:: iSCSI - No :: iqn.1991-0	t Connected )5.com.microsoft:h	iost3 🔻		System Initialization				
	Ta	irget CHAP Secre	::								
	Init	iator CHAP Secret	s								
System Status		Virtual Disk/LUN	•				Virtual Disk Setup				
	А	ctive Connections	s 0	0							
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Figure 4-33 Host Properties

The Host Properties page for each host, shown in Figure 4-33, contains the following information about the host selected from the Host List:

- <u>Name</u> Displays the current Host Name, or may be used with the Save Changes button to change the Host Name.
- <u>Connection</u> Show the connection type and status
- <u>Initiator (IQNs/WWNs)</u> Shows a list of iSCSI or Fibre channel ports that have been defined for the Host (if installed)
- <u>Target CHAP Secret</u> Shows the target CHAP secret or works with Save Changes button to add a target CHAP secret.
- <u>Initiator CHAP Secret</u> Shows the Initiator CHAP secret or works with Save Changes button to add an initiator CHAP secret.
- Presentations Shows a list of LUNS that have been presented to the host
- <u>Active Connections</u> Shows the number of active connections to the Host
- <u>Comments</u> Displays any comments that were added when the Host was defined or works with the Save Changes button to add comments to a Host

**Buttons** 

- <u>Save Changes</u> Works with Name, Target CHAP Secret, Initiator Secret and comment fields to make changes take effect
- <u>Delete</u> Host will be deleted.
- <u>Help</u> Displays the Help page

# 4.2.8 Step 6 – Present Virtual Disks

The final step in setup is to present the Virtual Disk to the Host(s). Clicking on Step 6 Present Virtual Disks opens the page shown in Figure 4-34. On this page, you select a VD to present from the pull down menu that shows available VDs and click on the Ok button.

Disk Group List	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options		
Disk Groups							Setup Wizard
<ul> <li>NewDiskGroup1</li> <li>NewVD1</li> </ul>	Choose	a VD to P	resent			step 6 of 6	1 200
	Choose a Virt	ual Disk to pre	sent, click on the	e OK button. To	leave this pag	je, click on Cancel	Network Setup
	Select a Disk	Group					2
	ras Select a Virtu	al Disk			~		System Initialization
	NewVD1				~		3 Pg
							Disk Group Setup
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Figure 4-34 Choose a VD/DG to Present

The VD presentation page, shown in Figure 4-35, provides details about the presentations of the VD selected in the Disk Group List. Any host that the VD is currently presented to will show in the list box. Since the current VD is new, the default setting is to present the VD to all hosts. If you wish to present to a specific host, select the "present VD to a specific host" option and hit save changes.

Disk Group List Disk Groups	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options		Sotup Witterd			
<ul><li>NewDiskGroup1</li><li>NewVD1</li></ul>	Virtual	Virtual Disk Presentation step 6 of 6								
	Current pres	Current presentations for NewDiskGroup1-NewVD1								
		All hosts								
	To change the presentation, select a radio button, and then click the Save Changes									
System Status	O Present V	D to all hosts.					(4) Virtual Disk Setup			
<pre>( Kung) &amp; Kung) &amp; Kung) ( Kung) (</pre>	Present V	D to specific hos t VD from specifi	t. ic host.				Host Setup			
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Figure 4-35 VD Presentation

To Present the Virtual Disk to a specific host, select the Host from the pull down list as shown in Figure 4-36 and click on the "Finish" button.

Disk Group List	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options		
NewDiskGroup1     NewVD1	Presen Complete th	t Virtual [ e step below an	Disk Id click the Fini	<b>sh</b> button to pr	esent the Virtu	ual Disk.	Setup Wizard
		Select a Host	t: Host1 Host1 Host2 Host3				3 System Initialization
							Jisk Group Setup
System Status							(4) Virtual Disk Setup
(m1)         (m2)         (m2)         (m2)           (m3)         (m3)         (m3)         (m3)           (m3)         (m3)         (m3)         (m3)							(5) Host Setup
		Cancel		Finish		Help	Present Virtual Disks

Figure 4-36 Present Virtual Disk Page

After you hit the finish button, the current presentations for the selected VD are shown (see Figure 4-37).

Disk Group List	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options				
<ul> <li>VewDiskGroup1</li> <li>NewVD1</li> </ul>	Virtual Disk Presentation step 6 of 6								
	current pre	Host1 @0							
	To change the presentation, select a radio button, and then click the Save Changes								
System Status	<ul> <li>Present V</li> <li>Present V</li> </ul>	D to all hosts.	t.				Virtual Disk Setup		
	O Unpresen	t VD from specifi	ic host.				(5) Host Setup		
		Cancel	Save	e Changes		Help	6 Present Virtual Disks		

Figure 4-37 Current Presentations

# 4.3 Additional Configuration Options

The PixelStor 5000 allows you to perform additional tasks through the Options Tab. These include:

- Changing the system administrator password
- Changing the refresh rate to the browser
- Enable or disable System Health Alerts
- System Beacon LED Options
- Manage iSNS services
- Upgrade system software from the Web Management Console
- Set and schedule Inspection Read Feature
- Language settings
- Enable or disable the hard drive cache
- Performance Data
- Disk power management
- Advanced Logging Mode
- Firmware Upgrade
- SSD Cache Drive Configuration

You can access the options by clicking on the Options tab of the system toolbar in the Management Console. From the Options window you can select the area of interest by clicking on "Go Now" for the option you desire or by clicking on the item in the Option List on the left hand side of the Management Console.

System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Option	15		
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Ş	Change Syste	em Password		$\bigcirc$	Display Refresh Optio	ns	
		Go	Now ->			Go Now ->	
۲.	System Healt	h Alert Options		isns	iSNS Options		
		Go	Now ->			Go Now ->	
Ŷ	System Upgr	ade		R	Inspection Read		ľ
		Go	Now ->			Go Now ->	
中A	Language Op	tion			Drive Write Cache Op	tions	
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Figure 4-38 Options top of page

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System		options	
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ΨА	Language Option	Drive Write Cache Options	
	Go Now ->	Go Now ->	
<b>#</b>	System Beacon LED Options	Performance Data	
	Go Now ->	Go Now ->	
D	Disk Power Management Status	Advanced Logging Mode	
	Go Now ->	Go Now ->	
FWL	Firmware Upgrade	SSD Cache Drive Configuration (EXPERIMENTAL)	
	Go Now ->		
	Cancel	Go Now ->	~

Figure 4-39 Options tab top of page

# 4.3.1 Change Storage System Password

To change passwords on the system, click on the Change storage system password icon in the options window to bring up the table shown in **Error! Reference source not found.** You may change the password for root or guest through this menu.

Options	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options			
<ul> <li>Change Password</li> <li>Display refresh</li> </ul>	Change	Storago	System D	activered			Setup Wizard	
options • System Health Alert	Change							
options	Enter the Us	er Name and P	assword				Setup	
iSNS options		Usernam	e: root				2	
System upgrade     Inspection Read		Old Passwor	d:				System Initialization	
Drive Write Cache		New Passwor	d:				3	
options		Re-type Passwor	d:				Disk Group Setup	
System Status							Virtual Disk Setup	
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Figure 4-40 Change Storage System Password

To change the password:

- 1. Enter the user name
- 2. Enter the old password
- 3. Enter the new password
- 4. Re-enter the new password
- 5. Click on the update button

# 4.3.2 Change the Display Refresh Options

By default, the Management Console is refreshed every 5 seconds. You can change the refresh interval by clicking on the Display refresh options icon in the Options window. This will bring up the Display Refresh Options as shown in **Error! Reference source not found.**.

Options	Sustan	Dick Groups	Virtual Dicks	Hosts	Options			
	System	DISK Groups	VII Cudi DISKS	nosts	options			
<ul> <li>Change Password</li> </ul>							Setup Wizard	
<ul> <li>Display refresh options</li> </ul>	Display	Display Refresh Options						
<ul> <li>System Health Alert options</li> </ul>	Edit the sett	ing below and o	click Save Char	<b>iges</b> button to a	hange your die	splay refresh	Network Setup	
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<ul> <li>System upgrade</li> </ul>	✓ Display	y Refresh					System	
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Figure 4-41 Display Refresh Options

To change the refresh interval:

- 1. Enter a new value in seconds
- 2. Click on the Save Changes button

# 4.3.3 Change System Health Alert Options

System Health Alert Options may be enabled or disabled through the System Health Alert Options page. You can reset the alerts status by temporarily disabling them and enabling the System Health Alerts. Click on the System Health Alert Option icon on the Options page to bring up the System Health Alert page shown in Figure 4-42.

Options									
	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options				
<ul> <li><u>Change Password</u></li> </ul>							Setup Wizard		
<ul> <li>Display refresh options</li> </ul>	System	System Health Alert options							
<ul> <li>System Health Alert options</li> </ul>	Edit the sett	Edit the setting below and click Save Changes button to change the System Health Alert							
<ul> <li>MPIO options</li> </ul>	configuration	ı.					0 1		
iSNS options							2		
System upgrade		Er	abled	0	Disabled		System Initialization		
<ul> <li>Inspection Read</li> </ul>									
<ul> <li>Drive Write Cache options</li> </ul>							3 Disk Group Setup		
System Status							Virtual Disk Setup		
							(5) Host Setup		
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Figure 4-42 System Health Alert Options

To change health alert options

- 1. Select Enable or Disable on the System Health Alert Options page
- 2. Click on the Save Changes button

# **4.3.4** Configuring the iSNS Client

The PixelStor 5000 provides an iSNS client for registration with an iSNS server. To fully utilize the iSNS service you must configure an iSNS server and configure your iSCSI initiator to use the iSNS server.

Once you have defined the IP address and alias for the iSNS Server, you must start the iSNS client on the target. Starting the iSNS client and saving changes will enable automatic iSNS client start up on any subsequent reboot.

To configure and use the iSNS target client, click on the iSNS Options icon on the Options page to bring up the iSNS Configuration page shown in Figure 4-43.

Options	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options			
Change Password			1				Setup Wizard	
<ul> <li>Display refresh options</li> </ul>	iSNS Co	iSNS Configuration						
<ul> <li>System Health Alert options</li> </ul>	Edit the setting below and click <b>Save Changes</b> button to change the System iSNS							
<ul> <li>MPIO options</li> </ul>	configuration	٦.					0 -the	
<ul> <li>iSNS options</li> </ul>								
<ul> <li>System upgrade</li> </ul>		ISNS Serve	r IP:				System Initialization	
Inspection Read		iSNS Server A	lias:		_			
<ul> <li>Drive Write Cache options</li> </ul>					_		3 Disk Group Setup	
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							S Host Setup	
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Figure 4-43 iSNS Configuration

To configure the iSNS client:

- 1. Click on the iSNS Options icon on the Options page
- 2. Enter the IP Address of the iSNS server
- 3. Enter the Server Alias of the iSNS Server
- 4. Select Start iSNS
- 5. Click on the Save Changes button

You can also determine the iSNS Server Status by Clicking on the Server Status button of the iSNS Configuration page. This will open a pop up window that will indicate whether the iSNS server you have defined is online or offline.

# 4.3.5 System Upgrade Options

The PixelStor 5000 supports a system upgrade from the Storage Manager (this is supported after Kernel Downloadable Image (KDI) version 2.6.4). This feature allows you to select the new KDI from your local machine or another system on the same subnet as the system.

The upgrade process is initiated through the Upgrade Manager shown in Figure 4-44. The upgrade process executes the following actions.

- Load a copy of the specified KDI into memory
- Copy the KDI to the remote controller backup location (typically takes 3-4 minutes).

- Reboot the remote controller with the backup copy moving IP address and Disk Groups to the local controller
- Load the KDI into the backup location on the local controller (typically takes 3-4 minutes).
- Reboot the local controller moving IP address and Disk Groups to the remote controller
- Restore IP addresses
- Restore Disk Groups to primary controller assignments (assuming minimal or no traffic)
- Synchronize backup copy with new KDI (typically takes 3-4 minutes).

Messages are presented in the Upgrade Manger page Upgrade Status area showing the progress throughout the upgrade process. Command response and Storage Manager Refresh will slow during the final step that synchronizes the copies of the KDI.

Options	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options			
Change Password     Display refresh     options     System Health Alert     options     MDIO options	Upgrad Select File:	le Manage	er	Bro	wse			Setup Wizard
<ul> <li>MPIC options</li> <li>iSNS options</li> <li>System upgrade</li> <li>Inspection Read</li> </ul>	Start Upgrad Upgrade Sta	de: Go itus:						2 System Initialization
Drive Write Cache     options							Е	3 Disk Group Setup
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		Cancel		Reset		Help	Ŧ	6 Present Virtual Disks

Figure 4-44 Upgrade Manager

To upgrade the system software:

- 1. Click on the System Upgrade icon in the Options page
- 2. Enter the software filename or use the Browse button to select a new software image
- 3. Start the upgrade by clicking on the GO button

# 4.3.6 Inspection Read Options

Inspection Read is a utility designed to proactively scan the disks in the storage array to identify any faulty disks before the user attempts to access them.

### Priority

Inspection Read may be run in the background at one of three different priority levels. This determines how much time is allocated to Inspection Read by the system. Inspection Read will automatically relinquish the CPU during heavy CPU activity.

### Logging

The Inspection Read process reports errors only on the local controller where the process was initiated. Errors and process output is recorded in /var/log/messages and KEM log files. Inspection Read creates a log message after each device has been successfully inspected.

### **Devices to Read**

Inspection Read will access all sectors within each healthy, non-building; non RAID-0 Disk Group and spare disk drives.

Device Type	Action
RAID 0 Device	Do Not Read
Healthy RAID Device	Read
(not RAID 0, Not during initial build)	
Healthy RAID Device	Do Not Read
(not RAID 0, During initial build)	
Degraded RAID Device	Do Not Read
(not rebuilding on spare disk)	
Degraded RAID Device	Do Not Read
(During rebuild on spare disk)	
Unhealthy RAID Device	Do Not Read
Orphan disk	Do Not Read
Spare disk	Read

Table 4-2 Inspection Read Action Table

Inspection Read monitors the status of Disk Groups and will stop an inspection if the status of the Disk Group changes to a "Do Not Read" state listed in the previous table.

# **Starting Inspection Read**

Inspection Read may be started from the Storage Manger or from the CLI. This section describes using Inspection Read through the Console Manager. To learn how to use Inspection read from the command line interface, issue the command daisnpread –h from the CLI console.

To start Inspection Read from the PixelStor Storage Manager, select the Options Tab and click on Go Now under Inspection Read as shown in Figure 4-45.

Options	System	Disk Groups Virtual D	Disks Hosts	Optio	ns			
Change Password     Display Refresh     Options     System Health Alert     Options     ISNS Options	Ş	Change Storage System Password	m Go Now ->	0	Display Refresh Option	s Go Now ->	•	Setup Wizard
<ul> <li>Isids Options</li> <li>System Upgrade</li> <li>Inspection Read</li> <li>Drive Write Cache Options</li> </ul>	۲.	System Health Alert Op	otions Go Now ->	iSNS	iSNS Options	Go Now ->		2 System Initialization
<ul> <li>System Beacon LED Options</li> <li>Performance Data</li> </ul>	Ŷŋ	System Upgrade	Go Now ->	Ē.	Inspection Read	Go Now ->		3 Disk Group Setup
System Status	r.	Drive Write Cache Opti	ions	۲.	System Beacon LED Op	otions		(4) Virtual Disk Setup
		Performance Data	Go Now ->		Неір	]	•	Host Setup

Figure 4-45 Options Tab

### **Inspection Read Interface**

To run Inspection Read from the Management Console shown in Figure 4-46, you must select the priority and any other options you desire then either click on the Start button or the Schedule button to start Inspection Read at a later time.

- Once Inspection Read has started you can use the <u>Stop</u> and <u>Resume</u> buttons to pause or restart Inspection Read from the point it was stopped.
- You can use the <u>Progress</u> button to see information about the progress of Inspection Read on the system as shown in.
- Checking the <u>Repeat box</u> will cause Inspection Read to run continuously until the user clicks on the Stop button.
- Checking the <u>Set Maximum Duration</u> button allows the user to specify a maximum number of hours to run Inspection Read in the Maximum Duration field.

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Options	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options			
Change Password							Setup Wizard	
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<ul> <li>MPIO options</li> </ul>								
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System upgrade	Set M	Maximum Duratio	n: 📄				System	
<ul> <li>Inspection Read</li> </ul>							Internet	
Drive Write Cache     options	Maximun	n Duration: (Hour	'S)				Jisk Group Setup	
System Status							(4) Virtual Disk Setup	
							(3) Host Setup	
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Figure 4-46 Inspection Read Interface

### **Inspection Read Progress**

Figure 4-47 shows the Inspection Read progress pages. The display fields include:

- Running Shows yes if Inspection Read is currently running
- Execution Time Shows the amount of time that Inspection Read has been running
- <u>Maximum Duration</u> Shows the total time allocated to run Inspection Read when Maximum duration has been set.
- <u>Device list</u> Shows the devices and slots for each device under inspection. The Number of blocks inspected, total blocks to be inspected and percentage completed are listed for each device.

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Options	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options			
<u>Change Password</u>								Setup Wizard
<ul> <li>Display refresh options</li> </ul>	Inspect	ion Read I	Progress				Â	1 200
<ul> <li>System Health Alert options</li> </ul>		Running	: Yes					Network Setup
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<ul> <li>iSNS options</li> </ul>		lavinum Duration	0 hours				-	(2)
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<ul> <li>Inspection Read</li> </ul>		Spare (slot 13 )	: completed	= 0MB , total = 7	15404.867MB (0	%)		mediation
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options		Spare (slot 17 )	: completed	= 0MB , total = 7	/15404.867MB (0	%)		Disk Group Setup
		Spare (slot 26 )	: completed	= 0MB , total = 7	15404.867MB (0	%)		
		Spare (slot 27 )	: completed	= 0MB , total = 7	15404.867MB (0	%)		
System Status		Spare (slot 30 )	: completed	= 0MB , total = 7	15404.867MB (0	%)		Virtual Disk
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		Spare (slot 35 )	: completed	= 0MB , total = 7	15404.867MB (0	%)	-	6
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Figure 4-47 Inspection Read Progress

4.3.7 Language Options

You can select English or Chinese languages as shown in Figure 4-49.

Language Option						
Edit the setting below and click Save Changes button to change the Language configuration.						
English v						
Cancel Save Changes						

Figure 4-48 Language Options

# **4.3.8** Drive Write Cache Options

You can enable or disable the cache on the installed disk drives as shown in Figure 4-499. Enabling the cache increases performance. It is recommended that you have a UPS installed to protect the data that may be in the drive cache in the event of a power failure. If you do not have a UPS installed, it is recommended that you disable the drive cache to maintain data protection.

Options	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options		
Change Password							Setup Wizard
<ul> <li>Display refresh options</li> </ul>	Drive w	vrite cach	ne options	5			0 200
<ul> <li>System Health Alert options</li> </ul>	Edit the sett	ing below and	click Save Chan	iges button to c	hange the driv	e write cache	Network Setup
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<ul> <li>iSNS options</li> </ul>		0		0			(2)
<ul> <li>System upgrade</li> </ul>		© Ena	abled	• D	lisabled		System
Inspection Read	L						minimization
<ul> <li>Drive Write Cache options</li> </ul>							) Disk Group Setup
System Status							(4) Virtual Disk Setup
							(5) Host Setup
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Figure 4-49 Drive Write Cache Options

To enable/disable drive cache:

- 1. Click on the Drive Write Cache Options icon in the Options page
- 2. Select the Enabled or Disabled button
- 3. Select the Save Changes button
  - 4.3.9 System Beacon LED Options

System Beacon LED Options						
Select the desired Raid Controller and click Save Changes.						
RAID System C0	RAID System C1					
Cancel Save Change	es Help					

Figure 4-50 Drive Write Cache Options

# 4.3.10 Performance Data

The PixelStor 5000 supports diagnostic data. This data is used to diagnose and monitor the performance of the Storage system and its interaction with the host computers.



1. Select the Performance Data page from the 'Options' menu.

Options	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Option	a			
Change Password									
Diselay Defrech								-	Setup Wizard
• Display Refresh Options	0	Change Stora	are System		-	Display Refresh Ontio	ns		1 22
<ul> <li>System Health Alert Options</li> </ul>	S	Password	igo oystolli		Ø				Network
<ul> <li>ISNS Options</li> </ul>			Go	Now ->			Go Now ->		Setup
<ul> <li>System Upgrade</li> </ul>									
Inspection Read	[A]	System Healt	h Alert Options		isns	iSNS Options			System
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<ul> <li>System Beacon LED</li> <li>Options</li> </ul>									3 179
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	and a								0
			Go	Now ->			_	-	
		Ca	incel			Help			Virtual Disks

Figure 4-51 Recording data

2. Select on "Start" and select sample time as shown in Figure 4-52. The default of 0.5 seconds will normally be used.



Figure 4-52 Start recording data

## Now Performance Data under the system tab may be used.

**4.3.11** Disk Power Management Status

### **Disk Groups**

Disk Group Name or Spare/Orphan disks.

### Management Mode

This field indicates the current power management status for the disks belonging to this group. If the status is "off", then the system will not manage the power status of the drives in this group. The drives in this group remain in the active state all the time. If the status is "on", then the system will manage the power status of the drives in this group. The drives will go into standby mode after the specified inactivity period.

### Inactivity Timer

This field specifies how long the drive should wait before it transits from active mode to standby mode if there is no activity. Valid values: 0, 10, 20, 30, 60, 90, 120, 150, 180, 210, 240, 270, 300 and 330 minutes. A value of 0 disables spin down.

### Scheduling Information

This field specifies whether power management scheduling is enabled for this group. If power management scheduling is enabled, it displays the time interval that the drives remain in the active mode. Outside of this time interval, the drives will go to standby mode after the specified period of inactivity.
Disk Groups	Management Mode	Inactivity Timer	Scheduling Information
) ras	Off		
) Spare/Orphan	Off		

Figure 4-53 Start recording data

### 4.3.12 Advanced Logging Mode

Disabled (default) - This is the default logging mode. We recommend to use it when the system is normally running.

Enabled - More detailed log information will be recorded. Please use it only when debugging problems.

Advanced Logging Mode						
Edit the setting below and click Save Changes button to set the Advanced Logging Mode configuration.						
	Disabled(default)	(	O Enabled			
Cancel	Save	Changes	Help	J		

Figure 4-54 Advanced Logging Mode

### 4.3.13 Firmware Upgrade Manager

### Select File

Enter the absolute path to the firmware file or use the "Browse" button to locate the file. You may obtain the file from another server by entering the IP address of the server and the path to the file in the following format: \\192.168.0.250\home\firmware.fuf

### Start Upgrade

Click on the "Go" button to begin the upgrade

### Upgrade Status

Display status messages and relative progress

Firmware Upgrade Maganer	
Select File:	Browse
Start Upgrade: Go	
Upgrade Status:	
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<	>
Cancel	Help

Figure 4-55 Firmware Upgrade Manager

4.3.14 SSD Cache Drive Configuration (EXPERIMENTAL)

Select a Primary Controller

Select the owner of this disk group.

Block size(KB)

Change block size in KB (64 ~ 8192)

**Total Capacity** 

Total Capacity of the SSD Cache Drive

Hit Rate

Last measured Hit Rate of SSD Cache Drive

SSD Cache Drive Configuration (EXPERIMENTAL)					
Select the primary controller:	Controller 0 v				
Total Capacity:	1024 512~8192 0(GB)				
Hit Rate: Select the owner of the SSD	0% 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11				
RAID System:					
Cancel	Save Changes Help				

Figure 4-56 SSD Cache Drive Configuration

### 4.3.15 Configuring Notification

The PixelStor 5000 supports email notification for alerts and major/critical events. You specify email subscribers to be notified through the notification page of the Management Console.



3. Select the Email Notification page from the 'System Status' menu.

System • Hardware Status • System Log • iSCSI Statistics • Notification • System Health Alert	System Notific	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts E <b>mail</b>	Options Email Ser	ver	E	Setup Wizard Network Setup 2 System Initialization 2 Disk Group Setup 4 Composition C
System Status		Add		11 Delete		→ Help	-	Virtual Disk Setup Host Setup Present Virtual Disks

Figure 4-57 Email Notification

4. Click on "Add" to bring up the add user page as shown in Figure 4-52.

System	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options					
Hardware Status						I	Setup Wizard			
System Log     iSCSI Statistics     Notification	Adding		Network Setup							
<ul> <li>System Health Alert</li> </ul>	Enter Recip	Enter Recipient Email address								
	Enter an En	nail server IP ad	dress				3 Disk Group Setup			
System Status	Enter an En	nail server port			-		(4) Virtual Disk			
Comp201         Comp201 <t< th=""><th>Requir</th><th>e authentication</th><th></th><th></th><th></th><th></th><th>Setup</th></t<>	Requir	e authentication					Setup			
K(m,0)         K(m,0)         K(m,0)         K(m,0)		Cancel		Test		Add	Host Setup			

Figure 4-58 Adding Email Addresses

### Enter

- Recipient's Email Address
- Sender's Email Address

- IP address of the mail server
- Port number for the email service on the email server
- Click on the "Add" button as shown in Figure 4-52.

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# 5 Using and Maintaining the System

# 5.1 System Status

This section includes instructions for using, maintaining and servicing your PixelStor 5000. It is organized from a reference perspective and gives details on each major configuration screen and hardware module and its associated configuration features. This section also reviews placement of LEDs and what they indicate.

### 5.1.1 Properties Page

The System Properties Page is displayed when you log onto the system. This page provides an overview of the system as shown in Figure 5-1.

System	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options				
Hardware Status     System Log     iSCSI Statistics     Notification	Storage	e System	Properti	RASTOR1					
<ul> <li>System Health Alert</li> </ul>	Т	Operational st otal storage sp Controller t	ate: Active, ace: 2788.5 ime: Thu D	e: Active/- e: 2788.50 GB e: Thu Dec 13 00:22:12 LTC 2007					
	System Expansion 0	i software vers firmware vers	ion: (L)K:3	1.15-20071204 - Aug 14 2007			Disk Group Setup		
System Status	Expansion 1 Expansion 2 Expansion 3	firmware vers firmware vers	sion: (L)2.3 sion: (L)2.3 sion: (L)2.3	- Aug 14 2007 - Aug 14 2007 - Aug 14 2007			(4) Virtual Disk Setup		
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4(m3)         4(m3)         4(m3)         4(m3)		Initialize			Help		6 Present Virtual Disks		

Figure 5-1 Storage System Properties

The fields in the Storage System Properties page are:

- <u>Name</u> The hostname of the system
- <u>Operational State</u> Describes the operational state of each controller in the system
  - Active/Active Both controllers active running normally.
  - Active/Takeover One Controller in takeover state. Its IP addresses and disk groups have been taken over by the other controller.
  - o Active/- Single controller active
- Total Storage Space Displays the total capacity of the system in Gigabytes
- <u>System Software Version</u> Describes the software version of the local (L) and remote (R) controllers (if two controllers installed)
- <u>Expansion Firmware Version</u> Describes the F/W version of each enclosure installed in the system.

### 5.1.2 Hardware Status Page

The hardware status page provides a visual representation of the system status. Moving the mouse over individual components provides additional details about the component. For example moving the mouse over a disk drive will display the manufacturer, model, size and firmware revisions as shown in



Figure 5-2 Hardware Status

Additionally a failed component will display in red.

### 5.1.3 System Log

The System Log is accessible through the Storage Manager. To get to the System Log display, select System Log in the System list on the left hand side of the Storage Manager. This will bring up the Log viewing screen as shown in Figure 5-3. You can select the level of detail through the pull down menu. Your choices include, info, warning or critical messages.

System								
System	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options			
Hardware Status		,						Setup Wizard
<ul> <li>System Log</li> </ul>	System	Log				ſ		Q . 75
iSCSI Statistics		5						
<ul> <li>Notification</li> </ul>	Cantual							Setup
System Health Alert	Control	ier 0 (local)						0
	INFO	Time	Des	cription				2
	CRITICAL WARNING	2/13 00:58:04	expander 5	5, Power Supply 1	l is present			System Initialization
	INFO	2/13 00:58:04	expander 5	, Power Supply 0	) FAN is OK			
	INFO	12/13 00:58:04	expander 5	, Power Supply 0	DC is OK		E	Disk Group
	INFO	12/13 00:58:04	expander 5	5, Power Supply C	) present			Setup
	INFO	12/13 00:58:04	expander 4	, Power Supply 1	L is present			
System Status <u>IAlert</u>	INFO	12/13 00:58:04	expander 4	4, Power Supply C	) FAN is OK			Virtual Disk
Kondi Kondi Kondi Kondi	INFO	12/13 00:58:04	expander 4	4, Power Supply C	DC is OK			Setup
Konstrikterstrikterstrikterstri	INFO	12/13 00:58:04	expander 4	, Power Supply 0	) present			5
	INFO	12/13 00:58:04	expander 3	, Power Supply 1	L FAN is OK			5
	INFO	12/13 00:58:04	expander 3	, Power Supply 1	L DC is OK			Host Setup
Kondo Kondo Kondo Kondo Kondo Kondo Kondo Kondo	•					•	•	6
Kansol (Kansol Kansol Kansol Kansol (Kansol Kansol Kansol (Kansol Kansol	P	revious		Next		Help		Present Virtual Disks

Figure 5-3 System Logs

5.1.4 Support Menu

A support menu is offered for the PixelStor 5000. The support menu can be viewed by selecting the support link at the top right had corner of the web management console. The support window includes information on how to contact technical support. In addition, there are two buttons at the bottom of the menu for saving and sending logs to support contacts.

	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options			
	Support If you need help or have specific questions, please contact your service representative.							
	Technical Support In North America call the RASilient Technical Support at 1-408-446-2078.							
	Website The RASilier http://www.	nt website has a rasilient.com	dditional informa	tion. Visit the sup	port page at		3 Disk Group Setup	ð
System Status <u>IAlert</u>	Configure	the email for s	endina loa				(4) Virtual Disk Setup	9
Construction         Construction           Construction         Construction			, iog				(5) Host Setup	]
Consign         Consign         Consign         Consign	Note: The sys	tem must be cor ve Logs	nected to a DNS	server in order t	to send logs to te	echnical support. Help	Image: Second state     Present     Virtual Disks	

### Figure 5-4 Support Menu

 <u>Save Logs</u> - To save logs to a local or network drive, just select the "Save Logs" button at the bottom of the support menu. Once selected a window will pop up asking if you wish to open or save the file. Select save and choose a location to save the file. The saved file contains logs from one or both controllers (depending on your configuration) and an inventory of the system. This can be used as a record of the status of the system or emailed to a support representative.

### 5.1.5 Performance Data

Figure 5-5 shows the Performance Data page. A wide variety of data can be monitored for the storage system. There are 4 selections that can be made Virtual Disk Performance, Cache Count, iSCSI Busy Percentage and CPU Idle. Within the Virtual Disk Performance selection each individual VD can be select to see how it is performing. This performance is measure with Write Data Rate, Read Data Rate, Command Completion Time and Command LBA.

Cache Count monitors the system cache usage. ISCSI Busy monitors busy messages sent to the host computers. CPU Idle monitors CPU usage.



The information displayed in the graphs is actual data derived from the PixelStor 5000.

In Figure 5-5 is an example the selects the Raid-N1 DG and NVR 1 VD. It also selects the write data rate for that VD. Figure 5-6 shows the output of this selection.

System	System Disk Groups Virtual Disks Hosts Options							
<ul> <li>Hardware Status</li> <li>System Log</li> <li>Host Connectivity</li> <li>Notification</li> <li>System Health Alert</li> </ul>	Performance Data							
Performance Data	Virtual Disk Performance     Select a Disk Group: Raid-N1	3 System Initialization						
	Select a Virtual Disk: nvr1							
System Status	C iSCSI Busy Percentage C CPU Idle Percentage	Virtual Disk Setup						
1         1		5 Host Setup						
	Cancel Finish Help	Present Virtual Disks						

Figure 5-5 iSCSI Statistics Page



Figure 5-6 iSCSI Bandwidth Display

### 5.1.6 System Health Alert

RASILIENT Systems also equips PixelStor 5000 with a System Health Alert which is a flashing alert visible from the front of the system.

Description – The System Health Alert lets administrators know that the system needs attention. The System Health Alert utilizes all the disk drive LEDs and uses them to flash a warning signal. All the LEDs on the disk drives blink approximately once per second. These lights continue to flash until redundancy is restored or the unhealthy condition is corrected. This visible alert is especially useful in dense rack implementations or situations where it is not easy to see or access the back of the system. Once alerted, you can log-on to the web-based PixelStor Storage Manager to ascertain the cause of the problem and use the system's Status Indicators (LEDs) to pinpoint the failed component and take corrective action.

Policy – The System Health Alert is triggered whenever system availability degrades. For example, the Health Alert lights flash when component failure or removal causes system availability to drop below its original startup condition. It is also triggered by an unhealthy system state such as an exceeded temperature threshold.



PixelStor 5000 does not require redundant components to operate. If the system boots up without redundant power supplies, network links or controllers, the System Health Alert is NOT triggered.

To View the System Health Alerts, click on System Health Alerts in the navigation area of the System tab.

System	System	Disk Groups	Virtual Disks	Hosts	Options				
Hardware Status     System Log     iSCSI Statistics     Notification     System Hoalth Alact	Hardware Status       System Log       SCSI Statistics       Votification       System Health Alert   Controller Alert Message								
• System Health Alert	ctlr 0 :	[12/13 01	[12/13 01:28:09] Main chassis: fan tray 1 (0 rpm inner fan). Replace fan tray 1						
	ctlr 0 :	[12/13 00	[12/13 00:58:03] Power supply 0 is not operational						
							3 Disk Gro Setup	oup	
System Status <u>IAlert</u>							(4) Virtual ( Setup	Disk	
K(m3) K(m3) K(m3) K(m3) K(m3) K(m3) K(m3) K(m3) K(m3) K(m3) K(m3) K(m3) K(m3) K(m3) K(m3) K(m3) K(m3) K(m3) K(m3)							5 Host Se	tup	
	•					Þ	6 Present Virtual	Disks	



# 5.2 Failure Conditions and Corrective Action

This section describes specific events in the system that requires corrective action and the corresponding event or alarm.

### **5.2.1** Degraded System Availability

When the PixelStor 5000 is turned on, it captures an inventory of installed components and connected interfaces. Once the user configures Disk Groups, the system also tracks the RAID configuration information. If at any time, the system falls to lower system availability than at startup, the System Health Alert is triggered. This can happen if a redundant component fails or a RAID 1, 5, 6 or 10 disk(s) fail or if an interface fails to respond.

**Corrective action:** 

- Check the PixelStor Storage Manager for the source of the problem.
- Restore redundancy by replacing the failed controller, power supply or failed drive. Once system availability is restored the System Health Alert will stop flashing.
- If the system has a global spare, the System Health Alert will stop flashing once the RAID group is automatically rebuilt by the system.

### 5.2.2 Turning the System Health Alert Off

Once a system administrator identifies the problem and schedules corrective action, he may want to turn off the System Health Alert. To shut off the flashing lights, the administrator needs to:

- Log-on to the PixelStor Storage Manager.
- Once logged-in, click the "Options" menu.
- In the options menu, click "System Health Alert Options"
- There are two option buttons "enable and "disable". Hit the disable button to shut off the System Health Alert.
- Although the System Health Alert is disabled, the system will continue to log error notifications in PixelStor 5000 's system log. Administrators can view the notifications in PixelStor Storage Manager's "System Log" or "System Health Alert" sub-menus.

### 5.2.3 RAID Controller Failure

When a RAID controller fails in the PixelStor 5000 with redundant controllers, all drives including those on interconnected PixelStor 100e enclosures will fail-over to the surviving controller without interruption to data access. If the PixelStor 5000 is in a single controller configuration the system will shut down and all data will not be available

**Corrective action:** 

- Dual Controllers replace the failed controller and the system will automatically fail-back to original state.
- Single controller replace the failed controller, reconfigure the host access and rediscover the drives groups.

### **5.2.4** SAS IO Expander Failure (Lost Connection to Expansion Enclosure)

PixelStor 5000 capacity can be expanded by adding up to 5 additional capacity expansion enclosures for a maximum capacity of 72 SATAII drives. These enclosures are daisy chained to the PixelStor 5000 SAS IO expanders and 12Gbps SAS connections.

In the event a SAS IO expander fails, all expansion enclosures and corresponding drives connected to the failed IO expander will become unavailable. Under this scenario, the system will treat all drives associated with that SAS expander as failed. Since disk groups can span across the PixelStor 5000 and interconnected expansion enclosures, a loss of one or more expansion enclosures can affect multiple disk groups. If one drive for RAID 1/5/10 or two drives for RAID 6 are missing from the associated Disk Groups, the system will rebuild them using any available global spare. If multiple drives (2+ for RAID 1/5/10 or 3+ drives for RAID 6) are missing then all writes to the DG will be suspended and the DG will be made available to the system in a read-only state.

**Corrective action:** 

- Dual Controller the system will fail over and the controller with healthy IO expanders and cable links will take over all the disks without disruption to data access. The administrator can replace the failed expander and the system will automatically fail-back to regain redundancy.
- Single Controller all connected expansion enclosures (and drives) will become unavailable. The administrator will need to replace the IO expander and do a Disk Group Restore to reactivate all the disk groups brought off-line by the failure.

### 5.2.5 SAS Cable Disconnect (Lost Connection to Expansion Enclosure)

If a cable fails or is accidentally disconnected, the system will react as if the SAS IO Module failed. (See 5.2.4 "SAS IO Expander Failure" in previous section)

**Corrective action:** 

- Dual Controller the system will fail over and the controller with healthy a SAS IO connections will take over all the disks without disruption to data access. The administrator can reconnect the SAS cable and the system will automatically fail-back to regain redundancy.
- Single Controller all connected expansion enclosures (and drives) will become unavailable. The administrator will need to reconnect the SAS cable and do a Disk Group Restore to reactivate all the disk groups brought off line by the failure.

### 5.2.6 Drive Failure

If a one drive fails in a RAID 1/5/10 DG, or two drives in a RAID 6 DG, the DG will go into degraded mode. If a global spare is present in the system, the spare will be automatically be added to the DG and a rebuild of the DG will be initiated. (Note: RAID 0 by definition has no protection and therefore cannot be rebuilt.)

**Corrective action:** 

- No Spare Replace the failed drive and the system will automatically start a rebuild of the DG. (It is recommended that a global spare is always installed in the system to insure data availability.
- Spare Present Replace failed drive. This will automatically be added to the system as a global spare.

### 5.2.7 Unhealthy RAID Disk Group

If a RAID Group experiences a drive fault that is unrecoverable, the System Health Alert is triggered. For example, this can happen if a RAID 0 Disk Group experiences a drive failure or a RAID 5 Disk Group experiences two consecutive drive failures.

**Corrective action:** 

• Recover the Disk Group from a recent back-up.

### 5.2.8 ECC Memory Error

The system uses ECC memory on each controller. If an ECC memory error is detected by the system, the System Health Alert is triggered.

**Corrective action:** 

- Check the Web-based console for the source of the problem.
- Replace the controller if necessary.

### 5.2.9 Faulty Cache Battery/Charger

Each controller comes with a battery backup unit to protect the cache. If the battery fails or stops holding a charge, the System Health Alert is triggered. The backup battery subsystem includes a charger for the backup battery. If the charger becomes defective, the System Health Alert is triggered.

**Corrective action:** 

- Check the Web-based console for the source of the problem.
- Replace the controller if necessary.

### 5.2.10 Network Connection Lost

If a network link is lost, the System Health Alert is triggered.

**Corrective action:** 

- Check the Web-based console for the source of the problem.
- If there are no system problems, check your network devices or initiators for the source of the problem.

### 5.2.11 Temperature Threshold Exceeded

The system has multiple temperature sensors with factory thresholds. If any temperature sensor indicates an abnormal value beyond the threshold, the System Health Alert is triggered. The Health Alert signals the fault by flashing all the red drive LEDs every 3 seconds.

Corrective action:

• Log-on to PixelStor Storage Manager. Follow the menu tree on the left side of the screen to "System Status" and click on it. Check the graphical representation of the system for errors or click on the "System Health Alert" sub-menu for details on the alert.

- If the PixelStor Storage Manager indicates a faulty module, go to the system and look for a module with a red Status Indicator. Replace the component (drive, fan, controller, power supply). Once the faulty module is replaced, the System Health Alert will stop flashing.
- Check for missing slot covers. Module slot covers are required to ensure proper system airflow. Replace missing slot covers to ensure temperature stays within specified system limits.
- If the PixelStor Storage Manager indicates a temperature fault and there are no faulty system modules, check for a sudden rise or drop in the room temperature. If the room temperature is beyond those listed in the system specifications section of this manual (See System Specifications) shut down the system until you are able to correct the problem.

### 5.2.12 Voltage Threshold Exceeded

The system is also equipped with voltage sensors. If any voltage sensor reading indicates an abnormal value beyond the factory threshold, the System Health Alert is triggered.

**Corrective action:** 

- Check the Web-based console for the source of the problem.
- Check Status Indicator on each power supply. Replace if faulty.
- Ensure that the system is connected to an appropriate power source such as the rack's power distribution unit (PDU) or an uninterruptible power supply (UPS).

### 5.2.13 Fan Failure

Fan state and fan speed are also monitored. If a fan fails or if the fan speed falls below the factory threshold, the System Health Alert is triggered.

**Corrective Action:** 

- Check the Web-based console for the source of the problem.
- If the Power Supply fan has dropped below the recommended RPM that Power Supply should be replaced.

**5.2.14** List of Health Alert Notifications:

- The other controller is down
- RAM ECC error is detected

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- Battery not present or not in normal charging state
- Battery is discharging unexpectedly
- The charger is bad
- Temp sensor reading T1 of xx.xx C > alarm threshold 65 C
- Temp sensor reading T2 of xx.xx C > alarm threshold 55 C
- Temp sensor reading T3 of xx.xx C > alarm threshold 55 C
- Voltage sensor reading V4 of xx.xx out of range [ 2.37, 2.62]
- Voltage sensor reading V4 of xx.xx out of range [1.35, 1.60]
- Voltage sensor reading V4 of xx.xx out of range [ 3.00, 3.60]
- Voltage sensor reading V4 of xx.xx out of range [ 4.60, 5.25]
- Voltage sensor reading V4 of xx.xx out of range [ 11.40, 12.60]
- A Disk Group becomes degraded or unhealthy
- Power supply 0 is not operational
- Power supply 1 is not operational
- Ethernet link on eth0 is down
- Ethernet link on eth1 is down
- Ethernet link on eth2 is down
- Ethernet link on eth3 is down
- Incompatible KDI The other controller is upgrading me
- Incompatible KDI The other controller is syncing itself
- Disk Group ([name]) ([raid 1/10]) has x degraded raid devices, cannot be discovered if rebooted

### 5.3 Controller Modules

The controller modules are designed to hot plug into the chassis and they fit into one of the two controller slots of the PixelStor 5000. The controller modules monitor and control every aspect of the storage subsystem. They control chassis management, control path and storage data path.

### **Controller Features**

- Intel Core Ivy bridge CPU.
- Mirrored copy of the PixelStor OS "system software"
- Five RJ45 Gigabit Ethernet ports (per Ctrl.)
- One 24Gbps SAS ports (per Ctrl.)
- Two DDR3 DIMM slots that support up to 16GB of memory (controller ships with 4GB)
- One Lithium-ion battery to protect the write cache against any power failure for 72 hours.
- SAS/SATA controllers
- One Mini Serial Port (per Ctrl.)

- Two USB 3.0 ports (per Ctrl.)
- One Mini Display port

This chapter provides the detailed information and removal steps for controller module, including processor, system memory and battery.

### 5.4 Storage

Disk Roaming:

PixelStor 5000 and PixelStor 300e/100e have the unique capability of allowing disk groups and their properties to roam with the drives. The user can physically remove the drives that make up a disk group and install in different locations within the same array or in a different array and the system will recognize the disk group configuration including the RAID volume.

LUN Masking and host information are stored on the disks of the roamed disk group and are maintained when the disk group is roamed into the new system.

Disk roaming is possible because when a disk group is created, the system automatically creates a small 128MB partition on each drive. This partition contains the disk group configuration. In this way, all the information regarding a disk group can be recognized by any PixelStor 5000 controller during the automatic boot up discovery or during a manual discovery using the PixelStor Storage Manager or CLI.

The drives can be reinserted in different slots and they can be rediscovered while the system is on-line. You can take advantage of this flexibility to arrange your storage for different on-line and off-line tasks. This feature provides a basic and inexpensive way to upgrade a system and retain your data or move drives to another system for basic system recovery.



### Disk Orphans:

If some of the drives from a disk group are not re-inserted or a drive from the disk group goes bad and the disk group is not reconstructed before it roams to a new system, the new system will not be able to discover that disk group. It will know that one or more drives are missing and will designate the drives in the incomplete disk group as orphans. The data in the incomplete

disk group is maintained, however user intervention is required to recover the data on the drives. This ensures that the data on the remaining drives is not overwritten. If the drives are designated as orphans, the user has the following options:

**Complete the Set** – You can track down the remaining drives from the disk group, insert them in any order into the same PixelStor 5000 /300e/100e enclosure and use the PixelStor Storage Manager to do a discovery. Once the whole set is discovered, the disk group will be restored.

**Rebuild a Disk Group** – If the original group is part of a RAID 1, 5, 6, or 10 disk group, a bad drive maybe the reason for an orphan classification by the system. If this is the case, make sure you have a global spare in the system and then use the PixelStor Storage Manager to do forced discovery of the disk group. Once the disk group is discovered and the bad drive is identified, the system will start the RAID rebuild using the global spare. This will restore the disk group.

**Re-configure the Drives** – If you cannot complete the disk group or rebuild it, then you will not be able to recreate the disk group (RASILIENT recommends you always back up your data to recover from such a scenario). Alternatively you may just want to reuse drives from an old disk group where the data on the drives is no longer needed. In either case you can create a new disk group or turn the drives into global spares by using the PixelStor Storage Manager.

# 6 Appendix A – RAID Concepts & Cache Configurations

# 6.1 RAID Levels Defined

**RAID 0 -** Data Stripping without Protection - This technique has striping but no redundancy of data. The data is broken down into blocks and each block is written to a separate disk.

- <u>Pros</u> I/O performance is improved by spreading the I/O across many channels/drives.
- <u>Cons</u>- Not "true" RAID because it is NOT fault-tolerant. The failure of just one drive will result in all data in an array being lost.
- <u>Ideal applications</u> those that require high bandwidth without need for data protection.

**RAID 1 -** Disk Mirroring - Consists of at least two drives that duplicate the storage of data. There is no striping.

• <u>Pros</u>- Read performance is improved since either disk can be read at the same time. Write performance is the same as for single disk storage. It provides the best performance and the best fault-tolerance in a multi-user system. 100% redundancy of data means no rebuild is necessary in case of a disk failure, just a copy to the replacement disk. Also, under certain circumstances, RAID 1 can sustain multiple simultaneous drive failures.

- <u>Cons</u> highest disk overhead of all RAID types (100%).
- Ideal applications those that require very high availability.

**RAID 5 -** Distributed Parity - RAID-5 stores parity information but not redundant data. The parity information can be used to reconstruct data. RAID-5 requires at least three disks for the array.

- <u>Pros</u> This is the best combination of performance and cost.
- <u>Cons</u> Disk failure has some impact on throughput.
- <u>Ideal Applications</u> this is the most versatile RAID level and is applicable to a broad range of applications. It is best for multi-user systems in which performance is not critical or applications that require few write operations.

**RAID 6** – Block-level striping with *dual* distributed parity – Like RAID 5, RAID 6 stripes data and parity across an array of drives with the additional capability to calculate two sets of data parity for each volume of data. Requires at least 4 disks for the array.

- <u>Pros</u> Extremely high data fault tolerance. Provides protection against double disk failures and failures while a single disk is rebuilding while other RAID levels can handle at most one fault.
- <u>Cons</u> RAID 6 performance can be slightly worse than RAID 5 in terms of writes due to the added overhead of more parity calculations. RAID 6 is inefficient when used with a small number of drives due to need for 2 parity drives.
- <u>Ideal Applications</u> Complex, higher capacity SATA arrays (12-24 drives) where higher availability is critical.

**RAID 10 -** Combination of mirroring and striping - This type offers an array of stripes in which each stripe is a RAID-1 array of drives.

- Pros -This offers higher performance than RAID-1
- Cons- but at much higher cost.
- <u>Ideal Applications</u>- those requiring high performance and fault tolerance.

# 6.2 Cache Settings Defined

<u>Write-back Cache Option</u> - Data normally written to disk is first written into the cache. During idle machine cycles, the data is written from the cache into disk.

- Pros- Improves performance because a write to the cache is faster than to disk. Reduces the number of write operations to disk.
- Cons- With this performance improvement comes a risk that data may be lost if the system crashes. The write back cache configuration should only be selected if you have the battery-backed option installed.

Write Through Cache Option - Data is written to disk and also written into the cache.

- Pros This method ensures complete data integrity and good performance for sequential access, which relies on less cache. If a subsequent read operations need that same data, read performance is improved, because the data is already in the cache.
- Cons- Write performance is not improved with this method.

<u>Auto Cache Setting</u> - This RASILIENT setting automatically turns on write back cache and enables the mirrored cache feature with two controllers installed. If the second controller is removed or fails, the system automatically switches to a write through cache configuration.

- Pros Good cache performance and complete data protection.
- Cons Less optimized performance for sequential access due to mirrored cache system overhead.

# 7 Appendix B – Using the Command Line Interface (CLI)

# 7.1 Preparing to use the CLI

The following information is for experienced users that wish to manage the PixelStor 5000 with the built in Command Line Interface using:

- A terminal connected to the Serial port of the PixelStor 5000 or
- A Telnet session to the PixelStor 5000

This section describes how to access the CLI and provides a list of commands that can be used for system configuration, array management and administrative functions.

# 7.2 Connecting a Terminal to Access the CLI

Connect the supplied Serial cable to the Serial management port on either controller. Connect the opposite end of the cable to a workstation or laptop with a terminal emulation program. A DB9 connector is provided for the workstation or laptop.

Use the following terminal emulation settings to access the CLI:

- Baud Rate 115,200
- Data Bits 8
- Parity None
- Stop Bits 1
- Flow Control Off

### 7.3 Accessing the CLI – Serial Port or Telnet Session

Once connected to the Serial port with the PixelStor 5000 is running, you will be prompted for the following information:

- Login root
- Password root

When connecting through a telnet session connect to the PixelStor 5000 with "telnet <IP Address>". You will be prompted for the following information:

- Login guest
- Password welcome

Enter SuperUser mode by executing the "su" command (pwd is "root"). CLI commands must be executed as a SuperUser.

# 7.4 dahelp Command

The "dahelp" command lists all available CLI commands for the PixelStor 5000. Detailed information for each CLI command is listed on the screen by simply executing the specific command without parameters or by specifying the "?" parameter.

# 7.5 Local/Remote Option

Some commands have a local or remote option. This enables the local controller to invoke an action onto the remote controller. The function of the local or the remote operation is specified in the command description. Command option *local* means you are invoking an action on the local controller, and command option *remote* means you are invoking an action on the remote controller.

Some commands don't have local or remote options. Setting the configuration on the local controller with these commands will set the same configuration on the both controllers.

# 7.6 Index of CLI Commands

The following table lists the PixelStor 5000 commands available through the command line interface.

command	description
daacl	used to manage access control list
daaddrbk	used to add email address to notification list
dacomment	used to add comments to configuration
daconnstat	used to display connection statistics
dadate	used to display or set time and date
dadg	used to manage Disk Groups
dadiskload	download firmware for Seagate hard drives
dadsktst	measure disk baseline IO performance
dafwdwnld	used to download expander firmware
dahelp	used to display information about commands
dahost	used to define and manage host
dahostname	allows user to set the name of the storage array
dahwstat	used to display hardware status
dainspread	used to manage Inspection Read
daisns	used to manage isns registration
dakem	used to display the event log
dalun	used to manage the lun masking table
dantpdate	used to configure an NTP server
dapasswd	used to change the user password
daphyinfo	get expander phy status information
dapm	configure the drive power management
dareboot	used to reboot the local or remote controller
daroute	used to display or set the gateway address
dasavelog	saves the log file to the /pub/ directory
daselblk	select a chassis or a hard drive to blink
	used to set IP addresses, netmask, gateway and
dasetup	name server
dashutdown	used to shutdown the local or remote controller
dasmartinfo	used to view disk smart information
dasnmp	used to manage snmp groups
dastat	used to display system information
dastonith	used to forcibly reboot the remote controller

dasysalert	used to enable or disable health alerts
daum	used to upgrade or manage kernel images
davd	used to manage virtual disks
	used to display version information of kernel
daversion	images or boot images

Figure 7-1 CLI command list

# 7.7 The CLI Commands

The CLI Commands for the PixelStor 5000 have the prefix "da" as part of the command name. The commands and their descriptions are listed below.

### 7.7.1 daacl

Use daacl to manage the access control list on at a system level.

```
daacl
          - manage access control list.
Usage:
   daacl [Options]
Options:
    -h/--help:
                                help
    -L/--list:
                                 list all allowed addresses
    -a [address/prefixlen]:
                                  add an address into the allowed list
    -d [address/prefixlen]:
                                  delete an address from the allowed list
Command Examples:
    daacl -a 0.0.0.0/0:
                                   allow access from all
    daacl -a 192.168.1.0/24:
                                   allow access from one subnet
    daacl -a 192.168.1.1/32:
                                   allow access from one IP
```

### 7.7.2 daaddrbk

Use daaddrbk to manage the email addresses for notification.

daaddrbk - add email address to notification list.

Usage:

```
daaddrbk [-hL] [-ad <email_address>]
Options:
    -a [recipient_email] : add an recipient email to the address book
    -d [recipient_email] : delete an recipient email from the address book
    -o [sender_email] : set the sender email
    -s [smtp_server_ip] : set the smtp server ip address
    -S [1/0] : set whether the smtp server support SSL
```

```
-p [smtp_server_port]: set the smtp server port, default is 25
-u [user_name] : set the user name
-w [password] : set the password
-h/help: help
```

list all the current email address

Command Examples:

-L:

#### Note:

```
To receive email notification, you need to make sure the default gateway/router and name server are setup properly.
The system needs to be able to talk to the mail server for the email address you entered.
```

### 7.7.3 dacomment

### Use dacomment to add or display comments on a system.

dacomment - add comments to configuration.

#### Usage:

dacomment [Options]	
-h:	help
-g:	get the comment
-s ["comments"]:	set the comment

```
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```

```
Examples:
dacomment -s "this is storage system for \"server A\""
dacomment -g
```

### 7.7.4 daconnstat

Use daconnstat to display the iSCSI connection statistics.

```
daconnstat - display connection statistics.
```

Usage:

daconnstat [Options]

### Options:

?/-help:	help
-show:	show statistics
-reset sid:	reset rx/tx counters of session "sid" to zero

Command Examples:

```
daconnstat -help
daconnstat
daconnstat -show
daconnstat -reset 0xfff81004e409000
```

### Notes:

The "daconnstat" without any option has the same effect as "daconnstat -show".

### 7.7.5 dadate

Use dadate to display or set the system date and time on one or two controllers. Without any option specified, the current date is printed out.

### Usage: PixelStor 5000 User Manual Rev. 1, May 2013

```
dadate [Options]
Options:
                             help information
   ?/-help:
   -s [MMDDhhmmYY.ss]:
                               set date and time specified
   -z [GMT|gmt|UTC|utc] offset: set time zone by offset to GMT/UTC
Command Examples:
   dadate:
                            prints out the current date and time
   dadate -s 1216183005.32:
                              sets the date and time
                            set as Greenwich Mean Time
   dadate -z GMT:
   dadate -z GMT +8:
                             set as 8th zone east to GMT
   dadate -z GMT -8:
                            set as 8th zone west to GMT
Notes:
For offset value for your location, please check out the following sites
   http://www.greenwichmeantime.com
   http://www.worldtimezone.com
```

### 7.7.6 dadg

dadg

### Use dadg to manage the Disk Groups.

- manage disk groups.

```
Usage:
          dadg [Options] [Parameter Options] [Device List]
      Options:
          -h:
                                help
          -help:
                                 help
         -Ldisk:
                                 list disk information
         -Ldg [disk-group name]: list disk-group information
         -Lall:
                                 list generic information for all disk groups
         -a [disk-group name]:
                                   create a disk group
          -d [disk-group name]:
                                   delete a disk group
          -D [disk-group name]:
                                   deactivate a disk group
          -A [disk-group name]:
                                   activate a disk group
          -s [disk-group name]:
                                   restore unhealthy disk group to degraded/healthy
          -r:
                                discover new disk groups
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```
-e [disk-group name]:
                            expand a disk group
   -c [disk-group name]:
                            change a disk-group parameter
   -y [single device name]: recycle an orphan disk to a spare disk
   -EC [disk-group name]:
                             check and correct RAID consistency
Parameter Options:
                             [0, 1] for controller 0, controller 1
   -o [controller owner]:
   -l [RAID level]:
                            [0, 1, 5, 6, 10] for RAID-0,1,5,6,10
   -v [alarm level]:
                            [1-100] for disk-space alarm threshold
   -n [new disk-group name]: new disk-group name
   -m [comment string]:
                            explanatory comment
   -f:
                          force deletion of disk group with virtual disks,
                         force activation of degraded disk group,
                         force restoration of unhealthy disk group,
                         force discovery to find degraded disk groups,
                         force name change of disk group
Option Requirements:
   option a requires:
                            o, l, v, and device list. m is optional
   option d requires:
                            f is optional
   option A requires:
                            o. f is optional
   option s requires:
                            f
   option r requires:
                            o. f is optional
   option e requires:
                            device list
   option c requires:
                            at least one of v, n, or m. f is required with n
   option y requires:
                            one device only
Device List Mapping:
   /dev/xda:
                           slot 0 (the leftmost slot of head chassis)
   /dev/xdb - /dev/xdk:
                            slot 1 - slot 10 of head chassis
   /dev/xdl:
                           slot 11 (the rightmost slot of head chassis)
   /dev/xdaa - /dev/xdal:
                            slot 0 - slot 11 of expansion enclosure 0
   /dev/xdba - /dev/xdbl:
                             slot 0 - slot 11 of expansion enclosure 1
   /dev/xdca - /dev/xdcl:
                             slot 0 - slot 11 of expansion enclosure 2
Device List Requirements:
   RAID-0 requires:
                            2 to 24 devices in device list
   RAID-5 requires:
                           3 to 24 devices in device list
                           4 to 24 devices in device list
   RAID-6 requires:
                            2, 4, 6, ..., 24 devices in device list
   RAID-1 requires:
                            4, 6, 8, ..., 24 devices in device list
   RAID-10 requires:
Device List Examples:
   /dev/xda /dev/xdb /dev/xdc /dev/xdg /dev/xdh /dev/xdo
   /dev/xd[a-c,g-h,o]
```

```
/dev/xd[a,b,c,g-h,o]
   /dev/xdaa /dev/xdab /dev/xdac /dev/xdad
   /dev/xda[c-f]
   /dev/xdb[a-d,i-l] /dev/xdc[a-d]
Command Examples:
   dadg -help
   dadg -Ldisk
   dadg -Ldg dg1
   dadg -Lall
   dadg -a dg1 -o 0 -1 5 -v 100 -m "comment" /dev/xd[a-e]
   dadg -d dg1
   dadg -d dg1 -f
   dadg -D dg1
   dadg -A dgl -o 1
   dadg -A dgl -o 1 -f
   dadg -s dgl -f
   dadg -r -o 0
   dadg -r -o 0 -f
   dadg -e dg1 /dev/xd[f-i]
   dadg -c dg1 -m "comment new" -v 90
   dadg -c dgl -n dglnew -f
   dadg -y /dev/xdo
   dadg -EC dg1
```

### 7.7.7 dadiskcache

Use dadiskcache to enable or disable the use of the write cache on the drives.

```
dadiskcache - turns on/off all the disk write caches.
Usage:
    dadiskcache [-h | -e | -d | -s ]
Options:
    -h : Help
    -e : Enable all the disk write caches.
    -d : Disable all the disk write caches.
    -s : Display the current disk write cache state.
```

### 7.7.8 dadiskload

### Use dadiskload to download the f/w for Seagate drives.

dadiskload	- download firmware for Seagate SATA hard drive
Usage:	
dadiskload [Opti	ons]
Options:	
-n [URL or file]	: URL or file name for the firmware, the firmware file
1	must be in the format: drivemodel_firmwarerevision
-d [devices/all]	: specify the hard drives for download, for example
	/dev/xd[a-h] or specify 'all' to download for all
	available hard drives
-i:	display drive information
-s:	only display Seagate drive information (-i required)
-h:	display this help information
-u:	skip firmware version check for download(in downgrade)
-d:	hide download progress information on console
Required options: -o	1, -n
Command Examples	
dadiskload -d /d	ev/xda /dev/xdi /dev/xdd[a-h] -n joe:passwd@192.168.1.1/
images/	ST3400633AS_3.AAD
dadiskload -d /d	ev/xda /dev/xdi /dev/xdd[a-h] -n joe:passwd@192.168.1.1/

```
dadiskload -d all -n joe:passwd@192.168.1.1/images/ST3750640NS_3.AEK
dadiskload -i
dadiskload -i -s
```

### 7.7.9 dadsktst

### Use dadsktst to measure the baseline data transfer performance for disk drives.

dadsktst - measure hard drive baseline performance

images/ST3400633AS\_0.AAD -u

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```

```
Usage:
   dadsktst [Options]
Options:
   -f [filename]:
                          store test results in a file
   -d [devices/all]:
                           specify the hard drives to test, for example xda
                        or specify 'all' to test all available hard drives
   -t [r/w/rw]:
                          specify 'r', 'w' or 'rw' for read only, write only
                        or both tests write test can only be performed for
                        'spare' drives
                        hide test information on console
   -v:
   -h:
                        help information
Required options: -d, -t
Command Examples
   dadsktst -d xda xdi xdg -t rw
   dadsktst -d all -f results.dat -t w
Disk List Mapping:
   /dev/xda:
                          slot 0 (the top-left slot of RAID System
                         (main chassis))
   /dev/xdb - /dev/xdk:
                            slot 1 - slot 10 of RAID System (main chassis))
   /dev/xdl:
                          slot 11 (the bottom-right slot of RAID System
                         (main chassis))
   /dev/xdaa - /dev/xdal: slot 0 - slot 11 of expansion enclosure 0
   /dev/xdba - /dev/xdbl: slot 0 - slot 11 of expansion enclosure 1
   /dev/xdca - /dev/xdcl: slot 0 - slot 11 of expansion enclosure 2
```

### 7.7.10 dafwdwnld

Use dafwdwnld to download the f/w into the Expanders (PixelStore 100e). This command downloads the f/w automatically into both controllers and all the Expanders.

dafwdwnld - download target system's main chassis and expander firmware

Usage:

dafwdwnld [Options]

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-g/gui:	this tool is called from GUI
-h/help:	display help information
-i/info:	display information of the system's main chassis
	and expander firmware
-n [URL]/new	[URL]: specify the firmware file name and it's location
-u	download the firmware, even if it is older than the
	firmware on the main chassis or expander
-d	hide download progress information

Option Requirements:

URL is in the following format: usrname:passwd@ip\_address/path\_name/file\_name

The host specified with 'ip\_address' must be a FTP site. If the FTP server accepts 'anonymous' user, the 'usrname:passwd' can be omitted.

Command Examples

```
dafwdwnld -n joe:passwd@192.168.1.1/images/vsc7513.fuf
dafwdwnld -n joe:passwd@192.168.1.1/images/vsc7513.fuf -u
dafwdwnld -n 192.168.1.1/pub/vsc7514.fuf
dafwdwnld -I
```

### 7.7.11 dapm

Use dapm to display the drive power management state and to set the inactivity period for drive spin-down.

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	180, 210, 240, 270, 300 or 330 minutes.
	A value of 0 disables spin down.
-i	Display current inactivity timeout value.
- Z	schedule time of day to spin up and spin down
	disks in a disk group.
-у	stop current schedule in a disk group.
Parameter options:	
-g [disk group name]:	disk group name.
-n :	spare or orphan drives.
-b [time of day]:	time of day [0-23] to spin up the drives.
-e [time of day]:	time of day [0-23] to spin down the drives.
Option requirement:	
option l requires:	g or n.
option i requires:	g,n optional.
option y requires:	g.
option z requires:	g,b,e.
Command Examples:	
dapm -s	Display power management state for all drives.
dapm -1 30 -n	Set inactivity period for spare/orphan drives
	to 30 minutes. Drive has no activities for 30
	minutes will spin down to enter standby state.
dapm -1 30 -g dg1	Set inactivity period for disk group dg1 to 30
	minutes. Drives in this disk group has no
	activities for 30 minutes will spin down and
	enter standby states.
dapm -i	Display current inactivity timeout value for all
	disk groups and spare orphan drives.
dapm -i -n	Display current inactivity timeout value for
	spare or orphan drives.
dapm -i -g dgl	Display current inactivity timeout value for
	disk group dg1.
dapm -z -g dg1 -b 8 -	e 20 Set disk group dgl to spin up drives at 8AM and
	spin down its drives at 8PM.

# 7.7.12 dahelp

### Use dahelp to display a list of CLI commands

dahelp - display command usage page
```
Usage:
    dahelp [Options]
Options:
    -h/help:
                     display this help page
    [command]:
                     display usage for the specified command
                     display usage for all the commands that match the pattern
    -s [pattern]:
Command List:
daacl
          - manage access control list
daaddrbk
          - add email address to notification list
dacomment - add comments to configuration
daconnstat - display connection statistics
dadate
          - display or set the date and time
           - manage disk groups
dadq
dadiskcache - Turn on/off disk write caches for all drives
dadiskload - download firmware for Seagate hard drives
dadsktst - measure disk baseline IO performance
dafwdwnld - download expander firmware
dahelp
          - display help information about commands
dahost
          - define or manage host
dahostname - display or set hostname for the storage array
         - display hardware status
dahwstat
dainspread - manage Inspection Read
daisns
          - manage iSNS client
dakem
          - display event log
dalun
          - manage the lun masking table
dantpdate - configure NTP server
dapasswd
          - set the password for the user
daphyinfo - get expander phy status information
          - configure the drive power management
dapm
dareboot
          - reboot local or remote controller
daroute
          - display or set gateway address
dasavelog - save the complete log file from the target to the local PC.
daselblk
         - select a chassis or a hard drive to blink
          - set IP addresses, netmask, gateway and name server
dasetup
dashutdown - shutdown local or remote controller
dasmartinfo - used to view disk smart information
dasnmp
          - Add/Delete SNMP managers to send traps to
          - display the system information
dastat
```

dastonith	-	force reboot of remote controller
dasysalert	-	enable or disable blinking lights
daum	-	upgrade or manage kernel images
davd	-	manage virtual disks
daversion	-	display versions of kernel images and boot image

# 7.7.13 dahost

Use dahost to add or delete host entries from the system.

```
dahost - define or manage host.
Usage:
```

dahost [Options] [Parameter Options]

Options:

-a:	add a new	entry
-m:	modify an	entry
-d:	delete an	entry
-1:	print out	all the entries

Parameter Options:

-b	[type]:	0 is iSCSI, 1 is FC, 2 is SAS
-w	[host's WWN]:	World Wide Name
-u	[user name]:	empty by default
-0	[host OS type]:	0 is Windows by default, 1 is Linux, 2 is Others
-n	[host name]:	host name
-i	[host ip address]:	empty by default
-p	[initiator secret]:	empty by default
-s	[target secret]:	empty by default
-t	["comments"]:	empty by default

Option Requirements:

option a requires:	w and n are mandatory. i,u,p,s and t is optional
option d requires:	w or n
option m requires:	w are mandatory, u,o,n,i,p,s and t is optional
	WWN (-w) can not be changed

Command Examples:

dahost -a -w 0x0210000E0802DE2f -b 1 -n server2 PixelStor 5000 User Manual Rev. 1, May 2013

```
dahost -a -w iqn.test3 -o 0 -n test3 :add a hostdahost -d -w iqn.test3 :delete a hostdahost -d -n test3 :delete a hostdahost -a -w iqn.test2 -o 0 -n server2 -t "Server 2": add a host with commentsdahost -m -w iqn.test2 -n newhost :modify a hostnamedahost -m -w iqn.test2 -t \"\" :clear host commentsdahost -m -w iqn.test2 -s \"\" :clear target secret
```

## 7.7.14 dahostname

Use the dahostname to change the system name for the PixelStor 5000. For those systems that build an iSCSI target name with this name, you must use the –f (force) flag to change the name because target names may be affected.

dahostname	- display or set hostname for the storage array.
Usage:	
dahostname	[-h   -f] [hostname]
Options:	
-h/help:	display syntax
-f:	force hostname change. This flag must be specified to
	change host name for system supporting multiple
	iSCSI targets.
Command Exampl	es:
dahostname	Display current hostname
dahostname	-f newhost: Change hostname to newhost

## 7.7.15 dahwstat

Use dahwstat to display the hardware status for the local controller.

dahwstat - show hardware status.

Usage:

dahwstat [Options]

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Opti	ions:					
	-help:	display help information				
	-drives   -drive:	show properties of all the drives				
	-drive [no.]:	show properties of a specified drive [0-23]				
	-chassis:	show information of chassis components, including				
		controller ID, second controller installed,				
	:	Second controller presence, fan readings,				
	;	temperature readings, voltage readings and battery				
	:	information				
	-alert	show alert messages if any				

Command Examples:

dahwstat -alert dahwstat -drive 0 dahwstat -drives dahwstat -chassis

### 7.7.16 dainspread

Use dainspread to manage the Inspection Read operation.

```
dainspread - manage Inspection Read.
      Usage:
        dainspread [Options] [Option Parameters]
      Options:
        -h/-help: Show help information
        -start: Immediately start Inspection Read
        -stop: Immediately stop Inspection Read
        -resume: Immediately start Inspection Read from last inspected block
        -schedule: Add, delete or show Inspection Read schedule. When no parameters
                 are provided, -schedule shows the current schedule
        -progress: Show the progress of Inspection Read
      Option Parameters:
                        Run continuously until dainspread is issued with the stop
        -repeat:
                        option or the specified -duration is satisfied.
        -cpu [priority]: Set the Inspection Read priority based upon cpu
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```

		load [1-3]. Where High is 1, Medium is 2, Low is 3.
		The default priority is low unless otherwise specified.
	-duration [hour	s]: The maximum of hours to run [1 - 10000]. Inspection Read
		will stop after running for the specified number of hours.
	-add:	Add a new schedule or change the current schedule.
	-del:	Delete the current schedule.
	-sch_resume:	Schedule Inspection Read to resume from last inspected
		block.
	-day [Day]:	Used to specify the day of week to start Inspection Read
		[0 - 6], where 0 specifies Sunday.
	-hour [hour]:	Specifies the hour to start Inspection Read [0 - 23],
		where 0 specifies midnight.
0	ption Requiremer	nts:
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start:	repeat, cpu and duration are optional.
stop:	no parameters should be specified with stop.
resume:	repeat, cpu and duration are optional.
schedule:	add or del required. If add, then day and hour are
	required. sch_resume, repeat, cpu and duration are
	optional. If del, then no other parameters should be
	specified.
progress:	no parameters should be specified with progress.

#### Examples:

- dainspread -start Start Inspection Read.
- 2. dainspread -start -repeat

Start Inspection Read and run continuously until dainspread is issued with the -stop option.

- dainspread -start -repeat -cpu 2 -duration 6 Start Inspection Read at a medium priority and repeat until 6 hours have passed.
- dainspread -stop Stop Inspection Read
- dainspread -resume Resume Inspection Read from the last inspected block.
- 6. dainspread -resume -cpu 1
   Resume Inspection Read from the last inspected block at a high priority.
- dainspread -resume -repeat -cpu 2 -duration 6
   Resume Inspection Read at a medium priority and repeat until Inspection

Read has run for 6 hours.

- dainspread -schedule
   Show the current Inspection Read schedule.
- dainspread -schedule -add -day 0 -day 1 -hour 23
   Schedule Inspection Read to start every Sunday and Monday at 11 PM.
- 10. dainspread -schedule -add -day 0 -hour 23 -duration 6 Schedule Inspection Read to start every Sunday at 11 PM and run for 6 hours.
- 11. dainspread -schedule -add -day 0 -hour 23 -duration 6 -sch\_resume Schedule Inspection Read to resume from the last inspected block every Sunday at 11 PM and run for 6 hours.
- 12. dainspread -schedule -add -day 0 -hour 23 -repeat -cpu 2 -duration 6 Schedule Inspection Read to start every Sunday at 11 PM at a medium priority and repeat until Inspection Read has run for 6 hours.
- 13. dainspread -schedule -del

Delete the current Inspection Read schedule.

14. dainspread -progress Show the progress of the current Inspection Read.

## 7.7.17 daisns

### Use daisns to manage isns registration.

daisns - manage iSNS client service

Usage:

daisns [Options] [Option Parameters]

### Options:

-h/-help:	help page
-l/-list:	list iSNS server IP and alias name
-start:	start iSNS service
-stop:	stop iSNS service
-setserver:	save iSNS server ip and alias name
-delserver:	delete iSNS server ip and alias name
-display:	display the iSNS server online or offline
-show:	display whether the iSNS service is started

-addr:	iSNS server IP address
-alias:	iSNS server alias name
Option Requ	irements:
option se	tserver: addr and alias are mandatory.
Comand Exam	ples:
daisns	-start
daisns	-stop
daisns	-1
daisns	-display
daisns	-setserver -alias test3 -addr 10.4.1.3
daisns	-delserver

### 7.7.18 dakem

### Use dakem to display the event log.

```
dakem
          - display event log.
Usage:
   dakem [Options] [Option parameters]
Options:[-hvEi] [-s severity] [-C n]
   -h :
                   help
   -v :
                   version
   -E :
                   display KEM messages
   -i :
                   suppress the special char display
   -т :
                   set the alert level for snmptrap/email notification.
                  valid option parameters are info,warning,critical
   -G :
                   get the alert level for snmptrap/email notification
Option Parameters:
```

```
-s [severity]:
```

-s	[severity]:	[info]	[ wa	arning][c:	rit	ical	l][all(defa	ult)]		
-C	[n]:	number o	эf	messages	to	be	displayed,	maximum	of	6000

```
Command Examples
```

dakem -E:	Display	the	last	256	KEM	messages.
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```
dakem -E -C 6000:Display all the KEM messages.dakem -E -C 6000 -s warning:Display all the KEM message of severity<br/>warning and above.dakem -T warningSet alert level to warning.
```

7.7.19 dalun

Use dalun to manage the lun masking table. This pertains to Virtual Drive presentation.

dalun - manage the lun masking table.

#### Usage:

```
dalun [options] [fields...]
```

### Options:

-h:	help
-a:	add a new lunmask entry
-d:	delete a lunmask entry. You should log off at
	the host initiator before performing a delete.
	This ensures the host has sent all data to
	the storage array.
-p:	print out all the existing lunmask entries

Required fields:

- -n [host]
- -g [disk\_group\_name]
- -k [virtual\_disk\_name]
- -P [parent\_virtual\_disk\_name]

```
Notes:
```

```
The -P parent_virtual_disk_name is only required if the virtual disk presented is a snapshot virtual disk.
```

```
Command Examples:
dalun -a -n hostl -g dgl -k vdl:
presents virtual disk vdl in disk group dgl
to hostl
```

```
dalun -d -n host1 -g dg1 -k vd1:
    un-present virtual disk vd1 in disk group dg1
    from host1.
dalun -d -n host2 -g dg1 -k snap1 -P vd1:
    un-present snapshot snap1 of virtual disk vd1
    in disk group dg1 from host2
```

## 7.7.20 dantpdate

```
Use dantpdate to configure an NTP server.
dantpdate - Configure NTP servers
Usage:
   dantpdate [Options]
Options:
   -help
                            help
   -list
                            list current NTP servers
   -add hostName/IPAddress
                               add a NTP server to list
   -del hostName/IPAddress
                               delete a NTP server from list
                            synchronize the system clock on both
   -sync
                           controllers with the NTP server
Command Examples:
   dantpdate -help
                              display this help page
   dantpdate -list
                              list current list of NTP servers
   dantpdate -sync
                              synchorinize the system clock on both
                           controllers with the NTP server
   dantpdate -add myntpserver add myntpserver to the list of NTP servers
   dantpdate -del 65.78.1.1
                               delete 65.78.1.1 from the list of NTP servers
```

### 7.7.21 dapasswd

Use dapasswd to change the passwords on the system.

```
dapasswd - set the password for the user.
Usage:
    dapasswd [Options] [Option Parameters]
Options:
    -help: display help page
    -p: new passwd
Option Parameters:
    username: Specify username. It is mandatory.
Command Examples:
    dapasswd -p passwd John: sets password for a user John
```

## 7.7.22 daphyinfo

Use daphyinfo to get Expander (PixelStor 100e) phy status information for the local controller.

daphyinfo	-	get	expander	phy	information
		5	T- 0111010-1	T T	

Usage:

daphyinfo [Options]

Options:

-s:	get expander phy status information
-1:	get error log information for phy
-c:	clear error log information for phy
-e:	specify the expander to get the information:
	rs RAID System (main chassis)
	eeN expander enclosure, N is the enclosure
	number starting from 0
	(default is all expanders)
-p:	specify the phy number to get the information
	(default is all phys)
-h:	dispaly this help information

Required options: -s or -l PixelStor 5000 User Manual Rev. 1, May 2013

```
Command Examples
daphyinfo -s -e rs -p 2
daphyinfo -l -e ee3
daphyinfo -s
```

# 7.7.23 dareboot

Use dareboot to reboot the local or remote controller. If no parameters are specified, dareboot will reboot the local controller.

```
dareboot - reboot local or remote controller.
Usage:
   dareboot
   dareboot [Options]
Options:
   -help:
                    help
   -local:
                     reboot local controller
   -remote:
                    reboot remote controller
Command Examples:
   dareboot -help
   dareboot
   dareboot -local
   dareboot -remote
Notes:
The "dareboot" without any option has the same effect as
"dareboot -local".
```

# 7.7.24 dashutdown

Use dashutdown to shutdown the local or remote controller. If local or remote are not specified, dashutdown operates on the local controller.

```
dashutdown - shutdown local or remote controller.
Usage:
    dashutdown [Options] [Option parameters]
Options:
    local: shutdown local controller.
        Default is local controller
    remote: shutdown remote controller
Option Parameters:
    -t [seconds]: execute at now plus seconds specified
    now: shutdown now
```

```
Notes:
```

dashutdown requires a time be specified, either "now" or -t <seconds>.

## 7.7.25 dasmartinfo

Use dasmartinfo to save the smart data from all of the non-faulty disks to the file /tmp/smartinfo.log. This command requires no options.

Usage: dasmartinfo - used to view disk smart information

7.7.26 daroute

Use daroute to display or set the gateway IP address.

daroute - display or set the gateway address.

Usage:

daroute [Options] [{add | del} default gw <gwIPAddr>]

Options:

-h:

help

Option Parameters:

add:	add a default gateway
del:	delete default gateway

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```
<gwIPAddr>: gateway IP address to add or delete
Command Examples:
   daroute add default gw 192.168.123.254
```

7.7.27 dasavelog

Use dasavelog to save the controller logs to the /pub/ directory. managers

dasavelog - Save complete logs from the target to the local PC.

#### Usage:

```
dasavelog [Options]
```

Options:

-s:	Creat and save the logyymmddhhmmss.zip file to /pub/						
	User can use ftp from a client machine to retrieve this file.						
	Please log in as an anonymous user, and get this file directly.						
-h/-help:	help page						

### 7.7.28 daselblk

Use daselblk to select a chassis or hard drive to blink its LED(s). The selected item will flash its Red LED(s). If a single drive is selected, only one LED will flash. If a chassis is selected, all 12 Red LEDs will flash. Select the "-i" option to list the names of the selectable items.

```
daselblk - select a hardware item to blink
Usage:
   daselblk [Options]
Options:
   -s [item]: specify the hardware item to blink
   -o [blink/cancel]: blink or cancel the blink
   -i: list all available hardware items, which can be
    selected
```

-f: find the hardware item selected to blink
-h: help information
Required options: -s, -o
Command Examples
To blink a hard drive in slot 4 on RAID System (main chassis):
daselblk -s hdm4 -o blink
To blink the Expansion Enclosure-0:
daselblk -s ee0 -o blink

## 7.7.29 dasetup

Use dasetup to assign the IP addresses, netmask, gateway and dns servers for the PixelStor system. This command may automatically start when you log into the Serial Port for the first time. Invoke this command whenever a NIC port IP address needs to be changed. The output of the dasetup command is shown below. Refer to the PixelStor 5000 Quick Start Guide for additional setup information.

dasetup V2.7 is running for a dual controller system.

This wizard will walk you through the network configuration. You can configure the rest of the system using the web GUI. The default values are in the bracket, you can press "Enter" to select the default value. If you make any mistake, you can press "ctrl-c", then logout and login to run this wizard again. Items with optional values are: dedicated management port: [yes,no] mtu: [1500, 9000] NIC IP: [a.b.c.d, dhcp, disable]

```
Configure NIC1 as dedicated management port [no]:
Enter IP address for system [192.168.0.1]:
Enter netmask [255.255.255.0]:
Enter mtu [1500, 9000]:
Enter C0 NIC1 IP [ ]:
Enter C0 NIC2 IP [ ]:
Enter C0 NIC3 IP [ ]:
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```

```
Enter CO NIC4 IP [ ]:
Enter CO NIC5 IP [ ]:
Enter C1 NIC1 IP [ ]:
Enter C1 NIC2 IP [ ]:
Enter C1 NIC3 IP [ ]:
Enter C1 NIC4 IP [ ]:
Enter C1 NIC5 IP [ ]:
Enter default gateway IP [ ]:
Enter DNS address for system [ ]:
```

### 7.7.30 dashutdown

Use dashutdown to shutdown the local or remote controller.

dashutdown - shutdown local or remote controller.

usage:

dashutdown [Options] time

#### Options:

-help:	help						
-local:	shutdown	local	controller.	This	is	by	default.
-remote:	shutdown	remote	e controller				

The time argument is mandatory. It specifies the number of minutes to wait before shutdown happens. "now" indicates immediate shutdown.

```
Command Examples:
```

dashutdown -help:	display usage page
dashutdown now:	shutdown the local controller now
dashutdown -remote 10:	shutdown the remote one after 10 minutes

## 7.7.31 dasnmp

### Use dasnmp list, add or delete SNMP managers

```
dasnmp - Add/Delete SNMP managers to send traps to.
Usage:
    dasnmp [Options]
Options:
    -h/--help:
                         help
    -L/--list:
                          list all SNMP managers
    -a/--add [address]: add a SNMP manager with/without community
    -d/--delete [address]: delete a SNMP manager
    -c [community string]: community string of a SNMP manager
    -i/--inform [0, 1]: set to informed(1) or non-informed(0) SNMP trap
Option Requirements:
    option c requires:
                            а
Command Examples:
    dasnmp -a 192.168.1.1: add a SNMP manager without community
    dasnmp -a 10.0.0.1 -c pub: add a SNMP manager with community "pub"
    dasnmp -d 10.0.0.1: delete a SNMP manager
    dasnmp -i 1:
                          set to informed SNMP trap
```

## 7.7.32 dastat

Use dastat to display status information for the local controller.

dastat - display the system information.

```
Usage:
dastat
dastat -help
```

# 7.7.33 dastonith

Use dastonith to force a reboot on the remote controller. Make sure a "dastonith 0" command is executed soon after the "dastonith 1" command, otherwise the remote controller will not reboot.

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```
Usage:
   dastonith [-h/help] [0/1]
Options:
   -h/help:
                  print this help page.
   1:
                  set the stonith condition to the remote controller.
   0:
                  release the stonith condition to the remote controller.
Command Examples:
   dastonith 1
   dastonith 0
Notes:
To stonith the remote controller, issue the dastonith
commands in the following sequence.
   dastonith 1
   dastonith 0
The remote controller will reboot after you issue dastonith 0.
```

## 7.7.34 dasysalert

Use dasysalert to display system Health Alert setting or to change setting - enable or disable. There are two components in the system Health Alert mechanism. Red LEDs on the hard drives blink 3 times when there is a system Health Alert in the specific chassis. Disabling system Health Alerts only turns off the blinking red LEDs and the red Alert! Indication in the GUI. This command does not affect the health messages viewable on the system health page or in the system logs.

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On:	turn on system alert
Off:	turn off system alert
Command Examples:	
dasysalert on	
dasysalert off	
dasysalert -show	

## 7.7.35 daum

### Use daum to upgrade or manage kernel images.

daum - upgrade or manage kernel images.

#### Usage:

daum [Options]

#### Options:

-h/help:	help information
-i/info:	display information about the system images,
-s/switch:	switch the image pointer for next boot operation
-y/sync:	synchronize current and backup images
-n URL/new URL:	upgrade with a new system image
-v	show version information of daum

Option Requirements:

URL is in the following format: usrname:passwd@ip\_address/path\_name/file\_name

The host specified with 'ip\_address' must be an FTP site. If the FTP server accepts an 'anonymous' user, the 'usrname:passwd' can be omitted.

Command Examples

```
daum -n joe:passwd@192.168.1.1/images/newkdi
daum -n 192.168.1.1/pub/kdi.0.1
```

## 7.7.36 davd

Use davd to manage the Virtual Disks of each Disk Group.

```
davd
        - manage virtual disks.
Usage:
   davd [Options] [Parameter Options]
Options:
   -h:
                         help
   -help:
                         help
   -L [virtual-disk name]: list virtual-disk information
   -a [virtual-disk name]:
                            create a data virtual disk
   -d [virtual-disk name]: delete a virtual disk
   -e [virtual-disk name]: expand a virtual disk
   -c [virtual-disk name]: change a virtual-disk parameter
Parameter Options:
                            disk group containing the virtual disk
   -g [disk-group name]:
   -s [size]:
                          size in MB. Append G or g, T or t for GB, TB
   -m [cache policy]:
                            [0, 1, 2] for auto, write-through, write-back
   -r [read ahead policy]: [0, 1] for enable, disable
   -n [virtual-disk name]: new virtual-disk name
   -f:
                         force deletion of virtual disk
                         force name change of virtual disk
   -io_stat:
                          extra information on IO stat
   -io_stat_perf:
                           extra information on IO performance(default interval
is 5 seconds)
   -interval [seconds]:
                           interval seconds with option io_stat_perf
Option Requirements:
   option L requires:
                            g
   option a requires:
                            g, s, m, r
   option d requires:
                            g, f
   option e requires:
                            q, s
   option c requires:
                            g, one of (n,f), m, r
Option Notes:
   option e:
                          -s [size] specifies the capacity increment
   option c:
                          Name changes (-n option) require the -f option,
```

Command Examples:

```
davd -help
davd -L lv1 -g dg1
davd -L lv1 -g dg1 -io_stat
davd -L lv1 -g dg1 -io_perf
davd -L lv1 -g dg1 -io_perf -interval 5
davd -a lv1 -g dg1 -s 10240 -m 2 -r 0
davd -a lv1 -g dg1 -s 10G -m 2 -r 1
davd -d lv1 -g dg1 -f
davd -e lv1 -g dg1 -s 8192
davd -c lv1 -g dg1 -s 8G
davd -c lv1 -g dg1 -r 1
davd -c lv1 -g dg1 -r 1
```

## 7.7.37 daversion

Use daversion to display version information of the kernel images (KDI) and other components of the PixelStor 5000 system.

daversion - displays the boot image and kdi versions.

```
Usage:
```

daversion [Options]

#### Options

-h/help:	help	info	ormation				
local:	print	out	version	information	of	local	controller
remote:	print	out	version	information	of	remote	controller

Command Examples:

daversion -help daversion daversion local daversion remote