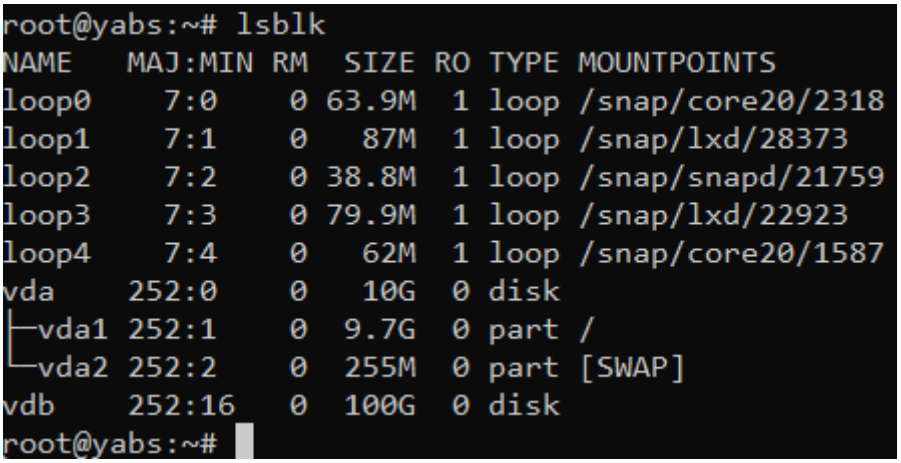
How do create a file system on my VPS's additional mount?

Step 1

Login to your VPS with an SSH tool, in this example we are using Bitvise SSH.

Once signed in, run the following command.

```
lsblk
```



In the command, you will see two disk mounts, one is VDA which is your primary disk mount since it's mounted to /. Your additional disk mount is VDB with 100G in size.

/dev/vdb is our mount.

Step 2

Run the following command to create a file system on that disk.

```
mkfs.ext4  /dev/vdb
```

```
root@yabs:~# mkfs.ext4  /dev/vdb
mke2fs 1.46.5 (30-Dec-2021)
Discarding device blocks: done
Creating filesystem with 26214400 4k blocks and 6553600 inodes
Filesystem UUID: 83b532fe-8df2-4e04-b474-99d1f2fcf68a
Superblock backups stored on blocks:
        32768, 98304, 163840, 229376, 294912, 819200, 884736, 1605632, 2654208,
        4096000, 7962624, 11239424, 20480000, 23887872

Allocating group tables: done
Writing inode tables: done
Creating journal (131072 blocks): done
Writing superblocks and filesystem accounting information: done

root@yabs:~#
```

As you see now there is a file system of mkfs.ext4 created on that mount.

Step 3

Run the following commands to mount the file system to the OS. You can change the value of data to whatever you'd like.

> You can change the /mnt/data folder to /mount or /data or whatever folder you'd like. This is just an example.

```
mkdir /mnt/data
mount -t ext4 /dev/vdb  /mnt/data
df -h
```

> Line 1 makes the directory. Line 2 makes the mount, mounting the drive /dev/vdb to the folder /mnt/data. Line 3 returns what your system appears like with the new file system

Upon completion, you will see the new usable mount where you can store all your data now.

```
root@yabs:~# df -h
Filesystem      Size  Used Avail Use% Mounted on
tmpfs            97M 1016K   96M   2% /run
/dev/vda1       9.6G  3.8G  5.3G  42% /
tmpfs           485M     0  485M   0% /dev/shm
tmpfs           5.0M     0  5.0M   0% /run/lock
tmpfs            97M  4.0K   97M   1% /run/user/0
/dev/vdb         98G   24K   93G   1% /mnt/data
root@yabs:~#
```

Step 4

Add the details of the mount we completed earlier into the FSTAB file.

```
nano /etc/fstab
/dev/vdb /mnt/data ext4  defaults   0 0
```

After that, if you restart your server the file system will remain on there.

> Failure to do this will cause your file system to umount during system reboots. Its recommend that you complete this!

> That's it! You now fully know how to create a file system on your VPS's new mount.

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