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Luis R Finotti wrote:

Hugo Vanwoerkom wrote:

Hi,

I do:

```
umount /hda14
```

and get:

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Is there a way of finding out **why** it is busy? Obviously it is linked to someplace, but where?

Thanks!

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You can try "lsof" to find what is keeping the device busy:

```
debian[~]% umount dvd
umount: /media/cdrom0: device is busy
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```

```
debian[~]% lsof /media/cdrom0
lsof: WARNING: can't stat() ext3 file system /dev/.static/dev
Output information may be incomplete.
COMMAND PID USER FD TYPE DEVICE SIZE NODE NAME
bash 455 finotti cwd DIR 22,0 2048 1408 /media/cdrom0
mplayer 1010 finotti cwd DIR 22,0 2048 1408 /media/cdrom0
mplayer 1010 finotti 4r REG 22,0 461630064 1416 /media/cdrom0/Brecker Brothers Band -
Northsea Jazz Festival 1992.mpg
```

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You can then try to kill the process or deal with it:

```
debian[~]% ps aux | grep mplayer
finotti 1010 9.1 1.4 37960 14604 pts/5 S+ 21:10 1:12 mplayer Brecker Brothers Band –
Northsea Jazz Festival 1992.mpg
```

HTH,

Luis

P.S.: watching the Brecker Brothers is a good reason to keep a device busy. ;-)

Bingo Luis!

lsdf /hda14

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lsdf: WARNING: can't stat() ext2 file system /dev/.static/dev
Output information may be incomplete.
COMMAND PID USER FD TYPE DEVICE SIZE NODE NAME
thunderbi 7382 hugo mem REG 3,14 249736 639588
/hda14/backup.files/fromhd/usr/local/thunderbird/libnssckbi.so
seamonkey 8363 hugo mem REG 3,14 290582 721775
/hda14/backup.files/fromhd/usr/local/seamonkey1.0/libnssckbi.so
```

Now to Brecker Brothers!

Thanks!

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