

# Shearing file systems on the network

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I have 4 systems and each one of them has a partition I'd like to be remotely accessible on the other 3 systems.

In other words System1 has Partition1. Systems 2,3,4 should be able to remotely mount Partition1 from System1. Also System2 has Partition2. Then systems 1,3,4 should be able to remotely mount Partition2 from System2 and so on.

I tried NFS and it works but only in the ideal world. If one of the systems goes down the whole NFS cross-mounting makes the other systems somewhat unstable. It's a known issue and I believe you guys are aware of it but I just had to see it myself.

What would you recommend? What is the best practice for doing that?

Unfortunately SAN and NAS are not really an option due to some financial restrictions. I'm thinking SMB...? Would that work?

Thank you  
Peter

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