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Subject: Re: maximum LUN

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greg.addr@gmail.com schrieb:

>> What reason could there possibly be for having hundreds  
>> of files open simultaneously? The only thing that comes  
>> immediately to mind for me is a poor programming concept. :-)  
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> I kind of expected that reply... :) I think I do have a valid  
> application, though. I have an archive of a few thousand satellite  
> images, each of which has 6 bands, stored in separate files. I've made  
> an object which can handle the six bands and return a subset image for  
> a selected region processed as I want it. It also returns the image's  
> coverage of the region, so that I can fill in any gaps with data from  
> other images. This I do by opening further image objects. So far, I  
> can use four of these to make an on-the-fly mosaic before I run out of  
> LUNs - and it works well up to that point. The program allows zooming  
> and panning, so I need repeat access to similar regions of the same  
> files. I think it would be too slow to close and reopen them every  
> time, so the objects hold the files open. The archive is several  
> terabytes, changing, and not in my control - so preprocessing is out.  
> With 128 LUNs instead of 28 I could mosaic about 20 image subsets,  
> which will be enough for the moment. Still, if the number 128 was just  
> an arbitrary choice long ago, I'd like to ask early for a bigger one!  
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> cheers,  
> Greg  
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close and open costs nothing. The code between both lines can be  
efficient or not.

cheers  
Reimar

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