

2. Comparison

N disks

Each disk: B blocks, S MB/sec sequential, R MB/sec random, T sec latency

	RAID-0	RAID-1	RAID-4	RAID-5
Capacity	$N \cdot B$	$(N \cdot B)/2$	$(N - 1) \cdot B$	$(N - 1) \cdot B$
Reliability	0	1 (for sure) $\frac{N}{2}$ (if lucky)	1	1
Throughput				
Sequential Read	$N \cdot S$	$(N/2) \cdot S$	$(N - 1) \cdot S$	$(N - 1) \cdot S$
Sequential Write	$N \cdot S$	$(N/2) \cdot S$	$(N - 1) \cdot S$	$(N - 1) \cdot S$
Random Read	$N \cdot R$	$N \cdot R$	$(N - 1) \cdot R$	$N \cdot R$
Random Write	$N \cdot R$	$(N/2) \cdot R$	$\frac{1}{2} \cdot R$	$\frac{N}{4} R$
Latency				
Read	T	T	T	T
Write	T	T	$2T$	$2T$

Figure 38.8: RAID Capacity, Reliability, and Performance