

HOW TO DO A QUICK BACKUP OF DATA FILES ONLY WITH PROMPT UNDER LINUX

1. Do a shutdown to the point where you have a \$ prompt.
2. Next type **su** and at password enter the same root password you use to do a full system takedown.
3. You will be at **#**
4. Set to the main directory by typing at the **# cd /**
5. Here is the command to execute the backup assuming you want to backup data only:

tar cvf /dev/st0 /usr/edx/pdb* (after /st0 the 0 is a numeric 0)

6. Next the backup will start after the tape has been positioned and you will see a line like this
a /edx/pdb001/database.edx 100000 tape blocks (your file size might be different)
7. After pdb001 is backed up, pdb002 will backup (assuming you have a pdb002, etc) then all files on pdblib will backup, and the backup will end with **#**
9. If you wish to verify the backup execute this command:

tar tvf /dev/st0 /usr/edx/pdb*

10. The restore associated with this type of backup, once you have set to the / directory, is as follows: Do not execute a restore unless you know exactly what you are doing as a restore will overwrite the current database. A restore is only to be done when you want to overwrite your current database.

tar xvf /dev/st0