

Re: [K3L5G4B] Using du

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Hello Michael,

To continue our conversation, here are a few useful commands to use to find the largest files and directories on the server as well as our knowledge base article on the subject.

Knowledge Base Article: Using du and df

<https://www.pair.com/support/kb/paircloud-du-and-df/>

You can combine this command with the `grep` and `sort` to get an output which is a little easier to sort through.

If you run this command while connected over SSH you will see all of the files which are over 1GB in size sorted by descending size.

```
du -h|grep '0G|1G|2G|3G|4G|5G|6G|7G|8G|9G'|sort -nr
```

Running that command from your home directory is probably the easiest way to find the largest files and directories on your account.

Additionally, du and df have a number of helpful flags (options) which can be used to manipulate their behavior. If you're just interested in seeing the just the total disk usage your web files are using you can run the following.

```
du -sch
```

See man du for more information. Let us know if you have any other questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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- Find how-tos and tutorials in our knowledge base - <https://www.pair.com/support/kb/>