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DECevent Installation Guide	AA-Q73JA-TE
StorageWorks BA350–MA Controller Shelf User's Guide	EK-350MA-UG
StorageWorks Configuration Manager for DEC OSF/1 Installation Guide	AA-QC38A-TE
StorageWorks Configuration Manager for DEC OSF/1 System Manager's Guide for HSZterm	AA-QC39A-TE
StorageWorks Solutions Configuration Guide	EK-BA350-CG
StorageWorks Solutions Shelf and SBB User's Guide	EK-BA350-UG
StorageWorks Solutions SW300-Series RAID Enclosure Installation and User's Guide	EK-SW300-UG
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StorageWorks SW800-Series Data Center Cabinet Installation and User's Guide	EK-SW800-UG
The RAIDBOOK—A Source for RAID Technology	RAID Advisory Board
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VAXcluster Systems Guidelines for VAXcluster System Configurations	EK-VAXCS-CG
16-Bit SBB User's Guide	EK-SBB16-UG
7-Bit SBB Shelf (BA356 Series) User's Guide	EK-BA356-UG
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The following table lists some of the documents related to the use of this product.

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1 Introduction to the CLI

CLI Overview How to Access and Exit the CLI Entering CLI Commands

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CLI Overview

The command line interpreter (CLI) is one of the user interfaces to the StorageWorks[™] array controllers in your subsystem. The CLI commands allow you to manage the subsystem by viewing and modifying the configuration of the controllers and the devices attached to them. You also use the CLI to start controller diagnostic and utility programs.

CLI commands for configuring and viewing the controllers use the relative terms THIS_CONTROLLER and OTHER_CONTROLLER. THIS_CONTROLLER always refers to the controller that is running the current CLI session. You may have a maintenance terminal or PC directly connected to the terminal port on the front of the controller, or you may be using a virtual terminal connection through the host bus. In either case, THIS_CONTROLLER is the one that you are interacting with directly. This is shown in Figure 1–1.

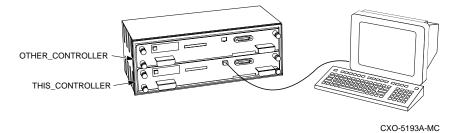


Figure 1–1 Identifying THIS_CONTROLLER, OTHER_CONTROLLER

OTHER_CONTROLLER always refers to the controller that is *not* running the current CLI session—the one that is not connected to a terminal or terminal session.

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Accessing and Exiting the CLI

Note

The maintenance terminal port on the controller is meant to be used only for initial configuration and required maintenance functions. Operation of this port may cause harmful radio frequency interference. Always disconnect the terminal and cable when you have finished working with the controller.

You can access the CLI from a maintenance terminal connected to the front bezel of the controller (local connection) or through the host operating system using a VAXclusterTM system console (VCS), a diagnostic and utility protocol (DUP), or an HSZterm (remote connection). You *must* use a local connection to perform initial controller configuration, such as setting the controller ID. Once you have completed initial configuration and the controller is visible on the host bus, you can perform all other configuration through a remote connection.

In a dual-redundant controller configuration, you can view and set the configurations of both controllers with one local or remote connection. Use THIS_CONTROLLER commands to change the configuration on the controller that is running the CLI session. Use OTHER_CONTROLLER commands to view or change the configuration on the partner controller.

If you are using a remote DUP connection to the CLI, enter the EXIT command at the CLI prompt to close the connection. You do not need to exit from a local connection.

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Capturing Your CLI Session

If you are using a remote terminal connection via DUP on an OpenVMSTM system and you specify the /LOG switch on your command line, a log file of your CLI session is created. You must use the EXIT command to exit the CLI in order to close and print the log file.

Entering CLI Commands

Use the following tips and techniques when entering CLI commands:

- Commands are not case sensitive.
- With few exceptions, you only need to enter enough of each command to make the command unique (usually three characters). For example, SHO is equivalent to SHOW.
- While the controller is processing a command, you can enter succeeding commands without waiting for the CLI prompt. The controller will process each command when it has completed the previous command. (A unit that is experiencing heavy I/O load may be slow to respond to CLI commands.)
- You can enter only one switch (or "qualifier") with each SET command. To enter multiple switches for the same device or unit, you must use multiple SET commands.

You can recall and edit the last five commands. This feature can save time and help prevent mistakes when you need to enter similar commands during configuration. Use the following keys to recall and edit commands:

Кеу	Function
Up Arrow or Ctrl/B, Down Arrow or Ctrl/N	Steps backward and forward through the five most recent CLI commands.
Left arrow or Ctrl/D, Right arrow or Ctrl/F	Moves the cursor left or right in a command line.
Ctrl/E	Moves the cursor to the end of the line.
Ctrl/H or Backspace	Moves the cursor to the beginning of the line.
Ctrl/J or Linefeed	Deletes the word to the left of the cursor.
Ctrl/U	Deletes characters from the beginning of the line to the cursor.
Ctrl/A	Toggles between insert mode and overstrike mode. The default setting is insert mode, which allows you to insert characters at the cursor location, moving the existing characters to the right. Overstrike mode replaces existing characters when you type. The CLI returns to insert mode at the beginning of each line.
Ctrl/R	Recalls the contents of the command line. This is especially helpful if the system issues a message that interrupts your typing.

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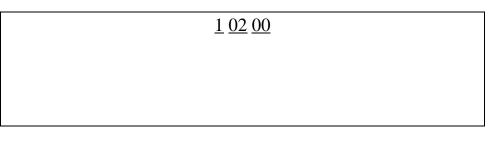
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Specifying the Device PTL

Units accessed by the controller are commonly called logical units (LUN). Each logical unit has a number that is device addressable through a target. Often, a command requires that a device's port-target-LUN (PTL) address be entered. The PTL address is a five-digit address by which the controller identifies the location of the device.

- P—Designates the controller's SCSI port number (1 through 6 for 6-port controllers).
- T—Designates the target identification (ID) number of the device. Valid target ID numbers for a single-controller configuration are 0 through 6. Valid target ID numbers for a dual-redundant-controller configuration are 0 through 5.
- L—Designates the LUN of the device (must be 0).

Place one space between the port number, target number, and the two-digit LUN number when entering the PTL address. An example of a PTL address follows:



Note _

DIGITAL UNIX[®] requires passthrough units to be at LUN 0. OpenVMS accepts LUN numbers 0 through 7.

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Syntax

Commands to the controller must match the following command structure:

COMMAND PARAMETER SWITCHES

- Command—Instructs the controller to do something. For example, the SET command instructs the controller to set something.
- Parameter—The object that receives the command and is assigned the task of processing the command.
- Switches—Reserved words that have a special function. For example, the member switch indicates that the term after it is the name or number of the storage member.

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2 CLI Commands

Descriptions of all CLI Commands Required Parameters Optional Switches Examples

ADD CDROM

Adds a CD-ROM drive to the controller configuration and names the drive.

Format

ADD CDROM CDROM-name SCSI-location

Parameters

CDROM-name

Specifies a name for the CD–ROM drive. You use this name with the ADD UNIT command to identify the CD–ROM drive as a host-addressable unit.

The name must start with a letter (A–Z) and can then consist of up to eight more characters made up of letters A-Z, numbers 0-9, periods (.), dashes (-), or underscores (_), for a total of nine characters.

SCSI-location

The *SCSI-Location* parameter assigns a PTL address to the CD-ROM that is used by the controller. See page 1–5, Specifying the Device PTL, for an explanation of the PTL numbering system.

Examples

To add a CD-ROM drive at port 1, target 0, LUN 0, named CD_PLAYER:

CLI> ADD CDROM CD_PLAYER 1 0 0

See also

ADD UNIT DELETE SHOW CDROM

ADD DISK

Adds a disk drive to the controller configuration and names the drive.

Format

ADD DISK disk-name SCSI-location

Parameters

disk-name

Specifies a name for the disk drive. You use this name when adding the disk drive to a storageset or with the ADD UNIT command to create a single-disk host-addressable unit.

The name must start with a letter (A–Z) and can then consist of up to eight more characters made up of letters A-Z, numbers 0-9, periods (.), dashes (-), or underscores (_), for a total of nine characters.

SCSI-location

The *SCSI-location* parameter assigns a PTL address to the disk drive. See page 1–5, Specifying the Device PTL, for an explanation of the PTL numbering system.

Switches

TRANSPORTABLE

NOTRANSPORTABLE (Default)

Specify the TRANSPORTABLE switch for any disk drive that you want to move to and from StorageWorks environments with the data intact.

Note ____

Use the TRANSPORTABLE switch only for disk drives that must be moved to StorageWorks environments with data intact.

A TRANSPORTABLE disk drive does not contain any special information space and can be moved to a non-StorageWorks environment with its data intact. You cannot use a TRANSPORTABLE disk drive in any type of storageset, such as a stripeset or RAIDset.

Specify NOTRANSPORTABLE for all disk drives that will be used in RAIDsets, stripesets, and mirrorsets. Also use the NOTRANSPORTABLE switch for all single-disk units that will be used exclusively in a StorageWorks or HSCTM controller.

The controller makes a small portion of nontransportable disk drives inaccessible to the host and uses the space to store information (metadata) that improves data reliability, error detection, and recovery. Because of this metadata, only StorageWorks controllers can retrieve user data from nontransportable disk drives.

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Examples

To add nontransportable DISK100 at port 1, target 0, LUN 0:

CLI> ADD DISK DISK100 1 0 0

To add transportable disk DISK230 at port 2, target 3, LUN 0:

CLI> ADD DISK DISK230 2 3 0 TRANSPORTABLE

See also

DELETE LOCATE SHOW DISKS SET disk-name

ADD MIRRORSET

Adds a mirrorset to the controller configuration and names the mirrorset. The number of members is set to the number of devices specified in the command.

Format

ADD MIRRORSET mirrorset-name disk-name1 [disk-nameN]

Parameters

mirrorset-name

Specifies a name for the mirrorset. You use this name with the ADD UNIT command to identify the mirrorset as a host-addressable unit.

The name must start with a letter (A–Z) and can then consist of up to eight more characters made up of letters A-Z, numbers 0-9, periods (.), dashes (-), or underscores (_), for a total of nine characters.

disk-name1 disk-nameN

The names of the disk drives that make up the mirrorset. A mirrorset contains 1 to 6 disk drives.

Switches

COPY=NORMAL (Default) COPY=FAST

Note

A normal mirrorset member is one whose entire contents are the same as all other normal members.

The COPY switch allows you to set the speed at which the controller copies data from normal mirrorset members to new members.

Select NORMAL to prioritize other controller operations over the copy operation. The controller uses relatively few resources to perform the copy, and there is little impact on performance.

Select FAST when the copy operation must take precedence over other controller operations. The controller uses more resources and the copy takes less time, but overall controller performance is reduced during the copy.

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POLICY=BEST_FIT POLICY=BEST_PERFORMANCE (Default) NOPOLICY

The POLICY switch allows you to set the criteria the controller uses to choose a replacement member from the spareset when a mirrorset member fails.

Select BEST_FIT to choose a replacement device from the spareset that most closely matches the capacities of the remaining members. If more than one device in the spareset is the correct size, the controller selects the device that gives the best performance.

Select BEST_PERFORMANCE to choose a replacement device from the spareset that results in the best performance (the device should be on a different port than existing members). If more than one device in the spareset has the best performance, the controller selects the device that most closely matches the size of the remaining members.

READ_SOURCE=ROUND_ROBIN READ_SOURCE=LEAST_BUSY (Default) READ_SOURCE=disk-name

The READ_SOURCE switch allows you to control which mirrorset member is used by the controller to satisfy a read request.

Select ROUND_ROBIN to cause the controller to direct read requests to each NORMAL mirrorset member in sequential membership order. No preference is given to any NORMAL member.

Select LEAST_BUSY to cause the controller to direct read requests to the NORMAL mirrorset member with the least busy work queue.

Select the *disk-name* of a specific member to cause the controller to direct all read requests to that member. If that member fails out of the mirrorset, the controller reverts to the LEAST_BUSY method for mirrorset read requests.

Examples

To add DISK100, DISK210, and DISK320 as a mirrorset with the name MIRR1:

CLI> ADD DISK DISK100 1 0 0 CLI> ADD DISK DISK210 2 1 0 CLI> ADD DISK DISK320 3 2 0 CLI> ADD MIRRORSET MIRR1 DISK100 DISK210 DISK320 CLI> INITIALIZE MIRR1 CLI> ADD UNIT D305 MIRR1

See also

ADD DISK DELETE INITIALIZE MIRROR REDUCE SHOW MIRRORSETS UNMIRROR

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ADD PASSTHROUGH

Creates a passthrough container (command disk) to allow direct access to a device. HSZ controllers use passthrough containers to communicate with tape drives and tape loaders.

Format

For tape drives and loaders attached to HSZ controllers:

ADD PASSTHROUGH passthrough-name SCSI-location

Parameters

passthrough-name

Specifies a name for the passthrough container. You use this name with the ADD UNIT command to identify the passthrough container as a host-addressable unit. You may want to use a name that indicates the type of device served by the passthrough container, such as "TAPE" or "LOADER."

The name must start with a letter (A–Z) and can then consist of up to eight more characters made up of letters A-Z, numbers 0-9, periods (.), dashes (-), or underscores (_), for a total of nine characters.

SCSI-location

The *SCSI-location* parameter assigns a PTL address to the drive or loader. See page 1–5, Specifying the Device PTL, for an explanation of the PTL numbering system.

Examples

Note _____

DIGITAL UNIX requires HSZ passthrough units to be at LUN 0 (the third digit in the unit number). OpenVMS accepts LUN numbers 0-7.

To add tape drive TAPE230 at port 2, target 3, LUN 0:

CLI> ADD PASSTHROUGH TAPE230 2 3 0 CLI> ADD UNIT P100 TAPE230

See also

ADD UNIT DELETE SHOW PASSTHROUGH

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ADD RAIDSET

Creates a RAIDset from 3 to 14 disks.

Format

ADD RAIDSET RAIDset-name disk-name1 disk-name2 [disk-nameN]

Parameters

RAIDset-name

Specifies a name for the RAIDset. You use this name with the ADD UNIT command to identify the RAIDset as a host-addressable unit.

The name must start with a letter (A–Z) and can then consist of up to eight more characters made up of letters A-Z, numbers 0-9, periods (.), dashes (-), or underscores (_), for a total of nine characters.

disk-name1 disk-name2 disk-nameN The disks that will make up the RAIDset. A RAIDset can contain 3 to 14 member disks.

Switches

POLICY=BEST_FIT POLICY=BEST_PERFORMANCE (Default) NOPOLICY

The POLICY switch allows you to set the criteria the controller uses to choose a replacement member from the spareset when a RAIDset member fails.

Select BEST_FIT to choose a replacement device from the spareset that most closely matches the capacities of the remaining members. If more than one device in the spareset is the correct size, the controller selects the device that gives the best performance.

Select BEST_PERFORMANCE to choose a replacement device from the spareset that results in the best performance (the device should be on a different port than existing members). If more than one device in the spareset has the best performance, the controller selects the device that most closely matches the size of the remaining members.

Select NOPOLICY to prevent the controller from replacing a failed disk drive. This causes the RAIDset to run in a reduced state until a BEST_FIT or BEST_PERFORMANCE policy is selected, or a member is manually replaced in the RAIDset (see SET *RAIDset-name*).

RECONSTRUCT=NORMAL (Default)

RECONSTRUCT=FAST

The RECONSTRUCT switch allows you to set the speed at which the controller reconstructs the data on a new RAIDset member that has replaced a failed member.

Select NORMAL to balance other controller operations against the reconstruct operation. The controller uses relatively few resources to perform the reconstruct, and there is little impact on performance.

Select FAST when the reconstruct operation must take precedence over other controller operations. The controller uses more resources and the reconstruct takes less time, but overall controller performance is reduced during the reconstruct.

REDUCED

NOREDUCED (Default)

The REDUCED switch allows you to add a RAIDset that is missing one member. You only need to use the REDUCED switch if you are re-adding a reduced RAIDset to the subsystem. The NOREDUCED setting is the default and indicates that all RAIDset members that make up the RAIDset are being specified, such as when creating a new RAIDset.

Examples

To create RAIDset RAID9 with disks DISK100, DISK210, and DISK320:

```
CLI> ADD DISK DISK100 1 0 0
CLI> ADD DISK DISK210 2 1 0
CLI> ADD DISK DISK320 3 2 0
CLI> ADD RAIDSET RAID9 DISK100 DISK210 DISK320
CLI> INITIALIZE RAID9
CLI> ADD UNIT D204 RAID9
```

To create RAIDset RAIDs with disks DISK100, DISK210, and DISK320, and use the BEST_FIT replacement policy:

```
CLI> ADD DISK DISK100 1 0 0
CLI> ADD DISK DISK210 2 1 0
CLI> ADD DISK DISK320 3 2 0
CLI> ADD RAIDSET RAID8 DISK100 DISK210 DISK320 POLICY=BEST_FIT
CLI> INITIALIZE RAID8
CLI> ADD UNIT D205 RAID8
```

This example shows creating a three-member RAIDset from the members of a fourmember RAIDset that was already reduced. Note that you must not initialize the RAIDset, because it was initialized in its previous location.

CLI> ADD DISK DISK100 1 3 0 CLI> ADD DISK DISK210 2 4 0 CLI> ADD DISK DISK320 3 5 0 CLI> ADD RAIDSET RAID6 DISK130 DISK240 DISK350 REDUCED CLI> ADD UNIT D205 RAID6

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See also

ADD UNIT DELETE SET RAIDSET SHOW RAIDSET INITIALIZE

ADD SPARESET

Adds a disk drive to the spareset and initializes the metadata on the drive. The spareset is a pool of disk drives available to the controller to replace failing members of RAIDsets and mirrorsets.

Format

ADD SPARESET disk-name

Parameters

disk-name

The name of the disk drive to add to the spareset. You can add only one drive to the spareset with each command.

Examples

To add DISK220 and DISK330 to the spareset:

CLI> ADD DISK DISK220 2 2 0 CLI> ADD DISK DISK330 3 3 0 CLI> ADD SPARESET DISK220 CLI> ADD SPARESET DISK330

See also

DELETE SPARESET SET FAILEDSET SHOW SPARESET

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ADD STRIPESET

Creates a stripeset out of 2 to 14 disks or mirrorsets.

Format

ADD STRIPESET stripeset-name container-name1 [container-nameN]

Parameters

stripeset-name

Specifies a name for the stripeset. You use this name with the ADD UNIT command to identify the stripeset as a host-addressable unit.

The name must start with a letter (A–Z) and can then consist of up to eight more characters made up of letters A-Z, numbers 0-9, periods (.), dashes (-), or underscores (_), for a total of nine characters.

container-name1 container-nameN The names of the disk drives or mirrorsets that make up the stripeset. A stripeset can be made up of from 2 to 14 containers.

Examples

To create stripeset STRIPE1 with three disks: DISK100, DISK210, and DISK320:

CLI> ADD DISK DISK100 1 0 0 CLI> ADD DISK DISK210 2 1 0 CLI> ADD DISK DISK320 3 2 0 CLI> ADD STRIPESET STRIPE1 DISK100 DISK210 DISK320 CLI> INITIALIZE STRIPE1 CLI> ADD UNIT D403 STRIPE1

The next example shows creating a two-member striped mirrorset (a stripeset whose members are mirrorsets). Note that you only need to initialize the stripeset; you do not need to initialize the mirrorsets individually.

CLI> ADD DISK DISK100 1 0 0 CLI> ADD DISK DISK210 2 1 0 CLI> ADD DISK DISK320 3 2 0 CLI> ADD DISK DISK430 4 3 0 CLI> ADD MIRRORSET MR1 DISK100 DISK210 CLI> ADD MIRRORSET MR2 DISK320 DISK430 CLI> ADD STRIPESET STRIPE1 MR1 MR2 CLI> INITIALIZE STRIPE1 CLI> ADD UNIT D304 STRIPE1

See also

ADD UNIT ADD MIRRORSET DELETE INITIALIZE SHOW STRIPESET

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ADD UNIT

Identifies a device, container, or partition as a host-addressable logical unit. The controller maps all requests from the host to the logical unit number as requests to the container specified in the ADD UNIT command.

You must initialize the disk drive or container before you can add it as a unit.

Format

ADD UNIT unit-number container-name

Parameters

unit-number

A number such as D104, where D represents a device-type letter, 1 is one of the controller target IDs, and the 4 is a logical unit number (the middle number is always 0).

The device type letter is either "D" for disk containers (including CD–ROMs) or "P" for passthrough containers created from tape drives and loaders.

The controller target ID must be in the range 0 to 7, and must be one of the IDs set with the SET THIS_CONTROLLER ID and SET OTHER_CONTROLLER ID commands. You must leave out the target ID if it is 0, and only use the logical unit number.

The logical unit number must be in the range 0 to 7. You can assign up to eight logical units for each controller target ID.

Table 2–1 breaks out the components in HSZ unit numbering.

Unit number	Device type	Target ID	LUN
D401	Disk	4	1
P100	Passthrough	1	0
D5	Disk	0	5

Table 2–1 HSZ Unit Numbering

On a partitioned container, all of the partitions must be addressed through a single controller. Thus, the unit numbers for all partitions on a container must have the same controller target ID.

container-name

The name of the container that is used to create the unit.

Switches

Table 2–2 lists all switches for the ADD UNIT command and shows which switches can be used with each type of device and storageset. Descriptions of the switches follow the table.

Switch	RAID - set	Stripe- set	Mirror- set	NoTrans Disk	Trans Disk	CD-ROM	Pass- through
PARTITION=partition_number	✓	✓	✓	✓			
MAXIMUM_CACHED_TRANSFER	✓	✓	\checkmark	✓	\checkmark	✓	
PREFERRED_PATH NOPREFERRED_PATH (Default)	~	√	1	~	√	~	~
READ_CACHE (Default) NOREAD_CACHE	~	√	1	~	√	~	
RUN (Default) NORUN	~	√	1	~	√	~	
WRITE_PROTECT NOWRITE_PROTECT (Default)	~	√	✓	~	√		
WRITEBACK_CACHE NOWRITEBACK_CACHE (Default)	~	√	√	~			

 Table 2–2
 Switches for the ADD UNIT Command

Note

The RUN/NORUN switch cannot be specified for partitioned units.

PARTITION=partition_number

The PARTITION switch allows you to set the unit number for a partition on a storageset or single-disk unit. Use the *partition-number* to identify the partition for which you are adding the host-addressable unit number. (Use the SHOW command to find partition numbers for a storageset or single-disk unit.)

$MAXIMUM_CACHED_TRANSFER=n$

MAXIMUM_CACHED_TRANSFER=32 (Default)

The MAXIMUM_CACHED_TRANSFER switch allows you to set the largest transfer (in blocks) to be cached by the controller. The controller will not cache any transfers over this size. Valid values are 1–1024.

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PREFERRED_PATH=THIS_CONTROLLER PREFERRED_PATH=OTHER_CONTROLLER NOPREFERRED_PATH (Default)

Note

All partitions on a container must be addressed through the same controller. If you set PREFERRED_PATH for one partition, all partitions on that container will inherit the same path.

The PREFERRED_PATH switch allows you to balance I/O load by specifying the controller through which the unit will be accessed. If you set NOPREFERRED_PATH for a unit, it can be accessed through either controller.

The controllers only use the PREFERRED_PATH setting if they are in a dual-redundant configuration. If one controller fails, all the devices are accessed through the remaining controller, ignoring the PREFERRED_PATH setting.

Note _____

The PREFERRED_PATH and NOPREFERRED_PATH switches are valid only for HSZ controllers in dual-redundant multiple bus-failover configurations. The preferred path for units on dual-redundant HSZ controllers is determined by the first digit in the unit number (the controller target ID) specified in the ADD UNIT command.

When the failed controller is restarted, the drives automatically return to the controller specified by the PREFERRED PATH switch.

You can specify the PREFERRED_PATH switch on a single controller; however, the switch will not take effect until you add a second controller and configure the two controllers for dual-redundancy.

READ_CACHE (Default) NOREAD_CACHE The READ_CACHE switch allows you to enable or disable the use of read cache with a unit.

Read caching improves performance in almost all situations, so it is generally good to leave it enabled. However, under certain workloads, like a backup, there may be a low probability for a cache hit and it may be beneficial to turn read caching off to remove the overhead of caching.

RUN (Default) NORUN The RUN switch allows you to enable and disable a unit's availability to the host. Select NORUN to make a unit unavailable to the host and to cause any user data for that unit to be flushed from the write-back cache to the disk drives. The devices that make up the unit are still spun up.

Select RUN to make a unit available to the host.

Note _____

The RUN and NORUN switches cannot be specified for partitioned units.

WRITE_PROTECT NOWRITE_PROTECT (Default)

Note

Write protect disables the writing of any new data by the host. However, the controller may still write to a write-protected RAIDset to satisfy a reconstruct pass or to reconstruct a newly replaced member.

The WRITE_PROTECT switch allows you to ensure that data on a unit is not overwritten.

Select WRITE_PROTECT to prevent write operations to the unit.

Select NOWRITE_PROTECT to allow both reads and writes to the unit.

WRITEBACK_CACHE NOWRITEBACK_CACHE (Default)

Note

WRITEBACK_CACHE requires that write-back cache modules be installed in the subsystem and that the licensed feature be enabled through FLS.

The WRITEBACK_CACHE switch allows you to enable or disable the use of write-back cache with a unit.

Select WRITEBACK_CACHE for all new RAIDsets and mirrorsets, and for all other units for which you want this feature. The write-back cache improves performance for write operations to the unit.

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Note

It may take up to 5 minutes for the controller to flush unwritten data from the cache once you disable write-back caching.

Select NOWRITEBACK_CACHE for those units for which you want all writes to go directly to devices without being cached.

Considerations When Using Write-back Caching

The following list summarizes considerations you must be aware of when using write-back cache.

Two conditions will cause data contained within write-back cache to be lost: if power from the main power supply and the external cache battery is interrupted, or if the cache module is removed before the controller flushes the data from the write-back cache.

- When restarted, the controller attempts to flush any unflushed data within write-back cache to the devices. However, by specifying the IGNORE_ERRORS or IMMEDIATE_SHUTDOWN switch, you allow data to reside in write-back cache when the controller is turned off, regardless of any errors detected.
- RAIDsets and mirrorsets require data to be stored in write-back cache to accomodate the write hole and to increase performance—without regard to the WRITEBACK_CACHE switch setting.
- If data is contained within the write-back cache while the subsystem is shut down, do not perform any hardware changes until after the controller flushes the data to the devices.

When restarted, the controller attempts to flush any unflushed data within the write-back cache to the devices. However, by specifying the IGNORE_ERRORS or IMMEDIATE_SHUTDOWN switch, you allow data to reside in write-back cache when the controller is turned off, regardless of any errors detected.

Examples

To create disk unit D102 from the single disk DISK100 and set unit access to be through THIS_CONTROLLER:

CLI> ADD DISK DISK100 1 0 0 CLI> INITIALIZE DISK100 CLI> ADD UNIT D102 DISK100 PREFERRED_PATH=THIS_CONTROLLER

To create disk unit D107 from RAIDset RAID9 and enable write-back caching for the unit:

```
CLI> ADD DISK DISK110 1 1 0

CLI> ADD DISK DISK210 2 1 0

CLI> ADD DISK DISK310 3 1 0

CLI> ADD DISK DISK410 4 1 0

CLI> ADD RAIDSET RAID9 DISK110 DISK210 DISK310 DISK410

CLI> INITIALIZE RAID9

CLI> ADD UNIT D107 RAID9 WRITEBACK_CACHE
```

See also

CREATE_PARTITION DELETE unit-number SET unit-number SHOW UNITS

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CLEAR_ERRORS CLI

Stops the display of current or previous error messages at the CLI prompt.

Note _____

This command does not clear the error conditions, it only stops displaying the errors at the CLI prompt.

The controller displays any error messages before the CLI prompt. After you correct the error condition, you must issue the CLEAR_ERRORS CLI command or restart the controller to clear the error message.

Format

CLEAR_ERRORS CLI

Examples

To clear the message "All NVPM components initialized to their default settings." from the CLI prompt:

CLI>

All NVPM components initialized to their default settings. CLI> CLEAR_ERRORS CLI

See also

CLEAR_ERRORS INVALID_CACHE CLEAR_ERRORS LOST_DATA CLEAR_ERRORS UNKNOWN CLEAR_ERRORS UNWRITEABLE_DATA

CLEAR_ERRORS INVALID_CACHE

Clears an INVALID_CACHE error and allows the controller and cache to resume operation.

A controller presents an INVALID CACHE error during initialization if it detects a mismatch between the cache information on the controller and the cache information on the cache module. The controller allows only a limited set of CLI commands until you clear the error, to prevent you from giving commands that may make the situation worse. The CLEAR_ERRORS INVALID_CACHE command either clears the information in the controller module or the information in the cache module.

Format

CLEAR_ERRORS controller INVALID_CACHE data_retention

You must completely spell out "INVALID_CACHE."

Parameters

controller

Identifies the controller for which to clear the INVALID_CACHE condition. You must specify either THIS_CONTROLLER or OTHER_CONTROLLER.

data_retention

Specifies whether to keep the cache data and overwrite the controller information (NODESTROY_UNFLUSHED_DATA) or keep the controller information and discard the cache data (DESTROY_UNFLUSHED_DATA).

Use the NODESTROY_UNFLUSHED_DATA parameter in the following situations:

- You have replaced the controller module.
- The controller's nonvolatile memory (NVMEM) has lost its memory, possibly from an NVMEM battery failure.
- You removed the cache module while there was unflushed data.

Use the DESTROY_UNFLUSHED_DATA parameter in the following situations:

- You have replaced the cache module.
- Any other reason not listed above.

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Examples

To clear an invalid cache error on THIS_CONTROLLER after replacing a controller module:

CLI> CLEAR_ERRORS THIS_CONTROLLER INVALID_CACHE NODESTROY_UNFLUSHED_DATA

To clear an invalid cache error on the OTHER_CONTROLLER after replacing a cache module:

CLI> CLEAR_ERRORS OTHER_CONTROLLER INVALID_CACHE DESTROY_UNFLUSHED_DATA

See also

CLEAR_ERRORS CLI CLEAR_ERRORS LOST_DATA CLEAR_ERRORS UNKNOWN CLEAR_ERRORS UNWRITEABLE_DATA

CLEAR_ERRORS LOST_DATA

Clears the lost data error on a unit.

Note

Issuing the CLEAR_ERRORS LOST_DATA command for one partition on a container will clear the lost data for all partitions on the container.

If a write-back cache module is removed or fails while it contains data that has not been written to disk, a LOST DATA error is reported on the unit. The CLEAR_ERRORS LOST_DATA command clears the lost data error but does not recover the lost data. It may take up to 5 minutes to clear lost data.

Format

CLEAR_ERRORS unit-number **LOST_DATA**

You must completely spell out "LOST_DATA".

Parameters

unit-number

Specifies the unit number that will have the lost data error cleared. The *unit-number* is the name given the unit when it was created using the ADD UNIT command.

Examples

To clear the lost data error on disk unit D103:

CLI> CLEAR_ERRORS D103 LOST_DATA

See also

CLEAR_ERRORS CLI CLEAR_ERRORS INVALID_CACHE CLEAR_ERRORS UNKNOWN CLEAR_ERRORS UNWRITEABLE_DATA

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CLEAR_ERRORS UNKNOWN

Clears the UNKNOWN error from a device.

If a device has a failure such that the controller marks the device as UNKNOWN, the controller does not check the device again to see if it has been repaired or if the failure condition has been rectified. You must use this command for the controller to recognize the device after you correct the condition that caused the device to be marked UNKNOWN.

Format

CLEAR_ERRORS device-name UNKNOWN

You must completely spell out "UNKNOWN."

Parameters

device-name Specifies the name of the device with the UNKNOWN error.

Examples

To cause the controller to recognize DISK300, a previously UNKNOWN device:

CLI> CLEAR_ERRORS DISK300 UNKNOWN

See also

CLEAR_ERRORS CLI CLEAR_ERRORS INVALID_CACHE CLEAR_ERRORS LOST_DATA CLEAR_ERRORS UNWRITEABLE_DATA

CLEAR_ERRORS UNWRITEABLE_DATA

Clears the unwriteable data error on a unit.

Caution

This command causes loss of user data.

If a container fails in a way that user data in the write-back cache cannot be written to the container, the controller reports an unwriteable data error. The CLEAR_ERRORS UNWRITEABLE_DATA command removes the data from the cache and clears the unwriteable data error.

Format

CLEAR_ERRORS unit-number **UNWRITEABLE_DATA**

You must completely spell out "UNWRITEABLE_DATA."

Parameters

unit-number

Specifies the unit number that will have the unwriteable data error cleared. The *unit-number* is the name given the unit when it was created using the ADD UNIT command.

Examples

To clear the unwriteable data error on disk unit D103:

CLI> CLEAR_ERRORS D103 UNWRITEABLE_DATA

See also

CLEAR_ERRORS CLI CLEAR_ERRORS INVALID_CACHE CLEAR_ERRORS LOST_DATA CLEAR_ERRORS UNKNOWN RETRY_ERRORS UNWRITEABLE_DATA

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CREATE_PARTITION

Marks part of a disk or storageset to be used as a separately addressable unit. You can divide any disk or storageset into as many as six partitions, each of which can be separately presented to the host.

Format

CREATE_PARTITION container-name **SIZE=**n

Parameters

container-name

Note

Once you have partitioned a container, you cannot reunify it without reinitializing the container.

The name of the disk or storageset from which you want to create a partition. This is the name given the disk or storageset when it was created using the ADD command (ADD DISK, ADD STRIPESET, and so forth). You can partition any disk, stripeset, mirrorset, striped mirrorset, or RAIDset. You must initialize the container before creating partitions.

SIZE=percent

SIZE=LARGEST

Specifies the size of the partition to be created as a percentage of the total size of the disk or storageset.

Specify a percentage of the total container capacity to set the partition to a particular size, or to evenly divide the disk or storageset. The resulting partition will be slightly smaller than the size you specify, to accomodate controller information and so that each partition ends with a complete stripe.

Specify LARGEST to have the controller create the largest partition possible from unused space on the disk or storageset. You must also use the LARGEST setting when creating the last partition on a container, because the space will not be equal to an exact percentage value.

Examples

To create RAIDset R9 and divide it into four parts:

CLI> ADD DISK DISK100 1 0 0 CLI> ADD DISK DISK210 2 1 0 CLI> ADD DISK DISK320 3 2 0 CLI> ADD RAIDSET RAID9 DISK100 DISK210 DISK320 CLI> INITIALIZE RAID9 CLI> CREATE_PARTITION RAID9 SIZE=25 CLI> CLI> CREATE_PARTITION RAID9 SIZE=25 CLI> CLI> ADD UNIT D101 RAID9 PARTITION=1 CLI> ADD UNIT D102 RAID9 PARTITION=2 CLI> ADD UNIT D103 RAID9 PARTITION=3 CLI> ADD UNIT D104 RAID9 PARTITION=4

See also

ADD UNIT DELETE *unit-number* DESTROY PARTITION SHOW

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DELETE container-name

Deletes a container from the list of known containers. You cannot delete a container that is in use by a higher-level container. For example, you cannot delete a disk that is a member of a RAIDset, or a RAIDset that is declared as a unit. You must first delete the higherlevel containers.

Format

DELETE container-name

Parameters

container-name

Note _____

You cannot delete the spareset and failedset containers.

Specifies a name that identifies the container. This is the name given the container when it was created using the ADD command (ADD DISK, ADD STRIPESET, and so forth).

Examples

To delete disk drive DISK100:

CLI> DELETE DISK100

To delete stripeset STRIPE1:

CLI> DELETE STRIPE1

To delete RAIDset RAID9:

CLI> DELETE RAID9

See also

DELETE FAILEDSET DELETE SPARESET UNMIRROR

DELETE device-name

Deletes a device from the controller configuration.

Format

DELETE device-name

Parameters

device-name

The name of the device to delete.

Examples

To delete disk device number 120:

CLI> DELETE DISK120

To delete tape device number 130:

CLI> DELETE TAPE130

See also

SET device-name

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DELETE FAILEDSET

Removes a disk drive from the failedset. The failedset contains the drives that were removed from RAIDsets and mirrorsets either because they failed or were manually removed via the SET command. The DELETE FAILEDSET command removes disk drives from the failedset, typically before you remove them physically from the shelf for testing, repair, or replacement.

You should consider disk drives in the failedset to be defective. Test the disk drives, then either repair them or replace them.

Format

DELETE FAILEDSET disk-name1

Parameters

disk-name1

The disk drive name to delete from the failedset. You can delete one disk at a time from the failedset.

Examples

To delete DISK220 from the failedset:

CLI> DELETE FAILEDSET DISK220

See also

SET FAILEDSET SHOW FAILEDSET

DELETE SPARESET

Removes a disk drive from the spareset. The spareset is a pool of drives available to the controller to replace failing members of RAIDsets and mirrorsets.

Format

DELETE SPARESET disk-name1

Parameters

disk-name1

The names of the disk drive to remove from the spareset. You can remove one disk at a timefrom the spareset.

Examples

To remove DISK110 from the spareset:

CLI> DELETE SPARESET DISK230

See also

ADD SPARESET SHOW SPARESET 2-33

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DELETE unit-number

Deletes a logical unit from the controller configuration. The device, storageset, or partition will no longer be addressable by the host. If write-back caching was enabled for the unit, the controller flushes any user data from the cache to the devices before deleting the unit.

If a unit has cache errors, you must first clear the errors with the CLEAR_ERRORS UNWRITEABLE_DATA or CLEAR_ERRORS LOST_DATA commands.

Format

DELETE unit-number

Parameters

unit-number

Specifies the logical unit number that is to be deleted. The *unit-number* is the name given the unit when it was created using the ADD UNIT command.

Examples

To delete passthrough unit number 103:

CLI> DELETE P103

See also

ADD UNIT CLEAR_ERRORS LOST_DATA CLEAR_ERRORS UNWRITEABLE_DATA DESTROY_PARTITION

DESTROY_PARTITION

Marks a used partition as free, and consolidates it with any adjacent free partitions. User data on the partition is lost.

You cannot destroy a partition that has a unit number assigned; you must first use the DELETE *unit-number* command to delete the unit.

Format

DESTROY_PARTITION container-name **PARTITION=**partition-number

Parameters

container-name

The name of the disk or storageset that contains the partition that you want to destroy. This is the name given the disk or storageset when it was created using the ADD command (ADD DISK, ADD STRIPESET, and so forth).

partition-number

Note

Be sure to use the SHOW command to identify the correct partition before using the DESTROY_PARTITION command.

The number of the partition that you want to destroy. You can use the SHOW command to find partition numbers.

Examples

To delete the unit for partition 2 on RAIDset RAID9 and destroy the partition:

CLI> DELETE D102 CLI> DESTROY_PARTITION RAID9 PARTITION=2

See also

CREATE_PARTITION DELETE *unit-number* SHOW

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DIRECTORY

Lists the diagnostics and utilities available on THIS_CONTROLLER. The diagnostics and utilities may not display in the order shown in the example below.

Format

DIRECTORY

Examples

To display directory listing:

 CLI> DILECTORY

 DILX
 V31Z
 D

 DSTAT
 V31Z
 D

 VTDPY
 V31Z
 D

 HSUTIL
 V31Z
 D

 C_SWAP
 V31Z
 D

 DIRECT
 V31Z
 D

 CFMENU
 V31Z
 D

 CLCP
 V31Z
 D

 CLONE
 V31Z
 D

 CONFIG
 V31Z
 D

See also

HELP RUN

EXIT

Exits the CLI and breaks the remote connection.

When you enter the EXIT command from a remote connection, the connection is broken and control is returned to the host. When you enter the EXIT command from a local connection, the CLI restarts, displaying the copyright notice, the controller type, and the last fail packet.

Format

EXIT

Examples

To exit from a virtual terminal connection:

CLI> EXIT Control returned to host \$

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HELP

Displays a brief description of using the question mark (?) to obtain help on any command or CLI function.

Format

HELP

Examples

To see help about using the HELP command:

```
CLI> HELP
Help may be requested by typing a question mark (?) at the CLI
prompt. This will print a list of all available commands
For further information you may enter a partial command and type a
space followed by a "?" to print a list of all available options at
that point in the command. For example:
```

SET THIS_CONTROLLER ?

Prints a list of all legal SET THIS_CONTROLLER commands

To get help on the SET command, using the (?) facility:

```
CLI> SET ?
Your options are:
FAILOVER
OTHER_CONTROLLER
NOFAILOVER
THIS_CONTROLLER
FAILEDSET
Unit number or container name
```

See also

DIRECTORY

INITIALIZE

Initializes a container so that you can create a logical unit from it. During initialization, a small amount of disk space is reserved for controller metadata and is made inaccessible to the host.

Caution_

The INITIALIZE command destroys all user data on the container, unless you specify the NODESTROY switch.

If you set a single-disk container as TRANSPORTABLE, any metadata is destroyed on the device and the full device is accessible to the host.

You must use the INITIALIZE command before you:

- Create a unit from a newly installed disk
- Create a unit from a newly created RAIDset, stripeset, or mirrorset

You do not need to use the INITIALIZE command when you:

- Create a new unit from the same disks that were previously initialized as another unit, such as when a unit is moved
- Add a RAIDset with the REDUCED switch

Format

INITIALIZE container-name

Parameters

container-name Specifies the container (disk, stripeset, mirrorset, or RAIDset) to initialize.

Switches

CHUNKSIZE=n

CHUNKSIZE=DEFAULT (Default)

Specifies the chunksize to be used for RAIDsets and stripesets. You can specify the chunk size in blocks (CHUNKSIZE=*n*), or you can let the controller determine the optimal chunk size (CHUNKSIZE=DEFAULT). The CHUNKSIZE switch does not apply to mirrorsets.

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DESTROY(Default) NODESTROY

The NODESTROY switch instructs the controller not to overwrite the user data and forced error metadata during the initialization. Only use the NODESTROY switch when you want to create a unit out of devices that have been reduced from mirrorsets. This allows the data on the container to be reused for a disk, stripeset, or mirrorset unit. (The NODESTROY switch is ignored for RAIDsets.)

SAVE_CONFIGURATION NOSAVE CONFIGURATION (Default)

The SAVE_CONFIGURATION switch instructs the controller to keep a copy of the controller configuration on the disk devices that are being initialized. Should you replace the controller in a single-controller configuration, the configuration information will be read from a device and loaded into the new controller.

Specify SAVE_CONFIGURATION when initializing any disk device or container on which you want to store a copy of the controller configuration. If you use the switch for a multi-device storageset, such as a stripeset, the complete information is stored on each device in the storageset.

Note _____

DIGITAL recommends that the SAVE_CONFIGURATION switch only be used for single controller configurations. (Use the SET FAILOVER COPY= command to save configuration information for dual-redundant configurations.)

Specify NOSAVE_CONFIGURATION for devices and storagesets on which you do not want to store a copy of the controller configuration.

A device that is initialized with the SAVE_CONFIGURATION switch has slightly less storage space than an identical device that is not used to store the controller configuration.

SAVE_CONFIGURATION only requires one disk be initialized with this option, but more may be used, if desired. DIGITAL *does not* recommend initializing *all* disks with the SAVE_CONFIGURATION switch, because every update to nonvolatile memory causes writes to all disks and can affect performance adversely.

SAVE_CONFIGURATION is not available for upgrades of software or hardware, and will not perform inter-platform conversions. For example, you cannot use SAVE_CONFIGURATION to upgrade from HSOF V3.1 to V5.1 or from an HSZ40 array controller to an HSZ50 array controller.

Examples

To initialize single-disk container DISK100 and save a copy of the controller configuration on it:

```
CLI> ADD DISK DISK100 1 0 0
CLI> INITIALIZE DISK100 SAVE_CONFIGURATION
CLI> ADD UNIT D102 DISK100
```

To initialize stripeset STRIPE1 with the default chunk size (note that if you do not specify the chunksize, the controller initializes the unit with the default chunksize):

```
CLI> ADD DISK DISK110 1 1 0
CLI> ADD DISK DISK210 2 1 0
CLI> ADD DISK DISK310 3 1 0
CLI> ADD STRIPESET STRIPE1 DISK110 DISK210 DISK310
CLI> INITIALIZE STRIPE1
CLI> ADD UNIT D204 STRIPE1
```

To initialize RAIDset RAID9 with a chunk size of 20:

```
CLI> ADD DISK DISK120 1 2 0
CLI> ADD DISK DISK220 2 2 0
CLI> ADD DISK DISK320 3 2 0
CLI> ADD RAIDSET RAID9 DISK120 DISK220 DISK320
CLI> INITIALIZE RAID9 CHUNKSIZE=20
CLI> ADD UNIT D301 RAID9
```

To initialize DISK440 and preserve the data after removing it (REDUCE) from a mirrorset:

```
CLI> REDUCE DISK440
CLI> INITIALIZE DISK440 NODESTROY
CLI> ADD UNIT D201 DISK440
```

See also

ADD UNIT

LOCATE

Identifies configured units, storagesets, and devices by flashing the amber device fault LED on the front of the StorageWorks building block (SBB). The device fault LED will flash once per second until turned off with the LOCATE CANCEL command. You also can use the LOCATE command as a lamp test.

Note

The device fault LED flashes at a faster rate on any device that is in the failedset. The different flashing rate should help you distinguish between located devices and failed devices. The device fault LED on failed devices will continue to flash after you issue the LOCATE CANCEL command.

Format

LOCATE

Switches

ALL

Turns on the amber device fault LEDs of all configured devices. This switch also can be used as a lamp test. Use LOCATE CANCEL to turn off the LEDs.

CANCEL

Turns off all amber device fault LEDs that were turned on with the LOCATE command.

DISKS

Turns on the amber device fault LEDs of all configured disk drives. Use LOCATE CANCEL to turn off the LEDs.

UNITS

Turns on the amber device fault LEDs of all devices used by units. This command is useful to determine which devices are not currently configured into logical units. Use LOCATE CANCEL to turn off device the LEDs.

PTL SCSI-location

Note

Although you can specify the PTL location or name of any device in the subsystem, not all devices have a device fault LED, and so may not seem to respond to the LOCATE command.

Turns on the amber device fault LED on the device at the given SCSI location. *SCSI location* is specified in the form PTL where:

P designates the port (1–6 for 6-port controllers, or 1–3 for 3-port controllers).

T designates the target ID of the device, (0-6 with a single controller, or 0-5 with dual-redundant controllers).

L designates the LUN of the device (must be 0 or 1).

When entering the PTL, you must put at least one space between the port, target, and LUN numbers.

container-name

Turns on the amber fault LEDs on the devices that make up *container-name*. If a device name is given, the device's LED is lit. If a storageset name is given, all device LEDs that make up the storageset are lit. Use LOCATE CANCEL to turn off the LEDs.

unit-number

Turns on the amber fault LEDs on the devices that make up *unit-number*. Use LOCATE CANCEL to turn off the LEDs.

Examples

To turn on the device fault LED on device DISK100 and then turn it off:

CLI> LOCATE DISK100 CLI> LOCATE CANCEL

To turn on the device fault LEDs on all devices that make up disk unit number 102:

CLI> LOCATE D102

To turn on the device fault LEDs on all configured disk devices:

CLI> LOCATE DISKS

To turn off the device fault LEDs on all devices:

CLI> LOCATE CANCEL

MIRROR

Creates a one-member mirrorset from a single disk. Use this command on devices that are already members of higher level containers (stripesets or units). Use the ADD MIRRORSET command to create a mirrorset from devices that are not already members of higher level containers.

After you convert the device to a mirrorset, increase the nominal number of members with the SET *mirrorset-name* MEMBERSHIP=*number-of-members* command. Use the SET *mirrorset-name* REPLACE=*disk-name* command to actually add more members to the mirrorset.

Format

MIRROR disk-name mirrorset-name

Parameters

disk-name

Note _____

If you MIRROR the members of a stripeset, you cannot use the stripeset with any version of controller software prior to Version 2.5.

Specifies the name of the disk to convert to a one-member mirrorset. The disk must be part of a unit.

mirrorset-name

Specifies a name for the mirrorset.

The name must start with a letter (A–Z) and can then consist of up to eight more characters made up of letters A-Z, numbers 0-9, periods (.), dashes (-), or underscores (_), for a total of nine characters.

Switches

COPY=NORMAL (Default) COPY=FAST

Note _____

A normal mirrorset member is one whose entire contents are the same as all other normal members.

The COPY switch allows you to set the speed at which the controller copies data from normal mirrorset members to new members.

Select NORMAL to prioritize other controller operations over the copy operation. The controller uses relatively few resources to perform the copy, and there is little impact on performance.

Select FAST when the copy operation must take precedence over other controller operations. The controller uses more resources and the copy takes less time, but overall controller performance is reduced during the copy.

POLICY=BEST_FIT POLICY=BEST_PERFORMANCE NOPOLICY (Default) Specifies the replacement policy to be used when a mirrorset member fails.

Select BEST_FIT to choose a replacement device from the spareset that most closely matches the capacities of the remaining members. If more than one device in the spareset is the correct size, the controller selects the device that gives the best performance.

Select BEST_PERFORMANCE to choose a replacement device from the spareset that results in the best performance (the device should be on a different port than existing members). If more than one device in the spareset has the best performance, the controller selects the device that most closely matches the size of the remaining members.

Select NOPOLICY to prevent the controller from replacing a failed disk drive. This causes the mirrorset to run with less than the nominal number of members until a BEST_FIT or BEST_PERFORMANCE policy is selected, or a member is manually replaced in the mirrorset.

Examples

The commands in this example create a one-member mirrorset from each member of a stripeset. The succeeding commands set the nominal number of members in each mirrorset to two and add a second disk to each mirrorset. Note that you do not need to initialize the mirrorsets or add them as units; the higher-level structure of the stripeset is carried down to the mirrorsets.

CLI> ADD DISK DISK110 1 1 0 CLI> ADD DISK DISK210 2 1 0 CLI> ADD DISK DISK310 3 1 0 CLI> ADD STRIPESET STRIPE1 DISK110 DISK210 DISK310 LI> INITIALIZE STRIPE1 CLI> ADD UNIT D102 STRIPE1 CLI> MIRROR DISK110 MIRROR1 CLI> SET MIRROR1 MEMBERSHIP=2 CLI> SET MIRROR1 REPLACE=DISK220

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CLI> MIRROR DISK210 MIRROR2 CLI> SET MIRROR2 MEMBERSHIP=2 CLI> SET MIRROR2 REPLACE=DISK320 CLI> MIRROR DISK310 MIRROR3 CLI> SET MIRROR3 MEMBERSHIP=2 CLI> SET MIRROR3 REPLACE=DISK120

See also

ADD MIRRORSET REDUCE SHOW MIRRORSETS UNMIRROR

REDUCE

Note

The nominal number of members in a mirrorset is the number given in the SET *mirrorset-name* MEMBERSHIP=*number-of-members* command. The actual number of members may be less than the nominal number if you do not add devices to the mirrorset or if you remove a member. The actual number of members can never be greater than the nominal number of members.

Removes member disk drives from mirrorsets and decreases the nominal number of members in the mirrorsets. The controller does not put removed members in the failedset, as with the SET *mirrorset-name* REMOVE=*disk-name* command. When using the REDUCE command to split off a copy of a striped mirrorset, you must reduce all mirrorsets at the same time with one command. The CLONE program does this automatically.

The disks to be removed do not need to be members of the same mirrorset. However, the devices *must* be part of the same unit (for example, the same striped mirrorset). The controller pauses I/O to the unit while it removes the specified mirrorset members.

Note

A NORMAL member is a mirrorset member whose entire contents are guaranteed to be the same as all other NORMAL members. Only normal members can be reduced. An error is displayed if you attempt to reduce the only normal mirrorset member.

Note that for each mirrorset that you reduce, there must be at least one remaining NORMAL member after the reduction. If this is not true for all disk-names specified, then none of the mirrorsets are reduced.

Format

REDUCE disk-name1 [disk-nameN]

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Parameters

disk-name1

The name of the NORMAL mirrorset member to be removed.

[disk-nameN]

The name of additional NORMAL mirrorset members to be removed from the same unit.

Examples

To remove DISK210, DISK250, and DISK420 from their respective mirrorsets:

CLI> SHOW Name	STRIPE1 Storageset	Uses	Used by
STRIPE1	stripeset	MIRR1 MIRR2 MIRR3	
CLI> SHOW Name	MIRRORSETS Storageset	Uses	Used by
MIRR1	mirrorset	DISK110 DISK210	STRIPE1
MIRR1 MIRR2	mirrorset mirrorset	DISK110	

CLI> REDUCE DISK210 DISK250 DISK420

CLI> SHOW Name	MIRRORSETS Storageset	Uses	Used by
MIRR1	mirrorset	DISK110	STRIPE1
MIRR2	mirrorset	DISK120	STRIPE1
MIRR3	mirrorset	DISK330	STRIPE1

See also

ADD MIRRORSET MIRROR RUN CLONE SHOW MIRRORSET SET mirrorset-name

RENAME

Renames a container.

Format

RENAME old-name new-name

Parameters

old-name The existing name for the container.

new-name

The new name for the container.

The name must start with a letter (A–Z) and can then consist of up to eight more characters made up of letters A-Z, numbers 0-9, periods (.), dashes (-), or underscores (_), for a total of nine characters.

Examples

To rename DISK0 to DISK100:

CLI> SHOW	DISKS			
Name	Type	Port Targ	Lun	Used by
DISK0	disk	1 0	0	D100
DISK110	disk	1 1	0	D110

CLI> RENAME DISKO DISK100

CLI> SHOW	DISKS			
Name	Type	Port Targ	Lun	Used by
DT GW1 00	a 2 - 1-	1 0	•	5100
DISK100	disk	1 0	0	D100
DISK110	disk	1 1	0	D110

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RESTART THIS_CONTROLLER and RESTART OTHER_CONTROLLER

Flushes all user data from the specified controller's write-back cache (if present) and restarts the controller. THIS CONTROLLER is the controller that is running the current CLI session. The OTHER_CONTROLLER is the controller that is *not* running the current CLI session.

Format

RESTART OTHER_CONTROLLER RESTART THIS_CONTROLLER

Switches

Caution _____

The IGNORE_ERRORS and IMMEDIATE switches cause the controller to keep unflushed data in the write-back cache until it restarts and is able to write the data to devices. Do not perform any hardware changes and do not let the cache batteries run down before the controller can flush the cache.

IGNORE_ERRORS NOIGNORE_ERRORS (Default) The IGNORE_ERRORS and NOIGNORE_ERRORS switches instruct the the controller how to respond to write-back cache errors.

____ Caution_____

The IGNORE_ERRORS switch may cause data to remain in write-back cache.

Specify IGNORE_ERRORS to instruct the controller to ignore any write-back cache errors. Such errors can result from data contained within write-back cache that cannot be written to the devices or lost data errors.

Specify NOIGNORE_ERRORS to instruct the controller not to run the self-test program if write-back cache errors are detected.

IMMEDIATE_SHUTDOWN NOIMMEDIATE_SHUTDOWN The IMMEDIATE_SHUTDOWN and NOIMMEDIATE_SHUTDOWN switches are used to instruct the controller when to shutdown when running the self-test program.

Caution_____

The IMMEDIATE_SHUTDOWN switch instructs the controller to immediately shutdown, without regard to any data contained within write-back cache.

Select IMMEDIATE_SHUTDOWN to instruct the controller to run the self-test program immediately without checking for online devices or without flushing user data from write-back cache to devices.

Select NOIMMEDIATE_SHUTDOWN to instruct the controller to flush data from writeback cache before running the self-test program.

Examples

To restart THIS_CONTROLLER as long as it does not have any units online:

CLI> RESTART THIS_CONTROLLER

To restart the OTHER_CONTROLLER even if there are units online to the OTHER_CONTROLLER:

CLI> RESTART OTHER_CONTROLLER OVERRIDE_ONLINE

See also

SELFTEST OTHER_CONTROLLER SELFTEST THIS_CONTROLLER SHUTDOWN OTHER_CONTROLLER SHUTDOWN THIS_CONTROLLER

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RETRY_ERRORS UNWRITEABLE_DATA

If a container fails in a way that data in the write-back cache cannot be written to the container, an unwriteable data error is reported. If possible, correct the condition that is causing the unwriteable data and try the write operation again. The RETRY_ERRORS UNWRITEABLE_DATA command causes the controller to try to write the unwriteable data. No data is lost if the retry fails.

Format

RETRY_ERRORS UNWRITEABLE_DATA unit-number

Parameters

unit-number

Specifies the logical unit number for which to try the write operation. The *unit-number* is the name given the unit when it was created using the ADD UNIT command.

Examples

To attempt to write the cached data that was previously marked unwriteable to disk unit D103:

CLI> RETRY_ERRORS UNWRITEABLE_DATA D103

See also

CLEAR_ERRORS UNWRITEABLE_DATA

RUN

Starts a diagnostic or utility program on THIS_CONTROLLER. You can run diagnostics and utilities *only* on THIS_CONTROLLER.

Format

RUN program-name

Parameters

program-name

The name of the diagnostic or utility to be run. DILX and CLONE are examples of utilities and diagnostics that can be run from the CLI.

Examples

To run the DILX diagnostic:

CLI> RUN DILX Disk Inline Exerciser - version 2.0 . . .

See also

DIRECTORY

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SELFTEST OTHER_CONTROLLER and SELFTEST THIS_CONTROLLER

Flushes all user data from the specified controller's write-back cache (if present) and shuts down the controller, then restarts it in self-test mode. You must press the controller reset (//) button to take the controller out of self-test mode.

THIS_CONTROLLER is the controller that is running the current CLI session. The OTHER_CONTROLLER is the controller that is *not* running the current CLI session.

Format

SELFTEST OTHER_CONTROLLER SELFTEST THIS_CONTROLLER

Switches

____ Caution _____

The IGNORE_ERRORS and IMMEDIATE_SHUTDOWN switches cause the controller to keep unflushed data in the write-back cache until it restarts and is able to write the data to devices. Do not perform any hardware changes and do not let the cache batteries run down before the controller can flush the cache.

IGNORE_ERRORS

NOIGNORE_ERRORS (Default)

The IGNORE_ERRORS and NOIGNORE_ERRORS switches instruct the the controller how to respond to write-back cache errors.

Caution

The IGNORE_ERRORS switch may cause data to remain in write-back cache.

Specify IGNORE_ERRORS to instruct the controller to ignore any write-back cache errors. Such errors can result from data contained within write-back cache that cannot be written to the devices or lost data errors.

Specify NOIGNORE_ERRORS to instruct the controller not to run the self-test program if write-back cache errors are detected.

IMMEDIATE_SHUTDOWN NOIMMEDIATE_SHUTDOWN The IMMEDIATE_SHUTDOWN and NOIMMEDIATE_SHUTDOWN switches are used to instruct the controller when to shutdown when running the self-test program.

Caution___

The IMMEDIATE_SHUTDOWN switch instructs the controller to immediately shutdown, without regard to any data contained within write-back cache.

Select IMMEDIATE_SHUTDOWN to instruct the controller to run the self-test program immediately without checking for online devices or without flushing user data from write-back cache to devices.

Select NOIMMEDIATE_SHUTDOWN to instruct the controller to flush data from writeback cache before running the self-test program.

Examples

To start the self-test on THIS_CONTROLLER, as long as it does not have any units online:

CLI> SELFTEST THIS_CONTROLLER

To start the self-test on the OTHER_CONTROLLER even if the controller cannot flush all data from the write-back cache:

CLI> SELFTEST OTHER_CONTROLLER IGNORE_ERRORS

See also

RESTART OTHER_CONTROLLER RESTART THIS_CONTROLLER SHUTDOWN OTHER_CONTROLLER SHUTDOWN THIS_CONTROLLER

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SET device-name

Changes the transportable characteristics of a disk drive, or sets the maximum data transfer rate between the controller and a device.

Format

SET device-name

Parameters

device-name The name of the device to change.

Switches

TRANSFER_RATE_REQUESTED=ASYNCHRONOUS TRANSFER_RATE_REQUESTED=DEFAULT (Default: 10MHZ) TRANSFER_RATE_REQUESTED=10MHZ TRANSFER_RATE_REQUESTED=5MHZ

Specifies the maximum data transfer rate for the controllers to use in communicating with the device. You may need to limit the transfer rate to accommodate long cables between the controllers and the device, such as with a tape library.

TRANSPORTABLE

NOTRANSPORTABLE (Default)

Specify the TRANSPORTABLE switch for any disk drive that you want to move to and from StorageWorks environments with the data intact.

Note _____

Use the TRANSPORTABLE switch only for disk drives that must be moved to StorageWorks environments with data intact.

A TRANSPORTABLE disk drive does not contain any special information space and can be moved to a non-StorageWorks environment with its data intact. You cannot use a TRANSPORTABLE disk drive in any type of storageset, such as a stripeset or RAIDset.

Specify NOTRANSPORTABLE for all disk drives that will be used in RAIDsets, stripesets, and mirrorsets. Also use the NOTRANSPORTABLE switch for all single-disk units that will be used exclusively in a StorageWorks or HSCTM controller.

The controller makes a small portion of nontransportable disk drives inaccessible to the host and uses the space to store information (metadata) that improves data reliability, error

detection, and recovery. Because of this metadata, only StorageWorks controllers can retrieve user data from nontransportable disk drives.

Examples

To set DISK130 to transportable:

CLI> SET DISK130 TRANSPORTABLE

To limit the data transfer rate to 5MHz for LOADER200:

CLI> SET LOADER200 TRANSFER_RATE_REQUESTED=5MHZ

See also

ADD DISK SHOW DISKS

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SET FAILEDSET

Changes the automatic spare policy for the failedset.

Format

SET FAILEDSET

Switches

AUTOSPARE

NOAUTOSPARE (Default)

The AUTOSPARE switch allows you to enable automatic moving of replaced disk drives from the failedset to the spareset. When a disk drive in the failedset is replaced with a factory-fresh drive and this feature is enabled, the controller automatically removes that disk drive from the failedset and adds it to the spareset, where it is available as a hot spare for RAIDsets and mirrorsets.

Specify AUTOSPARE to enable the feature. Specify NOAUTOSPARE to disable the feature.

Examples

To enable the automatic spare feature:

CLI> SET FAILEDSET AUTOSPARE

See also

SHOW FAILEDSET

SET FAILOVER

Note

Both controllers must be in NOFAILOVER mode before you use the SET FAILOVER command.

Places THIS_CONTROLLER and the OTHER_CONTROLLER into a dual-redundant (failover) configuration. This allows both controllers to access the storage devices, providing higher throughput. If one of the two controllers fails, the devices and cache (if any) attached to the failed controller become available to and accessible through the operating controller.

Format

SET FAILOVER COPY=configuration-source

Parameters

COPY=THIS_CONTROLLER COPY=OTHER_CONTROLLER

Caution_

The device configuration information from the specified controller will overwrite the information on the target controller. Make sure you know which controller has the good configuration information *before* entering this command.

Specifies the controller that contains the source configuration for the copy. The other controller will restart when the command is completed.

Specify THIS_CONTROLLER to copy all the device configuration information from the controller running the CLI session to the other controller.

Specify OTHER_CONTROLLER to copy all the device configuration information from the controller that is *not* running the current CLI session to THIS_CONTROLLER (the controller that *is* running the current CLI session).

Due to the amount of information that must be passed between the two controllers, this command may take up to 1 minute to complete.

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Examples

To place the controllers into a dual-redundant configuration and copy configuration information from the controller running the current CLI session to the other controller:

CLI> SET FAILOVER COPY=THIS_CONTROLLER

See also

SET MULTIBUS_FAILOVER SET NOFAILOVER

SET mirrorset-name

Changes the characteristics of a mirrorset, including adding and removing members.

Format

SET mirrorset-name

Parameters

mirrorset-name

The name of the mirrorset that will have its characteristics modified. This is the name given to the mirrorset when it was created with the ADD MIRRORSET command.

Switches

MEMBERSHIP = number-of-members

Sets the nominal number of members of a mirrorset to the number specified by *number-of-members* (1 through 6).

If you increase the number of members and autosparing is turned on (by specifying POLICY=BEST_FIT or POLICY=BEST_PERFORMANCE), the controller automatically adds disk drives from the spareset to the mirrorset until either the new number of members is reached, or there are no more suitable disk drives in the spareset.

If you increase the number of members and autosparing is turned off (by specifying NOPOLICY), you must use the REPLACE switch to bring the mirrorset up to the new nominal number of members.

You cannot set the nominal number of members to be lower than the actual number of members. Use the REMOVE switch to reduce the number of devices that are part of the mirrorset.

REPLACE=disk-name

Note

You cannot specify any other switches to the SET *mirrorset -name* command when you use the REPLACE switch.

Adds a disk member into an existing mirrorset provided the following conditions are met:

- The replacement policy is set to NOPOLICY.
- The nominal number of members is greater than the actual number of members.

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• The disk member to be replaced is as large as the existing members of the mirrorset.

If these conditions are met, the device specified by *disk-name* is added to the mirrorset specified by *mirrorset-name*. The nominal number of members does not change.

REMOVE=disk-name

Note _____

You cannot specify any other switches to the SET *mirrorset -name* command when you use the REMOVE switch.

Removes members from an existing mirrorset. The disk drive specified by *disk-name* is removed from the mirrorset specified by *mirrorset-name*. The removed disk drive is added to the failedset and a new member is autospared into the mirrorset (if applicable).

Note ____

A NORMAL mirrorset member's entire contents are the same as all other NORMAL members.

If the mirrorset will not have a remaining NORMAL or NORMALIZING member after the disk drive is removed, an error is reported and no action is taken.

(NORMALIZING members only exist when a mirrorset is first created. One member is identified as NORMAL, and all other *original* mirrorset members are marked as NORMALIZING. All new data that is written to the mirrorset is written to all members. All data on the NORMAL member that existed before the mirrorset was created is copied to the NORMALIZING members. When all the blocks on the members are the same, the NORMALIZING members are marked as NORMAL. Members may also be marked as NORMALIZING if cache data is lost.)

Note that the REMOVE switch does not change the nominal number of members in the mirrorset. If the mirrorset has a replacement policy and there are acceptable disk drives in the spareset, the controller adds disk drives from the spareset to the mirrorset to make the actual number of members equal the nominal number of members.

POLICY=BEST_FIT POLICY=BEST_PERFORMANCE (Default) NOPOLICY

The SET *mirrorset-name* POLICY=*policy-type* command specifies the replacement policy to be used when a mirrorset member within the mirrorset fails.

Select BEST_FIT to choose a replacement device from the spareset that most closely matches the capacities of the remaining members. If more than one device in the spareset is the correct size, the controller selects the device that gives the best performance.

Select BEST_PERFORMANCE to choose a replacement device from the spareset that results in the best performance (the device should be on a different port than existing members). If more than one device in the spareset has the best performance, the controller selects the device that most closely matches the size of the remaining members.

NOPOLICY retires a failing device from the mirrorset without selecting a replacement. This causes the mirrorset to run with less than the nominal number of members until a BEST_FIT or BEST_PERFORMANCE policy is selected, or a member is manually replaced in the mirrorset.

READ_SOURCE=ROUND_ROBIN READ_SOURCE=LEAST_BUSY (Default) READ_SOURCE=disk-name

The READ_SOURCE switch allows you to control which mirrorset member is used by the controller to satisfy a read request.

Select ROUND_ROBIN to cause the controller to direct read requests to each NORMAL mirrorset member in sequential membership order. No preference is given to any NORMAL member.

Select LEAST_BUSY to cause the controller to direct read requests to the NORMAL mirrorset member with the least busy work queue.

Select the *disk-name* of a specific member to cause the controller to direct all read requests to that member. If that member fails out of the mirrorset, the controller reverts to the LEAST_BUSY method for mirrorset read requests.

COPY=NORMAL (Default) COPY=FAST

Note

A normal mirrorset member is one whose entire contents are the same as all other normal members.

The COPY switch allows you to set the speed at which the controller copies data from normal mirrorset members to new members.

Select NORMAL to prioritize other controller operations over the copy operation. The controller uses relatively few resources to perform the copy, and there is little impact on performance.

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Select FAST when the copy operation must take precedence over other controller operations. The controller uses more resources and the copy takes less time, but overall controller performance is reduced during the copy.

Examples

To change the replacement policy of mirrorset MIRR1 to BEST_FIT:

CLI> SET MIRR1 POLICY=BEST_FIT

The following example removes member DISK300 from mirrorset MIRR1 that was created above. If the mirrorset has a replacement policy and an acceptable disk drive is in the spareset, the controller automatically adds the spare disk drive to the mirrorset.

CLI> SET MIRR1 REMOVE=DISK300

To add disk drive DISK320 to the mirrorset MIRR1:

CLI> SET MIRR1 REPLACE=DISK320

A copy operation begins immediately on DISK320.

See also

ADD MIRRORSET MIRROR REDUCE SHOW MIRRORSET UNMIRROR

SET MULTIBUS_FAILOVER

Note

Both controllers must be in NOFAILOVER mode before you use the SET MULTIBUS_FAILOVER command.

Places THIS_CONTROLLER and the OTHER_CONTROLLER into a dual-redundant (failover) configuration in a multiple bus environment. This allows both controllers to access the storage devices and provide greater throughput. If one of the controllers fails, the devices and cache (if any) attached to the failed controller become available to and accessible through the remaining operational controller.

Note

Partitioned storagesets and single-disk units cannot function in multiple bus failover. You will have to delete your partitions before setting this switch.

This command is intended for use with host systems that have two SCSI adapters, each connected to one controller in the dual-redundant pair, show in Figure 2–1. The host operating system must be configured to recognize that all units can be accessed through either adapter/controller. If your host operating system does not support such a configuration, use the SET FAILOVER command instead.

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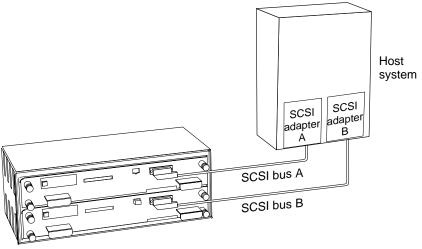


Figure 2–1 Controller Connections in Multiple Bus Failover Configuration

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Format

SET MULTIBUS_FAILOVER COPY=configuration-source

Parameters

Caution ____

The device configuration information from the specified controller will overwrite the information on the target controller. Make sure you know which controller has the good configuration information *before* entering this command.

COPY=THIS_CONTROLLER COPY=OTHER_CONTROLLER

Specifies the controller that contains the source configuration for the copy. The other controller will restart when the command is completed.

Specify THIS_CONTROLLER to copy all the device configuration information from the controller running the CLI session to the OTHER_CONTROLLER.

Specify OTHER_CONTROLLER to copy all the device configuration information from the controller that is *not* running the current CLI session to THIS_CONTROLLER (the controller that *is* running the current CLI session).

Due to the amount of information that must be passed between the two controllers, this command may take up to one minute to complete.

Example

To configure two controllers as dual-redundant in a multiple bus environment:

CLI> SET THIS_CONTROLLER ID=(0,1,2,3) CLI> RESTART THIS_CONTROLLER CLI> SET MULTIBUS_FAILOVER COPY=THIS_CONTROLLER

The configuration on THIS_CONTROLLER is automatically copied to the OTHER_CONTROLLER when you issue the SET MULTIBUS_FAILOVER COPY command. If you want to prefer specific units to specific controllers, use the following command after setting multiple bus failover command:

CLI> SET D100 PREFERRED=THIS_CONTROLLER CLI> SET D101 PREFERRED=OTHER CONTROLLER

See also

SET FAILOVER SET NOFAILOVER

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SET NOFAILOVER (SET NOMULTIBUS_FAILOVER)

Takes THIS_CONTROLLER and OTHER_CONTROLLER (if reachable) out of dual-redundant (failover) mode. Immediately after entering this command, you should remove one controller from the shelf because the sharing of devices is not supported by nonredundant controllers.

The controller on which you enter the command changes to nonfailover mode, even if the other controller is not reachable. All units that were accessed through OTHER_CONTROLLER failover to THIS_CONTROLLER. No configuration information is lost when changing modes.

Format

SET NOFAILOVER

Switches

NODESTROY_UNFLUSHABLE_DATA (Default) DESTROY_UNFLUSHABLE_DATA

Note _____

This switch has no effect if both controllers are operational.

If one of your dual-redundant controllers fails before you can properly shut it down with the SET NOFAILOVER or SHUTDOWN commands, you will have to use this switch.

Under some circumstances, the data in a failed controller's write-back cache may not failover to the operational controller's write-back cache. For example, if the cache battery has failed on the operational controller, failover will not jeopardize the write-cache data of the failed controller by trying to move it to the write-back cache associated with the operational controller. This makes the write-cache data associated with the failed controller unflushable.

The SET NOFAILOVER NODESTROY_UNFLUSHABLE_DATA leaves the unwritten data intact in the failed controller's write-back cache. When you replace the failed controller, it will flush the write-cache data to the appropriate devices when the controller comes online.

_____ Caution_____

You will not be able to recover or obtain unwritten data once it has been destroyed.

Use the SET NOFAILOVER DESTROY_UNFLUSHABLE_DATA if you want to reconfigure the operational controller before you replace the failed controller. The unwritten data of the failed controller may reference devices that may not be present in your new configuration. If you do not destroy the old configuration data, it could conflict with your new configuration and cause your subsystem to behave unpredictably.

Examples

To remove the two controllers from a dual-redundant configuration:

CLI> SET NOFAILOVER

See also

SET FAILOVER

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SET THIS_CONTROLLER and SET OTHER_CONTROLLER

Changes parameters on the specified controller. THIS_CONTROLLER is the controller that is running the current CLI session. The OTHER_CONTROLLER is the controller that is *not* running the current CLI session.

Format

SET THIS_CONTROLLER SET OTHER CONTROLLER

Switches

Table 2–3 lists all switches for the SET THIS_CONTROLLER and SET OTHER_CONTROLLER commands and shows which switches can be used with each type of controller. Descriptions of the switches follow the table.

Switch	HSZ Values
CACHE_FLUSH_TIMER	1 to 65535 sec, default
CACHE_POLICY	a, b
HOST_FUNCTION	A, B, C, D
ID	0-7 (x4)
INITIAL_CONFIGURATION	\checkmark
PREFERRED_ID	0-7 (x4)
PROMPT	1 to 16 characters
TERMINAL_PARITY NOTERMINAL_PARITY	odd, even
TERMINAL_SPEED	4800, 9600, 19200
TIME	dd-mmm-yyy: hh:mm:ss
TRANSFER_RATE_REQUESTED	asynchronous,

Table 2–3 Switches for SET THIS and SET OTHER Command

CACHE_FLUSH_TIMER=n CACHE_FLUSH_TIMER=DEFAULT

Specifies how many seconds (1–65535) of idle time may elapse before the write-back cache flushes its entire contents to disk. By default, this timer is set to 10 seconds. You must restart the controller before changes to the CACHE_FLUSH_TIMER take effect.

default, 10mHZ, 5mHZ

CACHE_POLICY=A (Default) CACHE_POLICY=B

Sets the write-back cache battery policy used by the controller. The policy affects the availability of RAIDsets and mirrorsets when the write-back cache battery is low:

- CACHE_POLICY=A makes inoperative all RAIDsets and mirrorsets until the battery has been recharged.
- CACHE_POLICY=B allows write-through access to all RAIDsets and mirrorsets for 10 hours, during which time the battery should be recharging. If the batteries do not recharge within 10 hours, the RAIDsets and mirrorsets become inoperative.

There is some risk in using CACHE_POLICY=B: since the battery's state is not good, there is no guarantee as to how long they will maintain data in the write cache module should the power fail.

Changing this policy on one controller in a dual-redundant configuration automatically changes it on the other controller. You must restart a controller for a new CACHE_POLICY to take effect.

Regardless of the CACHE_POLICY, a low or bad battery affects other controller operations as follows:

- Stripesets and single-disk unit units with write-back caching enabled are accessed in write-through (read cache) mode, as long as unwritten cache data has not been lost.
- RAIDsets and mirrorsets failover to the companion controller's cache in a dualredundant configuration, provided the other cache's batteries are fully charged.

If the batteries are low after controller initialization, unwritten cache data is flushed from the cache and any RAIDset or mirrorset that does not have access to good batteries is made inoperative, regardless of the cache policy.

- If the batteries are bad or missing, RAIDsets and mirrorsets are made inoperative.
- Write-back caching automatically resumes when the cache batteries are fully recharged or replaced.

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HOST_FUNCTION=(ID, mode)

Sets the host compatibility mode for a controller target ID. Each controller or pair of dualredundant controllers can service two host modes simultaneously. You must repeat the command if you want to set different modes for each target ID, such as to support hosts with different operating systems on a single SCSI bus.

You can specify the following modes:

- A (normal: DIGITALUNIX, OpenVMS, Sun[®], and HP-UX[®])
- B (IBM[®] host mode)
- C (HSZ15 compatibility mode)
- D (Windows NT[®] mode)

ID=n

Specifies from one to four SCSI target IDs (0–7). Multiple target IDs allow the controller to present more units to the host. If you enter two or more target IDs, you must enclose the numbers in parentheses and separate them with commas.

Note

An HSZ controller can present up to eight units to the host with each target ID. Unit numbers identify both the target ID and the unit. For example, D203 is target 2, LUN 3. D5 is target 0, LUN 5.

If two HSZ controllers are in a dual-redundant configuration, both controllers have the same IDs. When you change the IDs on one controller, the other is updated automatically.

INITIAL_CONFIGURATION

Note

You cannot recover the controller configuration after issuing the SET THIS_CONTROLLER INITIAL_CONFIGURATION command. Before issuing the command, be sure that you do not need the information.

Erases the entire configuration on THIS_CONTROLLER and restores the factory default values. Use this command to ensure that all of the old configuration information is removed when moving a controller from one location to another.

You can only use the INITIAL_CONFIGURATION switch on THIS_CONTROLLER.

PREFERRED_ID=(n1[,nN]) NOPREFERRED_ID

In an HSZ dual-redundant configuration, PREFERRED_ID defines which targets (and units) are handled by the specified controller. You must first specify the total set of IDs with the ID switch. If you enter two or more PREFERRED_IDs, you must enclose the numbers in parentheses and separate them with commas.

For example, if a dual-redundant pair of HSZ controllers is set to IDs 0, 1, and 2, you could set one controller to respond to IDs 0 and 1; the other controller would automatically respond to ID 2. The first controller would present unit numbers 0–7 and 100–107 and the other controller would present unit numbers 200–207.

Except in an HSZ multiple bus failover environment, when you change the PREFERRED_IDs on one controller, the other controller is automatically updated to support the remaining IDs (if any).

Specifying NOPREFERRED_ID for one controller makes it a "hot standby." The other controller processes all I/O during normal operation. However, if that controller fails, the controller with NOPREFERRED_ID would pick up the targets of the failed controller.

PROMPT="new prompt"

Specifies a 1- to 16-character prompt that is displayed when the controller's CLI prompts for input. Only printable ASCII characters are valid and they must be enclosed in quotes.

When first installed, the CLI prompt is set to the first three letters of the controller's model number (for example, HSZ>).

TERMINAL_PARITY=ODD TERMINAL_PARITY=EVEN NOTERMINAL_PARITY (Default) Specifies the parity transmitted and expected.

TERMINAL_SPEED=baud_rate Sets the terminal speed to 4800, 9600 (default), or 19200.

TIME=dd-mmm-yyyy:hh:mm:ss

The TIME switch sets the date and time. The time is set on both controllers in a dual-redundant configuration.

TRANSFER_RATE_REQUESTED=ASYNCHRONOUS TRANSFER_RATE_REQUESTED=DEFAULT (Default: 10MHz) TRANSFER_RATE_REQUESTED=10MHZ TRANSFER_RATE_REQUESTED=5MHZ

Note

Set the same transfer rate for both controllers in a dual-redundant configuration.

Specifies the maximum data transfer rate that HSZ controllers use when communicating with a SCSI host. You may need to limit the transfer rate to accommodate long cables between the subsystem and the host system.

Table 2–4 lists the maximum transfer rates for different lengths of fast and slow SCSI buses. These lengths represent cable lengths plus shelf-bus lengths.

Table 2–4Maximum Data Transfer Rates for Different SCSI-Bus CableLengths

Bus type	Bus rate	Data transfer rate	Meters	Feet
8-bit, single ended	5 MHz	5 MB/Sec	6	19.68
8-bit, single ended	10 MHz	10 MB/Sec	3	9.84
16-bit, differential	10 MHz	20 MB/Sec	25	82.02

Examples

To change the other controller's CLI prompt:

CLI> SET OTHER_CONTROLLER PROMPT="CONTROLLER B"

To set this HSZ controller so it responds to requests for targets 2 and 5:

CLI> SET THIS_CONTROLLER ID=(2,5)

See also

SHOW THIS_CONTROLLER SHOW OTHER_CONTROLLER

SET RAIDset-name

Changes the characteristics of a RAIDset.

Format

SET RAIDset-name

Parameters

RAIDset-name The name of the RAIDset that will have its characteristics modified.

Switches

POLICY=BEST_FIT POLICY=BEST_PERFORMANCE (Default) NOPOLICY Specifies the replacement policy to use when a member within the RAIDset fails.

Select BEST_FIT to choose a replacement device from the spareset that most closely matches the capacities of the remaining members. If more than one device in the spareset is the correct size, the controller selects the device that gives the best performance.

Select BEST_PERFORMANCE to choose a replacement device from the spareset that results in the best performance (the device should be on a different port than existing members). If more than one device in the spareset has the best performance, the controller selects the device that most closely matches the size of the remaining members.

Select NOPOLICY to prevent the controller from replacing a failed disk drive. This causes the RAIDset to run in a reduced state until a BEST_FIT or BEST_PERFORMANCE policy is selected, or a member is manually replaced in the RAIDset (see SET *RAIDset-name*).

RECONSTRUCT=NORMAL (Default)

RECONSTRUCT = FAST

The RECONSTRUCT switch allows you to set the speed at which the controller reconstructs the data on a new RAIDset member that has replaced a failed member.

Select NORMAL to balance other controller operations against the reconstruct operation. The controller uses relatively few resources to perform the reconstruct, and there is little impact on performance.

Select FAST when the reconstruct operation must take precedence over other controller operations. The controller uses more resources and the reconstruct takes less time, but overall controller performance is reduced during the reconstruct.

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REMOVE=disk-name

Note

You cannot specify any other switches to the SET *RAIDset-name* command when you use the REMOVE switch.

Removes a disk member from a RAIDset and adds it to the failedset. If the RAIDset is already in a reduced state, an error is displayed and the command is not carried out. If a replacement policy is specified, a replacement is taken from the spareset to replace the removed member. If NOPOLICY is specified, the RAIDset continues to operate in a reduced state until a replacement is manually specified (see the REPLACE switch) or a policy is specified (see the POLICY switch).

```
REPLACE=disk-name
```

Note _____

You cannot specify any other switches to the SET *RAIDset-name* command when you use the REPLACE switch.

Adds a disk drive into a reduced RAIDset. A reconstruct operation begins immediately on the new drive. The RAIDset must be reduced (missing one member) and have NOPOLICY set. The disk drive must not be in any configuration, including the spareset.

Examples

To change the replacement policy for RAIDset RAID9 to BEST_FIT:

CLI> SET RAID9 POLICY=BEST_FIT

To remove member DISK100 from the RAID9 RAIDset:

CLI> SET RAID9 REMOVE=DISK100

If there is a replacement policy, the controller moves a disk from the spareset to the RAIDset automatically.

To add disk DISK210 to the reduced RAIDset, RAID9:

CLI> SET RAID9 REPLACE=DISK210

A reconstruct operation begins immediately on DISK210.

See also

ADD RAIDSET SHOW RAIDSETS

SET unit-number

Changes the characteristics of a unit.

Format

SET unit-number

Parameters

unit-number

Specifies the logical unit number to modify. The *unit-number* is the name given the unit when it was created using the ADD UNIT command.

Switches

Table 2–5 lists all switches for the SET *unit-number* command and shows which switches can be used with each type of device and storageset. Descriptions of the switches follow the table.

Switch	RAID- set	Stripe- set	Mirror- set	NoTrans Disk	Trans Disk	CD- ROM	Pass- through
MAXIMUM_CACHED_ TRANSFER	~	~	~	~	~	~	
PREFERRED_PATH NOPREFERRED_PATH (Default)	~	v	v	√	v	•	✓
READ_CACHE (Default) NOREAD_CACHE	~	√	~	~	~	~	
RUN (Default) NORUN	~	√	~	~	~	~	
WRITE_PROTECT NOWRITE_PROTECT (Default)	~	✓	~	~	✓		
WRITEBACK_CACHE NOWRITEBACK_CACHE (Default)	√	v	✓	√			

 Table 2–5
 Switches for the SET unit-number command

Note _____

The RUN/NORUN switch cannot be specified on partitioned units.

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MAXIMUM_CACHED_TRANSFER=n MAXIMUM_CACHED_TRANSFER=32 (Default) The MAXIMUM_CACHED_TRANSFER switch allows you to set the largest transfer (in blocks) to be cached by the controller. The controller will not cache any transfers over this size. Valid values are 1–1024.

PREFERRED_PATH=THIS_CONTROLLER PREFERRED_PATH=OTHER_CONTROLLER NOPREFERRED_PATH (Default)

Note ____

All partitions on a container must be addressed through the same controller. If you set PREFERRED_PATH for one partition, all partitions on that container will inherit the same path.

The PREFERRED_PATH switch allows you to balance I/O load by specifying the controller through which the unit will be accessed. If you set NOPREFERRED_PATH for a unit, it can be accessed through either controller.

The controllers only use the PREFERRED_PATH setting if they are in a dual-redundant configuration. If one controller fails, all the devices are accessed through the remaining controller, ignoring the PREFERRED_PATH setting.

Note

The PREFERRED_PATH and NOPREFERRED_PATH switches are valid only for HSZ controllers in dual-redundant multiple bus-failover configurations. The preferred path for units on dual-redundant HSZ controllers is determined by the first digit in the unit number (the controller target ID) specified in the ADD UNIT command.

When the failed controller is restarted, the drives automatically return to the controller specified by the PREFERRED_PATH switch.

You can specify the PREFERRED_PATH switch on a single controller; however, the switch will not take effect until you add a second controller and configure the two controllers for dual-redundancy.

READ_CACHE (Default) NOREAD_CACHE The READ_CACHE switch allows you to enable or disable the use of read cache with a unit.

Read caching improves performance in almost all situations, so it is generally good to leave it enabled. However, under certain workloads, like a backup, there may be a low

probability for a cache hit and it may be beneficial to turn read caching off to remove the overhead of caching.

RUN (Default) NORUN

The RUN switch allows you to enable and disable a unit's availability to the host.

Select NORUN to make a unit unavailable to the host and to cause any user data for that unit to be flushed from the write-back cache to the disk drives. The devices that make up the unit are still spun up.

Select RUN to make a unit available to the host.

Note

The RUN and NORUN switches cannot be specified for partitioned units.

WRITE_PROTECT NOWRITE_PROTECT (Default)

Note

Write protect disables the writing of any new data by the host. However, the controller may still write to a write-protected RAIDset to satisfy a reconstruct pass or to reconstruct a newly replaced member.

The WRITE_PROTECT switch allows you to ensure that data on a unit is not overwritten.

Select WRITE_PROTECT to prevent write operations to the unit.

Select NOWRITE_PROTECT to allow both reads and writes to the unit.

WRITEBACK_CACHE NOWRITEBACK_CACHE (Default)

Note _____

WRITEBACK_CACHE requires that write-back cache modules be installed in the subsystem and that the licensed feature be enabled through FLS.

The WRITEBACK_CACHE switch allows you to enable or disable the use of write-back cache with a unit.

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Select WRITEBACK_CACHE for all new RAIDsets and mirrorsets, and for all other units for which you want this feature. The write-back cache improves performance for write operations to the unit.

Note

It may take up to 5 minutes for the controller to flush unwritten data from the cache once you disable write-back caching.

Select NOWRITEBACK_CACHE for those units for which you want all writes to go directly to devices without being cached.

Considerations When Using Write-back Caching The following list summarizes considerations you must be aware of when using write-back cache.

Two conditions will cause data contained within write-back cache to be lost: if power from the main power supply and the external cache battery is interrupted, or if the cache module is removed before the controller flushes the data from the write-back cache.

- When restarted, the controller attempts to flush any unflushed data within write-back cache to the devices. However, by specifying the IGNORE_ERRORS or IMMEDIATE_SHUTDOWN switch, you allow data to reside in write-back cache when the controller is turned off, regardless of any errors detected.
- RAIDsets and mirrorsets require data to be stored in write-back cache to accomodate the write hole and to increase performance—without regard to the WRITEBACK_CACHE switch setting.
- If data is contained within the write-back cache while the subsystem is shut down, do not perform any hardware changes until after the controller flushes the data to the devices.
- When restarted, the controller attempts to flush any unflushed data within the writeback cache to the devices. However, by specifying the IGNORE_ERRORS or IMMEDIATE_SHUTDOWN switch, you allow data to reside in write-back cache when the controller is turned off, regardless of any errors detected.

Examples

To enable write protect and turn off the read cache on unit D102:

CLI> SET D102 WRITE_PROTECT NOREAD_CACHE

To set unit T47 to 1600 bpi:

CLI> SET T47 DEFAULT_FORMAT=1600BPI_9TRACK

See also

SHOW UNITS SHOW *unit-number*

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SHOW

Displays information about controllers, storagesets, devices, and partitions.

Note

The SHOW command may not display some information for devices accessed through the companion controller in a dual-redundant configuration. When device or parameter information does not appear, enter the same SHOW command from the other controller.

Format

```
SHOW device-type
SHOW device-name
SHOW storageset-type
SHOW storageset-name
SHOW UNITS
SHOW unit-name
SHOW THIS_CONTROLLER
SHOW OTHER_CONTROLLER
```

Parameters

```
device-type
```

Specifies the type of devices that you want to display:

DEVICES—All devices attached to the controller

CDROMS-All CD-ROM devices attached to the controller

DISKS—All disk drive devices attached to the controller

PASSTHROUGH—All passthrough containers attached to the controller

device-name

Specifies the name of a particular device that you want to display. For example, SHOW DISK210 displays information about the device named DISK210.

storageset-type

Specifies the type of storageset that you want to display:

STORAGESETS—all storagesets configured in the controller. This includes stripesets, mirrorsets, RAIDsets, the spareset and the failedset.

RAIDSETS-all RAIDsets configured in the controller

STRIPESETS-all stripesets configured in the controller

MIRRORSETS-all mirrorsets configured in the controller

SPARESET—the pool of disk drives available to replace failing members of RAIDsets and mirrorsets

FAILEDSET-all disk drives that have failed out of RAIDsets and mirrorsets

storageset-name

Specifies the name of a particular storageset that you want to display. For example, SHOW STRIPE1 displays information about the stripeset named STRIPE1.

units

Displays information for all units configured to the controller.

unit-name

Specifies the name of a particular unit that you want to display. For example, SHOW D102 displays information about the unit named D102.

THIS_CONTROLLER OTHER_CONTROLLER Specifies the controller that you want to display.

Switches

FULL

Displays additional information about each device or controller.

Examples

To show a basic listing of CDROMs:

CLI> SHOW Name	CDROM Type	Port Targ	Lun	Used by
CDROM230	cdrom	2 3	0	D623
CDROM240	cdrom	2 4	0	D624

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CLI> SHOW DEVICES FULL Name Type Port Targ Lun Used by _____ DISK100 disk 1 0 0 D500 DEC RZ28 (C) DEC 435E Switches: NOTRANSPORTABLE TRANSFER_RATE_REQUESTED = 10MHZ (synchronous 10 MB/SEC negotiated) Size: 4109470 blocks DISK120 1 2 0 s0 disk DEC RZ28 (C) DEC 435E Switches: NOTRANSPORTABLE TRANSFER_RATE_REQUESTED = 10MHZ (synchronous 10 MB/SEC negotiated) Size: 4109470 blocks DISK140 1 4 0 s0 disk DEC RZ28M (C) DEC 0616 Switches: NOTRANSPORTABLE TRANSFER_RATE_REQUESTED = 10MHZ (synchronous 10 MB/SEC negotiated) Size: 4109470 blocks DISK200 2 0 0 D501 disk DEC RZ28 (C) DEC 435E Switches: NOTRANSPORTABLE TRANSFER_RATE_REQUESTED = 10MHZ (synchronous 10 MB/SEC negotiated) Size: 4109470 blocks DISK220 disk 2 2 0 S0 RZ28B (C) DEC 0006 DEC Switches: NOTRANSPORTABLE TRANSFER_RATE_REQUESTED = 10MHZ (synchronous 10 MB/SEC negotiated) Size: 4109470 blocks

To show a full listing of devices attached to the controller:

```
CLI> SHOW MIRR1
Name Storageset
                                 Uses
                                              Used by
_____
MIRR1
                                 DISK130
                                              D202
            mirrorset
       Switches:
         NOPOLICY (for replacement)
         COPY (priority) = NORMAL
         READ_SOURCE = LEAST_BUSY
         MEMBERSHIP = 2, 1 member present
       State:
         DISK130
                 (member 0) is NORMAL
       Size: 4109470 blocks
 To show the full information for a controller:
CLI> SHOW THIS_CONTROLLER FULL
Controller:
    HSZ40-CX (C) ZG60300054 Firmware V31Z-0, Hardware 0000
    Not configured for dual-redundancy
    SCSI address 6
    Time: NOT SET
Host port:
    SCSI target(s) (4, 5), Preferred target(s) (5)
    TRANSFER_RATE_REQUESTED = ASYNCHRONOUS
Cache:
    No cache
    Host Functionality Mode = A
Licensing information:
    RAID (RAID Option) is ENABLED, license key is VALID
    WBCA (Writeback Cache Option) is ENABLED, license key is VALID
    MIRR (Disk Mirroring Option) is ENABLED, license key is VALID
Extended information:
       Terminal speed 19200 baud, eight bit, no parity, 1 stop bit
       Operation control: 00000005 Security state code: 24968
       Configuration backup disabled
```

To show a complete listing of the mirrorset named MIRR1:

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SHUTDOWN THIS_CONTROLLER and SHUTDOWN OTHER_CONTROLLER

Flushes all user data from the specified controller's write-back cache (if present) and shuts down the controller. The controller does not restart. All units accessed through the controller failover to the surviving controller.

THIS CONTROLLER is the controller that is running the current CLI session. OTHER_CONTROLLER is the controller that is *not* running the current CLI session.

Format

SHUTDOWN OTHER_CONTROLLER SHUTDOWN THIS_CONTROLLER

Switches

Caution

The IGNORE_ERRORS and IMMEDIATE switches cause the controller to keep unflushed data in the write-back cache until it restarts and is able to write the data to devices. Do not perform any hardware changes and do not let the cache batteries run down before the controller can flush the cache.

IGNORE_ERRORS

NOIGNORE_ERRORS (Default)

The IGNORE_ERRORS and NOIGNORE_ERRORS switches instruct the the controller how to respond to write-back cache errors.

Caution

The IGNORE_ERRORS switch may cause data to remain in write-back cache.

Specify IGNORE_ERRORS to instruct the controller to ignore any write-back cache errors. Such errors can result from data contained within write-back cache that cannot be written to the devices or lost data errors.

Specify NOIGNORE_ERRORS to instruct the controller not to run the self-test program if write-back cache errors are detected.

IMMEDIATE_SHUTDOWN NOIMMEDIATE_SHUTDOWN The IMMEDIATE_SHUTDOWN and NOIMMEDIATE_SHUTDOWN switches are used to instruct the controller when to shutdown when running the self-test program.

Caution___

The IMMEDIATE_SHUTDOWN switch instructs the controller to immediately shutdown, without regard to any data contained within write-back cache.

Select IMMEDIATE_SHUTDOWN to instruct the controller to run the self-test program immediately without checking for online devices or without flushing user data from write-back cache to devices.

Select NOIMMEDIATE_SHUTDOWN to instruct the controller to flush data from writeback cache before running the self-test program.

Examples

To shut down THIS_CONTROLLER as long as there are no units online:

CLI> SHUTDOWN THIS_CONTROLLER

To shut down the other controller even if it cannot write all write-back cache data to units:

CLI> SHUTDOWN OTHER_CONTROLLER IGNORE_ERRORS

See also

RESTART THIS_CONTROLLER RESTART OTHER_CONTROLLER SELFTEST THIS_CONTROLLER SELFTEST OTHER_CONTROLLER

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UNMIRROR

Converts a one-member mirrorset back to a single device and deletes the mirrorset from the list of known mirrorsets. You can use this command on mirrorsets that are already members of higher level containers (stripesets or units).

The UNMIRROR command is not valid for devices that have a capacity greater than the capacity of the mirrorset. If a mirrorset is comprised of devices of different capacities, the mirrorset capacity is limited to the size of the smallest member; larger members will have unused capacity. If a member with unused capacity is the last remaining member of a mirrorset, you cannot use the UNMIRROR command to change the device back to a single-disk unit, because that change would cause a change in reported disk capacity, possibly confusing the operating system.

Format

UNMIRROR disk-name

Parameter

disk-name

The disk-name parameter specifies the name of the mirrorset member to be removed from the mirrorset.

Examples

To convert DISK130 back to a single device:

CLI> UNMIRROR DISK130

See also

ADD MIRRORSET MIRROR REDUCE RUN CLONE SET mirrorset-name

Glossary

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adapter

A device that converts the protocol and hardware interface of one bus type into that of another without changing the functionality of the bus.

allocation class

A numerical value assigned to a controller to identify units across multiple, independent controllers. (Controllers in a dual-redundant configuration must have the same allocation class.)

array controller

A hardware/software device that facilitates communications between a host and one or more devices organized in an array. HS family controllers are examples of array controllers.

BBR

Bad block replacement. The procedure used to locate a replacement block, mark the bad block as replaced, and move the data from the bad block to the replacement block.

BBU

Battery backup unit. A StorageWorks SBB option that extends power availability after the loss of primary ac power or a power supply to protect against the corruption or loss of data.

block

The smallest data unit addressable on a disk. Also called a sector. In integrated storage elements, a block contains 512 bytes of data, EDC, ECC, flags, and the block's address header.

CDU

Cable distribution unit. The power entry device for StorageWorks cabinets. The unit provides the connections necessary to distribute ac power to cabinet shelves and fans.

CI bus

Computer interconnect bus. Uses two serial paths, each with a transfer rate of 70 Mb/s (8.75 MB/s).

CLI

Command line interpreter. Operator command line interface for the HS family controller firmware.

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controller shelf

A StorageWorks shelf designed to contain controller and cache memory modules.

CRC

An 8-character cyclic redundancy check string used in conjunction with the customer identification string for turning on licensed features such as write-back caching.

data center cabinet

A generic reference to the large cabinets, such as the SW800-series, in which StorageWorks components can be mounted.

DDL

Dual data link. The ability to operate on the CI bus using both paths simultaneously to the same remote node.

differential SCSI bus

A signal's level is determined by the potential difference between two wires. A differential bus is more robust and less subject to electrical noise than is a single-ended bus.

DILX

Disk inline exerciser. Diagnostic firmware used to test the data transfer capabilities of disk drives in a way that simulates a high level of user activity.

DSA

DIGITAL storage architecture. A set of specifications and interfaces describing standards for designing mass storage products. DSA defines the functions performed by host computers, controllers, and disk drives. It also specifies how they interact to accomplish mass storage management.

DSSI

DIGITAL storage system interconnect. A DIGITAL-specific data bus with an 8-bit data transfer rate of 4 MB/s.

dual-redundant configuration

Two controllers in one controller shelf providing the ability for one controller to take over the work of the other controller in the event of a failure of the other controller.

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DUART

Dual universal asynchronous receiver/transmitter. An integrated circuit containing two serial, asynchronous transceiver circuits.

DUP

Diagnostic and utility protocol. Host application software that allows a host terminal to be connected to the controller's command line interpreter.

DWZZA

The StorageWorks compatible SCSI bus signal converter.

ECB

External cache battery.

ECC

Error correction code. One or more cyclic redundancy check (CRC) words that allow detection of a mismatch between transmitted and received data in a communications system, or between stored and retrieved data in a storage system. The ECC allows for location and correction of an error in the received/retrieved data. All ECCs have limited correction power.

EDC

Error detection code. One or more checksum words that allow detection of a mismatch between transmitted and received data in a communications system, or between stored and retrieved data in a storage system. The EDC has no data correction capability.

ESD

Electrostatic discharge. The discharge of a potentially harmful static electric voltage as a result of improper grounding.

failedset

A group of disk drives that have been removed from RAIDsets due to a failure or a manual removal. Disk drives in the failedset should be considered defective and should be tested, repaired, and then placed into the spareset.

failover

The process that takes place when one controller in a dual-redundant configuration assumes the workload of a failed controller.

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flush

The act of writing data from the cache module to the media.

FRU

Field replaceable unit. A hardware component that can be replaced.

FWD SCSI

Fast, wide, differential SCSI. The differential SCSI bus with a 16-bit parallel data path that yields a transfer rate of up to 20 MB/s.

half-height device

A device that occupies half of a 5.25 inch SBB carrier. Two half-height devices can be mounted in a 5.25 inch SBB carrier. The first half-height device is normally mounted in the lower part of the carrier. The second device is normally mounted in the upper part of the carrier.

HBVS

Host-based volume shadowing. Also known as Phase 2 volume shadowing.

HSOF

Hierarchical storage operating firmware. Software contained on a program card that provides the logic for the HS array controllers.

HIS

Host interconnect services. The firmware in the HS array controller that communicates with the host.

host

Any computer to which a storage subsystem can be attached.

hot swap

A method of replacing a device whereby the system that contains the device remains online and active during replacement. The device being replaced is the only device that cannot perform operations during a hot swap.

initiator

A SCSI device that requests an I/O process to be performed by another SCSI device (a target). This is always the controller.

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local terminal

A terminal plugged into the EIA-423 maintenance port on the front bezel of the HS array controller. Also called a maintenance terminal.

logical unit

The physical device or storage unit seen by the host. Often these logical units are spread across more than one physical device, especially in RAID implementations. This is *not* a LUN.

logical unit number

See LUN.

LRU

Least recently used. This is cache terminology for the block replacement policy for the read cache.

LUN

A logical unit number is a physical or virtual peripheral device addressable through a target. LUNs use their target's bus connection to communicate on the SCSI bus.

maintenance terminal

Any EIA-423 compatible terminal to be plugged into the HS controller. This terminal is used to identify the controller, enable host paths, define the configuration, and check controller status. It is not required for normal operations. It is sometimes referred to as a local terminal.

metadata

Data written on the physical disk that is not visible to the host/customer that allows the HS array controller to maintain a high integrity of customer data.

mirrorset

Two or more physical disks configured to present one highly reliable virtual unit to the host.

MSCP

Mass storage control protocol. The protocol by which blocks of information are transferred between the host and the controller.

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nonredundant configuration

A single controller configuration. A controller configuration which does not include an second backup controller permitting failover in the event of a failure.

normal member

A mirrorset member whose entire contents is guaranteed to be the same as all other NORMAL members. All NORMAL members are exactly equivalent.

normalizing member

A mirrorset member whose contents is the same as all other NORMAL and NORMALIZING members for data that has been written since the mirrorset was created or lost cache data was cleared. Data that has never been written may differ among NORMALIZING members.

NV

Nonvolatile. A term used to describe memory that can retain data during a power loss to the controller.

partition

A percentage of a storageset or single-disk unit that may be presented to the host as a storage unit.

partitioning

Device partitioning is the process of dividing up a single large container into a number of smaller containers.

port

The hardware and software used to connect a host controller to a communication bus, such as CI, DSSI, or SCSI bus. This term also is used to describe the connection between the controller and its SCSI storage devices.

PTL

Port-target-LUN. A method of device notation where **P** designates the controller's device port (1-6), **T** designates the target ID of the device (0-6), and **L** designates the LUN of the device (0-7).

qualified device

A device that has been fully tested in an approved StorageWorks configuration, (that is, shelf, cabinet, power supply, cabling, and so forth) and is in complete compliance with

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country-specific standards (for example, FCC, TUV, and so forth) and with all DIGITAL standards.

quiesce

To make a bus inactive or dormant. The operator must quiesce SCSI bus operations, for example, during a device warm swap.

RAID

Redundant array of independent disks. The multiple storage access methods devised for performance (RAID 0, striping) and/or various cost levels of availability (RAID 1 through RAID 5).

RAIDset

Three or more physical disks that are configured to present an array of disks as a single virtual unit to the host.

read cache

The cache used to accelerate read operations by retaining data which has been previously read, written, or erased, based on a prediction that it will be reread.

replacement policy

The method by which a spare disk is selected to replace a disk that has failed in a RAIDset.

SBB

StorageWorks building block. A modular carrier plus the individual mechanical and electromechanical interface required to mount it into a standard StorageWorks shelf. Any device conforming to shelf mechanical and electrical standards is considered an SBB.

SBB shelf

StorageWorks building block shelf. A StorageWorks shelf, such as the BA350--Sx, designed to house plug-in SBB modules.

SCS

System communication services. A delivery protocol for packets of information (commands or data) to or from the host.

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SCSI

Small computer system interface. An ANSI interface defining the physical and electrical parameters of a parallel I/O bus used to connect initiators to a maximum of seven devices. The StorageWorks device interface is implemented according to SCSI--2 standard, allowing the synchronous transfer of 8-bit data at rates of up to 10 MB/s.

SCSI device

A host computer adapter, a peripheral controller, or a storage element that can be attached to the SCSI bus.

SCSI device ID

The bit-significant representation of the SCSI addressing that refers to one of the signal lines numbered 0 through 7. Also referred to as a *target* ID.

SCSI--A cable

A 50-conductor (25 twisted pair cable used for single-ended, SCSI bus connections.

SCSI--P cable

A 68-conductor (34 twisted pair cable used for differential bus connections.

Small Computer System Interface

See SCSI.

spareset

A pool of disk drives used by the controller to replace failed members of a RAIDset.

SPD

Software product description. A document that contains the legal description of a product.

storageset

Any collection of containers, such as stripesets, RAIDsets, the spareset, and the failedset, that make up a container.

storage unit

The general term that refers to storagesets, single disk units, and all other storage devices that can be installed in your subsystem and accessed by a host. A storage unit can be any entity that is capable of storing data, whether it is a physical device or a group of physical devices.

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StorageWorks

DIGITAL's family of modular data storage products that allows customers to design and configure their own storage subsystems. Components include power, packaging, cabling, devices, controllers, and software. Customers can integrate devices and array controllers in StorageWorks enclosure to form storage subsystems.

StorageWorks building block

See SBB.

stripeset

A virtual disk drive with its physical data spread across multiple physical disks. Stripeset configurations do not include a data recovery mechanism.

striped mirrorset

Stripesets whose members have been mirrored.

tagged command queuing

A SCSI feature that allows a device to have multiple I/O requests outstanding to it at one time.

target

A SCSI device that performs an operation requested by an initiator. The target number is determined by the device's address on its SCSI bus.

TILX

Tape inline exerciser. Diagnostic firmware used to test the data transfer capabilities of tape drives in a way that simulates a high level of user activity.

TMSCP

Tape mass storage control protocol. The protocol by which blocks of information are transferred between the host and the controller.

unit

The host's view of a container on an HS array controller. A unit may be made up of simply a physical disk or tape drive, or a more complex container such as a RAIDset.

unwritten cached data

Data in the write-back cache which has not yet been written to the physical device, but the user has been notified that the data has been written.

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VCS

VAXcluster console system.

virtual terminal

A software path from an operator terminal on the host to the controller's CLI. The path can be established via the host port on the controller (using DUP) or via the maintenance port through on intermediary host (VCS). A virtual terminal is also sometimes called a host console.

warm swap

A method for adding or replacing a device whereby the system remains online, but all activity on the device's bus must be halted for the duration of the swap.

write-back caching

A caching strategy that writes data to the cache memory, then flushes the data to the intended device at some future time. From the user's perspective, the write operation is complete when the data is stored in the cache memory. This strategy avoids unnecessary access of the devices.

write hole

Undetectable RAID level 1 or 5 data corruption. A write hole is caused by the successful writing of some, but not all, of the storageset members. Write holes occur under conditions such as power outages, where the writing of multiple members can be abruptly interrupted. A battery backed-up cache design eliminates the write hole, because data is preserved and writes can be retried.

write-through cache

A cache write strategy in which the destination of the write data is the primary storage media. This operation may update, invalidate, or delete data from the cache memory accordingly, to ensure that the cache does not contain obsolete data. The user sees the operation as complete only after the backup storage device has been updated.

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