

ATTO Utilities Installation and Operation Manual

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1.0 ATTO ConfigTool

The ATTO ConfigTool is a utility program that displays information about installed storage controllers, drivers and devices and provides a mechanism to configure installed storage controllers in local and remote hosts. Used to manage all ATTO host based products including HBAs, RAID adpaters and desklink devices.

The ATTO ConfigTool provides a central interface for managing local and remote hosts with ATTO storage controllers installed. Features include:

- The names of ATTO storage controllers installed in the host
- Information about the devices attached to ATTO storage controllers
- Information about the drivers and firmware controlling the storage controllers, including version information

You may also use the ATTO ConfigTool to:

- Update the flash image when a new version is released by ATTO
- Modify the NVRAM settings (refer to the product-specific NVRAM information sections in this manual)
- Manage RAID groups
- · Configure RAID notifications
- Revert to default factory settings

The factory settings should provide excellent performance for a wide range of applications. However, some applications may benefit from modification of the storage controller NVRAM settings which tune the storage controller for a specific performance range.

Pre-Installation

The ATTO ConfigTool is a free utility available on CD (if supplied with your storage controller) or via the ATTO website at www.attotech.com. This application supports a variety of operating systems. Please visit the ATTO website for specific operating system support information and downloads.

Oracle® Java version 1.5, or later, is required to use the ATTO ConfigTool. Visit http://java.com for the latest Java updates for Linux and Windows. The latest Java runtime for Mac OS X can be obtained through Software Update.



Note

Note: The GNU version of the JVM does not work with the ATTO installer. You must use Oracle Java.

To install the ATTO ConfigTool:

- · Windows run the .exe file
- OS X mount the .dmg file
- · Linux expand the .tgz file

Installation

The ATTO ConfigTool now includes two components: a GUI Application and a system service. Either, or both, of these components can be installed on a host, depending on the functionality desired. This creates several different use cases, described below:

A host with both the GUI Application and the system service installed will be able to discover and manage local and remote hosts. This is the most comprehensive management capability. During installation of the ATTO ConfigTool select **FULL** installation for this coverage level.

- A host with only the GUI Application installed will be able to discover and manage remote hosts. This host will not be able to discover and manage any ATTO storage controllers installed on the same host. During installation of the ATTO ConfigTool select APPLICATION ONLY for this coverage level.
- A host with only the system service installed can be discovered and managed remotely, but it cannot be managed locally (the GUI Application is required for local management). It is common to have multiple hosts with only the system service installed being managed by a single host remotely. To set up a host without any local management capabilities, refer to the OS specific instructions below.

Instructions for FULL or APPLICATION ONLY installation:

- 1 Launch the ATTO ConfigTool Installer
 - Windows Run the ConfigTool 4xx.exe
 - OS X Run the ConfigTool 4xx file
 - Linux Run the ConfigTool 4xx.bin
- Select FULL or APPLICATION ONLY as desired
- 3 Follow the on-screen instructions

Instructions for SYSTEM SERVICE ONLY installation:

- 1 Launch the ATTO ConfigTool system service Installer
 - Windows Run the setup.exe in the Service folder
 - OS X Run the attocfgd.mpkg file in the Service folder
 - Linux Run the following command in the terminal (as root): ./attocfgd.sei -i
- 2 Follow the on-screen instructions

Using the ATTO ConfigTool

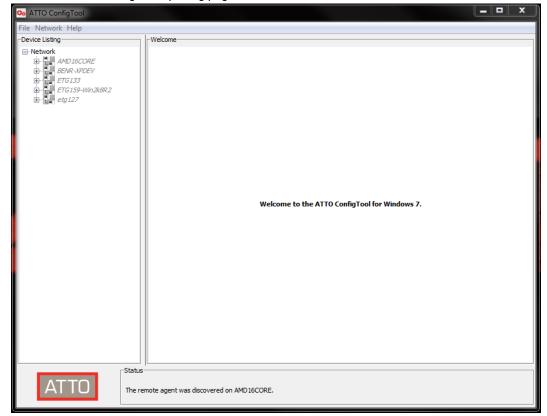
To use the ATTO ConfigTool, locate and double-click the application icon. The main page has three windows: **Device Listing**, **Configuration Options** and **Status**. See Exhibit 1.0-1. The **Device Listing** window at the left of the display page lists local and remote hosts found on the network, as well as currently connected devices. You are required to login to manage any host. Once you login, the **device tree** will expand to reveal additional details on connected storage controllers.

The **Configuration Options** window in the right window pane provides information and options for a device highlighted in the device listing. If you highlight a device in the **Device Listing**, tabs and panels display for that device. The following chart lists the tabs displayed for each device type in the device listing tree.

Tree node	Tabs displayed	
Network	Host Tab	
Host	Basic Info, Notifications, SNMP	
Storage Controller	Basic Info, Flash, RAID, RAID CLI, Tasks	
Channel	Basic Info, NVRAM	
Devices	Basic Info, Flash, SES	

The **Status** window provides general information about host and storage controller settings.

Exhibit 1.0-1 The ATTO ConfigTool opening page.



Navigating the ConfigTool



CAUTION

Save system data prior to installing or changing hardware configurations.

Host Discovery

The ATTO ConfigTool is able to discover hosts automatically, as well as manually. A host will be discovered and displayed in the **Device Listing** only if the system service is installed and running on the host. A host that only has the GUI Application installed will not be displayed in the **Device Listing**.

Automatic Discovery

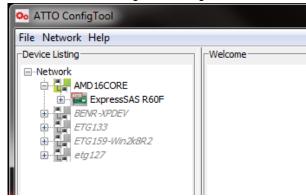
Hosts on the local subnet are automatically discovered and placed into the **Device Listing**.

Manual Discovery

A host can be found manually by using the Network menu and selecting "Find host". The IP address or hostname of the remote host is required. If the host is already in the **Device Listing**, it is not added again.

Host Login Status

The GUI Application must login into each host before that host can be managed or configured.



The GUI Application indicates the login status for a host as follows:

- A host that is not logged in will display the host icon and the text as gray and italicized.
- A host that is logged in will display the host icon with a green background and black non-italicized text.
- A host that was logged in but the host is rebooting will display the host icon and text as gray and italicized with a strike through.

Login to a Host

A login is started when the host's Device Listing tree is expanded. A login dialogue box displays and you must enter a username and password. The username and password of an administrator for the host is required to proceed, and is checked against the user credentials stored on the host.

- In Windows and Mac OS X, the login information is checked against any user in the Administrators group.
- In Linux, the login information is checked against the root user.

If three successive login attempts fail, the GUI Application will be locked out from the host for three minutes. All login attempts that occur during the lockout period will receive an error status. GUI Applications in other hosts will not be affected by the lockout period.

Once a login is established, the icon of the host is highlighted green and the text becomes black with normal font.



Note

There is no logout facility.

Select a Host

Select any host by clicking on it in the **Device Listing** window. The following tabs display in the **Configuration Options** window:

- The Basic Info tab displays information about the booted operating system on that host. It also shows scheduled reboot information and provides the ability to install a driver on that host. See <u>Exhibit 1.0-2 on</u> page 6.
- The Notification tab allows you to set up notification of certain events in the ExpressSAS RAID or ThunderStream storage controller. Refer to <u>Setup RAID</u> <u>Notification on page 23</u> or see <u>Exhibit 1.4-7</u> on page 25.

Select a Storage Controller

The following tabs display in the **Configuration Options** window when you select a specific storage controller in the **Device Listing** window.

- The Basic Info tab provides basic information about the device currently highlighted in the device listing. See <u>Exhibit</u> 1.0-2 on page 6.
- The Flash tab provides information about the current revision of flash loaded on the highlighted storage controller. See <u>Exhibit</u> 1.0-4 on page 7. Click on the Browse button at the bottom of the tab to search for new flash files on your host. Click on the Update button to initiate the firmware flashing process using the previously selected firmware.
- The RAID tab displays information about the drive inventory, existing RAID groups and Hot Spare devices. From the RAID tab you can create, modify and delete RAID groups. See Exhibit 1.4-1 on page 16.
- The RAID CLI tab allows experienced users to enter RAID Command Line Interface commands to the SAS RAID storage controller.
- The Tasks tab displays information about tasks that are scheduled to run. In this tab, users can reschedule a task or remove the scheduled task.

Select a Channel

The following tabs display in the **Configuration Options** window when you select a specific channel in the **Device Listing** window:

• The **Basic Info** tab displays PCI information for the selected channel.

- The NVRAM tab displays the NVRAM parameters of the selected channel. For:
 - Celerity and ThunderLink FC see <u>Chapter 1.1 page 9</u>
 - FastFrame see Chapter 1.2 page 11
 - ExpressPCI see Chapter 1.3 page 12
 - ExpressSAS, ThunderLink SH and ThunderStream SC - see <u>Chapter 1.4</u> page 14

See, also, Exhibit 1.0-5 on page 8.



Note

ATTO storage controllers are designed to operate properly using factory settings. Entering invalid or incorrect settings when using an NVRAM configuration utility such as the ATTO ConfigTool may cause your storage controller to function incorrectly.

Select a Device

The following tabs display in the **Configuration Options** window when you select a specific device in the **Device Listing** window:

- The **Basic Info** tab displays information about the selected device.
- The Flash tab provides a tool to update the firmware of the selected device. The flash tool is only available for devices that support flash update.
- The SES tab displays SES (SCSI Enclosure Services) status information, such as power supplies and fans, for SES devices.

About panel

The **About** panel, selected from the **About** menu item in the **Help** menu, is an informational page which displays a list of components installed for the ATTO ConfigTool, the tool's version number and ATTO Technology contact information.

Driver update

A storage controller driver can be installed or upgraded on a host by going to the **Basic Info** tab for that host, choosing a driver package in the driver update section and clicking update. The driver package is the .exe (Windows), .tgz (Linux) or .dmg (Mac OS X) file available on the ATTO product CD or downloaded from the ATTO website. If a reboot is required, the GUI will prompt once the install completes. If a driver was installed that has no

matching storage controller, the GUI will prompt to shutdown and install the storage controller.



Note

It is important to keep firmware and drivers up-to-date for optimal performance. Refer to the product release notes (PRNs) on the ATTO web site download page for additional information.

System Reboot

A host can be rebooted using its **Basic info** tab. Select "Restart" and optionally provide a message. The host will reboot in 30 seconds for Windows or in one minute for Linux and OS X. The **Message** area will be updated to reflect the fact that the host has a scheduled reboot and display the time the reboot will occur.

Once a reboot is scheduled, another reboot cannot be scheduled. On Linux and OS X, pressing the **Refresh** button detects any scheduled reboot and displays the reboot information on the **Basic Info** tab. On Windows

systems there is no way to detect a scheduled reboot. If the GUI Application attempts to schedule a reboot and there is already one scheduled, the GUI Application will display an error status and the GUI Application is now aware that a scheduled reboot is active. A scheduled reboot can be cancelled using the Cancel button.

The host that is scheduled to reboot displays on its console a pop-up message that indicates the system will be rebooting. The format of the pop-up message is dependent upon the operating system.

_ 🗆 X OnfigToo ile Network Help Device Listing Basic Info Notifications SNMP Host: AMD16CORE Address: 10.40.1.46 ExpressSAS R60F ETG133 Windows Server 2008 R2 Service Pack 1 ⊕ - ETG159-Win2k8R2 ⊕ - etg127 Driver Update Browse Update System Shutdown No shutdown is currently scheduled for this system. Restart... Cancel Refresh AMD 16CORE information retrieved.

Exhibit 1.0-2 The Basic Info taExhibit 1.0-2 on page 6b when you choose a Host from the Device Listing.

Exhibit 1.0-3 The Basic Info tab when a storage controller is chosen from the Device Listing.

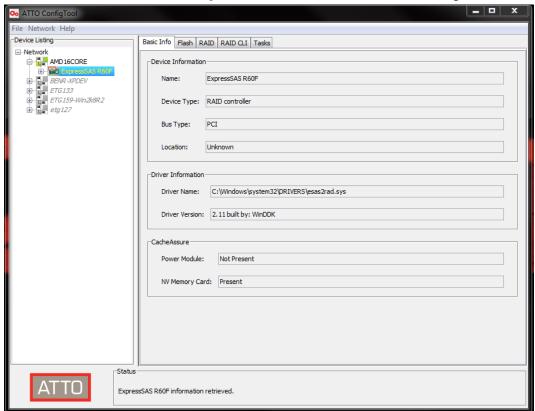


Exhibit 1.0-4 The Flash tab.

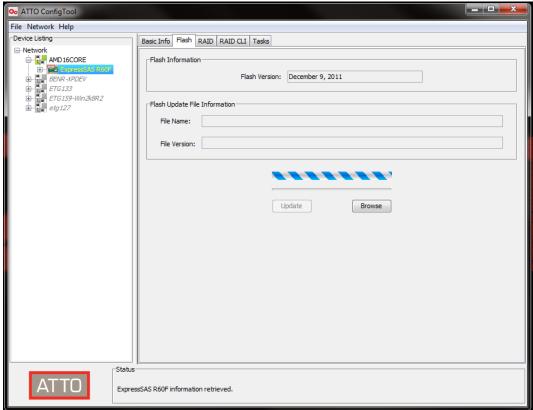
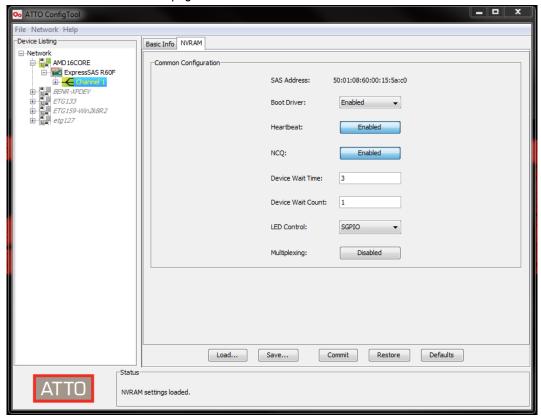


Exhibit 1.0-5 The NVRAM information page.



1.1 Celerity and ThunderLink FC NVRAM Settings

The settings in the NVRAM tab vary depending upon the selected Celerity or ThunderLink Fibre Channel storage controller and the operating system. Settings unsupported by that OS are not displayed.

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CAUTION

Back up system data when installing or changing hardware configurations.

Use caution when making changes to NVRAM settings and only make changes to those with which you are familiar. Once you have made the desired changes, click **Commit** to save the changes. Changes do not take effect until you reboot the system.

If you do not want to make any changes, you may choose one of the following:

- Defaults: restores the storage controller to factory default settings. The Commit button must be clicked to save any changes.
- Restore: reverts to the NVRAM settings saved the last time the Commit button was used. Clicking Commit is not necessary.

Node Name

The Node WWN assigned to this channel of the storage controller.

Port Name

The Port WWN assigned to this channel of the storage controller.

Boot Driver

Choices: enabled, scan only, disabled

Default: disabled

If enabled and disk drives or a bootable CD are detected during the bus scan, the BIOS driver remains resident. If disabled, the BIOS starts, resets the storage controller chip and unloads the driver.

If **Scan Only** is selected, the BIOS driver scans the bus and displays the devices attached, then unloads itself after a brief delay.

Hard Address Enable Button

Choices: enabled, disabled

Default: disabled

When a Fibre Channel loop is initialized, each device selects and configures itself to an available ID. **Hard Address Enable** permits the host to select the value entered in the **Hard Address** field.

Hard Address

Choices: None, 0-125

Default: 0

The value used as the FC-AL hard address. A value to represent the address if hard addressing is enabled.

Execution Throttle

Choices: 1- 255 Default: 32

Specifies the maximum number of concurrent commands which can be achieved per port or per LUN. Increasing this value may increase performance, but too many concurrent commands can saturate a drive, ultimately decreasing performance.



Note

This is only honored by the StorPort version of the Windows driver. 8 Gig requires version 1.10 or later, while 4 Gig requires 2.64 or later.

Frame Size

Choices: 512, 1024, 2048

Default: 2048

Changes the size of the FC packet of information being sent. Typically, the initiator and target negotiates the desired frame size, starting with the largest value. The frame size should be set to the largest value for normal operation.

Device Discovery

Choices: Node WWN, Port WWN

Default: Port WWN

Specifies the type of device discovery the storage controller performs. Use the **Port WWN** when the storage controller requires separate paths to a device and the device is dual ported. A dual ported device has one path when the **Node WWN** is specified and two paths when the **Port WWN** is specified.

Connection Mode Options

Choices: AL, PTP, AL Preferred, PTP Preferred Default: PTP Preferred

- Arbitrated Loop (AL): Connects to either an Arbitrated Loop or a Fabric Loop Port (FL Port) on a switch.
- Point-to-Point (PTP): Connects to a direct Fabric connection, such as an F port on a switch.
- AL Preferred: Allows the card to determine what kind of connection to use, but tries to connect in Loop mode first, then Point-to-Point mode.
- PTP Preferred: Allows the card to determine what kind of connection is to use, but tries to connect in Point-to-Point mode first, then Loop mode.

Data Rate

Choices for 4 Gig: 1 Gb/sec., 2 Gb/sec., 4Gb/sec., Auto Choices for 8 Gig: 2 Gb/sec., 4Gb/sec., 8Gb/sec., Auto Default: Auto

Selects the Fibre Channel transmission rate. **Auto** indicates that the storage controller determines the rate based upon the devices connected.

Interrupt Coalesce

Choices: None, Low, Medium, High

Default: (pre 3.20) Low, (3.20 and higher) None

Specifies the time period an storage controller chip delays an interrupt. This allows the storage controller chip to queue up more than one interrupt before interrupting the CPU. When this methodology is chosen there is less overhead to service the interrupts. However, the coalescing time may delay the delivery of the completion for a single interrupt.

Port Down Retry Count

Choices: 0-255 Default: 8

The number of times the driver retries a command to a port which is currently logged out.



Note

Not all driver versions support this on 4 Gig Celerity. This feature requires 2.63 or later on Windows and Linux, and 3.25 or later on OS X. All versions of the 8 Gig driver support this.

Link Down Timeout

Choices: 0-255 Default: 0

The number of seconds the driver waits for a link that is down to come up before reporting it to the operating system.



Note

Not all driver versions support this on 4 Gig Celerity. This feature requires 2.63 or later on Windows and Linux, and 3.25 or later on OS X. All versions of the 8 Gig driver support this

Spinup Delay

Choices: 0-255 Default: 0

Specifies number of seconds the driver waits for the first device to be logged in and become ready.



Note

This is only honored by the Celerity BIOS driver in 3.20 and later.

PCI Memory Write/Invalidate Button (PCI-X models only)

Choices: Default, disabled

Default: Default

The hosts BIOS setting is overwritten and the PCI memory write/invalidate setting is disabled.

PCI Latency Timer (PCI-X models only)

Choices: 8, 16, 24, 32, 40, 48, 56, 64, 80, 96, 112, 128, 160,

192, 224, 248 Default: see below

Specifies how long the storage controller maintains control of the PCI bus. Larger values allow the storage controller to remain on the bus longer, improving performance, especially for large files. However, controlling the PCI bus for too long can starve IO to other devices, adversley affecting their performance. As a default, the computer system firmware/BIOS automatically sets this vaule. However, adjusting the value for the ATTO storage controller overrides the system default, allowing you to achieve specific performance results.

1.2 FastFrame NVRAM Settings

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- Restore: reverts to the NVRAM settings saved the last time the Commit button was used. Clicking Commit is not necessary.

Boot Driver (currently not available, future support)

Choices: enabled, scan only, disabled

Default: disabled

If enabled and disk drives or a bootable CD are detected during the bus scan, the BIOS driver remains resident. If disabled, the BIOS starts, resets the storage controller chip and unloads the driver.

If **Scan Only** is selected, the BIOS driver scans the bus and displays the devices attached, then unloads itself after a brief delay.

FCoE LLI

Choices: enabled, disabled

Default: enabled

Specifies whether to enable Low Latency Interrupts (LLI) for FCoE traffic. This prioritizes the processing of FCoE frames but may result in excessive interrupts.

FIP VLAN Discovery

Choices: enabled, disabled

Default: enabled

Specifies whether the storage controller should attempt to use the FCoE Initialization Protocol (FIP) to discover configured VLANs.

Frame Size

Choices: 512, 1024, 2048

Default: 2048

Changes the size of the FC packet of information being sent. Typically, the initiator and target negotiates the desired frame size, starting with the largest value. The frame size should be set to the largest value for normal operation.

Device Discovery

Choices: Node WWN, Port WWN

Default: Port WWN

Specifies the type of device discovery the storage controller performs. Use the **Port WWN** when the storage controller requires separate paths to a device and the device is dual ported. A dual ported device has one path when the **Node WWN** is specified and two paths when the **Port WWN** is specified.

Interrupt Coalesce

Choices: None, Low, Medium, High

Default: Low

Specifies the time period a storage controller chip delays an interrupt. This allows the storage controller chip to queue up more than one interrupt before interrupting the CPU. When this methodology is chosen there is less overhead to service the interrupts. However, the coalescing time may delay the delivery of the completion for a single interrupt.

LLI Moderation

Choices: Disabled, Low, Medium, High

Default: Low

Specifies the time period an storage controller chip delays a Low Latency Interrupt (LLI) for FCoE traffic. This is the equivalent of the Interrupt Moderation setting for low-latency FCoE frames.

1.3 ExpressPCI NVRAM Settings

The settings in the NVRAM tab vary depending upon the selected storage controller and the operating system.

ATTO storage controllers are designed to operate properly using factory settings. Entering invalid or incorrect settings when using an NVRAM configuration utility such as the ATTO ConfigTool may cause your storage controller to function incorrectly.



CAUTION

Back up system data when installing or changing hardware configurations.

Use caution when making changes to NVRAM settings and only make changes to those with which you are familiar. Once you have made the desired changes, click **Commit** to save the changes. Changes do not take effect until you reboot the system.

If you do not want to make any changes, you may choose one of the following

- Defaults: restores the storage controller to factory default settings. The Commit button must be clicked to save any changes.
- Restore: reverts to the NVRAM settings saved the last time the Commit button was used. Clicking Commit is not necessary.

The upper part of the **NVRAM Config** panel contains common NVRAM settings which pertain to the entire channel. The lower part contains settings which can be set for each SCSI ID on the channel.

Controller ID

Choices: 0-15 Default: 7

The ExpressPCI SCSI storage controller is normally set to SCSI ID 7 because ID 7 has the highest priority on the bus. The setting should remain at ID 7 unless you are instructed to change it by an ATTO Technical Support representative.

Termination

Choices: Auto, High Default: Auto

Set to **Automatic** unless there is a narrow SCSI cable connected to either the internal or external connector.

Selection Timeout (ms)

Choices: 1ms - 1 sec. Default: 250 ms

Specifies the amount of time a device has to respond to being selected. The time value can be lowered to speed up the boot process. If the value is lower than the recommended 250 ms, some devices may not have enough time to respond.

Fallback Sync Rate (MB/sec.)

Choices: 40/20, 20/10 and 10/5

Default: 40/20

Specifies the maximum synchronous transfer rate to be negotiated when the storage controller detects a Single-Ended SCSI bus. The bus is Single-Ended when UltraSCSI devices are connected to the bus.

Bus Reset Delay (sec.)

Read only; no choices

Default: 3

Sets the time delay between the reset of the SCSI bus and the scanning of the SCSI bus. This is a read only parameter.

Quick Arbitrate & Select

Choices: disabled, enabled

Default: enabled

If enabled, improves performance by reducing the time required to gain control of the SCSI bus. QAS can only be enabled if all target settings are set to **Sync DT-IU** and all devices on the bus support QAS.

Wide IDs

Choices: enabled (targets 0-15), disabled (targets 0-7)

Default: enabled

This setting is available only in Mac OS X and for Ultra160 or Ultra/WIDE ExpressPCI storage controllers.

Boot Driver

Choices: enabled, scan only, disabled

Default: enabled

If enabled and disk drives or a bootable CD are detected during the bus scan, the BIOS driver remains resident. If disabled, the BIOS starts, resets the storage controller chip and unloads the driver.

If **Scan Only** is selected, the BIOS driver scans the bus and displays the devices attached, then unloads itself after a brief delay.

Specified Target

Choices: 0 to 15 or 0 to 7 if Wide ID is disabled

Default: 0

Specifies the target ID to which settings are applied.

LUNs

Choices: Disable ID, 0, 0-7, 0-63

Default: 0-7

Specifies the number of LUNs which the driver addresses when scanning for devices, determined as follows. This setting is not available in Mac OS X.

Disable ID: Target ID is bypassed and not scanned

0: Scan LUN 0 for this target ID

0-7: Scan LUNs 0 to 7 for this target ID

0-63: Scan LUNs 0 to 63 for this target ID

Allow Disconnect

Choices: enabled, disabled

Default: enabled

Specifies if a device is allowed to disconnect from the SCSI bus during SCSI command processing. The device determines when it disconnects. This setting does not force the device to disconnect.

Tagged Command Queuing

Choices: enabled, disabled

Default: enabled

Specifies to the driver if SCSI commands can use the Tag Command feature to send multiple commands to a device.

Sync Offset

Choices: 0-127 Default: 127

The defaults offer the best performance possible. The value should not be changed unless instructed by an ATTO Technical Support representative.

Sync Enabled for this ID

Choices: enabled, disabled

Default: enabled

Specifies whether the selected target transfers data at synchronous transfer rates or at the asynchronous rate. The maximum synchronous rate to negotiate is specified in the Sync Rate parameter.

Sync Rate (MB/s)

Choices: varies by storage controller, see <u>Exhibit 1.3-1</u> Default: varies by storage controller, see <u>Exhibit 1.3-1</u>

If synchronous transfers are enabled, the sync rate specifies the maximum rate at which the ExpressPCI storage controller negotiates with the selected target ID. Set the rate to the maximum value supported by the storage controller. If excessive SCSI errors occur, if you have long cables or if there are many devices on the bus, you may want to reduce the **Sync Rate** value. Slowing the transfer rate may increase the reliability of the SCSI bus.

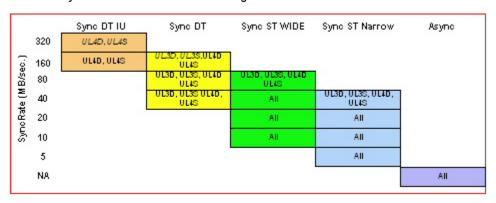
Wide Transfers

Choices: disabled, enabled

Default: enabled

Specifies if the initiator negotiates wide data transfers. If the parameter is disabled, narrow data transfers are negotiated. Wide Transfers is automatically set to enabled when the **Sync Rate** specifies a DT rate. The DT sync rates must have wide data transfers.

Exhibit 1.3-1 Possible sync rates for various ATTO storage controllers.



1.4 ExpressSAS, ThunderLink SH and ThunderStream SC NVRAM Settings

The settings in the NVRAM tab vary depending upon the selected storage controller and the operating system.

ATTO storage controllers are designed to operate properly using factory settings. Entering invalid or incorrect settings when using an NVRAM configuration utility such as the ATTO ConfigTool may cause your storage controller to function incorrectly.



CAUTION

Back up system data when installing or changing hardware configurations.

Use caution when making changes to NVRAM settings and only make changes to those with which you are familiar. Once you have made the desired changes, click **Commit** to save the changes. Changes do not take effect until you reboot the system.

If you do not want to make any changes, you may choose one of the following:

- Defaults: restores the storage controller to factory default settings. The Commit button must be clicked to save any changes.
- Restore: reverts to the NVRAM settings saved the last time the Commit button was used. Clicking Commit is not necessary.

SAS Address

Read only

Displays the SAS address assigned to the storage controller. The value cannot be modified.

Boot Driver

Choices: enabled, scan only, disabled

Default: enabled

If enabled and disk drives are detected during the bus scan, the BIOS driver remains resident. If disabled, the BIOS starts, resets the storage controller chip and unloads the driver.

If **Scan Only** is selected, the BIOS driver scans the bus and displays the devices attached, then unloads itself after a brief delay.

Heartbeat

Choices: enabled, disabled

Default: enabled

When enabled, requires the firmware to respond to periodic activity. If the firmware does not respond, the system driver resets the firmware on the storage controller.

NCQ

Choices: enabled, disabled

Default: enabled

When enabled, the storage controller driver sends multiple simultaneous commands to NCQ capable SATA disk drvies.

Phy Speed (6Gb SAS/SATA storage controllers only)

Choices: Auto, 6Gb/s, 3Gb/s, 1.5 Gb/s

Default: Auto

Allows the user to manually adjust the speed of the PHY.

Drive Wait Time

Choices: 1-255 seconds

Default: 3

Specifies the number of seconds which the driver waits for devices to appear.

Device Wait Count

Choices: 1-255 devices

Default: 1

Specifies the number of devices which must appear in order to cancel the <u>Drive Wait Time</u> period.

LED Control (R608, R60F, H608 & H60F only)

Choices: SGPIO, I2C, Disabled (H6XX only) Default: SGPIO for R6XX, disabled for H6XX

Specifies the method used to perform LED control. The storage controller exposes a virtual SES device that provides standard SCSI SES commands for LED control. The standard SCSI commands can control the locate and failure LED. The virtual SES driver will use the specified method to send the commands to the drive backplane. See the ExpressSAS installation manual for instructions to connect cables for SGPIO or I2C LED control.

Spinup Delay

Choices: 0-20 seconds

Default: 0

Specifies the number of seconds each SAS PHY waits for disk drives to spin up.

Multiplexing (6Gb RAID storage controllers only)

Choices: enabled, disabled Default: disabled

When enabled, it allows multiple 3Gb devices to aggregate 6Gb SAS bandwidth. In order to utilize this feature, devices must support Multiplexing and conform to SAS 2.0 compliancy.

1.4.1 RAID Configuration

ExpressSAS RAID and ThunderStream SC storage controllers provides the capability to configure disk storage into RAID groups or Hot Spare drives.

Use the ATTO ConfigTool to set up RAID groups on your ExpressSAS RAID or ThunderStream SC storage controller in one of the following RAID levels:

- JBOD
- RAID Level 0
- RAID Level 1
- RAID Level 4
- RAID Level 5
- RAID Level 6
- RAID Level 10
- ATTO DVRAID™ (parity redundancy optimized for digital video environments: refer to <u>Setting up</u> <u>DVRAID</u> on page 17).

ATTO DVRAID is set up automatically by the ExpressSAS RAID or ThunderStream SC storage controller firmware. All other types of RAID require customized input.See Exhibit 1.4-1.

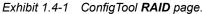
Each RAID group may be divided into one or more partitions; each partition appears to the host operating system as a virtual disk.

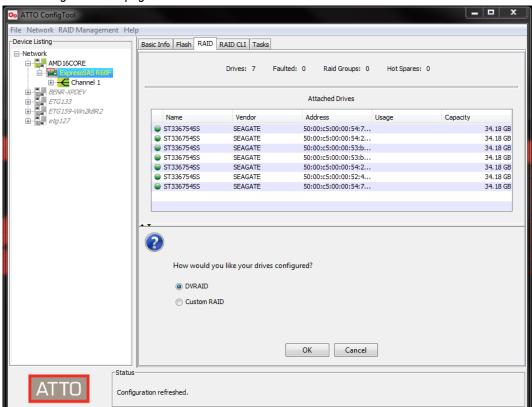
You may use the RAID Command Line Interface page from the **RAID CLI** tab in the ATTO ConfigTool to set up or modify various parameters (Refer to Appendix A). However, the ATTO ConfigTool procedures listed in this chapter are the preferred procedures for setting up RAID configurations for ExpressSAS RAID and ThunderStream SC storage controllers.



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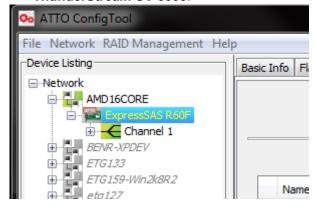
The ConfigTool screens are similar for all operating systems.

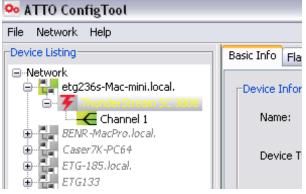




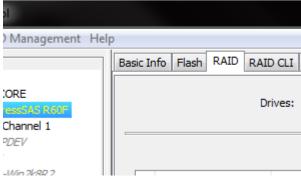
Preliminary Steps

- 1 Locate the ConfigTool icon in the folder you created during installation (Refer to <u>ATTO</u> <u>ConfigTool</u> on page 1).
- 2 Double-click on the icon to start the application.
- 3 The **Welcome** screen appears.
- 4 From the left-hand panel **Device Listing**, expand all the elements of the selected hosts in the Network tree.
- 5 Click on ExpressSAS R6XX or ThunderStream SC 3808.





6 A new set of tabs appears in the right panel. Click on the **RAID** tab.



7 The application scans for drives.

A list of drives appears. Devices are displayed in the top panel and RAID groups and Hot Spares are displayed in the bottom panel. If you have not yet defined any RAID groups, selecting the **RAID** tab automatically starts a RAID wizard. The wizard is displayed in the bottom panel.

If the RAID wizard does not start automatically, select the **RAID Management** menu item at the top of the screen, then select the **Create RAID Group** from the menu presented.

Select either **Setup DVRAID** (continue with <u>Setting up DVRAID</u> on page 17) or **Custom RAID setup** (continue with <u>Customizing a RAID setup</u> on page 18).

Setting up DVRAID

DVRAID (Digital Video RAID) provides parity redundancy for your data. Optimized for performance for the high data transfer rates required in digital video environments, DVRAID is ATTO Technology proprietary technology which supports the editing of uncompressed 10-bit High Definition (HD) video and multiple streams of real-time, uncompressed Standard

Definition (SD) video. The DVRAID wizard automatically sets up DVRAID using all storage attached to the ExpressSAS RAID or ThunderStream SC storage controller based on the number of available drives. See Exhibit 1.4-2. DVRAID setup cannot be used if any other RAID groups are present.

Exhibit 1.4-2 The DVRAID wizard automatically sets up the number of RAID groups based on the number of available drives. Each RAID group uses one drive as a parity drive.

Available drives	RAID groups created	Drives in each group
6	1	6
7	1	7
8	1	8
12	2	6
14	2	7
16	2	8
24	4	6

If you do not have 6, 7, 8, 12, 14, 16 or 24 drives, you cannot use the DVRAID wizard.

If you do not want all storage set up in DVRAID or you do not have the correct number of drives, use Customizing a RAID setup.

- 1 After following <u>Preliminary Steps</u> on page 17, select the **DVRAID** radio button in the ConfigTool RAID wizard.
- 2 Click on OK.
- 3 The ExpressSAS RAID and ThunderStream SC storage controller firmware automatically uses all unassigned disks to create a DVRAID configuration.
- 4 A confirmation dialog box asks you to confirm the configuration you have chosen. Click **Yes**.

- 5 A message box displays while the RAID group is being created.
 - When the RAID group is complete, the lower panel displays the RAID group(s).
 - The DVRAID group begins to rebuild.
- 6 Double click on your RAID group in the lower panel to see more detail such as the status of the rebuild.

Wait until the rebuild is complete before sending data to the storage.



Note

A RAID rebuild may take several hours to complete.

7 Click on **OK**.

Customizing a RAID setup

- 1 After following <u>Preliminary Steps</u> on page 17, select the **Custom RAID** radio button. See Exhibit 1.4-1 on page 16.
- 2 Select the options to configure the new RAID group (see Exhibit 1.4-3 on page 20):
 - RAID Group Name: Assign a name to the RAID group. The name must be unique and no more than 14 characters.
 - **RAID Group Level:** Select a RAID group level from the drop-down box.
 - RAID Group Interleave: Select an interleave value. The default value is 128KB.
 - RAID Group Mirror Count: Select a mirror count, a copy of the original data stored on a separate disk, for RAID groups that have mirrors.
 - **Initialize:** Select the initialization method for the RAID group. The default is **Advanced**.

Advanced initialization is recommended for new drives because the procedure erases and verifies the drive media. The RAID group is unavailable until initialization is complete.

Express initialization performs RAID group setup in the background and the RAID group is immediately available for use.

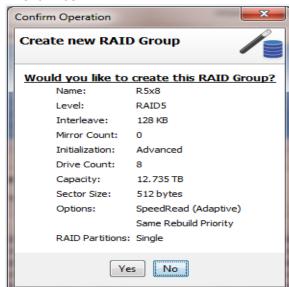
- 3 Click Next.
- 4 Select the disk devices in the top panel and drag them into the device area in the bottom panel. See Exhibit 1.4-4 on page 20.
- If you want the RAID group to be presented as one virtual disk (partition) with the default RAID group properties, click **Finish.**
 - If you want to change other parameters from default values, click **Next** and select the desired property.

- SpeedRead, Auto-Rebuild and Rebuild Priority: refer to <u>Change RAID group</u> <u>properties</u> on page 22 for specific information on these parameters.
- Sector Size: specifies the sector size that each partition (virtual disk) within the RAID group presents to the host system. The sector size can be set to 512 bytes (default) or 4096 bytes. This parameter can only be set during RAID group creation. The available size is determined by the sector sizes of the physical disks selected for the RAID group. If the sector size for the physical disks is 512 bytes, then either 512 or 4096 is valid. If the sector size of the physical disks is 4096 bytes, then 4096 is the only valid value for this property. The selection of a sector size of 4096 bytes provides the capability to create a 16TB virtual disk that is supported on Windows XP
- 6 If you want more than one virtual disk (partition) click **Next** and select one of the following:
 - leave as one partition
 - partition by count
 - · partition by size

32-bit version.

When you have made all your selections, click **Finish.**

7 A confirmation dialogue box asks you to confirm the configuration you have chosen. Click Yes.



8 The RAID group configuration you have chosen is initialized and completed. The time it takes to initialize the RAID configuration you have chosen depends on the RAID level selected, the capacity of the drives and the initialization method selected.

Exhibit 1.4-3 Selecting the options to configure the new RAID group.

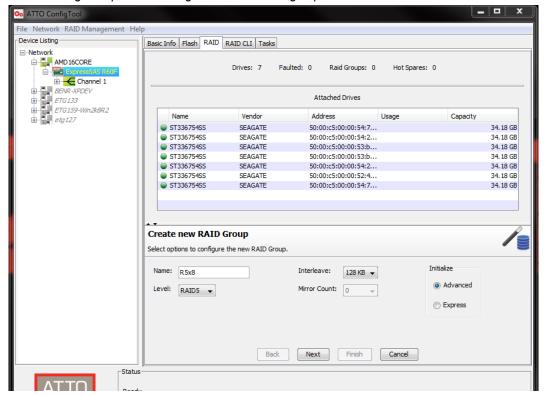
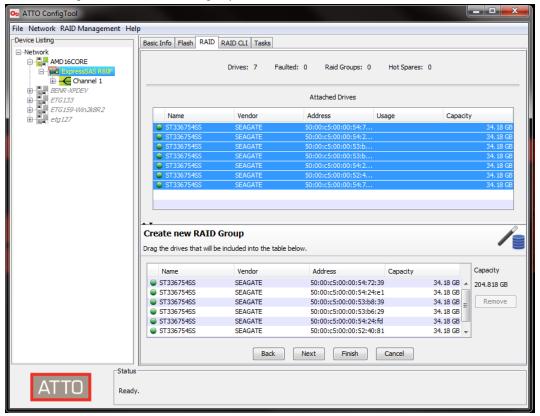


Exhibit 1.4-4 Selecting drives for a new RAID group.



Creating a Hot Spare Pool

If a member of a RAID group becomes degraded or fails, you lose some redundancy in your RAID group until a new member is rebuilt into the RAID group.

You can set up a Hot Spare Pool with drives of different sizes which are designated as replacements for faulted devices at any time, either before or after creating RAID groups.

A degraded RAID group is automatically rebuilt if a suitable disk is available in the Hot Spare Pool.

1 After following the <u>Preliminary Steps</u> on page 17, find the **Hot Spare** tab in the bottom panel within the **RAID** tab.

- 2 Select the **Hot Spare** tab to show existing members of the Hot Spare Pool.
- 3 To add drives to the Hot Spare Pool, select unallocated drives from the top panel and drag them to the Hot Spare Pool.

To remove a drive from the Hot Spare Pool, select the drive, click on it and click on **Delete Hot Spares**.



Note

An unallocated drive or unallocated storage is storage which is not part of a RAID group, not already designated as a Hot Spare or was offline when you set up a RAID group using the ATTO ConfigTool.

Modifying RAID Groups

The ATTO ConfigTool interface may be used to replace a failed drive, add capacity to a RAID group, or change a RAID configuration from the current configuration to a new configuration.



CAUTION

Data can be compromised or lost when deleting storage or rearranging storage configurations.

The ATTO ConfigTool interface takes you step by step through many procedures which allow you to modify your storage and RAID configurations. Read all notes and cautions carefully as you go to ensure the best performance and use of your storage. Many of these procedures are only available using unallocated storage.

Begin each process by following the <u>Preliminary</u> Steps on page 17 and clicking on the desired process in the **RAID Management** menu.



Note

An unallocated drive or unallocated storage is storage which is not part of a RAID group, not designated as a Hot Spare or was offline when you set up a RAID group using the ATTO ConfigTool.

Expand capacity

Click on **Expand Capacity** in the **RAID Management** menu and follow the on-screen

instructions. Depending on the RAID configuration, you may need to add more than one device.



CAUTION

Adding drives to an existing RAID group may adversely impact performance. You cannot reverse this operation unless you delete the RAID group.

Change from one RAID level to a new RAID Level

Changing from one RAID level to another RAID level is called migration. The following migration levels are supported:

- JBOD to RAID Level 0
- · JBOD to RAID Level 1
- RAID Level 0 to RAID Level 10
- RAID Level 1 to RAID Level 10

Select **Migrate RAID** in the **RAID Management** menu and follow the on-screen instructions.

Delete a RAID group

To delete a RAID group using the ATTO ConfigTool, click on **Delete Group** in the **RAID Management** menu and follow the on-screen instructions.



CAUTION

Data can be compromised or lost when deleting storage or rearranging storage configurations.

Change RAID group properties

A RAID group has properties that are specific to the RAID group. The value of each property remains with the RAID group when it is moved from one computer to another. Some of the properties can only be specified during RAID group creation whereas others may be changed at any time during the life of the RAID group.

- 1 Select a RAID group in the **Groups** panel.
- Click on **Properties** in the **RAID Management** menu.
- 3 View or change the current properties.



SpeedRead specifies the cache policy to be used during read operations. Once a read command is given, the SAS/SATA RAID

- storage controller retrieves the next set of sequential data from the RAID group and caches it in internal memory. If you select **Never**, read caching is never performed. If you select **Always**, read caching is always performed. If you select **Adaptive**, the default, SpeedRead is enabled or disabled depending on the sequential patterns detected in I/O requests.
- Auto-Rebuild controls the replacement of a faulted drive with any available unallocated drive. When you click on the Auto-Rebuild check box and the Accept button, Auto-Rebuild is enabled. If a drive becomes faulted, the SAS/SATA RAID storage controller replaces the drive with an unallocated drive.
- Rebuild Priority specifies the ratio of rebuild I/O activity to host I/O activity. A rebuild priority of Same (default value) indicates that rebuild I/O and host I/O are treated equally. A rebuild priority of low indicates that host I/O is given a higher priority than rebuild I/O. A rebuild priority of High indicates that rebuild I/O is given a higher priority than host I/O.
- Prefetch specifies the number of stripes that are read when SpeedRead is enabled or adaptive. The valid values for Prefetch are 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, and the default value is 1. This property can only be changed after the RAID group is created. To access this property, select the RAID group and view its properties.
- 4 Click Accept.

Replacing a faulted drive

If a drive in a RAID group fails, the RAID group's status becomes degraded. To return to optimal functionality, replace the faulted drive using one of the following mechanisms.



Note

All of these mechanisms start a RAID group rebuild after the drive is replaced. A RAID group rebuild may take several hours to complete. The RAID group is accessible during rebuild; however, performance may be impacted, depending on the Rebuild Priority assigned.

Create a Hot Spare Pool

A faulted drive is automatically replaced if a suitable disk is available in the Hot Spare Pool. You set up a Hot Spare Pool with drives reserved until a RAID group member fails; they are not available when creating a RAID group. Refer to Creating a Hot Spare Pool on page 21.

Enable Auto-Rebuild

A faulted drive is automatically replaced if Auto-Rebuild is enabled and a suitable unallocated disk is available. Suitable unallocated drives are initialized, large enough to replace the degraded drive, and cannot contain any RAID group information. The unallocated drive may be a pre-existing drive or a newly-seated drive.

If a Hot Spare Pool exists, the SAS/SATA RAID storage controller chooses a suitable Hot Spare drive before selecting an unallocated drive.

Refer to Change RAID group properties on page 22.

Manually replace a drive

You may replace a drive and rebuild a RAID group manually.

- 1 After following the <u>Preliminary Steps</u> on page 17, double-click on the degraded RAID group in the bottom panel.
- 2 A RAID group members tab displays in the bottom panel. Select an unallocated drive from the drive inventory and drag it over the degraded drive in the members tab. If the selected drive is appropriate, the faulted drive is replaced.

Setup RAID Notification

The ATTO ConfigTool provides a mechanism to issue a notification when a RAID event occurs in ExpressSAS RAID or ThunderStream SC storage controllers.

RAID events are divided into three categories:

- Critical events indicate a serious problem has occurred and the administrator of the RAID group should perform corrective action.
- Warning events are less serious but still warrant notification.
- Information alerts provide additional useful information about warnings or critical events.

The **Notifications** tab provides numerous drop-down boxes that allow for the selection of the types of RAID events to receive for a notification. There are four options available in these drop-down boxes:

- Critical: Only RAID events of a Critical level are reported for the notification.
- Warning: Only RAID events of Warning and Critical level are reported for the notification.
- All: All RAID events (Information, Warning, Critical) are reported for the notification.
- None: No RAID events are reported for the notification. This level is particularly useful if a notification feature is not desired.



The notifications are specified at the host system level and apply to all ATTO SAS/SATA RAID storage controllers installed in the host system.

Basic alerts

The **Basic Alerts** section of the **Notifications** tab provides the controls to select the levels of RAID events for Audible and Visual notifications, as well as the level of RAID events to output to the system event log.

Audible Alerts utilize the system speaker and/or the hardware buzzer on a R6xx adapter to produce the notification. When triggered, the alarm continuously sounds until it is stopped by the user. There is an icon in the system tray (or system status area) that is used to turn off the alarm (see Exhibit 1.4-7 and 1.4-8). The user must right-click on the icon and then select Mute Audible Alert from the menu. This will stop the alarm. The system tray icon also provides a control that will allow the user to enable/disable the hardware buzzer, so that only the alert via the system speaker is used (see Exhibit 1.4-7 and 1.4-8). This allows the hardware buzzer to be turned off independently of the system speaker. It can also serve a remote purpose. If the daemon is on a server in a server room, the sysadmin can click the control to disable it. The hardware buzzer is enabled by default.



Note

Audible alerts may not be available on your operating system.

Visual Alert utilize pop-up message boxes to display the contents of a RAID event. The pop-up may be closed using the pop-ups button.

Logging

The ATTO ConfigTool Service outputs RAID events and other useful informational messages to the system event log. The level of RAID events inserted into the system event log may be controlled by the System Log drop-down box in the Basic Alerts section of the Notifications tab. See Exhibit 1.4-5

The ConfigTool also generates a log on a per-adapter basis, as well as one for the SNMP functionality and the daemon itself. These are collected with the one-button diagnostics menu item. This can be useful when contacting ATTO Technical Support. Choose **Help, Run Diagnostics,** then choose a place to save the file output. It may take several minutes to gather the log. See <u>Exhibit 1.4-6</u>

Exhibit 1.4-5 The **Basic Alerts** controls of the **Notifications** tab in the ATTO ConfigTool.

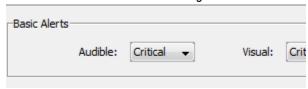
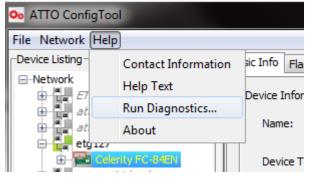


Exhibit 1.4-6 Run Diagnostics generates an extensive log to aide in troubleshooting.



Email

The ATTO ConfigTool Service periodically sends email notifications to the designated email address(es) that have been input under the Notification Addresses: field(s). There are three text fields under which email addresses can be specified, and more than one email address may be specified in each text field, as long as they are separated by a comma. Each email address text field can be configured to receive a specific level

of RAID event via the drop-down box displayed next to each email address text field.

The ATTO ConfigTool Service can be configured to use a TLS/SSL email server (eg. Gmail™, Yahoo®, etc.) as well as the port to use when connecting to the email server. The ATTO ConfigTool Service's connection to the email server may be configured using the following controls:

- Server Address: specifies the address of the SMTP email server to use when sending an email (eg. smtp.example.com)
- Sender Address: specifies the text that will show in the "From" field in the sent email. This may contain an actual email address, or any other text that may be useful in identifying the sent email (eg. example@example.domainexample, server123, etc.)
- Username: specifies the username or login ID that is required when logging into the email server to send an email
- **Password**: specifies the password for the account identified by the Username.
- Enable SSL: when checked, the ATTO
 ConfigTool Service will attempt to connect to
 the email server using the SSL
 protocol.When unchecked, the ATTO
 ConfigTool Service will attempt to connect to
 the email server using an unsecured
 channel.
- Port: specifies the port number to which the ATTO ConfigTool Service attempts to connect to the email server. Valid values are 1-65535.



Note

Contact your email provider for the appropriate Port number. Using any other number will result in an email notification failure.

Email notifications are sent at 15-minute intervals. If a Critical RAID event is detected, an email notification will be sent after a 10-second delay. This delay allows the ATTO ConfigTool Service to gather supporting RAID events that may be useful in identifying why the Critical RAID event occurred.

Exhibit 1.4-7 The **Notifications** tab in the ATTO ConfigTool.

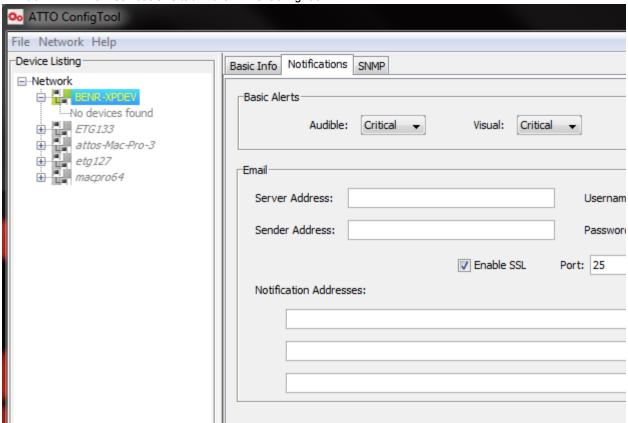
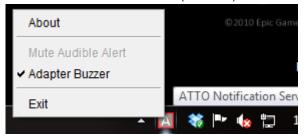
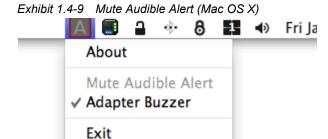


Exhibit 1.4-8 Mute Audible Alert (Windows)





Using SCSI Enclosure Services (SES)

SAS/SATA drive enclosures may provide a SCSI Enclosure Processor which indicates enclosure health status, drive identification and drive fault identification.

The ATTO ConfigTool recognizes drive enclosures that provide SCSI Enclosure Services (SES). You may use SES to identify individual drives, all the drives in the same enclosure, all the drives in a single RAID

group, or faulted drives. You may also select drives and monitor the status of the enclosure.

To use SES, open the ATTO ConfigTool and follow one of the procedures below.

Identifying Drives

Drive Identification lights LEDs showing the drives you have selected using the ATTO ConfigTool. Most drive enclosures blink an LED next to the drive in the enclosure.

The ConfigTool provides a way to identify individually selected drives, all of the drives in the same enclosure, all drives in a RAID group, a selected mirror group in RAID 1 or RAID 10, and faulted drives.



Note

Drive Identification works for drives that are not controlled by a SCSI Enclosure Service. The ATTO ConfigTool provides functionality to locate all or specifically selected drives in a RAID group, when a SES processor is not present.

- 1 Select one or more drives individually or in enclosures or drives in RAID groups:
 - Select individual drives in the Attached Drives panel.
 - Select one or more RAID groups in the Groups panel.
 - Select one or more drives in the Attached Drives panel, right click on one of the selected drives and select Enclosure.
- 2 Right-click on one of the selected drives or RAID groups.

3 Select Locate.



Note

If a RAID 1 or RAID 10 group was selected, the locate operation provides the capability to select a specific mirror of the group.

The status icon next to the selected drives blinks and the enclosure performs its specific identification method until you stop it.

- 4 To stop the drive identification, right-click on one of the selected drives or RAID groups.
- 5 De-select Locate.

Identify Faulted Drives

Drive Fault Identification is performed automatically by the ExpressSAS RAID or ThunderStream SC storage controller when a member of a RAID group becomes degraded by exhibiting unrecoverable errors during I/O.

The ExpressSAS RAID or ThunderStream SC storage controller reports the status of the drive and asks the SES device to perform fault identification. The SES device usually illuminates a blinking red LED as a fault identification.

The fault identification continues until the drive is replaced or the RAID group is deleted.

Selecting All Drives in the Same Enclosure

Drive Selection selects all drives in the same enclosure using the ConfigTool. You may use drive selection if you need to select all the drives in one enclosure which are attached to a RAID storage controller without selecting other enclosures, or if you are selecting members for a RAID group during RAID group creation.

- 1 Right click on one drive in the **Attached Drives** panel.
- 2 Select Enclosure.
- 3 Select **Drives**. All drives in the same enclosure as the selected drive are selected.

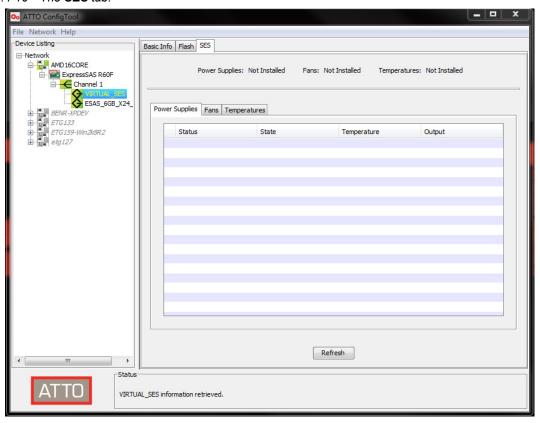
Monitoring Health

The ATTO SAS/SATA RAID storage controller performs **Enclosure Health Monitoring** automatically when an SES device is present. The RAID storage controller monitors the status of the enclosure's power supplies, fans and temperatures. If the status of any of these sub-systems indicates a failure, the storage controller reports the problem.

The ConfigTool shows the status of selected SES devices and reports the specific health of each subsystem.

- Select the SES device from the **Device Listing** tree in the ConfigTool.
- 2 Select the **SES** tab at the top of the right panel.
- 3 View the overall status of each component across the top of the right panel. (See <u>Exhibit 1.4-10.</u>)
- 4 Select a specific sub-system (power supply, fans and temperatures) and view the status of the reporting sub-system.

Exhibit 1.4-10 The SES tab.



Monitoring S.M.A.R.T. Data

Self-Monitoring, Analysis and Reporting Technology, or S.M.A.R.T., is a system built into SATA drives to detect and report on various indicators of drive health.

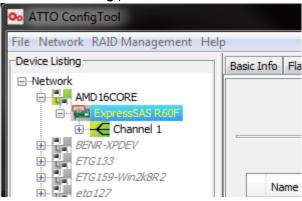
The S.M.A.R.T. (Self-Monitoring, Analysis and Reporting Technology) monitoring feature monitors and reports the status of SATA drives using certain parameters recorded by the drives. Notifications are sent when the values exceed certain pre-determined values.

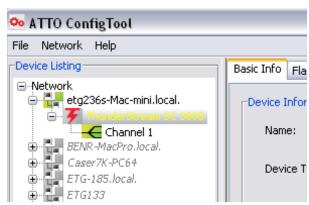
Use the ATTO ConfigTool to view the files that record changes to S.M.A.R.T. parameters. The files are permanent and can be viewed independently whether you have enabled monitoring or not.

Enabling or Disabling S.M.A.R.T. Monitoring

You may enable or disable the monitoring feature at any time. Monitoring is disabled by default: if you want to use the feature, you must enable it.

 Select the ExpressSAS RAID or ThunderStream SC storage controller from the Device Listing panel.





- 2 Select the **RAID** tab in the right panel.
- 3 Select the **RAID Management** menu item at the top of the screen.
- Select the **Monitor S.M.A.R.T.** menu item to change the monitoring status. The **Monitor**

Checking S.M.A.R.T. Status

The ATTO ConfigTool interface displays the latest S.M.A.R.T. status record for a selected drive. All attributes reported by the drive are listed with each attribute's **Threshold**, **Worst**, **Current** and **Raw** value.

The threshold value is the value at which notification of a problem is generated by the software.

If there has been a change from a previous record of S.M.A.R.T. status, an arrow notes which way the change went, either higher or lower. For example, in Exhibit 1.4-11 on page 29, the temperature listed in this record is lower than the temperature listed in a previous record and the arrow next to that attribute points downward.

The S.M.A.R.T. status display also contains information such as the date and time the S.M.A.R.T. status was recorded, the total number of records for this drive, and the current monitoring status (enabled or disabled).

You may move to previous or subsequent records, query the drive or refresh the view using controls on the interface.

- 1 Select a single drive in the **Attached Drives** panel.
- 2 Right-click on the selected drive.
- 3 Select **S.M.A.R.T. Status** in the sub-menu.
- 4 The **S.M.A.R.T. Status** box displays.
 - Use the left arrow or right arrow control to move between S.M.A.R.T. status records

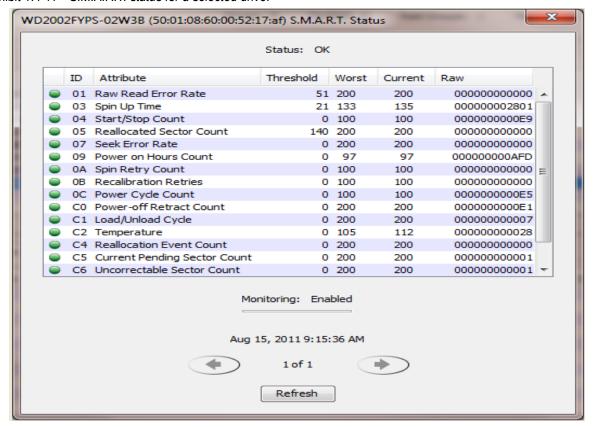
 Use the Refresh button to query the drive for the latest values. If any values are different from the most recent record, a new record is created and displays.



Note

If you click on the **Refresh** button when monitoring is disabled, a pop-up box displays. You can enable monitoring from the pop-up box to complete the refresh request.

Exhibit 1.4-11 S.M.A.R.T. status for a selected drive.



Filtering S.M.A.R.T. Attributes

Each of the S.M.A.R.T. status attributes is assigned one or more classification types:

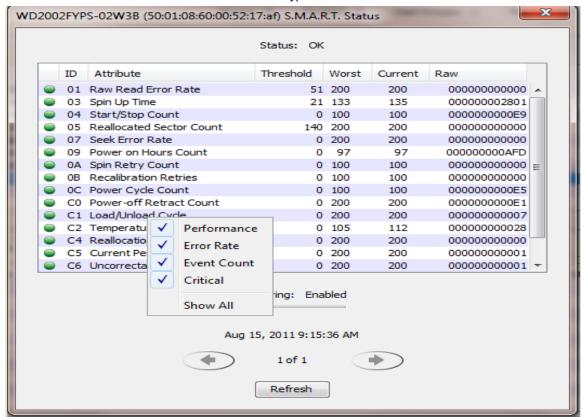
- Performance
- Error Rate
- Event Count
- Critical

The **S.M.A.R.T. Status** dialog box can be filtered to display any combination of these types.

The default view is to display all types.

- Open the S.M.A.R.T. Status box as described above.
- 2 Right click in the table area where the attribute values are displayed.
- 3 Each classification type that is visible has a check mark. (See <u>Exhibit 1.4-12</u>). Select any classification type to change the check mark.

Exhibit 1.4-12 S.M.A.R.T. Status box with classification types.



S.M.A.R.T. Notifications

S.M.A.R.T. status is collected from each SATA drive at 60 minute intervals and, if the data is different than the previous status, a S.M.A.R.T. status record is added to the S.M.A.R.T. status file for that drive.

A notification of the S.M.A.R.T. status difference is generated based upon the current settings in the **Notifications** tab. Refer to <u>Setup RAID Notification</u> on page 23.

The notification level of S.M.A.R.T. status is determined as follows:

- Critical: One or more of the status values was below a threshold value and one was classified as a critical attribute.
- Warning: One or more of the status values was below a threshold value but none were classified as a critical attribute.
- Information: None of the status values were below the threshold value.

Test Drive Performance

The performance testing feature in the ATTO ConfigTool records the performance level of a drive in a RAID group under an I/O (input/output) load generated by a host application. The information can be used to compare the performance of each drive relative to others.

The performance feature of the ATTO ConfigTool counts the Megabytes per second (MB/sec.) which elapses from the time a start button is clicked until a stop button is clicked.

Drive performance can be measured for any combination of single drives within a RAID group or across multiple RAID groups, or for all the drives in a selected RAID group.



Note

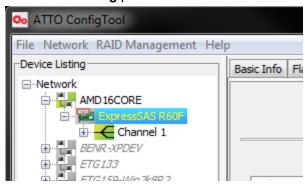
The performance test can only be performed on drives which belong to a RAID group.

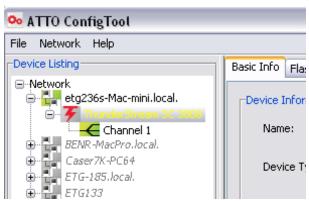
The **Performance** dialog box contains individual statistics for each drive selected. You should start I/O to the drives to be tested before beginning the test.

The collection of these statistics begins when the **Start** button is pressed and continues until the **Stop** button is pressed. You may press the **Reset** button and restart a test at any time.

The ATTO ConfigTool can be closed after starting the performance test and re-opened to show the statistics from the most recent test.

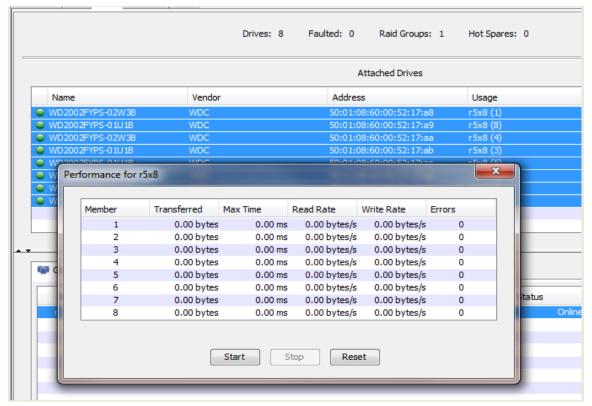
- 1 Start I/O from the host system.
- 2 Select the ExpressSAS RAID or ThunderStream SC storage controller from the Device Listing panel.





- 3 Select the RAID tab in the right panel.
- 4 Select the drives to be tested:
 - Select individual drives from the Attached Drives panel.
 - Select a single RAID group in the RAID Group panel.
- 5 Right-click on the selected drive(s) or RAID group.
- 6 Select the **Performance** menu item.
- 7 The **Performance** dialog box displays. (See Exhibit 1.4-13.)
- 8 Click the **Start** button.
- 9 Click the **Stop** button to halt monitoring. Click the **Reset** button to reset the performance values to zero at any time.
 - You can close the **Performance** dialog box while monitoring is in progress, and then open it later to see the performance results.
- 10 Stop I/O any time after you have stopped the performance test.

Exhibit 1.4-13 Detail of the **Attached Drives** window and the **Performance** dialog box with performance results for the selected drives before a test has been run.



RAID Media Scan Feature

The Media Scan feature scans disk drives for media errors and parity errors. All media errors are counted and fixed. All parity errors are reported in the event log. The two options are described below:

Media Scan - Media Scan works with parity RAID group members, Hot Spare drives and unallocated drives. Media Scan reads the selected drives and, if a Media Error is found, Media Scan re-writes the disk with the media error. The drive will relocate the bad sector to an alternate part of the drive. Media Scan re-writes the correct data for a disk that is a member of an on-line parity RAID group. Media Scan writes random data to Hot Spare drives and unallocated drives. The Media Scan feature records the number of media errors detected and corrected for each drive. These counts are stored persistently if the drive is a RAID group member or a Hot Spare drive. The counts are not persistently stored for any other drives.

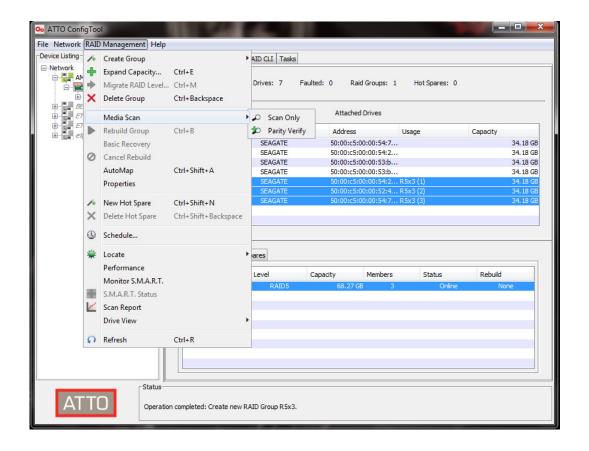
Media Scan with Parity Verify - is a variation of Media Scan that is available for on-line parity RAID groups only. Parity Verification is performed on each RAID group stripe that has no detected media errors. The parity of the stripe is recalculated and compared to the original parity for the stripe. If there is a mismatch, an error is generated and recorded in the Event Log and System Log files.

Modes of operation for:

- On-line RAID Group Media Scan performs SCSI Read commands to each stripe group. Parity verification is performed on a stripe that has no media errors. Media Scan activity is scheduled in accordance with the Rebuild Priority Level. Media Scan is restarted after reboot if the Media Scan did not complete.
- Degraded or Offline RAID Group Media Scan performs SCSI Read commands for each stripe group of the on-line drives. No parity verification occurs. The Media Scan is restarted after a reboot if the Media Scan did not complete.
- Hot Spares & Unallocated Drives Media Scan performs SCSI Read commands for each selected drive. Media Scan is not restarted after a re-boot if the Media Scan did not complete.

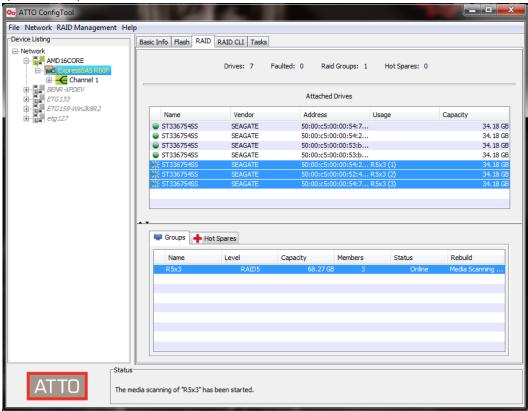
Starting a Media Scan

- Select the ExpressSAS RAID or ThunderStream SC storage controller from the Device Listing panel.
- 2 Select the **RAID** tab in the right panel.
- 3 Select the RAID group, Hot Spare drive(s) or unallocated drive(s) which will have a Media Scan. One RAID group can be selected or multiple Hot Spare and unallocated drives can be selected.
- 4 Select the **RAID Management** menu item at the top of the screen.
- 5 Select the **Scanning** menu item.
- 6 Select the Media Scan or Parity Verify from the sub-menu.
- 7 The Media Scan starts as soon as the submenu item is selected.



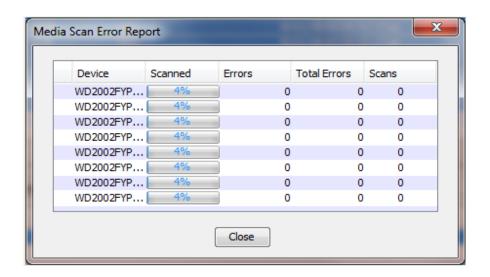
Media Scan Status

The Media Scan starts as soon as the menu item is selected. The **Attached Drives** panel displays a rotating icon next to each drive being scanned. The **RAID Group** panel displays the type of scan being performed and a status for percent complete.



Viewing the Scan Report

- Select the ExpressSAS RAID or ThunderStream SC storage controller from the Device Listing panel.
- 2 Select the **RAID** tab in the right panel.
- 3 Select the RAID group, Hot Spare drive(s) or unallocated drive(s) whose scan report should be displayed. One RAID group can be selected or multiple Hot Spare and unallocated drives can be selected.
- 4 Select the **RAID Management** menu item at the top of the screen.
- 5 Select the **K** Scan Report from the menu.
- A **Media Scan Error Report** message box appears with the scan results. If a scan is currently in process the **Scanned** column indicates the percent complete for the operation.



The Scan Report includes the counts for the most recent scan and the total results for all Media Scan operations. This information is persistent for RAID group drives and Hot Spare drives since it is stored in meta-data of the drive. The results may be erased from the drive when the meta-data is re-written. e.g. The information is lost from a Hot Spare when the Hot Spare is added to a RAID group. The results of a Media Scan for an un allocated drive are only available until a reboot occurs.

Media Scan provides the following metrics:

- Media errors detected on most recent scan in the Errors column.
- 2 Media errors corrected on most recent scan.
- 3 Total stripe groups scanned on most recent scan. This data is not displayed in Configuration Tool.
- 4 Media errors detected on all scans in the **Total Errors** column.
- 5 Media errors corrected on all scans
- 6 Total number of all scans in the **Scans** column.

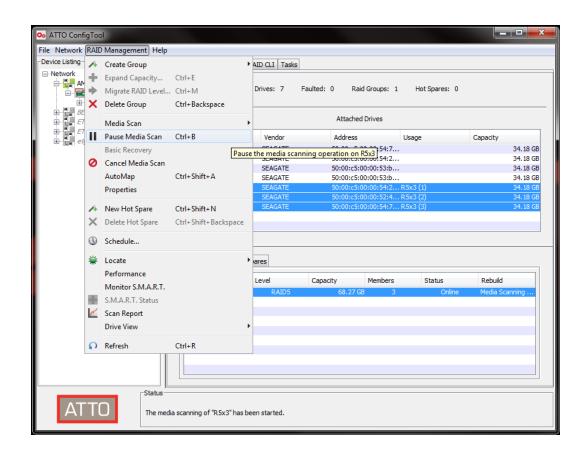
The **Media Scan Error Report** does not display the count of corrected errors. The corrected error count is displayed while the mouse pointer hovers over the **Errors** or **Total Errors** value for a specific drive. If the detected errors do not equal the corrected errors the warning icon appears to the left of device name column.

The Scan Report is updated by the Configuration Tool every 10 seconds. The metrics are not updated when the Media Scan is paused.

Pausing or Resuming Media Scan

Media Scan for a parity RAID group can be paused, resumed and cancelled. The Configuration Tool provides menu items to pause and resume and CLI provides a command to cancel the Media Scan. The results of the Media Scan up to the time of the pause or cancel are saved persistently.

Media Scan for Hot Spare and unallocated drives can be cancelled and cannot be paused. Media Scan of Hot Plug and unallocated drives are run immediately and they are not scheduled. The Configuration Tool provides menu items to start and cancel Media Scan on these drives.

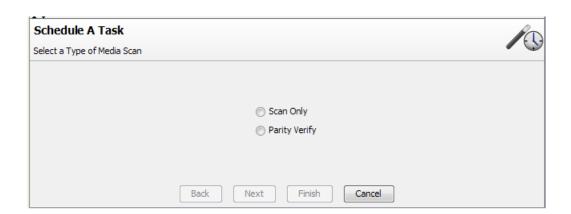


Scheduling Media Scan

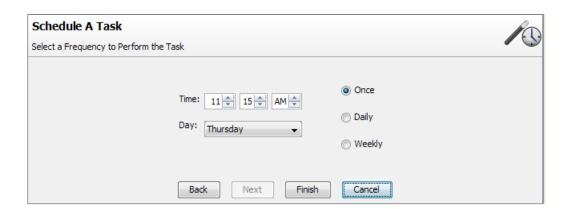
Media Scan for a parity RAID group can be scheduled to occur at a specified time for a specified frequency. The scheduling mechanism provides the means to specify the following:

- Day of the week and the time of day to run a Media Scan once a week
- Day of the week and the time of day to run a media Scan once
- Time of day to run a media Scan every day of week
- A media Scan is scheduled using the following procedure.

- Select the ExpressSAS RAID or ThunderStream SC storage controller from the Device Listing panel.
- 2 Select the **RAID** tab in the right panel.
- 3 Select the parity RAID group that should have a scheduled Media Scan.
- 4 Select the **RAID Management** menu item at the top of the screen.
- 5 Select the Schedule... from the menu.
- 6 Select **Scan Only** or **Parity Verify** and press the **Next** button.



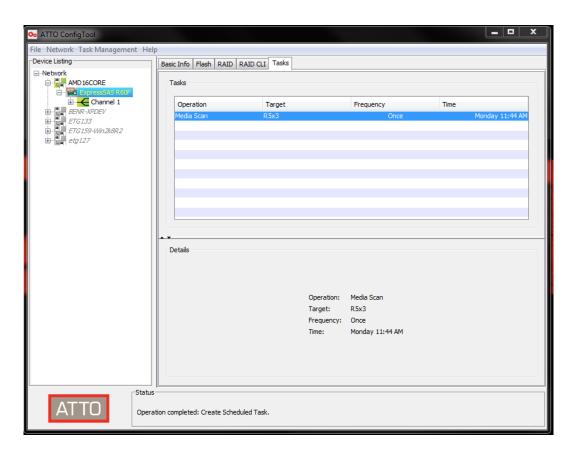
7 Select Once, Daily or Weekly as the frequency of the task.



- 8 Select the time of day to run the task.
- 9 Select the day of week to run the task. The day of week field is disabled when the frequency is daily.
- 10 Press the **Finish** button and a confirmation dialog box is displayed.
- 11 Press **Yes** to schedule the task. Media Scan for Hot Spare and unallocated drives cannot be scheduled.

Viewing Scheduled Tasks

The Configuration Tool contains a Task tab for each RAID storage controller present in the system. The tab contains a table that displays information for all of the currently scheduled tasks for the associated storage controller. The table only contains an entry for items that have not occurred to date. It does not show any information for completed tasks. The table provides the capability to cancel a task or to change the schedule for the task. You cannot schedule a new task from this view.



Automatic Cancellation of Media Scan

A Media Scan can be automatically cancelled by the FW for the following reasons.

- A parity RAID group is being scanned and it requires a rebuild operation
- A parity RAID group is being scanned and the last drive is marked 'Faulted'
- A Hot Spare is being scanned and it is needed for a RAID group rebuild
- An unallocated drive is being scanned and it is needed for a RAID group rebuild

Data Recovery for OFFLINE RAID Groups

ATTO SAS/SATA RAID storage controllers use DriveAssure™ to maintain error-free operation of RAID Group member drives. This includes features like Drive Initialization, Media Scan, Parity Verify, Performance Monitoring, and algorithms for latency and response management. Occasionally, a drive will suffer a mechanical or fatal media error that makes it unusable. A connection error may cause multiple drives to be inaccessible, resulting in an array that cannot be accessed normally. This document describes procedures to follow that may allow data to be partially recovered when drives fail or become inaccessible and cause the ATTO RAID Group to go OFFLINE.



Note

Anytime a RAID Group goes OFFLINE, data integrity may be compromised (unless the conversion was halted by the user). It is imperative that data consistency checks and/or file system repair tools are used to validate recovered data.

Definitions

Exhibit 1.4-14 RAID Group Status Definitions

RAID Group Status	Definition
ONLINE	The RAID Group state is ONLINE for RAID Groups with all members available and fully operational.
DEGRADED	RAID Group does not have full data protection. This is the case when a non critical number of RAID Group Members are UNAVAILABLE, DEGRADED or FAULTED (i.e., 1 member in a RAID5 Group, 2 in a RAID6 Group, and so forth). On a READ command to inaccessible drive(s), the data is derived using redundancy or parity. A DEGRADED RAID Group may be initializing or rebuilding.
OFFLINE	RAID Group data cannot be accessed because a critical number of drives have FAULTED or been removed. For RAID 5, for example, two or more drives have failed.
RECOVERY BASIC	RAID Group is in BASIC data recovery mode. I/O may be limited to reads.
RECOVERY EXTREME	RAID Group is in EXTREME data recovery mode, which returns data at all costs. I/O may be limited to reads.
WAITING	The transient state of a group while it is being discovered.
DELETED	The transient state of a group while it is being deleted.
NEW	The state of a group that has been created but not yet committed.

Exhibit 1.4-15 RAID Member Status Values

Rebuild Status Values					
Ok	Data is up to date				
Faulted	The operation was stopped due to an error				
Halted	The operation was stopped by the user				
Interrupted	The operation was stopped due to a disk removal or firmware restart				
Rebuild Types					
Unknown	A pseudo value used if the type of operation is not recognized				
Rebuilding	Represents the operation where a degraded group is repaired				
Erasing	Represents the operation where the data contained in a group is purged by writing to every sector of the RAID group				
Writing	Represents the operation where a specific data pattern is written to every sector of the RAID group				
Converting	Represents the operation where data is shuffled around within a group either because the group is being converted from one RAID level to another, or thecapacity of a group is being expanded				
Initializing or Advanced Initializing	Represents the operation where new disks added to the group are undergoing full initialization. This can happen either when the group is created, migrated or expanded				
Initializing or Express Initializing	Represents the operation where the group undergoes a parity rebuild (if applicable) for the new members added. This can happen either when the group is created, migrated or expanded				
Media Scanning	Represents the operation where I/O is performed to each block on a device to force the reallocation of bad sectors. All error correcting is handled automatically by the device, and any errors detected will increment the appropriate counters				
Parity Verifying	Represents the sector scan operation that also verifies the parity blocks on a RAID group are correct. If errors are found, they are left uncorrected, and the appropriate error counters are incremented				
Parity Repairing	Represents the parity scan operation that also attempts to fix any parity errors that are encountered. Any errors detected will increment the appropriate error counters				
Recovery Rebuilding	Represents the operation where an offline group is forced online prior to rebuilding it				

Failure Scenario Table

RAID Groups cannot be accessed normally when their member disks fail, and the RAID Group is marked OFFLINE. RAID Groups of different RAID levels are marked OFFLINE for different reasons, as follows:

Exhibit 1.4-16 Failure Scenarios and Recovery Methods

RAID Level	Reason(s) for being marked OFFLINE	Recovery Method
JBOD and RAID 1	Any drive failure.	See <u>Faults on Critical Number of Drives</u> on page 48
	Error during rebuild	See Recovery from Failed Rebuild on page 46
RAID 1 and RAID 10	Mistaken replacement of a good drive when its mirror has failed	See Recovery from Replacement of Wrong Drive on page 45
	Errors on two or more drives	See <u>Faults on Critical Number of Drives</u> on page 48
	Error during rebuild	See Recovery from Failed Rebuild on page 46
RAID 4 and RAID 5	Mistaken replacement of a good drive when another member of the RAID Group has failed	See Recovery from Replacement of Wrong Drive on page 45
	Errors on three or more drives	See <u>Faults on Critical Number of Drives</u> on page 48
	Error during rebuild	See Recovery from Failed Rebuild on page 46
RAID 6	Mistaken replacement of good drive(s) when other members of the RAID Group have failed	See Recovery from Replacement of Wrong Drive on page 45

Drive Replacement on a Failure Condition

Replacing RAID Group Member Drives as Soon as They Fail

With parity and redundancy RAID levels, the RAID Group can withstand the loss of one member, and the data is still valid and accessible. In this case, the RAID Group goes into DEGRADED mode and uses parity or redundancy to generate the data. Although the RAID Group is fully operational, the RAID Group is at risk because if any other drive fails, data integrity is called into question.

A Warning about Drive Replacement

A very common reason that an array goes from DEGRADED mode to OFFLINE mode is when the wrong drive is replaced. By pulling out a perfectly good drive, a double-drive fault occurs and there are insufficient drives to generate data. The following procedure is very important when you are considering removing a failed drive, to ensure the correct drive is pulled.

Identifying Failed Drives

If a failed drive is in an enclosure that supports SES (SCSI Enclosure Services), the drive's Fault LED should be blinking. In that case, it is clear which drive should be replaced. If multiple drives are blinking, power cycling the array and/or the drives, and reseating the drives can sometimes correct intermittent conditions.

ATTO supplies other facilities to aid in failed drive identification. When there is some question about which drive has failed, use either the CLI commandline interface or the ATTO ConfigTool procedures described below to be very sure as to which drive failed, prior to replacing the drive.

Using ATTO ConfigTool to Identify a **Failed Drive**

The ATTO ConfigTool provides a graphical display of RAID Groups and attached drives. Exhibit 1.4-17, below, shows a RAID Group with a status of DEGRADED. The upper window shows attached disks and their association with RAID Groups.

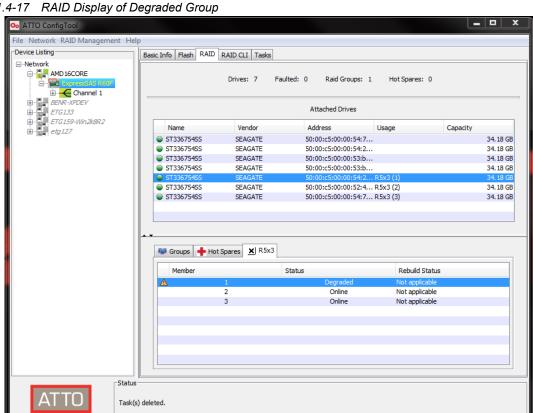
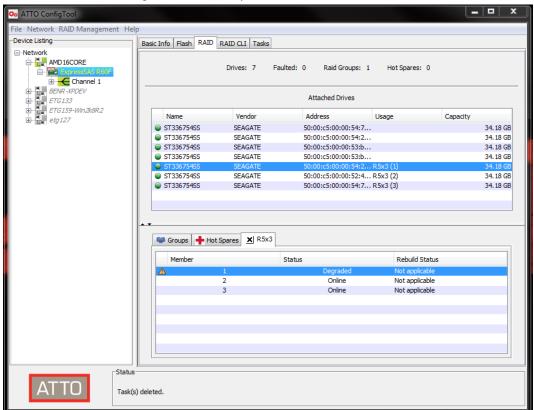


Exhibit 1.4-17 RAID Display of Degraded Group

By double-clicking the RAID Group line, each RAID Member and its status is displayed. In <u>Exhibit 1.4-18</u>, below, RAID Member 1 indicates DEGRADED.

If the drive is in an enclosure that supports SES (SCSI Enclosure Services), the drive's Fault LED should be blinking.

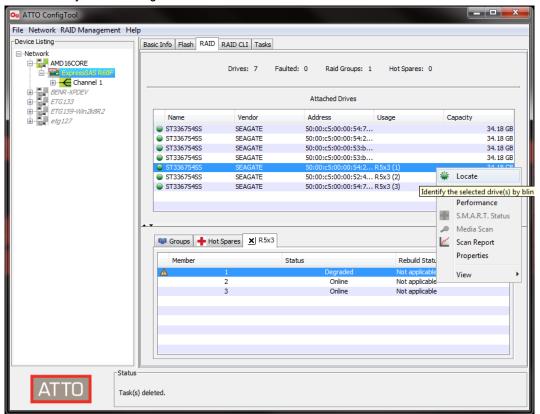
Exhibit 1.4-18 Member List for Degraded RAID Group



The member drive can be physically identified, in its enclosure, by right-clicking in the Attached Drives list and selecting Locate (See Exhibit 1.4-19 below). The drive's Identify LED (or activity LED, in a non-SES enclosure) should blink.

Sometimes the activity LED won't blink because of a failure in the drive or enclosure electronics. One possible action is to blink all the other LEDs, and find the failed drive by process of elimination.

Exhibit 1.4-19 Identify a Drive Using Locate



Recovering from Failed Drives

Recovery from Replacement of Wrong Drive

Exhibit 1.4-20 RAID 5 Group with 4 Operational Drives

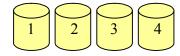


Exhibit 1.4-21 A Drive Fails; RAID Group goes DEGRADED

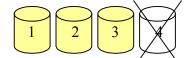
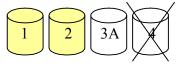


Exhibit 1.4-22 Drive 3 is replaced instead of drive 4! RAID Group goes OFFLINE



When a drive fails, but the wrong drive is replaced, a rebuild will not initiate and the RAID Group will be taken off line. The user should follow the procedure described earlier in this section to identify the failed drive, and ensure the correct drive is replaced.

The situation described above can be corrected. Replace the erroneously replaced drive (3A) with the original drive 3 in the above example; then identify and replace the failed drive (4); and then start a rebuild.

Recovery Mode

Sometimes, despite careful operation and maintenance, drives will coincidentally fail in such a way that the RAID Group integrity is compromised. After a RAID Group has been marked OFFLINE because of problems with member drives, there is a way to possibly recover some of the data. The following guidelines and commands can help recover data from an OFFLINE RAID Group. The following descriptions refer to RAID 5 specifically, but the principles extend to other RAID types.

Recovery from Failed Rebuild Fault During Rebuild - Recover by Forcing Rebuild to Continue



Note

The diagrams which follow illustrate a scenario where a failed drive is removed and replaced. The error recovery procedure is also valid if there is a Hot Spare, or if there is an unallocated drive and Auto Rebuild is enabled.

Exhibit 1.4-23 RAID 5 Group with 4 Operational Drives

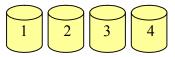


Exhibit 1.4-24 A Drive Fails; RAID Group goes DEGRADED

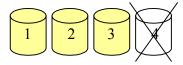


Exhibit 1.4-25 Drive is Removed and Replaced

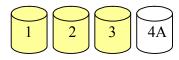
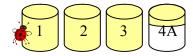
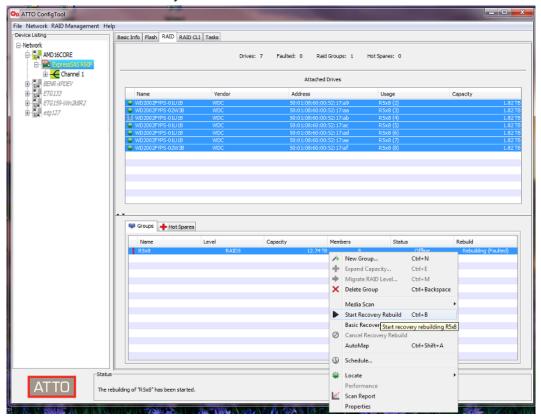


Exhibit 1.4-26 Media Error During Rebuild; Rebuild Halts, RAID Group goes OFFLINE



Use the ATTO ConfigTool to force the RAID Group to continue the rebuild. First, display the RAID Group information as shown in Exhibit 1.4-17. Then right-click on the Offline RAID Group that has the Rebuild status **Rebuilding (Faulted)**. Select the option Start Recovery Rebuild as shown below in Exhibit 1.4-27.

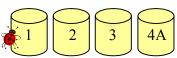
Exhibit 1.4-27 Enable Rebuild Recovery



The RAID Group status will change from **Offline** to **Degraded**. The Rebuild status will change from **Rebuilding (Faulted)** to **Recovery Rebuilding (n%)**, where n% is the completion percentage of the rebuild process.

At the end of the Rebuild Recovery, barring major problems, the RAID Group will be put back online. However, at the location corresponding to the Media Error, the data may be invalid! Anytime a RAID Group goes OFFLINE, data integrity has been compromised. It is imperative that data consistency checks and file system repair tools are used to validate the data before trying to use it.

Exhibit 1.4-28 Recover Rebuild; Rebuild Completes; RAID Group goes ONLINE





Note

If the rebuild cannot continue to the end because of unrecoverable errors on multiple drives, use the Extreme recovery mode, described below, to try to recover data.

Serious Disk Failure During Rebuild - Using "Extreme" Mode

Exhibit 1.4-29 RAID 5 Group with 4 Operational Drives

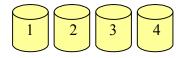


Exhibit 1.4-30 A drive Fails; RAID Group goes DEGRADED

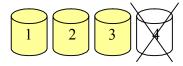


Exhibit 1.4-31 Drive is Removed and Replaced, and Rebuild Starts

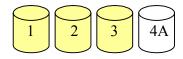


Exhibit 1.4-32 Second Unrecoverable Failure; Rebuild Halts, RAID Group goes OFFLINE

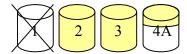


Exhibit 1.4-33 Recover Extreme: All Drives Are Used to Try to Recover Data



When a serious disk failure occurs during a rebuild, the rebuild cannot be forced to continue, but the Extreme recovery mode may be viable. If there is an available slot, reinstall the original failed drive (the drive provides another possible source of data even if the data is stale). This original failed drive will only be accessed if there is an error on one of the other RAID Group members. Note that in this failure scenario, data may be extensively compromised.

Extreme Recovery Mode is only accessible from the Command Line Interface. Use the CLI command *RGRecover Extreme* to enter the "extreme, read-at-all-costs" recovery mode. Use a host application to read the data (whatever you can) off of the drives and back it up to another location. The RAID Group will stay in recovery mode. If you use the CLI command *RGRecover Disable* to disable this mode, the RAID

Group will return to the OFFLINE state. There is no mechanism to put this RAID Group back online.

Once you have the data backed up, use only good drives to create a new RAID Group, and then restore

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the data to the new RAID Group.

Exhibit 1.4-34 RAID 5 Group with 4 Operational Drives

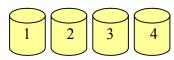


Exhibit 1.4-35 A drive Fails; RAID Group goes DEGRADED

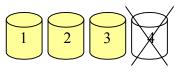
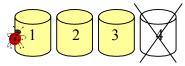


Exhibit 1.4-36 A Media Error occurs; RAID Group goes OFFLINE



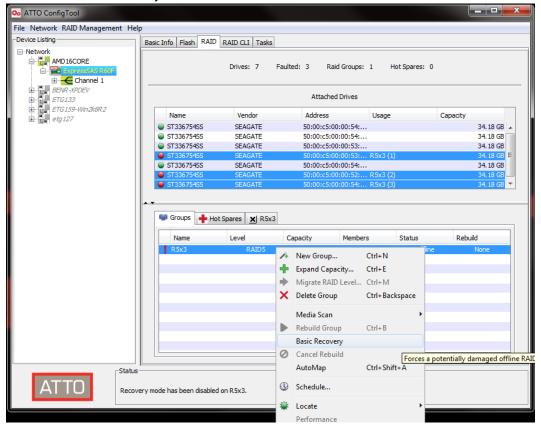
In this scenario, there is no Hot Spare drive, and either Auto Rebuild is not enabled or there is no spare drive for Auto Rebuild to use. When the first drive fails, the array will continue to operate in DEGRADED mode and return data when requested. However, once another error occurs, the array is OFFLINE and data has been compromised. Basic recovery mode should be used.

Basic Recovery Mode

CLI commands or the GUI can be used to put the drives into basic recovery mode. This allows you to read data to a backup location, replace all failed or marginal drives, and then restore the data to the new drives. However, at the location corresponding to the Media Error, the data may be invalid! Anytime a RAID Group goes OFFLINE, data integrity has been compromised. It is imperative that data consistency checks and file system repair tools are used to validate the data.

To enter recovery mode from the ATTO ConfigTool, select the Offline RAID Group and right-click to get the menu options. Select the option Basic Rebuild as shown below.

Exhibit 1.4-37 Enable Basic Recovery Mode



The RAID Group status will change from **Offline** to **Recovery (Basic)**. Once you enter Recovery Mode, use a host application to read the data (whatever you can) off of the drives and back it up to another location. The RAID Group will stay in recovery mode. If you use the CLI command *RGRecover Disable* to disable this mode, the RAID Group will return to the OFFLINE state. There is no mechanism to put this RAID Group back online.

Once you have the data backed up, use only good drives to create a new RAID Group, and then restore the data to the new RAID Group.

Extreme Recovery Mode

When a critical number of drives fail, or if a Rebuild Recovery operation fails, the Extreme Recovery Mode may be an option. This will only work if one or both of the failed drives are still operational at some level, there are spare slots, and the data is not too far out of date. When this is the case, re-insert one or both drives into the array and enter Extreme Recovery mode. The original failed drives will only be accessed if there is an error on the other (non-failed) RAID Group drives. Follow the procedure outlined in section, Serious Disk Failure During Rebuild - Using "Extreme" Mode on page 48.

File System Repair Tools

When a RAID array has been made accessible by setting the drive states appropriately, the host's file system may still have integrity problems. Most operating systems have utilities that try to detect and repair file access issues.

Windows: CHKDSK

Chkdsk (Chkdsk.exe) is a Windows command-line tool that checks formatted disks for problems. Chkdsk then tries to repair any problems that it finds. For example, Chkdsk can repair problems related to bad sectors, lost clusters, cross-linked files, and directory errors. To use Chkdsk, you must log on as an administrator.

Linux: FSCK

The system utility fsck ("file system check") performs a file system consistency check and interactive repair. It has options to do a quick check, preen files, preen and clean files, and others.

Mac OS X: First Aid (part of Disk Utilities)

Launch Disk Utility from OS X or the OS X Installer In the column on the left, select the volume you want to repair, and then on the right, click the **First Aid** tab.

Click **Repair Disk** to verify and repair any problems on the selected volume(s). The results of the repair will be posted in the window. When no problems are found, it reports: "The volume "diskname" appears to be OK." Occasionally, at the end of a scan, a message similar to the following will appear: "Scan complete. Problems were found, but Disk First Aid cannot repair them."



Note

If there are problems found, you should click **Repair Disk** to scan again. If the same problem(s) are found during the second scan, it means First Aid cannot repair the disk. This indicates that some of your files may be more severely damaged. To repair this damage, you can either back up your disk and reformat, or obtain a more comprehensive disk repair program.

Command Line Interface

Using CLI to Identify a Failed Drive

Blockdevscan

The blockdevscan CLI command shows a list of all attached drives and their usage. Use this command to update the list of drive IDs, which are needed by other CLI commands.

blockdevscan

<pre>;ID Vendor</pre>	Product	SerialNumber	Capacity	InUse	Port
0	ST3250310NS	9SF0800F	232.88GB	r5	
1	ST3250310NS	9SF076NJ	232.88GB	r5	
2	ST3160812AS-1	5LS25P51	149.10GB	r5	
3	ST3250620AS	6QF0LJ17	232.88GB	r5	

Ready.

For members of a RAID Group, the InUse column shows the RAID Group name.

RGdisplay

This is the RAID Group display command. Use this command to display all RAID Groups and their statuses.

```
rgdisplay

3
;GroupName Type Interleave Capacity Partitions Members Status
;-----
r5 RAID5 64 KB 447.0GB 1 4 DEGRADED

Ready.
```



Note

If rgdisplay shows a RAID Group is OFFLINE, then data recovery methods should be initiated; skip this section and go directly to the Section, <u>Recovering from Failed Drives</u> on page 45.

If *rgdisplay* shows a RAID Group is DEGRADED, then it is important to replace the failed drive as soon as possible. *Rmstatus* shows the status of each of the member drives. If a member is FAULTED or UNAVAILABLE, it should be replaced. To match the displayed member to the physical drive, you can use *sesidentify*, which is the preferred method, or *blockdevidentify*, if there is no SES capability.

Rmstatus

Next, use rmstatus, the RAID Member status CLI command, to show information for each member of the RAID Group in question.

Ready.

SESIdentify DRIVE (only valid if enclosure supports SES)

The drive FAULT LED should already be blinking. Use this CLI command to also blink the Identify LED for the drive. The ID from the blockdevscan command must be used, and not the member ID shown in the rmstatus command. Match the S/N of the FAULTED drive (9SF076NJ) from rmstatus to the blockdevscan drive IDs, and use that number to select the correct drive to blink.

```
Sesidentify DRIVE 1
Ready.
SesIdentifyStop All
Ready.
```

BlockDevIdentify

Use this command to blink the activity LED for the drive (if the drive is working enough so the activity LED can operate). The ID from the blockdevscan command must be used, and not the member ID shown in the rmstatus command. Match the S/N of the FAULTED drive (9SF076NJ) from rmstatus to the blockdevscan drive IDs, and use that number to select the correct drive to blink.

Sometimes, when *blockdevidentify* must be used, the activity LED won't blink because the drive has failed so badly. One possible action is to blink all the other LEDs, and find the failed drive by process of elimination.

```
BlockDevIdentify 1
Ready.
BlockDevIdStop
Ready.
```



Note

Ready.

If sesidentify is used, follow it up with the CLI command sesidentifystop All to turn the drive LEDs off. When blockdevidentify is used, follow it up with the CLI command blockdevidstop (no parameters) to turn the drive LEDs off.

Using CLI to Enable / Disable Recovery Mode

Display the RAID Group and RAID Group member drives:

Put the RAID Group into Basic or Extreme recovery mode with read and write access:

```
Set RGRecover r5 Basic (or Extreme or Rebuild)
Ready.
```

Display the RAID Group to see the results:

```
rgdisplay

3
;GroupName Type Interleave Capacity Partitions Members Status
;-----
r5 RAID5 64 KB 447.0GB 1 4 RECOVER

Ready.
```

Display the RAID Group members to see the results:

```
rmstatus r5

6
;ID Status RebuildStatus Vendor Product Rev SN;

0 ONLINE OK ST3250310NS SDN1 9SF0800F
1 ONLINE OK ST3160812AS-1 H 5LS25P51
2 ONLINE OK ST3250310NS SDN1 9SF076NJ
3 ONLINE OK ST3250620AS K 6QF0LJ17

Ready.
```

Once as much data as possible is retrieved from the drives, the Recovery Mode should be disabled and the FAULTED drives removed from the system.

Turn off Recovery Mode:

```
Set RGRecover r5 Disable Ready.
```

Using CLI to Enable Recovery with Writes

On occasion, the data that has been disrupted is part of the File System on the disk drives. When this is the case, it is useful to run the File System Repair Tools for your operating system. This requires write access to the drives.



CAUTION

Use the rgrecoverwithwrites command only when necessary and use with caution!

Put the RAID Group into *Basic* or *Extreme* recovery mode with read and write access:

```
Set RGRecoverWithWrites r5 Basic (or Extreme)
Ready.
```

Run the appropriate file system repair utility prior to recovering data from the drives.

CacheAssure™

CacheAssure is available on ATTO's ExpressSAS 6Gb/s RAID storage controllers and FastStream™ RAID Storage Controllers. CacheAssure is an innovative, data protection module that provides the security and confidence that your cached data will remain intact in the event of an unexpected power loss or system failure, within an environmentally friendly solution.



Note

The CacheAssure feature will prevent data loss in the ATTO RAID storage controller in case of a power outage but there still remains a risk of losing data in the cache of the disk drives. ATTO automatically disables the drive cache to ensure maximum protection.

The ATTO ConfigTool will allow you to view the status of the Power Module and Non-Volatile (NV) Memory Card in the Basic Info tab of the RAID storage controller with the driver information.

It takes approximately two minutes for the Power Module to become fully charged. The ConfigTool will refresh the status of the Power Module within 3 minutes of being launched.

Power Module Status

The status and availability of the CacheAssure Power Module can be verified by viewing the "Power Module" field within the Basic Info tab of the ConfigTool. The status will be reported as either:

- Not Present
- Not Charged
- Fully Charged

NV Memory Card Status

The availability of the CacheAssure NV Memory Card can be verified by viewing the "NV Memory Card Status" field within the Basic Info tab of the ConfigTool. The status will be reported as either:

- Not Present
- Present

Within the NV Memory card, there is flash based storage. In the event of system power failure, CacheAssure instantly detects the failure and transfers the data from DRAM to the flash memory, where it will safely remain for the life of your system, or until you regain power. Once power is restored, the data will proceed to then transfer to your ultimate storage destination. The alternative solution, using Battery Back-Up (BBU's), will typically secure data for only a maximum of 72 hours and then it is lost forever.

CacheAssure powers up in less than 2 minutes and lasts for up to 10 years. With a BBU, every time you start your system you are degrading your battery lifespan. BBUs can require up to several hours to charge and needs replacing every 1-2 years. CacheAssure is the preferred solution due to the fact that it is a maintenance-free, flash-based system which eliminates monitoring, maintenance, disposal, and replacements costs, typically associated with the less desirable (BBU) alternative. CacheAssure increases system uptime and significantly reduces the overall total cost of ownership

1.4.2 SNMP Configuration

SNMP is a standard network protocol that provides the ability to monitor SNMP enabled systems from anywhere on the network. Once configured, 3rd party MIB browsers on a Management Station can be used to retrieve the current configuration and receive TRAP messages when significant events occur via the Configuration Tool, SNMP is supported only for ATTO's ExpressSAS R644, R680, R608, R60F and R6F0 devices.

The ATTO SNMP agent has two modes, depending on your configuration. If the only SNMP agent on your server is the ATTO agent, the mode should be **Enabled**. If you have other SNMP agents running and you want them to integrate their data into a single tree of information or if you want to use advanced SNMP features, choose **SubAgent** mode (See <u>SubAgent Mode</u> on page 56).

Definitions

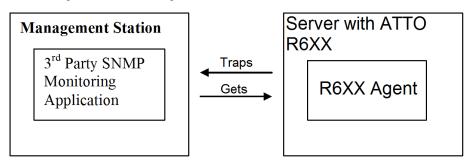
- SNMP Simple Network Management Protocol
- Network Node An addressable device attached to a computer network.
- Management Station The host system that monitors network nodes.
- Trap An alert that is sent to a management station by agents.
- Agent A software process on the system being
- monitored that responds to queries using SNMP to provide status and statistics about a network node.
- SubAgent A software process on the system being monitored that responds to SNMP queries from another agent, instead of a MIB browser. The request from the other agent is generated when it is contacted by a MIB browser.

Details

The ATTO SNMP agent supports protocol versions 1 and 2c. Communication with the agent requires UDP over IPv4. The ATTO specific information can be found under "attotech" in the "enterprises" node (1.3.6.1.4.1.4547). Read-only support is provided.

Enabled Mode

This mode of operation provides Management Stations with basic information for the standard OID tree, as well as the ATTO specific information. While this mode will also work if a system service is installed and running, the ATTO agent must be configured to listen on a different port than the system service to ensure both function properly. This mode is required to support SNMP if the system SNMP service (such as, Windows SNMP service or snmpd for OS X and Linux) is not already running.



SubAgent Mode

This mode of operation relies on the operating system's SNMP service being installed as a Master Agent and running. All Management Station requests must be directed to this Master Agent, **not** the ATTO agent. It is expected that only experienced SNMP administrators will use this mode, as installing and configuring the operating system services are beyond the scope of this document. Examples are Windows SNMP services, or the open-source Net-SNMP package.

In this mode, the system service is automatically reconfigured so that when the service receives requests for the ATTO branch of the OID tree, the request is delegated to the ATTO agent through the loopback interface on a different port. While the primary benefit of subagent mode is to allow the Master Agent to handle most requests directly (the operating system services implement many more MIBs than the ATTO agent), and to allow multiple subagents to be merged into a single OID tree, this mode can be used to enable features that are not supported by the ATTO agent.

For example, if the system service supports version 3 of the protocol, all communication over the network between the Management Station and the service can be encrypted using the desired privacy options of version 3. The system service will then communicate to the ATTO agent using one of the supported protocols.



Note

For security purposes, the ATTO agent will only respond to requests through the loopback interface when in subagent mode. If the system service is stopped, the ATTO agent will be inaccessible from any other host on the network.



Note

Other features that are not directly supported by the ATTO agent, but can be enabled with this configuration include source address filtering and stronger authentication than simple community strings provide. All of these features depend on properly configuring the system service, and are beyond the control of the ATTO agent. Refer to the documentation for the system service to determine how to enable these features.



Note

On Windows Vista Service Pack 1 and Windows 2008, a bug in the Microsoft SNMP service prevents subagent mode from working correctly. This is a known issue that requires a hotfix:

http://support.microsoft.com/kb/950923. The bug has been fixed in service pack 2. Enabled mode is not affected, nor is the Net-SNMP service if that is being used as a replacement for the Microsoft service.



Note

The Net-SNMP service that ships with Mac OS X 10.4 lacks the functionality needed to support subagent mode. To work around this, you need to use the enabled mode or build the Net-SNMP package from source with proxy support enabled.

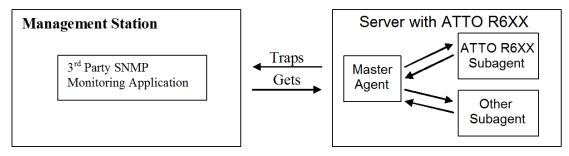


Figure 2: Subagent Mode

Disabled Mode

This mode disables the operation of the ATTO SNMP agent. Any network ports it has open to support SNMP are closed, making it inaccessible to any Management Station. The system service will not forward requests to it, and no TRAPs are sent out when events occur.

Basic Setup

The ATTO SNMP agent can be configured through the SNMP tab on the localhost node. When you first enter the SNMP tab, and until you commit a new mode, the SNMP mode will be **Disabled**. The various settings can be manually edited, but the simplest way to enable SNMP support in this case is to click the **Default** button and then click **Commit**. This will load the proper settings based on your current system configuration, and then reconfigure the agent to use them. The operational mode (enabled or subagent) and port will be selected based upon whether or not an operating system SNMP service is running.



Note

The **System Service** and **TRAP Service** states are not updated dynamically as they change in the system. They can be manually updated at any time by clicking **Refresh**.



Note

In order to properly secure access to the agent from the local machine, it is suggested to change the default string in the **Communities** list before committing the default settings.

This basic setup will allow you to browse the information that is made available by the agent with a 3rd party application, but will not send out TRAPs. TRAP destinations are network specific, and cannot be determined programmatically.

Configuration Options

Agent Port

This value specifies the UDP port that the ATTO SNMP agent listens on for incoming Management Station requests. The port cannot be used by any other process on the system, or the behavior of both the agent and the other process is undefined. The standard port value for SNMP is 161, but that is not the default value in subagent mode, because it is assumed that the system service is using that port.



Note

A binding error may not occur if the port is already in use. If you are not sure if a port is in use, use the netstat command.

In enabled mode, this is the port the Management Station uses to communicate with the agent. In subagent mode however, the agent will **not** respond on this port to Management Station requests from a different machine. The port the Management Station needs to use is the system service's port.

Communities

This is a list of community strings accepted by the agent when it receives an incoming request. If a Management Station makes a request and provides a community string that is not in this list, the request is dropped by the agent. If authentication traps are

enabled, one will be sent to each configured destination. The list can be manipulated through the **Add, Edit** and **Remove** buttons below it. An existing community must be selected to edit or remove it. A valid community string has a length between 1 and 128 (inclusive) and can include any keyboard character. (See Exhibit 1-12)



Note

In subagent mode, only a single community can be specified since that is the community used by the Master Agent when talking to the ATTO SNMP subagent. The communities that Management Stations must use are configured through the system service.



Note

For added security in subagent mode, you should change the default community string. The agent cannot tell the difference between a local Management Station request and a request from the system service, which means a local user can bypass the authentication checks done by the system service if they know this community string and the agent's port.

Send Authentication TRAP

When checked, the agent will send a TRAP to the configured TRAP destinations indicating that a Management Station attempted to contact the agent and used a community string that is not in the community list.



Note

In subagent mode, this may only be useful for debugging. The system service will perform Management Station authentication based on its configuration, and only forward the request to the ATTO agent once the Management Station is authenticated. Since the system service is reconfigured as needed to use the community string on this panel when forwarding requests, there should not be authentication errors when the agent processes requests from the system service. The system service usually has the same option that can be enabled to see these authentication failures.

Enable TRAPs

When checked, the agent will send traps to the configured destinations, if any, if the agent itself is not disabled. (See Exhibit 1-11)

Trap Destination Table

This table lists the host address and community string used for each destination when a trap is triggered. The host column consists of the hostname or IP address of the Management Station to which the traps are sent,

and the UDP port on which the trap receiver is listening. The community column displays the community string sent with the trap to that host. If the community string is not in the list of communities accepted by the receiver, the receiver will ignore the trap message. (See Exhibit 1-13)

The table can be manipulated through the Add, Edit and Remove buttons below it. An existing destination must be selected to edit or remove it. A valid community string has a length between 1 and 128.



Note

The trap configuration is completely independent of the enabled or subagent modes, but no traps are sent if the agent is disabled.

Many operating systems have a trap receiver service as part of their SNMP package, which can be configured to do various things when it receives a trap, such as writing to a log file or forwarding to another destination. In a similar manner to the way the system service and subagent mode can enable SNMPv3 support, the operating system trap service can be configured to translate traps it receives into SNMPv3 traps, with optional privacy, authentication and INFORM support. The ATTO agent then only needs to specify a single trap destination to this service in order to enable SNMPv3 support over the network. The manner in which the system service is configured is system specific, and beyond the scope of this document.

Control Buttons

Commit

This button will reconfigure the ATTO agent to use the settings as they are currently displayed on the screen, after validating them to the extent possible. The settings are persistently stored, so that they are available after a reboot. If necessary, the system service will be reconfigured to support the agent's current operational mode.

Restore

This button will update the display to reflect the settings the agent is currently using, rolling back any changes made in the panel that have not been committed. Since these are the current settings, they do not need to be committed.

Default

This button will update the display with the simplest configuration, based on the current system configuration. For example, if the operating system service is detected as running, the default mode is subagent. Otherwise, the mode is enabled and the registered SNMP port is displayed.



WARNING

Since it isn't possible to determine trap destinations and community strings programmatically, all trap destinations will be cleared.

Test

This button will validate the settings displayed on screen, and then send a warm Start trap to each of the displayed trap destinations as if the displayed settings had been committed. Selecting disabled mode, unchecking the enable traps option or removing all trap destinations will prevent the test trap from being sent. Once an acceptable configuration is entered, a commit is needed for it to take effect.



Note

The test is not performed by changing the settings used by the agent at the time of the test, so testing will have no effect on any concurrent Management Station requests.

Save MIBs

This button will save the non-standard MIBs implemented by the agent to the user specified directory as a zip archive, therefore they can be loaded into a MIB browser (after they have been extracted). If the zip archive already exists in that directory, the user is prompted to overwrite or skip the file, or cancel the operation.

Troubleshooting

Requests from a MIB browser time out.

- Ensure the agent is not disabled
- Ensure the Management Station is using the port for the system service if the agent is in subagent mode or the port displayed on the SNMP panel if the agent is enabled.
- Ensure the community string used by the Management Station is accepted by the system service when in subagent mode or is displayed in the communities list on the SNMP panel if the agent is enabled. Be sure the Send Authentication TRAP option is selected, committed, and then try again. If the community is a problem, each of the configured trap destinations will be notified.
- Ensure the Management Station is using SNMPv1 or SNMPv2c, unless the system service is being used.
- If in subagent mode, the system service may be misconfigured. Try enabling the agent and using the Management Station to talk directly to it. You will have to change the port value and likely the community string.

Traps are not received when testing

- · Ensure the agent is not disabled
- Ensure the Enable TRAPs option is checked.
- Ensure a trap recipient is properly configured and running on each machine in the destination table, at the specified port.
- Ensure the community associated with the destination is in the trap recipient's community list.

The RAID OIDs are skipped when walking or the tables are empty

• Ensure the driver for the RAID adapter is installed. This can be seen on the Basic Info panel for the adapter.



Note

To properly work with Net-SNMP when configured as a subagent, the Net-SNMP package has to be installed "With Windows Extension DLL Support". This is an option during the installation of Net-SNMP.



Note

The architechure of Net-SNMP installed has to match the O/S; i.e. if you are using a 64bit O/S the 64bit version of Net-SNMP must be installed.

Exhibit 1-5 Panel Image

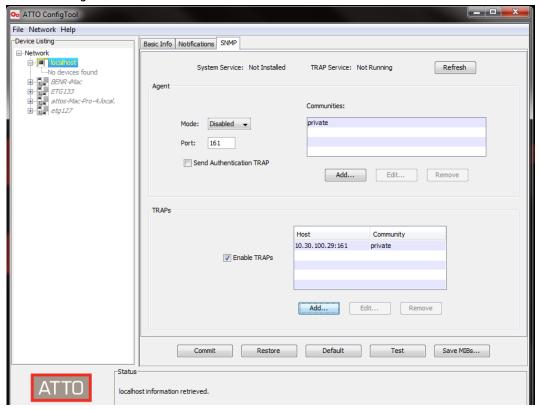


Exhibit 1-6 Community Image

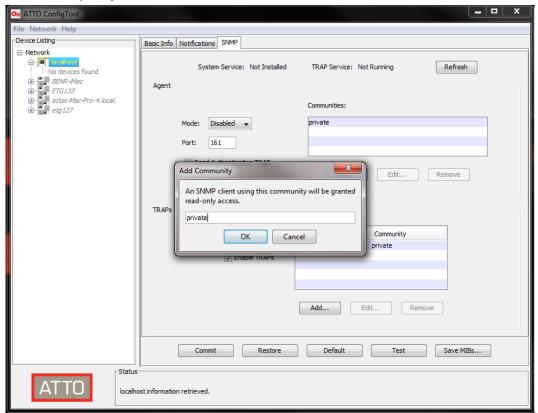
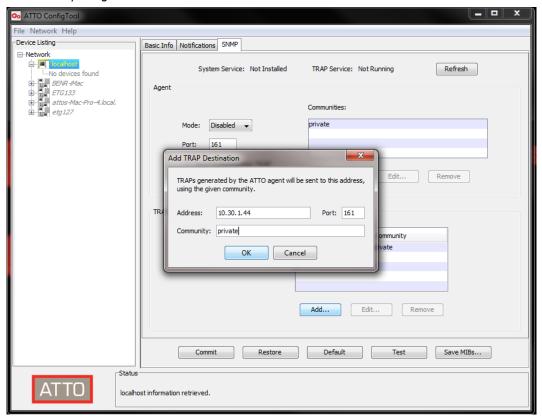


Exhibit 1-7 Edit Trap Image



1.4.3 Troubleshoot the ATTO ConfigTool

You may see an error message informing you about an unexpected event or incorrect information discovered by the application. Using the help text presented with the error message, correct the issue before proceeding.

Warnings and error messages are posted in the **Status** area of the configuration utility.

Messages from NVRAM tab actions An error occurred loading NVRAM data.

The first time a channel is highlighted, the application tries to read NVRAM from the card. This message usually indicates the application could not communicate with the driver, probably because the application does not support the driver version in use.

Warning: NVRAM could not be read, defaults returned.

NVRAM is corrupt and the driver returns to the default configuration. The defaults are presented via the graphical user interface. These defaults may be modified but the defaults or modifications must be committed in order to correct NVRAM.

An error occurred updating the NVRAM.

The driver cannot put the new settings on the card; no changes are made to the card.

Feature bounds checking

When the **Commit** button is clicked, each NVRAM feature is validated before being sent to the card. If any one of these features is deemed inappropriate based on the implemented checks, further NVRAM feature validation checks are stopped and the message is displayed.

Execution Throttle is greater than the maximum allowable value of 255. No NVRAM configuration changes have been made to your card.

The exact message varies based on the first field with an out-of-range value.

Messages from Flash tab actions This is not a flash file, or it is corrupt.

The ATTO-created flash file is corrupt or the **ConfigTool** does not recognize the file as a flash file. Only ATTO-created flash files may be selected using the flash file dialog box.

This HBA is not compatible with the selected flash file.

ATTO flash files are created based on the type of card flashed. ATTO flash files are only compatible with certain ATTO cards. When a flash file is selected, the flash file is inspected to determine if it is compatible.

A valid file was not selected.

You clicked the **Cancel** button on the flash file selection dialog.

An error occurred reading from the flash file, the file may be corrupt.

You selected a compatible flash file but the contents are corrupt.

An error occurred updating the flash.

You tried to flash a card when the firmware was not able to accept a flash.

The card has been prepared for firmware updating, but the machine must be rebooted for the changes to take effect. You need to repeat this process after rebooting to actually update the firmware.

Some firmware upgrades need to prepare the existing firmware in order to successfully update the adapter. Rebooting allows the changes made during the preparation process to take effect, and the same file should be flashed again.

2.0 BIOS Configuration Utility

The BIOS driver for all ATTO storage controllers has a built-in **BIOS Configuration Utility** which manages the storage controller and the devices connected to the storage controller.

The **BIOS** Configuration Utility for ATTO storage controllers uses a standard menu/choice model. The **Main Menu** presents the functions available from the utility. Selecting an item on the menu may bring up a secondary menu or a dialog box. The dialog box displays the items managed by that dialog box. The menus for SCSI and Fibre Channel storage controllers contain many choices with similar

functions. Refer to <u>Common BIOS Configuration</u> Utility functions.

Other utility options for Fibre Channel storage controllers are described in <u>FC BIOS Configuration Utility</u> on page 65; for SCSI storage controllers in <u>SCSI BIOS Configuration Utility</u> on page 67, and parameters for ExpressSAS storage controllers are described in <u>ExpressSAS BIOS Utility</u> on page 70.

Accessing the Fibre Channel utility

Options for Fibre Channel storage controller configuration are described in <u>FC BIOS</u> <u>Configuration Utility</u> on page 65.

- During the Fibre Channel BIOS driver startup, press Ctrl-F at the prompt after the storage controller boot string displays. If you do not press Ctrl-F within 3 seconds, you must reboot and start again.
- 2 The Fibre Channel BIOS Configuration Utility starts and displays the following menu:

Configure Adapter Channels
Selectable Boot Device
Reset All Parameters
Display Device List
Format Disk Drives
Update Flash ROM
Configure Stripe groups
Save Parameters and Exit
Discard Changes and Exit

Accessing the SCSI utility

Options for SCSI adapter configuration are described in <u>SCSI BIOS Configuration Utility</u> on page 67.

- During the SCSI BIOS driver startup, press Ctrl-Z at the prompt after the adapter boot string displays. If you do not press Ctrl-Z within 3 seconds, you must reboot and try again.
- 2 The SCSI BIOS Configuration Utility starts and displays the following menu:

Adapter Menu
Display Device List
Format Disk Drives
Configure Stripe groups
Save Parameters and Exit
Discard Changes and Exit

Accessing the SAS utility

Options for ExpressSAS adapter configuration are described in ExpressSAS BIOS Utility on page 70.

- During the SAS BIOS driver startup, press Ctrl-Z at the prompt after the adapter boot string displays. If you do not press Ctrl-Z within 3 seconds, you must reboot and try again.
- 2 The SAS BIOS Configuration Utility starts and displays the following menu
 Configure Adapter Settings
 Display Drive List
 Configure RAID Groups (ExpressSAS RAID only)
 Exit

Common BIOS Configuration Utility functions

Selectable Boot Device

Allows you to select a disk drive or stripe group from which the system BIOS loads the operating system. Select the primary drive from any stripe set or any non-striped drive. Changing from **No** to **Yes** displays candidate disk drives.

If the selectable boot option is enabled, the BIOS driver routes any drive 80h I/O requests to the designated selectable boot drive. The operating system is loaded from this drive.

If a SCSI drive is selected as the Boot device, **Enable**Selectable Boot value becomes Yes. To disable a
SCSI boot device, starting from IDE drive, press the
spacebar to change the value to No. To choose another
SCSI boot device, change the Enable Selectable
Boot to No, then press the spacebar again to see the
candidate drives.

Update flash ROM

Updates the flash ROM on your ATTO storage controller using a floppy diskette. The floppy disk can be created from the CD or from the latest download from the ATTO web site. You must boot into Windows or DOS to create the floppy. After creating the floppy disk, choose the **Update Flash ROM** from the appropriate menu. The storage controller flash is updated automatically after you confirm you want to proceed with the task.

Display device list

Displays all devices detected in the bus scan. Scroll the list to see all devices.

Reset defaults

Resets all storage controller settings to the manufacturer's defaults.

The **Fibre Channel Configuration Utility** presents this function on an adapter basis. All channels are affected.

The **SCSI Configuration Utility** presents this function on the **Configure Adapter Channels** dialog box and applies to currently selected channel.

Format disk drives

- 1 Select drives to format by checking boxes for each drive.
- 2 Press the **Enter** key. A confirmation message displays.
- 3 Confirm the selected drives to be formatted. During the formatting process, the check boxes turn into status fields, displaying either Formatting (blinking, red) or Completed for each drive.

When the format is complete, a message box displays.

Close the message box is closed; the application returns to the main menu.

If an error occurs during the formatting, an error message displays and formatting for the drive which has the error does not complete. Formatting continues on all other drives.

More than one disk drive may be formatted at one time as long as each supports the SCSI disconnect feature.

Save parameters and exit

Saves all changes you have made and exits the utility. The host reboots.

Discard parameters and exit

Discards all changes you have made, defaulting back to previous settings, and exits the utility. The host reboots.

Configure Stripe groups

If the adapter has been enabled to manage stripe groups, creates or deletes stripe groups. To create a stripe group, supply a stripe group name, specify an interleave size be specified, and select disks to stripe.

2.1 FC BIOS Configuration Utility

Default NVRAM settings work for most applications, but your particular hardware configuration may require some changes. Fibre Channel storage controller NVRAM settings may be changed from the **BIOS Configuration Utility**.

The **Configure Adapter Channels** menu selection displays a dialogue which contains the parameters for a specific adapter.

Adapter Node Name

The Node WWN assigned to this channel of the adapter.

Adapter Port Name

The Port WWN assigned to this channel of the adapter.

Adapter Number

Choices: Variable

Default: 0

Choices depend upon the number of Fibre Channel adapters installed in your computer and the number of channels per adapter. If one single channel adapter is installed, **0** is the only choice. If two dual channel adapters are installed, choices are **0**, **1**, **2** and **3**.

Data Rate

Choices for 4 Gig: 1 Gb/sec., 2 Gb/sec., 4 Gb/sec, Auto Choices for 8 Gig: 2 Gb/sec., 4 Gb/sec., 8 Gb/sec, Auto

Default: Auto

Selects the Fibre Channel transmission rate. If **Auto** chosen, the adapter determines the rate based upon the devices connected.

Connection Mode options

Choices: AL, PTP, AL Preferred, PTP Preferred

Default: PTP Preferred

Arbitrated Loop (AL): Connects to either an FCAL Arbitrated Loop or a Fabric Loop Port (FL Port) on a switch.

Point-to-Point (PTP): Connects to a direct Fabric connection, such as an F port on a switch.

AL Preferred: Allows the card to determine what kind of connection to use, but tries to connect in Loop mode first, then Point-to-Point mode.

PTP Preferred: Allows the card to determine what kind of connection is to use, but tries to connect in Point-to-Point mode first, then Loop mode.

Current Boot Node Name

Displays the IEEE worldwide address assigned to the current boot device.

Current Boot LUN Number

Displays the LUN address assigned to the current boot device.

Device Discovery By

Choices: Node WWN, Port WWN

Default: Port WWN

Specifies the type of device discovery the adapter performs. Use the Port WWN when the adapter requires separate paths to a device and the device is dual ported. A dual ported device has one path when the Node WWN is specified and two paths when the Port WWN is specified.

Enable Selectable Boot

Choices: Yes, No Default: No

Specifies a boot device to use other than BIOS device 80. If you select **yes**, a page listing the devices connected to the storage controller displays. Select the device from which you wish to boot and press **Enter**.

Execution Throttle

Choices: 1-255 Default: 16

Specifies the maximum number of concurrent commands active for a port. Increasing this value may increase performance, but you may saturate a drive with commands, decreasing performance.

Frame Size

Choices: 512, 1024, 2048

Default: 2048

Changes the size of the FC packet of information being sent. Typically, the initiator and target negotiates the desired frame size, starting with the largest value. The frame size should be set to the largest value for normal operation. However, some older devices may not properly negotiate frame size: use **Frame Size** to specify the size rather than permitting negotiation.

Hard Address

Choices: None, 0-125

Default: None

When a Fibre Channel loop is initialized, each device selects and configures itself to an available ID. **Hard Address**Enable permits the host to select the value entered in the **Hard Address** field.

Boot Driver

Choices: enabled, scan only, disabled

Default: disabled

If enabled and disk drives or a bootable CD are detected during the bus scan, the BIOS driver remains resident. If disabled, the BIOS starts, resets the adapter chip and unloads the driver. If **Scan Only** selected, the BIOS driver scans the bus and displays the devices attached, then unloads itself after a brief delay.

I/O Address

Displays the PCI slot in which this storage controller is installed.

IRQ:

Displays the interrupt level assigned by the BIOS to the adapter.

Interrupt Coalescing

Choices: None, Low, Medium, High

Default: Low

Specifies the time period an adapter chip delays an interrupt. This allows the adapter chip to queue up more than one interrupt before interrupting the CPU. When this methodology is chosen there is less overhead to service the interrupts. However, the coalescing time may delay the delivery of the completion for a single interrupt.

PCI Latency Timer

Choices: 8, 16, 24, 32, 40, 48, 56, 64, 80, 96, 112, 128, 160, 192, 224, 248

Default: see below

Specifies how long the storage controller maintains control of the PCI bus. Larger values allow the adapter to remain on the bus longer, improving performance, especially for large files. However, controlling the PCI bus for too long can starve I/O to other devices, adversely affecting their performance. As a default, the computer system firmware/BIOS automatically sets this value. However, adjusting the value for the ATTO adapter overrides the system default, allowing you to achieve specific performance results.



Note

Set the Latency timer to 32 for Media 100 Finish

PCI Memory Write/Invalidate

Choices: Default, Disabled

Default: Default

Setting to disabled overrides the host's BIOS setting.

2.2 SCSI BIOS Configuration Utility

The default NVRAM settings work for most applications, but your particular hardware configuration may require some changes.

SCSI storage controller NVRAM settings may be changed from the BIOS Configuration Utility. The default NVRAM settings work for most applications, but your particular hardware configuration may require some changes.

Select the Adapter Menu and the following menu displays:

Select Adapter Channels
Configure Adapter Channels
Selectable Boot Device
Update Flash ROM

Configuring adapter channels

The **Configure Adapter Channels** menu displays the parameters which are managed for the specific adapter. The parameters available vary by SCSI family and the specific adapter within a family.

Bus Reset Delay

Choices: 0-255 (seconds)

Default: 3

Sets the time delay between the reset of the SCSI bus and the scanning of the SCSI bus. You may need to modify if devices require a longer time to respond following reset.

Channel Number

Choices: Variable Default: 0

Choices depend upon the number of ExpressPCI adapters installed in your computer and the number of channels per adapter. If one single channel ExpressPCI adapter is installed, **0** is the only choice. If two dual channel adapters are installed, choices are **0**, **1**, **2** and **3**.

Firmware Version

Displays the version of firmware loaded in onboard flash.

BIOS

Choices: enabled, scan only, disabled

Default: disabled

If enabled and disk drives or a bootable CD are detected during the bus scan, the BIOS driver remains resident. If disabled, the BIOS starts, resets the adapter chip and unloads the driver.

If **Scan Only** is selected, the BIOS driver scans the bus and displays the devices attached, then unloads itself after a brief delay.

Initiator ID

Choices: 0-15 Default: 7

The ExpressPCI SCSI adapter is normally set to SCSI ID 7 because ID 7 has the highest priority on the bus. The setting should remain at ID 7 unless you are instructed to change it by an ATTO technical support representative.

Interrupt Level

Displays the interrupt level assigned by the BIOS to the adapter.

I/O Address

Displays the PCI I/O memory address assigned by the BIOS to the adapter.

Max Single-Ended Sync Rate

Choices: Variable by adapter type Default: 20 (Narrow)/40 (Ultra/Wide)

Specifies the maximum synchronous transfer rate to be negotiated when the adapter detects a Single-Ended SCSI bus. The bus is Single-Ended when UltraSCSI devices are connected to the bus.

PCI Burst Size

Choices: disabled, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256 or 512 bytes

Default: 512 bytes

Sets the burst rate threshold for SCSI operations when moving data across the PCI bus.

PCI Bus Parity

Choices: Yes, No Default: Yes

Indicates if an interrupt should be generated for a PCI Bus Parity error. If you choose **Yes**, the interrupt is generated.

Quick Arbitrate & Select (Ultra320 only)

Choices: disabled, enabled

Default: enabled

Reduces the time required to gain control of the SCSI bus if all target settings are set to Sync DT-IU and all devices on the bus support QAS.

Reset Bus on Startup

Choices: Yes, No Default: Yes

If enabled, the SCSI bus is reset upon adapter initialization. If disabled, the SCSI bus is still scanned for devices, but the bus is not reset.

SCSI Termination

Choices: Automatic, High Default: Automatic

Set to **Automatic** unless there is narrow SCSI cable connected to either the internal or external connector.

Selection Timeout

Choices: 1ms-1 sec Default: 250ms

Specifies the amount of time a device has to respond to being selected. Lower the setting to speed up the boot process. If the value is lower than the recommended 250 ms, it may be too fast for some devices to respond.

SCSI device settings

Select SCSI Device Settings and press Enter to display parameters for each SCSI Target ID. Set individual configuration parameters for each possible SCSI target for the current adapter from the SCSI Target Parameter page. The dialogue box displays a table with 16 rows, each representing a specific target ID for the SCSI bus attached to the selected channel.

SCSI device settings

The **SCSI Device Settings** menu displays the parameters which are managed for the specific adapter. The parameters available vary by SCSI family and the specific adapter within a family.

Enable Disconnect

Choices: Yes, No Default: Yes

Yes allows the device to disconnect from the SCSI bus during SCSI command processing. The device determines when it disconnects. This setting does not force the device to disconnect.

Enable LUNs

Choices: Checked, Unchecked

Default: Checked

Indicates if the associated LUN scanned by ATTO drivers. Each available LUN has a check box; the default has a check in each LUN check box. Remove the check mark to leave a LUN undetected. Changes may be discarded and replaced with factory default settings by choosing **Reset to Defaults.**

Enable LUNs

Choices: Disable ID, 0, 0-7, 0-63

Default: 0-7

Specifies the number of Logical Unit Numbers (LUNs) the driver addresses when scanning for devices. The number of LUNs to scan is determined as follows:

Disable ID: Target ID is bypassed and not scanned

0: Scan LUN 0 for this target ID

0-7: Scan LUNs 0 to 7 for this target ID

0-63: Scan LUNs 0 to 63 for this target ID

Enable Synchronous SCSI

Choices: Async, Sync ST, Sync DT, Sync DT-IU

Default: Variable by adapter type

Specifies whether the selected target transfers data at synchronous transfer rates or at the asynchronous rate. The maximum synchronous rate to negotiate is specified in the **Sync Rate** parameter.

Enable Wide SCSI

Choices: Yes, No Default: Yes

If enabled, the ExpressPCI adapter tries to transfer SCSI data in a Wide mode to all devices to aid compatibility with older, narrow devices which do not respond to Wide transfer negotiation. If the synchronous SCSI parameter is set to **Sync DT** or **Sync DT-IU**, only WIDE negotiation is permitted.

Sync Offset

Choices: 1-127 Default: 127



CAUTION

The default values offer the best performance possible. Do not change this setting unless instructed by an ATTO technical support representative.

Sync Rate

Choices: varies by adapter, see Exhibit 2.2-1 Default: varies by adapter, see Exhibit 2.2-1

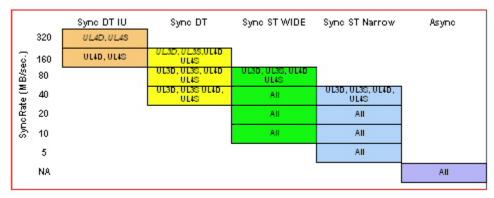
If synchronous transfers are enabled, sets the maximum rate at which the ExpressPCI storage controller negotiates with each device attached to it. Set the rate to the maximum value supported by the storage controller. If excessive SCSI errors occur, you have long cables or there are many devices on the bus, you may want to reduce the **Sync Rate** value. Slowing the transfer rate may increase the reliability of the SCSI bus.

Tagged Command Queuing

Choices: Yes, No Default: Yes

Specifies to the driver which SCSI commands can use the **Tag Command** feature. The driver can send multiple commands to a device when tag commands are enabled.

Exhibit 2.2-1 Sync rate parameters for various ATTO storage controllers.



2.3 ExpressSAS BIOS Utility

The BIOS driver for the ATTO ExpressSAS storage controllers has a built-in BIOS Utility which manages the adapter and the devices connected to the adapter.

The ExpressSAS BIOS Utility uses a standard menu/choice model. The **Main Menu** presents the functions available from the utility. Selecting an item

on the menu may bring up a secondary menu or a dialog box. The dialog box displays the items managed by that dialog box.

Accessing the SAS utility

- During the ExpressSAS BIOS driver startup after the adapter boot string displays, press Ctrl-Z at the prompt. If you do not press Ctrl-Z within 3 seconds, you must reboot and try again.
- 2 The **SAS BIOS Configuration Utility** starts and displays the following menu:
 - 1. Configure Adapter Settings (refer to Configuring adapter settings on page 70)
- 2. Display Drive List (refer to <u>Displaying the drive list (ExpressSAS RAID adapter only)</u> on page 71)
- 3. Configure RAID groups (refer to <u>Configuring</u> RAID groups (ExpressSAS RAID adapter only) on page 71)
- 4. Exit

Configuring adapter settings

The Configure Adapter Settings menu displays:

- 1 **Edit Adapter Settings:** customizes the ExpressSAS adapter settings.
- 2 Reset All Parameters to Defaults: resets the ExpressSAS adapter settings to the factory default.
- 3 **Save Settings and Return to Main:** permanently saves the adapter settings and returns to the Main Menu.
- 4 **Discard Settings and Return to Main:** discards any changes to the adapter settings and retains the original settings.

Selecting the **Configure Adapter Settings** page displays information about the ExpressSAS adapter, including:

Adapter #: allows you to select a specific ExpressSAS adapter from a list of installed ExpressSAS adapters.

Model: displays the model number of the selected ExpressSAS adapter.

FW Version: displays the firmware version of the selected ExpressSAS adapter.

SAS Addr: displays the SAS Address assigned to the selected ExpressSAS adapter.

Select the following functions from this menu:

Boot Driver

Choices: enabled, scan only, disabled Default: disabled

If enabled and disk drives are detected during the bus scan, the BIOS driver remains resident. If disabled, the BIOS starts, resets the adapter chip and unloads the driver. If **Scan Only** is selected, the BIOS driver scans the bus and displays the devices attached, then unloads itself after a brief delay.

Device Wait Time

Choices: 1-255 seconds Default: 3

This field specifies the number of seconds which the driver waits for devices to appear.

Device Wait Count

Choices: 1-255 devices Default: 1

This field specifies the number of devices which must appear in order to cancel the Device Wait period.

Spinup Delay

Choices: 0-20 seconds

Default: 0

Specifies the number of seconds each SAS port waits for disk drives to spin up.

Heartbeat

Choices: enabled, disabled Default: enabled

When enabled, requires the firmware to respond to periodic activity. If the firmware does not respond, the system driver resets the firmware on the adapter.

Port Configuration (R348 only)

Choices: 8 Internal or 4 Intrn, 4 Extrn Default: 8 Internal

Indicates the active port configuration for the ExpressSAS R348 adapter. The **8Internal** parameter indicates the two internal SAS connectors are active and the external connector is not active. The 4Intrn, 4Extrn indicates one internal connector is active and one external connector is active.

Reset to Defaults

Returns all settings to the factory defaults.

Displaying the drive list (ExpressSAS RAID adapter only)

Selecting the Display Drive List menu displays a list of all disks which are connected to the adapter with the following information for each:

Adp# indicates the adapter number for the ExpressSAS RAID adapter to which the drive is connected.

ID displays the drive ID number within the adapter. Vendor ID displays the drive manufacturer's vendor

Product ID displays the drive's product name.

Capacity displays the drive's byte capacity.

RAID Group contains the name of the RAID group to which the drive is assigned. The field may be blank or can indicate a RAID group name or Hot Spare status.

Member State displays the drive's current state.

The **Display Drive List** menu highlights the first drive in the list. Use the up and down arrows to highlight other disks. The highlighted drive is accessed and its activity light blinks. Select the following functions from this menu:

Show Drive Detail

Type **Enter** or **D** to display more information about the highlighted drive.

Select Drive

Type **Space Bar** to allow multiple drives to be selected. The selection is removed by typing **Space Bar** a second time.

Scan

Type S to clear and refresh the drive list.

Clean

Type C to clean all metadata from the selected drives. Drives must be selected by typing **Space Bar.**

Hot Spare

Type **H** to assign the selected drives to the Hot Spare pool. Drives must be selected by typing Space Bar.

Remove Spare

Type **R** to remove the selected drives from the Hot Spare pool. Drives must be selected by typing Space Bar.

Configuring RAID groups (ExpressSAS RAID adapter only)

Selecting the Configure RAID Groups menu displays a list of all detected RAID groups with the following information for each:

Group Name: RAID group name

Drives: number of drives in the RAID group Capacity: the RAID group's total capacity

Status: the RAID group's current status RAID Level: the RAID group's RAID level

The Configure RAID Groups menu highlights the first RAID group in the list. Use the up and down arrows to highlight other RAID groups. Select the

following functions:

View Selected RAID Group

Type **Enter** to display more information about the highlighted RAID group. If a RAID group is rebuilding, the command displays the completion percentage of the rebuild.

Create

Type **Insert** to build a new RAID group.

Delete

Type **Delete** to delete the highlighted RAID group. A confirmation prompt must be answered.

Rebuild

Type **R** to rebuild the highlighted RAID group. A confirmation prompt must be answered to start the rebuild.

Partition

Type **P** to change the current partitions of the RAID group. The Partition function can split a selected partition or merge two partitions. Partitions which are currently mapped cannot be split or merged.

Map RAID Groups

Type **M** to map or remove mapping of selected partitions. You may select automatic mapping of all unmapped partitions, map or remove mapping from specific partitions, or remove mapping from all partitions.

Create a RAID group

Selecting Create RAID Group starts a wizard.

- 1 Type a RAID group name.
- 2 Select a RAID level: 0, 1, 4, 5, 6, 10 or JBOD.
- 3 Select an Interleave: 8KB, 16KB, 32KB, 64KB, 128KB, 256KB, 512KB or 1MB.
- 4 Type **Insert** to add drives into the RAID group.
- 5 A drive list box of available drives is displayed. Press the **Space Bar** to select the drives to include in the new RAID group. The selected drives are highlighted.
- 6 Type Enter to create the RAID group.



CAUTION

A rebuild occurs after creating a RAID Level 4, RAID Level 5 or RAID Level 6 group. The length of time required for the rebuild depends upon the size of the RAID group. Do not reboot the adapter until the rebuild process is complete.

7 Type **Enter** to map the partitions of the new RAID group.



Note

A RAID group is created with default properties which may be changed using the ConfigTool. Refer to <u>ATTO ConfigTool</u> on page 1.

2.4 EFI Configuration Utility

The EFI drivers for ATTO Celerity 8Gb and ExpressSAS storage controllers have a built-in EFI Configuration Utility which manages the adapter and the devices connected to the adapter

The EFI Configuration Utility for ATTO storage controllers uses a standard menu/choice model. The Main Menu presents the functions available from the utility. Selecting an item on the menu may bring up a

secondary menu or a dialog box. The dialog box displays the items managed by the dialog box. Utility options for ExpressSAS adapters are described in ExpressSAS EFI Utility on page 74.

Accessing the EFI Configuration Utility

The EFI Configuration Utility is accessed through a platform specific EFI shell. Different platforms have different means to enter an EFI shell, though it is generally done through a function key displayed during initialization. If the system does not have an EFI shell a 3rd party tool must be used.

Once at an EFI shell prompt, enter the 'drivers
 -b' command. Scroll through the list of installed
 EFI drivers and find the ATTO driver. There

may be more than one entry based on the number and type of adapter(s). Note the two or three digit hexadecimal driver handle on the far left of the screen.

At the prompt, enter 'drvcfg -s {handle}', where {handle} is the hexadecimal number from the previous step. This will launch the EFI Configuration Utility for the associated adapter. See Exhibit 2.4-1.

Exhibit 2.4-1 Using the command 'drvcfg -s 67' to open the Configuration Utility

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- Console Splitter Driver
                                                             ConSplitter
44 0000000A ? -
                      - Console Splitter Driver
                                                             ConSplitter
45 0000000A B - -
                      2 Console Splitter Driver
                                                             ConSplitter
46 0000000A ? -
                                                             ConSplitter
4A 0000000A ? -
                      - Graphics Console Driver
                                                             GraphicsConsole
4B 0000000A D - -
                     - VGA Class Driver
4C 0000000A B - -
4D 0000000A B - -
                     1 PCI IDE/ATAPI Bus Driver
                                                             IdeBus
4E 0000000A D - -
                     - IDE Controller Init Driver
                                                             IdeController
4F 00000020 D - -
                     - Usb Uhci Driver
50 0000000A B - -
                                                             UsbBus
51 0000000A D - -
                     - Usb Keyboard Driver
52 00000011 D - -
                                                             UsbMassStorage
53 00000010 D - -
                     - PC-AT ISA Device Enumeration Driver IsaAcpi
54 0000000A D - -
55 0000000A B - -
                     6 ISA Bus Driver
                                                             IsaBus
56 0000000A ? - -
                     - ISA Floppy Driver
                                                             LegacyFloppy
57 0000000A B - -
                     1 ISA Serial Driver
                                                             IsaSerial
58 0000000A D - -
                     - PS/2 Keyboard Driver
                                                             Ps2Keyboard
59 0000000A D - - 10
                      - Generic Disk I/O Driver
                                                             DiskIo
5C 0000000A B - -
                     6 Partition Driver (MBR/GPT/El Torito)
                                                            Partition
5D 0000000A D - -
                      - FAT File System Driver
                                                             Fat
                  1 2 ATTO ExpressSAS RAID Driver 1.00
67 01000200 B X X
                                                             Offset (8200, 111FF)
Shell> drvcfg -s 67
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ExpressSAS EFI Utility

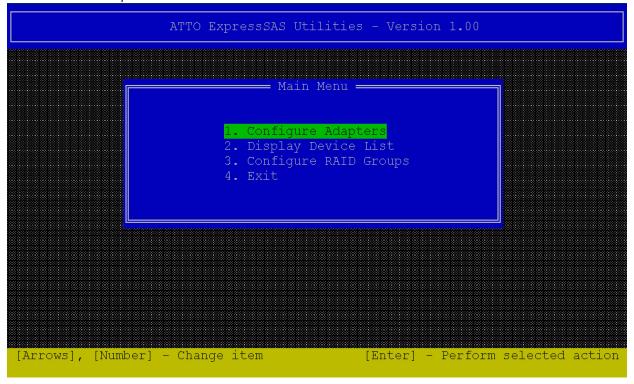
The EFI driver for ATTO ExpressSAS storage controllers has a built-in EFI Utility which manages the adapter and the devices connected to the adapter.

The ExpressSAS EFI Utility uses a standard menu/choice model. The Main Menu presents functions available from the utility. Selecting an item on the menu may bring up a secondary menu or a dialog box. The dialog box displays the items managed by that dialog box. See Exhibit 2.4-2.

The SAS EFI Configuration Utility Main Menu displays the following items:

- 1 Configure Adapter Settings (refer to Configuring Adapter Settings on page 75)
- 2 Display Drive List (Refer to <u>Displaying the Drive List (ExpressSAS RAID adapter only)</u> on page 76)
- 3 Configure RAID Groups (Refer to <u>Configuring RAID groups (ExpressSAS RAID adapter only)</u> on page 78)
- 4 Exit

Exhibit 2.4-2 The ExpressSAS RAID Main Menu



Configuring Adapter Settings

The Configure Adapter Settings menu displays information about the ExpressSAS adapter, including:

Channel Number

Allows you to select a specific ExpressSAS adapter from a list of installed ExpressSAS adapters.

Firmware Version

Displays the firmware version of the selected ExpressSAS adapter.

SAS Address

Displays the SAS Address assigned to the selected ExpressSAS adapter.

Select the following functions from the Configure Adapter Settings Menu:

Boot Driver

Choices: Enabled, Scan Only, Disabled

Default: Enabled

If enabled and disk drivers are detected during the bus scan, the boot driver (BIOS or EFI) remains resident and presents possible targets for booting. If disabled, the boot driver starts, resets the adapter chip and unloads the driver. If Scan Only is selected, the boot driver scans the bus and displays the devices attached, then unloads itself after a brief delay. For EFI, since there is no banner screen displayed during boot, Scan Only is the same as Disabled.

Heartbeat

Choices: Enabled, Disabled

Default: Enabled

When enabled, requires the firmware to respond to periodic activity. If the firmware does not respond, the system driver resets the firmware on the adapter.

NCQ

Choices: Enabled. Disabled

Default: Disabled

When enabled, the adapter will use Native Command Queuing on any SATA drives that support this feature.

Device Wait Time

Choices: 1-255 seconds Default: 3 seconds

This field specifies the number of seconds which the

driver waits for devices to appear.

Device Wait Count

Choices: 1-255 devices Default: 1 device

This field specifies the number of devices which must appear in order to cancel the Device Wait period.

Spinup Delay (except H30F and R30F)

Choices: 0-20 seconds Default: 0 seconds

Specifies the number of seconds each SAS port waits for

disk drives to spin up.

Port Configuration (R348 only)

Choices: 8 Internal or 4 Int, 4 Ext

Default: 8 Internal

Indicates the active port configuration for the ExpressSAS R348 adapter. The 8 Internal parameter indicates the two internal SAS connectors are active and the external connector is not active. The 4 Int, 4 Ext parameter indicates one internal connector is active and one external connector is active.

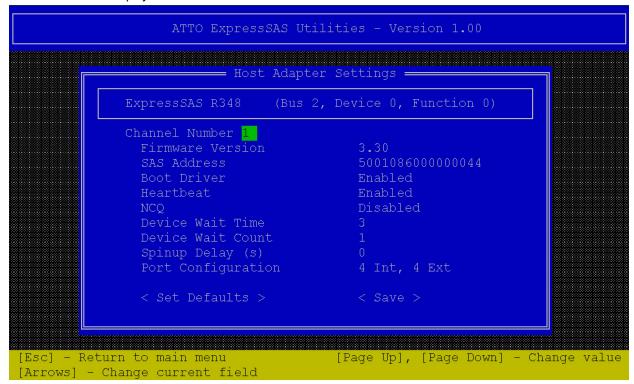
Set Defaults

Returns all settings to the factory defaults. This must be followed by a Save.

Save

Permanently saves the adapter settings to the current adapter.

Exhibit 2.4-3 The Display Drive List Menu



Displaying the Drive List (ExpressSAS RAID adapter only)

Selecting the Display Drive List menu item displays a list of all disks which are connected to the adapter with the following information for each:

Chan

Indicates the adapter number for the ExpressSAS RAID adapter to which the drive is connected.

ID

Displays the drive ID number within the adapter.

Vendor ID

Displays the drive manufacturer's vendor name.

Product ID

Displays the drive's product name.

Capacity

Displays the drive's byte capacity.

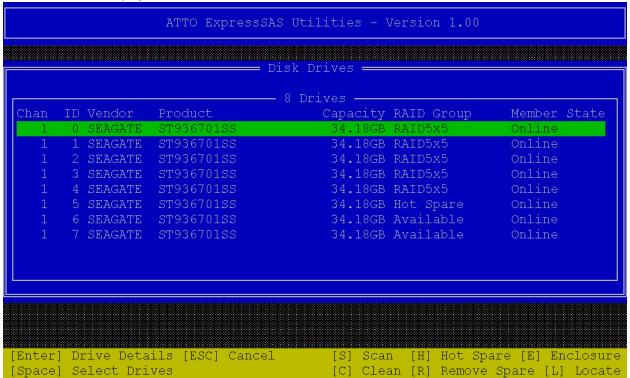
RAID Group

Contains the name of the RAID group to which the drive is assigned. The field may also contain other drive group status, such as that it is currently a Hot Spare or Available for inclusion in a new RAID group.

Member State

Displays the drive's current state.

Exhibit 2.4-4 The Display Drive List Menu



The **Display Drive List** menu highlights the first drive in the list. Use the up and down arrows to highlight other disks. Select the following functions from this menu:

Select Drive

Type **Space Bar** to allow multiple drives to be selected. The selected is removed by typing **Space Bar** a second time.

Enclosure

Type **E** to select all disks that are in the same enclosure.

Scan

Type **S** to clear and refresh the drive list.

Clean

Type **C** to clean all metadata from the selected drives. Drives must be selected by typing **Space Bar** or **E**.

Hot Spare

Type **H** to assign the selected drives to the Hot Spare pool. Drives must be selected by typing **Space Bar** or **E**.

Remove Spare

Type **R** to remove the selected drives from the Hot Spare pool. Drives must be selected by typing **Space Bar** or **E**.

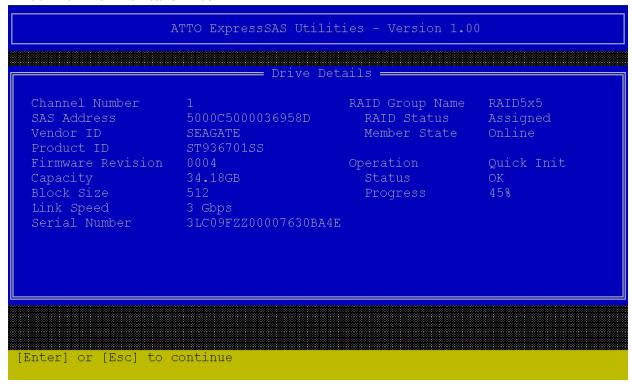
Locate

Type **L** to make the selected drives blink their activity or location lights. Drives must be selected by typing **Space Bar** or **E**. Type **L** again to turn the lights off.

Show Drive Detail

Type **Enter** to display more information about the highlighted drive. See Exhibit 2.4-5 on page 78.

Exhibit 2.4-5 The Drive Details Window



Configuring RAID groups (ExpressSAS RAID adapter only)

Selecting the Configure RAID Groups menu displays a list of all detected RAID groups with the following information for each:

Chan

Indicates the adapter number for the ExpressSAS RAID adapter to which the group belongs.

ID

Displays the group ID number within the adapter.

Group Name

RAID group name.

Drives

Number of drives in the RAID group.

Capacity

The RAID group's total capacity.

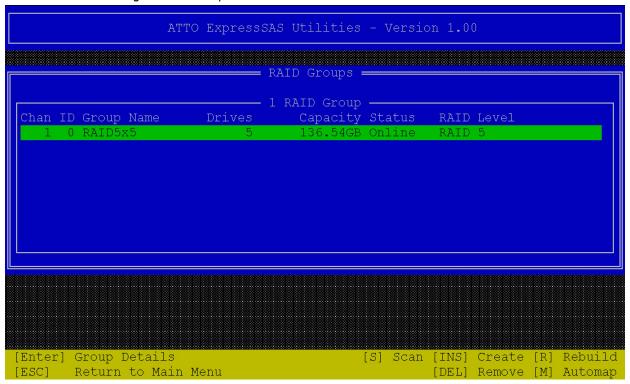
Status

The RAID group's current status.

RAID Level

The RAID group's RAID level.

Exhibit 2.4-6 The Configure RAID Groups Menu



The Configure RAID Groups menu highlights the first RAID group in the list. Use the up and down arrows to highlight other RAID groups. Select the following functions:

Scan

Type S to clear and refresh the group list.

Create

Type Insert to build a new RAID group.

Delete

Type Delete to delete the highlighted RAID group. A confirmation prompt must be answered.

Rebuild

Type R to rebuild the highlighted RAID group. A confirmation prompt must be answered to start the rebuild.

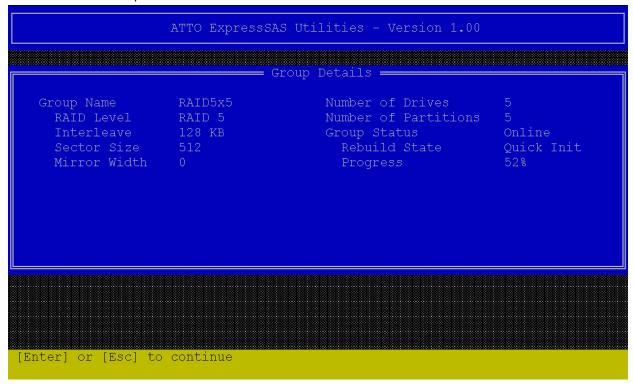
Automap

Type M to automatically map all unmapped partitions on each adapter in the system.

View Selected RAID Group

Type Enter to display more information about the highlighted RAID group. If a RAID group is initializing or rebuilding, the Group Details screen displays the completion percentage of the operation. See Exhibit 2.4-7 on page 80.

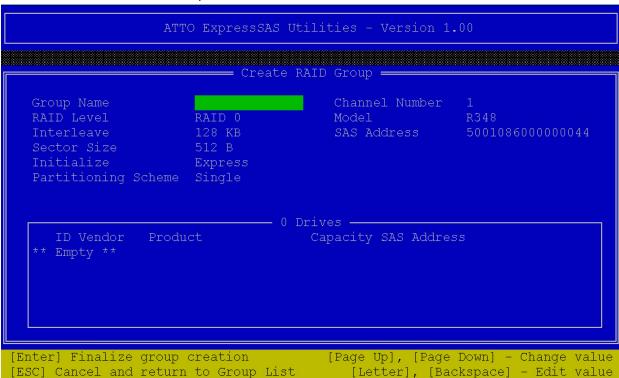
Exhibit 2.4-7 The Group Details Window



Create a RAID Group

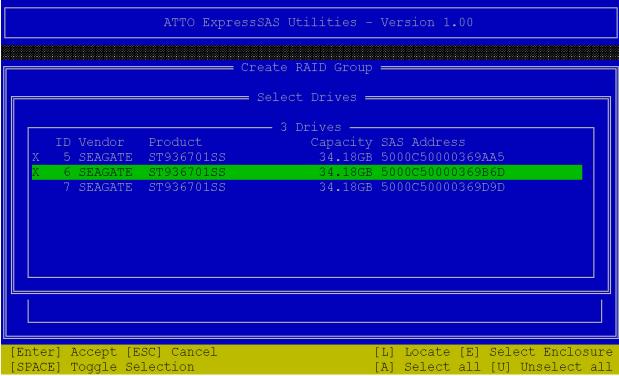
Selecting Create RAID Group starts a wizard. See Exhibit 2.4-8.

Exhibit 2.4-8 The Create RAID Group Menu



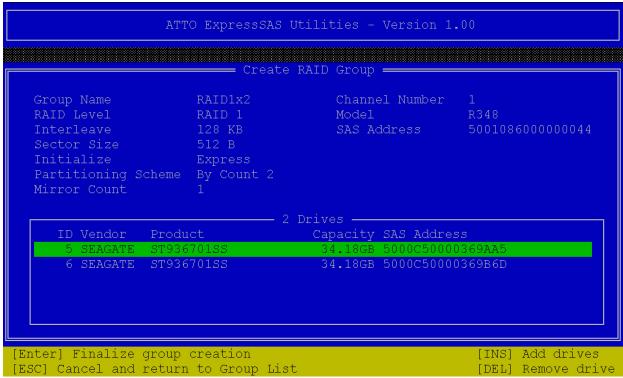
- 1 Type a RAID group name. The name must be unique and no more than 14 characters.
- 2 Select a RAID Level: 0,1,4,5,6,10 or JBOD.
- 3 Select an Interleave: 8KB, 16KB, 32KB, 64KB, 128KB, 256KB, 512KB, or 1MB
- 4 Select a Sector Size: 512 B or 4KB.
- 5 Select an Initialize type: Express or Advanced
- 6 Select a Partitioning Scheme: Single, By Count or By Size.
- 7 Select a Mirror Count, a copy of the original data stored on a separate disk, for RAID groups that have mirrors.
- 8 Type Insert on the Drive list box to add drives to the RAID group. See Exhibit 2.4-9.

Exhibit 2.4-9 Select Drives for RAID Group Menu



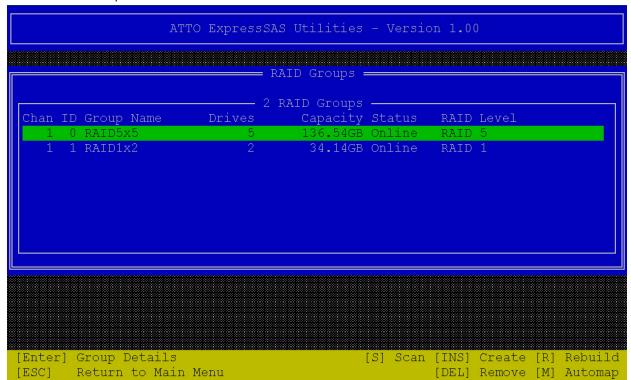
9 A list box of available drives is displayed. Press the **Space Bar** to select the drives to include in the new RAID group. Press **E** to select drives that are in the same enclosure. Type **Enter** to finalize drive selection. See Exhibit 2.4-10 on page 82.

Exhibit 2.4-10 After adding drives to a new RAID Group



¹⁰ Type Enter to create the RAID group. See Exhibit 2.4-11 on page 83.

Exhibit 2.4-11 Group creation finished





CAUTION

A rebuild occurs after creating a RAID Level 4, RAID Level 5, or RAID Level 6 group. The length of time required for the rebuild depends upon the size of the RAID group. Do not reboot the adapter until the rebuild process is complete.



Note

A RAID group is created with default properties which may be changed using the ConfigTool. Refer to <u>ATTO ConfigTool</u> on page 1.

3.0 ATTO Utilities for Windows

The ATTO Utilities for Windows is a collection of programs which provide adapter management, device management and SAN management. These utilities execute on the Windows Server 2012, 2008, 2003, 2000; 8, 7, Vista and XP operating systems for x86 and x64 platforms.

The ATTO Utilities for Windows are included in the CD which was delivered with your adapter.

The suite content varies according to the adapter purchased. The Fibre Channel specific utilities are not present in the SCSI suite and the SCSI specific utilities are not present in the FC suite.

An easy-to-use HTML-based menu is launched automatically upon inserting the CD in your system CD-ROM drive. The adapter tools can be installed from this menu.

ConfigTools

ATTO provides a full suite of ConfigTools and supplemental utilities to enhance the performance of ATTO storage controllers. The suite is comprised of the following utilities.

Alamode configures disk mode pages.

Bench32, a disk benchmark program, measures disk performance.

SNIA FC AP installs the ATTO Vendor library needed to access the SNIA metrics for ATTO FC adapters.

FC LUN Masking selects devices on a SAN visible to the system.

SCSI Domain Validation tests the connection between an adapter and the devices on the SCSI bus.

ExpressPCI Setup Utility sets up the NVRAM parameters for SCSI ExpressPCI adapters.

3.1 Configure Mode Pages: Alamode Utility

Alamode is a Windows utility to optimize disk drive performance by configuring mode pages without requiring specific knowledge of mode page parameters.

A mode page or mode parameter page is a group of related settings or parameters which govern certain aspects of how a disk drive operates. Most drives come from the factory set for maximum compatibility to work safely and reliably with the widest range of hosts and systems. However, these out-of-the-box settings may disable some high-performance features which your ATTO storage controller could use. Depending on your requirements, mode pages can be configured to affect performance, computability, data integrity and other characteristics.

Alamode optimizes all mode pages at once. You do not have to select which pages to optimize or which parameters to optimize. Changing mode page settings is quite safe. However you may change the drive's mode pages back to **Factory Defaults** without losing data.

Notes

- You cannot optimize IDE drives because they don't have mode pages.
- You cannot optimize drives which are striped in a RAID group. You may optimize the drives

before striping them, or break up the group into individual drives, optimize them, and then rebuild the group. The second method, however, destroys any data on the existing RAID volume.

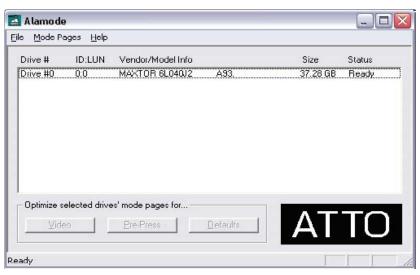
 If you plan on formatting the drive and setting its mode pages, set the mode pages first using Alamode.

Using Alamode

- 1 Launch the application.
- 2 Select the drive you want to optimize.
- 3 Click the button corresponding to the type of application the drive uses:
 - Digital Video
 - Pre-press
 - Default (return the drive to its factory default settings)

You should shut down and restart the system before continuing to use the drive to ensure the drive behaves according to the new settings.





3.2 ATTO Disk Benchmark

The **ATTO Utilities for Windows** suite includes a utility to measure peak and sustained throughput for disk reads and disk writes.

The ATTO Disk Benchmark measures peak and sustained throughput for disk reads and writes.

- 1 Launch the application.
- 2 Select the drive letter for the disk to benchmark.
- 3 Select the transfer sizes to test.
- 4 Select the I/O option.
- 5 Click the **Start** button.
- 6 Wait for benchmark to run through the desired transfer sizes.
- 7 The Test Results Display at the bottom of the window is updated as the test progresses. The y-axis of the graph represents the transfer sizes in the selected range. The x-axis represents the transfer speeds in MB/sec. I/O speeds in KB/sec. for each transfer size are displayed textually to the right of the graph.
- 8 Click the **Stop** button to stop the test. When the test completes, the results can be saved or printed.

If errors were detected, a dialog box displays the errors in a table with the following four columns and a button:

- Benchmark Transfer Size: transfer size at which the error occurred.
- Buffer Index: index into the data block at which the error occurred.
- Actual Value: the value read from the file.
- **Expected Value**: the value written to the file.
- Log to File: Logs the error table to a *.log file and closes the dialog. The file is given the same name as the test file and saved in the same directory. If the test was not previously saved, errors are logged to the generic file Bench32Error.log in the root of the test drive. If the log file already exists, the new errors are appended to the previously recorded errors. This is the only way to save detected errors. They are not saved in the test document file.

If the I/O comparison option was selected and errors were not detected, the message **No errors detected** is displayed.



Note

Additional information on using **Bench32** is available by accessing the **Help** menu in the application.

Benchmark fields

The benchmark fields include.

- **Drive**: Select the logical drive to benchmark. A test can be performed on any system drive.
- Transfer Size: Select the range of transfer sizes used for reading and writing data to the test drive. Transfer speeds are displayed for each size in the range. If the first size is greater than the second size, the test is not performed for any transfer size.
- Total Length: Select the total size of the data file to be created on the test drive. This file is deleted when testing completes.
- Direct I/O: If this option is checked, file I/O on the test drive is performed with no system buffering or caching. Combine this option with Overlapped I/O for maximum asynchronous performance.
- Radio Button Group
- Overlapped I/O performs queued I/O. Upon selection, the Queue Depth option displays to select the maximum number of read or write commands which may be executed simultaneously.
- I/O Comparison compares the data read from the test file to the data written on a per block basis. You can select the data pattern for comparison from the Test Pattern dropdown box.
- Run Continuously runs the test continuously for a specified number of minutes. The test stops before the specified time if any errors are detected.
- **Neither**: Select if you do not want to perform overlapped I/O or I/O comparisons.

The following fields do not affect the benchmark but are informational, providing documentation of the test environment.

- Stripe Group: If the test drive is a stripe group, select its name from the list box. The names and quantities of drives in the stripe group are printed to the **Description** box. Select **Clear** to clear the contents of the **Description** box.
- Controlled by displays all ATTO storage controllers on the system.
- Description: Enter additional information about the test which can be saved or printed. Be sure to enter additional information after making a selection from the Stripe Group dropdown box, as this erases the current description.

Performing multiple benchmark tests

The ATTO Disk Bench supports four command line parameters for uninterrupted testing:

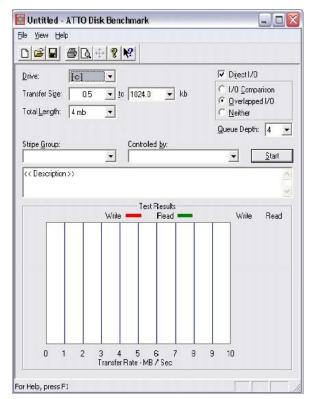
testfile opens and executes the test named **testfile** with the extension .bmk or .tst (older versions of Disk Bench).

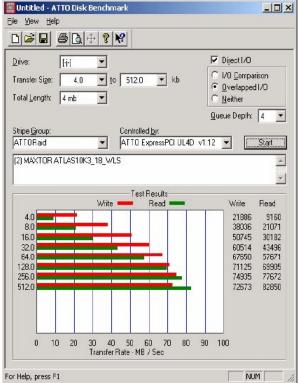
textfile opens the text file named **textfile**. This file contains a list of test file names which have an extension of **.bmk** or **.tst**. Each test in this list is opened and executed in order. Stopping one test in the list prevents further tests from being executed. Error logging is the same as the command line parameter **testfile**, but all errors generated from all tests in the list are logged to one file: **textfile.log**.

/p testfile: Same as **testfile**, only the test is printed to the default system printer instead of being executed.

/p textfile: Same as **textfile**, only the tests in the list are printed to the default system printer instead of being executed.

Exhibit 3.2-1 The **Bench 32** window before and after a test has been run.





3.3 FC LUN Masking Utility

ATTO storage controller drivers allow you to select which devices and Logical Unit Numbers (LUNs) on a SAN are visible to Windows operating systems.

Many devices, including RAID controllers and SCSI-to-Fibre Channel bridges, use LUNs to allow access to multiple drive units through a single World Wide Name (WWN). However, you may not want to allow all users connected to one device to have access to all devices. The ATTO LUN masking utility allows you, as the administrator, to select which LUNs each user may access, allowing greater flexibility in configuring a Fibre Channel SAN.

The utility gives information, allows you to add a new device to an adapter or allows LUN masking using three windows:

Main Window monitors and manages all LUN masking functions. The page is divided into two subsections: **Adapters** and **Devices**.

- Adapter List displays information about all the adapters detected or configured on this system.
 The first column displays the WWN of the adapter. If the adapter is installed, the second column displays the model of the adapter. Clicking on an adapter in the adapter list updates the device list.
- Device List displays information about all devices detected or configured for the adapter selected in the adapter list.

The first column displays the device's WWN. The second column displays whether the first column refers to a **Node WWN**, **Port WWN**, **Any WWN** or is **Disabled**. The third column displays the current LUN mask configuration.

Adding a new device to an adapter

- 1 Select the adapter in the **Main Window** adapter list.
- 2 Click on the **Add Device** button at the bottom of the page.
- 3 Enter the **WWN** of the device or select a **WWN** from the drop down box.
- 4 Select the type of WWN to use:
 - Disabled
 - Node
 - Port
 - Any
- 5 Click OK.
- 6 The device name displays in that adapter's Device List on the bottom half of the main window. Click the Save Changes button on the bottom of the windows.

Using the Edit LUN Mask Dialog box

Double click the WWN of the device you wish to edit in the **Devices List** or select it and click the **Edit LUN Mask** button. If you do not see the device listed, you may need to add it.

Saving and applying your changes

1 Click the **Save Changes** button on the bottom of the windows.



Note

You must have **Write Access** to the registry key and all its sub-keys to save changes. Consult your system administrator if you cannot save changes.

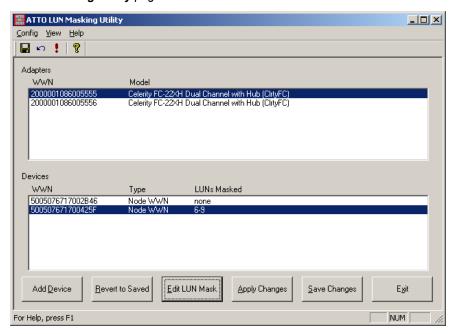
2 If you want the changes to take effect immediately, click the **Apply Changes** button before exiting but after saving. This causes the driver to reread the registry settings and alter its internal device database.



Note

If Windows is unable to see devices or LUNs which you have just unmasked, you may need to reboot the system.
In Windows 2000, you may need to run Windows Volume Manager to see devices which you have just unmasked.

Exhibit 3.3-1 ATTO LUN Masking Utility page.



3.4 SNIA FC Storage Controller API

API, or Application Programming Interface, is a set of commands used by an application directing the operating system to perform certain tasks.

ATTO storage controllers use API Version 1.0 as defined by the Storage Network Industry Association (SNIA) Fibre Channel Work Group.

The Common storage controller API Version 1.0, released in October 2000, is a vendor-neutral format for reporting information about storage controllers to upper level software applications. It is commonly used in applications which provide the following:

- query information about adapter properties and port information
- query information about attached storage resource
- event notification

ATTO storage controllers support the API on Windows Server 2012, 2008, 2003, 2000; 8, 7, Vista and XP operating systems, as well as Linux operating systems.

The API has two major parts: the ATTO library and the registry key.

The registry entry is made in

KEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\Software\SNIA and points to the location of the ATTO library.

The ATTO vendor library is installed in the same location as the driver. A related component, the common library, is provided by the SAN-aware application provider.

3.5 Domain Validation Testing

Domain Validation tests the physical connection between storage controller and devices to ensure the desired data transfer speeds can be achieved.

Domain Validation verifies the connection between the storage controller and storage devices (i.e. cables, connectors, targets, etc.) is capable of handling high-speed data transfers.

The ATTO SCSIDV utility performs Domain Validation on your storage connection. The three DV tests can be selected in the **SCSIDV Main page**.

Basic Integrity Test performs a simple integrity check to determine the fastest valid mode of operation between initiator and target, detecting most physical configuration problems such as:

- · path width errors
- · expander errors
- · gross cable errors
- incorrect termination
- damaged transceiver

Enhanced Integrity Test performs a more advanced integrity check. A data pattern intended to stress the physical domain is written to and then read from memory on the device and compared with the original data pattern. If data compare errors are detected, fallback is attempted until a valid mode of operation is found.

Problems detected include:

- cables with incorrect impedance
- bad SCSI device spacing
- poor termination
- · marginal transceivers
- excessive crosstalk
- · excessive system noise

Margining Test varies driver signal strength by +/-20% and verifies the integrity of the subsystem. Failure indicates the subsystem is close to failure because inferior components are significantly degrading SCSI bus signals and thus lowering the signal margins. This can result in sudden subsystem failure or intermittent integrity errors.

Running the SCSI Application

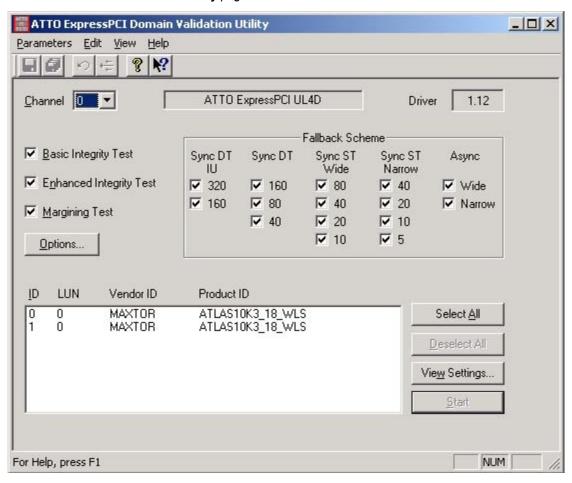
- 1 Launch the application.
- 2 Select the SCSI bus adapter channel.
- 3 Select the test(s) to be run.
- 4 Select the negotiation parameters located in the Fallback Scheme grouping. The SDV test starts with the highest values and, if a problem is detected, tests with the next lower set of values.
- 5 Select the target device(s). The test is performed between the initiator and each target device selected.
- 6 Press the Start button.

When the test is complete, a message panel displays. The panel shows the negotiated SCSI parameters for each device. The left side of the page shows the negotiated value after the test runs and the right side shows the value before the test being run.

The column labelled **Changed?** indicates if the negotiated value changed as a result of the tests. If the value changed, the connection between the initiator and the target device may not have been optimized.

The application **help** text provides useful information about setting up the tests. Review the **help** text for more detailed explanation of the application.

Exhibit 3.5-1 The **Domain Validation Utility** page.



3.6 ExpressPCI SCSI Setup Utility

The ExpressPCI Setup Utility changes the same NVRAM parameters as described for the ATTO ConfigTool earlier in this manual.

Modifying NVRAM settings

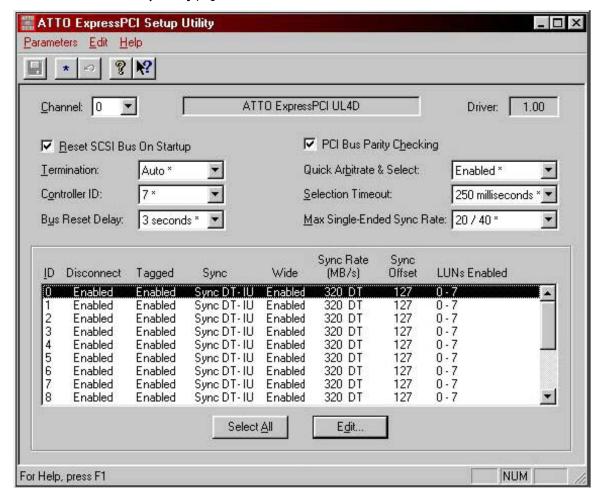
- 1 Locate the **ExpressPCI Setup Utility** application icon on your hard drive.
- 2 Double-click the icon to start the application.
- 3 Make the desired changed to the IDs. Multiple IDs can be modified simultaneously using the buttons at the bottom of the **Main Menu**.

Specific IDs may also be selected using the **CTRL** and **SHIFT** keys while left-clicking with the mouse.

Additional information on using SCSI Utility is available by accessing the **Help** menu in the application.

4 Save your changes and exit the application.

Exhibit 3.6-1 The SCSI Setup Utility page.



3.7 Troubleshoot ATTO Utilities for Windows

The following suggestions may help if you are having problems.

- Using the **Device Manager**, ensure all drives are visible to the operating system.
- If drives are not visible, check all cable connections and terminations on each device.
- Make sure each device is powered up and has completed its self check before booting your machine.
- Reboot your system any time you make changes to a stripe group.
- As a last resort, you may use the ATTO
 Configuration Utility to low level format a

- troublesome device. However, this erases all information on the disk.
- If you are installing a SCSI boot drive, check your CMOS setup and verify your DRIVE TYPE is set to NOT INSTALLED.
- Have you partitioned your drive, and then activated that partition?
- Did you format the drive for your operating system?

If problems persist, contact your ATTO Technology technical support representative.

Appendix A CLI provides an ASCII-based interface

The **RAID CLI** tab in the ATTO ConfigTool allows experienced users to enter RAID Command Line Interface (CLI) commands to the SAS RAID adapter. The CLI uses ASCII commands typed while in CLI mode.



CAUTION

Do not use the CLI unless you are directed to by an ATTO technician.

Changing parameters may cause loss of data and/or disruption to performance and reliability of the ExpressSAS storage controller.

The ATTO ConfigTool interface is the preferred method to operate and manage the ExpressSAS or ThunderStream SC storage controller. Refer to RAID Configuration on page 16 for details.

The command line interface (CLI) is a set of ASCII-based commands which perform configuration and diagnostic tasks. Refer to RAID Configuration on page 16.

CLI commands are context sensitive and generally follow a standard format

[Get|Set] Command [Parameter1|Parameter2]

followed by the return or enter key.

 CLI commands are case insensitive: you may type all upper or all lower case or a mixture.
 Upper and lower case in this manual and the help page are for clarification only.

- Commands generally have three types of operation: get, set and immediate.
- The get form returns the value of a parameter or setting and is an informational command.
- Responses to get commands are followed by Readv.
- The set form is an action which changes the value of a parameter or configuration setting. It may require a SaveConfiguration command and a restart of the system before it is implemented. The restart can be accomplished using a separate FirmwareRestart command. A number of set commands may be issued before the SaveConfiguration command.
- Responses to set commands are either an error message or Ready. *. The asterisk indicates you must use a SaveConfiguration command to finalize the set command.
- Set commands which do not require a SaveConfiguration command, defined as immediate commands, are immediately executed.



Note

Using certain CLI commands during normal operation can cause a performance drop. Once command actions are complete, performance should return to normal levels.

Exhibit A-1 Symbols, typefaces and abbreviations used to indicate functions and elements of the command line interface used in this manual.

Symbol	Indicates
[]	Required entry
< >	Optional entry
	Pick one of
n-n	A range (6 – 9 = 6, 7, 8, 9)
BlockDevID	Index designation of a block device not assigned to any other RAID group; the index of a block device provided by the <u>BlockDevScan (Immediate, Disabled on Error)</u> command. 0<=n<=63
GroupName	The name of the RAID group to which the block device is assigned, or blank if the block device is available
MemberIndex	Index designation of a RAID group member as found in the RMStatus (Immediate) command
PartIndex	Index designation of a partition as found in the PartitionDisplay (Immediate) command
SASIndex	Index designation of SAS drives as found in <u>SASTargets (Immediate, Disabled on Error)</u>
TID	Target ID: 0<=n<=255

CLI error messages

The following error messages may be returned by the Command line Interface

```
ERROR Invalid Command. Type 'Help' for command list.
ERROR Command Not Processed
ERROR Wrong/Missing Parameters
ERROR Invalid Hot Spare Serial Number
ERROR Invalid RAID GroupName
ERROR Invalid RAID Group State
ERROR Insufficient number of RAID Group members
ERROR RAID Group does not exist
ERROR No RAID Groups found
ERROR Invalid RAID Type
ERROR RAID Group is already unmapped
ERROR Invalid Block Device Index
ERROR Invalid RAID MemberIndex
ERROR Invalid RAID Member State
ERROR Missing RAID Member
ERROR Invalid RAID Member Capacity
ERROR Invalid Partition Index
ERROR Maximum number of RAID Groups exceeded
ERROR Maximum number of Partitions exceeded
ERROR Invalid number of Partitions
ERROR Maximum number of RAID Members exceeded
ERROR Maximum stripe width
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ERROR Invalid number of Partitions specified

ERROR Invalid Span Depth specified

ERROR Cannot perform operation on mapped Partition

ERROR Cannot perform operation. RAID Group has mapped Partitions

ERROR Cannot perform operation. RAID Group has Outstanding Commands

ERROR Block Device at specified index no longer available

ERROR Insufficient RAID Group members for RAID type

ERROR Incorrect number of RAID Group members for QuickVideo configuration

ERROR Invalid Virtual Drive ID

ERROR Specified capacity is invalid

ERROR Too many Indices specified.

ERROR Only one add storage operation is permitted at any given time.

ERROR No free block devices

ERROR Cannot benchmark a drive that is being initialized

ERROR Specified drive is not being monitored
```

CLI summary

The following chart summarizes the Command Line Interface commands, their defaults, and an example of how to enter the commands. Commands which have no default values have a blank entry in that column of the table.



CAUTION

Do not use CLI unless you are directed to by an ATTO technician. Changing parameters may cause loss of data and/or disruption to performance and reliability of the ExpressSAS adapter.

Command	Default	Example
AutoMap		automap
AutoMapOnBoot	disabled	set automaponboot enabled
AutoResume	rebuild = enabled erase = disabled initialize = enabled	set autoresume erase enabled raidgroup1
BlockDevClean		blockdevclean 30
BlockDevIdentify		blockdevidentify 30
BlockDevIDStop		blockdevidstop
BlockDevInfo		blockdevinfo
BlockDevScan		blockdevscan
BuzzerOnError (6Gb RAID Adapter w/CacheAssure)		set buzzeronerror enabled
BuzzerTest (6Gb RAID Adapter w/CacheAssure)		buzzertest on 5
CACacheStatus (6Gb RAID Adapter w/CacheAssure)		get cacachestatus
CACleanCache (6Gb RAID Adapter w/CacheAssure)		cacleancache
CAPowerStatus (6Gb RAID Adapter w/CacheAssure)		get capowerstatus
CAProtectionMode (6Gb RAID Adapter w/CacheAssure)	Hi (High) Protection	set caprotectionmode hiperformance

Command	Default	Example
ClearEventLog		cleareventlog
Date		
DeleteScheduledTasks		
DisplayScheduledTasks		
DriveAssureReport		driveassurereport groupname1
DriveHealth	disabled	set drivehealth enabled
DriveHealthDisplay		drivehealthdisplay all
DriveHealthStatus		drivehealthstatus
DriveTest		drivetest begin
DriveTestClearList		drivetestclearlist all
DriveTestConfig	not initiated	set drivetestconfig read
DriveTestList		get drivetestlist all
DriveTestStatus		get driveteststatus
DumpConfiguration		dumpconfiguration
DumpEventLog		dumpeventlog
EventLog	enabled	set eventlog disabled
EventLogFilter	all all all	set eventlogfilter gen info all
FUAWrites	enabled	set fuawrites disabled
Help		help eventlog
HSAdd		hsadd 3
HSDisplay		hsdisplay
HSRemove		hsremove 3
IdentifyBridge	Disabled	set IdentifyBridge enabled
Info		info
IsReserved		isreserved
MediaScanErrorReport		
Metrics		metrics display all
Mirrorldentify		set mirroridentify rg1
MirrorldentifyStop		mirroridentifystop rg1
OEMConfigFile	ATTO	get oemconfigfile
Partition		partition alpha1 6 4 GB
PartitionDisplay		partitiondisplay alpha1
PartitionMerge		partitionmerge all
PartitionSplit		partitionsplit alpha1 22 2
PartitionWriteCache		set partitionwritecache enabled
PassThroughMode		set passthroughmode all
PassThroughPersistent		passthroughpersistent
PassThroughRediscover		passthroughrediscover
RAIDRebuildPriority	same	set raidrebuildpriority low
RAIDSpeedWriteLimit	8	set raidspeedwritelimit 16
RebuildContinueOnError	Disabled	set rebuildcontinueonerror all enabled
Reserve		reserve
RestoreConfiguration		restoreconfiguration default
RGAddStorage		rgaddstorage groupname1 span commit
RGAutoRebuild	disabled	set rgautorebuild all enabled

Command	Default	Example
RGCancelAddStorage		rgcanceladdstorage groupname1
RGCancelMediaScan		
RGCommit		rgcommit all
RGCreate		rgcreate groupname1 raid0
RGDiskWriteCache	enabled	set rgdiskwritecache all disabled
RGDisplay		rgdisplay all
RGErase		rgerase groupname1
RGHaltConversion		rghaltconversion groupname1
RGHaltErase		rghalterase groupname1
RGHaltInitialization		rghaltinitialization groupname1
RGHaltMediaScan		
RGHaltRebuild		rghaltrebuild groupname1
RGMediaScan		
RGMediaScanErrorReport		set rghdparameter groupname1 30
RGMemberAdd		rgmemberadd groupname1 30
RGMemberRemove		rgmemberremove groupname1 30
RGPrefetch		
RGReadDirect	enabled	set rgreaddirect groupname 1 disabled
RGRebuild		rgrebuild groupname1
RGRecover		rgrecover g1 rebuild
RGRecoverWithWrites		rgrecoverwithwrites g1 basic
RGResumeConversion		rgresumeconversion groupname1
RGResumeErase		rgresumeerase groupname1
RGResumeInitialization		regresumeinitialization groupname1
RGResumeMediaScan		
RGResumeRebuild		rgresumerebuild groupname1
RGSectorSize	512	set rgsectorsize groupname1 4096
RGSpanDepth	1	set rgspandepth groupname1 8
RGSpeedRead	all disabled	set rgspeedread groupname1 enabled
RGUnmap		rgunmap groupname1
RGWaitTimeout	3	rgwaittimeout 30
RMStatus		rmstatus groupname1
Route		route host 1 raid groupname1 6
RouteDisplay		routedisplay host 0
SasPortList		
SASTargets		sastargets
SaveConfiguration		saveconfiguration
SerialNumber		get serialnumber
SES	enabled	
SESAlarmTest		
SESDiskFailureAlarm	disabled	
SESEnclosures		
SESIdentify	off	set sesidentify all
SESIdentifyStop		sesidentifystop all
SESMute		

Command	Default	Example
SESPoll	30	set sespoll 0
SESStartingSlot	1	
SESStatus		
Temperature		get temperature
Time		set time 03:32:30
TimeZone	EST	set timezone pst
VerboseMode	enabled	set verbosemode disabled
VirtualDriveInfo		virtualdriveinfo

CLI command explanations

Command Line Interface commands are listed alphabetically with explanations of what they are used for, their defaults and syntax.



CAUTION

Using CLI without contacting an ATTO technician is not recommended because changing parameters may cause loss of data and/or disruption to performance and reliability of the ExpressSAS adapter.

AutoMap (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

Automap automatically maps each RAID Partition to a Target ID on the host system (maximum 256 maps allowed). If the optional 'passthrough' parameter is entered then AutoMap stores maps for currently connected SAS/SATA Pass Through Devices. Existing maps for available targets are preserved.

Usage: AutoMap <passthrough>

AutoMapOnBoot (OEM Configurable, Disabled on Error) (Not valid for 3808)

Enables or disables automatic device detection and mapping (<u>AutoMap (Immediate, Disabled on Error)</u>) at startup.

Usage: set AutoMapOnBoot [enabled | disabled]

get AutoMapOnBoot

AutoResume

AutoResume sets or gets the AutoResume features for interrupted rebuild, write pattern, erase, initialization, media scan, and conversion operations at startup. Optional parameter GroupName specifies the RAID group to operate on. If no GroupName is specified, the command operates on all existing RAID groups.

Usage: set AutoResume [Rebuild|WritePattern

|Erase|Initialization|MediaScan|Conversion|all]

[enabled|disabled] < GroupName>

get AutoResume

[Rebuild|WritePattern|Erase|Initialization|MediaScan|

Conversion[all]

BlockDevClean (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

BlockDevClean removes any RAID configuration data from the block device with the specified BlockDevID. BlockDevID is the index of a block device provided by the BlockDevScan CLI command. Caution: All RAID Group setup information is lost and you lose all RAID Group data.

Usage: BlockDevClean [BlockDevID]

BlockDevIdentify (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

Lights the LED of a disk drive. Use either RAID Group name and member index, or BlockDevID. BlockDevID is the index of a block device provided by the BlockDevScan CLI command.

Usage: BlockDevIdentify [[Groupname MemberIndex] |

BlockDevID]

BlockDevIdStop (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

Turns off the IO LED of a previously identified disk drive. Specify RAID group name and member index, BlockDevID, or no parameters (which will turn off all previously identified drives). BlockDevID is the index of the block device provided by the BlockDevScan CLI command.

Usage: BlockDevIdStop <[GroupName MemberIndex] |

BlockDevID>

BlockDevInfo (Immediare, Disabled on Error)

BlockDevInfo gives detailed information about connected physical block devices along with any potential RAID Group association.

Usage: BlockDevInfo [BlockDevID | all]

BlockDevScan (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

BlockDevScan lists all currently connected physical block devices along with any potential RAID Group association. Each block device listed is assigned a unique index at the time of the scan. This index is used to identify block devices for other CLI operations.

Usage: BlockDevScan

BuzzerOnError (OEM Configurable) (6Gb RAID Adapter w/CacheAssure)

When enabled, the audible alarm will sound under error conditions. When disabled, the audible alarm is muted.

Usage: set BuzzerOnError [enabled | disabled]

get BuzzerOnError

BuzzerTest (Immediate) (6Gb RAID Adapter w/CacheAssure)

Turns the audible alarm on or off regardless of the BuzzerOnError state. The optional seconds parameter specifies the length of time that the alarm is on. If the seconds parameter is omitted, the audible alarm will not turn off until the BuzzerTest Off command is issued.

Usage: BuzzerTest [on <seconds> | off]

CACacheStatus (6Gb RAID Adapter

w/CacheAssure)

Returns the current status of the CacheAssure NV Memory Card. This includes whether or not it is installed.

Usage: get CACacheStatus

CACleanCache (Immediate) (6Gb RAID Adapter w/CacheAssure)

Deletes the contents of CacheAssure flash memory. Warning: CacheAssure may contain data for drives that are not connected, and issuing this command will cause that data to be lost!

Usage: CACleanCache

CAPowerStatus (6Gb RAID Adapter

w/CacheAssure)

Returns the current status of the CacheAssure Power Module. This includes whether or not it is installed and whether or not it is fully charged.

Usage: get CAPowerStatus

CAProtectionMode (OEM Configurable, Disabled on Error) (6Gb RAID Adapter w/CacheAssure)

Use this command to determine behavior when CacheAssure is installed. HiProtection mode causes Disk Write Caching to be immediately Disabled for new and existing RAID Groups. HiPerformance mode enables Disk Write Caching for new and existing RAID Groups with a small risk of data loss on power failure.

Usage: set CAProtectionMode [HiProtection |

HiPerformance]
get CAProtectionMode

ClearEventLog (Immediate)

ClearEventLog clears the contents of the event log.

Usage: ClearEventLog

Date

Sets/displays the current date. The date range is 01/01/2000 to 12/31/2099.

Usage: set Date [MM/DD/YYYY]

get Date

DeleteScheduledTasks (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

Deletes a scheduled task with the Id returned by DisplayScheduledTasks.

Usage: DeleteScheduledTasks [Id]

DisplayScheduledTasks (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

Immediate command that displays all outstanding scheduled tasks.

Usage: DisplayScheduledTasks

DriveAssureReport (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

Displays drive timeout error statistics for all member drives in the specified RAID group.

Usage: DriveAssureReport [GroupName]

DriveHealth (OEM Configurable, Disabled on Error)

Changes the system's ability to acquire drive health data from connected drives. Issuing this command during I/O operations may adversely affect performance.

Usage: set DriveHealth [enabled | disabled]

get DriveHealth

DriveHealthDisplay (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

Retrieves and displays S.M.A.R.T. data from SATA disk drives, and MEDIUM DEFECT and INFORMATION EXCEPTIONS counts from other drives. Issuing this command during I/O operations may adversely affect performance. S.M.A.R.T data may be optionally filtered by attribute type: Performance, Error Rate, Event Count, Critical, or All. If filtering is used, only data for SATA drives is shown.

 $\label{th:bound} \mbox{Usage:} \quad \mbox{DriveHealthDisplay [BlockDevID \mid all] < perf \mid error \mid}$

evtcnt | crit | all>

DriveHealthStatus (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

Displays the current S.M.A.R.T. support of specified SATA disk drives and MEDIUM DEFECT and INFORMATION EXCEPTION support in other disk drives.

Usage: DriveHealthStatus [BlockDevID | all]

DriveTest (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

Immediate command which starts or stops a drive test with the previously specified configuration and drive list. Drives which are in-use by the test are not available for RAID configuration or RAID operations. Only one test can be run at a time.

Usage: DriveTest [Begin | Cancel]

DriveTestClearList (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

Specifies drives to be removed from the drive test list. The 'drive BlockDevID' parameter will remove the specified drive from the list. The 'all' parameter automatically removes all drives from the list

Usage: DriveTestClearList [drive [BlockDevID] | all]

DriveTestConfig (Disabled on Error)

Configures the drive test to perform one of the following operations: initialize (destructive write-only), mediascan (destructive for sectors with medium errors), read (non-destructive read-only), verify (destructive verify), or init-verify (destructive write-read-verify). The test is not started until the DriveTest Begin command is given. A new configuration may not be set while a drive test is being performed.

Usage: set DriveTestConfig [init | read | verify | mediascan |

init-verify]

get DriveTestConfig

DriveTestList (Disabled on Error)

Specifies drives to be run in the next drive test. DriveTestConfig should be setup prior to adding any drives into the test list. This command can be called with different eligible BlockDev IDs and each one will be added to the list. Drives which are part of a RAID Group are only eligible for read drive tests. Additionally, Hot Spare drives are only eligible for mediascan and read drive tests. The 'all' parameter automatically chooses eligible drives. The test is not started until the DriveTest Begin command is given.

Usage: set DriveTestList [drive [BlockDevID] | all]

get DriveTestList

DriveTestStatus

Displays the status of the currently running drive test. This command does not display performance metrics. If a block device ID is not running or cannot be found, its state will be 'idle' and percent complete will be 0.

Usage: get DriveTestStatus <drive [BlockDevID]>

DumpConfiguration (Immediate)

Dumps system's configuration Usage: DumpConfiguration

DumpEventLog (Immediate)

DumpEventLog can be used to dump the entire contents of the event log.

Usage: DumpEventLog

EventLog (OEM Configurable, Disabled on Error) (Not valid for 3808)

EventLog can be used to enable/disable the event logging feature. When enabled, various system events are recorded to the event log.

Usage: set EventLog [enabled | disabled]

get EventLog

EventLogFilter (OEM Configurable, Disabled on Error) (Not valid for 3808)

Specifies what events to include in the event log display. Type "get EventLogFilter" for a list of valid subsystems. Specify a subsystem with "none" to disable event display for that subsystem. Levels are "info", "warn" and "crit". Specify "info" to display all levels, "warn" to display warnings and critical events, "crit" to display only critical events. Events are classified "factory" or "user" (factory events provide detailed information for factory debug, and they are marked with a dash.) Specify "factory" to display all events, or specify "user" to display only user events.

Usage: set EventLogFilter [subsys | all] [[info | warn | crit]

[factory | user]] | none] get EventLogFilter

FUAWrites

FUAWrites is used to enable or disable whether or not FUA writes will be able to be sent to disk drives.

Usage: set FUAWrites [enabled | disabled]

get FUAWrites

Help (Immediate)

The Help command issued with no parameters displays a list of available CLI commands. When a CLI Command name is specified, a command usage string and command description is presented on the CLI.

Usage: Help < command>

HSAdd (Immediate)

Assigns a Block Device to the Hot Spare pool.

Usage: HSAdd [BlockDevID]

HSDisplay (Immediate)

HSDisplay outputs a list of all of the devices in the Hot Spare pool.

Usage: HSDisplay

HSRemove (Immediate)

Removes a Block Device from the Hot Spare pool.

Usage: HSRemove [BlockDevID | all]

IdentifyBridge

IdentifyBridge causes the 'Alert' LED to blink to enable identification of this system. Disable this option to cancel the blinking.

Usage: set IdentifyBridge [enabled | disabled]

Info (Immediate)

Info displays version numbers and other product information for key components. Use the optional 'brief' parameter to show a more concise subset of system information.

Usage: Info <brief>

IsReserved (Immediate)

IsReserved displays the reservation status of the current services session/interface.

Usage: IsReserved

MediaScanErrorReport (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

Displays media scan error statistics for either a single block device or all block devices in the system.

Usage: MediaScanErrorReport [BlockDevID | all]

Metrics (Immediate)

The Metrics CLI command offers control over the collection of standard data metrics within a product via the command's 'Start', 'Stop', and 'Display' parameters.

Usage: Metrics [Start|Stop|Display|Clear] [[drive

[BlockDevID]]|all|running]

Mirrorldentify(Immediate)

For RAID 1 and RAID 10, Mirrorldentify blinks the Identify LEDs for a set of RAID Group Drives that contain a complete copy of the data. Use MirrorNumber 0 to identify the original set.

Usage: set MirrorIdentify [GroupName <MirrorNumber>]

get Mirrorldentify [GroupName <MirrorNumber>]

MirrorldentifyStop(Immediate)

MirrorIdentifyStop stops identifying the specified set of RAID Group drives. GroupName with no mirror number stops identifying all drives in the RAID Group.

Usage: MirrorldentifyStop [GroupName <MirrorNumber>]

OEMConfigFile (Disabled on Error)

This command returns the "name" (i.e., the contents of the first record) of the OEM configuration file stored in persistent memory.

Usage: get OEMConfigFile

Partition (Immediate)

Partition sets the specified partition to the specified capacity in gigabytes (GB), megabytes (MB), or blocks. The specified capacity must be smaller than the specified partition's current capacity. A new partition is created to acquire the remainder of the original partition's space.

Usage: Partition [GroupName] [PartIdx] [capacity] [GB | MB |

blocks1

PartitionDisplay (Immediate)

PartitionDisplay outputs a list of all of the partitions available in the specified RAID Group. The partitions are listed in order of contiguousness (as opposed to index order). GroupName is the ASCII name of the RAID Group for which partitions will be displayed.

Usage: PartitionDisplay <GroupName>

PartitionMerge (Immediate)

PartitionMerge merges the specified contiguous partitions into one partition. GroupName is the ASCII name of the RAID Group containing the partitions to merge. PartIdx is the index of a partition to merge, along with a number of contiguous partitions to merge to that index. 'All' indicates that all partitions in the RAID Group will be merged into a single Virtual Disk. The RAID Group must not be in a NEW state. None of the partitions to merge may be mapped.

Usage: PartitionMerge [GroupName] [[[PartIdx] [2-128]] | all]

PartitionSplit (Immediate)

PartitionSplit splits the specified partition into one or more partitions whose capacities are evenly distributed among the capacity of the original partition. GroupName is the ASCII name of the RAID Group containing the partition to split. PartIdx is the index of the partition to split. The partition to split cannot be mapped. The RAID Group must not be in a NEW state.

Usage: PartitionSplit [GroupName] [PartIdx] [2-128]

PartitionWriteCache

Enable RAID internal Write Cache for higher write performance with a small risk of data loss after a system failure. Disable RAID internal Write Cache for a higher level of data integrity with lower write performance.

Usage: set PartitionWriteCache [GroupName] [PartIdx]

[enabled | disabled]

get PartitionWriteCache [GroupName] [PartIdx] | all1

PassThroughMode (OEM Configurable, Disabled on Error)

PassThroughMode specifies the non-disk device types which will be automatically mapped at boot time. The "all" option allows all non-disk devices to be mapped. The "SES" option allows dedicated SES processor LUNs to be mapped. The "non-SES" option allows all non-SES devices to be mapped. The "disabled" option disables the pass-through mode.

Usage: set PassThroughMode [all | SES | non-SES |

disabled]

get PassThroughMode

PassThroughPersistent (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

PassThroughPersistent stores maps for currently-attached passthrough devices to persistent memory.

Usage: PassThroughPersistent

PassThroughRediscover (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

PassThroughRediscover will make any previously deleted pass through target devices visible to the host.

Usage: PassThroughRediscover

RAIDRebuildPriority

Set the RAID rebuild priority. A RAID rebuild priority that is set to high, will give higher priority to RAID rebuilds and lower priority to the processing of simultaneous I/O transactions. A RAID rebuild priority that is set to low, will give lower priority to RAID rebuilds and higher priority to the processing of simultaneous I/O transactions. A RAID rebuild priority that is set to same, will give equal priority to RAID rebuilds and the processing of simultaneous I/O transactions. If all or no groups are specified, the system default and all of the individual RAID Groups are set. If a group name is specified, only the group specified is set.

Usage: set RAIDRebuildPriority < GroupName | all > [high |

low | same]

get RAIDRebuildPriority < GroupName | all>

RAIDSpeedWriteLimit (OEM Configurable, Disabled on Error)

Set or get the limit on the coalescing factor. Warning: changing the default setting (8) may result in poor performance or timeouts. A lower setting is recommended when using multiple initiators. A higher setting may improve performance with multiple streams of sequential write I/O, but too high a setting will cause timeouts.

Usage: set RAIDSpeedWriteLimit [0 - 32]

get RAIDSpeedWriteLimit

RebuildContinueOnError (Disabled on Error)

Allows a rebuild to continue to completion even if media read errors are encountered during the rebuild operation.

Usage: set RebuildContinueOnError [GroupName | all]

[enabled | disabled]

get RebuildContinueOnError [GroupName | all]

Reserve (Immediate)

Reserve prevents other CLI sessions from modifying the system. When the management interface is reserved, set commands are unavailable to other sessions, but get commands are available.

Usage: Reserve

RestoreConfiguration (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

RestoreConfiguration issued with the 'default' option will force the NVRAM settings to their original defaults. The 'saved' option will undo any changes made to this session since the last save.

Usage: RestoreConfiguration [default | saved]

RGAddStorage (Immediate)

RGAddStorage adds additional storage to an existing RAID Group. GroupName is an ASCII name for the RAID Group. MIRROR|STRIPE|SPAN specifies the method used to expand the storage. Optional parameter list BlockDeviceID specifies up to 10 indices of available block devices, provided by the BlockDevScan CLI command, to be added to the RAID Group. If this list is omitted, the CLI command RGMemberAdd must be used. Optional parameter commit runs the RGCommit command automatically and all user data will be erased from each new member drive. If the parameter is omitted, the CLI command RGCommit must be entered. Any time before RGCommit is entered, the command RGCancelAddStorage can be used to cancel the process. NOTE: MIRRORs cannot be added to a RAID 5, RAID 4, or DVRAID Group.

Usage: RGAddStorage [GroupName]

[MIRROR|STRIPE|SPAN] < BlockDeviceID

<commit> >

RGAutoRebuild

RGAutoRebuild enables and disables Auto-Rebuild functionality for one or more RAID Groups. Auto-Rebuild uses drives assigned as Hot Spares, followed by available drives, as automatic replacements for any member that fails. Auto-Rebuild is disabled by default.

Usage: set RGAutoRebuild [GroupName | all] [enabled |

disabled]

get RGAutoRebuild [GroupName | all]

RGCancelAddStorage (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

 $RGC ancel Add Storage\ cancels\ the\ RGAdd Storage\ command.$

Usage: RGCancelAddStorage [GroupName]

RGCancelMediaScan (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

RGCancelMediaScan cancels a media scan that is running on the specified existing RAID Group.

Usage: RGCancelMediaScan [GroupName]

RGCommit (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

RGCommit stamps a NEW RAID Group's configuration to its member drives. Advanced Initialization is highly recommended for new drives; this erases and verifies the drive media. The RAID Group is unavailable until the operation completes. Express Initialization performs a background initialization and the RAID Group is immediately available for use. When RGCommit is issued after adding storage, it stamps an EXISTING RAID Group's configuration to the added drives, and initializes the drives if Advanced or Express are specified. GroupName is the ASCII name of the NEW RAID Group to commit.

Usage: RGCommit < GroupName <Advanced | Express> | all

<Advanced | Express> >

RGCreate (Immediate)

RGCreate creates a NEW empty RAID Group. GroupName is an ASCII name for the RAID Group (14 chars max, no spaces). The optional value after the RAID Group type parameter represents the desired interleave for the RAID Group. KB denotes interleave in kilobytes; without the KB suffix, interleave is set in 512 byte blocks. If interleave is not provided, the system-default interleave is used.

Usage: RGCreate [GroupName] [RAID[0]1|10|4|5|6]|JBOD]

<64KB|128KB|256KB|512KB|1024KB

|128|256|512|1024|2048>

RGDiskWriteCache

Enable RAID member disk Write Cache for higher write performance with a small risk of data loss after a system failure. Disable RAID member disk Write Cache to force the drives to update the storage media at the expense of some write performance.

Usage: set RGDiskWriteCache [GroupName | all] [enabled |

disabled]

get RGDiskWriteCache [GroupName | all]

RGDisplay (Immediate)

RGDisplay displays RAID Group status information. GroupName is an ASCII name for an existing RAID Group.

Usage: RGDisplay < GroupName | all>

RGErase (Immediate)

RGErase erases the data from the specified existing RAID

Group. WARNING: All data will be lost!

Usage: RGErase [GroupName]

RGHaltConversion (Immediate)

RGHaltConversion halts the conversion on the specified existing RAID Group.

Usage: RGHaltConversion [GroupName]

RGHaltErase (Immediate)

RGHaltErase halts the erase on the specified existing RAID Group.

Usage: RGHaltErase [GroupName]

RGHaltInitialization (Immediate)

RGHaltInitialization halts the initialization of the specified RAID Group.

Usage: RGHaltInitialization [GroupName]

RGHaltMediaScan (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

RGHaltMediaScan halts a media scan on the specified existing RAID Group.

Usage: RGHaltMediaScan [GroupName]

RGHaltRebuild (Immediate)

RGHaltRebuild halts the rebuild(s) on the specified existing RAID Group. Optional parameter MemberIndex specifies the RAID Member whose rebuild will be halted. For RAID6 Groups, if a MemberIndex is specified, all rebuilding RAID Members on the span with that MemberIndex will halt as well. If no MemberIndex is specified, all rebuilds on that RAID Group will be halted.

Usage: RGHaltRebuild [GroupName] < MemberIndex>

RGMediaScan (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

RGMediaScan initiates a Media Scan. A Media Scan reads all member drives and corrects Media Errors by calculating the expected data and rewriting it, so the drive can relocate it to a good sector. The 'verify' option adds a data integrity check by verifying that the data and parity match. 'Verify' plus 'fix' causes the parity to be re-written when a verify mismatch occurs. Enter time (must be HH:MM in 24-hour time format) and day of week without the 'daily/weekly' option to schedule a one-time scan for a later date. Enter time, day of week and 'daily' or 'weekly' to schedule a scan on a recurring basis.

Usage: RGMediaScan [GroupName] <verify | verify fix>

<[HH:MM] <day of week> <daily | weekly>>

RGMediaScanErrorReport (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

Displays error statistics for either a single RAID Group or all RAID Groups in the system.

Usage: RGMediaScanErrorReport [GroupName | all]

RGMemberAdd (Immediate)

RGMemberAdd adds available block devices to a NEW RAID Group or as part of an RGAddStorage operation. GroupName is the ASCII name of the RAID Group to receive the RAID Member. BlockDevID is the index of an available block device provided by the BlockDevScan CLI command. Up to 10 BlockDevIDs may be specified. If all is specified, then all available unused BlockDevIDs will be added to the RAID Group until the maximum number of RAID Group members has been met. This command also resets the number of RAID Group partitions to 1.

Usage: RGMemberAdd [GroupName] [BlockDevID] all].

RGMemberRemove (Immediate)

RGMemberRemove removes a RAID Member from a NEW RAID Group. GroupName is the ASCII name of the NEW RAID Group from which to remove the RAID Member. MemberIndex is the index of the RAID Member to remove. This also resets the number of partitions to 1.

Usage: RGMemberRemove [GroupName] [MemberIndex]

RGPrefetch

Set or Get the prefetch for all or for the specified RAID Group. This command will fail if the RAID Group does not exist. GroupName is the ASCII name of the RAID Group for which the parameter will apply.

Usage: set RGPrefetch [GroupName | all] [Value 0 to 6]

get RGPrefetch [GroupName | all]

RGReadDirect

Directly read data from SAS hardware into host memory. This feature eliminates store-and-forward delays that are inherent with reading data into RAID internal cache first and then transferring it to host memory.

Usage: set RGReadDirect [GroupName | all] [enabled |

disabled[

get RGReadDirect [GroupName | all]

RGRebuild (Immediate)

RGRebuild starts rebuilding the specified existing RAID Group. Optional parameters MemberN specify the members to rebuild. If no member is specified, all degraded members will be rebuilt. Optional parameters BlockDevIDN allows an available block device to be substituted for the RAID Member currently assigned to the Member Index. RAID 6 groups can rebuild two members using the optional 'and'.

Usage: RGRebuild [GroupName] < Member 1>

<BlockDevID1> <and> <Member2> <BlockDevID2>

RGRecover (Immediate)

RGRecover provides mechanisms for assisting in the read-only access of data in OFFLINE RAID Groups. Specify "Rebuild" if the RAID Group was rebuilding and the rebuild faulted. "Basic" forces a RAID Group ONLINE with only up-to-date members and returns CHECK CONDITION on READ errors. "Extreme" forces a RAID Group ONLINE with older members and replaces READ error data with zeros. "Disabled" turns off RGRecover for "Basic" and "Extreme". NOTE: Before running RGRecover, power off and power back on all drives in the affected RAID Group drives to ensure the drives are at a known state and ready for data recovery.

Usage: RGRecover [GroupName] [Rebuild | Basic | Extreme

| Disabled]

RGRecoverWithWrites (Immediate)

RGRecoverWithWrites performs the same functions as RGRecover except the affected RAID Group allows WRITES to the RAID Group to occur normally. NOTE: Care must be exercised to minimize WRITE activity. Proceed with WRITEs at your own risk.

Usage: RGRecoverWithWrites [GroupName] [Basic |

Extreme]

RGResumeConversion (Immediate)

RGResumeConversion resumes the halted conversion on the specified existing RAID Group.

Usage: RGResumeConversion [GroupName]

RGResumeErase (Immediate)

RGResumeErase resumes the erase on the specified existing RAID Group.

Usage: RGResumeErase [GroupName]

RGResumeInitialization (Immediate)

RGResumeInitialization resumes the initialization of the specified RAID Group.

Usage: RGResumeInitialization [GroupName]

RGResumeMediaScan (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

RGResumeMediaScan resumes a media scan on the specified existing RAID Group.

Usage: RGResumeMediaScan [GroupName]

RGResumeRebuild (Immediate)

RGResumeRebuild resumes the rebuild(s) on the specified existing RAID Group. Optional parameter MemberIndex specifies the RAID Member whose halted rebuild will be resumed. For RAID6 Groups, if a MemberIndex is specified, all halted RAID Members on the span with that MemberIndex will resume as well. If no MemberIndex is specified, all halted rebuilds on that RAID Group will be resumed.

Usage: RGResumeRebuild [GroupName] < MemberIndex>

RGSectorSize

Set or get the sector size of the specified RAID Group. The desired RAID Group sector size must be evenly divisible by the sector size of any member disk. 512 bytes is the default size for most operating systems. Use 4 KB sectors to enable large volume support (greater than 2 TB) in Windows XP (32-bit).

Usage: set RGSectorSize [GroupName] [512-8192]
get RGSectorSize [GroupName | all]

RGSpanDepth

Set or get the span depth on the specified existing NEW RAID Group. All RAID Group types are supported except JBOD, which implicitly supports spanning as members are added.

Usage: set RGSpanDepth [GroupName] [SpanDepth [1-16]] get RGSpanDepth [GroupName | all]

RGSpeedRead

Perform look-ahead during reads from RAID Group member disks for all or the specified RAID Group. GroupName is the ASCII name of the RAID Group for which look-ahead reads will be performed. Auto will choose the algorithm based on each I/O command.

Usage: set RGSpeedRead [GroupName | all] [enabled |

disabled | auto]

get RGSpeedRead [GroupName | all]

RGUnmap (Immediate)

RGUnmap removes all of the mapped partitions of the specified RAID Group or the specified RAID Group's partition or contiguous partitions from the routing table. The partitions themselves will be unaffected, though they will now be inaccessible by any initiators.

Usage: RGUnmap [[[GroupName] < PartIdx] <2-128>>] | all]

RGWaitTimeout (OEM Configurable, Disabled on Error)

The RGWaitTimeout field specifies the number of seconds which the driver waits for devices to appear. The time out is used during system boot and when the BlockDevScan command is issued. You should adjust the time out setting when you have more then one RAID group in a chassis so that the chassis has enough time to bring all the drives involved in RAID groups online. If not, there is a chance that the RAID adapter may not discover all the drives for a RAID group and will either fault or degrade the RAID group.

Usage: set RGWaitTimeout [1-300] get RGWaitTimeout

RMStatus (Immediate)

RMStatus displays the status of all RAID Members within the specified RAID Group or a specific RAID member (if specified) within the specified RAID Group. This command will fail if the specified RAID Group does not exist or a specified member index within the RAID Group does not exist.

GroupName is the ASCII name of the RAID Group for which status will be displayed.

Usage: RMStatus <[GroupName] <MemberIndex>>

Route (Immediate, OEM Configurable, Disabled on Error)

Route is used to map a RAID Partition or SAS/SATA Pass Through device to a Target ID on the host system. If a map with the specified Target Id already exists, then it will be overwritten. Use 'Delete' for a Target ID to remove the map.

Usage: Route host [tid] [[RAID [GroupName] [PartIdx]] | [SAS

[Sasldx]] | Delete]

RouteDisplay (Immediate)

RouteDisplay will display a list of host protocol address to target destination device mappings. The optional 'tid' parameter will limit the list to the maps which satisfy a search for the given Target ID. If the "Passthrough" parameter is entered then all SATA/SATA Pass Through devices are displayed. Otherwise all mapped RAID Partitions are displayed. If the "Persistent" parameter is entered then only persistent maps will be displayed. Otherwise both persistent and non-persistent maps will be displayed.

Usage: RouteDisplay host < <tid>| <<passthrough>

<persistent>> >

SasPortList (Immediate)

SasPortList lists the status of all available SAS ports.

Usage: SasPortList

SASTargets (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

This command lists the physical devices that are connected to all SAS ports.

Usage: SASTargets

SaveConfiguration (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

SaveConfiguration will save configuration changes. Please note that certain modifications require a system restart.

Usage: SaveConfiguration

SerialNumber

SerialNumber displays the serial number. The serial number is a 13 character field. The first seven alphanumeric characters are an abbreviation representing the product name. The remaining six digits are the individual system's number.

Usage: get SerialNumber

SES (OEM Configurable, Disabled on Error)

SES enables support for SES enclosures that have been discovered by the system.

Usage: set SES

get SES [enabled | disabled]

SESAlarmTest (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

SESAlarmTest commands the specified enclosure's audible alarm to be turned on at the specified warning level. "Reset" turns off the alarm that has been set at any warning level. Note that SESEnclosures must be executed prior to executing SESAlarmTest.

Usage: SESAlarmTest [EnclIdx] [SET | RESET] [INFO | NON-

CRIT | CRIT | UNRECOV]

SESDiskFailureAlarm (OEM Configurable, Disabled on Error)

SESDiskFailureAlarm when enabled, activates an audible alarm when the system determines that a RAID member disk drive has failed. The enclosure which contains the failed disk drive will be sounded, other enclosures will be unaffected.

Usage: set SESDiskFailureAlarm [enabled | disabled]

get SESDiskFailureAlarm

SESEnclosures (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

SESEnclosures displays a list of SES-enabled enclosures which have been discovered by the system.

Usage: SESEnclosures

SESIdentify (Disabled on Error)

SESIdentify commands the appropriate SES enclosure to identify the specified element(s). "ALL" identifies all disks. "RAID" and RAID Group name identifies all disks in a RAID Group. If the MemberIndex is also specified, only that disk is identified. "ENC" and enclosure index identifies all slots in the specified enclosure. "DRIVE" and BlockDevID identifies the specified disk. Note that SESEnclosures must be executed prior to executing SESIdentify with the qualifier ENC and BlockDevScan must be executed prior to executing SESIdentify with the qualifier ALL.

Usage: set SESIdentify [ALL | RAID GrpName

<MemberIndex> | ENC Enclidx | DRIVE BlockDevID] get SESIdentify [ALL | RAID GrpName

<MemberIndex> | ENC Enclidx | DRIVE BlockDevID]

SESIdentifyStop (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

SESIdentifyStop commands the appropriate SES enclosure to stop identifying the specified element(s). "ALL" stops identifying all enclosures' drive slots. "RAID" and RAID Group name stops identifying disks in a RAID Group. "ENC" and enclosure index stops identifying all slots in the specified enclosure. "DRIVE" and BlockDevID stops identifying the specified drive. Note that SESEnclosures must be executed prior to executing SESIdentify with the parameters ALL or ENC.

Usage: SESIdentifyStop [ALL | RAID GrpName

<MemberIndex> | ENC EnclIdx | DRIVE BlockDevID]

SESMute (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

SESMute causes all known enclosures' audible alarms to be set to either the "mute" or "remind" state. The default action is "mute". The enclosure index qualifier is optional. The optional parameter "REMIND" may be specified to set the "remind" state, which causes an occasional audible reminder of the alarm condition (if supported). Note that SESEnclosures must be executed prior to executing SESMute.

Usage: SESMute < Enclidx > < REMIND >

SESPOII (OEM Configurable, Disabled on Error)

SESPoll specifies the SES enclosure polling interval, in seconds. At the specified interval, all known SES enclosures are polled for their current status. A setting of 0 disables SES enclosure polling.

Usage: set SESPoll [0 | 30 - 3600]

get SESPoll

SESStartingSlot (OEM Configurable, Disabled on Error)

SESStartingSlot establishes the starting slot/ID number for all attached SES enclosures.

Usage: set SESStartingSlot [0 | 1]

get SESStartingSlot

SESStatus (Immediate, Disabled on Error)

SESStatus displays the last polled status of the specified element type in the specified enclosure. SupportLevel indicates the SES features supported by the specified enclosure: Fan,Power,Temp,Alarm, DriveLEDs. If no element type is specified, all status is displayed. Note that SESEnclosures must be executed prior to executing SESStatus.

Usage: SESStatus [Enclidx | all] <ENC | DRIVE | FAN |

POWER | TEMP | ALARM | SUPPORTLEVEL>

Temperature

Temperature returns the current internal operating temperature in degrees Celsius. The value is read-only.

Usage: get Temperature

Time (Disabled on Error)

Time sets/displays the current time in 24 hour format.

Usage: set Time [HH:MM:SS]

get Time

TimeZone (OEM Configurable, Disabled on Error)

Timezone sets/displays the time zone or an offset from GMT. GMT offset must be in the format +/-HH:MM

Usage: set TimeZone [[EST | CST | MST | PST] | [[+|-]

[HH]:[MM]]] get TimeZone

VerboseMode (OEM Configurable)

VerboseMode controls the level of detail in CLI 'Help' output and command response output for the current CLI session.

Usage: set VerboseMode [enabled | disabled]

get VerboseMode

VirtualDriveInfo (Immediate)

VirtualDriveInfo displays characteristics and statistics for all the available virtual drives or any available virtual drive identified by it's virtual drive ID.

Usage: VirtualDriveInfo <VirtualDrive ID>

Appendix B Glossary

Some terms used in the Fibre Channel industry are defined below. More information is available through the ATTO Technology website (www.attotech.com), the Fibre Channel Industry Association, Cern, the Storage Area Networking Industry Association (www.snia.org), and the Fibre Channel Consortium.

Term	Definition
ANSI	American National Standards Institute.
arbitrate	The process of selecting one L_Port from a collection of ports which ask for use of the arbitrated loop at the same time.
arbitrated loop	A loop topology (FC-AL) in which two or more ports are interconnected, but only two ports can communicate at one time. Low-cost solution which may or may not use hubs and switches.
autonegotiation	A process when hardware senses and automatically responds depending on configuration.
BER	Bit Error Rate: a measure of transmission accuracy; the ratio of bits received in error to bits sent.
bit	The smallest unit of data a computer can process: a single binary digit, either 0 or 1.
bus	A collection of unbroken signal lines used to transmit information from one part of a computer system to another. Taps on the lines connect devices to the bus.
Byte	An ordered set of 8 bits.
channel	A Point-to-Point link which transports data from one point to another.
CPU	Central Processing Unit: the portion of the computer which performs computations.
CRC	Cyclic Redundancy Check: an error-correcting code which calculates a numeric value for received and transmitted data. If no error has occurred during transmission, the CRC for both received and transmitted data should be the same.
destination address	A value in the frame header of each frame which identifies the port in the node where the frame is being sent.
device driver	A program which allows a microprocessor to direct the operation of a peripheral device.
DMA	Direct Memory Access: a way to move data from a storage device directly to RAM without using the CPU's resources.
DMA bus master	Allows a peripheral to control the flow of data to and from system memory by block as opposed to allowing the processor to control the data by bytes (PIO or programmed I/O).
fabric	A Fibre Channel switch or two or more Fibre Channel switches interconnected to physically transmit data between any two N_Ports on the switch or switches.
FC	Fibre Channel.
F_port	A port in the Fibre Channel fabric where a N_port may attach.
FL_port	A port in the Fibre Channel fabric where a NL_port may attach in an arbitrated loop.
frame	An indivisible unit for transfer of information in Fibre Channel.
frame header	The first field in the frame containing the address and other control information about the frame.
full duplex	A communication protocol which allows transmission in both directions at the same time.
half duplex	A communication protocol which allows transmission in both directions, but only one direction at a time.
host	A processor, usually a CPU and memory, which communicates with devices over an interface.
initiator device	A component which originates a command.

Term Definition

L_port A port in an arbitrated loop, either a NL_port or a FL_port.

LED Light-Emitting Diode: a type of diode which emits light when current passes through it.

Visible LEDs are used as indicator lights on all sorts of electronic devices.

LUN Logical Unit Number: an identifier for a logical unit (0-7).

multi-mode fiber An optical fiber which can carry several beams of light at once.

N_port A port attached to a node used with Point-to-Point or fabric configurations.

NL port A port attached to a node in Fibre Channel arbitrated loop or fabric loop configuration.

originator An initiating device; a component which originates a command.

parity checking A method which verifies the accuracy of data transmitted over the SCSI bus by adding

one bit in the transfer to make the sum of all the bits either odd or even (for odd or even

parity). An error message occurs if the sum is not correct.

PCI Peripheral Component Interconnect. allows peripherals to be connected directly to

computer memory, bypassing the slower ISA and EISA busses.

Point-to-Point A topology where two ports communicate.

port An access point in a device: see N port, NL port, etc.

storage controller. Also known as "port number".

read direct A RAID Group feature in which data is passed directly to the OS without first being read

into the storage controller cache. This can result in read performance improvements, especially for large, sequential transfers. This feature is only available for RAID 5.

receiver The ultimate destination of data transmission; a terminal device.

SCSI Small Computer Systems Interface: a processor-independent standard for system-level

interface between a computer and intelligent devices including hard disks, floppy disks,

CD-ROM, printers, scanners, etc.

SES SCSI Enclosure Services: a processor which identifies individual drives, all the drives in

the same enclosure, all the drives in a single RAID group and faulted drives; selects drives,

and monitors the status of the enclosure.

single-mode fiber An optical fiber with a small core which supports one wavelength (ray of light). The core

radius is nearly equal to the wavelength of the source.

topology The logical layout of the parts of a computer system or network and their

interconnections.

transceiver A transmitter/receiver module.

transfer rate The rate at which bytes or bits are transferred, as in megabytes or gigabits per second.