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# TCG Storage Workgroup Status Update

SWG Update

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# Agenda

- Introduction
- Learning Objectives
- Status Update
  - Various standards documents
- Upcoming plans
- Other sessions

# Introduction

- We represent the TCG (Trusted Computing Group)
  - TCG Covers many things security
  - [Trustedcomputinggroup.org](https://www.trustedcomputinggroup.org)
- Storage Work Group
  - Focuses on security features specific to storage devices and solutions
  - Data at rest security specifications (SSCs)
    - [Security Subsystem Classes](#)
    - [Enterprise, Opal, Ruby, Pyrite](#)
  - Storage Interface Interactions Specification (SIIS)
  - Feature sets, supplementals to SSCs
    - [CNL, CNL SUM, Configurable PINs, Block SID, etc.](#)

# Learning Objectives

- Get an overview of the current activities w.r.t. standards
- Get a preview of upcoming standards activities
- Security trends in storage
- Help plan for your security features and capabilities
  - For your organization's products and solutions
- Welcome your participation and input

# Core, SSC, and SIIIS Specification

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1. Core and SSCs
  - a. Enterprise SSC
  - b. Opal 2.02
  - c. Pyrite 2.0
  - d. Ruby
  - e. Key Per I/O
2. SIIS
  - a. SIIS 1.10
  - b. SIIS 1.11

# Status of SSCs

- **Core spec – Last updated in 2015**
  - No outstanding items being tracked
- **Enterprise – Last updated in 2015**
  - No outstanding items being tracked
- **Opal SSC – 2.02 – just completed public review**
  - Main changes from previous version (2.01, released 2015)
  - Changes to LockOnReset, DoneOnReset
    - [Allows for hardware reset, in addition to power cycle and programmatic resets](#)
  - Changes – reporting estimated time for data removal mechanisms
    - [GenKey](#), [Revert](#), [RevertSP](#)
  - Manufactured-Inactive state is mandatory
  - Block SID support is mandatory
  - Various clean up and updates based on TC comments
- **Ruby**
  - Published in Jan, 2020
  - No outstanding items being tracked for this SSC
- **Pyrite**
  - Updated in May, 2020
  - No outstanding items being tracked for this SSC

# Under Development

- Key Per I/O
  - Key insertion and management per I/O request
  - Specification under development
  - Please attend/listen to the Key Per I/O focused session for more details

# SIIS Updates

- SIIS 1.10 – completed public review
  - Previous version SIIS 1.09 – released in Dec 2020
  - Main changes – touching upon various commands and details
    - A newly defined SIIS feature descriptor – main point is a flag to define write pointer behavior related to zoned namespace commands
    - NVMe MI – subsystem reset
    - NVMe Namespace Write Protection – if an NS is write protected, TCG methods will fail
    - NVMe Compare and Verify commands – will fail if the LBA range is readlocked
    - NVMe Copy command – will fail if the source is read locked and/or the destination is write locked
- SIIS 1.11
  - Some considerations (not final or plan of record)
    - NVDIMM-N
    - Sanitize and Format NVM clean up
    - Interactions with firmware update
    - Reservations
    - Other items as they are brought up

# Features and Test

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## 1. Features

- a. Block SID Authentication
- b. CNL
- c. CNL App Notes
- d. CNL/LUN
- e. CNL and SUM
- f. Shadow MBR for Multiple Namespaces
- g. Configurable PIN Length

## 2. Test

- a. Test Cases
- b. Test Suite
- c. Certification

# Block SID Authentication Updates

- Block SID Authentication v1.00 r1.00 was published in August 2015
- Block SID Authentication v1.01 r1.00 was published in Feb 2021
  - Added Locking SP Freeze Lock Support and State
  - Added new life cycle state called “Manufactured-Frozen”
  - Defined the interaction of Manufactured and Manufactured-Frozen states
- Allow the Locking SP to be frozen to prevent malicious software attack

# Configurable Namespace Locking Feature Set Updates

- **Configurable Namespace Locking (CNL) v1.00 r1.00 published in Feb 2019**
  - Define the initial operation for the CNL, Assign and Deassign and Set methods
  - Define Namespace Global Range Locking Object and Namespace Non-Global Range Locking Object
- **CNL Application Note v1.00 r1.00 published in Jan 2020**
  - Show CNL examples and use cases
- **Configurable Locking for NVMe Namespaces and SCSI LUNs v1.01 r1.00 recently published**
  - Added Configurable Locking support for the SCSI LUNs in addition to the NVMe Namespaces
- **Configurable Locking for NVMe Namespaces and SCSI LUNs v1.02 r1.xx under internal review**
  - Added support for the Single User Mode (SUM) SUM\_C and AssignToSUMRange

# Configurable Locking for NVMe Namespaces and SCSI LUNs

- NVMe Namespaces

- Assign/Deassign and Set methods

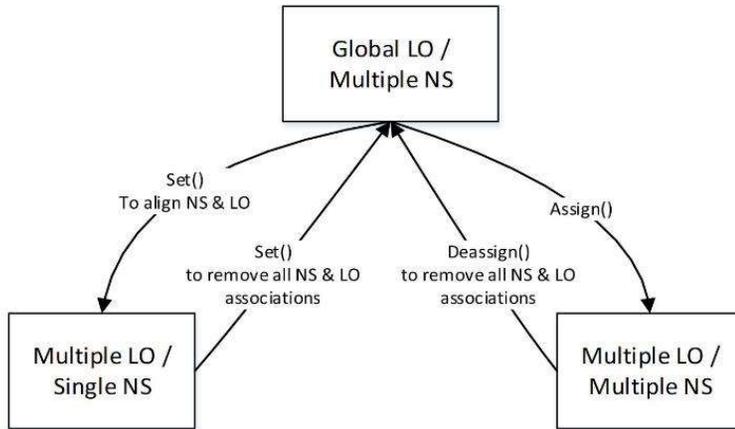


Figure 1 - Locking SP Modes (NVMe)

- SCSI LUNs

- Assign/Deassign method

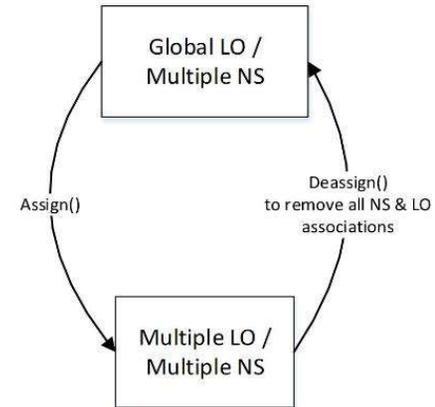


Figure 2 - Locking SP Modes (SCSI)

# Configurable Locking Objects

- **Global Range Locking object**
  - Any namespace or LUN that is not associated with below
- **Namespace Global Range Locking object**
  - First Locking object to be associated with a Namespace/LUN
- **Namespace Non-Global Range Locking object**
  - Locking object associated with an LBA range within a namespace/LUN

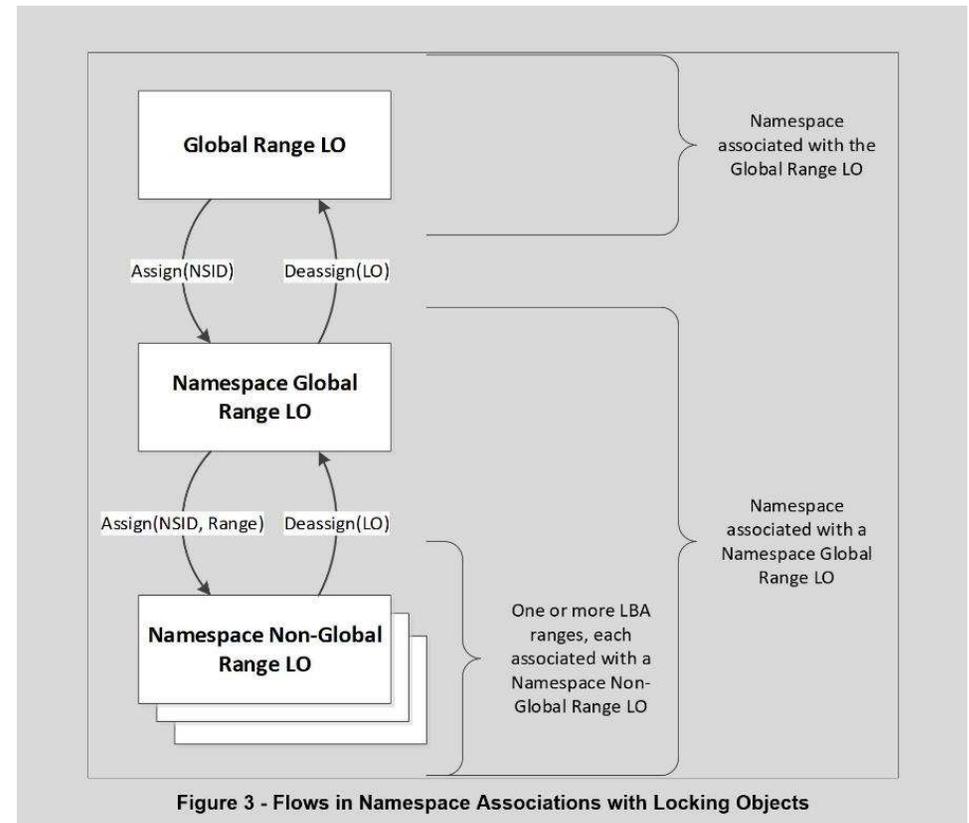
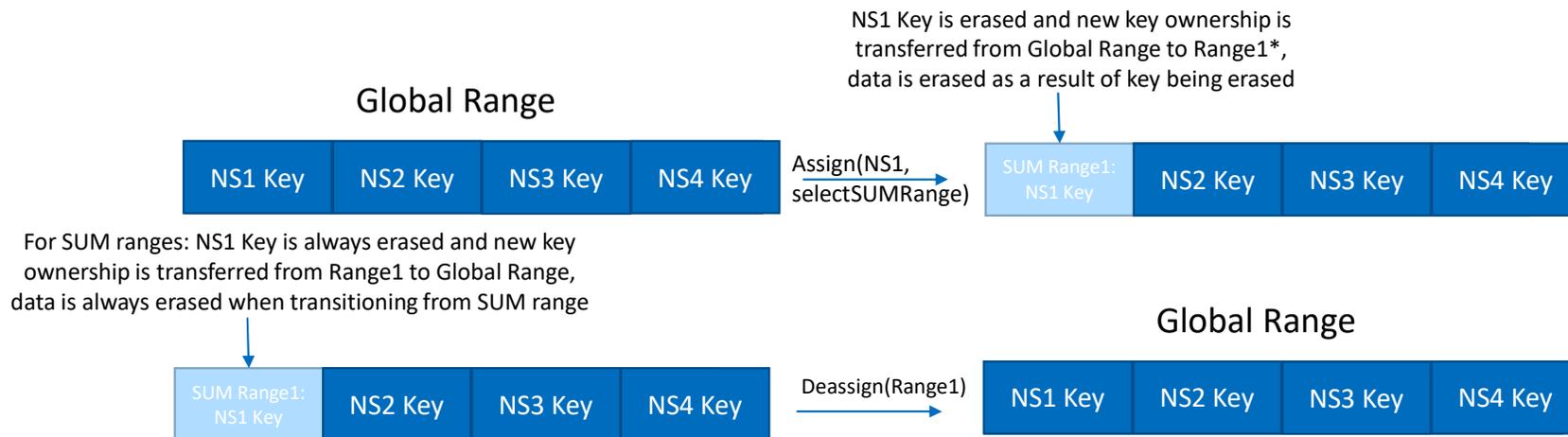


Figure 3 - Flows in Namespace Associations with Locking Objects

# SUM & CNL Proposal in v1.02

- Add parameter to Assign to indicate caller wants to associate Namespace with an available SUM range
- Mandate:
  - Assign to SUM Range results in erase of data
  - Deassign from SUM Range results in erase of data
    - `KeepNamespaceGlobalRangeKey = True` results in failure of Deassign method



# Shadow MBR for Multiple Namespace Updates

- Shadow MBR for Multiple Namespaces v1.00 r1.21 published on Oct 2020
- Defines rules for the MBRControl.NSID
  - Default value of MBRControl.NSID shall be 0x0000\_0000 or 0xFFFF\_FFFF, or existing namespace.
  - When MBRControl.NSID is equal to 0xFFFF\_FFFF, the MBR and MBRControl tables in the Locking SP are shared by all namespaces and controllers within the NVM subsystem.
  - When MBRControl.NSID is equal to existing namespace, the MBR and MBRControl tables in the Locking SP are assigned to only the existing namespace; meaning MBR shadowing are applied to single namespace
- Rules of MBRControl.NSID
  - Set method for MBRControl.NSID of non-existing namespace except 0x0000\_0000 shall fail
  - Support of Set method for MBRControl.NSID of 0xFFFF\_FFFF is optional.
  - If MBRControl.NSID is equal to 0x0000\_0000, Set method for MBRControl.Enable of TRUE shall fail
  - If MBRControl.Enable is equal to TRUE, Set method for MBRControl.NSID of non-existing Namespace including 0x0000\_0000 shall fail

# Other SWG Features Updates

- **C\_PIN Enhancements Feature (optional feature)**
  - Configurable C\_PIN TryLimit per Authority
  - Configurable C\_PIN Persistence per Authority
  - Min and Max PIN length
- **C\_PIN Forced PIN Change (optional feature)**
  - When enabled, requires the Authority PIN change before the authentication
  - Forced PIN change by allowing only Set method on the PIN column and Random method

# Test and Certification Updates

- TCG Storage Workgroup Certification Program
  - TCG Storage Opal Family Test Cases Specification was published in April 2019
    - Test specification covers Opal family product such as Opal, Pyrite, and Ruby SSC
  - Certification Program version 2.0 was published in August 2020
    - Require completion of Compliance Test and Security Evaluation
    - Certification for TCG members
- Test Suites and Test Houses
  - Test Suites and Test Houses were approved in Nov 2020
    - Opal SSC Test Suite 4.0 is the approved Test Suite
    - ULINK is the approved Test House
- Storage Certified Products
  - The storage certified products were published on the TCG webpage

## Other Sessions

- Please join the TCG SWG Key Per I/O presentation for the latest development status of the specification