Swimming With SNIA Swordfish™

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Abstract

- Swordfish™ is an extension of the DMTF Redfish specification developed by the Storage Networking Industry Association (SNIA) to provide a unified approach for the management of storage equipment and services in converged, hyper-converged, hyperscale and cloud infrastructure environments, making it easier for IT administrators and DevOps to integrate scalable solutions into their data centers.

- This session will present an overview of the SNIA Swordfish specification, and will show how Swordfish takes and extends the Redfish specification to deliver the Swordfish storage model. It will also cover the drivers for the SNIA Swordfish approach, as well as providing a comprehensive overview of the functionality included in the Swordfish specification. It will also present an overview of common storage management use cases easily addressed by Swordfish.
The SNIA Swordfish™ Approach

- Develop the management model from the point-of-view of what a client needs to accomplish and to provide information that the client needs.
- Utilize Class of Service (intent or service level) based provisioning, management, and monitoring
- Cover block, file and object storage
- Extend traditional storage domain coverage to include converged environments (covering servers, storage and fabric together)
- Implement the Swordfish API as an extension of the Redfish API
- Build using DMTF’s Redfish technologies
  - RESTful interface over HTTPS in JSON format based on OData v4
Who is Developing Redfish and Swordfish?

Redfish:
- AMD
- AMI
- ARM, Inc.
- Cisco
- Cray Inc.
- Ericsson AB
- HP Inc.
- Insyde Software
- Mellanox
- Open Grid Forum
- OSIsoft
- Newisys
- Solarflare
- Supermicro
- Vertix
- VMware

Swordfish:
- Broadcom Inc.
- Dell Inc.
- Fujitsu
- HPE
- Huawei
- IBM
- Intel
- Lenovo
- Microsemi
- NetApp
- Texas Tech University
- Toshiba America
- Western Digital
- HDS (Hitachi Data Systems)
- Inspur
- Kalray
- Micron
- Microsoft
- NEC
- Pure Storage
- Quest Software
- Red Hat, Inc
- ScienceLogic
- Seagate
- SK Hynix
- Toshiba Memory
- Turbonomic

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Starting with Redfish: Basic Compute

HTTP GET /redfish/v1/Systems/CS_1/Processors/2

Collection Resource
/redfish/v1/Systems
Collection of Systems
"Logical view"

Single Resource
<Systems/<id>>
Computer System

Computer Systems

Collection of Chassis
/redfish/v1/Chassis
Collection of Chassis
"Physical view"

/Chassis/<id>
Chassis

Managed By
/Managers/<id>
BMC

Processes
Memory
SimpleStorage
EthernetInterfaces

Power
Thermal

LogService
NW protocol

Schemas
Sessions
Accounts
Events
Registries
Tasks

Root

Service Root

Http GET /redfish/v1/Systems/CS_1/Processors/2

Compute

Platform HW Mgmt
Adding Swordfish

HTTP GET /redfish/v1/StorageServices/SS_1/StoragePools/2

(Two ways to host Storage Services…)

Swordfish
Hosted Service Configuration

Root

Service Root

Collection Resource

Single Resource

/redfish/v1

Collection of StorageServices
"Logical view"

/StorageService/<id>
Storage Service

/storagePools
Classes of Service
StorageGroups
Endpoints
Volumes
Filesystems
Drives

Collection of Systems
"Logical view"

/redfish/v1/Systems

Computer System

/Systems/<id>
Computer System

Processes
Memory
SimpleStorage
EthernetInterfaces
Power
Thermal

Collection of Chassis
"Physical view"

/redfish/v1/Chassis

Chassis

/Chassis/<id>

Managed By

/Managers/<id>
BMC (or SW Manager)

Logged Service

NW protocol

Collection of StorageSystems

/redfish/v1/StorageSystems

A StorageSystem *is* an instance of a ComputerSystem (with a small set of additional properties defined).
Integrated Service Configuration

The Storage/StorageController in ComputerSystem hosts the StorageServices. It is capable of creating StorageServices and additional Swordfish functionality.
Swordfish Capabilities

- Block storage
  - Provisioning with **class of service** control
    - Resource provisioning from disk, volume, pool, and persistent memory
  - Volume Mapping and Masking
  - Local and Remote Replication
  - Capacity and health metrics
  - Performance metrics
- File system storage
  - Adds File System and File Share
  - Leverages all other concepts – provisioning with class of service, replication, …
- Solution level connectivity
  - Fabric connect, host connect
  - Endpoint abstraction
- Additional content
  - Object drive storage
Primary Swordfish Elements

- ClassOfService
  - A choice of utility or warranty offered to customers by a service. Defined by selecting from available LinesOfService.
- StorageService:
  - Represents a service that provides ClassOfService based provisioning, management, and monitoring for logical storage and associated resources.
- StoragePools
  - Storage capacity that can be used to produce volumes or other storage pools with a specified class of service.
- Volume
  - Block addressable storage that is conformant to a ClassOfService.
- StorageGroup
  - A set of volumes that are managed as a group; e.g., with the same consistency requirements.
- Filesystem
  - File-addressable storage that is conformant to a ClassOfService.
- Fileshare
  - A shared set of files with a common directory structure that is exported for use by remote systems.
Using Swordfish: Get Volume Capacity Information

Traverse the Service Root to find the selected volume and get its Capacity information:

- Read the Service Root resource
- Read the link to the Storage Service Collection
- Pick a Storage Service
- Read the link to the Volume Collection
- Pick desired Volume:
  - Collect the Capacity information
  - Look at the consumed vs allocated capacity information

Note: Data for this example pulled from swordfishmockups.com
Swordfish Volume Capacity Step 1: Read the Service Root
(Step 2: Read the link to the Storage Service Collection)

GET /redfish/v1/ HTTP/1.1

HTTP/1.1 200 OK
{
    "@odata.context": "/redfish/v1/$metadata#ServiceRoot.ServiceRoot",
    "@odata.id": "/redfish/v1/",
    "@odata.type": "#ServiceRoot.v1_0_0.ServiceRoot",
    "Id": "RootService",
    ...
    "StorageSystems": {
        "@odata.id": "/redfish/v1/StorageSystems"
    },
    "StorageServices": {
        "@odata.id": "/redfish/v1/StorageServices"
    },
    "Chassis": {
        "@odata.id": "/redfish/v1/Chassis"
    },
    ...
    "Links": {
        "Sessions": {
            "@odata.id": "/redfish/v1/SessionService/Sessions"
        }
    }
}
Swordfish Volume Capacity Step 3: Pick a Storage Service

GET /redfish/v1/StorageServices HTTP/1.1

HTTP/1.1 200 OK
{
    "@odata.context": "/redfish/v1/$metadata#StorageServiceCollection.StorageServiceCollection",
    "@odata.id": "/redfish/v1/Systems/Simple/StorageServices",
    "@odata.type": ":#StorageServiceCollection.v1_0_0.StorageServiceCollection",
    "Name": "Storage Service Collection",
    "Members@odata.count": 4,
    "Members": [
        { "@odata.id": "/redfish/v1/StorageServices/1" },
        { "@odata.id": "/redfish/v1/StorageServices/2" },
        { "@odata.id": "/redfish/v1/StorageServices/FileService" },
        { "@odata.id": "/redfish/v1/StorageServices/Simple1" }
    ]
}
Swordfish Volume Capacity Step 4: Read the link to the Volume Collection

GET /redfish/v1/StorageServices/1 HTTP/1.1

HTTP/1.1 200 OK
{
    "@odata.context": "'/redfish/v1/$metadata#StorageService.StorageService",
    "@odata.id": "'/redfish/v1/StorageServices/1",
    "@odata.type": "#StorageService.v1_0_0.StorageService",
    "Id": "1",
    "Name": "My Storage Service",
...
    "Volumes": { [ "@odata.id": "'/redfish/v1/StorageServices/1/Volumes" ] }
},
"StorageSubsystems": { "@odata.id": "'/redfish/v1/StorageServices/1/StorageSubsystems"
},
"Links": { }
...}
Swordfish Volume Capacity Step 5: Pick Desired Volume

GET /redfish/v1/StorageServices/1/Volumes HTTP/1.1

HTTP/1.1 200 OK
{
  ...
  "Name": "Volumes",
  "Members@odata.count": 6,
  "Members": [
    {
      "@odata.id": "/redfish/v1/StorageServices/1/Volumes/61001234876545676100123487654567",
    },
    {
      "@odata.id": "/redfish/v1/StorageServices/1/Volumes/65456765456761001234876100123487"
    },
    {
      "@odata.id": "/redfish/v1/StorageServices/1/Volumes/3"
    },
    {
      "@odata.id": "/redfish/v1/StorageServices/1/Volumes/4"
    },
    {
      "@odata.id": "/redfish/v1/StorageServices/1/Volumes/5"
    },
    {
      "@odata.id": "/redfish/v1/StorageServices/1/Volumes/6"
    }
  ]
Swordfish Volume Capacity Step 5a and 5b: Look at Capacity Information

GET 
/redfish/v1/StorageServices/1/Volumes/6100123
4876545676100123487654567 HTTP/1.1

HTTP/1.1 200 OK
{
  ...
  "Id": "61001234876545676100123487654567",
  ...
  "Capacity": {
    "Data": {
      "ConsumedBytes": 0,
      "AllocatedBytes": 10737418240,
      "GuaranteedBytes": 536870912,
      "ProvisionedBytes": 1099511627776
    },
    "Metadata": {
      ...
    },
    "Snapshot": {
      ...
    }
  }
}
See example Swordfish configurations

- As a work tool, the Technical Work Group (TWG) works with “mockups” (snapshots of a state in time) of different types of systems
- Published at http://swordfishmockups.com (/redfish/v1/)

Note: Mockups are representations of implementations, not normative
Overview of Swordfish

- Explore the Swordfish data model to see potential / typical implementation
- Navigate through the model to learn about and see various resources
- SNIA mockups show examples of block storage systems
  - Simple: A small external array
  - Complex: all of the elements in the block storage model, with remote replication
- Also show ISC vs HSC configurations
- .. and an example of a file server with multiple file shares
Navigating through the Mockups…

• Select the `../redfish/v1/StorageServices` link to see the “Collection” of Storage Services
• Click the “../StorageServices/Simple” link to see the details of the Simple mockup
  “../StorageServices/1” to see the details of the complex storage service mockup
  “../StorageServices/FileService” to see the filesystem mockup
  “../StorageServices/ISC” to see the ISC mockup (look for links to the hosting system)
What’s in a Storage Service? (Block)

- Available Classes Of Service
  - Lines of Service that are used to compose the Classes of Service
- Volumes
- Pools
- Groups
- Endpoints
- ...
- Pointer to related resources (system, chassis,..)
What’s in a Storage Service? (File)

Same structure:

- Available Classes Of Service
- **File systems**
- Pools
- Groups
- Endpoints
- ...
- Pointer to related resources (system, chassis, **block service** or drives)
Swordfish Specs and Technical Content... In 2018

- v1.0.6 Technical Position Release in (WIP in Feb 2018, TP in May 2018)
  - Introduction of two StorageSystem models:
    - Hosted Service Configuration and Integrated Service Configuration
  - Schema updates, Spec section additions, User’s guide updates: new use cases for on-demand replicas
- Q4 2018 Releases:
  - Updated Swordfish mockups: swordfishmockups.com
  - v1.0.7 Swordfish WIP Release:
    - Enhanced Class of Service Capabilities for Spare Capacity Management, Rebuild Management, Volume types
  - White Paper for Spare Management
  - WIP Profile Development: Basic Swordfish Support
- Future Functionality
  - Storage-specific security roles
  - Enhanced profiles for SNIA Alliance partner organizations
  - Functionality alignment across DMTF, NVMeExpress/NVMe-MI and SNIA
  - Object Storage
Swordfish Info: www.snia.org/swordfish

- Resources
  - Specifications
  - User’s Guide
  - GitHub for Swordfish Tools
  - Practical Guide
  - Other Documentation
- Swordfish Mockups Site
  - ISC and HSC configurations
  - Block vs file configurations
  - Small and large configurations
- Education/Community
  - Whitepapers, Presentations
  - YouTube shorts & Webinars
- Participate
  - Join SNIA and the SSM TWG
  - Implement
Open Source Tools and Infrastructure Development

- Available: [http://github.com/snia](http://github.com/snia)
  - Swordfish Emulator Extensions
    - Extends the Redfish emulator – adds all Swordfish schema (behave like dynamic objects)
  - Basic Swordfish Web client
    - Discover, display and edit Swordfish services
  - DataDog and Power BMI Client Sample Dashboards
    - Sample implementations show integration concepts with sample code:
      - PowerBI: Point-in-time dashboard; Datadog: Data trending dashboard
Documentation and Supporting Materials

- Online Practical Guide
  - SNIA Swordfish Practical Guide
- Swordfish School:
  - Swordfish School Playlist (YouTube)
- Swordfish API Specification
- Webcasts
How to Participate: Shaping the Standard

- Find pointers to the latest technical content:
  - http://snia.org/swordfish
  - http://www.snia.org/publicreview#swordfish
- Join the SSM TWG
  - By Joining the SNIA and SSM TWG, you can shape the standard: https://members.snia.org/apps/org/workgroup/ssmtwg
- Through the SNIA feedback portal, providing feedback on “Work In Progress”
  - As the group produces “Works In Progress”, you can provide feedback at http://www.snia.org/feedback
Q&A