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Errata Overview

This ECN:

- adds fields to the NVM Command Set specification as defined in TP 4068c.

Revision History

Revision Date	Change Description
7/08/2021	Initial version – added STCR and STCRS fields, additional editorial changes
08/24/2021	Post-member-review (comments resolved): Integration draft - Removed changes to Descriptor Format field in Command Dword 12 of the Copy command as changes to this field are being addressed in ECN 002 instead - Changed ECN filename to adhere to new format requirements
9/20/2021	Integrated into the NVMe NVM Command Set Specification, Revision 1.0a.
9/21/2021	Correct the Navigation pane by removing blank lines.

Incompatible Changes

Added two new bits: STCR (in Copy command) and STCRS (in NVM Command Set I/O Command Set specific Identify Namespace data structure).

Description of Changes

NVM Express® NVM Command Set:

As defined in TP 4068c:

- Added Storage Tag Check Read (STCR) bit to Copy command.
- Added Support bit (STCRS) for Storage Tag Check Read bit.

Editorial changes to Figure 34 and Figure 35 (Source Range Entries Descriptor Formats 0h and 1h)

Editor's Note: **BLACK** text indicates unchanged text; **RED** text indicates deleted text; **BLUE** text indicates new text; **GREEN** text indicates editor notes.

Description of NVM Express® NVM Command Set changes

Modify several figures in section 3.3.3 as follows:

3.2.2 Copy command

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Figure 30: Copy – Command Dword 12

Bits	Description												
31	Limited Retry (LR): If set to '1', the controller should apply limited retry efforts for the write portion of the copy operation. If cleared to '0', the controller should apply all available error recovery means to write the data to the NVM.												
30	Force Unit Access (FUA): If set to '1', then for data and metadata, if any, associated with logical blocks specified by the write portion of the copy operation, the controller shall write that data and metadata, if any, to non-volatile media before indicating command completion. There is no implied ordering with other commands. If cleared to '0', then this bit has no effect.												
29:26	Protection Information Field Write (PRINFOW): Specifies the protection information action and check field, as defined in Figure 9, to be used for the write portion of the copy operation.												
25	ReservedStorage Tag Check Read (STCR): This bit specifies the Storage Tag field shall be checked as part of end-to-end data protection processing as defined in Figure 10, to be used for the read portion of the copy operation. If the Storage Tag Check Read Support (STCRS) bit (refer to Figure 100) is cleared to '0, then this bit is reserved.												
24	Storage Tag Check Write (STCW): This bit specifies the Storage Tag field shall be checked as part of end-to-end data protection processing as defined in Figure 10, to be used for the write portion of the copy operation.												
23:20	Directive Type (DTYPE): Specifies the Directive Type associated with the Directive Specific field (refer to the Directives section in the NVMe Base Specification) used for the write portion of the copy operation.												
19:16	Reserved												
15:12	Protection Information Field Read (PRINFOR): Specifies the protection information action and check field, as defined in Figure 9, to be used for the read portion of the copy operation specified by each Source Range Entries.												
11:08	Descriptor Format: Specifies the format of the Source Range Entries as follows:												
	<table><tr><th>Code</th><th>Description</th><th>Reference</th></tr><tr><td>0h</td><td>The Source Range Entries specify starting LBA, number of logical blocks, and parameters associated with the read portion of the operation.</td><td>Figure 34</td></tr><tr><td>1h</td><td>The Source Range Entries specify starting LBA, number of logical blocks, and parameters associated with the read portion of the operation-when PIF1 bit in the DPC field (refer to Figure 97) is set to '1'.</td><td>Figure 35</td></tr><tr><td>All Others</td><td colspan="2">Reserved</td></tr></table>	Code	Description	Reference	0h	The Source Range Entries specify starting LBA, number of logical blocks, and parameters associated with the read portion of the operation.	Figure 34	1h	The Source Range Entries specify starting LBA, number of logical blocks, and parameters associated with the read portion of the operation-when PIF1 bit in the DPC field (refer to Figure 97) is set to '1'.	Figure 35	All Others	Reserved	
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1h	The Source Range Entries specify starting LBA, number of logical blocks, and parameters associated with the read portion of the operation-when PIF1 bit in the DPC field (refer to Figure 97) is set to '1'.	Figure 35											
All Others	Reserved												
07:00	Number of Ranges (NR): Specifies the number of Source Range Entries that are specified in the command. This is a 0's-based value.												

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Figure 34: Copy – Source Range Entries Descriptor Format 0h

Range	Bytes	Description
Source Range 0	07:00	Reserved
	15:08	Starting LBA

Figure 34: Copy – Source Range Entries Descriptor Format 0h

Range	Bytes	Description						
	19:16	Read Parameters as follows:						
		<table><tr><th>Bits</th><th>Description</th></tr><tr><td>31:16</td><td>Reserved</td></tr><tr><td>15:00</td><td>Number of Logical Blocks (NLB): This field indicates the number of logical blocks to be copied. This is a 0's based value.</td></tr></table>	Bits	Description	31:16	Reserved	15:00	Number of Logical Blocks (NLB): This field indicates the number of logical blocks to be copied. This is a 0's based value.
		Bits	Description					
	31:16	Reserved						
	15:00	Number of Logical Blocks (NLB): This field indicates the number of logical blocks to be copied. This is a 0's based value.						
	23:20	Reserved						
27:24	This field specifies the variable sized Expected Logical Block Storage Tag (ELBST) and Expected Initial Logical Block Reference Tag (EILBRT), which are defined in section 5.2.1.4.1, to be used for the read portion of the copy operation for the LBAs specified in this Source Range entry. If the namespace is not formatted to use end-to-end protection information, then this field is ignored. Refer to section 5.1.							
29:28	Expected Logical Block Application Tag (ELBAT): This field specifies the Application Tag expected value used for the read portion of the copy operation for the LBAs specified in this Source Range entry. If the namespace is not formatted to use end-to-end protection information, then this field is ignored. Refer to section 5.1.							
31:30	Expected Logical Block Application Tag Mask (ELBATM): This field specifies the Application Tag Mask expected value used for the read portion of the copy operation for the LBAs specified in this Source Range entry. If the namespace is not formatted to use end-to-end protection information, then this field is ignored. Refer to section 5.1.							
Source Range 1	39:32	Reserved						
	47:40	Starting LBA						
	51:48	Read Parameters						
	55:52	Reserved						
	59:56	The variable sized ELBST and EILBRT fields						
	61:60	ELBAT						
	63:62	ELBATM						
...								
Source Range 127	4071:4064	Reserved						
	4079:4072	Starting LBA						
	4083:4080	Read Parameters						
	4087:4084	Reserved						
	4091:4088	The variable sized ELBST and EILBRT fields						
	4093:4092	ELBAT						
	4095:4094	ELBATM						

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Figure 35: Copy – Source Range Entries Descriptor Format 1h

Range	Bytes	Description	
Source Range 0	07:00	Reserved	
	15:08	Starting LBA	
	19:16	Read Parameters as follows:	
		Bits	Description
		31:16	Reserved
	15:00	Number of Logical Blocks (NLB): This field indicates the number of logical blocks to be copied. This is a 0's based value.	
25:20	Reserved		

Figure 35: Copy – Source Range Entries Descriptor Format 1h

Range	Bytes	Description
	35:26	This field specifies variable sized Expected Logical Block Storage Tag (ELBST) and Expected Initial Logical Block Reference Tag (EILBRT) fields, which are defined in section 5.2.1.4.1, to be used for the read portion of the copy operation. If the namespace is not formatted to use end-to-end protection information, then this field is ignored.
	37:36	Expected Logical Block Application Tag (ELBAT): This field specifies the Application Tag expected value used for the read portion of the copy operation for the LBAs specified in this Source Range entry. If the namespace is not formatted to use end-to-end protection information, then this field is ignored. Refer to section 5.1.
	39:38	Expected Logical Block Application Tag Mask (ELBATM): This field specifies the Application Tag Mask expected value used for the read portion of the copy operation for the LBAs specified in this Source Range entry. If the namespace is not formatted to use end-to-end protection information, then this field is ignored. Refer to section 5.1.
Source Range 1	47:40	Reserved
	55:48	Starting LBA
	59:56	Read Parameters
	65:60	Reserved
	75:66	The variable-sized ELBST and EILBRT
	77:76	ELBAT
	79:78	ELBATM
...		
Source Range 101	4047:4040	Reserved
	4055:4048	Starting LBA
	4059:4056	Read Parameters
	4065:4060	Reserved
	4075:4066	The variable-sized ELBST and EILBRT
	4077:4076	ELBAT
	4079:4078	ELBATM
	4095:4080	Reserved

Modify a portion of Figure 100 in section 4.1.5.3 as follows:

4.1.5.3 I/O Command Set Specific Identify Namespace Data Structure (CNS 05h)

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Figure 100: NVM Command Set I/O Command Set Specific Identify Namespace Data Structure (CSI 00h)

Bytes	O/M ¹	Description
7:0	O	<p>Logical Block Storage Tag Mask (LBSTM): Identifies the mask for the Storage Tag field for the protection information (refer to section 5.1). The size of the mask contained in this field is defined by the STS field. If the size of the mask contained in this field is less than 64 bits, the mask is contained in the least-significant bits of this field.</p> <p>If end-to-end protection is not enabled in the namespace, then this field is ignored.</p> <p>If:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) end-to-end protection is enabled; b) 16b Guard Protection Information format is used; and c) the 16BPISTM bit is set to '1', <p>then all bits in the mask shall be set to '1'.</p>

Figure 100: NVM Command Set I/O Command Set Specific Identify Namespace Data Structure (CSI 00h)

Bytes	O/M ¹	Description				
8	O	Protection Information Capabilities (PIC): This field indicates the capabilities for the protection information formats.				
		<table><tr><th>Bits</th><th>Description</th></tr><tr><td>7:2-3</td><td>Reserved</td></tr></table>	Bits	Description	7:2-3	Reserved
		Bits	Description			
		7:2-3	Reserved			
		2	Storage Tag Check Read Support (STCRS): If set to '1', then the controller supports the Storage Tag Check Read (STCR) bit in the Copy command (refer to Figure 30). If cleared to '0', the controller does not support the Storage Tag Check Read bit in the Copy command. If the 16b Guard Protection Information Storage Tag Support (16BPISTS) bit is set to '1', then this bit shall be set to '1'.			
1	16b Guard Protection Information Storage Tag Mask (16BPISTM): If set to '1', then the LBSTM field shall have all bits set to '1' for the 16b Guard Protection Information. If cleared to '0', then the Logical Block Storage Tag Mask field is allowed to have any bits set to '1' for the 16b Guard Protection Information.					
0	16b Guard Protection Information Storage Tag Support (16BPISTS): If set to '1', then the end-to-end protection 16b Guard Protection Information format (refer to section 5.2.1.1) supports a non-zero value in the STS field. If cleared to '0', then the end-to-end protection 16b Guard Protection Information format support requires that the STS field be cleared to 0h (i.e., the Storage Tag field is not supported). If the 32b Guard Protection Information or 64b Guard Protection Information is supported in any LBA format (refer to Figure 97 and Figure 100), then this bit shall be set to '1'.					
11:9		Reserved				