

Disc Drive Technology Update

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Topics

HDD areal density

Intelligence in HDD Storage

- Protection
- OSD









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Dimensions No Longer Scaling

Writeability

- Media particle size
- Media coercivity

Readability

- Signal strength
- Fly height

Thermal stability

- Particle size
- Particle count per bit
- Remnance









Magnetic domains oriented in the direction of travel of the head (much longer than wide/tall).

Soft underlayer "mirrors" write field and allows domains much closer together.

Perpendicular should take us to 1 Tbpsi

Soft Underlayer

Perpendicular

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HAMR can theoretically extend the density of recording to 10 Tbpsi



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Protecting Systems

TCG – Trusted Computing Group

- **TPM**
- Secure peripherals
 - Keyboard (no password sniffing)
 - Readers for Smartcard, Fingerprint, Security token...
 - Disk drives

Trust from boot-up

- Verify BIOS
- Verify OS-core
- Check loaded SW...

HDD can help











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HDD: Separable, Closed System

Hidden space for storage of secrets

No foreign SW

Authenticated, read only FW

Restricted interface

- Fixed command set, data format
- Protected internal buses
 - Single chip
 - Multi-chip module

Physically separate data and program memory

No buffer overflow-type attacks

Separable from CPU – can be optional









OSD Headlines

Emulex, IBM & Seagate Team Up to Demonstrate

Industry's First Standards-Compliant

Object-Based Storage Devices

Tuesday April 12, 7:59 am ET

- OSD Technology Demonstration Signals Move Toward More Powerful, Intelligent and Simplified Storage



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OSD – Real Technology

SNW - World's first demonstration of ANSI OSD standard

- 3 company collaboration
 - Emulex FC HBA w/ bidirectional transfers, long CDBs
 - IBM Full host software stack & iSCSI OSD subsystem
 - Seagate OSD in a standard FC HDD



Summary and Conclusions

HDDs will continue to be primary external storage

Capacity will continue to grow

Growth will be slower and with discontinuities

HDDs can contribute to system operation w/ additional intelligence

Security

Object abstraction (OSD)



