

Adaptec Storage Management Software

User's Guide

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Storage Management Software Overview

Your Adaptec RAID controller includes the following software tools to manage your storage subsystem:

- **Storage Manager Pro**—The graphical user interface (GUI) through which you interact with the storage subsystem. It provides an intuitive graphical interface that enables you to do such things as create and manage RAID arrays, set up security levels for users and administrators, establish the means of notifying users of disk failures, etc. Storage Manager Pro is supported under the following operating systems:
 - Windows 2000, Windows NT 4.0, Windows 95/98
 - Novell NetWare 4.2; 5.x
 - Red Hat Linux 7.0
 - FreeBSD 4.1.1

Storage Manager Pro is Adaptec's primary RAID management tool. For details, refer to the *Storage Manager Pro User's Guide*.

- **Storage Manager**—Older storage management software that provides the same basic functionality as Storage Manager Pro but has the advantage of supporting the following additional operating systems:
 - SuSE Linux 7.0 and 7.1
 - SCO Unixware
 - Red Hat 7.1
 - SCO OpenServer 5
 - FreeBSD 4.2, 4.3
- Furthermore, Storage Manager provides additional features, such as DMI agents, that are not yet available in Storage Manager Pro. Use Storage Manager if you require the use of one of the additional operating systems, or if you require a feature that has not yet been incorporated into Storage Manager Pro. The advantage of Storage Manager Pro over Storage Manager is its newer GUI, and its consistent look and feel across operating systems and between client and server platforms. You can use either tool as the primary RAID management utility. For details, refer to [Chapter 3](#).
- **RAIDUTIL Command Line Utility**—Provides the same functions as Storage Manager (or Storage Manager Pro) in environments where a GUI is not available. It is also scriptable, making it an invaluable companion RAID configuration utility in environments where many similarly-configured RAID subsystems must be replicated quickly. For details, refer to [Chapter 4](#).
- **Storage Manager On ROM (SMOR)**—A built-in utility that is part of the controller's BIOS code. You can start SMOR by pressing Ctrl+A during BIOS startup. SMOR enables the user to create RAID partitions prior to loading an operating system. For details, refer to [Chapter 2](#).

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Storage Manager on ROM

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Overview

Storage Manager on ROM (SMOR) is a BIOS-based setup utility that enables you to configure your Adaptec RAID controller without loading an operating system and using Storage Manager. You can also use SMOR to perform basic array configuration. SMOR makes the initial setup of your RAID controller and RAID storage easier and faster.

To configure your hardware and create disk arrays when Storage Manager is not available, run SMOR during system startup. This is especially useful for a new system where you need to create disk arrays *before* you install the operating system.

After your storage subsystem is configured, install your operating system according to the appropriate procedure in the *Adaptec RAID Installation Guide* for your controller. For access to all of the advanced features of your controller, install the version of Storage Manager specific to your operating system.

To run SMOR and configure a new system, follow these steps:

- 1 Press **Ctrl+A** when the Adaptec RAID controller BIOS message appears during boot to start SMOR.
- 2 Inspect the hardware configuration as shown by SMOR.
 - a Verify that all peripheral devices and controllers are shown. If any devices are missing from the display, exit SMOR and check your hardware connections.
 - b View the Information window for each controller to verify that all installed expansion and memory modules are shown (see the Attached Modules section of the figure on [page 2-6](#)).



Note: 3400S only: SMOR reports a 3400S as a 3200S having an attached module for the extra two channels. This is because the 3400S is a 3200S with an additional factory-installed two channel daughter card giving it its four channel capacity

Note the IRQ and address displayed in the Configuration window (see [page 2-10](#)). The IRQ and address values may be required during installation of your operating system.

- 3 Create disk arrays (see [Array Operations on page 2-26](#)). Array groups can be created or modified at any time after system installation. However, if the boot device will be an array, that array must be created before the operating system is installed.
- 4 Exit SMOR when you are finished with the configuration tasks. Arrays that were created or modified start building at this time. For large arrays, this process may take several hours. You can perform other activities on the system while the build operation continues.

The array groups are accessible during the build process, with data protected; however RAID performance is at a reduced level until the build is complete.

If you have exited SMOR and you want to monitor the progress of the build operation, you can view the Array Group Information window for the array in Storage Manager. See [Array Groups on page 3-12](#) for additional information.

Keyboard Reference

The navigation keys are as follows:

Menu Control

Alt + (Menu Highlight)	Select the corresponding menu or menu item.
Enter	Initiate an action.
Up/Down Arrows	Move between menu choices.
Esc	Return to the Tree View.

Left Pane – Tree View Control

Up/Down Arrows	Move between elements within the tree.
Left/Right Arrows	Scroll the tree left and right.
+	Expand the current branch, showing the devices attached to it. The element must be preceded by a plus sign.
-	Collapse the current branch. The element must be preceded by a minus sign.
Tab	Move to the right pane, Information View.

Right Pane – Information View Control

Alt + (Tab Highlight)	Select and go to the corresponding tab page within the Information View.
Tab	Move to the next field in the window.
Shift-Tab	Move to the previous field in the window.
Space	Select or deselect an item (checkboxes or radio buttons).
Up/Down Arrows	Change a combo box value.
Esc	Return to the Tree View.

Menu Reference

The SMOR Main Menu changes dynamically depending on what is selected in the Tree View. The following is a complete list of possible selections. Some items may not be available depending on the device selected.

File

Read System Config	Rescan the system. Unsaved configuration changes are lost.
Set System Config	Save and enable configuration changes.
Exit	Quit SMOR.

RAID

Create...	Create a new array.
Delete	Delete the currently selected array.
Rebuild	Rebuild a RAID 1, 5, 0/1 or 0/5 array.
Stop Build	Stop building or rebuilding an array.

Action

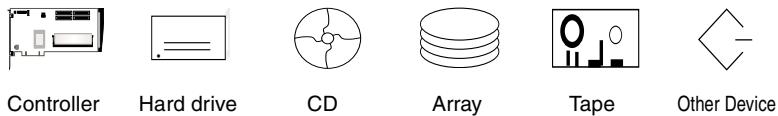
Make Hotspare	Designate the currently selected drive as a hot spare.
Remove Hotspare	Make the currently selected hot spare available for use by the operating system.
Format Drive (SCSI only)	Low-level format a currently selected drive. Note: Do not format a SCSI drive unless formatting is recommended by the manufacturer.
Flash HBA	Update the firmware, controller BIOS, or SMOR image in controller ROM.
Test Alarm (SCSI only)	Test the audible alarm on the controller.
Silence Alarm (SCSI only)	Turn off the audible alarm on the controller.
Make Boot Floppy	Make a bootable disk that runs SMOR.

Help

About...	Display version information for SMOR.
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Icon Reference

SMOR uses the following icons in the Tree View:



Screen Layout

The SMOR interface works like the Windows Explorer tree-structured interface. The screen, shown in [Figure 2-1](#), is divided into three major components: a menu bar across the top of the screen and two display panes below the menu bar.

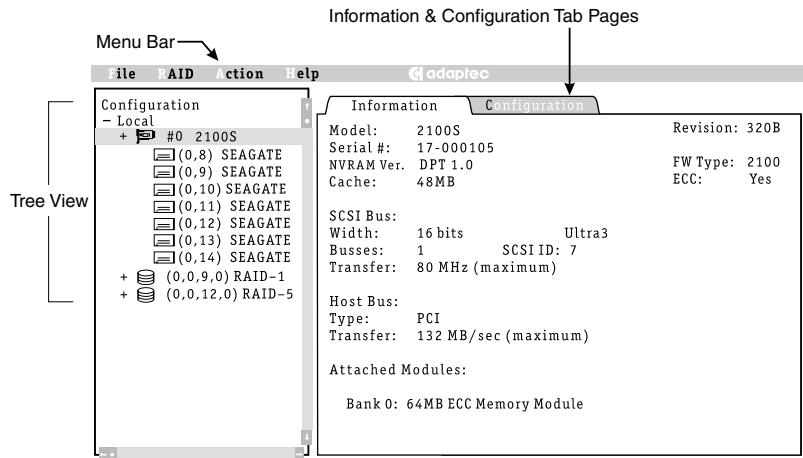


Figure 2-1. Screen Layout

The Menu Bar

To open a specific menu, press **Alt+highlighted letter** of the menu name. After a menu is open, you can select a specific menu item by pressing the key for the letter highlighted on the menu item. For example, to select the Read System Config item on the File menu, press **Alt+F** to open the File menu, then press **R** to select Read System Config.



Note: Depending on your configuration, not all menu items may be available. Unavailable menu items are shown in a low-contrast color.

The Left Pane – Tree View

The Tree View, displayed in the left pane, is the central control for SMOR. This view displays a tree structure that represents the organization of the storage subsystem, including controllers, storage devices, and arrays detected by SMOR. By moving the highlight with the up and down arrows, you can select items you want to view or configure. As items are highlighted, the associated information on the item is displayed in the Information View (display pane on the right side).

If an item in the Tree View is preceded by a plus sign, press **Enter** or the plus key to expand the tree, showing the devices associated with that item. If an item is preceded by a minus sign, press **Enter** or the minus key to collapse that portion of the tree, hiding the devices associated with that item.

If the text for an item is larger than the width of the Tree View pane, you can scroll the pane horizontally by using the left and right arrow keys.

The Right Pane – Information View

To the right of the component tree is the Information View pane. This area displays information related to the currently selected item in the tree. The specific information displayed in the Information View varies depending on the item selected. When there are separate types of information available for the selected item, the Information View is separated into tab pages. Tab pages are generally information or configuration parameters that are related to the selected item.

To select a specific tab page within the Information View, press **Alt+highlighted letter** on the tab. For example, to change to a controller's Configuration tab, press **Alt+C**. You can also press the Tab key when in the Tree View to move over to the currently displayed Information View tab page. On a tab page within the Information View, you can move between the items with the Tab or Shift+Tab keys. See [Keyboard Reference on page 2-3](#) for additional details on changing between the Tree View and Information View, using the menu bar, and navigating within the SMOR interface.

Within the Information View, select an item to configure by using the Tab or Shift+Tab keys to move the highlight to the item. Items that cannot be selected are shown in black. The way in which you change an item depends on the type of control associated with the item. Checkboxes are toggled by using the Spacebar. List-box items (for example, Transfer Rate) are changed using the up and down arrow keys. List box items can be recognized by the downward pointing arrow at the right of the item.

To exit the Information View and return to the Tree View, press **Esc**. If you have changed the configuration, save changes if desired by using the **Tab** key to select Yes or No and then pressing **Enter**.



Note: The items and settings shown in the Information View vary depending on the type of controller, device, or array selected in the Tree View.

Running SMOR

Start SMOR by pressing **Ctrl+A** when the RAID controller BIOS message appears on the screen during the boot sequence. SMOR starts by displaying its opening screen, as shown in [Figure 2-2](#) (showing the opening screen from a 2400A).

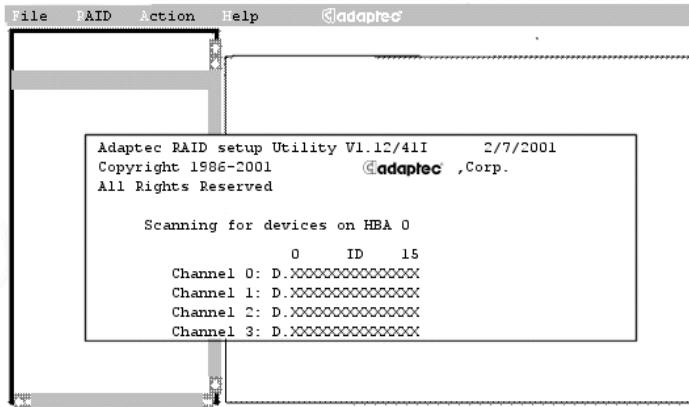


Figure 2-2. SMOR Welcome Window

The letters that appear during the initial device scan process are

C	CD
D	Hard drive
E	SAF-TE, intelligent RAID enclosure, or processor device
H	Hot spare drives
T	Tape device
0, 1, 5	Physical arrays identified by the RAID level

The position of a letter corresponds to the device ID assigned to that device.

Information and Configuration Views

When you highlight an item within the Tree View, the corresponding Information View is displayed.

Controller BIOS Settings

The controller displays the default Information View when SMOR starts, as shown in Figures 2-3 and 2-4.

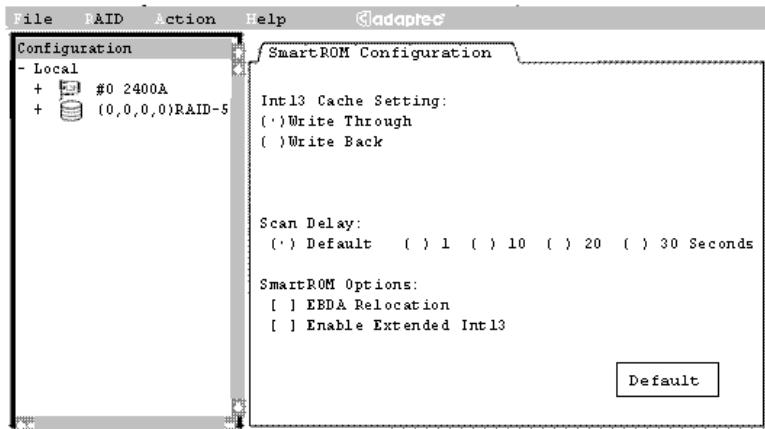


Figure 2-3. Configuration Window – ATA

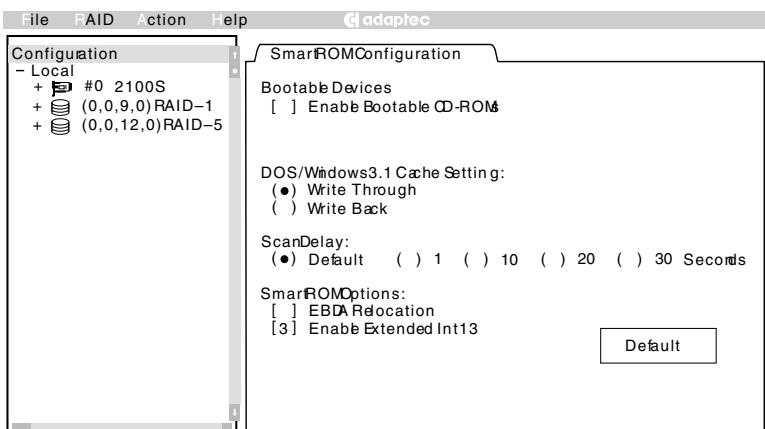


Figure 2-4. Configuration Window – SCSI

The settings in this view affect the controller BIOS and all the Adaptec controllers in your system. To view or change these settings, highlight **Configuration** in the Tree View.

The following table illustrates the default settings to be found in the windows shown in Figures 2-3 and 2-4.

Controller Options	Default	Available Settings
Enable Bootable CD-ROMs	Disabled	Enabled
DOS/Windows 3.1 Cache Setting	Write Through	Write Back
Scan Delay (seconds)	1	1, 10, 20, 30
SMOR Options		
EBDA Relocation	Disabled	Enabled
Enable Extended Int13	Enabled	Disabled

Enable Bootable CD-ROMs

When enabled, the BIOS attempts to detect a bootable CD-ROM that uses the El-Torito format. This setting is disabled by default, because some bootable CD-ROMs contain device-specific boot code that is not supported by Adaptec controllers.

DOS/Windows 3.1 Cache Setting

This setting determines how the controller responds to Int13 write commands under DOS and certain operating system installation programs. The default is *Write Through* to avoid problems that can occur during operating system installation if write-back caching is enabled. After the operating system is installed, you can change to *Write Back* caching for improved performance.

Change this setting back to *Write Through* during future operating system installs or upgrades to avoid problems.



Note: This cache setting has no effect on controller cache operation under Windows NT, UNIX, or NetWare.

Scan Delay (SCSI only)

Some devices require a time interval between power on, bus reset, and scan or they do not respond correctly. If devices are not displayed in the Tree View after power on, set the delay to a longer interval.

EBDA Relocation

This setting determines the way that RAID controllers handle Extended BIOS Data Area (EBDA) relocation. You can enable this option to help avoid conflicts with other adapter cards if the controller is installed in a host system with other adapters that follow standard EBDA relocation rules.

Enable Extended Int13

This option enables extended Logical Block Addressing (LBA) for hard drives. LBA enables operating system access to drives larger than 8.6 GB. You should not change this setting.

Information Tab

To view or change the configuration of the controller, highlight the controller in the Tree View. Available tabs are Information and Configuration, as shown in Figures 2-5 and 2-6.

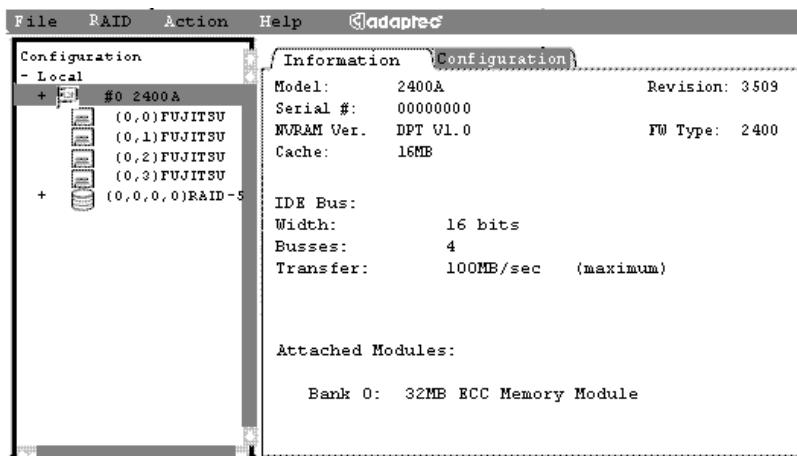


Figure 2-5. Information Tab – ATA

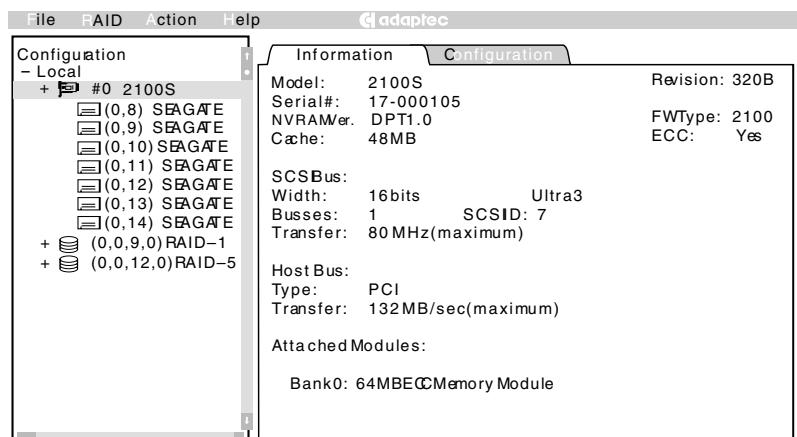


Figure 2-6. Information Tab – SCSI

The Information tab for a controller displays general information reported by that controller. Fields may have special conditions:

Model	Controller model number
Serial #	Controller serial number
NVRAM Ver.	Version number for NVRAM settings
Cache	Amount of installed cache memory
Revision	Controller firmware revision
FW Type	Firmware type
ECC	Yes if Error Correction Code (ECC) memory is installed

SCSI/ATA Bus

Width	Bus width: 8-bit (Narrow) or 16-bit (Wide)
Buses	Number of buses on the controller
SCSI ID	SCSI ID assigned to controller (SCSI only)
Transfer	Maximum possible transfer rate

Host Bus

Bus Type	PCI 32-bit or Adaptec 2400A/2100S PCI 64-bit for Adaptec 2000S/2005S/2110S/3200S/ 3210S/3400S/3410S
Transfer	Host PCI transfer rate: 132 MB/sec for Adaptec 2400A 132 MB/sec for Adaptec 2100S 264 MB/sec for Adaptec 3200S/3400S 528 MB/sec for Adaptec 2000S/2005S/2110S/ 3210S/3410S
Attached Modules	Memory modules are reported as Bank x: xxMB ECC, starting with Bank 0. ECC is displayed only when ECC memory is installed.



Note: Adaptec RAID controllers having replaceable RAM report a cache size 16 MB less than the total installed memory value because the controller uses the first 16 MB as processor RAM. Embedded RAM controllers will report the amount of cache RAM available.

Configuration Tab

The Configuration tab for a controller displays internal settings for that controller, as shown in Figures 2-7 and 2-8.

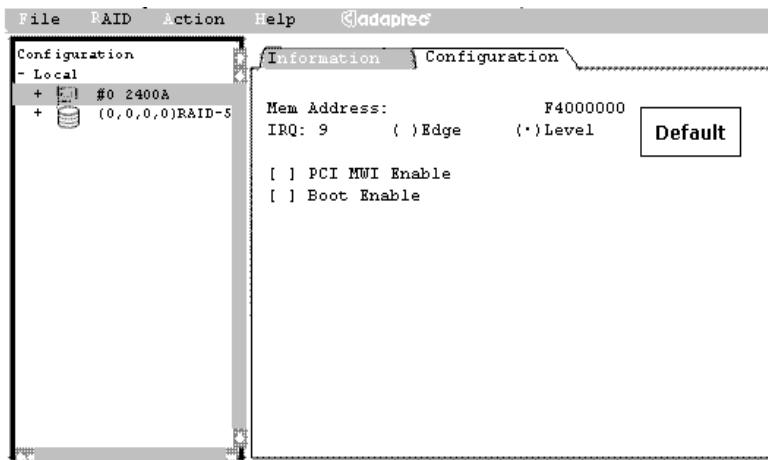


Figure 2-7. Configuration Tab – ATA

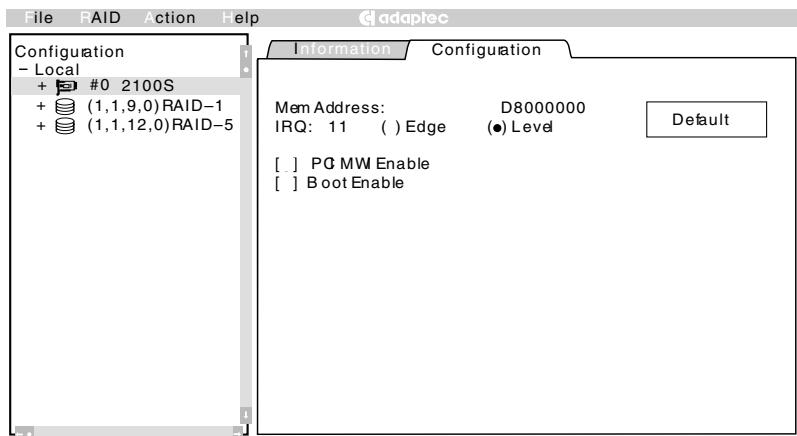


Figure 2-8. Configuration Tab – SCSI

Select **Default** to reset the parameters on this tab to their default values.

Mem Address, IRQ

The values in the Mem Address and IRQ fields may be needed when you configure your operating system. These fields are read only.

PCI MWI Enable

Do not change this setting unless instructed to do so by Technical Support.

Boot Enable

This option enables you to modify the system boot process for host systems with multiple peripheral controllers in cases where the controller BIOS does not provide effective or appropriate default operation. This setting is enabled by default.

The host system uses the controller with the lowest BIOS address as the booting controller. Therefore, in a system with multiple Adaptec RAID controllers, you must ensure that the controller that you want to use as the booting controller occupies the lowest BIOS address, which usually corresponds with the lowest-numbered.

If you disable this setting, the controller can not be used as a boot device.

Bus Configuration Tab

This tab enables you to modify the hardware parameters for the highlighted controller bus; it appears when you highlight a device in the Tree View, as shown in Figures 2-9 and 2-10.

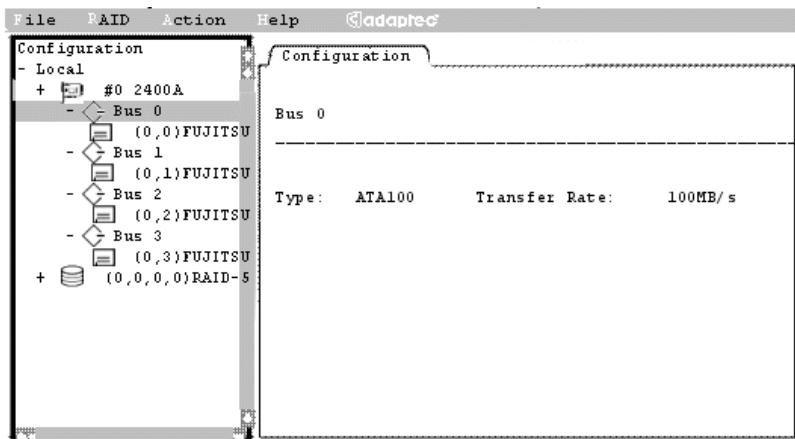


Figure 2-9. Bus Configuration Tab – ATA

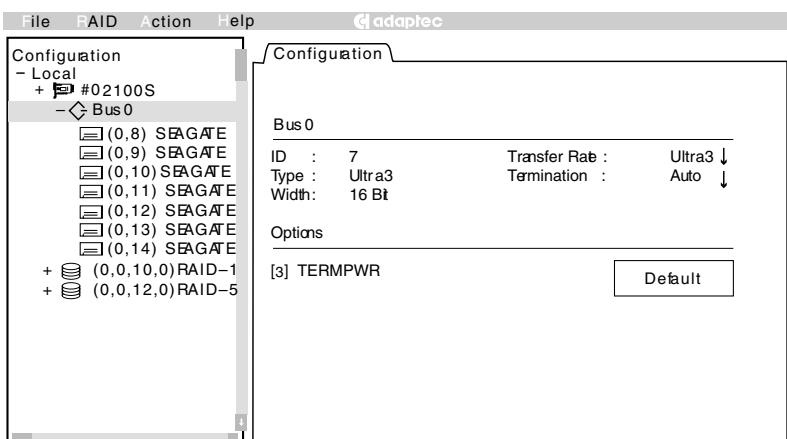


Figure 2-10. Bus Configuration Tab – SCSI

Select **Default** to reset the parameters on this tab to their default values (SCSI only).

Controller Parameter	Default	Available Settings
ID	7	SCSI: 0 – 6 ATA: not shown
Type	As reported	N/A
Width	As reported	N/A
Transfer Rate	Maximum allowed for the controller	Ultra3, Ultra2, Ultra, 10, 8, 5 Asynchronous
Termination	Auto	On, Off, High Only
TERMPWR	On	Auto, Off



Note: *As reported* means that the field displays the value returned by the controller firmware.

Bus

Each peripheral bus on a controller is assigned a number. Numbering starts with 0 for the first bus, 1 for the second bus, and so on.

ID (SCSI only)

SCSI RAID controllers are configured by default at ID 7. This value should not be changed unless required for special configurations.

Type

This is the type of bus (Ultra, Ultra2, Ultra3, ATA/100, etc.).

Width (SCSI only)

The width of the parallel bus (8-bit or 16-bit).

Transfer Rate (SCSI only)

The controller automatically negotiates with each device at power-up or reset to set the maximum transfer rate. This parameter limits the transfer rate to the value selected. This setting should not be changed except when you are troubleshooting bus errors.



Note: On buses, if setting this parameter to 5 MHz eliminates bus data errors, this is usually an indication that the bus is too long or that the bus is not terminated correctly.

Termination (SCSI only)

This option controls the termination for the controller and bus. The default value (*Auto*) should not be changed unless both internal and external cables are attached to the controller or you are using an 8-bit (Narrow) cable. Refer to the *Configuring Termination* section in the *Adaptec RAID Installation Guide* for information on setting this parameter.

TERMPWR (SCSI only)

By default RAID controllers supply termination power for other devices through the TERMPWR line on the cable.

Device Information Tab

Individual devices are listed in the Tree View under the controller to which they are connected, as shown in Figures 2-11 and 2-12. Highlight a device to view its information tab page.

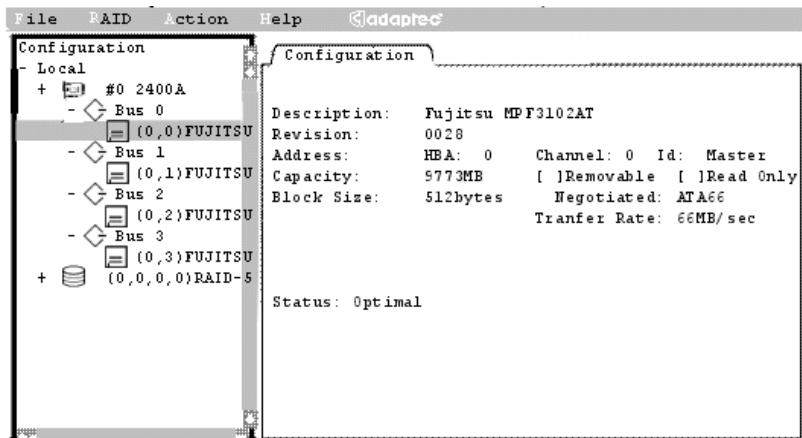


Figure 2-11. Device Information Tab – ATA

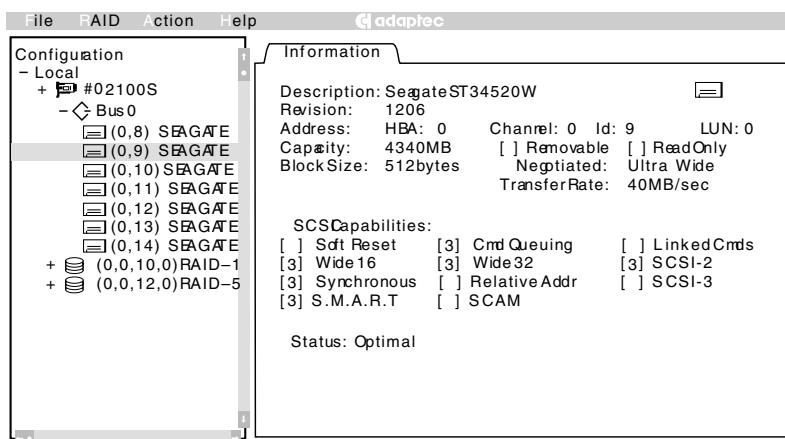


Figure 2-12. Device Information Tab – SCSI

The Device Information tab displays general information and configuration. This view is divided into either two or three parts: Description , SCSI Capabilities (for SCSI based RAID controllers only), and Status.

The Description section displays a general description of the highlighted device, as follows:

Description	Manufacturer name and model number as reported by the device, followed by the icon for the device.
Revision	Device firmware revision.
Address	Device address in the form HBA <i>x</i> , Channel <i>x</i> , ID <i>x</i> , LUN <i>x</i> . Display contains as much information as necessary to unambiguously define the address of the device.
Capacity	Device capacity in MB. For removable media, the reported capacity is for the currently inserted media or no media inserted if no media is inserted. Tape drives do not report media.
Removable	As reported by the device.
Read Only	
Block Size	Block size reported by device.
Negotiated	Bus speed negotiated between the device and the controller.
Transfer Rate	Maximum transfer rate for negotiated bus speed and transfer path (8-bit, 16-bit).

The status condition is one of the following for attached devices:

Dead	Device failed to respond to controller commands. If the device becomes available, it only changes status after the system configuration is read or the host is restarted.
Failed	Drive failure occurred.
Impacted	Performance degradation in response to server I/O requests.
Missing	Drive is physically missing or does not respond to commands on the device bus.
Optimal	Device is fully functional.
Uninitialized	Drive is operational, but has been initialized as part of an array.
Verify	Verify operation is being performed on the array. I/O performance is reduced.
Warning	Imminent failure on a device with a S.M.A.R.T. failure prediction.

SCSI only—The SCSI Capabilities section is a list of controller capabilities. A check mark next to a feature indicates that the drive supports the feature.

Array and Array Group Information

The Information tab for any array may be viewed by highlighting that array, as shown in Figures 2-13 and 2-14.

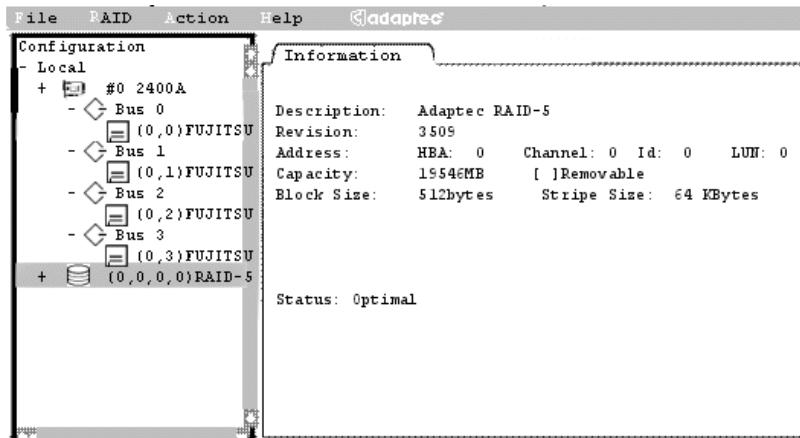


Figure 2-13. Array Group Information Tab – ATA

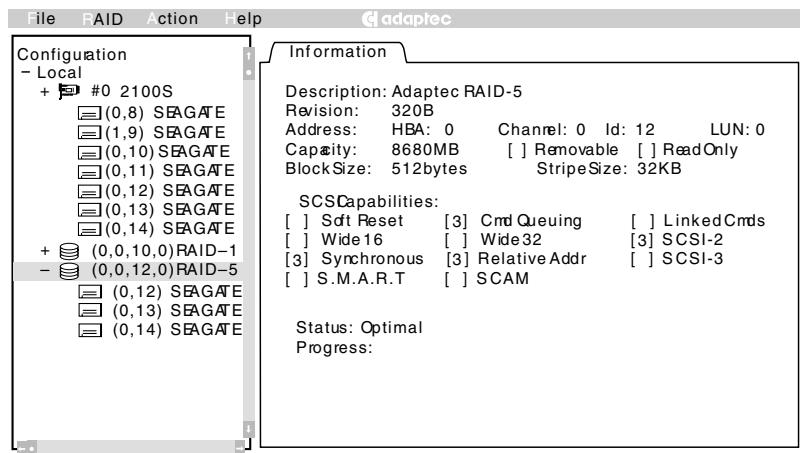


Figure 2-14. Array Group Information Tab – SCSI

RAID 0 arrays are comprised of any number of drives greater than 1. RAID 1 arrays are comprised of multiple pairs of drives. RAID 5 arrays contain three or more drives.

After you create the arrays, one or more arrays of the same RAID level can be combined into a multilevel RAID (see [Creating a Multilevel RAID on page 2-28](#)). Arrays are striped into multilevel RAIDs by the controller firmware. All the drives in an array or multilevel RAID must be attached to the same controller, and appear to the host as a single Logical Storage Unit (LSU).



Note: Arrays do not start building until a Set System Config action has been performed.

The Array Information tab displays general array information and hardware configuration. It is divided into either two or three parts: Description, SCSI Capabilities (for SCSI based RAID controllers only), and Status.

The Description section displays a general description of the highlighted array, as follows:

Description	RAID level used for the array.
Revision	Firmware revision of the RAID controller.
Address	RAID address in the form <i>dDbBtTdD</i> , as described in Device Address Syntax on page 4-2 . Display contains as much information as necessary to unambiguously define the address of the device. Controllers always are assigned the lowest logical address of any device in the array.
Capacity	The usable capacity of the array in MB. The available capacity depends upon the RAID level of that array.
Removable	As reported by the devices in the array.
Read Only	
Block Size	The sector (block) size of the selected device in bytes. For hard drives, the value should be 512. <i>SCSI only</i> —If the size is not 512, use SMOR to do a low-level format and create 512-byte sectors. See Formatting a Drive – SCSI only on page 2-31 for more information.
Stripe Size	Displays the stripe size used to create the RAID.

The Status section displays the current status of the array. A progress indicator (a numeric percentage of completion) can also appear if the array is building or rebuilding. The status definitions are listed below:

Building	The array is being built.
Created	The array or device is defined, but <i>not</i> initialized.
Dead	A Write Back Cache command to the array failed. This is an unrecoverable failure.
Degraded	A single drive in the array failed; array performance is degraded.
Impacted	A verification is being performed on the array; I/O performance is affected.
Optimal	The array is fully functional.
Pending	The array has been created and the build is queued on the controller, but not yet started.
Rebuilding	Data is being rebuilt onto a drive in the array.

SCSI only—The SCSI Capabilities section is a list of controller capabilities. A check mark next to a feature indicates that the drive supports the feature.

Setting the Configuration

There are two configuration options on the File menu:

- **Read System Config**—Causes SMOR to rescan to detect any changes in hardware configuration or status. Any changes that have been made and not saved are lost. This operation is run automatically when SMOR is started.
- **Set System Config**—Causes SMOR to save changes that have been made to the storage subsystem configuration in the controller memory. If any array groups or multilevel RAIDs have been created or modified, this operation causes the controller to initiate a build operation on the new groups.

Array Operations

This section describes how to use SMOR to create arrays and multilevel RAIDs, delete arrays, assign hot spare drives, and rebuild an array.

Creating an Array

To create an array, follow these steps:

- 1 Select **RAID > Create**. The RAID Type window appears as shown in [Figure 2-15](#).

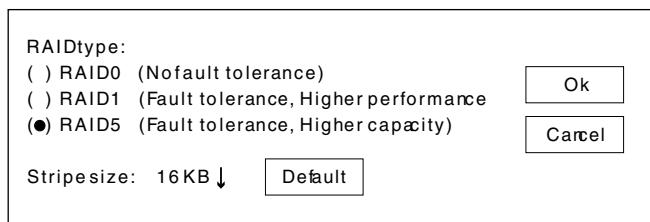


Figure 2-15. RAID Type Window

- 2 When the RAID Type window appears, select the RAID level you want to use. The default stripe size is selected automatically; however you can select a different stripe size value by highlighting the field and using the up and down arrow keys to change the stripe size.



Note: Although you can change the stripe size, Adaptec recommends using the default value, which has been selected for optimum performance based on the type of disk array you chose to create.

- a** When you are ready to proceed, select **Ok**.
- b** The Eligible Devices tab appears, as shown in [Figure 2-16](#). The list of eligible devices can be either individual hard drives or previously created array groups. Array groups appear in the list when you select RAID 0 and eligible array groups exist.

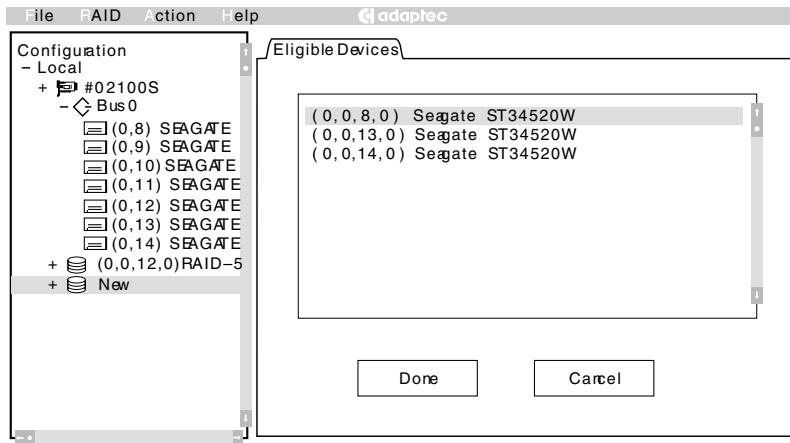


Figure 2-16. Eligible Devices Tab

- 3** Select the devices you want to include in the array:
 - a** To add devices to the array, highlight the device and press the **Spacebar**. A check mark appears next to the device to indicate that it has been selected. You might need to scroll the display down to view all eligible devices.
 - b** To remove a previously selected device from the array, highlight the device and press the **Spacebar**.
- 4** When you are finished selecting drives for the new array, select **Done**.

5 If you are creating a RAID 1 array, the RAID 1 Build Option window appears, as shown in [Figure 2-17](#). RAID 1 arrays are built by copying the existing data from one device to the other. Select the direction for the copy, then select **Ok**.

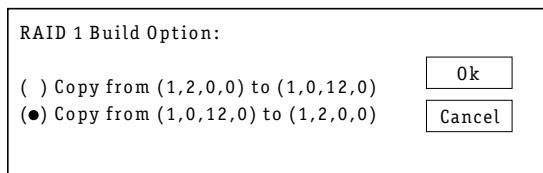


Figure 2-17. RAID 1 Build Option Window

6 Select **File > Set System Config** to start the build process. The build process begins for the array you created. If you created multiple arrays, they are built serially in the order they were defined. Alternatively, you can exit SMOR. Upon exiting, you are prompted to save the configuration changes. If you save, the build process begins for any arrays you defined.

For large redundant arrays, the build process can take several hours to complete. You can exit SMOR and perform other activities on the system while the build continues. An array being built can be accessed during the build process.

If you exit SMOR and you want to monitor the progress of the build operation, you can use the Storage Manager Array Group Information window. See [Array Groups on page 3-12](#) for additional information.

Creating a Multilevel RAID

Creating a multilevel RAID (RAID 0/1 or 0/5) is similar to creating a normal RAID 1 or RAID 5 array group. To create a RAID 0/1 or RAID 0/5 multilevel RAID, follow these steps:

- 1 Create and build your array groups as described in [Creating an Array on page 2-26](#). Do not initiate the build process on any arrays that you intend to use in a multilevel RAID.
- 2 After you have created your initial array groups, select **RAID > Create** again.

- 3 Select RAID 0 for the RAID type and click **Ok**.
- 4 Select two or more arrays of the same type from the list of eligible devices, then click **Done**.



Note: You cannot combine arrays that use different RAID levels.

- 5 Select **File > Set System Config** to begin the build process for the multilevel RAID.

The Tree View displays the multilevel RAID LSU as

(x,x,x,x) FW RAID-0

with the array groups listed where drives would normally be listed. Selecting an array group component branches to the hard drives for that array group. The LSU address is the lowest address of the array logical addresses that comprise the multilevel RAID.

Deleting an Array

To delete an array, follow these steps:

- 1 In the left pane, highlight the array that you want to remove. Then, select **RAID > Delete**.
- 2 A warning message appears, as shown in Figure 2-18. Select **Yes** or **No**. The array configuration for the devices is not deleted until you select **File > Set System Config** or exit SMOR and choose to save your changes.

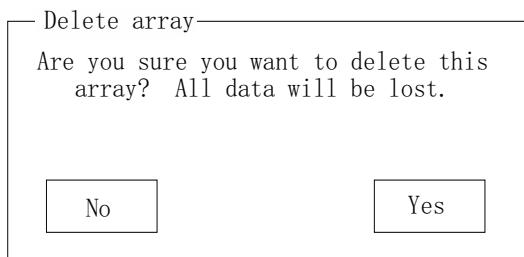


Figure 2-18. Delete Array Window

Hot Spares

Hot spares automatically replace failed drives in protected arrays and are not accessible by the operating system for other use. Any hard drive not assigned to an array or in use by the operating system can be designated as a hot spare, as long as the spare drive is at least as large as the other drives in the array.

To assign a drive as a hot spare, follow these steps:

- 1 Highlight the drive you want to use in the left pane.
- 2 Select **Action > Make Hotspare**.

The selected hot spare is reassigned as a normal hard drive accessible by the operating system.

Refer to [Assigning Hot Spares on page 3-47](#) for additional information.

* Remember, RAID 0/5 is not available on the 2400A. If a 2400A has a RAID 0/1, no hot spare is available.

Rebuilding a Failed Array

To replace a failed drive in an array that is not protected by an automatic hot spare, follow these steps:

- 1 Remove and replace the failed drive according the procedures in your hardware documentation.
- 2 When the failed drive has been replaced, select **RAID > Rebuild Array** to start the rebuild process.

The status of the array changes to *Rebuilding* (view the Information tab for that array). When the rebuild is complete, the array status changes to *Optimal*.



Note: An Adaptec RAIDstation enclosure automatically detects the replacement of a failed drive and initiates a rebuild operation as soon as the new drive is online.

Formatting a Drive – *SCSI only*

Formatting hard drives is not normally required. However, if you have a drive that was previously formatted with a sector size other than 512 bytes, low-level format the drive to 512 bytes/sector.



Caution: *Do not* remove power from the drive until the format operation is completed. Doing so may damage the drive so that it requires factory repair or replacement.

Low-level formatting large capacity drives can take considerable time. To perform a low-level format on a hard drive, follow these step:

- 1 Highlight the drive to be formatted
- 2 Select **Action > Format Drive**.
- 3 Select **Ok** and confirm. To determine if the format has completed, view the Information tab for that drive.

Upgrading Firmware – Flash HBA Option

The firmware on your controller is upgradable using the Flash HBA option, which appears on the Action menu when a controller is selected in the Tree View. The Flash HBA option enables you to upgrade to the latest firmware, controller BIOS and SMOR.



Note: There is no way to backup the controller firmware. When you upgrade to the latest firmware, the previous firmware image is replaced by the new one and any settings you may have made are lost.

Each component must be upgraded as a separate operation, however, they should all be upgraded at the same time. Adaptec periodically releases updated firmware, controller BIOS, and SMOR. You can obtain the latest files from the Adaptec website (www.adaptec.com).

- Firmware image upgrades are contained in a `xxxxxxxx.ima` or `xxxxxxxx.fwi` file, where the 8-character file name consists of the 4-digit controller model number and a 4-digit release number.
- Controller BIOS images are contained in a file named `i2obios.fff` (where, `fff` is the version number).
- SMOR updates are contained in a file named `smoryyyy.fff`. Where, `yyyy` is the build number and the file extension (`fff`) is the version number.

Copy these files to a floppy disk or CD.

To upgrade the controller firmware, BIOS, and/or the SMOR utility, follow these steps:

- 1 Obtain the applicable firmware, BIOS, and/or SMOR utility image files.
- 2 Insert the image files disk in a drive that is connected to the system where the controller is installed.
- 3 In the Tree View, select the controller that you want to update.

4 Select **Action > Flash HBA**. The Source File Browser window appears, as shown in [Figure 2-19](#).

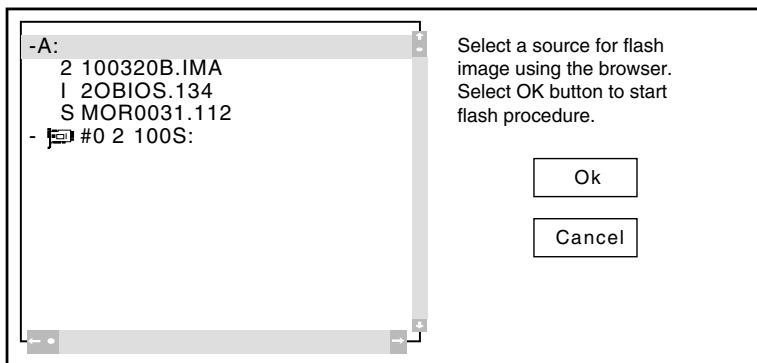


Figure 2-19. Source File Browser Window

5 In the Source File Browser window, select the hard drive that contains the image files. Press **Enter** to expand the drive listing.

6 Highlight the image file you want to use and select **Ok** to update the controller flash ROM. After the controller reads the image, it displays the version number of the component you selected. Select **Yes** to confirm. A progress indicator appears showing of the flash operation.

If the operation does not complete successfully, refer to the procedures for recovering from an incomplete or failed flash ROM upgrade in the *Troubleshooting* section of the *Adaptec RAID Installation Guide*.

Creating a SMOR Boot Disk

To create a SMOR boot disk, click **Action > Make Boot Floppy** or use the *Adaptec RAID Installation CD*. You may need a SMOR boot disk in certain situations when it is not possible to access SMOR by typing **Ctrl+A** during startup. To create a SMOR boot disk

- 1 Insert a blank disk into the disk drive.
- 2 Select **Action > Make Boot Floppy**.
- 3 When prompted, select **Yes** to create the bootable disk. A progress indicator appears showing the progress of the disk creation. When finished, the progress meter closes.

To use the bootable disk with SMOR, follow these steps:

- 1 Insert the bootable disk you created into your disk drive.
- 2 Restart your system. The system boots from the disk and starts SMOR automatically. If the system attempts to boot from another device, you must change the boot order setting in your system BIOS setup. Refer to your system documentation for information about changing this setting.
- 3 Use this version of SMOR to perform whatever tasks are necessary to configure your storage subsystem.
- 4 When you are finished, remove the disk from the disk drive. Select **File > Exit** to exit SMOR.



Note: Exiting automatically restarts the computer. Leave the bootable disk in the disk drive, it will restart SMOR.

3

Storage Manager

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Introduction

Adaptec's Storage Manager gives you complete control over your storage subsystem, enabling you to manage your storage locally or remotely across a network.

Storage Manager enables you to check your device configuration, configure your controller, create and manage your disk arrays, and provides online event logging and performance statistics.

Your Adaptec controller also includes SMOR, which enables you to build disk arrays prior to installing your operating system and Storage Manager. See [Chapter 3, Storage Manager](#) for additional information about SMOR.

Adaptec Storage Manager is used to:

- Verify and modify drive configurations
- Create, expand, or delete disk arrays.
- Provide online functions for the Adaptec storage subsystem such as event logging and notification, array status, and I/O statistics.
- Provide remote access to Adaptec hardware and attached storage devices across a TCP/IP network.

Storage Manager will detect Adaptec RAID controllers and other Adaptec controllers. It is not intended for use with controllers by other manufacturers.

To install Storage Manager, insert the *Adaptec RAID Installation CD*. An autorun installation dialog should appear. Refer to the *Adaptec RAID Installation Guide* for more information about installing.

System Requirements

Adaptec Storage Manager software and device drivers require approximately 4 MB of disk space. The host system should have at least 64 MB of memory and a Pentium processor (200 MHz or faster). A mouse and SVGA color monitor are required.

The host system should comply with the *PCI Local Bus Specification* (revisions 2.1 and 2.2) and must be able to properly configure multifunction PCI devices where one of the devices is a bridge.

If remote communication services are to be used to monitor and control the array(s) using a network connection, then a network connection is also required.

Storage Manager can be installed on a computer with one of the following operating systems:

- Windows 2000, Windows NT 4 (Service Pack 6 or later),
Windows 95/98/Me
- SCO OpenServer 5, UnixWare 7.x
- Red Hat Linux (using the LessTif GUI.) 7.0, 7.1
- SuSE Linux 7.0 and 7.1
- FreeBSD Unix 4.11, 4.2, 4.3



Note: Storage Manager for SCO uses the Motif graphical user interface (GUI). Run the Motif version of Storage Manager with the display set for 256 colors only. Any other setting can cause Storage Manager to display incorrect colors.

Before running Storage Manager, be sure that your mouse driver is installed. Access to some features of Storage Manager requires the use of a pointing device in place of the keyboard.

Installing Storage Manager

The original installation of the software starts with the installation instructions covered in chapter 4 of the *Adaptec RAID Installation Guide*. Use the instructions appropriate for the operating system being used.

On operating systems other than Windows, Storage Manager would have been installed during the process of copying the files from the CD to the areas denoted in the installation instructions.

On a Windows system, after the drivers are installed and the system is restarted, reinserting the *Adaptec RAID Installation CD* or executing *autorun.exe* starts the installation process for the Storage Manager Software. See Figure 3-1 on the following page for the Windows selection screen from the installation utility. During the initial installation, select the boxes as shown below:

Storage Manager	Required for initial installation -- Loads the Storage Manager application.
Communications Server	Optional -- Loads software to allow controlling the RAID array(s) on this machine from another machine via a network connection. Refer to <i>Remote Communication</i> on page 3-54 for detailed information.
Broadcast Service	Optional -- Loads software components for tracking and logging events on the array(s). Refer to <i>Events</i> on page 3-35 for further information.
SNMP Agent	Optional -- Used in conjunction with the SNMP service, which should be installed prior to installing this component. See <i>Appendix A</i> for details. May be used instead of the Communications Server or DMI.
RAID Engine	Required for initial installation -- Loads the DLL used by other applications that need to communicate with the array hardware.
DMI Component	Optional -- Used in conjunction with the DMI standard, which should be installed prior to installing this component. See <i>Appendix B</i> for details. May be used instead of SNMP or Communications Server.

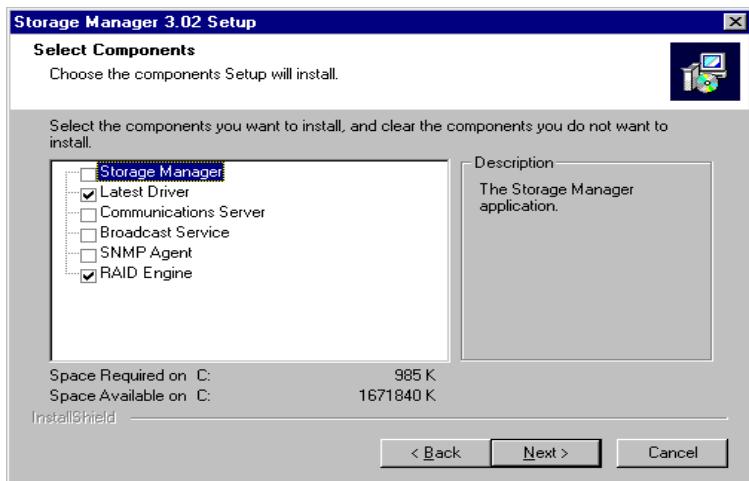


Figure 3-1. Storage Manager Setup Window

Running Storage Manager

You can run Storage Manager in one of the following ways:

- **Locally**—On the same computer that contains the RAID controller and drives.
- **Remotely**—Across a TCP/IP network, you can view and configure servers from remote locations.

Using Storage Manager Locally

Storage Manager scans for RAID controllers installed on the computer on which it is run. If one or more controllers are found, the storage subsystem hardware configuration is displayed.

Using Storage Manager Remotely

Host systems can be viewed and configured across a TCP/IP network from a client system running Storage Manager.

Views

This section describes the two primary configuration views, which are:

- Physical Configuration View
- Logical Configuration View (includes Logical Device Addresses)

Physical Configuration View

The first window displayed by Storage Manager is the Physical Configuration View (see Figures 3-2 and 3-3). This window displays each RAID controller in the system along with the peripheral buses and attached devices. Icons representing hard drives, CD-ROMs, tapes, bridge controllers, and jukeboxes are displayed. Devices are sorted by controller number and device ID from lowest to highest.

RAID hard drive icons contain the word “RAID.” Hot spare icons have a red circle with a white cross. Select **Legend of Icons** from the Storage Manager Help menu to see a list of the various icons and their meaning.

Switch View	Toggles between the Physical Configuration View and the Logical Configuration View window.
Create Array Group	Starts the process of creating a RAID logical disk.
Print	Prints a text report of the subsystem configuration.

Figures 3-2 and 3-3 show sample views of Physical Configurations.

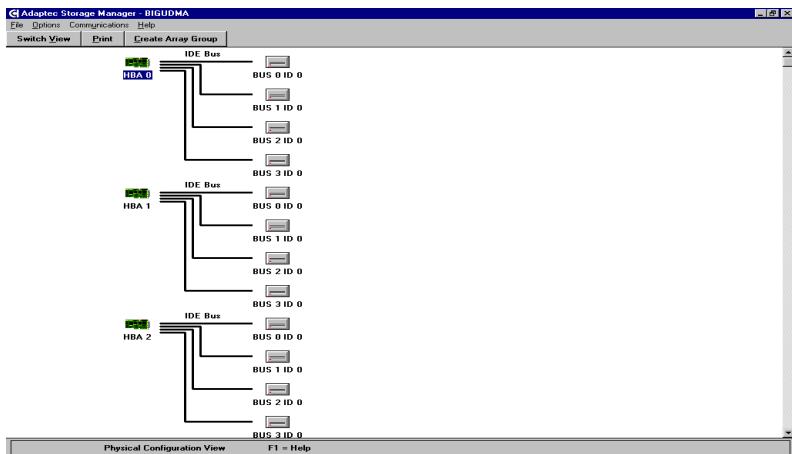


Figure 3-2. Physical Configuration Window – ATA

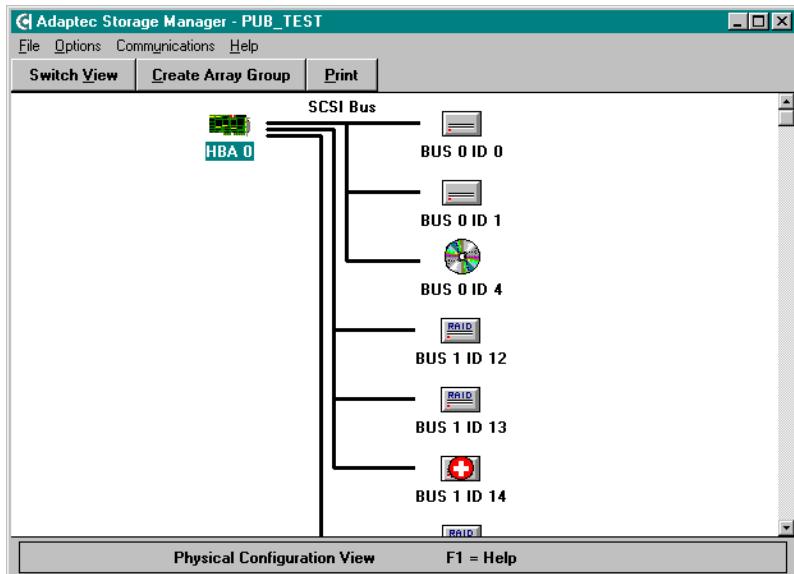


Figure 3-3. Physical Configuration Window – SCSI

Logical Configuration View

On the right side of the Logical Configuration View Window, shown in Figures 3-4 and 3-5, are all the physical devices that are attached to the RAID controllers.

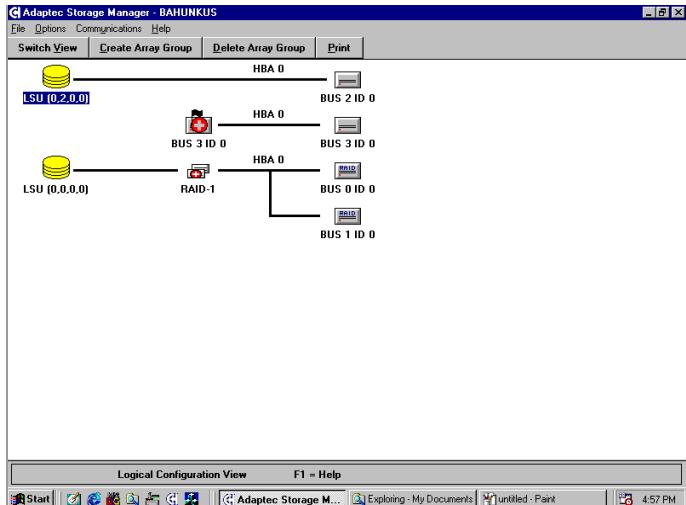


Figure 3-4. Logical Configuration Window – ATA

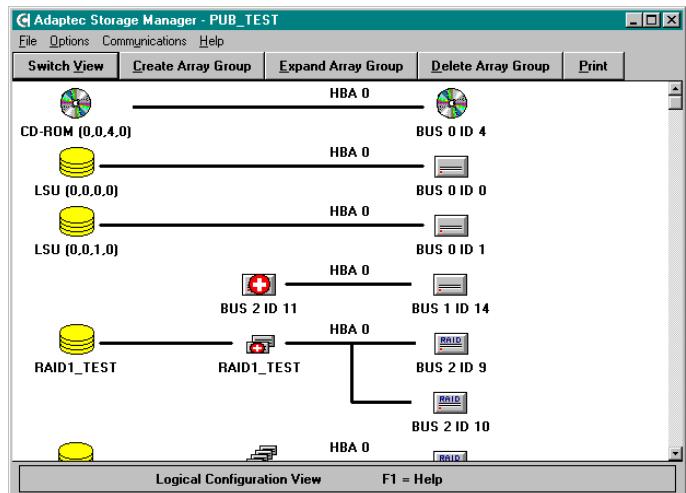


Figure 3-5. Logical Configuration Window – SCSI

On the left side of the window are the associated logical devices as seen by the host computer.

Storage Manager displays the same icon for non-hard-drive devices in both logical and physical views. Hard drives appear either as individual drives or as members of arrays. In either case, the drive or array is represented on the left side of the window as a Logical Storage Unit (LSU). Arrays that make up a multilevel RAID are displayed as RAID 1 or RAID 5 icons that appear between the LSU icon on the left and the drives on the right.

Devices are displayed in order of device type, with all non-hard-drive devices displayed first, followed by all hard drives not assigned to an array, then hot spares, and finally all arrays by RAID level.

The tool bar at the top of the Logical Configuration View window contains the following buttons:

Switch View	Switches to the Logical Information View. For more information, see page 3-21 .
Create Array Group	Starts the process of collecting available individual drives to assemble into a RAID array. For more information, see page 3-16 .
Expand Array Group	Allows adding drives to an existing array and dynamically resizing the logical drive. For more information, see page 3-21 .
Delete Array Group	Allows deletion of the selected RAID array. For more information, see page 3-23 .
Print	Prints the configuration file of the selected RAID array.

Logical Device Addresses

Every device and array is assigned a logical device address by Storage Manager. This is the address used by the host operating system to access the device or array. Logical device addresses appear in parentheses under the logical device and LSU icons on the Logical Configuration View window.

Figures 3-6 and 3-7 show typical LSU numbering, array numbering, and drive numbers.

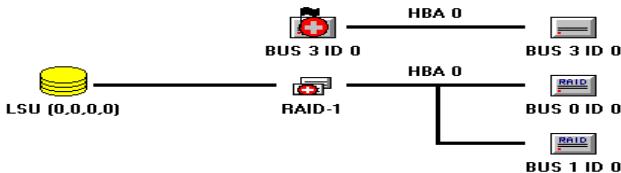


Figure 3-6. Logical Device Addressing – ATA

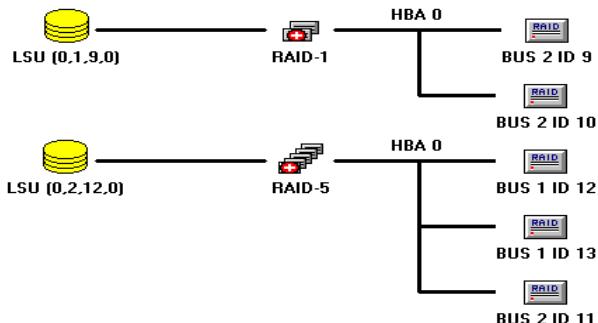


Figure 3-7. Logical Device Addressing – SCSI

The complete logical device address is composed of the following fields:

HBA	The controller to which the device is attached. PCI bus slots are scanned from lowest to highest looking for Adaptec controllers. As Adaptec controllers are found, they are assigned numbers incrementally, starting with 0.
Bus	Channel number of the channel to which the device is attached.
LUN	The LUN for that device is normally 0.
Device	The unique ID for that device. For an array this is the lowest ID among the drives that make up the array.

Array groups are automatically assigned an address that corresponds to the lowest logical device address used by a device in that array group.

When an array group has been created, its logical device address does not change if the drive with the lowest ID is replaced by a hot spare. When a hot spare replacement occurs, the failed drive automatically becomes the new hot spare. If you choose not to use that drive as a hot spare, Storage Manager prompts you to select an unused logical device address for that drive.

Example

If the lowest member device address for an array is HBA:0 Bus:1 ID:12 LUN:0, the LSU address is HBA:0 Bus:1 ID:12 LUN:0.

Array Groups

The tool bar at the top of the Logical Configuration View window, shown in Figures 3-4 and 3-5, contains the following buttons:

Switch View	Switches to the Logical Information View. For more information, see page 3-21 .
Create Array Group	Starts the process of collecting available individual drives to assemble into a RAID array. For more information, see page 3-16 .
Expand Array Group	<i>Windows NT and Windows 2000 only</i> —Allows adding drives to an existing array and dynamically resizing the logical drive. For more information, see page 3-21 .
Delete Array Group	Allows deletion of the selected RAID array. For more information, see page 3-23 .
Print	Prints the configuration file of the selected RAID array.

You can use the Logical Configuration View window to create any combination of RAID level 0, 1, or 5 disk arrays. RAID 0 arrays can be any combination of individual drives. RAID 1 arrays are comprised of multiple pairs of drives. RAID 5 arrays contain three or more drives.

One or more arrays of the same RAID level can be combined into a multilevel RAID, such as:

- RAID 0/1 for multiple RAID 1 arrays
- RAID 0/5 for multiple RAID 5 arrays

The drives in a multilevel RAID appear as a single LSU to the host computer.

Although arrays must be built from drives that are all attached to the same controller, arrays can contain drives from multiple channels. The approach is slightly different for each controller model:

Adaptec 2400A	Supports one drive per channel, for a total of four drives; therefore, any RAID array involves spreading the drives across channels.
Adaptec 2100S/2110S	Provides a single channel with support for up to 15 devices.
Adaptec 2000S/2005S/3200S/3210S/3400S/3410S	Arrays are built using the drives in the order selected, regardless of channel. Provides multi-channel performance benefits over single-channel controllers. Also, multiple channels can be used to create fault-tolerant arrays using pairs of drives on alternate channels.

To view the Array Group Information window, shown in Figures 3-8 and 3-9, double-click the appropriate array icon in the Logical Configuration View window.

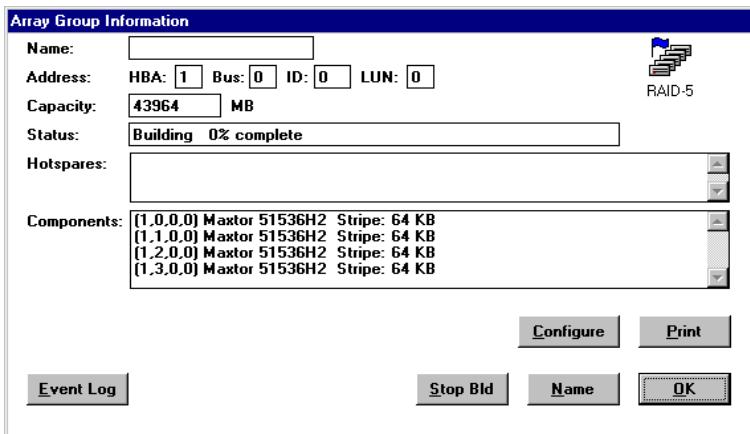


Figure 3-8. Array Group Information Window – ATA

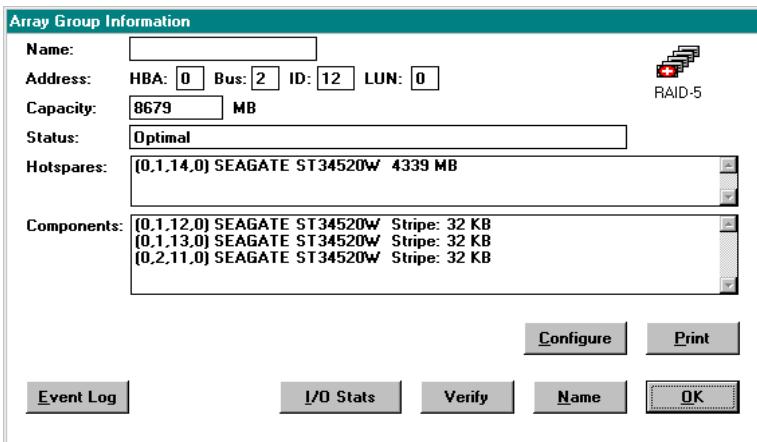


Figure 3-9. Array Group Information Window – SCSI

The Array Group Information window displays the following information:

Name	The descriptive name assigned to the array. An icon in the upper right corner of the window indicates the RAID level.
Address	This is the logical device address used by the host operating system to access the logical drive. The address is the same as the lowest device address in the array.
Capacity	The total usable storage capacity of the array in MB.
Status	The current status of the array as reported by the controller.
Hotspares	Displays a list of any hot spare drives that are available to protect the array in the event of a drive failure.
Components	Displays the logical address, model, and stripe size for each member of the array. If this is a multilevel RAID Information window, the list displays the address or name and stripe size for each disk array that is a member of the multilevel RAID.



Note: The availability of the various buttons depends on the current configuration and state of the array.

The toolbar at the bottom of the Array Group Information window contains the following buttons:

Event Log	Displays the activity log of the RAID system. For more information, see page 3-35 .
I/O Stats	Displays the log of the array's I/O activity. For more information, see page 3-49 .
Verify	Starts the process of checking the current status and operability of the RAID array. For more information, see page 3-48 .
Expand	<i>Windows NT and Windows 2000 only</i> —Allows setting and checking the parameters of the RAID controller. For more information, see page 3-21 .

Name	Allows entering or changing the name to be shown for this RAID array. This does not affect the LSU of the array. For more information, see page 3-23 .
Configure	Allows changing the configuration of the array.
Print	Prints the configuration file of the selected RAID array.
Build	Arrays that have a build pending display this button.
Rebuild	Redundant arrays that have a failed drive show this button.
Stop Bld	Arrays that are building or rebuilding show a Stop Bld button.
Stop Vfy	Arrays running a Verify operation show this button.

Creating an Array Group

To create an array group, follow these steps:

- 1 Select the Create Array Group button. The Select Array Type window appears, as shown in [Figure 3-10](#).

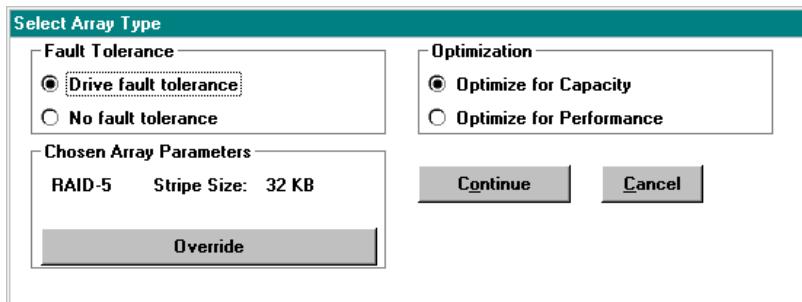


Figure 3-10. Select Array Type Window

- 2 Select the desired Fault Tolerance: Drive fault tolerance (RAID 1 or 5) or No fault tolerance (RAID 0).
- 3 Select the desired Optimization: Optimize for Capacity (RAID 5) or Optimize for Performance (RAID 1).

- 4 As you make your selections, the Chosen Array Parameters change to indicate which RAID level and stripe size best fit your selection.
- 5 You can customize the RAID level and stripe size defaults by selecting the **Override** button.
- 6 Click **Continue** to select the drives you want to use. The Logical Configuration View window appears with the caption Choosing Drives for Array (RAID *n*), where *n* is the RAID level chosen. Select the drives you want to use in the array group as follows:
 - a To add drives
 - Click each drive to be added. A green check mark indicates that a drive is selected.
 - Click **Include Drive** to add the marked drives to the new array group. You may need to scroll the window to view the array group.
 - b To remove drives
 - Click the drive icons you want to remove and then click **Remove Drive**.

During the drive selection process some drives might be displayed in a blue color. This indicates that these drives cannot be included in the array unless you change the configuration. You must either select more drives for the array or remove one or more drives from the array. See [Array Groups on page 3-12](#) for rules regarding the number of drives that can be included in arrays.

- 7 When you finish selecting the drives to be included in the new array group, click **Done**. The icon for the array group appears with a black flag until you start the build process by saving your changes.

8 When you are finished creating arrays, exit Storage Manager. You are prompted to save the configuration changes. If you save the configuration, the build operation starts automatically. If you have created multiple arrays, they are built one at a time in the order created. You can also start the build without exiting Storage Manager by selecting File–Set System Configuration.



Note: The array initialization process can take several hours to complete. You can exit Storage Manager and perform other activities on the system while the build continues. Arrays can be accessed while the initialization occurs as a background task. Furthermore, redundant arrays provide redundancy immediately although the performance of the array will be less than optimal until the initialization is complete.

RAID 1 arrays are created by copying the data on one drive of the mirrored pair to the other. If you have specified a RAID 1 array, you are prompted to select the direction of the copy as shown in [Figure 3-11](#).

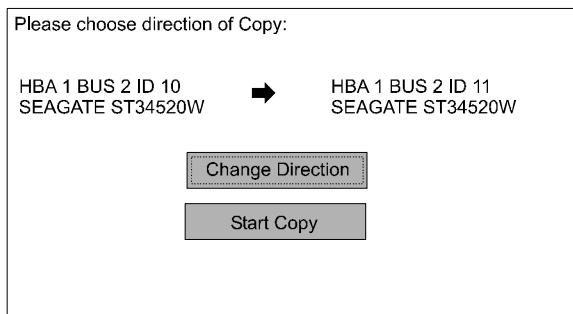


Figure 3-11. Mirroring Drives in an Array

If you want to monitor the progress of the build operation, display the Array Group Information window for the new array group. The build progress is displayed as a percentage of completion in the Status field. You can also view the Information window for an array that is a member of a multilevel RAID to monitor the progress for that component of the multilevel RAID.

Naming an Array Group

In the Array Group Information window, click **Name** to assign a unique name to an array group or multilevel RAID. This name is displayed under the Array icon and other locations that display the array identifier. The name can be 1 to 13 characters in length.



Note: You must restart the host computer before the new array name takes effect.

Expanding and Extending Arrays – *Windows 2000 and Windows NT only*

The following definitions are used in this section:

- **Array expansion**—Adding additional space to an existing array group using the array expansion feature.
- **Volume extension**—Adding the new space created by the array expansion to the existing Windows volume (LSU).

Array expansion enables you to increase your storage capacity by adding one or more drives to your RAID 0 and RAID 5 arrays while your system remains online. As additional drives are added, the controller redistributes the data on the array, placing the new space at the end of the LSU and increasing the size of the logical drive.

Before array expansion was available, to increase the size of an array you had to backup the data on the array, shutdown the host system, delete the old array, and then build a larger array that included the new drives. After the larger array was built, you would reinstall the operating system (if necessary) and restore the data from the backup. This entire process could keep your system off-line for at least one day and possibly longer.

The array expansion feature enables you to add the new drives to the array while the system is active and users are logged in and accessing data. After the array is expanded, use the Windows Disk Administrator to add the additional space to the volume set of the array, then shutdown the system and restart. When the system restarts, Windows recognizes the additional space as part of the existing logical drive.



Note: Array expansion significantly reduces overall system performance. To mitigate the impact, adjust the relative priorities of processes in Storage Manager by setting the Background Task Priority (see [page 3-48](#)).

Array expansion maintains the performance gains of RAID 0 and RAID 5, spreading accesses randomly across the drives in the array. The controller presents the same number of LSUs to the operating system after the expansion. There is no need for manual load balancing, which would be required if the new space were presented as an additional LSU.

Requirements and Restrictions

Array expansion has the following system requirements and restrictions.

- Windows 2000, Windows NT 4.0, Server or Workstation, with the most recent service pack.
- Adaptec OSM only. (The Microsoft OSM *does not* support array expansion.)
- RAID 0 or RAID 5 array groups only
- NTFS file system only. (You cannot extend a volume that has a FAT partition. Instead, you would add the extra space as a separate LSU.)
- You cannot extend the Windows NT or Windows 2000 boot partition.
- The array must have *Optimal* status before beginning the expansion. If the array status is not *Optimal*, correct the problem and complete a rebuild of the existing array before continuing with expansion.

- Each new drive added to an array must be at least equal to the capacity of the smallest capacity drive already in the array. This is because in any RAID configuration, the drive with the least capacity in the array determines the usable capacity of all the drives in the array. There is no advantage in adding a drive with a capacity larger than the smallest capacity drive already in the array.

Expanding an Array Group

To expand an existing array group, follow these steps:



Caution: Backup your data before changing the configuration of a disk array. Do not allow power to the host system to be interrupted while the expansion operation is running.

- 1 Connect the additional drives to the peripheral bus and power-on the drives. Refer to the *Adaptec RAID Installation Guide* if necessary.
-  **Note:** If the drives are not in hot-pluggable carriers, power down the system before adding drives to the peripheral bus.
- 2 Start Storage Manager and click **Switch View** to change to the Logical Configuration View.
- 3 Select the array group to which you want to add drives by clicking on the corresponding RAID 0 or RAID 5 icon.
- 4 Select **Expand Array Group**.
- 5 Mark the drives to be added to the array by clicking on them. A green check mark indicates that a drive is selected.
- 6 Select **Include Drive**. This causes the marked drives to join the existing array group. The drives to be added are now marked *New*.
- 7 When you are finished choosing drives, select **Done**. The icon for the array group appears with a black flag until the expansion process is started.

8 Select **File–Set System Configuration** to start the array expansion. The status flag on the array group turns blue and the flags on the components turn white during the expansion process. You can perform other activity on the system while the expansion continues, because the array is fully functional during the expansion process.

For large arrays, the expansion can take several hours to complete. Host I/O activity can prolong the expansion process.

If you want to monitor the progress of the expansion operation, you can use Storage Manager to view the Array Group Information window. Status is *Expanding* during the expansion process, *Optimal* when it has completed.



Note: If a drive fails during expansion, the expansion may complete successfully. However, the new, larger array remains in a degraded state until the problem is fixed. If there is a hot spare associated with the array, the degraded array is rebuilt using the hot spare. If there is no hot spare, replace the defective drive and rebuild the array.

Reconfiguring and Array After Expansion

When the array expansion is complete, you need to configure the array so that Windows recognizes the additional space. Follow these steps:

1 Shut down and restart the system.



Note: When restarting, Windows runs chkdsk to verify the new space.

2 Start **Disk Administrator**. The new space appears as free space at the end of the existing logical drive.

3 Select both the original logical drive and the free space by highlighting both segments.

4 Select **Partition–Extend Volume Set...**. Select **Yes** when prompted to save your changes and restart Windows.

Use the **rdisk.exe** utility to update your emergency repair disk with the new disk configuration information.

Deleting an Array Group

To delete an array group, follow these steps:

- 1 From the Logical Configuration View window, select the LSU or array group icon of the array you want to delete. Then, select **Delete Array Group**.
- 2 Select **OK** when the confirmation message appears to complete the delete operation. Click **Cancel** to exit without deleting the array group.

An array is not physically deleted until you exit Storage Manager and choose to save changes or select **File > Set System Configuration**.

Status Reporting

Status is reported by RAID controllers for arrays and drives. Some status conditions are indicated by Storage Manager through status flags on the drive or array icons. More detailed status information can be obtained by viewing the Information window for that drive or array. Changes in status conditions are logged and can also be broadcast to selected recipients.

The general status conditions that can be indicated for drives or arrays are listed below. The actual status message may include additional details:

Building	The array is being built.
Created	The array or device is defined, but not initialized.
Dead	A write-back cache to the array command failed. This is an unrecoverable failure.
Degraded	A single drive in the array has failed; array performance is affected.
Impacted	A verification is being performed on the array; I/O performance is affected.
Optimal	The array is fully functional.

Pending	The array has been created and the build is queued on the controller, but is not yet started.
Rebuilding	Data is being rebuilt onto a drive in the array.

Information Windows

This section discusses information windows, which includes:

- [Host Bus Adapter Information Window on page 3-24](#)
- [Battery Backup Configuration Window – Adaptec 3200S/3210S/3400S/3410S Only on page 3-26](#)
- [Configure Host Bus Adapter Window on page 3-27](#)
- [Flash Configuration Window on page 3-29](#)
- [Device Information Window on page 3-31](#)
- [Device Configuration Window on page 3-33](#)

Double-click a controller or device icon to display an Information window for that controller or device.

Host Bus Adapter Information Window

This window (see [Figure 3-12](#)) displays HBA configuration information reported by the selected controller.

The Controller section displays the Model, Serial #, Firmware revision, and amount of installed cache. ECC is checked only if ECC memory is installed.

The Attached Modules section shows the expansion modules and type and capacity of memory modules installed.

The Host Bus Adapter Info window (ATA and SCSI) displays the current bus configuration.

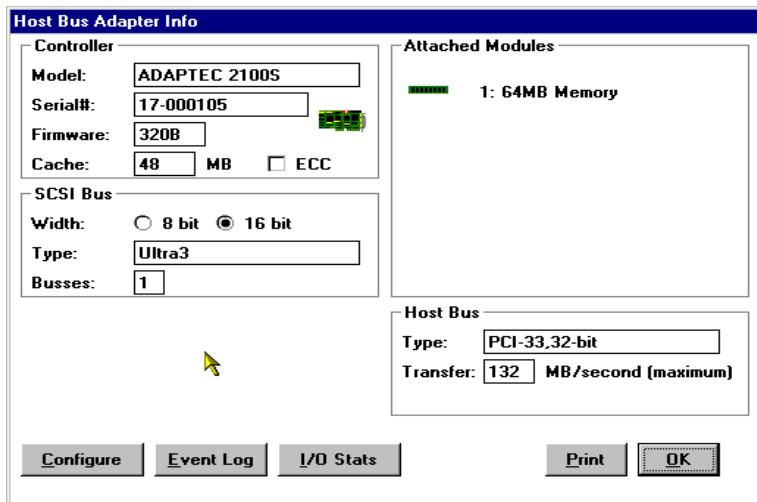


Figure 3-12. Host Bus Adapter Info Window – ATA and SCSI



Note: The RAID controller requires 16 MB of memory for its operation. The available cache memory reported here equals the amount of memory installed minus 16 MB.

The following buttons are available:

Configure	Examine and change HBA parameters, or download new firmware code. For more information, see page 3-27 .
Event Log	Examine records of transfers to and from attached devices. For more information, see page 3-35 .
I/O Stats	Examine records of cache and command transfers. For more information, see page 3-49 .
Print	Print this window.
OK	Accept changes and return to previous window.

Battery Backup Configuration Window – Adaptec 3200S/3210S/3400S/3410S Only

This option enables you to view the status of the battery backup module, as shown in [Figure 3-13](#), and set operating parameters when the battery capacity reaches a predetermined level.

The battery status and available backup capacity (in hours) is displayed. You can use the Backup Capacity Warnings options to set a threshold for entering Write-Through mode and issuing failure warnings when the battery charge drops below the defined level.



Note: During the initial calibration or maintenance cycle for a battery backup module, the controller operates in Write-Through mode to ensure data is always written to the array.

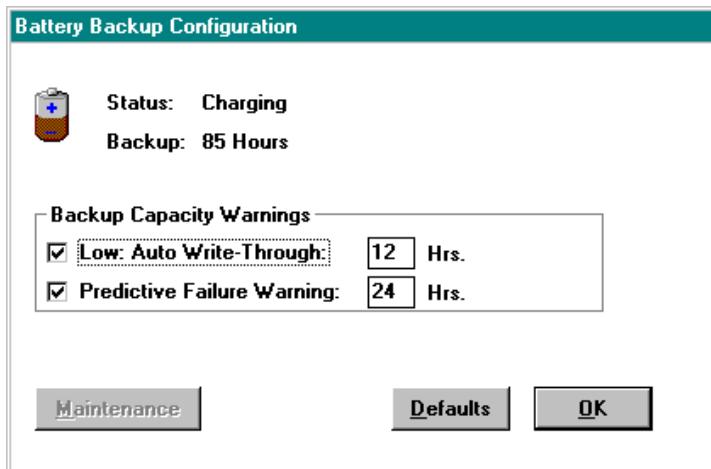


Figure 3-13. Battery Backup Configuration Window – SCSI

Configure Host Bus Adapter Window

Click **Configure** in the Host Bus Adapter Info window to modify hardware parameters for the RAID controller. The Configure Host Bus Adapter window appears, as shown in Figures 3-14 and 3-15. Figure 3-14 shows a four-channel RAID controller.

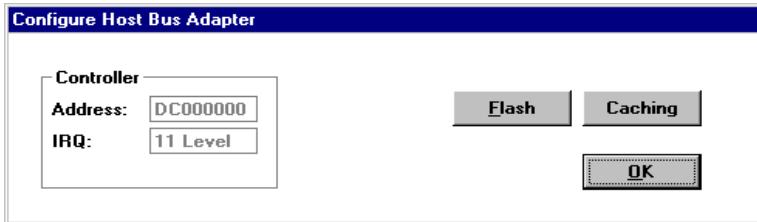


Figure 3-14. Configure Host Bus Adapter Window – ATA

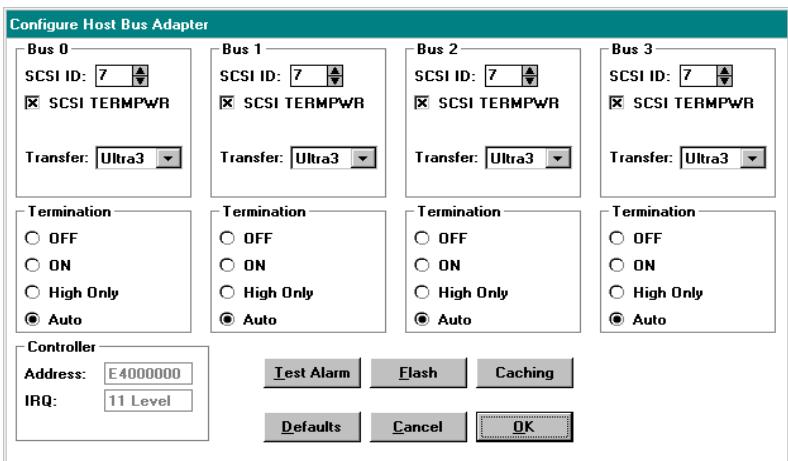


Figure 3-15. Configure Host Bus Adapter Window – SCSI

The following buttons are available:

Test Alarm (SCSI only)	Tests the audible alarm on the controller.
Flash	Displays the Flash Configuration window to update the controller firmware and BIOS.
Caching	Selects the controller cache parameters.
Defaults	Resets the controller configuration to factory default settings.
Cancel	Cancels any changes you have made and returns to the Host Bus Adapter Info window.
SCSI ID (SCSI only)	Your controllers are set to ID 7 by default. Refer to the <i>Adaptec RAID Installation Guide</i> for more information about selecting an alternate SCSI ID.
SCSI TERMPWR (SCSI only)	By default, SCSI RAID controllers supply termination power through the TERMPWR line on the SCSI cable. This setting does not normally need to be changed.
Transfer (SCSI only)	The maximum possible transfer rate. The controller automatically negotiates with each device at power-up, or reset, to determine the maximum transfer rate. <i>This parameter should only be changed when troubleshooting SCSI bus errors.</i> If data errors are eliminated by setting the value to a lower rate, there might be problems with the length of the bus or the bus termination.
Termination (SCSI only)	This parameter sets SCSI termination for the controller. The default value (Auto) should not be changed unless both internal and external cables are attached to the controller or you are using an 8-bit (Narrow) cable. Refer to the <i>Adaptec RAID Installation Guide</i> for information about configuring SCSI bus termination.
Address, IRQ	These fields display the controller memory address and IRQ value assigned by the host BIOS. These values cannot be changed.

Controller Caching – *Windows NT only*

To ensure optimum performance, follow these steps:

- 1 Click **Caching** in the Configure Host Bus Adapter window to display the HBA Caching Configuration window.
- 2 When the HBA Caching Configuration window appears, change both of the settings to **Advisory**.
The *Advisory* setting allows the controller to use its own algorithms for cache management. This is more efficient than allowing the operating system to direct the cache operation.
- 3 Click **OK** to exit the window and save the changes.
- 4 Reboot Windows to enable the new settings.



Note: If you reset the NVRAM on the controller, the changes to your cache settings may not be retained. In that case, repeat this procedure to ensure optimum performance.

Flash Configuration Window

When you click **Flash** in the Configure Host Bus Adapter window, the Flash Configuration window, shown in [Figure 3-16](#), is displayed.



Note: It is easier to perform an update if the image files are placed in the root directory of a disk. Each component must be upgraded as a separate operation. Flash operations are not supported over remote connections.

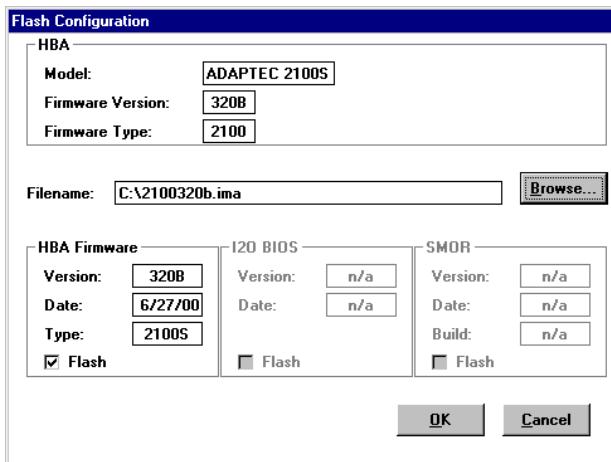


Figure 3-16. Flash Configuration Window – ATA and SCSI

The current controller model, firmware version, and firmware type are displayed. To specify an image file for the flash operation, you can type a path and filename in the **Filename** field or click **Browse** to use a file selection window.

Firmware images are contained in a **xxxxxxxx.ima** file, where the 8-character file name consists of the 4-digit model number and a 4-digit release number. The controller BIOS image is contained in a file named **i2obios.fff** (where, **fff** is the version number). SMOR updates are contained in a file named **smoryyyy.fff**. Where, **yyy** is the version number and the file extension (**fff**) is the build number. You can obtain the latest files by contacting your technical support representative.

When you select an image file, Storage Manager reads the file to determine the type of image selected: firmware, controller BIOS, or SMOR. The Version, Date, and Type fields are displayed in the corresponding section of the window.

Click **OK** to begin the flash operation. Click **Cancel** to return to the Configure Host Bus Adapter window.

Device Information Window

The Device Information Window is shown in Figures 3-17 and 3-18.

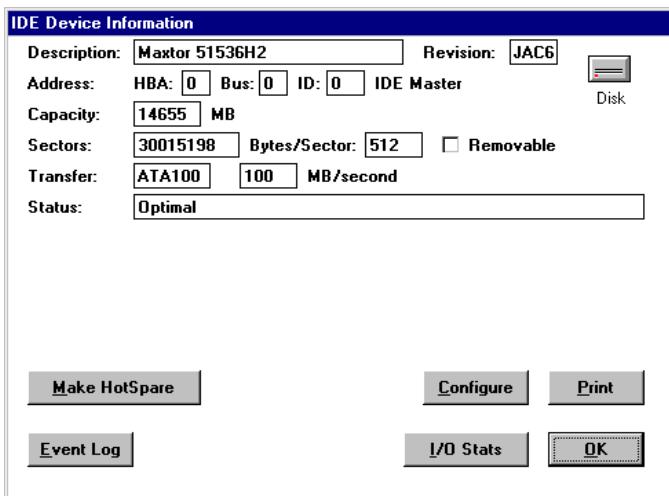


Figure 3-17. Device Information Window – ATA

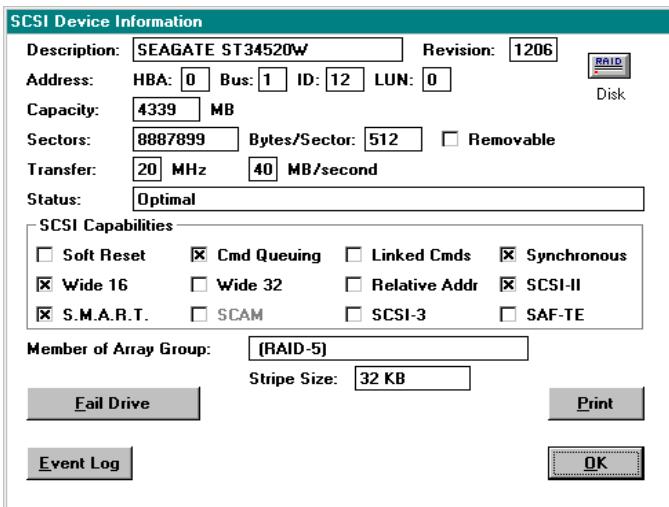


Figure 3-18. SCSI Device Information Window – SCSI

The Device Information window displays the following information:

Description	The manufacturer and model.
Revision	The drive firmware revision.
Address	The logical address of the device.
Capacity	Storage capacity of the device in MB. For removable-media devices, capacity is reported for the currently inserted media.
Sectors	Total number of sectors on the drive. SCSI devices may refer to sectors as blocks in some other reference material.
Bytes/sector	Sector size (always 512). A SCSI hard drive may report otherwise; if so, low-level format the drive as described in Formatting Drives – SCSI only .
Removable	Indicates that the drive uses removable media.
Transfer	Transfer rate.
Status	Current status of the array as reported by the controller. General status conditions (other than Optimal) are indicated by flags on the device icon. For SCSI devices, the SCSI Capabilities section shows which supported features are enabled [x] for the device. For a list of valid statuses, refer to Status Reporting on page 3-23 .

RAID drives display the name and level of the RAID array to which they belong and the stripe size for the array.

Various buttons are available depending on device type. Hard drives have Event Log and I/O Stats buttons. Hard drives that are not members of a RAID have Make Hotspare, Configure, and Format buttons. Print is always available.

Hard drives that are members of arrays display a Fail Drive button.

If the drive is a hot spare, the Remove Hotspare button replaces the Make Hotspare button.

Device Configuration Window

Click **Configure** in either Device Information or Array Group Information window to display the Device Configuration window, shown in [Figure 3-19](#).

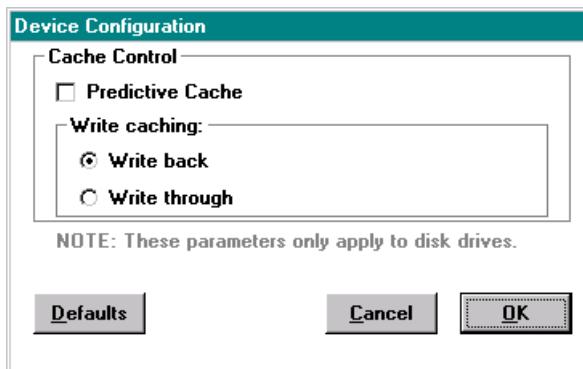


Figure 3-19. Device Configuration Window – ATA and SCSI

The Device Configuration window enables you to change the caching parameters for your controller and provides the following:

Predictive Cache

Enables and disables the predictive caching feature on RAID controllers. This feature is disabled by default.

Predictive caching reduces average disk access time by determining when the host is requesting data that it read previously and reading in additional sequential data before it is actually requested, thereby enhancing performance if your data management application is single-threaded or generates only a small number of concurrent outstanding I/O requests. If your application does not fit this description, there may be no benefit from predictive caching and using it may adversely affect overall performance.

Write-back

Defers writes to disk until after command completion and generally provides better performance.

Write-through	Writes all data to disk for each Write command before Command Complete status is returned to the host. The data can also be cached for subsequent read commands.
Defaults	Click to revert to the default setting.
Cancel	Click to exit this window without saving changes.
OK	Click to exit with changes.

Saving the Subsystem Configuration

The Storage Manager File menu has the following options:

Read System Configuration	Reads the current hardware configuration. Any current changes not saved are lost.
Set System Configuration	Saves changes that you made to the storage subsystem configuration. If any arrays have been created or modified, this action causes the controller to start build operations for the new arrays.
Load Configuration File	Loads a previously saved configuration into Storage Manager and apply it to the current hardware.
Save Configuration File	Saves the current configuration, or any changes to that configuration, to a file for later use. Allows storage subsystems to be configured for other machines with like drives.



Note: If you reset the NVRAM on the controller, any changes to your controller parameters return to the factory defaults.

Events

Events are generated for detected fault conditions as well as RAID status changes, and are described as follows:

Soft Error	An operation on a hard drive that caused an error, but was successful after a retry.
Recoverable Hard Error	An error on a hard drive, controller, or peripheral bus, where the data was recovered using ECC or from redundant array information.
Nonrecoverable Hard Error	An error on a hard drive, controller, or peripheral bus where the data could not be recovered using ECC or from redundant array information.
Status Change	The status of an array or drive changed. Examples of this would be a drive or array failure, or an array build or rebuild operation that was initiated or completed.

Event Log

When events occur, they are automatically logged in the cache on the RAID controller where they occurred. In addition, you can specify that Storage Manager maintain an event log on disk (see [Event Broadcaster on page 3-37](#)). To display the contents of the event log, click **Event Log** in any controller, drive, or array information window. Only the events reported for the selected device or array are displayed.

When the Event Log button is selected, the Event Logs window appears, as shown in [Figure 3-20](#).

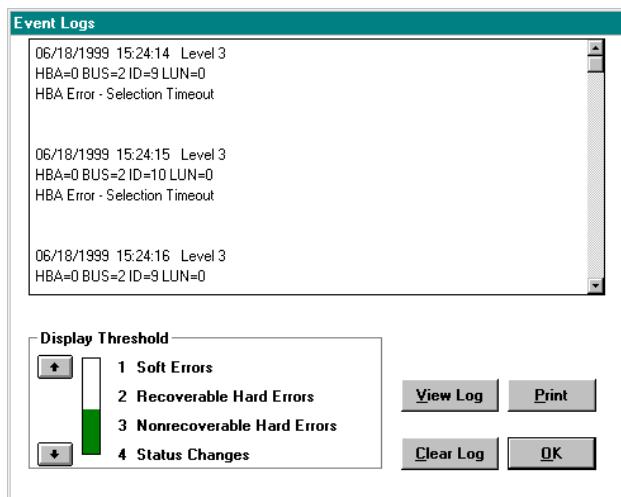


Figure 3-20. Event Logs Window

The Event Logs window enables you to limit the display to a specific level or higher (the default is level 4).



Note: Some important events may not be displayed by the default level. You should select one of the higher event levels to ensure displaying significant errors.

The Event Logs window allows the following actions:

Arrow buttons	Adjusts the Display Threshold to the desired level.
View Log	Displays the event messages whose levels match the selected levels.
Clear Log	Erases all event messages.
Print	Prints the event messages currently shown in the event log list.



Note: Only the event messages that appear on the screen when you click **Print** are printed. Therefore, if you want to print specific messages, scroll the list until the messages are visible and then click **Print**.

Event Broadcaster

If your operating system supports a broadcaster, Storage Manager enables you to specify that event messages be sent to users, groups, and devices, through email, to the system error log, and the Adaptec log file. Select **Options > Event Broadcast Control** to display the Event Broadcasting window, shown in [Figure 3-21](#). The options in the Event Broadcasting window may vary depending upon your operating system.

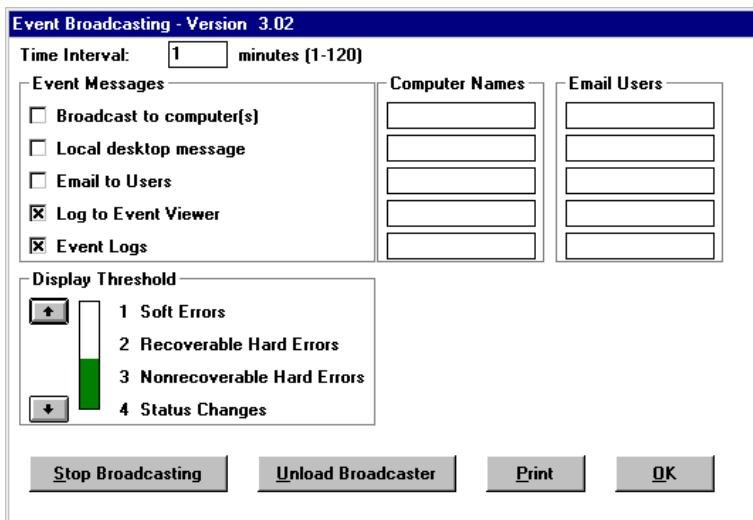


Figure 3-21. Event Broadcasting Window

Stop Broadcasting	Stops Storage Manager from sending event messages to the addresses specified.
Unload Broadcaster	Removes the broadcaster from the current set of active services.

You can select or modify the following parameters:

Time Interval	Interval at which the broadcaster reads the controller event logs.
Broadcast to Computer(s)	When enabled, event messages are sent to each system in the Computer Names list.
Local Desktop Message	When enabled, event messages are displayed on the local system desktop.
Email to users	When enabled, event messages are e-mailed to each address in the Email Users list.
Log to Event Viewer	When enabled, event messages are logged and displayed in the Windows Event Viewer.
Event Logs	When enabled, event messages are logged to a permanent log file.
Computer Names/Email Users	Use these fields to specify a list of computer systems or email addresses that are to receive broadcast messages.
Display Threshold	Click the arrow buttons to adjust the indicator to the threshold you want to use for reporting events. Messages are broadcast for all events whose levels match those selected.

Broadcasters are available on the following operating systems:

- Windows 2000 and Windows NT
- NetWare 4.2 and 5.x
- SCO OpenServer 5, and UnixWare 7
- Red Hat 7.0 and 7.1
- SuSE 7.0 and 7.1
- FreeBSD 4.11, 4.2, and 4.3

The broadcaster collects events logged by the controller in the host system on which that broadcaster is running. The broadcaster records these events to files for each controller for use by Storage Manager. Events whose levels are greater than or equal to the current Broadcast Threshold are sent to destinations as specified in the Event Broadcasting window (see [page 3-37](#)).

Windows NT & Windows 2000

The broadcaster collects events from the controller and records them to files in the c:\program files\adaptec\storage manager folder for use by Storage Manager. Additionally, events are sent to the Windows Event Viewer or e-mailed as specified in the Event Broadcasting window.

Installing the Broadcaster

During installation, the broadcaster is copied to the c:\program files\storage manager folder by default as a Windows service and runs automatically whenever the system is started. This allows events to be gathered and recorded without user intervention.

Stopping and Restarting the Broadcaster

The broadcaster is a Windows service; therefore, it must be managed from one of the Windows service management applications.

- The broadcaster can be controlled using the Services Control Panel. To access a service, click **Services** in the Control Panel folder.
- Highlight **Storage Manager Broadcaster** in the Services list. Then, click **Start** or **Stop** to start or stop the broadcaster service.
- The broadcaster can also be started or stopped from a command line prompt by using the NET command as follows:

net start dptserv	Starts the broadcaster
net stop dptserv	Stops the broadcaster

Viewing Events

Events can be viewed either through the Event Log Display window in Storage Manager (refer to [Event Log on page 3-35](#)) or the Windows Event Viewer.

To run the Event Viewer, select **Event Viewer** from the Administrative Tools group on the Start menu. The Event Viewer enables you to view events that have been placed in the System, Security, and Application logs. To view controller events, click **Log > Application**.

This window displays a list of the events submitted to the application log by the broadcaster, as well as other applications. Adaptec events are single-line entries that contain the following information:

Icon	Indicates the severity of the event. Levels are <i>Error</i> , <i>Warning</i> , <i>Information</i> , <i>Operation</i> , or <i>Unknown</i> .
Date	Date the event was logged by the controller.
Time	Time the event was logged by the controller.
Source	Software component—application, Windows component, or device driver—that triggered the event. Events can have <code>dptelog</code> , <code>dpteng32</code> , or <code>dptscom</code> in their Source field.
Category	Includes None, Operation, Warning, or a hexadecimal event code.
Event ID	Number assigned by the broadcaster to identify the event for Windows.
User	Always display N/A.
Computer	Name of the system where the event occurred.

To view additional information about an event, click **View > Detail**. The Description and Data fields display additional information about the event. The Description field contains a detailed text description of the event. The Data field contains the original controller event log data, generated by the controller. This data might be requested by your technical support representative when troubleshooting problems.

Event information can be saved by the Event Viewer to a file. If the file is saved in text format then only the event description is saved. Archiving in event log (.evt) file format saves all event information, which can then be sent out for troubleshooting purposes.

NetWare

The broadcaster collects controller events and records them to files in the sys:\system\dpt directory for use by Storage Manager. Additionally, events are broadcast to the system console, the system error log file, or to users as specified in the Storage Manager Event Broadcasting window.

If you want to receive broadcast messages from the broadcaster module (dptnwmsg.nlm) you must be logged in to the NetWare server from a client workstation and your NetWare user name must be in the dptelog.ini file as user=*user_name*. Multiple names can be specified by separate entries.

Installing the Broadcaster

When you install the controller driver, you automatically install the broadcaster in sys:\system\adaptec on the server. During broadcaster installation, you are prompted to specify if the broadcaster is to be loaded automatically when the server is booted. Doing so allows events to be gathered and recorded without user intervention.

Stopping and Restarting the Broadcaster

The broadcaster is a NetWare Loadable Module (NLM) that can be loaded or unloaded from the server's command prompt:

unload dptelog	Unloads the broadcaster
load sys:\system\dpt\dptelog	Loads the broadcaster

Viewing Events

Events can be viewed on a network workstation through the Event Log Display window in Storage Manager (see [Event Log on page 3-35](#)). Events can also be viewed by examining the System Error Log file sys\$log.err on the server if the broadcaster has been configured to send events to that file.

SCO UNIX, Red Hat and SuSE Linux, FreeBSD 4.x

The broadcaster collects controller events and saves them to files in the /usr/dpt directory for use by Storage Manager. Events can also be sent to an ASCII file, specified devices, or e-mailed as specified in the Event Broadcasting window.

Installing the Broadcaster

When you install the controller driver, you automatically install the broadcaster in /usr/dpt. During broadcaster installation, you are prompted to specify if the broadcaster is loaded automatically when the system is started in multiuser mode. If you specify automatic loading, events are gathered and recorded without user intervention. This also copies a script file, s33dpt, to the /etc/rc2.d directory. This script automatically loads the broadcaster as a background process when the system goes into multiuser mode.



Note: Do not use the s33dpt script file for UnixWare 7 broadcaster operation.

Stopping/Restarting the Broadcaster

A script file (dptlog) is provided that enables you to stop and restart the broadcaster from the UNIX prompt. Use the following commands to stop or start the broadcaster:

dptlog stop	Stops the broadcaster
dptlog start	Restarts the broadcaster

Viewing Events

Events can be viewed from the system console or a terminal by using the Event Logs window in Storage Manager (see [Event Log on page 3-35](#)).

Event Messaging by Pager – *Windows 2000 and Windows NT only*

Storage Manager can send event messages by e-mail to alphanumeric paging devices.



Note: This feature should work with any alphanumeric paging system that supports email. Contact your service provider for specific information.

To configure alphanumeric pager support, follow these steps:

- 1 Ensure your pager is working and activated by a service provider.
- 2 Establish a permanent connection to an Internet Service Provider (ISP) or create a dial-up networking connection to your ISP.
- 3 Configure your email client software to access your Internet mail server.
- 4 Determine the email addresses for the people you want to receive event messages.
- 5 In Storage Manager
 - a Set the **Display Threshold** to the level where you want to start broadcast messages.
 - b Enable **Email to Users** in the Event Broadcasting window (**Options > Event Broadcast Control**).
 - c Enter the email addresses for the pagers in the **Email Users** list box.
 - d Click **OK** to exit the window and save changes.

When the broadcaster is active, the event logger sends text messages for selected events to the pager using the email address specified.

Formatting Drives – *SCSI only*

Your controller can perform a low-level format on attached hard drives in standard 512-byte format. This function is available from the SCSI Device Information window.

A low-level format is not normally required before using a hard drive. However, if a drive has been previously formatted with a different sector size, it must be reformatted with 512-byte sectors before it can be recognized by the controller.



Caution: *Do not* allow system power to be interrupted until after the format operation is complete. Doing so can cause drives to be left in an unusable state and require them to be returned to the manufacturer for repair.

To perform a low-level format on a hard drive, follow these steps:

- 1 In the drive SCSI Device Information window, click **Format**. The Format Options window appears.
- 2 Click **Format** in the Format Options window to start the operation.
- 3 You may now exit Storage Manager. The format operation continues even though Storage Manager is not running.

To determine if the format has finished, run Storage Manager and look at the drive's icon. A blue flag indicates that the format is still in progress. If the drive icon has no flag, the format is complete.

Drive Failures

Drive failures are indicated by flags, which differ depending on whether they refer to an array or a drive in an array. Failure conditions are indicated as follows:

Device Type	Array Type	Flag in Physical Configuration	Flag in Logical Configuration	Probable cause
Individual Drive	None	Red	Red	Failed drive with unrecoverable errors.
		Black	Black	Drive is either missing or has stopped responding.
Individual Drive	0	Black	Black	At least one drive is missing and data is lost.
Individual Drive	1, 0/1, 5, or 0/5	N/A	Black	Drive is either missing or has stopped responding.
Array	0	N/A	Red	At least one drive has failed or is missing; data is lost.
Array	1, 0/1, 5, or 0/5	N/A	Yellow	Array is currently running in degraded mode.
		N/A	Red	Two or more drives have failed with unrecoverable errors; data is lost.

Audible Alarm (SCSI Only)

The failure of a RAID drive causes the audible alarm to sound. The alarm stops automatically (after the initial system scan) when you start Storage Manager or SMOR.

To stop an alarm in Storage Manager, click **Options > Turn Off Audible Alarms**.

Rebuilding a Degraded Array

When a drive in an array fails, and that drive is not protected by an automatic hot spare, the array can be restored to Optimal status.



Note: You can select Rebuild even if the failed drive has not been replaced and try using the drive again. If the rebuild attempt is not successful, replace the drive before starting another rebuild.

To rebuild an array, follow these steps:

- 1 Replace the failed drive according to the procedure in your hardware documentation.
- 2 After the failed drive has been replaced, select **Logical Configuration View** in Storage Manager.
- 3 Double-click the array group icon to open the Array Group Information window.
- 4 Click **Rebuild** in the Array Group Information window to start the rebuild process.

The drive displays a white flag to indicate that a rebuild operation is in process. The array and LSU icons display yellow flags. The percentage completion of the rebuild operation is displayed in the Array Group Information window. When the rebuild is successfully completed, the flags disappear and the array status returns to Optimal.



Note: *SCSI only*—In a RAIDstation or other supported SCA-2 connectors so that failed drives can be removed or replaced without software intervention. The RAIDstation subsystem detects that a failed drive has been physically replaced and the controller automatically starts a rebuild operation.

Assigning Hot Spares

To assign a drive as a hot spare, click **Make Hotspare** in the drive's Device Information window. Click **Remove Hotspare** to reassign an existing hot spare drive as a normal drive.

You should reboot your operating system to ensure that the hot spare drive is recognized correctly.

Hot spares are reserved to automatically replace failed drives in RAID 1 or 0/1 and RAID 5 or 0/5 arrays and cannot be accessed by the operating system for data storage. Hot spares can only protect drives of equal or less capacity that are attached to the same controller as the hot spare.

When a drive failure occurs in an array protected by a hot spare, the controller automatically starts rebuilding data onto the hot spare. During this process, Storage Manager swaps the positions of the failed drive and the hot spare in the Logical Configuration View. The failed drive appears with a red failed flag in the former position of the hot spare, and the hot spare appears as a member of the array group with a white flag indicating that a rebuild operation is in process. The array and LSU icons appear with yellow (degraded) flags.

When the rebuild is complete, the hot spare icon and flags disappear and the drive is displayed as a normal member of the array. The red flag remains on the failed drive until that drive is replaced or returned to Optimal status.

To replace the failed drive, follow these steps:

- 1 Follow the steps in your hardware documentation to remove and replace the failed drive.
- 2 Click **Make Optimal** in the new drive's Information window. The new drive becomes the hot spare, replacing the previous hot spare that is now a member of the rebuilt array group.



Note: If you want to try using the drive again, select **Make Optimal** without removing the drive. If the operation fails, you should replace the drive.

Running a Verify Process

Running a manual Verify for a RAID array ensures that the redundant information contained in the array is consistent.



Note: Data inconsistencies should not occur under normal conditions. However, a power failure that interrupts an array write operation can cause inconsistencies. Making the data consistent again through the Verify function does not ensure that the new consistent data is the correct data.

This operation is performed by the RAID controller concurrent with normal system operation and requires no user or host computer intervention.

To start data verification on an array, select **Verify** in the Array Group Information window.

If any inconsistencies in the data redundancy are found, they are made consistent.

- For RAID 1 arrays, the mirrored drive pairs are compared sector by sector to ensure that both drives contain identical data.
- For RAID 5 arrays, parity is recalculated and checked against the stored parity information.
- For RAID 0, only a disk media ECC check is performed.

Running Verify on an array that is in a degraded state can result in significantly reduced I/O performance. Although there is no impact on the host CPU, system I/O performance can be affected due to increased demand on controller resources. If this is a concern, use the Background Task Priority feature to assign a lower-level priority to background processes.

Background Task Priority

You can run a rebuild or verification operation without taking an array offline. These operations are performed as background tasks on the RAID controller and are transparent to the host operating system. However, the controller interleaves I/O from the operating system with I/O from the background task and this can affect system performance.

Select **Options > Background Task Priority** to control the relative priority of I/O from the operating system and background tasks. [Figure 3-22](#) shows the Background Task Settings window.

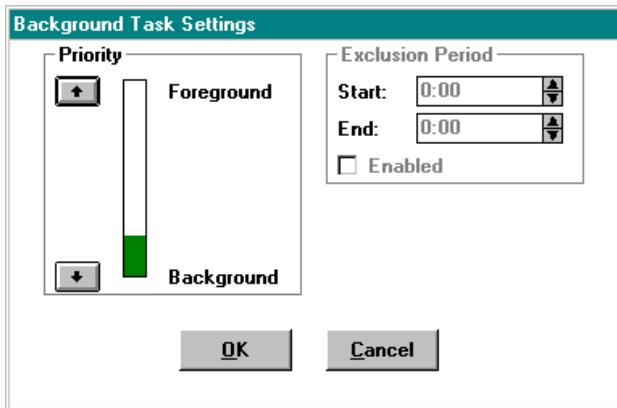


Figure 3-22. Background Task Settings Window – ATA and SCSI

The Priority section assigns the controller background task priority. Set the task priority by using the arrow buttons to move the indicator. The indicator moves between Background and Foreground in ten increments.

If the indicator is at Background, background tasks are processed only when there is no disk I/O from the host for a period of at least 250 milliseconds. As you move the indicator toward Foreground, more of the controller resources are allocated to background tasks. All of the resources are allocated to background tasks during periods when there is no disk I/O from the host system.

Controller I/O Statistics

The controller maintains a cumulative record of I/O operations in cache RAM for use in analyzing the efficiency of the storage subsystem. To view this data, select I/O Stats in the Information window for any controller, drive, or array. By analyzing these statistics, the array configuration, cache, and stripe size can be optimized for your particular system configuration.

To see the HBA statistics window, shown in Figures 3-23 and 3-24, click I/O Stats in the Host Bus Adapter Info Window.

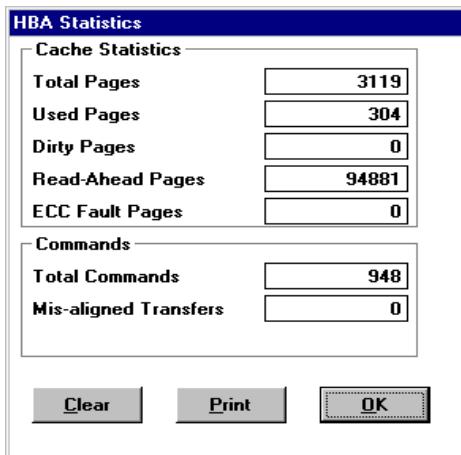


Figure 3-23. HBA Statistics Window – ATA

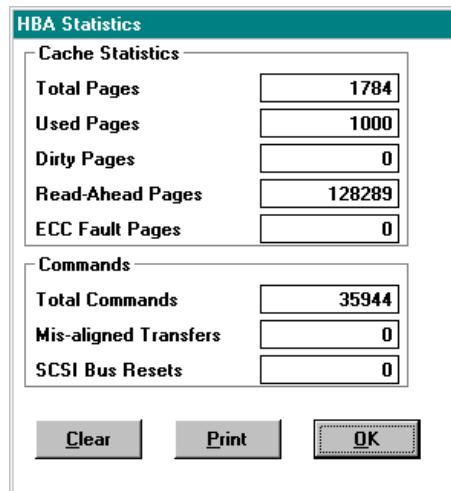


Figure 3-24. HBA Statistics Window – SCSI

Cache Statistics

Total Pages	The total number of pages contained in the controller cache.
Used Pages	The number of pages that currently contain disk data.
Dirty Pages	The number of pages that contain dirty data (data that requires correction).
Read-Ahead Pages	The number of cache pages that contain data that has been loaded from disk as a result of read-ahead functions.
ECC Fault Pages	The number of pages that have been mapped for nonuse after a RAM fault was discovered by the controller ECC feature.

Command Statistics

Total Commands	The total number of commands received from the host computer. This includes Read and Write commands and other commands that may not involve device I/O.
Misaligned Transfers	The number of commands that required data to be transferred starting at a RAM address location that was not an even byte value.
SCSI Bus Resets (SCSI only)	The total number of SCSI bus resets that have been issued by the controller. A large number of resets can indicate a problem with the SCSI bus or an attached device.

Device I/O Statistics

The total number of sectors written to disk by the controller is described by the formula:

$$\text{Write - Backs} + \text{Write - Throughs} = \text{Total Sectors}$$

However, in RAID 1 arrays

$$\text{Write - Backs} + \text{Write - Throughs} = 2 * \text{Total Sectors}$$

This is because each sector written from the host results in a write to each mirrored disk. In RAID 5 arrays, each write from the host can generate up to two disk reads and two disk writes. Because the controller has cache memory, the reported number of sectors read from or written to disk may be less than this value. I/O statistics are displayed in the Hard Drive I/O Statistics window, as shown in Figure 3-25.

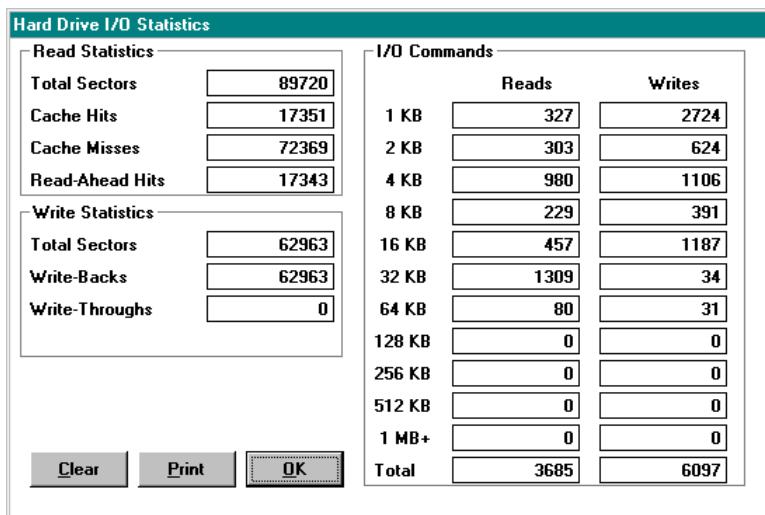


Figure 3-25. Hard Drive I/O Statistics Window

The Hard Drive I/O Statistics window displays the following information:

I/O Commands	The number of Read and Write commands issued by the computer to the controller. If you use RAID and caching, the number of commands issued to the drives can differ significantly from this value.
Total Sectors	The total number of sectors read and written from the host computer.
Cache Hits	The total number of sectors (read or written from the host computer) that were found in the controller cache and did not require a disk access.

Cache Misses	The total number of sectors that were not accessed from the controller cache, thus were read directly from the disk.
Read-Ahead Hits	The number of the cache hits for data read requests satisfied by data held in the cache from previous disk read-ahead operations.
Write-Backs	The number of sectors written to disk that were held in the controller cache and written some time after the host Write command reported as completed.
Write-Throughs	The number of sectors written directly to disk before the Write command ended.

Environments with a large number of sequential reads should generate a high number of Read-Ahead Hits relative to Total Sectors. These hits reduce the number of seek operations and increase performance. The Read-Ahead Hits count can be increased by adding more cache memory to the controller. A high percentage of 4-KB or smaller I/O operations also indicates that increasing the controller cache would be beneficial.

If cache hits are low, adding more cache RAM can also increase the hit count. Systems with a large number of disk writes also derive significant performance benefits from the controller cache.

For RAID 0 and RAID 5 arrays, the default stripe size is set for optimal performance in most environments. However, some specific environments can benefit from smaller or larger stripes. For example, when a RAID 5 write operation accesses all drives, many stripe crossings occur. By using a larger stripe size, the RAID 5 parity data can be generated more efficiently. This results in better write performance. However, if the write crosses one or more stripes but does not involve all of the drives, performance is reduced by the larger stripe size.

You should select the stripe size relative to both the I/O segment size and the number of drives in the array, so that most I/O operations either

- *Do not* cross stripes and involve only a single drive, or
- Cross many stripes and involve all the drives in the array.

Remote Communication

The Storage Manager Remote Communication feature enables you to use Storage Manager running on your local workstation to manage remote server system with a RAID controller. The Available Connections window (shown in [Figure 3-26](#)) shows the types of connections you can use and any predefined connections you have created.

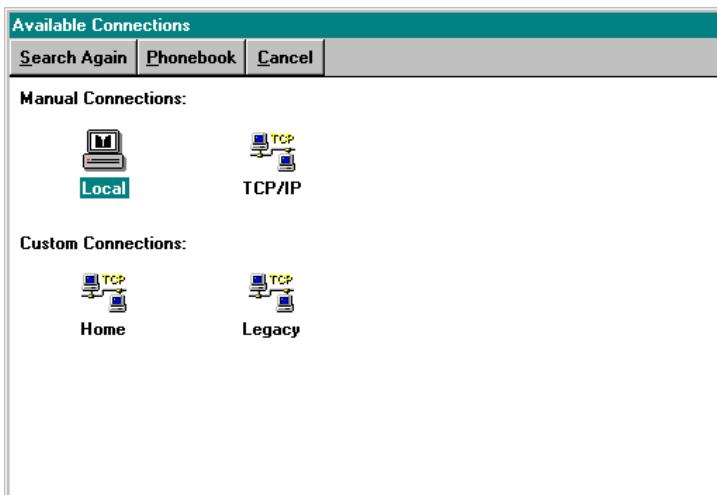


Figure 3-26. Available Connections Window

Connecting Across a Network

Storage Manager can run as a client/server application across a network using a TCP/IP connection. The Storage Manager client runs on a supported workstation operating system and connects to one of the supported networked servers running the Adaptec communication engine. [Figure 3-27](#) shows the supported workstation and server connections for a TCP/IP network.

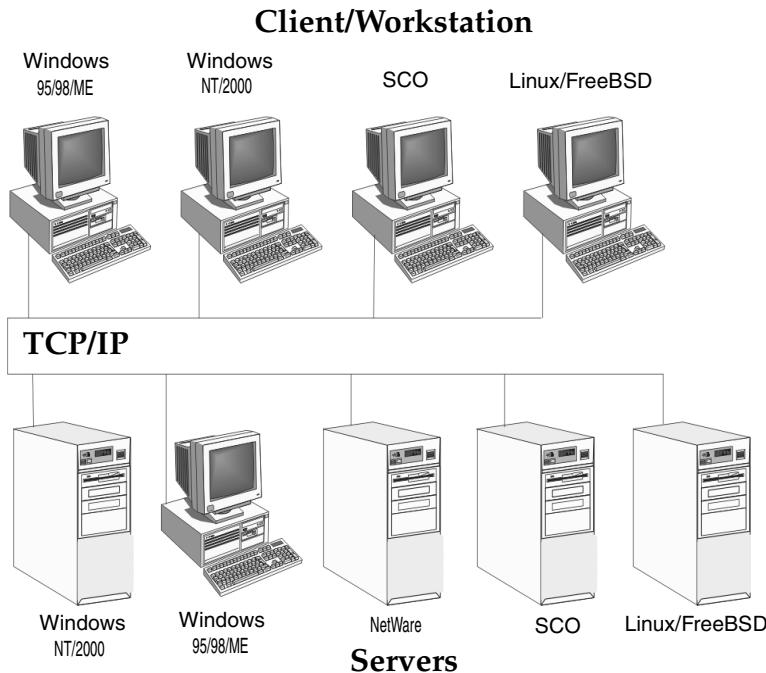


Figure 3-27. Client/Server Network

Installation and Configuration

Remote communication uses both client- and server-based software components. Client remote communication software is installed automatically when you install Storage Manager. Server remote communication software is installed if you elect to do so during the Storage Manager installation procedure on operating systems that supports a remote communication server, including Windows, Linux, NetWare, SCO UNIX, or FreeBSD.

You must configure remote communication before it can be used. For both workstations and servers, this is done by editing the Storage Manager configuration file (dptmgr.ini). There may be additional server configuration steps, depending on your operating system. You must have physical connections between the servers and client workstations.



Note: Under Windows 95/98/Me, the server must be started manually by selecting the Adaptec Communication Server icon. This version of the communication server runs in a DOS window.

Editing the Configuration File

Both the workstation and server communication engines use the Storage Manager configuration file (dptmgr.ini). This file is contained in the directory in which you installed Storage Manager.

The OPTIONS section of the file controls the behavior of the communication server. To control the display of messages from the server, change the Verbose parameter, Verbose=*x*, where *x* is:

- 0 No messages
- 1 **Default**—Basic messages, such as errors, connects, and disconnects
- 2 More messages, including Option 1 messages with socket numbers and TCP/IP addresses
- 3 All messages, including Option 2 messages and message tracing

The MODULES section of the file tells the communication server which protocol setting you want to use for communication.

[MODULES]	Specify as many as needed
TCP	Communication server uses TCP protocol

The following list shows all supported options. The value listed is the default; optional values are in parentheses.

[TCP]	TCP/IP protocol.
SOCKET=2091	TCP socket on which to listen. Can be any valid socket number.

Setting up the Server

If you are using an operating system that supports the Adaptec communication server and selected the Communication Server option during Storage Manager setup, the server was automatically installed at that time. Additional steps may be required to complete the installation, depending on your operating system. Most operating systems require setting up a user name and/or password before the server can be accessed. The default password is *password*.

Windows 2000 or Windows NT Server

The server is installed as the *Adaptec Communication Service* and starts automatically when Windows starts. Access requires both a user name and password, which are defined through the User Manager. The user name must have Administrator level privileges.

To setup the user accounts for Windows 2000 and Windows NT 4, follow these steps:

- 1 Login with Administrator privileges.
- 2 From the Start menu select
Programs > Administrative Tools > User Manager.
- 3 Select **Policies > User Rights** and check the **Show Advanced User Rights** box when the User Rights Policy window appears.
- 4 Grant the Act as part of the operating system and Log on as batch job rights to the Administrators group.
- 5 Restart the system before you attempt to use Remote Communication.

Windows 95/98/ME

The communication server is installed as a DOS command line application. To start the communication server, double-click **Start > Storage Manager > Communication Server**.

To access the server, you need a password only; a user name is not required. The initial default password is *password*. To change the password, click **Start > Storage Manager > Change Communication Password**.

Novell NetWare

Logging in to a NetWare server requires a user name and password. The user name and password are unique to the communication module (*dptcom.nlm*). Logging on through a Storage Manager client with remote communication does not log on to the NetWare server.

If you want to receive broadcast messages from the broadcaster module (*dptnwmsg.nlm*) you must be logged in to the NetWare server from a client workstation and your NetWare user name must be in the *dptelog.ini* file as *user=user_name*.

SCO UNIX

A communication server entry is placed into the *rc.d* files, which causes it to be started when the system is booted into Multiuser mode.

During installation, the file *dptcom.chk* is created in the directory into which Storage Manager is installed. The ownership of this file is set to *root/dtadmain*, and permissions are *-rw-rw---*(6608).

Access to SCO servers requires both a user name and password. After determining that the user name and password are valid on the system on which it is running, the communication server attempts to open *dptcom.chk* using the user name.

Linux

The Linux communication server is installed if the option is selected during the Storage Manager software install process. The server module is copied to `/usr/dpt` and loads automatically.

A valid user name and password are required to access a Linux system from a remote Storage Manager client. The user ID must have root privileges on the host system.

FreeBSD

The FreeBSD communication server is installed if the option is selected during the Storage Manager software install process. The server module is copied to `/usr/dpt` and loads automatically.

A valid user name and password are required to access a FreeBSD system from a remote Storage Manager client. The user ID must have root privileges on the host system.

Connecting Servers and Workstations

The Storage Manager client must have a physical connection to connect to a remote server.

Servers and workstations communicating by TCP/IP must be connected by a local area network (LAN) or the Internet. Some operating systems may require additional TCP/IP protocol configuration before use. Refer to your operating system documentation for more information.

The client workstation specifies the TCP/IP address of the server, along with a user name and password as required by the server.

Connecting to Remote Systems

Select **Communication > Make Connection** to use Storage Manager to manage the controller in a remote server system using the Remote Communication feature. This menu item displays the Available Connections window as shown in [Figure 3-28](#).

You may alternatively use the `IP=address` command line parameter when you start Storage Manager. This parameter causes Storage Manager to connect to the remote system at the specified IP address instead of the default *Local* connection.

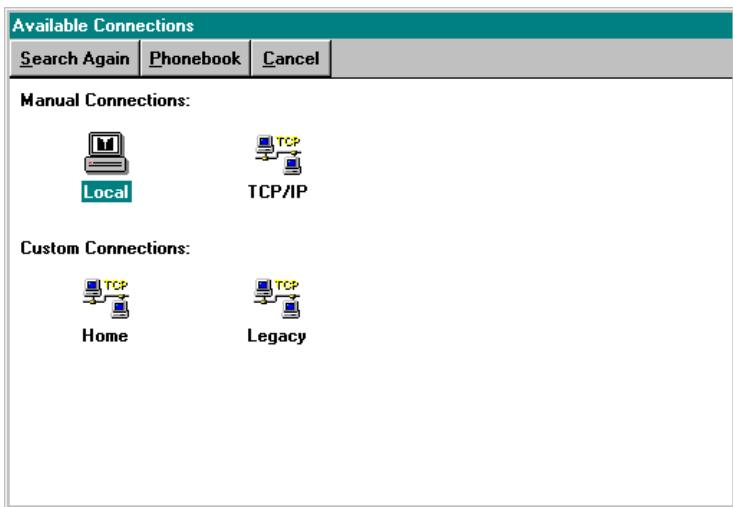


Figure 3-28. Available Connections Window

From this window, you can make a connection either by selecting one of the available protocols under Manual Connections and entering the name, address, and password of the server; or by selecting an entry under Custom Connections. Custom Connections are those for which you previously stored address information in the Phonebook (see [Using the Phonebook on page 3-62](#) for more information).



Note: Attempting to connect to a NetWare host that is down or attempting to connect to a SCO OpenServer 5 host when another connection exists can freeze or otherwise disable the Storage Manager client workstation.

Making a Manual Connection

In the Manual Connections section of the Available Connections window, there is one icon for each protocol that you configured in the dptmgr.ini file, and an icon for the system you are using (Local).

To make a connection to a remote system, double-click the icon that represents the protocol that your workstation uses to connect to that system. (To select the system from which you are running Storage Manager, select the **Local** icon).

For icons except Local, the Connection Information window is displayed, as shown in [Figure 3-29](#).

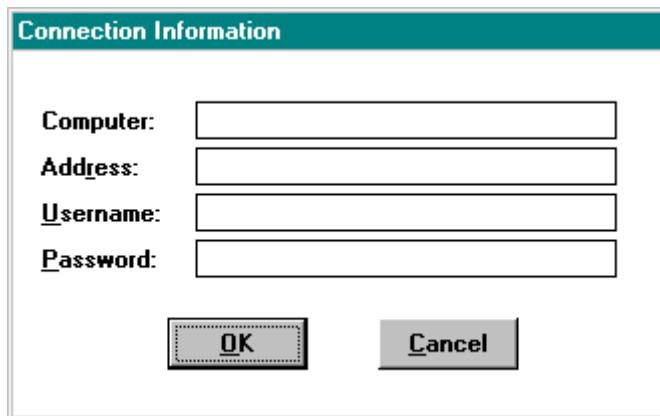


Figure 3-29. Connection Information Window - Manual

Enter the address, user name (if required), and password for the server selected. Refer to [Connecting Servers and Workstations on page 3-59](#) for more information.

When you click **OK**, Storage Manager attempts to connect to the remote system. If the connection is successful, Storage Manager scans the controller on the remote system. When the hardware scan is complete, the Physical Configuration View window for the remote system appears.

Using the Phonebook

You can save the server name, address, user name, and protocol of systems you frequently access in the Phonebook, shown in

Figure 3-30. After you have entered data for a system, you can place an icon under Custom Connections to make future connections to that system without having to re-enter the connection information each time. To make an entry in the Phonebook, fill in the appropriate fields.

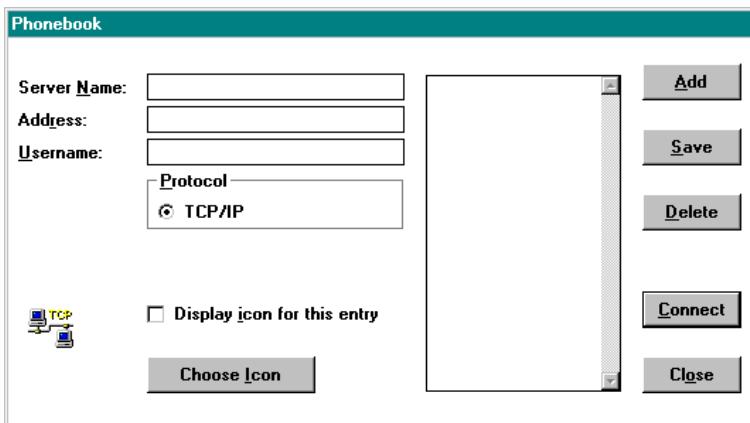


Figure 3-30. Phonebook Window

Select **Display icon for this entry** if you want an icon for this connection displayed in the Available Connections window. To customize the icon to be used, click **Choose Icon**.

Click **Add** to add the new entry. Click **Delete** to remove unwanted entries. When you are finished, click **Save** to save your changes.

To make a connection from within the Phonebook, highlight the desired system and click **Connect**.

Using a Custom Connection

Under the Custom Connections section of the Available Connections window, there is one icon for each system that you marked for display in the Phonebook.

To make a connection to a remote system, double-click the icon. The Connection Information window appears, as shown in Figure 3-31. Enter the password of the server selected. Refer to [Connecting Servers and Workstations on page 3-59](#) for details.

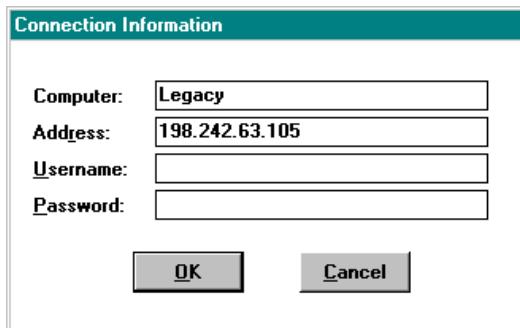


Figure 3-31. Connection Information Window - Custom

When you click **OK**, Storage Manager attempts to connect to the remote system. If the connection is successful, Storage Manager scans the controller on the remote system. After the scan is complete the Physical Configuration View window for the remote system appears.

As noted before, you may also use the `IP=address` command line parameter when you start Storage Manager. This parameter causes Storage Manager to connect to the remote system at a specified IP address instead of the default Local connection.

RAIDUTIL Command Line Utility

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Introduction

The command line utility (RAIDUTIL) performs operations as soon as it has enough information from the command line to do so. The utility does not parse the entire command line before starting an operation. Operations are performed in series up to the first failure encountered.

If the utility does not have all of the information necessary when it attempts to perform an action, reports an error. The utility can partially succeed. That is, it was able to perform the first n actions, then encountered something it could not do. In this case, the utility will exit with an appropriate error message. Each operation attempted results in a one-line pass or fail indicator displayed on the screen unless the Quiet mode is specified.

In general, you can perform multiple operations on one command line. However, make sure you are aware of the groupings and restrictions to ensure that the functions are carried out correctly.

Exit Status

RAIDUTIL exits with either of the following error status indications:

- 0 Error-free termination
- 1 Error termination (the message log contains the error information)

Device Address Syntax

When you use RAIDUTIL to specify a device or group of devices, use an address of the form *dDbBtTdD*, where

- D Controller ID.
- B Controller channel (or bus) number of the bus to which the disks are attached. The range is 0 – 7.
- T Always 0.
- D the second “D”—Always zero.

To list all devices on a particular bus, specify only *dDbB*. To list all devices on a controller, specify only *dD*. To display device information, use the List (-L) command. Always separate drive addresses with a comma.

Command Line Switches

Following is a list of the switches available in RAIDUTIL for testing and controlling various aspects of the controller, arrays, and drives attached to the controller.

Type	Switch	Description
Miscellaneous	-g	Specify drive group
Logical Drive	-c	Specify controller ID (OS)
Creation/Deletion	-d	Specify controller ID (BIOS)
	-D	Delete logical drives
	-l	Specify new logical drive RAID level
	-s	Specify logical drive capacity
	-z	Specify logical drive stripe size
Array Modification	-E	Expand disk array
	-f	Force array state
RAID Operation	-C	Load/save configuration
	-r	Specify task rate
	-w	Write caching
Controller-specific	-a	Action (task) control
	-F	Update controller firmware, BIOS, or NVRAM
	-X	Reset NVRAM configuration
	-Z	Reset/clear embedded RAID information
Hot Spare Control	-h	Create hot spare drive
	-H	Delete hot spare drive
General Information Display Parameters	-?	Display utility usage information
	-A	Alarm status and control
	-e	Display or delete event log messages
	-I	Display inquiry information
	-L	List devices
	-P	Paginate output
	-q	Quiet mode

Miscellaneous

-g Specify drive group

This switch identifies the physical drive to be used for array creation, deletion, or modification. It must always be the last switch in the array creation command sequence and it must always be followed by a drive address as discussed in *Device Address Syntax* on page 4-2.

Multiple drive addresses on a command line must always be separated by commas.

This switch can also be used to introduce a list of comma-separated drive addresses in any command that uses such addresses. When creating multilevel RAID 0/1 or 0/5 arrays, separate drive groups with a plus sign (+). The number of drives supported are listed below:

RAID 0	2 to 64 drives
RAID 1	2 to 64 drives (as pairs)
RAID 5	3 to 64 drives

Logical Drive Creation and Deletion

-c, -d Specify controller ID

This switch specifies the RAID controller to which all subsequent parameters will apply. It is required for all operations. You can specify a device which is attached to the controller, from which the controller number will be derived, or you can enter the relative controller number directly.

- Use **-c** to specify the controller using the ID assigned to the controller by your operating system.
- Use **-d** to specify the controller ID in BIOS format. Adaptec controllers are numbered starting from 0 according to their PCI slot location. The boot controller or the controller in the lowest number PCI slot is ID d0.

-D Delete logical drives

This command deletes the specified drives and returns their capacity to unassigned space. If **all** is specified, then all logical drives on the controller are deleted. Logical drives are specified by the device address. Use commas to separate drive addresses. If Quiet (-q) mode is not used, a confirmation message is displayed.

Example:

To delete a logical drive at d0b0t0d0, type

```
raidutil -D d0b0t0d0
```

-l Specify new logical drive RAID level

This parameter specifies the logical drive RAID level. Valid values are 0, 1, and 5. RAID 5 is the default.

Example:

To set a logical drive to RAID level 1, type

```
raidutil -l 1 -g d0b0t0d0
```

-s Specify logical drive capacity

Specifies the new logical drive's capacity in megabytes, where a megabyte equals 1,048,576 bytes (2^{20}).

If this switch is omitted or if the specified capacity entered exceeds the maximum available, the maximum possible logical drive is created based on the capacity of the physical drives.

Example:

To set the capacity of the logical drive at d0b0t0d0 to 500 MB, type

```
raidutil -s500 -g d0b0t0d0
```

-z Specify logical drive stripe size

Specifies the stripe size (in KB) for new RAID 0 and RAID 5 logical drives. Valid stripe sizes are: 8, 16, 32, 64, and 128 (KB). This switch is ignored for RAID 1.

If omitted, a default stripe size is used. The default is selected by the controller firmware based on the number of drives in the array.

Example:

To set the stripe size on the logical drive at d0b0t0d0 to 64 KB, type

```
raidutil -z64 -g d0b0t0d0
```

Array Modification**-E Expand disk array**

This command enables you to add additional capacity to an existing RAID 5 disk array. Specify an existing logical drive array and one or more additional hard drives after the -E command. This command switch is valid only for Windows NT and Windows 2000 systems using the NTFS file system.

```
raidutil -E d0b0t0d0 d0b0t4d0, d0b0t4d0
```

Where d0b0t0d0 is the RAID 5 disk array and d0b0t4d0, d0b0t4d0 are two drives you want to add to the array.

-f Force array state

Forces an array to an Optimal or Failed status.

The following command forces the device at address d1b1t0d0 to an Optimal status:

```
raidutil -f optimal d1b1t0d0
```

The following command forces the device at address d1b1t0d0 to a Failed status:

```
raidutil -f fail d1b1t0d0
```

RAID Operation

-C Load/save configuration

This switch has two options:

load	Loads the specified configuration file
save	Saves the current configuration to the file name specified

A file name must follow the load or save parameter. This is a .dsm file, which can also be loaded or saved using Storage Manager.

-r Specify task rate

This switch sets a task priority for the device or logical drive. The parameter can be 0 – 9; with 0 being the slowest and 9 being the fastest. You can also specify the rate as follows:

-r slow	= 1
-r medslow	= 3
-r med	= 5
-r medfast	= 7
-r fast	= 9

The device address is required. Specify logical drives by their device addresses. You can set the rate for all logical drives on a controller by using the device address of the controller.

-W Write caching

Options are On and Off. The default (*On*) uses Write-Back caching. Off sets the operation to Write-Through caching. Specify drives using the device address.

Controller-Specific

-a Action (task) control

This switch has the following options which allow you to control tasks on the controller:

List	Shows tasks for the controller
Build	Starts build of logical drive
Rebuild	Starts rebuild on logical drive
Verify	Starts a verify operation
Stop	Terminates active task on drive

Specify drives by the device address.

-F Update controller firmware, BIOS, or NVRAM

This option updates the controller flash memory (EEPROM). Specify an image file name on the command line.



Note: The -F switch does not work on Novell NetWare systems. Use SMOR to update the controller flash memory. For additional information, see [Chapter 2, Storage Manager on ROM](#).

-X Reset NVRAM configuration

This option resets the controller NVRAM to the factory default settings.

-Z Reset/clear embedded RAID information

This option destroys all RAID information pertaining to disk arrays and logical drives for the specified device. Specify logical drives by using the device address.

All specified drives become individual, unassigned physical drives after this command is used.



Note: There is no procedure to reverse the effect of the **-Z** operation. This option is a method of last resort for deleting conflicting RAID table information.

Hot Spare Control

-h Create hot spare drive

This switch creates one or more stand-alone hot spare drives. The drives must physically exist and may not contain any logical drive segments. Reboot your system after creating hot spare drives to ensure they are recognized correctly.

Specify certain logical drives by the device address. Commas must be used to separate drives.

```
raidutil -d1 -h 015
```

Makes ID 15 controller 1 a hot spare.



Note: The **-r** parameter can follow this switch to set the rebuild priority for the new hot spare.

-H Delete hot spare drive

This switch deletes one or more stand-alone hot spare drives. The capacity is returned to unassigned space.

Specify the hot spare drives by the device address. Commas must be used to separate drive addresses. Specify *all* to delete all stand-alone hot spare drives.

General Information and Feedback

-? Display utility usage information

This option displays a summary of the command usage information. This includes all command line switches and brief definitions.

-A Alarm status and control

When no parameters follow the switch, the alarm status and enable flags are displayed, as follows:

on	Forces the audible alarm to sound
off	Silences the audible alarm when it is on
enable	Allow the alarm to be heard when a failure occurs
disable	Prevents the alarm from sounding for any reason

-e Display or delete event log messages

This switch enables you to display or delete the entries in the controller event log using the following parameters:

soft	Display all log data (Level 1)
recov	Display only recoverable hard errors (Level 2)
nonrecov	Display only nonrecoverable hard errors (Level 3)
status	Display only status changes (Level 4)
delete	Delete all log entries for the controller
d#	The target controller ID for this command

Examples:

`RAIDUTIL -e soft -d0`

Displays all log entries for controller 0.

`RAIDUTIL -e delete d1`

Deletes all event log entries on controller 1.

-I Display inquiry information

This switch displays controller specific information, including firmware revision, BIOS version, and serial number. Specify drives by the device address.

-L List devices

Specify drives by the device address. The parameters for this switch are listed below:

Controller	Displays a list of all Adaptec controllers in the system.
Physical	Displays all attached devices to the specified controller.
Logical	Displays a list of all logical drives on the controller, by logical drive number.
Spare	Displays a list of all stand-alone hot spare drives.
RAID	Displays a list of all configured RAIDs.
Array Speed	Displays a list of the bus speed of all connected drives.
Redirect	Displays any redirected devices.
Version	Displays the controller firmware, SMOR, NVRAM, and BIOS version numbers.
Cache	Displays the device caching mode.
Inquiry	Displays the device capabilities as reported to the controller.
Battery	Displays information about the battery backup module.
All	Prints out all of the above.



Note: If a controller is not specified then each controller is listed, along with all devices on each controller.

-P Pagination output

Limits output to 22 lines, then prompts to press **Enter** to continue. Pressing Enter prints another 22 lines.

Use this switch to prevent lengthy output from -L from scrolling off the screen.

```
raidutil -P -L All
```

-q Quiet mode

This switch suppresses display of messages while the utility is running. This can be useful when running it from a script or batch file.



Note: Because all command line switches are processed sequentially, this option only suppresses output starting from the point where it appears in the command line.

A

SNMP

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Introduction

SNMP (Simple Network Management Protocol) is a group of network management specifications that includes the protocol itself, the definition of the database, and associated concepts. SNMP provides basic hardware configuration and status information from an SNMP-based management console. SNMP also uses traps, which are messages about changes in the hardware status. These messages alert you to important events that affect the controller and drives.

Management Information Base

As with any network management system, the core component of SNMP is the database containing the information about the objects to be managed. For SNMP this is referred to as the Management Information Base (MIB). A MIB is written using the ASN.1 (Abstract Syntax Notation One) format as described in ISO 8825-2. This format allows the exchange of structured data, especially between application programs over networks, by describing data structures in a form that is independent of machine architecture and application software.

Every system resource to be managed is represented as an object and the MIB is a collection of these objects. In a network environment each system (workstation or server) maintains a copy of the MIB containing the current status of the objects which it defines. The MIB information is maintained by a software agent. At the operating system level, a master agent controls the system MIB. Adaptec supplies a subagent that contributes its own MIB to the system MIB. This subagent also responds to requests from the master agent for information as needed.



Note: For additional security, all of the Adaptec MIB data is read-only. The Adaptec SNMP feature is intended only for gathering inventory information and for processing status and alert information.

Management Console

The SNMP management console is usually a client workstation running SNMP-based management software. The console software can be from any vendor who provides SNMP management console software.

Adaptec MIB Information

The specific hardware and configuration information in the Adaptec MIB includes groups for the following:

- Adaptec system modules
- Adaptec controllers
- Adaptec buses
- Adaptec devices
- Adaptec arrays
- Adaptec statistics
- Adaptec events

Refer to the MIB itself for the exact contents of each of these groups. The following lists are the groups' contents:

- Adaptec System Modules group identifies the versions, creation date, and various capabilities of the software modules. The following specific modules are included:
 - Adaptec SNMP subagent
 - Adaptec SNMP engine
 - Adaptec driver
 - Adaptec logger
 - MIB revision information
- Adaptec Controller group is a list of all Adaptec controllers in the system. This group contains the following information for each Controller:
 - Controller number
 - Controller vendor
 - Firmware version
 - Address
 - IRQ
 - IRQ type

- Host bus type
- Max transfer rate
- Controller modules (RAID, expansion, caching, DIMMs)
- Adaptec Bus group is a list of the buses with a set of parameters which describe and control a bus. These parameters include:
 - SCSI/ATA bus number
 - SCSI bus width (ATA buses are always 16 bits wide)
 - SCSI/ATA bus type
 - SCSI/ATA bus transfer rate
 - Adaptec controller ID (on this bus)
- Adaptec Device group is a list of devices managed by the Adaptec subsystem and represents the physical configuration. Each device in the system includes:
 - Device address information:
 - Controller
 - Bus
 - ID
 - LUN
 - Device Inquiry data
 - Device capacity and block size
 - Device RAID level and status (Optimal, Failed, etc.)
- Adaptec Array group contains all the RAID-specific information within the Adaptec subsystem. Each array includes:
 - Configuration parameters
 - SCSI/ATA address information
 - Background task information

- Adaptec Statistics group contains statistical information regarding the Adaptec controllers, devices, and arrays. Each controller includes statistics on the following:

- Cache pages
- Commands
- Transfers

For devices and arrays there are statistics on the following:

- Cache hits/misses
- Stripe boundary crossings
- Physical I/O commands (read/write)

Adaptec Events group is used to send traps on controller event log entries. These event log entries are converted to SNMP traps and are identical to those used by the Adaptec broadcaster. The specific traps are listed in the MIB.

SNMP

SNMP is widely used and supported on a variety of servers, workstations, bridges, routers, and hubs. SNMP support also includes other computer system resources, such as Fibre Channel and RAID controllers.

SNMP implementations vary from simple device information display and collection of statistics, to complex configuration management systems. SNMP is implemented by creating an MIB that describes the objects to be managed. SNMP establishes standards to access and manage various types of data regarding attached resources within a computer network.

What's Included

The Adaptec SNMP software components are included on the *Adaptec RAID Installation CD*. Specific components vary by operating system.

The Windows components can be installed directly from the CD-ROM or a from a disk you create from the CD-ROM. The components are as follows:

- Adaptec event logger
- SNMP event logger extensions
- Adaptec SNMP subagent
- Adaptec MIB

System Requirements

The Adaptec SNMP software supports all Adaptec RAID controllers and has the following system requirements:

- The TCP/IP network protocol must be enabled on your system. Refer to your operating system documentation for information about installing the TCP/IP protocol.
- The SNMP service for your operating system must be installed.

Management Consoles

The Adaptec SNMP agent conforms to the SNMP Version 1 specification. Adaptec has developed and tested this feature to work with various operating systems that provide built-in SNMP capability.

Windows supports controller management from an SNMP management console.

Installing Adaptec SNMP Support

The following topics describe how to install Adaptec SNMP software and SNMP support for Windows.



Note: Ensure that your operating system has SNMP support enabled before installing the Adaptec SNMP software.

The Adaptec SNMP software can be installed during the Adaptec Storage Manager installation process. The Setup utility displays a Select Components window that includes a check box for the Adaptec SNMP software. By default, this box is not checked. To install SNMP software, check the box labeled **SNMP Agent**. Continue with the installation according to the installation procedure for your operating system in the *Adaptec RAID Installation Guide*.

Installing SNMP for Windows NT and Windows 2000

Refer to the Windows documentation for information about installing the Windows SNMP service.

Installing SNMP for Windows 95

Install SNMP service by following these steps:

- 1 Insert the Windows Installation CD-ROM into your CD-ROM drive. If the Autostart window appears, close the window.
- 2 Launch the Network icon in Control Panel. Click **Add** and select **Service** as the type of network component to install.
- 3 Click **Add**, then click the **Have Disk** button. Browse to the `admin\nettools\snmp` directory of the CD-ROM. Verify that the file `snmp.inf` is selected. Click **OK**.
- 4 Click **OK** in the Install From Disk window. Verify that the Windows SNMP agent is selected. Click **OK** to complete the installation.

Installing SNMP for Windows 98/Me

Install SNMP service by following these steps:

- 1 Insert the Windows Installation CD-ROM into your CD-ROM drive. If the Autostart window appears, close the window.
- 2 Launch the Network icon in Control Panel. Click **Add** and select **Service** as the type of network component to install.
- 3 Click **Add**, then click the **Have Disk** button. Browse to the `\tools\reskit\netadmin` directory on the CD-ROM. Verify that the file `snmp.inf` is selected. Click **OK**.
- 4 Click **OK** in the Install From Disk window. Verify that the Windows SNMP agent is selected.
- 5 Click **OK** to complete the installation.

Installing the MIB

Before you can view information about your controller, you must install the Adaptec MIB into the Management Console database. During the installation of the SNMP feature, the Adaptec MIB is installed by default in

```
\program files\storage manager\dptscsi.mib
```

Refer to your SNMP management console documentation for more information about adding this MIB to your existing database.

The Adaptec SNMP subagent can be accessed from any SNMP Management Console.

SNMP Architecture

Figure A-1 shows the relationship of the SNMP to the other elements in a system that includes a RAID controller.

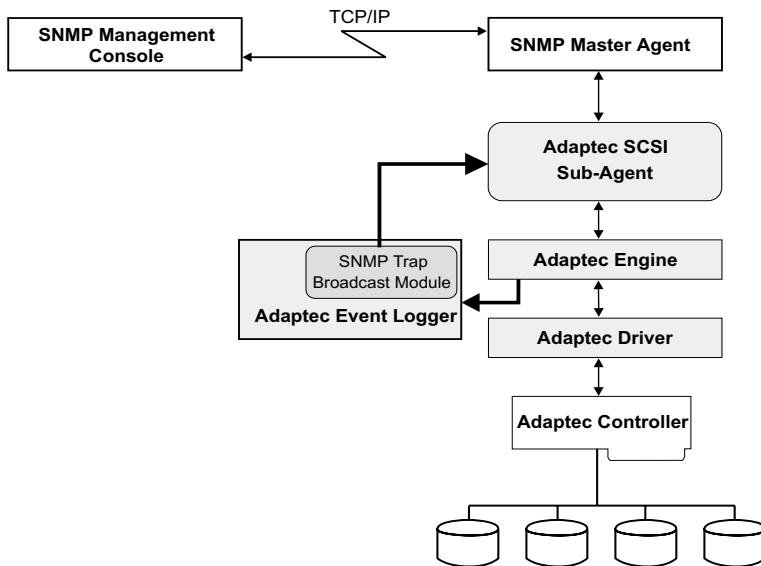


Figure A-1. SNMP Relationship

The components used in the SNMP implementation are the Adaptec engine, broadcaster, and device driver. The Adaptec engine is used to gather all information on the system configuration and to perform the defined management functions. An SNMP trap broadcast module has been added to the event logger to handle messages that are intended specifically for the SNMP console.

Adaptec SNMP Subagent

The Adaptec SNMP subagent attaches to the operating system-specific master agent to handle SNMP requests for objects defined that are defined in the Adaptec MIB. It also broadcasts the Adaptec SNMP traps to the designated management consoles.

The design and implementation of the Adaptec SNMP subagent complies with the operating system-specific implementations of the SNMP specification. This assures compatibility and functionality within each operating system environment. On the client side, all SNMP management consoles are supported.

Adaptec SNMP Trap Broadcaster Module

An SNMP trap broadcast module controls all Adaptec SNMP traps. The SNMP trap broadcast module registers with the Adaptec event logger to receive all events generated for the Adaptec subsystem. This module then forwards all events to the Adaptec SNMP subagent for processing and delivery to the SNMP master agent.

The broadcast modules have complete control over how events are received from the event logger. The modules define what events are to be sent and how they want to receive the event information. Each broadcast module has control over which events are to be broadcast, how they are broadcast, and where they are sent.

B

DMI

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Introduction

The Desktop Management Interface (DMI) is a standard developed by the Desktop Management Task Force (DMTF) to manage computer systems and their components locally or remotely.

The DMTF has defined a mapping standard that allows SNMP and DMI components to work together. The Adaptec DMI component instrumentation conforms to the version 2.0 of the DMI specification. The DMI Management Application and Service Provider (DMI version 2.0) must be present on the system so that the Adaptec DMI support can function.

DMI consists of three components:

- **SP (Service Provider)**—Manages the communication between the MA and the CI. Maintains a database of components that are defined by Management Information Format (MIF) files.
- **Management Application (MI)**—The Management Application (MI) is the interface that allows a user to locally or remotely manage the components of a computer system. The MI can request information from the CI or the CI can notify the MI of specific events (for example, failed drives) through the SP.
- **Component Instrumentation (CI)**—Handles requests for component information from the SP and alerts the SP of any events that occur. Adaptec's implementation of the CI is discussed in *Adaptec CI*.

System Requirements

Adaptec supplies a read-only Component Instrumentation and Mass Storage file for all controller models. Both the MI and the SP must be provided by your operating system or computer system vendor.

The following environments support DMI management for your controller:

- Windows NT 4.0 Workstation and Server versions
- Windows 2000

Adaptec CI

At startup time the CI gathers information about Adaptec RAID controllers and stores this information in a DMI format table. When an inquiry is made for a particular attribute it is obtained from this table for static information or through the engine for dynamic information.

The Adaptec CI sends event notification up to the SP for events that are reported by the broadcaster module. These events include high or low voltage, high temperature, drive failure, and RAID status changes.

[Figure B-1](#) shows how DMI relates to other elements in the system when an RAID controller is present.

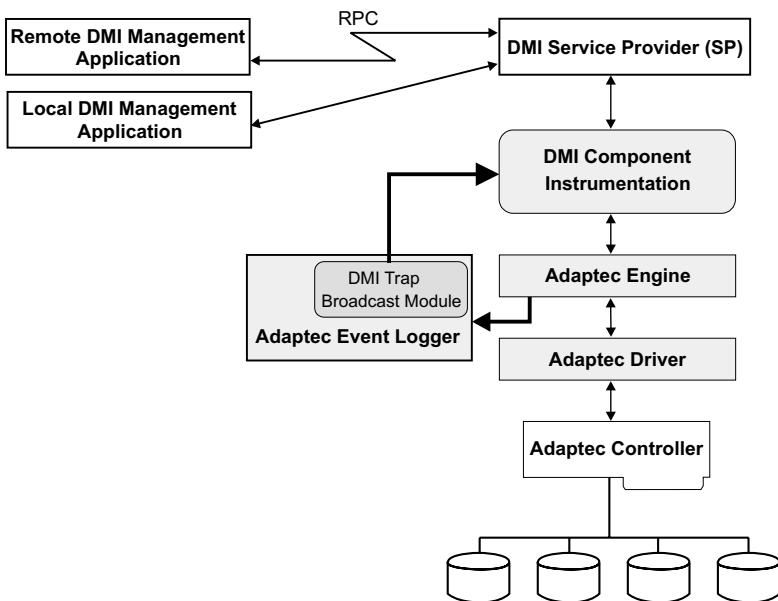


Figure B-1. DMI Service and Application Relation

Installing DMI Support

Adaptec supplies the CI only. The SP and MI must be provided by the operating system or other third-party. The CI consists of the Adaptec engine, broadcaster, controller driver, firmware, and CI module. The CI module is a separate add-on that is installed only if Storage Manager is already installed.

Adaptec DMI Modules

The Adaptec DMI modules are as follows:

- Adaptec event logger
- DMI event logger extensions
- Adaptec RAID engine
- Adaptec driver
- Adaptec component instrumentation
- Adaptec MIF

DMI-Specific Files

The MIF groups are listed below:

AdptDmic.exe	Component instrumentation application
AdptDmic.mif	Adaptec Mass Storage MIF
AdptDmic.dll	Generic DLL used by the CI
AdptSal.dll	Platform-specific DLL used by the CI
AdptDmi.dll	The DMI Trap broadcast module

The following is a list of groups contained in the Adaptec Mass Storage MIF file. For the attributes of each group, refer to the **admpdmi.mif** file.

DMTF	ComponentID
DMTF	FRU
DMTF	Storage Devices
EventGeneration	DMTF Storage Devices
DMTF	Storage Controller
EventGeneration	DMTF Storage Controller
DMTF	Bus Port
DMTF	Fibre Channel Bus Port Extensions
DMTF	SSA Bus Port Extensions
DMTF	Aggregate Physical Extent
DMTF	Aggregate Protected Space Extent
DMTF	Volume Set
EventGeneration	DMTF Volume Set
DMTF	Redundancy Group
EventGeneration	DMTF Redundancy Group
DMTF	Mass Storage Association
EventGeneration	DMTF Mass Storage Association
DMTF	Bus Port Association
DMTF	Component Spare Association
DMTF	Subcomponent Software
DMTF	Mass Storage Statistics
DMTF	System Cache
DMTF	Cache Performance Table
DMTF	Operational State
DMTF	Worldwide Identifier



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