



## Host Managed Live Migration

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#### Agenda

Review the NVM Express ratified TP4159 PCIe® Infrastructure for Live Migration

- Migrating a controller
  - Suspend/Resume a controller
  - Get/Set Controller State
- Migrating namespaces attached to a migrating controller
  - Logging Logical Block Address (LBA) modifications to a LBA Migration Queue
- Track host memory modifications due to migrating controller processing commands



## Migrating a Controller





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  - Specific controller state versions
  - Offset
  - Size



MMC returns the controller state

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  - Controller Identifier of the different controller
  - Get Controller State Management Operation
  - Specific controller state versions
  - Order of commands
    - First, middle, last



## Migrating a Controller – Resume the Controller



MMH responsibility to migrate the VM

MMH resumes the controller that has migrated

- Submit a Migration Send command to a Migrating Management Controller (MMC) specifying:
  - Controller Identifier of the Migratable Controller
  - Resume Management Operation
- Migratable Controller:
  - Starts fetching commands





Create a LBA Migration Queue

- Host allocates memory for a LBA Migration Queue
- Host submits a Controller Data Queue command to a controller specifying:
  - Controller Identifier of a controller to track LBA modifications by that controller
  - Log User Data Changes Management
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- Controller returns a Controller Data Queue Identifier





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- Host submits a Track Send command to a controller specifying:
  - Log User Data Management Operation
  - Controller Data Queue Identifier of the LBA Migration Queue
  - Start Logging





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- The controller that created the LBA Migration Queue to post entries specifying:
  - Changes logging
    - Start, stop, full, controller suspended
  - LBA modifications by the controller 
    associated to the LBA migration
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Host copies namespace to another NVM Subsystem while changes are being logged

- Host may use the LBA Status command to copy the allocated logical blocks
  - Ratified TP4165 Tracking LBA Allocation with Granularity





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Host processes the entries in the LBA Migration Queue

- Host submits a Set Features command specifying:
  - Controller Data Queue feature
  - Controller Data Queue Identifier of the LBA Migration Queue
  - Head Pointer Location
  - Optional Tail Pointer trigger to cause a One-shot Controller Data Queue Tail Pointer event



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  - Memory ranges
- As controller processes command
  - Remembers all host memory modifications within those Memory ranges



## **Tracking Host Memory Modification**



Obtain the host memory medications

- Host submits a Track Receive command to a controller specifying:
  - Tracked Memory Ranges Management
    Operation
  - Size of the returned data
  - Controller Identifier of a controller to track host memory modifications by that controller
- the controller returns:
  - Suspended state of the specified controller
  - If more data is ready to be reported

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 Zero or more modified host memory ranges

## TP4159 PCIe<sup>®</sup> Infrastructure for Live Migration

- Added a new Migration Send command and Migration Receive command:
  - Enables suspending and resuming a controller from processing NVMe<sup>®</sup> commands
  - Enables obtaining the state of a controller and setting the state of a controller
- Added a new Track Send command and a Trach Receive command:
  - Enables the live migration of namespaces by identifying the logical blocks modified by a controller
  - Enables a host to obtain host memory modifications by a controller processing NVMe commands
- Added new Controller Data Queues to create a LBA Migration Queue
- Added a new Controller Data Queue feature
  - Allows a host to specify Head pointer updates and send a new One-shot event
- Added a new CNS value to the Identify command to report the supported controller state versions

# **Questions?**







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