



NVMe Conformance and Interoperability



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- **NVMe Test Program Overview**
- NVMe Integrators List
- Test Tools
- November 2014 NVMe Plugfest
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NVMe Test Program Overview

- NVMe Test Program is focused on a public Integrators List (IL) hosted by UNH-IOL
- NVMe Promoters group decides the criteria for a product to be on the Integrators List
- UNH-IOL performs the testing to determine if a product meets those qualifications



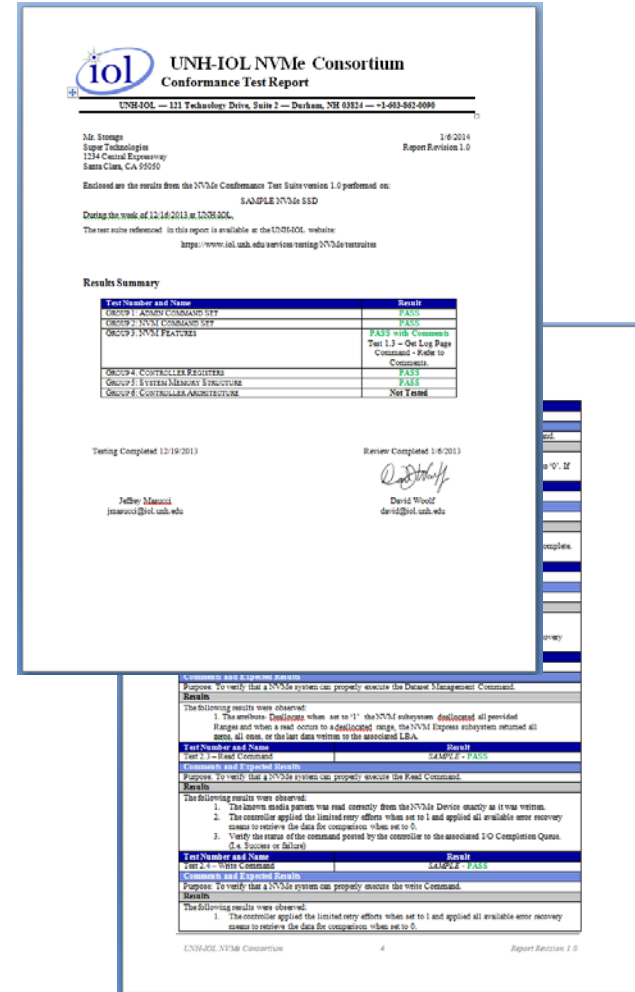
NVMe Test Program Overview

- Plugfest are the launch point for new IL requirements
- After the Plugfest, Testing for Integrators List continues at UNH-IOL as new products are released.
- UNH-IOL makes test tools available to members to enable conformance checking



Reporting

- UNH-IOL will use collected test data to produce Interop and Conformance Test Reports for all products at the Plugfest.
- Test Reports are necessary to list a product on the NVMe Integrators List.
- Reports are can be shared with partners and customers



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Conformance Test Report

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Mr. Storage 1-8-2014
Super Technologies Report Revision 1.0
1234 Central Expressway
Santa Clara, CA 95050

Enclosed are the results from the NVMe Conformance Test Suite version 1.0 performed on:
SAMPLE NVMe SSD

During the week of 12-16-2013 at 12:00:00.

The test suite referenced in this report is available at the UNH-IOL website:
<https://www.iol.unh.edu/services/testing/NVMe/testsuite>

Results Summary

Test Number and Name	Result
GROUP 1: ADMIN COMMAND SET	PASS
GROUP 2: NVMe COMMAND SET	PASS
GROUP 3: NVMe FEATURES	PASS with Comments Test 1.3 - One Log Page Command - Refer to Comments
GROUP 4: CONTROLLER REGISTERS	PASS
GROUP 5: SYSTEM MANAGER STRUCTURE	PASS
GROUP 6: CONTROLLER ADMINISTRATION	Not Tested

Testing Completed 12/19/2013 Review Completed 1/8/2014

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GROUP 3: NVMe FEATURES

Purpose: To verify that a NVMe system can properly execute the Dequeue Command.

Results:
The following results were observed:
1. The command Dequeue when set to '1' the NVMe subsystem dequeued all provided Range and when a read occurs to a dequeued range, the NVMe Express subsystem returned all reads, all zeros, or the data was returned in the associated LBA.

Test Number and Name **Result**
Test 3 - Dequeue Command SAMPLE - PASS

Comments and Exposed Results
SAMPLE - PASS

Purpose: To verify that a NVMe system can properly execute the Read Command.

Results:
The following results were observed:
1. The known media pattern was read correctly from the NVMe Device exactly as it was written.
2. The controller applied the limited retry efforts when set to 1 and applied all available error recovery actions to retrieve the data for completion when set to 0.
3. Verify the status of the command per the controller to the associated I/O Completion Queue. (i.e. Success or Failed)

Test Number and Name **Result**
Test 3 - Read Command SAMPLE - PASS

Comments and Exposed Results
SAMPLE - PASS

Purpose: To verify that a NVMe system can properly execute the Write Command.

Results:
The following results were observed:
1. The controller applied the limited retry efforts when set to 1 and applied all available error recovery actions to retrieve the data for completion when set to 0.

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Why UNH-IOL?

- Industry leading 3rd-party test facility for data, telecom, storage, networking, consumer electronics
- 100% funded by commercial industry
- 32,000 sq. ft lab facility – Boston, USA Metro Area
- 7,200 sq. ft pre-wired space dedicated to Plugfests



NVMe Test Program Overview



NVMe Promoters Group

- **Provides guidance** on services, tools, plugfests, Integrators List qualification requirements



UNH-IOL

- **Executes** test services and plugfests, **administers** Integrators List, and **develops** test tools

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NVMe Integrators List



- Hosted by UNH-IOL at www.iol.unh.edu
- Opt-in list of qualifying NVMe products
- Criteria for listing defined in NVMe Integrators List Policy document, found on IL Page
- Currently 15 products listed

<https://www.iol.unh.edu/services/testing/NVMe/integratorslist.php>



NVMe Integrators List



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NVMe Integrators List

This Integrators List (IL) contains information about NVMe Products that UNH-IOL has performed interoperability and conformance testing on. Successful completion of such conformance tests when combined with satisfactory operation in UNH-IOL's interoperability tests provides a reasonable level of confidence that the Product Under Test will function properly in many NVMe environments.

Products listed here have met the requirements of the NVMe Integrators List Policy:

NVMe Integrators List 1.1b

[NVMe Integrators List Policy v1.1b](#)

NVMe Integrators List 1.1

[NVMe Integrators List Policy v1.1](#)

NVMe Devices

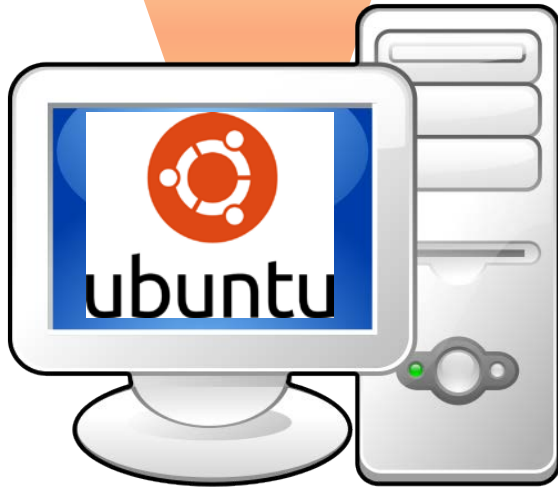
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Huawei uniSSD	NVMe SSD	v1.0	v1.1	3/10/14		http://www.huawei.com
Intel NVMe SSD Technology	NVMe SSD	8DV10036	v1.1	3/10/14		http://www.intel.com/content/www/us/en/solid-state-drives/solid-state-drives-ssd.html
Mobiveil UNEX 64 bit NVMe Controller IP	NVMe SSD IP	1.0	v1.1	3/10/14		http://www.mobiveil.com/downloads/unex-pb.pdf
Mobiveil UNEX 128 bit NVMe Controller IP	NVMe SSD IP	1.0	v1.1	3/10/14		http://www.mobiveil.com/downloads/unex-pb.pdf
PMC Sierra Princeton	NVMe SSD Controller	1.0.0	v1.1	3/10/14		http://www.pmc.com



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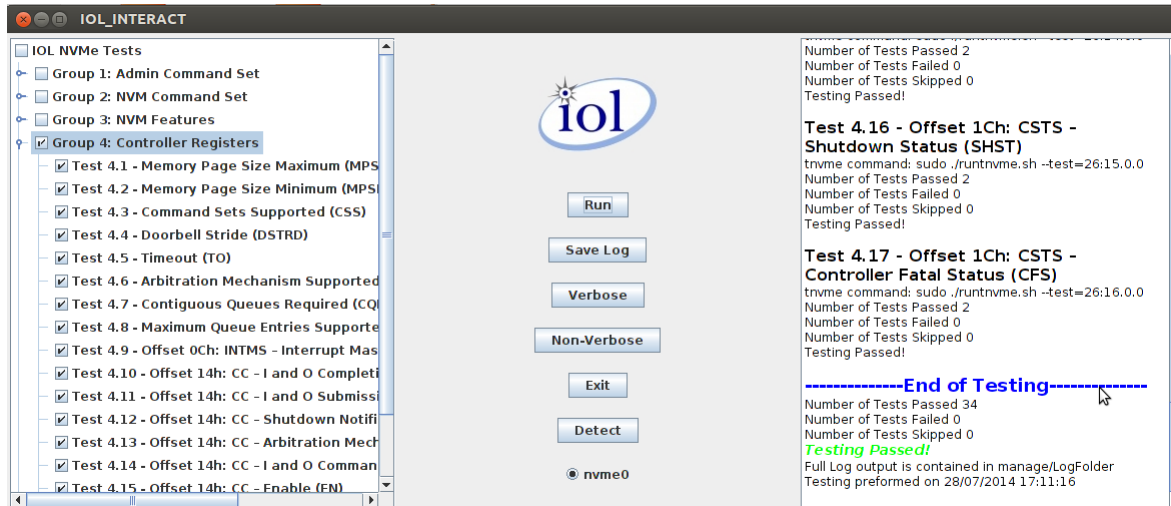
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UNH-IOL
INTERACT PC
Conformance
Test Station



- Linux based NVMe Conformance Test Station uses:
 - tNVMe v.3.0 available from github (UNH-IOL admin)
 - IOL INTERACT 1.1 (available from UNH-IOL) **RELEASED July 29, 2014**
 - Ubuntu 10.10, 12.04, 13.04, 14.04

NVMe Test Tools



- IOL INTERACT PC Edition is the ‘quick’ way to check conformance to the existing NVMe conformance test suite.
- Does not have bus level analysis capability

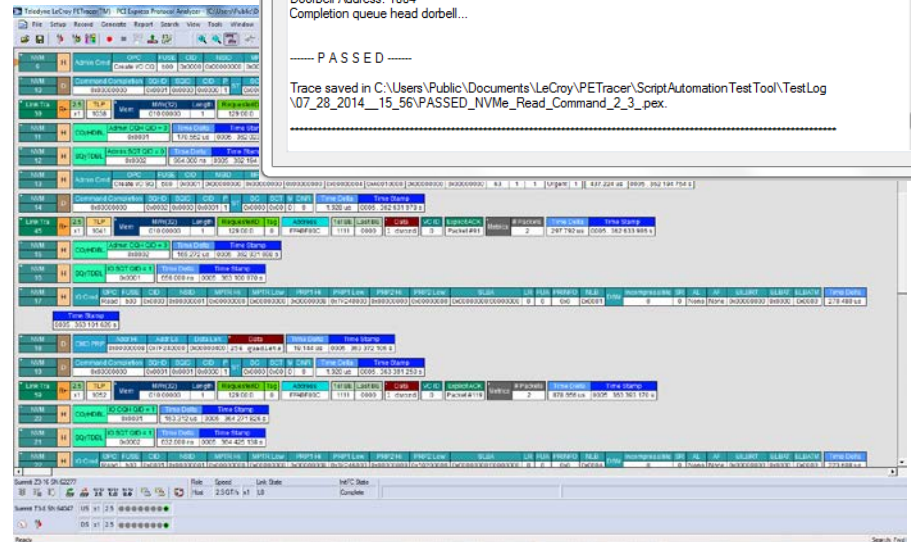
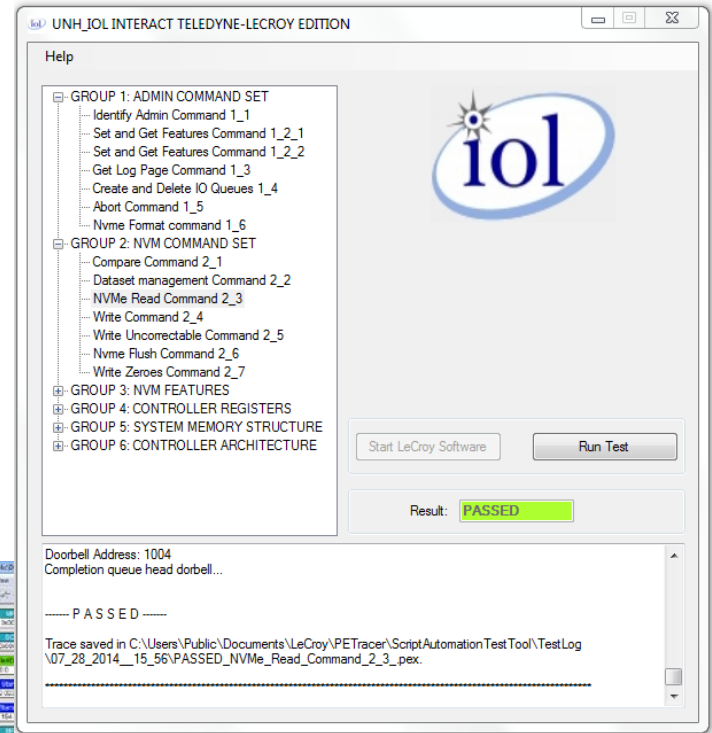
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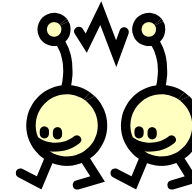
- NVMe Conformance Test Station uses:
 - Teledyne LeCroy Summit Z3 Exerciser and Analyzer
 - Teledyne LeCroy Summit Z3 Software Build 6.75
 - IOL INTERACT Teledyne-LeCroy Edition 1.2 (available from UNH-IOL)
 - **RELEASED July 29, 2014**



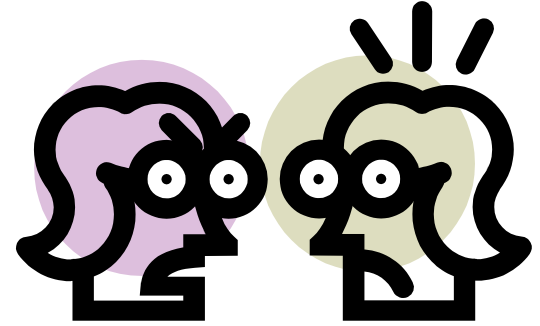
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- IOL INTERACT Teledyne LeCroy Edition is the thorough way to check conformance to the NVMe Test Suite.
- Bus level analysis provides greater debug capability





- ***Why 2 tools? Isn't that redundant?***
 - Community needs a tool with a relatively low cost barrier, to be able to determine conformance. The PC Edition meets that need.
 - Community also needs a tool with deep debug and analysis capability. Teledyne-LeCroy edition meets that need.
 - Tradeoff: Cost vs. Debug Capability + Trace Analysis



- ***What if the tools disagree?***
 - UNH-IOL has done correlation between these tools for all products that have come through our lab
 - If the tools disagree, UNH-IOL will examine the bus traces in detail to determine product pass/fail.
 - Updates then made to tool to rectify issue.
 - We're happy to examine traces you capture in your own lab.

NVMe Interop Test Tools

- **VDBENCH 5.04**
- Available at oracle.com
- Command Line utility for generating IO Workloads to disk.
- Java program works on Windows, Solaris, Linux stations.
- Download Parameter File for NVMe Interop Tests created by UNH-IOL:
 - https://www.iol.unh.edu/services/testing/NVMe/unh_interop_1_1_linux.txt
 - https://www.iol.unh.edu/services/testing/NVMe/unh_interop_1_1_windows.txt



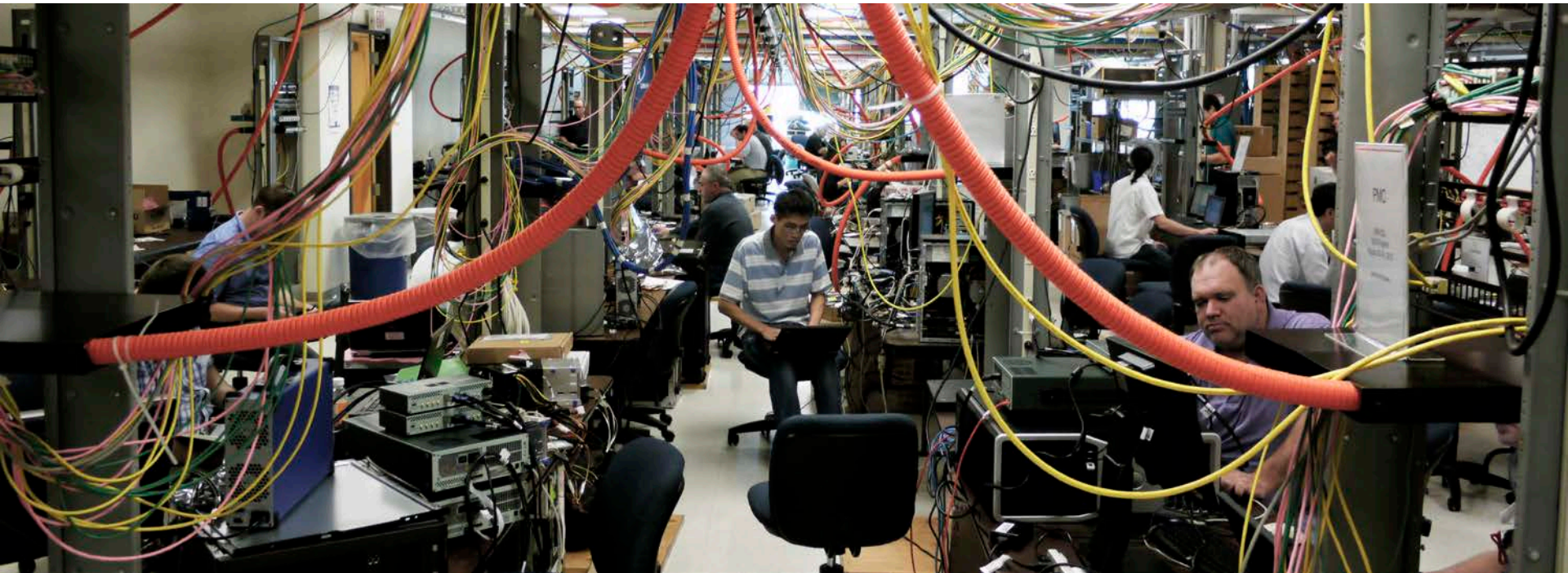
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NVMe Plugfest

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November 10-13, 2014

Durham, NH USA





NVMe Plugfest

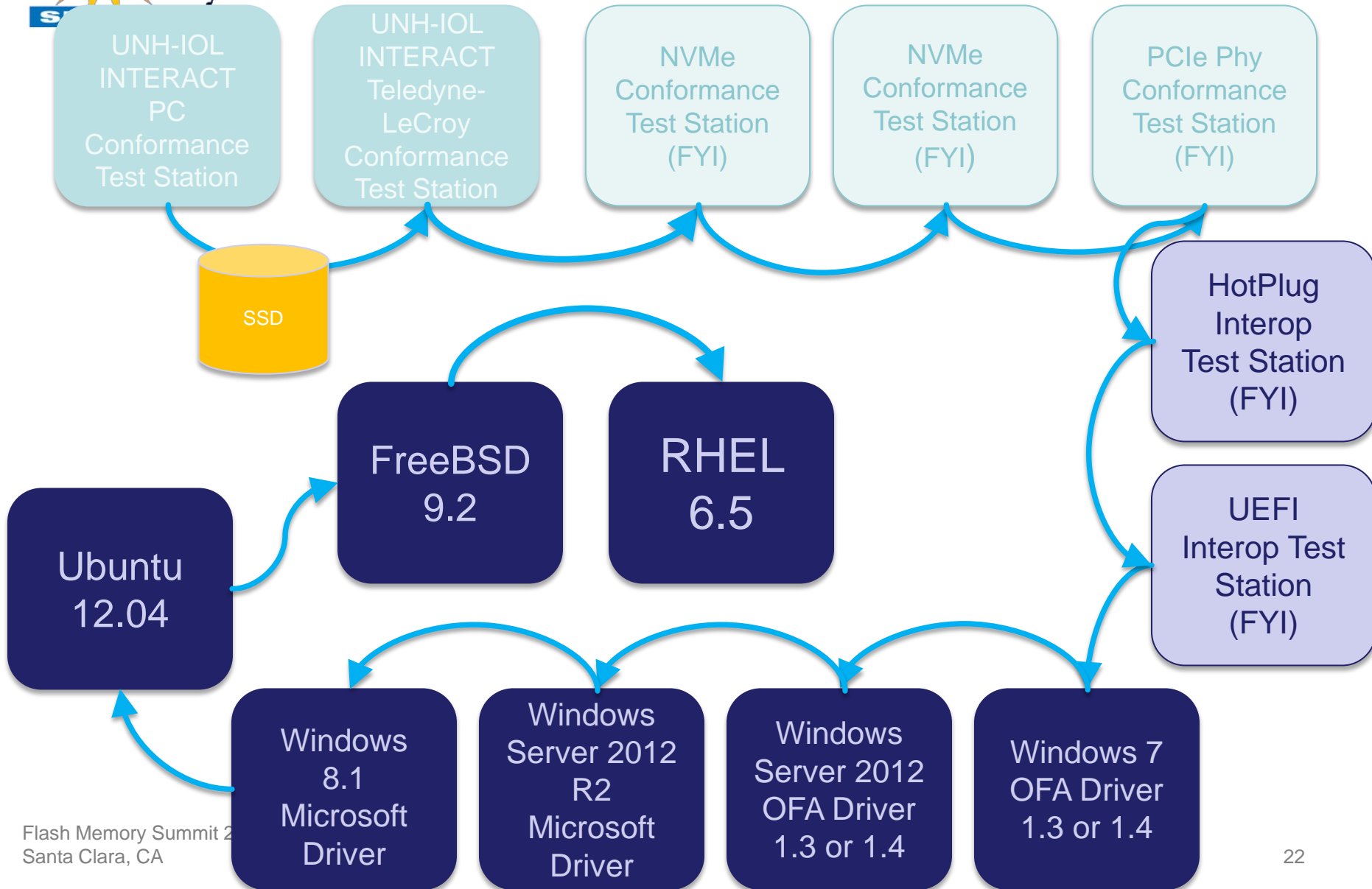
- Launch point for new IL 1.1b Requirements
- Expanded Interop Testing

- Register Now:

<https://www.iol.unh.edu/services/testing/NVMe/plugfest.php>

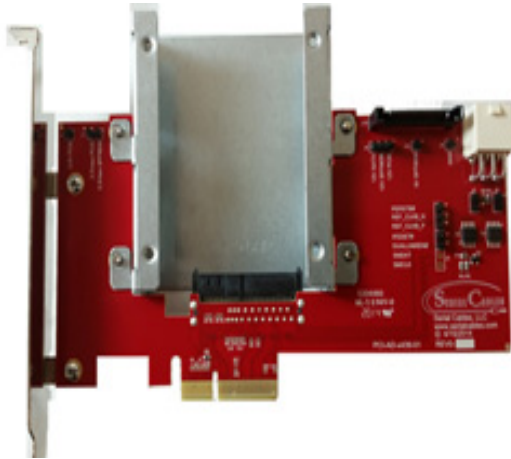


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Interop Tests

- To handle disparate form factors, adapters may be used



*PCI-AD-x439-01 adapter
from Serial Cables*

- Conformance Testing
 - Tests defined in NVMe Interop Test Suite document (publically available at www.iol.unh.edu)
 - Test tools used to check proper construction and response to different NVMe Stimuli
 - Admin Commands, NVM Commands, Controller Registers

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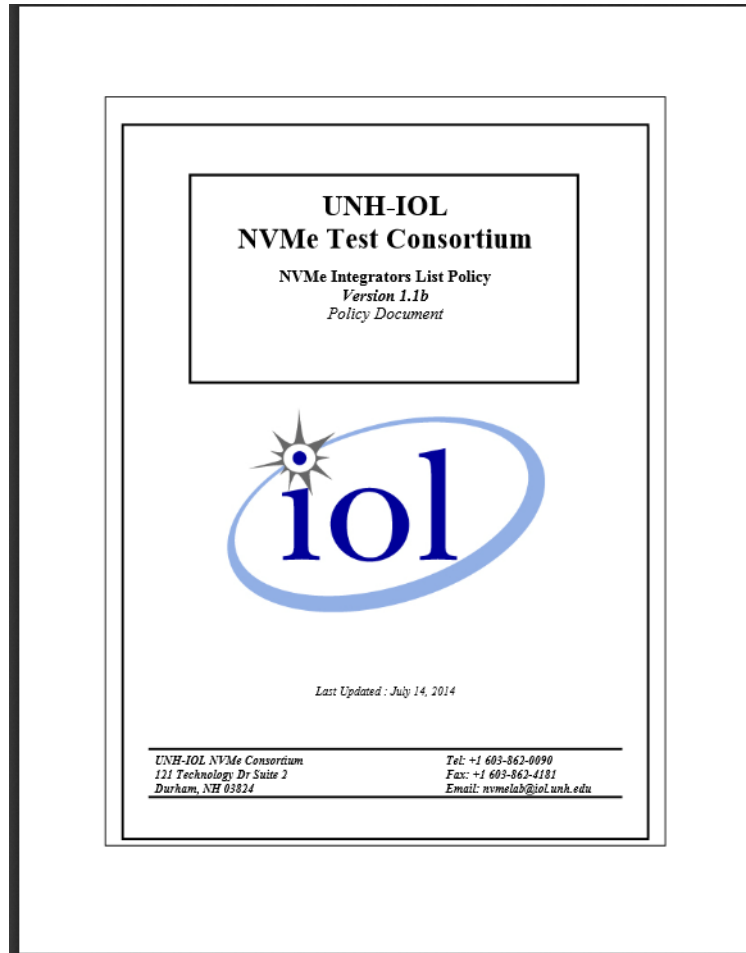
Agenda

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- Plugfest is launch point for new IL Qualification Requirements:

Current 1.1 Program Requirements	Future 1.1b Program Requirements (November 2014)
Test with 5 products, pass with 4	Test with 6 products pass with 5
Pass with Windows or Linux reference driver	Pass with Windows and Linux reference driver



- Review the NVMe Integrators List 1.1b Policy Document for detailed listing criteria:
<https://www.iol.unh.edu/services/testing/NVMe/integratorslist.php>



Plugfest is also launch point for new tests:

Already Documented:

- Conformance Test 2.7 - Write Zeroes
- Conformance Test 6.4 - Sub System Reset
- Interop Test 1.7 – Dual Ports

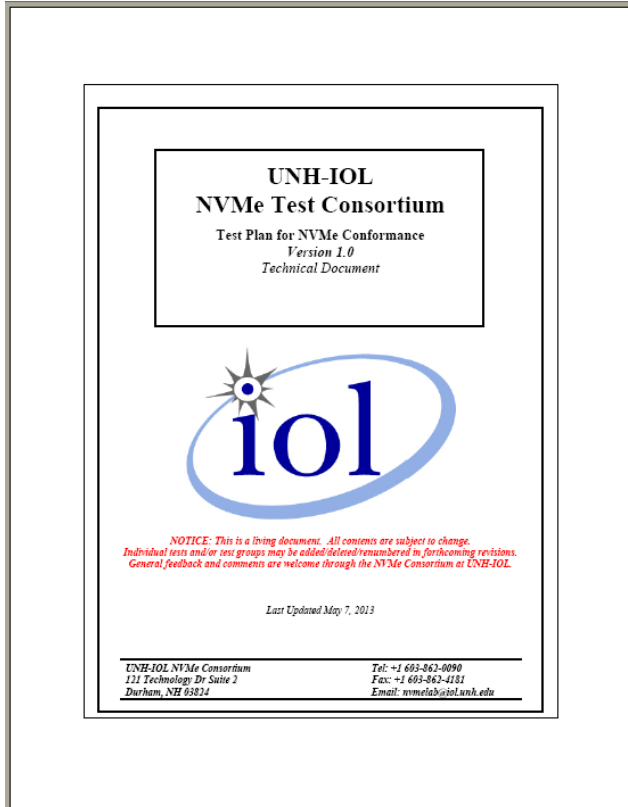
In Development:

- Conformance Test Group 7 - Reservations



Review the UNH-IOL NVMe Conformance and Interop 1.1b Test Suite documents to see the procedures in detail:

<https://www.iol.unh.edu/services/testing/NVMe/testsuites/>



Review

- NVMe Test Program focused on Integrators List to showcase interoperable and conformant products.
- Test tools and plans available from UNH-IOL.
- Plugfest will allow the first opportunity to list products on the NVMe Integrators list v1.1b.
- Plugfest will walk SSDs through multiple conformance and interop stations.
- Testing can continue After the Plugfest for those unable to attend.

Further Questions? Visit us at Booth #920



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