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Subject: SAM-3 definitions for SCSI initiator device and SCSI target device

Introduction

The definitions for SCSI initiator device and SCSI target device in SAM-3 do not reflect the bi-directional nature of those devices. The following proposal clarifies this. As this proposal applies to other standards, including SPC-3 and SAS, these changes should be included in those draft standards, as well. References in this proposal are to SAM3r03.

3.1.96 SCSI initiator device: A SCSI device containing application clients and SCSI initiator ports that originates device service and task management requests to be processed by a SCSI target device [and receives device service and task management responses from SCSI target devices](#). When used, this term refers to SCSI initiator devices or SCSI target/initiator devices that are using the SCSI target/initiator port as a SCSI initiator port.

3.1.106 SCSI target device: A SCSI device containing logical units and SCSI target ports that receives device service and task management requests for processing [and sends device service and task management responses to SCSI initiator devices](#). When used, this term refers to SCSI target devices or SCSI target/initiator devices that are using the SCSI target/initiator port as a SCSI target port.