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About This Book

This book provides information and instructions for setting up a high-availability clustering solution using the IBM® ServeRAID™ II Ultra SCSI Adapter.

This book is intended for experienced users who will be involved in setting up clustering and high-availability solutions for their computer installations with Microsoft® Windows NT® 4.0 and Novell IntranetWare 4.11.

How This Book Is Organized

Chapter 1, “Introduction to IBM High-Availability Cluster Solutions,” provides an overview of high-availability cluster solutions.

Chapter 2, “Preparing to Install a High-Availability Cluster Solution,” provides the information you need to know before you start the installation and setup of a high-availability cluster solution. It provides definitions of important terms used in this manual and some considerations you need to be familiar with for the IBM ServeRAID II adapter.

Chapter 3, “Installing the ServeRAID II Adapter for a High-Availability Cluster Solution Using Windows NT,” provides information you need to configure ServeRAID II adapters in the two servers used in the high-availability cluster solution. It includes information to define all shared and nonshared logical drives and set Merge IDs, along with instructions for setting up a high-availability cluster solution using Windows NT.

Chapter 4, “Installing the ServeRAID II Adapter for a High-Availability Cluster Solution Using Vinca and Novell IntranetWare,” provides information you need to configure ServeRAID II adapters in the two servers used in the high-availability cluster solution. It includes information to define all shared and nonshared logical drives and set Merge IDs, and directs you to information you can use to set up a high-availability cluster solution with Novell IntranetWare.

Chapter 5, “Monitoring and Updating a High-Availability Cluster Solution,” provides information about how to use the ServeRAID Administration and Monitoring Utility to determine the availability of logical drives in a cluster. It also includes procedures to use if you add or remove a hard disk drive in your high-availability cluster solution, or to uninstall your high-availability cluster solution.

Chapter 6, “Troubleshooting a High-Availability Cluster,” provides information about how to recover from some potential problems, such as a defective ServeRAID adapter or a defective hard disk drive in a logical drive.

Appendix A, “Notices,” includes legal notices and trademarks.
Related Publications

During the installation of the High-Availability Cluster Solution, you might need to refer to one or more of the following manuals:

- The *IBM Shared Disk Clustering Hardware Reference*, provides general information about planning and configuring a shared-disk cluster using IBM Netfinity and PC Server products. It contains illustrations, descriptions, and parts listings for various high-availability, shared-disk cluster examples. This publication is currently available on the World Wide Web at http://www.pc.ibm.com/support

  When you are on the IBM Web page, perform a search for the clustering information.

- The *IBM Cluster Systems Management User's Guide*, provides the startup instructions for the IBM Cluster System Management (ICSM) services.


- The *Microsoft Cluster Server User's Guide*, provides instructions for setting up and using the Microsoft Cluster Server Software.

- The *IBM ServeRAID II Installation and User's Guide*, provides instructions for the installation of the ServeRAID II adapter, as well as instructions on how to use and maintain RAID configurations.

- *Implementing PC ServeRAID SCSI and SSA RAID Disk Subsystems*, contains detailed information about the IBM ServeRAID II Ultra SCSI Adapter.

For more information about these publications, call 1 800 879-2755 in the United States and Puerto Rico, or call 1 800 426-4968 in Canada. In all other countries, contact your IBM reseller or marketing representative.
Chapter 1. Introduction to IBM High-Availability Cluster Solutions

A cluster is a type of parallel or distributed system that consists of interconnected computers used as a single, unified computing resource. In other words, a group of computers linked together in such a way that they share and manage a set of resources that can support a number of users at the same time.

This high-availability clustering solution is based on a two-node cluster, where both nodes, or servers, can access the same storage devices, but only one server at a time controls the storage devices shared by both servers. If one server fails, the remaining server automatically assumes control of the resources that the failed server was using, while still controlling its own resources at the same time. The failed server can then be repaired offline without the loss of time or work efficiency, because access to that server data and applications is still available. When the failed server is operational again, it can be placed back into the cluster, the resources are reallocated between the two servers, and the cluster can then resume normal operations.

IBM high-availability cluster solutions, as discussed in this manual, use IBM ServeRAID II adapters and IBM expansion enclosures, such as the IBM Enterprise Expansion Enclosure (Model 3518), the IBM PC Server 3519 Rack Expansion Enclosure, the IBM Netfinity EXP10 Rack Expansion Enclosure, or the IBM Netfinity EXP15 Rack Expansion Enclosure.

IBM high-availability cluster solutions can be installed using one of the following:

- Microsoft Cluster Server, which is part of Windows NT Server Enterprise Edition
- Vinca High Availability for Novell IntranetWare, which is part of the IBM Netfinity Cluster Pack by Vinca

The following figures show an example of a simple high-availability clustering solution.
This figure shows a broad view of a cluster.
This figure shows a detailed view of a cluster.

Note A: Server A
- Shared Channel 1 - SCSI ID 6
- Nonshared Channel 2 - SCSI ID 7
- Nonshared Channel 3 - SCSI ID 7

Note B: Server B
- Shared Channel 1 - SCSI ID 7
- Nonshared Channel 2 - SCSI ID 7
- Shared Channel 3 - SCSI ID 7 (Heartbeat Cable)

The high-availability cluster solution you use for your installation depends on your own specific requirements. For more information about requirements and types of installations, refer to the IBM Shared Disk Clustering Hardware Reference. This publication can be found on the IBM Web site at

http://www.pc.ibm.com/support

When you are on the IBM Web page, perform a search for the clustering information.
Chapter 2. Preparing to Install a High-Availability Cluster Solution

Before you begin installing and setting up a high-availability cluster solution, it is important to familiarize yourself with the following terms and definitions that are used in this manual, as well as some considerations concerning the ServeRAID adapter.

**Note:** The following terms and definitions are for the Microsoft Cluster Solution using Windows NT. For similar terms and definitions for the Novell IntranetWare Cluster Solution using Novell NetWare, refer to *Vinca High Availability for NetWare and IBM ServeRAID II SCSI Adapter User's Guide.*

### Terms and Definitions

The following terms will be used in this manual.

**Quorum Resource:** A dedicated drive that both cluster servers share to store and retrieve quorum information. This resource creates and logs data that is critical to recovery when servers fail to communicate with each other. This data can be owned by one cluster server at a time only and is used to determine which server will take ownership of the resources if the two servers cannot communicate with each other. When the quorum owner fails, the surviving server takes over ownership of that quorum drive and all the other resources in the cluster. This drive is a critical component of the cluster. If the quorum drive becomes defective, recovery is impossible. A quorum drive must be configured as RAID level 1.

**Failback:** This is a special case of failover and is the process of moving back some or all groups of resources to the preferred owner after a failover has occurred. The preferred owner is the server in the cluster on which you prefer each group of resources to run. If the preferred owner fails, its resources are transferred to the other server. When the preferred owner is repaired and comes back online, and allow failback is enabled in the Microsoft Cluster Administration Program, the resources are automatically transferred back to that server.

**Failover:** This is the process of relocating the cluster resources from a failed server to the surviving server. The detection of a failure is made by the resource-monitor program responsible for the resource. If a resource failure occurs, the resource-monitor program notifies the Cluster Service, which triggers the actions defined in the failover policy for that resource. A failover can occur automatically, such as when an application or a server fails, or it can occur manually, such as when a system administrator moves all applications onto one server and then brings the other server down for scheduled maintenance.

Failover generally consists of three parts:

- Failure detection
- Resource relocation
- Application restart

For more information about failover, refer to the *Clustering and High Availability Guide for IBM Netfinity and IBM PC Servers.*

**Resource Group:** Dependent resources that are grouped together. Some resources need other resources to run successfully and are known as resource dependencies. When one resource is listed as a dependency for another resource, the two resources must be placed in the same group. If all resources are ultimately dependent on one resource (for example, one physical disk resource), all resources must be in the same group. It is possible that all resources in a cluster will need to be in one group.
Also, any cluster operation performed on a group is performed on all resources that are present within that group. For example, if a resource needs to be moved from Server A to Server B, all the resources defined in the group that the resource is in will be moved.

**SCSI Heartbeat Connection:** This is a small computer system interface (SCSI) cable connection that joins two IBM ServeRAID II adapters, one in each server, together.

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**ServeRAID II Considerations**

It is important to understand the following ServeRAID II adapter considerations before you set up your high-availability cluster solution.

**Note:** The following ServeRAID II considerations are for the Microsoft Cluster Solution using Windows NT. For similar considerations for the Novell IntranetWare Cluster Solution, refer to *Vinca High Availability for NetWare and IBM ServeRAID II SCSI Adapter User's Guide.*

- **Microsoft Cluster Server (MSCS) Configurations** using the ServeRAID II adapters in each of the servers require a small computer system interface (SCSI) connection joining the two ServeRAID II adapters together. This connection is known as a **SCSI heartbeat**. The SCSI heartbeat connection is required to manage the Microsoft Cluster Server quorum disk and, in the event of a server failure, to determine which is the surviving server. The connection is a combination of any length 0.8-mm to 68-pin cable and a pigtail 68-pin to 0.8-mm cable. For more details about this connection, see the *IBM Shared Disk Clustering Hardware Reference*, Part Number 33L3945.

- The SCSI heartbeat connection must be connected to the third channel of the ServeRAID adapter pair that has the quorum drive connected to it. No disks can be installed on this heartbeat channel. If you choose to move the quorum drive to another ServeRAID II adapter, you must also move the SCSI heartbeat cable on both servers to the new quorum ServeRAID adapter pair.

- The quorum disk can be placed on any ServeRAID channel shared by the two servers, except for the channel used by the SCSI heartbeat cable. The quorum logical drive can be used to store customer programs and data.

- The ServeRAID II adapter does not allow the failover of RAID level-5 logical drives that are in a critical state; that is, a drive in a RAID level-5 array has failed. For this reason, do not use RAID level 5 for the quorum disk. The quorum drive must be configured as a RAID level-1 logical drive. **Note:** You should define hot-spare drives (HSPs) in your array to minimize the time that logical drives remain in critical state.

- Every logical drive that is shared by the two servers must have its cache policy set to write-through mode to ensure data integrity is maintained. Logical drives that are not shared between the two servers can be configured for write-back mode for improved performance.

- The SCSI-2 Fast/Wide Enhanced Repeater Card is required for configurations using the IBM Enterprise Expansion Enclosure (Model 3518) or the IBM Model 3519 Rack Expansion Enclosure. The previous version of the SCSI-2 Fast/Wide Repeater is not supported in these configurations. For information on the latest version of the SCSI Fast/Wide Enhanced Repeater Card, contact your IBM remarketer or dealer.

- Each ServeRAID II adapter must have a unique host ID assigned and the host ID of its cluster partner must be specified.

- Do not attempt to change the host ID on both ServeRAID II adapters in a pair at the exact same time. Doing so can cause a problem, such as a server lock-up.

- Each ServeRAID II adapter must have a different SCSI Initiator ID assigned to the shared channels. For example, one server, Server A, could be set to ID 6, and the other server, Server B, could be set to ID 7. This will be described during the setup instructions.
• The stripe unit size of each ServeRAID adapter in a pair must be set to the same value (8 KB, 16 KB, 32 KB, or 64 KB).

• The SCSI channels in an adapter pair must be cabled so that the same channels are shared between adapters.

• All disks that will be shared must be connected to the shared channels. This includes hot-spare (HSP) drives, as well as data drives.

• Only one logical drive must be created for each physical array because only one server at a time can own a physical drive. For example, only logical drives A0, B0, C0, and so on, are supported, not A1, B1, and so on.

• Merge ID numbers in the range 1–8 must be assigned to each logical drive that will be shared. Merge ID numbers in the range 200–215, where the last two digits are the SCSI ID of a shared channel, must be assigned to the nonshared logical drives.

• If you are starting (booting) the operating system from a shared adapter, define the first logical drive as the startup drive and assign a nonshared Merge ID, for example, 206 for Server A.

• Do not connect nondisk devices, such as tape drives, to shared channels. They will be accessible to both servers and conflicts can arise.

• Hot-spare drives are not shared between the adapters in a pair. Each ServeRAID II adapter must have a hot-spare drive defined if hot-spare protection is desired, no matter which server is controlling a logical drive. All hot-spare drives must be connected to shared channels so that, if the hot-spare drive is used to replace a failed shared disk, the disk can be accessed from either server in the case a failover occurs later.

• RAID level-0 logical drives can failover in any state. RAID level-1 logical drives cannot failover in critical state. Use hot-spare drives to minimize the time that logical drives are in critical state and exposed to a second disk or system failure.

• The total number of logical drives per adapter is eight, before or after a failover. A failover will not complete if this number is exceeded.

• Logical drives that are currently undergoing Logical Drive Migration (LDM) operations, will not be allowed to failover. However, all other drives will be able to failover if necessary.

• Drives that are configured by one adapter in the pair must appear as RDY (ready) drives to the other adapter in the pair. The same must also be true in reverse. Be sure to verify this consideration when drives are added after the nodes are started. After adding new drives to the server, you can use the RAID Administration and Monitoring Utility to restart the servers, scan for new devices, or set the drives to the RDY state.

• All shared drives must be part of a logical disk or defined as a hot spare to one or the other servers. All other drives should be removed from the shared disk enclosure to ensure proper operation.

• If your configuration will contain multiple ServeRAID adapter pairs, each adapter Host Configuration ID must be unique.

• If a failover occurs while a critical RAID level-1 logical drive is rebuilding to a spare disk, the rebuild automatically starts a few seconds after the failover is completed.

• The cluster support software will initiate a synchronization of RAID level-1 and RAID level-5 logical drives immediately after a failover. If a drive fails before this synchronization is complete, RAID level-5 logical drives are placed in the blocked state.

• When a logical drive spans across multiple channels and a failure within the drive subsystem occurs that is unique to a channel (for example, a disconnected cable), the entire physical array will be identified as unsuccessful even though access from the surviving server can occur. Therefore, you might want to consider, if you have small arrays, not spanning across multiple channels.
Chapter 3. Installing the ServeRAID II Adapter for a High-Availability Cluster Solution Using Windows NT

To install a high-availability cluster solution, you must first configure the ServeRAID II adapter, define logical drives, and set up Merge IDs. To do this, perform the following procedure.

**Important**

Before beginning this procedure, read the following information.

- Read “ServeRAID II Considerations” on page 5.
- Use the following diskettes together, in the same version, with the high-availability cluster solution:
  - IBM PC ServeRAID Configuration Diskette
  - IBM PC ServeRAID Device Driver and Utilities Diskette
  - IBM PC ServeRAID Administration and Monitoring Utility Diskette
  - IBM ServeRAID Cluster Solution for Windows NT Diskette
  - The IBM BIOS/Firmware Diskette for your server

**Note:** Ensure that the ServeRAID II adapters have the latest BIOS/Firmware installed. You must use Version 2.4, or higher, as a minimum. If you are using MSCS, be sure that you use a version that has been certified by Microsoft as noted on the following Web site. Refer to this Web site to download the latest level.

http://www.pc.ibm.com/support

For instructions on how to determine the versions of the BIOS/Firmware on your ServeRAID II adapter, refer to the documentation that is included with your server or your adapter.

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**Preparing the Servers**

Before you configure Server A and Server B, do the following:

1. If necessary, perform any operating system shutdown procedure on the two servers, Server A and Server B, you are going to use in the cluster, and then turn off the servers.

   **Note:** If you are using MSCS, determine which ServeRAID logical drive will be used as the quorum resource and the ServeRAID adapter pair that it is connected to. Then, connect the channel 3 connectors of that ServeRAID adapter pair together, using the appropriate cable options, to create the SCSI heartbeat connection. See the IBM Shared Disk Clustering Hardware Reference for more information and part numbers.

2. If you have not done so, connect any shared external drive enclosures between both servers; then, turn on the enclosures.
Configuring Server A

To configure Server A, do the following:

1. Start Server A using the ServeRAID Configuration Diskette. At this time, leave Server B turned off.
2. Perform the configuration of the ServeRAID adapter and set the SCSI IDs for the adapter by doing the following:
   a. Select **Advanced Functions** from the Main Menu of the configuration program.

   ![Main Menu](image)

   Select a choice using the Up Arrow (↑) and Down Arrow (↓) keys and press Enter.
   Press Esc to return to previous menu.

   ![Advanced Functions](image)

   Select a choice using the Up Arrow (↑) and Down Arrow (↓) keys and press Enter.
   Press Esc to return to previous menu.

   **Important**

   If you already have logical drives defined that you wish to keep, go to step 2f on page 9. The steps prior to step 2f will cause loss of data by deleting all logical drives already defined.

   b. Select **Init/View/Synchronize Config** from the Advanced Functions menu.
c. Select **Initialize Configuration** to initialize the adapter configuration.

d. When complete, press the **Esc** key to return to the Advanced Functions menu. The Confirm pop-up window appears.

e. Select **Yes** to save the changes, or select **No** to return the setting to its original state; then, press **Enter**.

f. From the Advanced Functions menu, select **Change RAID Parameters** and enable the unattended mode. A screen similar to the following appears.

![Advanced Functions Menu](image)

**Note:** For descriptions of the RAID parameters, refer to the *IBM ServeRAID Adapter Installation and User's Guide*.

g. Use the Up Arrow (↑), Down Arrow (↓), Left Arrow (←), or Right Arrow (→) keys to highlight the unattended mode parameter you want to change; then, press **Enter** to change the parameter to **On**.

**Note:** The stripe unit size of each ServeRAID adapter in a pair must be set to the same value (8 KB, 16 KB, 32 KB, or 64 KB).

h. When complete, press the **Esc** key to return to the Advanced Functions menu. The Confirm pop-up window appears.

i. Select **YES** to confirm the changes; then, press **Enter**.
j. From the Advanced Functions menu, select **Display/Change Adapter Parameters**. A screen similar to the following appears.

k. Select **Change Adapter Host/SCSI ID**. A screen similar to the following appears.

**Note**: Do not attempt to change the host ID on both ServeRAID II adapters in a pair at the exact same time. Doing so can cause a problem, such as a server lock-up.

l. Use the Up Arrow (↑) key or Down Arrow (↓) key to select a field on this screen.

m. Change the SCSI ID for the adapter on the channels that will be shared to SCSI ID 6; the default setting is 7. Normally, nonshared channels are set to SCSI ID 7.

**Important**

If your configuration will contain multiple ServeRAID adapter pairs, each adapter Host Configuration ID must be unique. Do not assign a Host configuration ID or Cluster Partner Configuration ID to adapters that do not contain any shared channels.

n. Enter a name for the Host Configuration ID for Server A, for example, Server_A.

**Note**: The name of the Host Configuration ID is case-sensitive.
o. Enter a name that you plan to use for the Host Configuration ID for Server B, referred to as the Cluster Partner Configuration ID on the screen, for example, Server_B. You will see a screen similar to the following.

**Note:** The name of the Cluster Partner Configuration ID is case-sensitive.

![IBM PC ServeRAID Adapter Disk Array Configuration Ver. X.XX](image)

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<th>View/Change Adapter Parameters</th>
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<th>Ch 2</th>
<th>Ch 3</th>
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<td>:7</td>
<td>:6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SCSI Transfer Rate (0, 5, 10, 20)</td>
<td>:10</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>Host Configuration ID</td>
<td>: Server_A</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cluster Partner Configuration ID</td>
<td>: Server_B</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Concurrent Drive Count (0-15)</td>
<td>: 6</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Startup Delay (3-15 secs)</td>
<td>: 6</td>
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<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
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**Important**

Be sure to record the SCSI IDs, Host Configuration IDs, and Cluster Partner Configuration IDs in a safe place for future reference. You will need this information to recover the configuration if the ServeRAID II adapter should fail.

p. Record the SCSI IDs, Host Configuration IDs and the Cluster Partner Configuration IDs.

q. Press F10 to exit. The Confirm pop-up window appears.

r. Select **Yes** to save the changes, or select **No** to return the setting to its original state; then, press **Enter**.

s. Continue to press **Esc** until you return to the Main Menu of the configuration program.

**Notes:**

a. When creating logical drives, be aware of the following way in which the information is displayed on the ServeRAID configuration program screens. **You should create only one logical drive for each array when defining shared logical drives for use in a cluster.**

When logical drives are created, they appear on the screen in the order they are created. For ease of understanding, create an array and then all logical drives for that array _before_ you create another array. If they are created in that order, they will appear on the screen as shown in the first figure. (****** is other information that will appear on the screen, such as RAID level, Write Policy, and so on, but is not needed for this explanation). **

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A ***** A0 ***** ***** ******** ******** *****
B ***** B0 ***** ***** ******** ******** *****
C ***** C0 ***** ***** ******** ******** *****
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If logical drives are created out of order, meaning you do not follow the order mentioned above, they are listed on the screen out of order, which might cause some confusion. For example, say you created two arrays, Array A and Array B, but did not define any logical drives at that time. Then, afterwards, you go back and create a logical drive on Array B. That logical drive will then appear in the first line of the logical drive box. Now, if you go back and create another logical drive on Array A, that logical drive will show up on the second line of the logical drive box, as shown in the second figure.
b. Hot-spare/standby hot-spare (HSP/SHS) devices must be defined only on a shared channel and each adapter must have its own HSP/SHS device defined. This means that the same HSP/SHS device must not be defined on adapter pairs.

3. Create RAID arrays and logical drives on Server A as follows:

a. Select Create/Delete/Copy Logical Drive from the Main Menu of the configuration program.

b. Select Create Disk Array and press Enter. An attention screen may appear indicating that a clustering environment has been detected. Ensure that the physical drives selected to create the array do not belong to the cluster partner server.

c. Press Esc. A screen similar to the following appears.

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The first drive marked RDY (ready) will be highlighted.

d. Use the Up Arrow (↑) or Down Arrow (↓) keys to select a drive to be included in the array.

e. Press Enter to add the currently selected drive to the array. Repeat steps d and e to add other drives to the new array.

f. Press Enter to include the other drives that were currently marked as RDY in the array.

g. Press Esc to complete the selection and to create the array.

h. After the array has been created, each drive will be designated as ONL with an array letter assigned to it, for example: A, B, or C.

i. Select Define Logical Drive and press Enter. A screen similar to the following appears.
j. Use the Up Arrow (↑) or Down Arrow (↓) keys to select the array for the new logical drive; then, press Enter.

**Note:** In the Windows NT environment, you must create at least one logical drive, the quorum drive, as RAID level 1 to store the quorum resource information. This drive can be used to store customer programs and data. Ensure channel 3 of the adapter pair that contains the quorum disk is connected by the SCSI heartbeat cable.

k. Use the Up Arrow (↑) or Down Arrow (↓) keys to highlight the RAID level you want to assign to the logical drive; then, press Enter.

l. When a screen prompt appears requesting the size of the logical drive, accept the maximum value; then, press Enter. Only one logical drive per RAID array is supported for shared drives.

m. When the Confirm pop-up window appears, select Yes; then press Enter.

n. When a message stating that all logical drives must be initialized appears, press any key to continue.

**Note:** To ensure that your server operates correctly, you must initialize the new logical drive.

**Attention:** A quick initialization of a logical drive erases the first 1,024 sectors on the drive and prevents access to any data previously stored on the drive; therefore, be sure not to initialize any logical drives which were previously defined and contain valid data. For more information about initialization, refer to the *IBM ServeRAID Adapter Installation and User’s Guide*.

o. When the Confirm pop-up window appears, select Yes to perform a quick initialization; then, press Enter and follow any instructions that appear on the screen.

**Note:** If you have created a RAID level-5 logical drive, when you press the Esc key, synchronization automatically begins and a screen similar to the following appears.
This is an information screen only. Synchronization operates in the background while you continue with your work. Press Esc and continue what you were doing.

p. When complete, press the Esc key until you return to the Main Menu of the configuration program.

q. Repeat step 3 on page 12 for each additional array and logical drive you want to define; then, continue with step 4.

**Note:** For Microsoft Windows NT clusters, you should define all shared logical drives on Server A.

4. Assign Merge IDs to each logical drive, by doing the following:

**Note:** Shared logical drives must have unique Merge IDs; however, nonshared logical drives can share the same Merge ID.

a. Select Advanced Functions from the Main Menu of the configuration program.

b. Select Merge Group Management from the Advanced Functions menu.

c. To create nonshared Merge IDs, do the following:

1) Select Create Nonshared Logical Drive ID from the Merge Group Management Menu.

2) Select the logical drive you want to make a nonshared drive by using the Up Arrow (↑) or Down Arrow (↓) keys to highlight the drive; then, press the Enter key.

3) Select the Merge ID from the Selection List.
Note: A shared logical drive and a nonshared logical drive cannot be on the same array.

Valid Merge IDs for nonshared logical drives are in the range 200–215. An example would be to set all nonshared drives on Server A to Merge ID 206 and all nonshared drives on Server B to Merge ID 207.

4) When complete, press the Esc key and save all the changes.

d. To create shared logical drive IDs, do the following:

1) Select Create Shared Logical Drive ID from the Merge Group Management menu.

2) Select the logical drive you want to be shared between the two servers by using the Up Arrow (↑) or Down Arrow (↓) keys to highlight the drive; then, press the Enter key.

3) Select the Merge ID from the Selection List.

The Merge ID must be unique for each shared logical drive that will be shared by each adapter pair. For example, if you have a logical drive with a merge ID of 1 on the first ServeRAID adapter in a server pair, you cannot assign the same merge ID to a logical drive on the second adapter in a server pair. Valid IDs for shared logical drives are in the range 1–8.
4) Repeat earlier step 4 on page 14 for each shared logical drive you want to create.

5. When complete, continue to press the <Esc> key until you return to the Main Menu of the ServeRAID adapter.

6. Create a hot-spare/standby hot-spare device, if desired. If you do not intend to create the device, go to step 7. To define hot spares for this system:
   a. Choose Create/Delete/Copy Log Drive from the Main Menu.
   b. Select Define/Undefine a Hot-Spare Drive from the Create/Delete/Copy menu.
   c. Select the device to be defined as a Hot-Spare Drive. Be sure that:
      1) Hot spares are defined to shared channels for shared adapter pairs.
      2) You record the channel and bay numbers of all arrays and HSP devices. This information will be used during the configuration of Server B to ensure the same devices are not defined on both systems.

   Note: Hot-spare/standby hot-spare (HSP/SHS) devices are defined only on a shared channel and each adapter needs its own HSP/SHS device defined; therefore, the same HSP/SHS device is not defined on adapter pairs.

7. Turn off Server A.

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**Configuring Server B**

To configure Server B, do the following:

1. Start Server B using the ServeRAID Configuration Diskette. At this time, leave Server A turned off.

2. Perform the configuration of the ServeRAID adapter and set the SCSI IDs for the adapter by doing the following:
   a. Select Advanced Functions from the Main Menu of the configuration program.
If you already have logical drives defined that you wish to keep, go to step 2f on page 18. The steps prior to step 2f will cause loss of data by deleting all logical drives already defined.

b. Select **Init/View/Synchronize Config** from the Advanced Functions menu.

c. Select **Initialize Configuration** to initialize the adapter configuration.
d. When complete, press the **Esc** key to return to the Advanced Functions menu. The Confirm pop-up window appears.

e. Select **Yes** to save the changes, or select **No** to return the setting to its original state; then, press **Enter**.

f. From the Advanced Functions menu, select **Change RAID Parameters** and enable the unattended mode. A screen similar to the following appears.

```
Advanced Functions
1. Help
2. Initialize Configuration
3. View NVRAM Configuration
4. View EEPROM Configuration
5. View Hard Drive Configuration
6. View Change List
7. Configuration Synchronization
8. Exit
```

**Note:** For descriptions of the RAID parameters, refer to the *IBM ServeRAID Adapter Installation and User's Guide*.

g. Use the Up Arrow (↑), Down Arrow (↓), Left Arrow (←), or Right Arrow (→) keys to highlight the unattended mode parameter you want to change; then, press **Enter** to change the parameter.

**Note:** The stripe unit size for Server B must be set to the same setting as Server A.

h. When complete, press the **Esc** key to return to the Advanced Functions menu. The Confirm pop-up window appears.

i. Select **Yes** to save the changes, or select **No** to return the setting to its original state; then, press **Enter**.

j. From the Advanced Functions menu, select **Display/Change Adapter Parameters**. A screen similar to the following appears.
k. Select **Change Adapter Host/SCSI ID**. A screen similar to the following appears.

![IBM PC ServeRAID Adapter Disk Array Configuration Ver. X.XX](image)

Select a choice using the Up Arrow (↑) and Down Arrow (↓) keys and press Enter.

Press Esc to return to previous menu.

**Display/Change Adapter Parameter**

1. Host ID
2. Display Adapter Status
3. Change Adapter Host/SCSI ID
4. Set BIOS Compatibility Mapping
5. Set Channel -> BK Capture
6. Enable/Disable Hot Swap Rebuild
7. Exit

**Hot Swap Rebuild State**

1. Enable Hot Swap Rebuild
2. Disable Hot Swap Rebuild

**Display/Change Adapter Parameter**

1. Ch 1
2. Ch 2
3. Ch 3

**Adapter Number: 1 Bus Number: 0 Host ID = BIOS Null Config**

**View/Change Adapter Parameters**

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>Ch 1</th>
<th>Ch 2</th>
<th>Ch 3</th>
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<tr>
<td>Adapter SCSI ID (0-15)</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>7</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SCSI Transfer Rate (0, 5, 10, 20)</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>10</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

**Host Configuration ID**

- Null Config

**Cluster Partner Configuration ID**

- Concurrent Drive Count (0-15) = 6
- Startup Delay (3-15 secs) = 6

**Note:** Do not attempt to change the host ID on both ServeRAID II adapters in a pair at the exact same time. Doing so can cause a problem, such as a server lock-up.

l. To select a field on this screen, use the Up Arrow (↑) key or Down Arrow (↓) key.

m. Change the SCSI ID for the adapter on the channels that will be shared, to SCSI ID 7, the default setting is 7. Normally, nonshared channels are set to SCSI ID 7.

**Important**

If your configuration will contain multiple ServeRAID adapter pairs, each adapter Host Configuration ID must be unique. Do not assign a Host configuration ID or Cluster Partner configuration ID to adapters that do not contain any shared channels.

n. Enter a name for the Host Configuration ID for Server B for example, Server_B.

**Note:** The name of the Host Configuration ID is case-sensitive.

o. Enter the name that you used for the Host Configuration ID for Server A, referred to as the Cluster Partner Configuration ID on the screen, for example, Server_A. You will see a screen similar to the following:

**Note:** The name of the Cluster Partner Configuration ID is case-sensitive.
Important

Be sure to record the SCSI IDs, Host Configuration IDs, and Cluster Partner Configuration IDs in a safe place for future reference. You will need this information to recover the configuration if the ServeRAID II adapter should fail.

p. Record the SCSI IDs, Host Configuration IDs and the Cluster Partner Configuration IDs.

q. Press F10 to exit. The Confirm pop-up window appears.

r. Select Yes to save the changes, or select No to return the setting to its original state; then, press Enter.

s. Continue to press Esc until you return to the Main Menu of the configuration program.

3. Create a hot-spare/standby hot-spare device, if desired. To define hot spares for this system:

a. Choose Create/Delete/Copy Log Drive from the Main Menu.

b. Select Define/Undefine a Hot-Spare Drive from the Create/Delete/Copy menu.

c. Select the device to be defined as a Hot-Spare Drive. Be sure that:

1) Hot spares are defined to shared channels for shared adapter pairs.

2) When selecting a hot-spare device, ensure the device has not been defined on the partner adapter. Use the information recorded in step 6c2 on page 16.

Note: Hot-spare/standby hot-spare (HSP/SHS) devices are defined only on a shared channel and each adapter needs its own HSP/SHS device defined; therefore, the same HSP/SHS device is not defined on adapter pairs.

You have now completed the configuration for your ServeRAID II adapters and hard disk drives, which represents the initial installation steps for a high-availability cluster solution, using Microsoft Windows NT Server Enterprise Edition.

Now that you have installed and configured the ServeRAID Adapter and hard disk drives, install a high-availability cluster solution using Windows NT with the following procedure:

1. Install Microsoft Windows NT Server Enterprise Edition and update to Service Pack 3 on both servers, but do not install the MSCS software. When the system prompts you, deselect the option to install MSCS. It will be installed later in this procedure.

If Service Pack 4 has been previously applied and network resources fail to come online, you must enable NETBIOS for this address for the IP resources contained within this group through the Cluster...
Administrator. For information on the Cluster Administrator, refer to the Microsoft Cluster Services documentation. If ServicePack 4 has not been previously applied, do not install ServicePack 4 at this time.

For information on installing Windows NT Server Enterprise Edition, refer to the documentation that is included with the software. When you are finished, return to this section and continue with this procedure.

2. Format all shared logical drives and assign drive letters to them by doing the following:

   Important
   Before using the IPSHAHTO.EXE program, use the Administration and Monitoring Utility to scan for new devices.

   a. On Server A, run the utility IPSHAHTO.EXE from the ServeRAID NT Cluster Solutions Diskette by typing the following command from a Windows NT command line or from the Add/Remove Programs control panel:

   a:\support\ipshahto

   This utility will make all the shared logical drives available for access by Server A.

   Note: It is helpful if part of the volume label that you assign contains the drive letter that is assigned to a drive, such as drive_E.

   b. Using the Windows NT Disk Administrator, format all shared logical drives as Windows NT File System (NTFS), and assign volume labels and drive letters to each.

      Important
      Before using the IPSHAHTO.EXE program, use the Administration and Monitoring Utility to scan for new devices.

   c. On Server B, run the same utility, IPSHAHTO.EXE, to make all shared logical drives available for access by Server B.

      Note: The volume label is used as a guide to make sure the same letters are assigned on Server B as were assigned on Server A.

   d. Using the Windows NT Disk Administrator, assign the same drive letters that you assigned to each drive on Server A.

   e. Run IPSHAHTO.EXE from Server A again to regain control of all shared logical drives to that server.

3. Install the MSCS software.

   Note: The directory name and path where the MSCS software is installed must be the same on both servers.

   To start the installation, do the following:

      Important
      You must use the localquorum option when installing the MSCS software with ServeRAID.

   a. Insert the Windows NT Server Enterprise Edition Component CD-ROM into the CD-ROM drive on Server A and issue the following command, either from a command line or from Add/Remove Programs in the Control panel:

      Note: The localquorum parameter must be typed in lowercase as shown.

      \MSCS\CLUSTER\I386\SETUP /localquorum
**Note:** A local quorum drive will be installed on the server local/boot drive. Later in this procedure, the local quorum drive must be moved to a ServeRAID logical array resource. Instructions are given when this needs to be done.

b. Install the MSCS software following the instructions in the documentation that comes with the MSCS software.

Server A will restart when the installation is completed.

4. To make Server B join the cluster, do the following:

**Note:** The directory name and path where the MSCS software is installed must be the same on both servers.

a. Insert the *Windows NT Server Enterprise Edition Component CD-ROM* into the CD-ROM drive on Server B and issue the following command, either from a command line or from Add/Remove Programs in the Control panel:

```
\MSCS\CLUSTER\I386\SETUP
```

b. Install the MSCS software following the instructions in the documentation that comes with the MSCS software to have Server B join the newly created high-availability cluster solution.

Server B will restart when the installation is completed.

5. Make Server A the preferred owner of the cluster group by doing the following:

a. Run the Cluster Administrator program that comes with the MSCS software. Refer to the documentation that comes with the MSCS software for instructions.

b. Select the Cluster Group.

c. Display its properties window by selecting File; then, select Properties.

d. Click Modify, next to the Preferred Owner text box.

e. Select Server A and move it to the right side, into the Preferred Owners panel.

f. Click OK.

Server A appears in the Preferred Owners text box.

g. Make sure that the Cluster Group has failover enabled. For instructions on how to do this, refer to the documentation that comes with the MSCS package.

h. Close the connection to the cluster and open it again to ensure that the connection is through Server A.

6. Install the IBM ServeRAID Windows NT Cluster Solution utility by doing the following:

a. From Server A, run the SETUP.EXE program from the ServeRAID Windows NT Cluster Solution Diskette and follow the instructions that appear on the screen.

b. When complete, repeat the procedure from Server B.

Upon completion of the installation of the utility on both servers, all shared ServeRAID II groups and disk resources will be automatically created by the IBM Cluster Solution setup program and then brought online. Server A will be the current owner of these groups.

7. Move the quorum resource from localquorum to a ServeRAID II disk resource by doing the following:

a. From the Cluster Administrator, select the cluster you are using by clicking the left mouse button on the cluster name.

b. Click the right mouse button and select Properties to open the cluster.

c. In the Quorum Resource field, select a ServeRAID shared disk and click OK.

Refer to the *Microsoft Cluster Solution Administrator’s Guide* for more information.
You will need to ensure that the same server (for example, Server A) owns the ServeRAID disk resources and the local quorum resource and that the quorum resource is moved to a RAID level-1 logical drive.

Shared disk resources can now be moved manually using the Microsoft Cluster Administrator utility or automatically during failover.

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**Special Installation Instructions**

You must update the MSCS supplied by Microsoft for each cluster server. If you are running with Service Pack 3, either update to Service Pack 4 or do the following:

1. Download the file CLUSFIXI.EXE currently at the following Web site
   
   usa/nt40/hotfixes-postSP3/roll-up/CLUSTER/

2. Copy CLUSFIXI.EXE file to boot the hard disk drive on each cluster server.

3. Run CLUSFIXI.EXE on Server A. This will automatically update Server A and restart the system.

4. Allow Server A to rejoin the cluster and be reported in the MSCS cluster administrator as up and all resources are online.

5. Run CLUSFIXI.EXE on Server B. This will automatically update Server B and restart the system.
   
   Allow Server B to rejoin the cluster and be reported in the MSCS cluster administrator as up and all resources are online.

6. You have completed the steps necessary for installing the MSCS update.

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**Creating a ServeRAID II Disk Resource on a ServeRAID II Server with MSCS**

You can use a ServeRAID logical disk that has not been already designated as a cluster resource, or you can create a new array and logical disk on Server A, using the ServeRAID Configuration Program or the ServeRAID Administration and Monitoring Utility. For more information about creating new arrays and logical disks, refer to the *IBM ServeRAID Adapter Installation and User’s Guide*.

**Note:** Be sure to assign a shared Merge ID to the new logical disk drive.

Before creating the ServeRAID II logical disk cluster resource, assign a sticky drive letter to the shared logical disk drive on both servers, using the Windows NT Disk Administrator Program, by following the next procedure. (Use the IPSHAHTO.EXE utility to move the logical disk to the other server so an identical drive letter can be assigned.)

1. On Server A, use the Windows NT Disk Administrator Program to assign a previously unused drive letter to the new logical disk. For information on how to assign sticky drive letters, see the MSCS documentation.

2. On Server B, use the ServeRAID Administration Monitoring Facility to scan for new devices.

3. Run the IPSHAHTO.EXE utility on Server B to move the newly defined logical disk drive to Server B.

4. Using the Windows NT Disk Administrator Program on Server B, assign the same sticky drive letter.

Perform this operation on the cluster server that currently owns the shared logical disk drive. The cluster server that owns the logical disk drives is the server on which you last ran the IPSHAHTO.EXE program.
1. On the system that owns the logical disk drive, run the Cluster Administration Utility program and make this server the preferred owner of **Cluster Group**.

2. Using the Cluster Administration Utility program, close the connection to the MSCS cluster and then reopen the connection. This ensures that your connection to the cluster is using the cluster server that owns the shared logical disk drive.

3. To create the ServeRAID II disk resource in an existing group, ensure that the cluster server that owns the shared logical disk drive is the owner of that group. If the cluster server is not the owner of the group, use **Move Group** to make this cluster server the owner of the group where you will create the ServeRAID II disk resource. Then, create the ServeRAID II disk resource.

4. Bring the new ServeRAID II disk group *online*

5. If you create a new ServeRAID II group, the cluster server that owns the shared logical disk drive will be the owner of this group by default.

6. Create a ServeRAID II disk resource as part of the new group.

7. Bring the ServeRAID II disk group *online*.

### Deleting and Later Recreating a ServeRAID II Logical Disk Resource

This section describes how to delete and, later, recreate a ServeRAID logical disk resource without deleting a ServeRAID logical drive.

To delete a resource or resource group:

1. If the resource or resource group is not currently owned by the cluster server from which you will delete the group, move the resource or resource group to that cluster server.

2. To delete the resource, run the Cluster Administration Utility program from the cluster server that currently owns the resource or resource group.

   **Note:** You can also run the Cluster Administration Utility program from a remote administration system.

   Use the normal MSCS procedure for deleting a resource or a group. Refer to the documentation that is included with the MSCS package for instructions.

3. When the ServeRAID II resource is deleted, shut down and restart the cluster server from which the resource was deleted.

   **Note:** Restarting one cluster server will not bring down the entire cluster.

To create a resource:

1. If the group that will own the resource you are creating is not currently owned by the cluster server on which you want to create the resource, move the group to the cluster server.

2. To create the resource, run the Cluster Administration Utility program from the cluster server that currently owns the resource group.

   **Note:** You can also run the Cluster Administration Utility program from a remote administration system.

   Create a new ServeRAID logical disk using the normal MSCS procedure for creating cluster resources. Refer to the documentation that is included with the MSCS package for instructions.
Uninstalling MSCS on ServeRAID II Servers

**Note:** Do not use the uninstall procedure if you are upgrading MSCS on ServeRAID II servers. To upgrade MSCS on ServeRAID II servers, use “Upgrading MSCS on ServeRAID II Servers” on page 25.

To uninstall MSCS on ServeRAID II servers, you must perform the following procedure on all servers in your cluster:

1. Select one of the cluster servers to uninstall MSCS from.
2. Select the Start button, and then select **Control Panel** from the **Settings** menu.
3. Double-click **Add/Remove Programs**.
4. Select **Microsoft Cluster Service** from the list of installed components and then select **Add/Remove**.
   **Note:** Ignore the warnings regarding the removal of IBM ServeRAID Logical Disks.
5. Follow the on-screen prompts by selecting **OK** or **Yes**.
6. Restart the system when prompted to complete uninstallation on MSCS.
7. Select the Start button, and then select **Control Panel** from the **Settings** menu.
8. Double-click **Add/Remove Programs**.
9. Select **IBM ServeRAID Windows NT Cluster Solution** from the list of installed components and then select **Add/Remove**.
   You can also remove the IBM ServeRAID Windows NT Cluster Solution by running IBM ServeRAID Windows NT Cluster Solution setup program and selecting the uninstall option.
10. Repeat step 1 through step 9 for the other server in the cluster.

Upgrading MSCS on ServeRAID II Servers

This upgrade procedure allows the cluster to remain online at all times. To upgrade the cluster, perform the following steps on one server at a time. When all of the steps are completed for Server A and both servers are reported in the MSCS cluster administrator as **up** and all resources are **online**, repeat the steps for Server B.

**Note:** These instructions should be used on a cluster running Microsoft Cluster Server (MSCS) Release 1.00 and IBM ServeRAID II Cluster Solution

Upgrading the IBM ServeRAID Administration and Monitoring Program

To upgrade the IBM ServeRAID Administration and Monitoring program, do the following:

Run SETUP.EXE program from the IBM PC ServeRAID Administration and Monitoring Utility Diskette and follow the instructions that appear on the screen.

Upgrading the IBM ServeRAID Microsoft Windows NT Cluster Solution

To upgrade the IBM ServeRAID Microsoft Windows NT Cluster Solution, do the following:

1. Select the Start button, and then select **Control Panel** from the **Settings** menu.
2. Double-click **Services**.
3. Select **Microsoft Cluster Service** from the list of installed components and then select **Stop**.
4. Run SETUP.EXE program from *IBM ServeRAID Cluster Solution for Windows NT Diskette* diskette and follow the instructions that appear on the screen.

**Upgrading the IBM ServeRAID Windows NT Miniport Driver**

To upgrade the IBM ServeRAID Windows NT Miniport Driver, do the following:

1. Insert the IBM ServeRAID Device Driver diskette in drive A:
2. Select the Start button, then select **Control Panel** from the **Settings** menu.
3. Double-click **SCSI-Adapters**.
4. Select the **Drivers** tab.
5. Click **Add**.
6. Click **Have Disk**.
7. Use `A:\NT` for the path and then click **OK**.
8. Click **OK** when the IBM PC ServeRAID Adapter is highlighted.
9. Click **New**.
10. Use `A:\NT` for the path to install the driver.
11. Insert the IBM ServeRAID BIOS/Firmware Diskette, Version 2.41 or higher, in drive A: and then, shut down Windows NT and restart the server from the diskette.

**Upgrading the IBM ServeRAID BIOS/Firmware Diskette**

To upgrade the IBM ServeRAID BIOS/Firmware, do the following:

1. Start the system from the *IBM ServeRAID BIOS/Firmware Diskette* Version 2.41, or higher, if it was not previously started in step 11.
2. Flash the BIOS/Firmware and download the firmware by selecting item 1 from the main menu.
3. When the download is complete, remove the diskette from the diskette drive and press `control-alt-delete` to restart the system.
4. Allow the server to rejoin the cluster and when the server is reported in the MSCS cluster administrator as **up** and all resources are **online**, the upgrade for this server is complete.

**Upgrading the Software for the Other Server in a Cluster**

To upgrade the software for the other server in a cluster, do the following:

1. Ensure that Server A is online in the cluster.
2. Repeat all of the steps between “Upgrading the IBM ServeRAID Windows NT Miniport Driver” through “Upgrading the IBM ServeRAID BIOS/Firmware Diskette” on the other server (Server B) in the cluster.

You have completed the steps necessary for upgrading the IBM ServeRAID II Cluster solution.
Chapter 4. Installing the ServeRAID II Adapter for a High-Availability Cluster Solution Using Vinca and Novell IntranetWare

To install a high-availability cluster solution, you must first configure the ServeRAID II adapter, define logical drives, and set up Merge IDs. To do this, perform the following procedure.

**Important**

Before beginning this procedure, read the following information.

- Read “ServeRAID II Considerations” on page 5.
- Use the following diskettes together, in the same version, with the high-availability cluster solution:
  - IBM PC ServeRAID Configuration Diskette
  - IBM PC ServeRAID Device Driver and Utilities Diskette
  - IBM PC ServeRAID Administration and Monitoring Utility Diskette
  - IBM BIOS/Firmware Update Diskette for your server

**Note:** Ensure that the ServeRAID II adapters have the latest BIOS/Firmware installed. You must use Version 2.4, or higher, as a minimum. If you are using Microsoft Cluster Server, ensure that you use a version that has been certified by Microsoft as noted on the following Web site. Refer to this Web site to download the latest level.

http://www.pc.ibm.com/support

For instructions on how to determine the versions of the BIOS/Firmware on your ServeRAID II adapter, refer to the documentation that is included with your server or your adapter.

### Preparing the Servers

Before you configure Server A and Server B, do the following:

1. If necessary, perform any operating system shutdown procedure on the two servers, Server A and Server B, you are going to use in the cluster, and then turn off the servers.
2. If you have not done so, connect any shared external drive enclosures between both servers; then, turn on the enclosures.

### Configuring Server A

To configure Server A, do the following:

1. Start Server A using the ServeRAID Configuration Diskette. At this time, leave Server B turned off.
2. Perform the configuration of the ServeRAID adapter and set the SCSI IDs for the adapter by doing the following:
a. Select **Advanced Functions** from the Main Menu of the configuration program.

![Main Menu]

- 1. Help
- 2. View Configuration
- 3. EZ-RAID Configuration
- 4. Create/Delete/Copy Log Drive
- 5. Initialize/Synchronize Log Drive
- 6. Rebuild/Device Management
- 7. Advanced Functions
- 8. Exit

**Important**

If you already have logical drives defined that you wish to keep, go to step 2f on page 9. The steps prior to step 2f will cause loss of data by deleting all logical drives already defined.

b. Select **Init/View/Synchronize Config** from the Advanced Functions menu.

![Advanced Functions Menu]

- 1. Help
- 2. Backup IPS ServeRaid Config
- 3. Restore/Convert Saved Config
- 4. Logical Drive Params Management
- 5. Change RAID Parameters
- 6. IBM RAID Subsystem Diagnostic
- 7. InI View/Synchronize Config
- 8. Display/Change Adapter Params
- 9. Merge Group Management
- 10. Exit

**Important**

If you already have logical drives defined that you wish to keep, go to step 2f on page 9. The steps prior to step 2f will cause loss of data by deleting all logical drives already defined.

c. Select **Initialize Configuration** to initialize the adapter configuration.
d. When complete, press the Esc key to return to the Advanced Functions menu. The Confirm pop-up window appears.

e. Select Yes to save the changes, or select No to return the setting to its original state; then, press Enter.

f. From the Advanced Functions menu, select Change RAID Parameters. A screen similar to the following appears.

Note: For descriptions of the RAID parameters, refer to the IBM ServeRAID Adapter Installation and User's Guide.

g. Use the Up Arrow (↑), Down Arrow (↓), Left Arrow (←), or Right Arrow (→) keys to highlight the unattended mode parameter you want to change; then, press Enter to change the parameter to on.

Note: The stripe unit size of each ServeRAID adapter in a pair must be set to the same value (8 KB, 16 KB, 32 KB, or 64 KB).

h. When complete, press the Esc key to return to the Advanced Functions menu. The Confirm pop-up window appears.

i. Select YES to confirm the changes; then, press Enter.

j. From the Advanced Functions menu, select Display/Change Adapter Parameters. A screen similar to the following appears.
k. Select **Change Adapter Host/SCSI ID**. A screen similar to the following appears.

![IBM PC ServeRAID Adapter Disk Array Configuration Ver. X.XX](image)

Note: Do not attempt to change the host ID on both ServeRAID II adapters in a pair at the exact same time. Doing so can cause a problem, such as a server lock-up.

l. Use the Up Arrow (↑) key or Down Arrow (↓) key to select a field on this screen.

m. Change the SCSI ID for the adapter on the channels that will be shared to SCSI ID 6; the default setting is 7. Normally, nonshared channels are set to SCSI ID 7.

**Important**

If your configuration will contain multiple ServeRAID adapter pairs, each adapter Host Configuration ID must be unique. Do not assign a Host configuration ID or Cluster Partner configuration ID to adapters that do not contain any shared channels.

n. Enter a name for the Host Configuration ID for Server A, for example, Server_A.

**Note:** The name of the Host Configuration ID is case-sensitive.

o. Enter a name that you plan to use for the Host Configuration ID for Server B, referred to as the Cluster Partner Configuration ID on the screen, for example, Server_B. You will see a screen similar to the following.

**Note:** The name of the Cluster Partner Configuration ID is case-sensitive.
Important

Be sure to record the SCSI IDs, Host Configuration IDs, and Cluster Partner Configuration IDs in a safe place for future reference. You will need this information to recover the configuration if the ServeRAID II adapter should fail.

p. Record the SCSI IDs, Host Configuration IDs and the Cluster Partner Configuration IDs.

q. Press F10 to exit. The Confirm pop-up window appears.

r. Select Yes to save the changes, or select No to return the setting to its original state; then, press Enter.

s. Continue to press Esc until you return to the Main Menu of the configuration program.

Notes:

a. When creating logical drives, be aware of the following way in which the information is displayed on the ServeRAID configuration program screens. **You should create only one logical drive for each array when defining shared logical drives for use in a cluster.**

When logical drives are created, they appear on the screen in the order they are created. For ease of understanding, create an array and then all logical drives for that array before you create another array. If they are created in that order, they will appear on the screen as shown in the first figure. (** is other information that will appear on the screen, such as RAID level, Write Policy, and so on, but is not needed for this explanation).

A ***** A0 ***** ***** ****** ******* *****
B ***** B0 ***** ***** ****** ******* ****
C ***** C0 ***** ***** ****** ******* ****

If logical drives are created out of order, meaning you do not follow the order mentioned above, they are listed on the screen out of order, which might cause some confusion. For example, say you created two arrays, Array A and Array B, but did not define any logical drives at that time. Afterward, you go back and create a logical drive on Array B. That logical drive will then appear in the first line of the logical drive box. Now, if you go back and create another logical drive on Array A, that logical drive will show up on the second line of the logical drive box, as shown in the second figure.

A ***** B0 ***** ***** ****** ******* *****
B ***** A0 ***** ***** ****** ******* ****
b. Hot-spare/standby hot-spare (HSP/SHS) devices must be defined only on a shared channel and each adapter must have its own HSP/SHS device defined. This means that the same HSP/SHS device must not be defined on adapter pairs.

3. Create RAID arrays and logical drives on Server A as follows:
   a. Select Create/Delete/Copy Logical Drive from the Main Menu of the configuration program.
   b. Select Create Disk Array and press Enter. An attention screen may appear indicating that a clustering environment has been detected. Ensure that the physical drives selected to create the array do not belong to the cluster partner server.
   c. Press Esc.
      A screen similar to the following appears.
      ![](image)
      The first drive marked RDY (ready) will be highlighted.
   d. Use the Up Arrow (↑) key or Down Arrow (↓) key to select a drive to be included in the array.
   e. Press Enter to add the currently selected drive to the array. Repeat steps d and e to add more drives to the new array.
   f. Press Enter to include the other drives that were currently marked as RDY in the array.
   g. Press Esc to complete the selection and to create the array.
   h. After the array has been created, each drive will be designated as ONL with an array letter assigned to it, for example: A, B, or C.
   i. Select Define Logical Drive and press Enter. A screen similar to the following appears.
j. Use the Up Arrow (↑) or Down Arrow (↓) keys to select the array for the new logical drive; then, press Enter.

k. Use the Up Arrow (↑) key or Down Arrow (↓) key to highlight the RAID level you want to assign to the logical drive; then, press Enter.

l. When a screen prompt appears requesting the size of the logical drive, accept the maximum value; then, press Enter. Only one logical drive per RAID array is supported for shared drives.

m. When the Confirm pop-up window appears, select Yes; then, press Enter.

n. When a message stating that all logical drives must be initialized appears, press any key to continue.

   **Note:** To ensure that your server operates correctly, you must initialize the new logical drive.

   **Attention:** A quick initialization of a logical drive erases the first 1,024 sectors on the drive and prevents access to any data previously stored on the drive; therefore, be sure not to initialize any logical drives which were previously defined and contain valid data. For more information about initialization, refer to the *IBM ServeRAID Adapter Installation and User’s Guide*.

o. When the Confirm pop-up window appears, select Yes to perform a quick initialization; then, press Enter and follow any instructions that appear on the screen.

   **Note:** If you have created a RAID level-5 logical drive, when you press the Esc key, synchronization automatically begins and a screen similar to the following appears.
This is an information screen only. Synchronization operates in the background while you continue with your work. Press Esc and continue with what you were doing.

p. When complete, press the Esc key until you return to the Main Menu of the configuration program.

q. Repeat step 3 on page 12 for each additional array and logical drive you want to define; then, continue with step 4.

4. Assign Merge IDs to each logical drive, by doing the following:

   **Note:** Shared logical drives must have unique Merge IDs; however, nonshared logical drives can share the same Merge ID.

   a. Select Advanced Functions from the Main Menu of the configuration program.

   b. Select Merge Group Management from the Advanced Functions menu.

   c. To create nonshared Merge IDs, do the following:

     1) Select **Create Nonshared Logical Drive ID** from the Merge Group Management Menu.

     2) Select the logical drive you want to make a nonshared drive by using the Up Arrow (↑) or Down Arrow (↓) keys to highlight the drive; then, press the Enter key.

     3) Select the Merge ID from the Selection List.

        **Note:** A shared logical drive and a nonshared logical drive cannot be on the same array.
Valid Merge IDs for nonshared logical drives are in the range 200–215. An example would be to set all nonshared drives on Server A to Merge ID 206 and all nonshared drives on Server B to Merge ID 207.

4) When complete, press the **Esc** key and save all the changes.

d. To create shared logical drive IDs, do the following:

1) Select **Create Shared Logical Drive ID** from the Merge Group Management menu.

2) Select the logical drive you want to be shared between the two servers by using the Up Arrow (↑) key or Down Arrow (↓) key to highlight the drive; then, press the **Enter** key.

3) Select the Merge ID from the Selection List.

The Merge ID must be unique for each shared logical drive that will be shared by each adapter pair. For example, if you have a logical drive with a Merge ID of 1 on the first ServeRAID adapter in a server pair, you cannot assign the same Merge ID to a logical drive on the second adapter in a server pair. Valid IDs for shared logical drives are in the range 1–8.
4) Repeat earlier step 4 on page 34 for each shared logical drive you want to create.

5. When complete, continue to press the Esc key until you return to the Main Menu of the ServeRAID adapter.

6. Create a hot-spare/standby hot-spare device, if desired. If you do not intend to create the device, go to step 7. To define hot spares for this system:
   a. Choose Create/Delete/Copy Log Drive from the Main Menu.
   b. Select Define/Undefine a Hot-Spare Drive.
   c. Select the device to be defined as a Hot-Spare Drive. Be sure that:
      1) Hot spares are defined to shared channels for shared adapter pairs.
      2) When selecting a hot-spare device, the device has not been defined on the partner adapter. Record the channel and bay numbers of all arrays and HSP devices. This information will be used during the configuration of Server B to ensure the same devices are not defined on both systems.
      3) Hot spares are shared channels in a cluster environment.

   Note: Hot-spare/standby hot-spare (HSP/SHS) devices must be defined only on a shared channel and each adapter must have its own HSP/SHS device must not be defined on adapter pairs.

7. Turn off Server A.

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### Configuring Server B

To configure Server B, do the following:

1. Start Server B using the ServeRAID Configuration Diskette. At this time, leave server A turned off.

2. Perform the initial configuration of the ServeRAID adapter and set the SCSI IDs for the adapter by doing the following:
   a. Select Advanced Functions from the Main Menu of the configuration program.
b. Select **Init/View/Synchronize Config** from the Advanced Functions menu.

c. Select **Initialize Configuration** to initialize the adapter configuration.
d. When complete, press the **Esc** key to return to the Advanced Functions menu. The Confirm pop-up window appears.

e. Select **Yes** to save the changes, or select **No** to return the setting to its original state; then, press **Enter**.

f. From the Advanced Functions menu, select **Change RAID Parameters** and enable the unattended mode. A screen similar to the following appears.

```
IBM PC ServeRAID Adapter Disk Array Configuration Ver. X.XX
Adapter Number: 1 Bus Number: 0 Host ID = Null Config

Advanced Functions
1. Help
2. Backup IPS ServeRaid Config
3. Restore/Convert Saved Config
4. Logical Drive Params Management
5. Change RAID Parameters
6. IBM RAID Subsystem Diagnostic
7. Init/View/Synchronize Config
8. Display/Change Adapter Params

Stripes
Unit Size
8K
16K
32K
64K

Unattended Mode
Off
On

Rebuild Priority
High
Medium
Low

Note: For descriptions of the RAID parameters, refer to the **IBM ServeRAID Adapter Installation and User's Guide**

g. Use the Up Arrow (↑), Down Arrow (↓), Left Arrow (←), or Right Arrow (→) keys to highlight the parameter you want to change; then, press **Enter** to change the parameter.

Note: The stripe unit size for Server B must be set to the same setting as Server A.

h. When complete, press the **Esc** key to return to the Advanced Functions menu. The Confirm pop-up window appears.

i. Select **Yes** to save the changes, or select **No** to return the setting to its original state; then, press **Enter**.

j. From the Advanced Functions menu, select **Display/Change Adapter Parameters**. A screen similar to the following appears.
k. Select Change Adapter Host/SCSI ID. A screen similar to the following appears.

```
IBM PC ServeRAID Adapter Disk Array Configuration Ver. X.XX
Adapter Number: 1 Bus Number: 0 Host ID = Null Cfg
```

```
View/Change Adapter Parameters

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Adapter SCSI ID (0-15)</th>
<th>Ch 1</th>
<th>Ch 2</th>
<th>Ch 3</th>
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<td>7</td>
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<td>7</td>
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<tr>
<td>SCSI Transfer Rate (0, 5, 10, 20)</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>10</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Host Configuration ID</td>
<td>Null Config</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cluster Partner Config ID</td>
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<td>Concurrent Drive Count</td>
<td>0-15</td>
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<td>Startup Delay (3-15 secs)</td>
<td>6</td>
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<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
```

Select a field to change using the Up Arrow (↑) or Down Arrow (↓) key. Press F10 to make changes. Press ESC to quit.

Note: Do not attempt to change the host ID on both ServeRAID II adapters in a pair at the exact same time. Doing so can cause a problem, such as a server lock-up.

l. To select a field on this screen, use the Up Arrow (↑) or Down Arrow (↓) key.
m. Change the SCSI ID for the adapter on the channels that will be shared, to SCSI ID 7, the default setting is 7. Normally, nonshared channels are set to SCSI ID 7.

Important

If your configuration will contain multiple ServeRAID adapter pairs, each adapter Host Configuration ID must be unique. Do not assign a Host Configuration ID or Cluster Partner Configuration ID to adapters that do not contain any shared channels.

n. Enter a name for the Host Configuration ID for server B, for example, Server_B.

Note: The name of the Host Configuration ID is case-sensitive.

o. Enter the name that you used for the Host Configuration ID for Server A, referred to as the Cluster Partner Configuration ID on the screen, for example, Server_A. You will see a screen similar to the following:

Note: The name of the Cluster Partner Configuration ID is case-sensitive.
**Important**

Be sure to record the SCSI IDs, Host Configuration IDs, and Cluster Partner Configuration IDs in a safe place for future reference. You will need this information to recover the configuration if the ServeRAID II adapter should fail.

p. Record the SCSI IDs, Host Configuration IDs and the Cluster Partner Configuration IDs.

q. Press F10 to exit. The Confirm pop-up window appears.

r. Select **Yes** to save the changes, or select **No** to return the setting to its original state; then, press **Enter**.

s. Continue to press **Esc** until you return to the Main Menu of the configuration program.

3. Create a hot-spare device, if desired. To define hot spares for this system:

   a. Choose **Create/Delete/Copy Log Drive** from the Main Menu.

   b. Select **Define/Undefine a Hot-Spare Drive** from the Create/Delete/Copy menu.

   c. Select the device to be defined as a Hot-Spare Drive. Be sure that:

      1) Hot spares are defined to shared channels for shared adapter pairs.

      2) When selecting a hot-spare device, the device has not been defined on the partner adapter.

      Record the channel and bay numbers of all arrays and HSP devices. This information will be used during the configuration of Server B to ensure the same devices are not defined on both systems.

**Notes:**

a) When creating logical drives, be aware of the following way in which the information is displayed on the ServeRAID configuration program screens. You should create only one logical drive for each array when defining shared logical drives for use in a cluster.

When logical drives are created, they appear on the screen in the order they are created. For ease of understanding, create an array and then all logical drives for that array before you create another array. If they are created in that order, they will appear on the screen as shown in the first figure. (**** is other information that will appear on the screen, such as RAID level, Write Policy, and so on, but is not needed for this explanation).

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Channel</th>
<th>A</th>
<th>B</th>
<th>C</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
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<td>A0</td>
<td>B0</td>
<td>C0</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ch 3</td>
<td>****</td>
<td>****</td>
<td>****</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

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If logical drives are created out of order, meaning you do not follow the order mentioned above, they are listed on the screen out of order, which might cause some confusion. For example, say you created two arrays, A and B, but did not define any logical drives at that time. Afterward, you go back and create a logical drive on Array B. That logical drive will then appear in the first line of the logical drive box. Now, if you go back and create another logical drive on Array A, that logical drive will show up on the second line of the logical drive box, as shown in the second figure.

A ***** B0 ***** ***** ***** ***** *****
B ***** A0 ***** ***** ***** ***** *****

b) If you do not have additional arrays to define, go to step 4.

4. Create RAID arrays and logical drives on Server B as follows:

a. Select Create/Delete/Copy Logical Drive from the Main Menu of the configuration program.

b. Select Create Disk Array and press Enter. An attention screen appears indicating that a clustering environment has been detected. Ensure that the physical drives selected to create the array do not belong to the cluster partner server.

c. Press Enter. A screen similar to the following appears.

The first drive marked RDY (ready) will be highlighted. Be certain not to use drives shared on the other side, Server A. Arrays and logical drives can only be defined to one adapter. You must not create arrays from drives used in logical drives created in the other server. If both adapters try to manage the same drives, one of the adapters will place the drives in the DDD (defunct) state.

Note: When creating shared arrays, make sure all drives selected are connected to shared channels.

d. Press Enter to include the other drives that were currently marked as RDY in the array.

e. Press Esc to complete the selection and to create the array.

f. After the array has been created, each drive will be designated as ONL with an array letter assigned to it, for example: A, B, or C.

g. Select Define Logical Drives and press Enter. A screen similar to the following appears.
h. Use the Up Arrow (↑) or Down Arrow (↓) keys to select the array for the new logical drive; then, press Enter.

i. Use the Up Arrow (↑) or Down Arrow (↓) keys to highlight the RAID level you want to assign to the logical drive; then, press Enter. Only one logical drive per RAID array is supported for shared drives.

j. When a screen prompt appears requesting the size of the logical drive, accept the maximum value; then, press Enter. Only one logical drive per RAID array is supported for shared drives.

k. When the Confirm pop-up window appears, select Yes; then press Enter.

l. When a message stating that all logical drives must be initialized appears, press any key to continue.

   **Note:** To ensure that your server operates correctly, you must initialize the new logical drive.

   **Attention:** A quick initialization of a logical drive erases the first 1024 sectors on the drive and prevents access to any data previously stored on the drive; therefore, be sure not to initialize any logical drives which were previously defined and contain valid data. For more information about initialization, refer to the IBM ServeRAID Adapter Installation and User's Guide.

m. When the Confirm pop-up window appears, select Yes to perform a quick initialization; then, press Enter and follow any instructions that appear on the screen.

   **Note:** If you have created a RAID level-5 logical drive, when you press the Esc key, synchronization automatically begins and a screen similar to the following appears.
**Note:** When creating shared arrays, make sure all drives selected are connected to shared channels.

n. When complete, press the **Esc** key until you return to the Main Menu of the configuration program.
o. Repeat step 4 on page 41 for each additional array and logical drive you want to define; then, continue with step 5.

5. Assign Merge IDs to each logical drive, by doing the following:

**Note:** Shared logical drives must have unique Merge IDs; however, nonshared logical drives can share the same Merge ID.

a. Select **Advanced Functions** from the Main Menu of the configuration program.
b. Select **Merge Group Management** from the Advanced Functions menu.
c. To create nonshared Merge IDs, do the following:

1) Select **Create Nonshared Logical Drive ID**, from the Merge Group Management Menu.

2) Select the logical drive you want to make a nonshared drive by using the Up Arrow (↑) or Down Arrow (↓) keys to highlight the drive; then, press the **Enter** key.

3) Select the Merge ID from the Selection List.

**Note:** A shared logical drive and a nonshared logical drive cannot be on the same array.
Valid Merge IDs for nonshared logical drives are in the range 200–215. An example would be to set all nonshared drives on Server A to Merge ID 206 and all nonshared drives on Server B to Merge ID 207.

4) When complete, press the **Esc** key and save all the changes.

d. To create shared logical drive IDs, do the following:

1) Select **Create Shared Logical Drive ID** from the Merge Group Management menu.

2) Select the logical drive you want to be shared between the two servers by using the Up Arrow (↑) or Down Arrow (↓) keys to highlight the drive; then, press the **Enter** key.

3) Select the Merge ID from the Selection List.

The Merge ID must be unique for each shared logical drive that will be shared by each adapter pair. For example, if you have a logical drive with a merge ID of 1 on the first ServeRAID adapter in a server pair, you cannot assign the same merge ID to a logical drive on the second adapter in a server pair. Valid IDs for shared logical drives are in the range 1–8.
4) Repeat step 5 on page 43 for each shared logical drive you want to create.

6. When complete, continue to press the Esc key until you return to the Main Menu of the ServeRAID adapter.

7. Create a hot-spare/standby hot-spare device, if desired. If you do not intend to create the device, go to step 8. To define hot spares for this system:
   
a. Select Create/Delete/Copy Log Drive from the Main Menu.
   
b. Select Define/Undefine a hot-spare drive from the Create/Delete/Copy menu.
   
c. Select the device to be defined as a Hot-Spare Drive. Be sure that:
      
      1) Hot spares are defined to shared channels for shared adapter pairs.
      
      2) When selecting a hot-spare device, the device has not been defined on the partner adapter.
      Use the information recorded in step 6c2 on page 16.

      **Note:** Hot-spare/standby hot-spare (HSP/SHS) devices must be defined only on a shared channel and each adapter needs its own HSP/SHS device defined; therefore, the same HSP/SHS device is not defined on adapter pairs.

8. Turn off Server B.

You have now completed the steps necessary to install the ServeRAID II Ultra SCSI Adapter for the High-Availability Cluster Solution, using Vinca and Novell IntranetWare.
Chapter 5. Monitoring and Updating a High-Availability Cluster Solution

You can use the ServeRAID Administration and Monitoring Utility to check the availability of a hard disk drive on another server or to add or remove a hard disk drive in the cluster.

There are two selections for high-availability functions supported by the Administration and Monitoring Utility.

- View Shared Devices
- Manage Merge Groups

Checking the Availability of a Drive

**Note:** Make sure the ServeRAID Administration and Monitoring Utility is installed on your server. If you need to install it, refer to the IBM ServeRAID Adapter Installation and User's Guide for instructions.

To check the availability of a hard disk drive on another server, do the following:

1. From the Administration and Monitoring Utility screen, click the icon on the tool bar or select **High Availability** from the **Advanced** pull-down menu and then select **View Shared Devices**. A screen similar to the following appears.

2. Click the box to **Enable View Shared Devices**.

3. Select the channel that the hard disk drive you want to check is connected to.

   **Note:** This procedure can determine only if ONL Devices are available.

4. Select the bay the hard disk drive that you are checking is connected to.

   **Click Refresh Now.** If the hard disk drive is available for use, it will appear as RDY (Ready) on the Administration and Monitoring Utility screen. If the hard disk drive is not available for use, meaning that it is owned by the other server, it will appear as RSV (Reserved) on the Administration and Monitoring Utility screen.

   All of the other hard disk drives owned by the other server also will appear as RSV at this time.

   **Note:** Hot-spare drives owned by the other server will not display as RSV. Care must be used to make sure that the other servers hot-spare drives are not used inadvertently by both servers.
Adding Hard Disk Drives to a Cluster

If you add hard disk drives to a cluster, do the following:

1. Install the hard disk drives in the server or shared expansion enclosure. For information, refer to the documentation that is included with the hard disk drive and the server.


   **Note:** If the drives will be shared, define only one logical drive per array.

3. After creating a logical drive, a screen similar to the following appears.

   ![Screen showing merge group number selection](image)

   Select Yes and a screen similar to the following appears.

   ![Manage Merge Groups screen](image)

   4. Select shared or nonshared for the logical drive you have just defined.

   5. Select the Merge Group number you want to use for the drive you just defined.

   6. Click OK when you are finished for the changes to take effect.

   **Note:** Depending on the operating system, additional steps, such as assigning drive letters, partitioning, formatting, and creating cluster resources, will be required to use the new logical drive to store programs and data. For information, see “Creating a ServeRAID II Disk Resource on a ServeRAID II Server with MSCS” on page 23.

   **Attention:** Drives that are configured by one adapter in the pair must appear as RDY (ready) drives to the other adapter in the pair. The same must also be true in reverse. Be sure to verify this consideration when drives are added after the servers are started. Restart the servers, or scan for new devices, or set the drives to RDY state using the RAID Administration and Monitoring Utility after adding new drives to a server. For more information, see “ServeRAID II Considerations” on page 5.
Viewing Merge Group Numbers and Other Cluster Information

To view the merge group numbers and other cluster information, click the icon on the tool bar or select **High Availability** from the **Advanced** pull-down menu and then select **Manage Merge Groups**. A screen similar to the following appears.

![Manage Merge Groups](image)

In this case, this screen will be for viewing only. Information can be read, but not accessed.
Chapter 6. Troubleshooting a High-Availability Cluster

There is the possibility that one of the servers, one of the ServeRAID adapters, or one of the hard disk drives in a cluster can fail. If this occurs, there are steps you can take to recover from the problem.

In this chapter, you will find actions you can take to help you recover from these potential problems. If you still have problems after following these procedures, contact your IBM service representative for further information.

Also, you can find hints and tips to help you solve problems on the Web site at

http://www.pc.ibm.com/support

Recovering from a Hard Disk Drive Failure

Use the following procedure to recover from a hard disk drive failure:

1. Remove the failed hard disk drive from your server.
   For information on how to remove the hard disk drive from your server, see the documentation that is included with your server and the IBM ServeRAID II Installation and User’s Guide.

2. Install a new hard disk drive.
   For information on how to install the new hard disk drive, see the documentation that is included with your server and the IBM ServeRAID II Installation and User’s Guide.

3. Restore logical drives.
   If the failed hard disk drive is part of a critical RAID level-1 or RAID level-5 logical drive, you must perform a rebuild operation to restore the logical drive to the OKY state. If the failed hard disk drive is part of a RAID level-0, -1, or -5 logical drive in the OFFLINE state, the data may have been lost. You must set each DDD (defunct) drive to the ONL state, except the last DDD drive in RAID level 1 and level 5 must be set to the RBL state. Then, restore the logical drive from a backup copy.

Recovering from a Failed ServeRAID II Adapter

The following configuration information is required to configure your new ServeRAID II adapter:

- SCSI Bus Initiator_IDs
- Adapter Host_ID
- Cluster Partner Host_ID

If the ServeRAID II adapter you are replacing is functional, you can obtain the SCSI Bus Initiator_IDs, the Adapter Host_ID, and the Cluster Partner Host_ID by starting your server with the IBM ServeRAID Configuration Diskette and selecting the Display/Change Adapter Params item from the Advanced Functions menu.

If the ServeRAID II Adapter is not functional, you will need to refer to a record of the settings that was made when the adapter was previously configured. If you do not have a record of the configuration information, the following hints might help you to assign the proper values.

- The SCSI Bus Initiator_IDs for a nonshared SCSI channel are set to 7 by default. For shared SCSI channels, the IDs will usually be 7 or 6 and must be different from the SCSI Bus Initiator_IDs for the corresponding SCSI channels of the cluster partner adapter. Therefore, if you can obtain the SCSI
Bus Initiator_IDs for the corresponding cluster partner system, you can infer the correct SCSI Bus Initiator_IDs for this system. For example, if the cluster partner system shared SCSI Bus Initiator_IDs were set to 7, usually the adapter you are replacing would need to have its IDs set to 6.

To obtain the SCSI Bus Initiator_IDs from the corresponding cluster partner adapter, start the cluster partner system with the *IBM ServeRAID Configuration Diskette* and select the **Display/Change Adapter Params** option from the Advanced Functions menu.

*The proper settings for the Host_ID and cluster partner Host_ID of the adapter being replaced can also be determined by reading the settings from the cluster partner system by using the **Display/Change Adapter Params** option. The Host_ID for the new adapter must be identical to the cluster partner Host_ID value defined on the corresponding adapter in the cluster partner system, and the cluster partner Host_ID value for the new adapter must be identical to the Host_ID value defined on the corresponding adapter in the cluster partner system.*

Use the following procedure to replace a failed ServeRAID II Adapter from your high-availability configuration.

To replace the ServeRAID adapter, do the following:

1. **Remove the failing ServeRAID adapter.**
   - For instructions on how to remove the ServeRAID II adapter, see the *IBM ServeRAID II Installation and User’s Guide*. Before you remove the adapter, be sure to:
     a. Turn off the server.
     b. Note which SCSI cables are connected to the SCSI channel connectors on the adapter.
     c. Note which PCI slot has the adapter installed.

2. **Install the new ServeRAID II adapter.**
   - For instructions on how to install the ServeRAID II adapter, see the *IBM ServeRAID II Installation and User’s Guide*. Be sure to install the adapter to the same PCI slot from which you removed the failed ServeRAID II adapter.

   **Important**:
   
   Do **not** reconnect the SCSI channel cables to the adapter at this time.

3. **Start the system from the IBM ServeRAID Configuration Diskette Version 2.40, or higher.**

4. **Initialize the adapter configuration.**
   - To initialize the adapter:
     a. Select **Advanced Functions** from the Main Menu.
     b. Select **Init/View/Synchronize Config**.
     c. Select **Initialize Config**.

5. **Ensure that the adapter has the latest BIOS/Firmware level.**
   - The BIOS/Firmware level of the adapter is displayed after system POST when the adapter BIOS/Firmware loads. The latest BIOS/Firmware levels are available from the Web site at http://www.pc.ibm.com/support

   When you have connected to this Internet address, file search for **RAID BIOS**. Download and read the text file to determine the latest levels available. If your adapter BIOS/Firmware is downlevel, download and apply the BIOS/Firmware update.
6. Update the configuration parameters.

To update the configuration parameters:

a. Start the system from the *IBM ServeRAID Configuration Diskette* Version 2.40, or higher.

b. Select **Advanced Functions** from the Main Menu.

c. Select **Display/Change Adapter Params**.

d. Using the settings that were assigned to the ServeRAID II adapter you are replacing, select and configure each of the following parameters:
   - SCSI Bus Initiator_IDs
   - Adapter Host_ID
   - Cluster Partner Host_ID

e. Select **Change RAID Parameters** from the Advanced Functions menu and enable unattended mode.

7. Shut down and turn off the server.

8. Reconnect the SCSI channel cables to the adapter.

   **Note:** Be sure to connect the cables to the correct SCSI channels as noted in step 1 on page 50.

   **Important**
   
   If the ServeRAID II adapter being replaced is the adapter that attaches to the server startup disk array, other nonshared disk arrays, or shared arrays which have not failed over to the other server, continue with the following steps; otherwise, restart the system normally.

9. If the adapter that was replaced attaches the operating system startup disk array for the system or if other nonshared disk arrays are attached to this adapter, start the system using the *IBM ServeRAID Configuration Diskette* Version 2.40, or higher; and then:

   a. Select **Advanced Functions** from the Main Menu.

   b. Select **Merge Group Management**.

   c. Restore the adapter disk array configuration.

      **To restore nonshared disk array configurations:**

      1) Select **Merge Group Management** from the Advanced Functions menu; then, press Enter.

      A screen similar to the following appears.
2) Select **Merge/Unmerge Logical Drive** and then press **Enter**.

![IBM PC ServeRAID Adapter Disk Array Configuration Ver. X.XX](image)

Enter a unique number, 1 thru 8. Press the F10 key to make the changes. Press the Esc key to abort.

3) Select **Merge Own Nonshared Logical Drive**.

4) Select from the **Group ID** field the Merge Group ID for the array

2xx

where *xx* is the shared SCSI Bus Initiator_ID, and then press **Enter**. The Merge Group ID value is typically 206 or 207. A message appears at the bottom of the screen saying

Merging own shared logical drive(s). Please wait...

5) When the process completes, a message appears saying

Merge/Unmerge operation completed successfully.

Press any key to continue.

6) Press **Esc** to return to the previous menu. Continue pressing **Esc** to return to the Main Menu. If the adapter you are replacing is the startup adapter, the system will now be able to start up the operating system properly.

- To restore shared disk array configurations:

  **Note:** Usually all shared arrays will have failed over and will not need to be merged.

1) Select **Merge Group Management** from the Advanced Functions menu; then, press **Enter**.

A screen similar to the following appears.

![IBM PC ServeRAID Adapter Disk Array Configuration Ver. X.XX](image)

Select a choice using the Up Arrow (↑) and Down Arrow (↓) keys and press **Enter**. Press Esc to return to previous menu.

2) Select **Merge/Unmerge Logical Drive** and then press **Enter**.
3) Select **Merge Own Shared Logical Drive** for each shared array (Merge Group IDs in the range 1–8) that has not failed over to the cluster partner system (for example, RAID level-5 arrays in critical or degraded state) to restore the configuration of these shared arrays.

4) Press **Esc** to return to the previous menu. Continue pressing **Esc** to return to the Main Menu.

Repeat this process for each shared array (Merge Group IDs in the range 1–8) that has not failed over to the cluster partner system (for example, RAID level-5 arrays in critical or degraded state) to restore the configuration of these shared arrays.

**Important**

The *IBM ServeRAID Configuration Diskette* must not be used to perform failover and failback to merge or unmerge drives belonging to the other server. Failover and failback to merge or unmerge drives belonging to the other server is normally handled by the operating system software and cluster support software.

10. Restart your server.

When all array configurations have been restored, the server can be restarted normally.

**Recovering from a Failed Server**

When replacing a failed server in a high-availability configuration, you might not need to replace the ServeRAID II adapter. However, if you replace your ServeRAID II adapter, you must reconfigure the adapter after you have installed your new server.

**Important**

The following procedure requires specific configuration settings for the ServeRAID II adapter. If the server and adapter that are being replaced are functional, you can obtain these settings from the adapter. However, if the adapter or the server is not functional, you will need a record of these settings, such as one that was created when the adapter was previously configured. If you are replacing your ServeRAID II adapter with your server, you **must** have correct configuration information to complete this procedure.

Use the following procedure to recover from a failed server:
1. Remove the failed server from your high-availability configuration.

2. Remove all hard disk drives from the disk drive array in the failed server.

   As you remove your hard disk drives, be sure to note the bay in which each drive was installed. If you are replacing your failed server with an identical server you can reinstall the drives in an identical configuration and get your server up and running quickly.

3. If the ServeRAID II adapter is functional, remove it from the failed server.

   As you remove the adapter from the failed server, be sure to:
   - Note which SCSI cables are connected to the SCSI channel connectors on the adapter.
   - Note which PCI slot has the adapter installed.

   If you are replacing your failed server with an identical server, you can reinstall the ServeRAID II adapter in an identical configuration and get your server up and running quickly.

4. Install the hard disk drives in the new server.

   For information on how to install a hard disk drive, see the documentation that is included with your server. If you are replacing the failed server with an identical server, install each hard disk drive in the same bay as the one it was removed from in the failed server.

5. Install the new ServeRAID II adapter.

   For instructions on how to install the ServeRAID II adapter, see the IBM ServeRAID II Installation and User’s Guide. If you are installing a ServeRAID II adapter that was previously installed in the failed server, install the adapter in the same PCI slot as it was installed in the failed server.

   **Important**

   Do not reconnect the SCSI channel cables to the adapter at this time.

6. Configure the ServeRAID II adapter in the new server.

   **Note:** If you have installed the adapter in a server that is identical to the failed server and have installed it in the same PCI slot where it was installed in the failed system, you might not need to configure the adapter.

   You will need the following information to configure your new ServeRAID II adapter:
   - SCSI Bus Initiator IDs
   - Adapter Host ID
   - Cluster Partner Host ID

   If the ServeRAID II adapter and server that you are replacing are functional, you can obtain this information by starting the server with the IBM ServeRAID Configuration Diskette and selecting the Display/Change Adapter Params item from the Advanced Functions menu.

   If the ServeRAID II adapter or server is not functional, you will need to refer to the record of the settings that you made when the adapter was previously configured. If you do not have a record of the configuration information, the following hints might help you to assign the proper values.
   - The SCSI Bus Initiator IDs for a nonshared SCSI channel are set to 7 by default. For shared SCSI channels, the IDs will usually be 7 or 6 and must be different from the SCSI Bus Initiator IDs for the corresponding SCSI channels of the cluster partner adapter. Therefore, if you can obtain the SCSI Bus Initiator IDs for the corresponding cluster partner system, you can infer the correct SCSI Bus Initiator IDs for this system. For example, if the cluster partner system’s shared SCSI Bus Initiator IDs were set to 7, usually the adapter you are replacing would need to have its IDs set to 6.
To obtain the SCSI Bus Initiator IDs from the corresponding cluster partner adapter, start the cluster partner system with the ServeRAID Configuration Diskette and select the **Display/Change Adapter Parameters** option from the Advanced Functions menu.

- The proper settings for the Host_ID and Cluster Partner Host_ID of the adapter being replaced can also be determined by reading the settings from the cluster partner system by using the **Display/Change Adapter Params** option. Ensure that the Host_ID for the new adapter is identical to the Cluster Partner Host_ID value defined on the corresponding adapter in the cluster partner system, and that the Cluster Partner Host_ID value for the new adapter is identical to the Host_ID value defined on the corresponding adapter in the cluster partner system.

7. Start the system from the IBM ServeRAID Configuration Diskette Version 2.40, or higher.

8. Initialize the adapter configuration.

To initialize the adapter:

   a. Select **Advanced Functions** from the Main Menu.
   
   b. Select **Init/View/Synchronize Config**.
   
   c. Select **Initialize Config**.

9. Ensure that the adapter is at the latest BIOS/Firmware level.

   The BIOS/Firmware level of the adapter is displayed after system POST when the adapter BIOS/Firmware loads. The latest BIOS/Firmware levels are available from the IBM Web site at

   http://www.pc.ibm.com/support

   When you have connected to this Internet address, search for **RAID BIOS**. Download and read the text file to determine the latest levels available. If your adapter BIOS/Firmware is downlevel, download and apply the BIOS/Firmware update.

10. Update the configuration parameters.

To update the configuration parameters:

   a. Start the system from the IBM ServeRAID Configuration Diskette Version 2.40, or higher.
   
   b. Select **Advanced Functions** from the Main Menu.
   
   c. Select **Display/Change Adapter Params**.
   
   d. Using the settings that were assigned to the ServeRAID II adapter you are replacing, select and configure each of the following parameters:

      - SCSI Bus Initiator IDs
      - Adapter Host_ID
      - Cluster Partner Host_ID

   e. Select **Change RAID Parameters** from the Advanced Functions menu and enable unattended mode.

11. Shut down the system and reconnect the SCSI channel cables to the adapter. Be sure to connect the cables to the correct SCSI channels as noted in step 3 on page 54.

    **Important**

    If the ServeRAID II adapter being replaced is not the adapter that attaches to the server startup disk array or other nonshared disk arrays, you do not need to perform any of the following steps. The system can now be restarted normally.
12. If the adapter that was replaced attaches to the operating system startup disk array for the system or if other nonshared disk arrays are attached to this adapter, start the system using the IBM ServeRAID Configuration Diskette Version 2.40, or higher, and then:

a. Select Advanced Functions from the Main Menu.

b. Select Merge Group Management.

c. Restore the adapter disk array configuration.

To restore nonshared disk array configurations:

1) Select Merge Group Management from the Advanced Functions menu; then, press Enter.

2) Select Merge/Unmerge Logical Drive, and then press Enter.

3) Select Merge Own Nonshared Logical Drive.

4) Type in the Group ID field the Merge Group ID for the array

   \[2\times x\]

   where \(x\) is the shared SCSI Bus Initiator_ID, and then press Enter. The Merge Group ID value is typically 206 or 207. A message appears at the bottom of the screen saying Merging own shared logical drive(s). Please wait...

5) When the process completes, a message appears saying Merge/Unmerge operation completed successfully. Press any key to continue.

6) Press Esc to return to the previous menu. Continue pressing Esc to return to the Main Menu. If the adapter you are replacing is the boot adapter, the system should now be able to start up the operating system properly.

To restore shared disk array configurations:

Note: Usually all shared arrays will have failed over and will not need to be merged.

1) Select Merge Group Management from the Advanced Functions menu; then, press Enter.

A screen similar to the following appears.

2) Select Merge/Unmerge Logical Drive and then press Enter.
3) Select **Merge Own Shared Logical Drive** for each shared array (Merge Group IDs in the range 1–8) that has not failed over to the cluster partner system (for example, RAID level-5 arrays in critical or degraded state) to restore the configuration of these shared arrays.

4) Press **Esc** to return to the previous menu. Continue pressing **Esc** to return to the Main Menu.

Repeat this process for each shared array (Merge Group IDs in the range 1–8) that has not failed over to the cluster partner system (for example, RAID level-5 arrays in critical/degraded state) to restore the configuration of these shared arrays.

**Important**

The **IBM ServeRAID Configuration Diskette must not** be used to perform failover and failback to merge or unmerge drives belonging to the other server. Failover and failback to merge or unmerge drives belonging to the other server is normally handled by the operating system software and cluster support software.

13. Restart your server.

When all array configurations have been restored, the server can be restarted normally.
Troubleshooting ServeRAID II Subsystems in a Cluster Environment

Following is a series of common problems and solutions that can help you troubleshoot your high-availability solution.

**Problem:** ServeRAID Administration Utility program shows physical devices as DDD state.

**Action:**

1. Enable the shared disk display function to allow disks that have been moved or have failed over to the other node in the cluster to be displayed as RSV state instead of DDD (defunct) state.

   **Note:** It is normal for disks that have been moved or have failed over to be displayed in the DDD state if the shared disk display feature has not been enabled. In this case the disks shown in the DDD state are not really defective.

2. Check RAID level-1 and RAID level-5 arrays to make sure they are not in critical state. If they are in critical state, replace the failed disk and perform a rebuild operation.

**Problem:** ServeRAID shared logical drives do not failover properly.

**Action:**

1. Ensure that the resource type of each ServeRAID adapter shared disk resource is IBM ServeRAID logical disk. If the resource type is shown as physical disk, the localquorum option was not specified properly when MSCS was installed.

   To correct this problem, you must reinstall a high-availability cluster solution using Microsoft Windows NT. Refer to Chapter 3, “Installing the ServeRAID II Adapter for a High-Availability Cluster Solution Using Windows NT” on page 7 for instructions.

2. Ensure that shared SCSI buses on the ServeRAID adapter pair are connected so that corresponding SCSI channels are connected (for example, SCSI channel 1 on the adapter in the first cluster server is connected to SCSI channel 1 on the adapter in the second cluster server, channel 2 is connected to channel 2, and so forth).

3. Ensure that physical SCSI disks that contain logical drives are all connected to shared SCSI channels.

4. Ensure that there are no more than eight shared logical disk drives defined per pair of ServeRAID II adapters for use in your cluster.

5. For Windows NT Server clusters, ensure that SCSI channel 3 of the adapter pair that attaches to the ServeRAID logical drive that has been designated as the Windows NT Cluster Quorum Resource is used for arbitration. Also, ensure that it is connected from the first cluster server to SCSI channel 3 in the second cluster server and that there are no SCSI devices connected to that channel.

   The SCSI heartbeat connection must be connected to the third channel of the ServeRAID adapter pair that has the quorum drive connected to it. No disks can be installed on this heartbeat channel. If you choose to move the quorum drive to another ServeRAID II adapter, ID level 5 you must also move the SCSI heartbeat cable on both servers to the new quorum ServeRAID adapter pair. For more information, see “ServeRAID II Considerations” on page 5.

6. The quorum disk can be placed on any ServeRAID channel shared by cluster server.

7. Make sure each shared logical drive has a Merge ID assigned. Merge IDs must be in a range of 1 to 8.

8. Make sure each ServeRAID II adapter has been assigned a unique Host ID and that each ServeRAID II adapter has its cluster partner Host ID assigned properly to correspond to the ServeRAID II adapter in the other cluster server that is attached to the shared SCSI buses.

9. Check for loose shared SCSI bus cables.

10. Ensure that SCSI repeater cards in Model 3518 or 3519 disk expansion enclosures are at the latest revision level.

11. Ensure that physical disks that are expected to be moved or failover show up as RDY or RSV state on the server that is attempting to take over control of these disks.

**Problem:** RAID level-5 logical disks cannot be accessed by the operating system after a failover.
**Action:** Use the ServeRAID Administration Utility program to check the state of the logical disk drive to ensure that it is not blocked. Using the utility program, select the logical disk drive and look for Blocked state Yes. If the logical disk drive is blocked, make sure all physical disks that are part of the logical drive are in the ONL state. If all physical disks are not in the ONL state, a disk might have gone bad during a failover or during the resynchronization process after a failover. Data integrity cannot be guaranteed in this case and the array has been blocked to prevent the possibility of incorrect data being read from the logical drive.

Reinitialize and synchronize the logical drive and restore the data from a backup source. Depending on the type of data contained on the logical drive and the availability of a recent backup copy, you can unblock the drive and continue normal operation or replace/rebuild one or more DDD disks. However, if you do not reinitialize, synchronize and restore the drive, be aware that some data on the disk drive could be lost or corrupted.

**Problem:** If one of the cluster servers fails and the surviving server takes over the cluster resources, occasionally one or more of the IP address resources will stay in the ONL pending state for several minutes after moving over to the surviving server. After this, the resource will go to the failed state and the following error message will be displayed in the surviving server’s system log (as viewed with the Event Viewer).

For Example: Windows NT Event Log Message:

```
Date: ??? Event ID: 1069
Time: ??? Source: ClusSvc
User: N/A Type: Error
Computer: ??? Category: (4)
Description:

Cluster resource 'ip address resource name' failed
```

**Action:** No action is necessary to bring the resource online after the failover. After about three minutes MSCS will successfully reattempt to bring this resource online on the surviving server. However, the following workaround will reduce the time for the IP addresses to come online.

1. Using the cluster administrator, right-click the IP address resource that is exhibiting this problem. This will display a context-sensitive menu.
2. Select **Properties:** in the context-sensitive menu. This will display the Properties dialog box for the IP address resource.
3. Select **General** tab. This will display the general setting for the IP address resource.
4. Enable the Run this resource in a separate resource monitor function
5. Choose **OK**.

**Note:** Changes will take effect the next time the resource is brought online.

6. Locate the **Pending timeout** edit box which will be at the bottom of this dialog box. The value here will be at the default of 180 seconds (unless it has been changed previously).
7. Change this **Pending timeout** to a lower value. A value in the range of 15 to 20 seconds will usually reduce the time for the IP addresses to come online after a failover of less than two minutes. Note that this does not prevent the **Cluster resource 'ip address resource name'** error message from coming up, however, the time taken for this message to come up, and hence for the retry and the resource to come online will be much less.

**Problem:** After one of the cluster servers has been shut down normally and the surviving server takes over the cluster resources, occasionally one or more of the IBM ServeRAID logical disk resources will stay in the `online pending` state for several minutes, after moving over to the surviving server (when viewed with the Cluster Administrator). After this, the resource will go to the failed state and the following error message will be displayed in the surviving server system log (as viewed with the Event Viewer).

For Example: Windows NT Event Log Message:

```
Date: ??? Event ID: 1069
Time: ??? Source: ClusSvc
User: N/A Type: Error
Computer: ??? Category: (4)
Description:

Cluster resource 'IBM ServeRAID Logical Disk name' failed.
```
**Action:** No action is necessary to bring the resource online after the failover. MSCS will successfully reattempt to bring this resource online on the surviving server within about four minutes.

**Problem:** You cannot reinstall the ServeRAID Windows NT Cluster Solution. If a previous version of IBM ServeRAID Cluster Solution has been uninstalled, when attempting to reinstall the IBM ServeRAID Windows NT Cluster solution, a message incorrectly appears asking if you want to perform an upgrade.

**Action:** You must delete C3E76E53-F841-11D0-BFA1-08005AB8ED05 registry key. To delete the registry key, do the following:

1. Select RUN
2. Type: REGEDIT and click OK. The Registry Editor screen appears.
3. Select HKEY_CLASSES_ROOT\CLSID and delete C3E76E53-F841-11D0-BFA1-08005AB8ED05

**Problem:** The following error message is displayed when running the IPSHAHTO program on a server. The warning message is: "Warning: CONFIG_SYNC with 0xA0 command FAILED on Adapter #" and one or more HSP/SHS devices are defined on adapter pairs or READY (RDY) devices are not part of any logical array configuration on an adapter pair in a cluster.

**Action:** If all shared disk resources moved successfully when running the IPSHAHTO program, it is safe to ignore the error message and no further action is required. If shared disk resources fail to move when running the IPSHAHTO program, perform a low-level format on all HSP/SHS and RDY devices that are not part of any logical array configuration on an adapter pair in a cluster. Refer to the instructions on low-level formatting HSP/SHS drives in ServeRAID Adapter Installation and User’s Guide (P/N4227022) for further details.

**Problem:** Array identifiers and logical drive numbers might change during a failover condition.

**Action:** By design, the array identifiers and logical drive numbers may change during a failover condition. Consistency between the merge identifiers and Windows NT sticky drive letters is maintained, while the ordering process during a failover condition is controlled by the Microsoft Cluster Management Software and the available array identifiers on the surviving server.
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