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NAME

nvme-io-passthru - Submit an arbitrary io command, return results

SYNOPSIS

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nvme-io-passthru <device> [--opcode=<opcode> | -o <opcode>]
    [--flags=<flags> | -f <flags>] [-rsvd=<rsvd> | -R <rsvd>]
    [--namespace-id=<nsid> | -nsid <nsid>]
    [--cdw2=<cdw2>] [--cdw3=<cdw3>] [--cdw10=<cdw10>]
    [--cdw11=<cdw11>] [--cdw12=<cdw12>] [--cdw13=<cdw13>]
    [--cdw14=<cdw14>] [--cdw15=<cdw15>]
    [--data-len=<data-len> | -l <data-len>]
    [--metadata-len=<len> | -m <len>]
    [--read | -r ] [--write | -w]
    [--input-file=<file> | -i <file>]
    [--metadata=<file> | -M <file>]
    [--timeout=<to> | -t <to>]
    [--show-command | -s]
    [--dry-run | -d]
    [--raw-binary | -b]
    [--prefill=<prefill> | -p <prefill>]
    [--latency | -T]
```

DESCRIPTION

Submits an arbitrary NVMe IO command and returns the applicable

results. This may be the simply the command's result and status, or may also include a buffer if the command returns one. This command does no interpretation of the opcodes or options.

The <device> parameter is mandatory and may be either the NVMe character device (ex: /dev/nvme0), or a namespace block device (ex: /dev/nvme0n1).

On success, the returned structure (if applicable) may be returned in one of several ways depending on the option flags; the structure may printed by the program as a hex dump, or may be returned as a raw buffer printed to stdout for another program to parse.

OPTIONS

-o <opcode>, --opcode=<opcode>

The NVMe opcode to send to the device in the command

-f <flags>, --flags=<flags>

The NVMe command flags to send to the device in the command

-R <rsvd>, --rsvd=<rsvd>

The value for the reserved field in the command.

-n <nsid>, --namespace-id=<nsid>

The value for the ns-id in the command. Defaults to 0.

--cdw[2-3,10-15]=<cdw>

Specifies the command dword value for that specified entry in the command

-r, --read, -w, --write

Used for the data-direction for the command and required for commands sending/receiving data. Don't use both read and write at the same time.

-i <file>, --input-file=<file>

If the command is a data-out (write) command, use this file to fill the buffer sent to the device. If no file is given, assumed to use STDIN. If the command is a data-in (read) command, the data returned from the device will be saved here.

-M <file>, --metadata=<file>

If the command is a data-out (write) command, use this file to fill

the metadata buffer sent to the device. If no file is given, assumed to use STDIN. If the command is a data-in (read) command, the metadata returned from the device will be saved here.

`-l <data-len>, --data-len=<data-len>`

The data length for the buffer used for this command.

`-m <data-len>, --metadata-len=<data-len>`

The metadata length for the buffer used for this command.

`-s, --show-cmd`

Print out the command to be sent.

`-d, --dry-run`

Do not actually send the command. If want to use `--dry-run` option, `--show-cmd` option must be set. Otherwise `--dry-run` option will be ignored.

`-b, --raw-binary`

Print the raw returned buffer to stdout if the command returns data or a structure.

`-p <prefill>, --prefill <prefill>`

Prefill the buffer with a predetermined byte value. Defaults to 0.

This may be useful if the data you are writing is shorter than the required buffer, and you need to pad it with a known value. It may also be useful if you need to confirm if a device is overwriting a buffer on a data-in command.

`-T, --latency`

Print out the latency the IOCTL took (in us).

EXAMPLES

```
nvme io-passthru /dev/nvme0n1 --opcode=2 --namespace-id=1
--data-len=4096 --read --cdw10=0 --cdw11=0 --cdw12=0x70000 --raw-binary
```

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