

**NAME**

`sg_luns` – send SCSI REPORT LUNS command or decode given LUN

**SYNOPSIS**

`sg_luns` [`--decode`] [`--help`] [`--hex`] [`--linux`] [`--lu_cong`] [`--maxlen=LEN`] [`--quiet`] [`--raw`] [`--readonly`] [`--select=SR`] [`--verbose`] [`--version`] *DEVICE*

`sg_luns` `--test=ALUN` [`--decode`] [`--hex`] [`--lu_cong`] [`--verbose`]

**DESCRIPTION**

In the first form shown in the SYNOPSIS this utility sends the SCSI REPORT LUNS command to the *DEVICE* and outputs the response. The response should be a list of LUNs ("a LUN inventory") for the I\_T nexus associated with the *DEVICE*. Roughly speaking that is all LUNs that share the target device that the REPORT LUNS command is sent through. This command is defined in the SPC-3 and SPC-4 SCSI standards and its support is mandatory. The most recent draft if SPC5 revision 9.

When the `--test=ALUN` option is given (the second form in the SYNOPSIS), then the *ALUN* value is decoded as outlined in various SCSI Architecture Model (SAM) standards and recent drafts (e.g. SAM-6 revision 2, section 4.7) .

Where required below the first form shown in the SYNOPSIS is called "device mode" and the second form is called "test mode".

**OPTIONS**

Arguments to long options are mandatory for short options as well.

**-d, --decode**

decode LUNs into their component parts, as described in the LUN section of SAM-3, SAM-4 and SAM-5.

[test mode] *ALUN* is decoded irrespective of whether this option is given or not. If this option is given once then the given *ALUN* is output in T10 preferred format (which is 8 pairs of hex digits, each separated by a space). If given twice then the given *ALUN* is output in an alternate T10 format made up of four quads of hex digits with each quad separated by a "-" (e.g. C101-0000-0000-0000).

**-h, --help**

output the usage message then exit.

**-H, --hex**

[device mode] when given once this utility will output the SCSI response (i.e. the data-out buffer) to the REPORT LUNS command in ASCII hex then exit. When given twice it causes `--decode` to output component fields in hex rather than decimal.

[test mode] when this option is given, then decoded component fields of *ALUN* are output in hex.

**-l, --linux**

this option is only available in Linux. After the T10 representation of each 64 bit LUN (in 16 hexadecimal digits), if this option is given then to the right, in square brackets, is the Linux LUN integer in decimal. If the `--hex` option is given twice (e.g. -HH) as well then the Linux LUN integer is output in hexadecimal.

**-L, --lu\_cong**

this option is only considered with `--decode`. When given once then the list of LUNs is decoded as if the LU\_CONG bit was set in each LU's corresponding INQUIRY response. When given twice the list of LUNs is decoded as if the LU\_CONG bit was clear in each LU's corresponding INQUIRY response. When this option is not given and `--decode` is given then an INQUIRY is sent to the *DEVICE* and the setting of its LU\_CONG bit is used to decode the list of LUNs.

[test mode] decode *ALUN* as if the LU\_CONG bit is set in its corresponding standard INQUIRY response. In other words treat *ALUN* as if it is a conglomerate LUN. If not given (or given twice) then decode *ALUN* as if the LU\_CONG bit is clear.

- m, --maxlen=LEN**  
 where *LEN* is the (maximum) response length in bytes. It is placed in the cdb's "allocation length" field. If not given (or *LEN* is zero) then 8192 is used. The maximum allowed value of *LEN* is 1048576.
- q, --quiet**  
 output only the ASCII hex rendering of each report LUN, one per line. Without the *--quiet* option, there is header information printed before the LUN listing.
- r, --raw**  
 output the SCSI response (i.e. the data-out buffer) in binary (to stdout).
- R, --readonly**  
 open the *DEVICE* read-only (e.g. in Unix with the *O\_RDONLY* flag). The default is to open it read-write.
- s, --select=SR**  
*SR* is placed in the SELECT REPORT field of the SCSI REPORT LUNS command. The default value is 0. Hexadecimal values may be given with a leading "0x" or a trailing "h". For detailed information see the REPORT LUNS command in SPC (most recent is SPC-4 revision 37 in section 6.33). To simplify, for the I\_T nexus associated with the *DEVICE*, the meanings of the *SR* values defined to date for SPC-4 are:
- 0** : most luns excluding well known logical unit numbers
  - 1** : well known logical unit numbers
  - 2** : all luns accessible to this I\_T nexus
  - 0x10** : only accessible administrative luns
  - 0x11** : administrative luns plus non-conglomerate luns (see SPC-4)
  - 0x12** : if *DEVICE* is an administrative LU, then report its  
 lun plus its subsidiary luns
- For *SR* values 0x10 and 0x11, the *DEVICE* must be either LUN 0 or the REPORT LUNS well known logical unit. Values between 0xf8 and 0xff (inclusive) are vendor specific, other values are reserved. This utility will accept any value between 0 and 255 (0xff) for *SR* .
- t, --test=ALUN**  
*ALUN* is assumed to be a hexadecimal number in ASCII hex or the letter 'L' followed by a decimal number (see below). The hexadecimal number can be up to 64 bits in size (i.e. 16 hexadecimal digits) and is padded to the right if less than 16 hexadecimal digits are given (e.g. *--test=0122003a* represents T10 LUN: 01 22 00 3a 00 00 00 00). *ALUN* may be prefixed by '0x' or '0X' (e.g. the previous example could have been *--test=0x0122003a*). *ALUN* may also be given with spaces, tabs, or a '-' between each byte (or other grouping (e.g. c101-0000-0000-0000)). However in the case of space or tab separators the *ALUN* would need to be surrounded by single or double quotes.  
 In the leading 'L' case the, following decimal number (hex if preceded by '0x') is assumed to be a Linux "word flipped" LUN which is converted into a T10 LUN representation and printed. In both cases the number is interpreted as a LUN and decoded as if the *--decode* option had been given. Also when *ALUN* is a hexadecimal number it can have a trailing 'L' in which case the corresponding Linux "word flipped" LUN value is output. The LUN is decoded in all cases.  
 The action when used with *--decode* is explained under that option.
- v, --verbose**  
 increase the level of verbosity, (i.e. debug output).
- V, --version**  
 print the version string and then exit.

## NOTES

The SCSI REPORT LUNS command is important for Logical Unit (LU) discovery. After a target device is discovered (usually via some transport specific mechanism) and after sending an INQUIRY command (to determine the LU\_CONG setting), a REPORT LUNS command should either be sent to LUN 0 (which is

Peripheral device addressing method with `bus_id=0` and `target/lun=0`) or to the REPORT LUNS well known LUN (i.e. `0xc101000000000000`). SAM-5 requires that one of these responds with an inventory of LUNS that are contained in this target device.

In test mode, if the `--hex` option is given once then in the decoded output, some of the component fields are printed in hex with leading zeros. The leading zeros are to indicate the size of the component field. For example: in the Peripheral device addressing method (16 bits overall), the bus ID is 6 bits wide and the target/LUN field is 8 bits wide; so both are shown with two hex digits (e.g. `bus_id=0x02`, `target=0x3a`).

## EXAMPLES

Typically by the time user space programs get to run, SCSI LUs have been discovered. In Linux the `lsscsi` utility lists the LUs that are currently present. The LUN of a device (LU) is the fourth element in the tuple at the beginning of each line. Below we see a target (or "I\_T Nexus": "6:0:0") has two LUNS: 1 and 49409. If 49409 is converted into T10 LUN format it is `0xc101000000000000` which is the REPORT LUNS well known LUN.

```
# lsscsi -g
[6:0:0:1] disk Linux scsi_debug 0004 /dev/sdb /dev/sg1
[6:0:0:2] disk Linux scsi_debug 0004 /dev/sdc /dev/sg2
[6:0:0:49409]wlun Linux scsi_debug 0004 - /dev/sg3
```

We could send a REPORT LUNS command (with `SR 0x0`, `0x1` or `0x2`) to any of those file device nodes and get the same result. Below we use `/dev/sg1` :

```
# sg_luns /dev/sg1
Lun list length = 16 which implies 2 lun entry
Report luns [select_report=0x0]:
0001000000000000
0002000000000000
```

That is a bit noisy so cut down the clutter with `--quiet`:

```
# sg_luns -q /dev/sg1
0001000000000000
0002000000000000
```

Now decode that LUN into its component parts:

```
# sg_luns -d -q /dev/sg1
0001000000000000
Peripheral device addressing: lun=1
0002000000000000
Peripheral device addressing: lun=2
```

Now use `--select=1` to find out if there are any well known LUNs:

```
# sg_luns -q -s 1 /dev/sg1
c101000000000000
```

So how many LUNs do we have all together (associated with the current I\_T Nexus):

```
# sg_luns -q -s 2 /dev/sg1
0001000000000000
0002000000000000
c101000000000000

# sg_luns -q -s 2 -d /dev/sg1
0001000000000000
Peripheral device addressing: lun=1
0002000000000000
Peripheral device addressing: lun=1
c101000000000000
REPORT LUNS well known logical unit
```

The following example uses the `--linux` option and is not available in other operating systems. The extra number in square brackets is the Linux version of T10 LUN shown at the start of the line.

```
# sg_luns -q -s 2 -l /dev/sg1
0001000000000000 [1]
0002000000000000 [2]
c101000000000000 [49409]
```

Now we use the `--test=` option to decode LUNS input on the command line (rather than send a REPORT LUNS command and act on the response):

```
# sg_luns --test=0002000000000000
Decoded LUN:
  Peripheral device addressing: lun=2

# sg_luns --test="c1 01"
Decoded LUN:
  REPORT LUNS well known logical unit

# sg_luns -t 0x023a004b -H
Decoded LUN:
  Peripheral device addressing: bus_id=0x02, target=0x3a
  >>Second level addressing:
  Peripheral device addressing: lun=0x4b
```

The next example is Linux specific as we try to find out what the Linux LUN 49409 translates to in the T10 world:

```
# sg_luns --test=L49409
64 bit LUN in T10 preferred (hex) format: c1 01 00 00 00 00 00 00
Decoded LUN:
  REPORT LUNS well known logical unit
```

And the mapping between T10 and Linux LUN representations can be done the other way:

```
# sg_luns -t c101L
Linux 'word flipped' integer LUN representation: 49409
Decoded LUN:
  REPORT LUNS well known logical unit
```

## EXIT STATUS

The exit status of `sg_luns` is 0 when it is successful. Otherwise see the `sg3_utils(8)` man page.

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## REPORTING BUGS

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## SEE ALSO

`sg_inq(8)`