

Panel: Is Flash Memory Secure Today?

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ory How to Make Flash Secure?

- Tamper resistant enclosure/sealing
- Use BGA or LGA packages with underfill/epoxy to prevent bus sniffing
- Use encryption on the drive unit
 - Keep keys out of host system DRAM
 - Keep keys out of on-board DRAM buffer
 - Keep out of other on-board nonvolatile memories (for example, serial NOR)
- Isolate system data from user data
 - Firmware
 - Bad block table
 - SMART or other status





ory How to Make Flash Secure?

- Add secure erase
 - Erase all user data, including grown bad blocks
 - Make secure erase resume automatically even after power cycle
- Record the unique IDs of each NAND die and verify at power-on that no components have been swapped or are missing
- Strong review of external password-to-decryption handoff
- No backdoors



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