



Looking for (and Thinking about) Storage at the 2018 CES



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Hard Disk Drives

- My first view of Seagate's multiactuator 3.5-inch HDD
- Seagate says that they will ship HAMR drives to customers by 2019.
- WD and Toshiba favor use of MAMR in enterprise HDDs
- He-filled drives are everywhere squeak, squeak
- Toshiba said that 1 and 2 disk 2.5inch HDDs are moving to SMR





Toshiba 14 TB He-Filled HDD



Toshiba 2.5-inch mobile HDD



Seagate Dual Actuator HDD



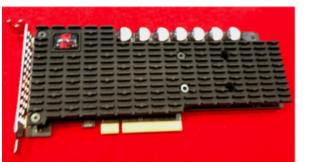
Seagate HAMR HDD

Solid State Drives

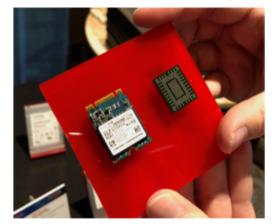


Toshiba RC100 NVMe SSD





Kingston PCIe SSD



Toshiba Embedded NVMe SSD

Kingston DCU1000 NVMe U.2 SSD

- Seagate, WD and Toshiba were showing SSDs (64 layer 3D flash in production, 92-96 layer by end of year)
- Kingston showing SSDs based upon collections of U.2 devices in a single chassis (e.g. DCU1000 has 4 U.2 modules.
- NVMe SSDs will dominate in consumer as well as enterprise apps faster performance.
- Embedded NVMe SSDs will be used in space constrained consumer devices
- Flash prices will drop in 2018 and 2019

Solid State External Storage

- SSD portable drives with USB-C and up to 2 TB (still a bit expensive)
- Thunderbolt SSD devices for M&E editing applications (as well as ingest)
- Higher speed external SSDs could replace portable HDDs as the \$/GB declines depending upon the application







OWC Thunderblade V4



Two Kingston Portable SSDs



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HDD External Storage



Seagate Portable Drive Lineup



Toshiba Updated Canvio Portable HDDs



- Seagate has a few external storage partnerships—one with drone maker DJI (the CoPilot). Another combination storage and battery charger with JD in China (the Joy Drive)
- Seagate also showing external game drives in partnership with Microsoft Xbox
- Toshiba had updated Canvio HDDs Seagate Gaming HDDs

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Content Ingest and Storage



Gnarbox



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Turn any external drive into a private cloud for your mobile photos & videos





WD My Passport Wireless Pro SSD



LaCie DJI CoPilot

- A great variety of HDD and flashbased devices for ingesting content from flash cards or smartphones
- Some are devices where you provide the USB
 storage—e.g.
 Kwilt and Monument

Connecting with NAS









- Some including AI features, IP camera integration
- Capacities of 20 TB or higher available
- Synology and ioSafe exhibited with Seagate at CES Unveiled

ioSafe, Fireproof and Waterproof

Synology SSD and HDD NAS

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USB Drives

- Kingston was showing their HW encrypted USB drives, including IronKey drives (seem to be waterproof)
- SanDisk introduced very small Ultra Fit USB 3.1 USB drive
- SanDisk also introduced a 1 TB USB-C drive
- Kingston Bolt and SanDisk iXpand for memory expansion for iPhone and iPad (Lightning Connector)



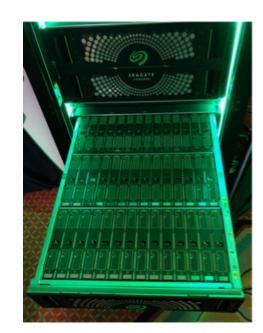
Kingston Waterproof and Secure Storage



Kingston Bolt Drive

Other Storage

- Digital storage products can be found throughout the CES
- Many are just showings incidental to their main advertised product
- Storage and memory are everywhere!

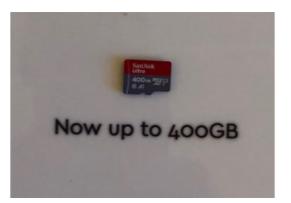


Seagate Cloud Scale Storage Array (1 PB in 5U)





SanDisk Extreme Pro Card









Smart-Home Scent DJ

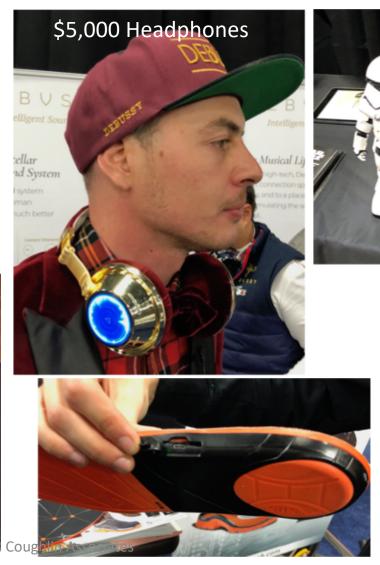




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What else was at the 2018 CES, well...



Electric Hookah

OPCOM Farm

GrowPods

And more!













