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Adding numeric values in columns

ADDCOL is an XEDIT macro to add numeric values displayed in columns. You just need to specify a pair of columns and, optionally, the beginning and ending line (by default, the entire file will be considered). An example is shown in Figure 1 in which you want to sum the values between columns 42 and 47, from line 140 to line 151. The result is displayed as a message. Since there are lines that contain non-numeric values in the specified range, those lines are ignored, but a warning message is issued. A quick on-line help is provided simply by typing 'ADDCOL' or 'ADDCOL ?'.

```
UNITS31 LISTING B1 F 133 Trunc=80 Size=435 Line=136 Col=1 Alt=0
Total: 79662 Non-numeric values found and ignored
[...+...1...+...2...+...3...+...4...+...5...+...6...+...
00136 000043 000927 087477 012117 0103731
00137 000066 000111 101783 026331 0110884
00138 000067 000119 102405 026949 0111195
00139 000068 000127 103027 027567 0111506
00140 000065 000103 101161 025713 0110573
00141 000037 000879 083745 008409 0101865
00142
00143 1 =====
00144 0
00145 000038 000887 084367 009027 0102176
00146 000039 000895 084989 009645 0102487
00147 000040 000903 085611 010263 0102798
00148 000069 000135 103649 006185 0156436
00149 000069 000335 006849 003115 0023427
00150 000021 000165 003243 002122 0224817
00151 000044 000235 001639 005183 0155000
00152 000059 000164 442400 008545 0112455
00153 000070 000423 111271 001222 0116458
====> addcol 42 47 140 151
```

Figure 1: Example display

SOURCE CODE

```
/*=====*/
/* ADDCOL macro for XEDIT */
/* Format: ADDCOL Col1 Col2 Line1 Line2 */
/* This macro adds numeric values found between the specified */
```

```

/*  lines and columns.                                     */
/*=====*/
arg c1 c2 l1 l2 .
if c1 = "?" | c1 = "HELP" | c1 = "" then signal helpe
cmd = "command"
cmd "extract/line/size/msgmode/"
cmd "set msgmode on"
if l1="" then l1 = 1
if l2="" then l2 = size.1
if ~(datatype(c1,"W")&(datatype(c2,"W"))) then do
  msg "ERROR - Invalid columns specified"
  signal saida
end
if ~(datatype(l1,"W")&(datatype(l2,"W"))) then do
  msg "ERROR - Invalid lines specified"
  signal saida
end
if c2 < c1 then do
  msg "ERROR - Column2 is less than Column1"
  signal saida
end
if l2 < l1 then do
  msg "ERROR - Line2 is less than Line1"
  signal saida
end
len = c2-c1+1
total = 0
do j = l1 to l2
  ":" j
  cmd "extract/curline/"
  number = substr(curline.3,c1,len)
  if datatype(number,"W") then total = total+number
  else non_numeric = 1
end
":" line.1
if non_numeric = 1 then msgx=" Non-numeric values found and ignored"
else msgx=""
msg "Total: "total msgx
saida:
  cmd "set msgmode" msgmode.1
exit
helpe:
  say " Format:"
  say " ADDCOL FirstColumn SecondColumn FirstLine LastLine"
  say " FirstLine is optional and defaults to top-of-file"
  say " LastLine is optional and defaults to end-of-file"
exit

```

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Writing reliable and secure procedures

It is obviously important that tools perform well, are reliable, and are secure. We have often seen REXX procedures without an address COMMAND statement, or CMS Pipelines using the CMS device driver stage. In both cases, performance is wasted and the procedures are subject to breaking in an unpredictable manner.

In this article, we would like to explain the consequences of not using address COMMAND or using the CMS stage. In order to understand all the implications, we will firstly review how CMS resolves commands, the so-called CMS search order.

CMS COMMAND SEARCH ORDER

CMS commands (procedures or object modules) can be found on CMS mini-disks or in storage. Let's first review how commands, and REXX procedures in particular, can reside in storage.

An EXEC can be loaded in the users' private storage by issuing the command:

```
EXECLOAD fn [ft [fm [execname [exectype]]]]
```

The advantage of this is that the file does not need to be loaded from disk each time the procedure is invoked (resulting in reduced I/O). A logical consequence is that CMS will always use the copy in storage (if it exists) instead of the one residing on a mini-disk.

Since CMS Release 5, the so-called 'installation segment' (or INSTSEG), permits the systems programmer to load frequently-used procedures in a shared segment. The default name of the shared segment is CMSINST. Typically, you'll find procedures like FILELIST and RDRLIST (with their accompanying XEDIT macros) in this segment.

In this case, not only the load from disk is avoided, but also all users on the system use the same copy in storage, because it is a shared segment (resulting in reduced I/O and paging). But, in order to allow a user to execute a private (enhanced?) version of a procedure from its own mini-disks or from its private storage (EXECLOADed), it should

take precedence over the INSTSEG resident version.

A filemode is therefore associated with the INSTSEG, to let it be in the filemode search order. The default filemode is S (this can be changed via the 'SET INSTSEG ON mode' command).

So, with the INSTSEG defaulting to S, CMS uses the following search order when searching for an EXEC:

- 1 Is the procedure EXECLOADED?
- 2 Is it on any of the accessed mini-disks with modes A to R?
- 3 Is it defined in the INSTSEG?
- 4 Is it on any of the accessed mini-disks with modes S to Z?

CMS Release 6 introduced 'logical shared segments'. These shared segments can contain modules, EXECs, text decks, and even any other associated object, such as data files. The user can get access to the contents of the shared segment by issuing the 'SEGMENT LOAD segname' command.

Once this command is issued, MODULEs contained in the segment are considered to be NUCXLOADED. For procedures (EXEC, XEDIT, etc), it depends on what is specified when the segment is built. You can choose to make the EXEC a logical part of the INSTSEG, or to consider it as EXECLOADED. Of course, this choice influences the search order, as we have just seen.

Thus, when you enter a command in the CMS environment, CMS uses the following search order to locate the command for execution:

- 1 Search for an EXEC with the specified name using the order as explained above.
- 2 Search for a translation or synonym of the specified name. If found, search for an EXEC with the valid translation or synonym by repeating step one.
- 3 Search for a module with the specified command name:
 - Search for a nucleus extension module (NUCXLOADED or part of a logical segment).

- Search for a module in the transient area.
 - Search for a nucleus-resident module.
 - Search the table of active (open) files for a file with the specified command name and a filetype of MODULE. If more than one open file is found, the one opened first is used.
 - Search for a file with the specified command name and a filetype of MODULE on any currently accessed disk or SFS directory, using the standard CMS search order (A to Z).
- 4 Search for a translation or synonym of the specified command name. If found, search for a module with the valid translation or synonym by repeating step three.

If the command is not known to CMS – that is, all of the above fails – it is passed to CP, provided IMPCP has not been set to OFF. If CP is also unable to recognize the command, you get an ‘Unknown CP/CMS command’ and a return code of ‘-3’.

For example, if you enter the command ‘X sauces cookbook’, CMS would search as follows:

- 1 Firstly, CMS searches for X EXEC. Here, assume that an X EXEC is not found.
- 2 CMS then searches the translation and synonym tables and finds that X is a synonym for XEDIT. Then, CMS repeats step one, searching for XEDIT EXEC. Again, assume that an XEDIT EXEC is not found.
- 3 Next, CMS searches for a CMS command with the name X. It is not found.
- 4 CMS again searches the translation and synonym tables and finds that it is a synonym for XEDIT. Then, CMS repeats step three, searching for XEDIT. The XEDIT command is found and processed. As a result, the file will be edited.

For more information on the CMS command search order, see the *VM/ESA: CMS Command Reference*. For additional information on searching for a translation or synonym, see the SET TRANSLATE or SYNONYM commands in the *VM/ESA: CMS Application Development Guide*.

As you can see, the search process can be quite elaborate. In your daily work you probably don't realize what really happens in your system!

However, if you are responsible for developing programs or procedures that are to be used by a large number of users, you must be concerned with such aspects as performance, reliability, and security.

This is where the ADDRESS statement of REXX, and the CMS and COMMAND device drivers of CMS Pipelines come into play – we have to make a distinction between different environments where procedures are used.

For example, it makes a difference if a procedure is called from the CMS environment (by this we mean that the command is addressed to CMS directly). Most of the time it will be from the 'Ready;' prompt. However, it can also be from the XEDIT command line, provided the command is prefixed with the keyword CMS; in which case we call it a CMS EXEC procedure, or from the XEDIT command line, in which case we probably deal with an XEDIT macro whose filetype is XEDIT.

THE CMS EXECs

As just stated, these procedures are executed from the CMS environment. Their filetype is EXEC. Let's discuss how commands inside those EXECs are handled and searched for.

Default situation

If no ADDRESS statement is coded in these REXX procedures, the implied default addressing is 'address CMS'. This means that any CP or CMS command encountered in the procedure is passed to CMS as if it were entered directly at the terminal (or from the CMS environment).

The consequences are as follows:

- The statements can be coded in mixed case. CMS will translate them internally to upper case before execution (just as you can enter commands in mixed case at the terminal).
- The full command resolution, described earlier, applies.

From this, we can conclude that:

- The time to launch the commands will be longer, because of the long command resolution of CMS (leading to performance loss).
- You are never certain which command actually gets executed. Indeed, if there is a procedure, on any of your accessed mini-disks, that has the same name as the CMS command you actually expected to execute, the EXEC will take precedence because of the search order of CMS. The procedure is thus not foolproof!

For example, you want to execute a RENAME command in your procedure, but somehow you have access to a RENAME EXEC, which does an ERASE... This looks a silly example, but is totally feasible. In fact, this is just one of the possibilities you have if you want to create a virus on your VM system. Be prepared to have good backups! The result is that your procedure will execute the RENAME procedure, actually resulting in an ERASE!

System personnel frequently hear users complaining, saying things like 'my procedure worked OK yesterday, but now it doesn't work anymore, what have YOU changed in the system?'. The answer is that yesterday the user had not accessed your tools disk containing the RENAME EXEC, whereas today he has got the access.

Yet another problem that you may encounter is, for example, that you can no longer use the CP LINK command with a password in the procedure. This happens if, at system generation, an option was set by which passwords are refused as parameters to the command.

Using ADDRESS COMMAND

If you use the statement 'address command' in your REXX procedure, then things change completely:

- The commands passed to CMS or CP must be coded using upper case (as neither CMS nor CP will translate them for you anymore, and they only understand upper case commands). Note that we mention commands. The parameters can in some cases be passed using mixed-case characters. Commands such as EXECIO and PIPE use upper case parts of the parameters internally to recognize keywords, but leave other parameters unchanged.

- If an EXEC procedure is to be called, the procedure name has to be preceded by the keyword 'EXEC'.
- Likewise, if a CP command has to be executed, it has to be preceded by the keyword 'CP' (do you remember those EXEC1 and EXEC2 days?).

Hence, with the address command you lose something (stricter coding rules) but you gain a lot:

- The performance of the procedure is augmented. Indeed, CMS will limit its search order to steps three and four. On the other hand, as a CP command needs to be prefixed by the CP keyword, it's clear to CMS that it can pass the command directly to CP and its execution is not influenced by the IMPCP setting. CP is indeed an ordinary CMS command whose sole purpose is to call a CP service.
- An even more important advantage is that your procedure now becomes foolproof. Indeed, because you need to be explicit about whether you want to execute an EXEC, a CMS command, or a CP command, it's impossible to fall into the same trap as described earlier with the RENAME EXEC.
- Finally, because most commands know whether they are called by another program and not from the terminal, they will not display error messages (eg ERASE will not display 'File not found'), but will return an appropriate return code. In that case, the use of SET CMSTYPE OFF/ON is no longer required.
- At the same time, our problem with the LINK passwords is solved too. The password can now be included on the LINK command.

One last remark here. Only very recently we discovered that a user-defined synonym could still interfere with our procedure. Indeed, if you look back at the CMS search order, you'll see that CMS also looks for synonyms or translated commands in step four.

Now, suppose the user has defined LIST to be a synonym of FLIST, with possible abbreviation to one character, while on the other hand, we in our procedure have coded something like:

```
Address command
'L * * F (STACK'
```

then, because of the CMS search order, the user's synonym gets executed and thus results in the FLIST command that does not understand the STACK option.

If you want to be absolutely certain that the LISTFILE command gets executed (and thus synonyms are bypassed), you have to code the CMS commands without abbreviation, as follows:

```
Address command
'LISTFILE * * F (STACK' /* instead of 'L * * F (STACK' */
'QUERY DISK (STACK' /* instead of 'Q DISK (STACK' */
```

Now, even if the user defines LISTFILE to be a synonym of FLIST, the real LISTFILE command will be executed, as step three will result in an immediate match, and synonyms are ignored. This is not fully explained in the chapter about CMS search order in the manuals.

Conclusions for CMS EXECs

To make your procedures safer and perform better, code an address command at the start. Then:

- CP commands must be prefixed by the CP keyword.
- A call to an external procedure must be prefixed with the EXEC keyword.
- CMS commands should not be abbreviated.
- Many CMS commands won't produce error or warning messages any more.
- You can omit most of the SET CMSTYPE HT commands because error messages are suppressed. Remember that with HT you suppress almost all messages, even the more severe ones, while address command will only suppress the less important ones (such as 'File not found').

Note that coding 'address '' is equivalent to 'address command' – it's just a useful short notation.

The only instance where address CMS is justified is when your procedure accepts commands from the user and has to execute them. Most users do not always make the distinction between CMS, EXEC, or even CP commands.

XEDIT MACROS

The default environment for an XEDIT macro (filetype XEDIT) is XEDIT itself. It means that an implicit address XEDIT is used. This is good, but sometimes you may want to execute a CMS or CP command in an XEDIT macro. Then the rules described above still apply, but there is an extra player in the game – XEDIT itself.

If you enter a command on XEDIT's command line (or code it in an XEDIT macro), without being explicit about the environment you want to address, then XEDIT will take this command for itself first.

If XEDIT does not understand the command, then it passes it along to CMS – this is only true if IMPCMSCP (implied CMS and CP) is set ON (which is the default, but the user may have changed it). From there on, CMS treats the command as with an address CMS, and hence is not foolproof any more. If it's not recognized by CMS, it will pass it to the CP level (depending on IMPCP setting).

Now, let's take the example of the SET command. XEDIT, CMS, and CP all have some form of SET command. So, if we aren't explicit in our command, then XEDIT will take it for itself. If the parameters are not recognized by XEDIT (because we actually wanted to execute a CMS or CP SET command), then XEDIT will return a bad return code.

So, on the XEDIT command line, we all know we have to use the CP or CMS prefixes in order to address the correct environment if the command is not exclusive to a specific environment.

In our XEDIT macros, we can temporarily switch from the address XEDIT status to the address COMMAND status. This can be done in two ways:

- Code an address COMMAND as a separate statement, followed by one or more CMS or CP commands, and finally an address XEDIT statement to return to the XEDIT environment, as follows:

```
Address command
'CP SPOOL CONSOLE START'
'ERASE TEMP FILE A'
Address 'XEDIT'
```

- Prefix each CMS or CP command with address COMMAND. This is useful if you have only one or a few non-XEDIT commands

to issue. Thus, something like this:

```
Address command 'CP SPOOL CONSOLE START'
```

While we're on the subject, remember that XEDIT also makes a distinction between basic commands and macros. Furthermore, XEDIT also allows defining synonyms for its commands. So, we can have similar problems in XEDIT – executing macros when we want a basic command – as we had with CMS. This time, however, we can control the execution of the commands or macros by explicitly using either the **COMMAND** or **MACRO** prefix in our statements.

Note that the **COMMAND** prefix here has nothing to do with our address command, it's entirely an XEDIT built-in command. For example:

```
'COMMAND DELETE 2'  
'MACRO ALL /This/ | /That/'
```

An alternative to this, although not so easy to control and to code, is to use the **SET MACRO ON/OFF** and **SET SYNONYM ON/OFF** commands to control the execution of macros, synonyms, or commands. Don't forget to restore the settings before returning to the user.

Conclusions for XEDIT macros

For XEDIT commands, you should:

- Control the execution of XEDIT commands or macros via the **COMMAND** or **MACRO** prefix.
- Direct a command to CMS or CP (incidentally, also the call to a CMS EXEC), by temporarily switching to address **COMMAND**.

One further remark here, again in favour of address **COMMAND**, is that XEDIT truncates all commands to 255 characters. When an address **COMMAND** is in effect, they are not sent to XEDIT, and hence truncation does not occur. CMS Pipelines, for example, can become very large strings.

OTHER ENVIRONMENTS

SUBCOM

More and more products include an interface to REXX, allowing REXX procedures to use the functions of the products. Examples are ISPF, SQL, GDDM, CPI-C, and many others (also on other platforms like OS/2).

In most cases, these products define themselves as sub-environments (or to use the exact term, subcommands or SUBCOMs) to CMS. So, just as for XEDIT, they define their proper environment that can be 'reached' by REXX via the 'address' statement. So, for example, to address ISPF, you would use an address ISPEXEC statement, while CPI-C would be reached via an address CPICOMM statement.

CMS Pipelines

Most of what we've said above also applies in some way to CMS Pipelines. First of all, PIPE is a regular CMS command, so use the address COMMAND to execute it from procedures or XEDIT macros. But CMS Pipelines can themselves execute CMS or CP commands through the CMS, COMMAND, and CP device drivers. These drivers execute the commands and, instead of displaying the result to the terminal, pump the results into the pipeline.

So what's the magic? For CMS commands, the CMS or COMMAND stages intercept the CMS terminal output before it reaches the screen and pump the lines into the pipeline. For CP commands, the CP device driver issues a regular diagnose X'8', but asks CP to return the results in a buffer instead of displaying them at the terminal (just like REXX does via the 'diag(8)' function).

What to use? COMMAND, CMS, or CP device drivers

Because both REXX and CMS Pipelines use the same internal interface to pass commands to CMS, it is not a surprise that the CMS device driver has the same drawbacks as REXX's address CMS, and that the COMMAND device driver behaves as with an address COMMAND in REXX.

It's a shame that both REXX and CMS Pipelines manuals are still

primarily showing address CMS and CMS stages. We presume this is because they want to open to the broadest public – who may not know the difference between CP and CMS commands or procedures.

So, let's repeat the advantages of the COMMAND driver:

- There is no full command resolution (thus, you have to use the EXEC prefix to execute EXEC procedures) leading to better performance and more foolproof pipelines (fewer leaking pipelines, less chance that the user has to call a plumber to fix it, etc).
- Commands and parameters are not translated to upper case, so you must code them in the proper format (commands in upper case, parameters can sometimes be in mixed case).
- Error messages are eliminated in many cases. Headers are also often suppressed.

This last item is much more important for CMS Pipelines than it is for REXX procedures. These drivers pump the output of the commands into the pipeline. What happens to the error messages will be explained later.

Conclusions for CMS Pipelines

For CMS Pipelines you should:

- Use the COMMAND stage to execute CMS commands. Use the CMS stage only when you execute commands a user feeds to your procedure.
- To intercept output from CP commands in your pipelines, you must use the CPdevice driver. CMS or COMMAND can issue CP commands, but then the output goes to the terminal, not into the pipeline.
- If you have used REXX for a long time, you will be used to the fact that the CMS command 'QUERY xxx (STACK' does not return a header, whereas, for example, the stage 'COMMAND QUERY xxx' does. Never assume that the output you get when executing a command from the terminal will be the same as when

you issue it with a **COMMAND** stage. So, use a little pipeline to test this:

```
"PIPE COMMAND LISTDIR|TAKE 5|CONSOLE".
```

A typical pipeline using **COMMAND** looks like this:

```
/* Coding pipelines */
Address command          /* hope you're convinced now */
'PIPE'                   , /* need upper case due to address command*/
'|command LISTFILE * * A', /* pipeline parameters can be lower case,*/
                          , /* but parameters of COMMAND stage must */
                          , /* be coded in upper case again... */
'|specs w2 1'           , /* pipe parameter, thus can be lower case*/
'|CONSOLE'              , /* pipe parameter, or upper case... */
exit rc
```

HOW TO GET THE ERROR MESSAGES

We have one last problem to solve. We said that many **CMS** commands called with the **COMMAND** stage would not produce error messages. But there may be cases where we would like to get these error messages in the pipeline anyway, to be able to display them at the terminal to inform the user.

Do we have to revert to the **CMS** stage then to get the error messages back? No, there is another useful **CMS** command – namely **CMDCALL**. This command takes other **CMS** commands as parameters and lets **CMS** execute these commands as if they came from the terminal (and thus error messages and headers are produced as normal).

If we combine the **COMMAND** stage (or address command as a matter of fact), with this **CMDCALL** command, as follows:

```
pipe command CMDCALL LISTDIR | > LISTDIR OUTPUT A
```

then:

- Because of the **COMMAND** stage, we are certain to execute the **LISTDIR** command and not a synonym or homonym procedure.
- Because of the **CMDCALL**, **LISTDIR** thinks it is executed from the terminal and thus issues error messages, as you would get if the command was issued from the **CMS** environment. However,

in this case, the output is pumped into the next pipeline stage, from where you can further process it. For example:

```
'PIPE COMMAND CMDCALL LISTDIR' somedir,  
  '|VAR EMSG',    /* any error message ? */  
  '|DROP',       /* drop header */  
  '|STEM DIR.'   /* save result... */  
if rc<>0 then do  
  say 'Unable to list directory' somedir  
  say 'Error message is:'  
  say emsg  
  exit rc  
end  
do i=1 to dir.0  
  ...  
end
```

CMS Pipeline REXX stages – a special case

Pipe stages written in REXX have a default addressing so that PIPE subcommands can be recognized (eg PEEKTO, OUTPUT, etc). This addressing takes the form of a PSW pointing somewhere into the PIPE module. So, address PIPE does not exist! Furthermore, if you code an address command (on its own), then you cannot address CMS Pipelines any more, unless you have saved the address, as shown in the third example below.

If you have to issue CMS or CP commands from within REXX stages, use one of the following methods:

- Use 'CALLPIPE COMMAND|CONSOLE' or 'CALLPIPE CP ...'.
- Use address command 'some CP or CMS command'.
- Use the following coding sequence:

```
PipeAddress=address()    /* save the plumber's address */  
address command  
...                      /* CP or CMS commands here */  
address value PipeAddress /* return to the plumber   */
```

- Use a REXX subroutine, such as:

```
call command 'somecommand'  
...  
COMMAND:
```

```
address '' arg(1)
return rc
```

GENERAL CONCLUSIONS

An illustration of everything we have said in this article will probably further help you understand the different options. The procedure below will accept any command as parameter and execute it once for all of the following cases:

- address CMS cmd
- address COMMAND cmd
- address COMMAND 'CMDCALL' cmd
- 'PIPE CMS' cmd '|CONSOLE'
- 'PIPE COMMAND' cmd '|CONSOLE'
- 'PIPE COMMAND CMDCALL' cmd '|CONSOLE'.

This procedure might also be useful in order to analyse the returned information (headers, error messages):

```
/* TCMD EXEC - Analyse results of commands */
parse upper arg cmd
Say '*** Case 1 : Result of "address CMS' cmd'" ***'
address CMS cmd ; Say 'Retcode:' rc

Say '*** Case 2 : Result of "address COMMAND' cmd'" ***'
address COMMAND cmd ; Say 'Retcode:' rc

Say '*** Case 3 : Result of "address COMMAND CMDCALL' cmd'" ***'
address COMMAND 'CMDCALL' cmd ; Say 'Retcode:' rc

Say '*** Case 4 : Result of "PIPE CMS' cmd'|CONSOLE" ***'
address command 'PIPE CMS' cmd'|CONSOLE' ; Say 'Retcode:' rc

Say '*** Case 5 : Result of "PIPE COMMAND' cmd'|CONSOLE" ***'
address '' 'PIPE COMMAND' cmd'|CONSOLE' ; Say 'Retcode:' rc

Say '*** Case 6 : Result of "PIPE COMMAND CMDCALL' cmd'|CONSOLE" ***'
address '' 'PIPE COMMAND CMDCALL' cmd'|CONSOLE' ; Say 'Retcode:' rc
```

Sample output can be seen below:

```
tcmd erase no file
```

```

*** Case 1 : Result of "address CMS ERASE NO FILE" ***
DMSERS002E File NO FILE not found
Retcode: 28
*** Case 2 : Result of "address COMMAND ERASE NO FILE" ***
Retcode: 28
*** Case 3 : Result of "address COMMAND CMDCALL ERASE NO FILE" ***
DMSERS002E File NO FILE not found
Retcode: 28
*** Case 4 : Result of "PIPE CMS ERASE NO FILE|CONSOLE" ***
DMSERS002E File NO FILE not found
Retcode: 28
*** Case 5 : Result of "PIPE COMMAND ERASE NO FILE|CONSOLE" ***
Retcode: 28
*** Case 6 : Result of "PIPE COMMAND CMDCALL ERASE NO FILE|CONSOLE" ***
DMSERS002E File NO FILE not found
Retcode: 28
Ready;

```

Only cases one, three, four, and six display the error message. In cases one and four, an ERASE EXEC could break your procedure:

```

tcmd state no file w
*** Case 1 : Result of "address CMS STATE NO FILE W" ***
DMSSTT069E Filemode W not accessed
Retcode: 36
*** Case 2 : Result of "address COMMAND STATE NO FILE W" ***
Retcode: 36
*** Case 3 : Result of "address COMMAND CMDCALL STATE NO FILE W" ***
DMSSTT069E Filemode W not accessed
Retcode: 36
*** Case 4 : Result of "PIPE CMS STATE NO FILE W|CONSOLE" ***
DMSSTT069E Filemode W not accessed
Retcode: 36
*** Case 5 : Result of "PIPE COMMAND STATE NO FILE W|CONSOLE" ***
Retcode: 36
*** Case 6 : Result of "PIPE COMMAND CMDCALL STATE NO FILE W|CONSOLE"
***
DMSSTT069E Filemode W not accessed
Retcode: 36
Ready;

```

The same remarks apply here as in the first run:

```

tcmd Listfile profile exec
*** Case 1 : Result of "address CMS LISTFILE PROFILE EXEC" ***
PROFILE EXEC      A0
Retcode: 0
*** Case 2 : Result of "address COMMAND LISTFILE PROFILE EXEC" ***
PROFILE EXEC      A0
Retcode: 0
*** Case 3 : Result of "address COMMAND CMDCALL LISTFILE PROFILE EXEC"

```

```

***
PROFILE EXEC      AØ
Retcode: Ø
*** Case 4 : Result of "PIPE CMS LISTFILE PROFILE EXEC|CONSOLE" ***
PROFILE EXEC      AØ
Retcode: Ø
*** Case 5 : Result of "PIPE COMMAND LISTFILE PROFILE EXEC|CONSOLE" ***
PROFILE EXEC      AØ
Retcode: Ø
*** Case 6 : Result of "PIPE COMMAND CMDCALL LISTFILE PROFILE
EXEC|CONSOLE" ***
PROFILE EXEC      AØ
Retcode: Ø
Ready;

```

These all produce the same result, but we were lucky that there wasn't a Listfile EXEC procedure:

```

tcmd access . t
*** Case 1 : Result of "address CMS ACCESS . T" ***
Retcode: Ø
*** Case 2 : Result of "address COMMAND ACCESS . T" ***
Retcode: Ø
*** Case 3 : Result of "address COMMAND CMDCALL ACCESS . T" ***
Retcode: Ø
*** Case 4 : Result of "PIPE CMS ACCESS . T|CONSOLE" ***
Retcode: Ø
*** Case 5 : Result of "PIPE COMMAND ACCESS . T|CONSOLE" ***
Retcode: Ø
*** Case 6 : Result of "PIPE COMMAND CMDCALL ACCESS . T|CONSOLE" ***
Retcode: Ø
Ready;

```

This gives the same output in all cases, but, if we issue the same command with an invalid directory name, then we get:

```

tcmd list . wrongdir
*** Case 1 : Result of "address CMS LISTDIR .WRONGDIR" ***
DMSJLD1184E Directory VMSYS:MAINT.WRONGDIR not found or you are not
authorized for it
Retcode: 28
*** Case 2 : Result of "address COMMAND LISTDIR .WRONGDIR" ***
Retcode: 28
*** Case 3 : Result of "address COMMAND CMDCALL LISTDIR .WRONGDIR" ***
DMSJLD1184E Directory VMSYS:MAINT.WRONGDIR not found or you are not
authorized for it
Retcode: 28
*** Case 4 : Result of "PIPE CMS LISTDIR .WRONGDIR|CONSOLE" ***
DMSJLD1184E Directory VMSYS:MAINT.WRONGDIR not found or you are not
authorized for it
Retcode: 28

```

```

*** Case 5 : Result of "PIPE COMMAND LISTDIR .WRONGDIR|CONSOLE" ***
Retcode: 28
*** Case 6 : Result of "PIPE COMMAND CMDCALL LISTDIR .WRONGDIR|CONSOLE"
***
DMSJLD1184E Directory VMSYS:MAINT.WRONGDIR not found or you are not
authorized for it
Retcode: 28
Ready;

```

Having said all this, we now have clear consciences!

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A full screen console interface – part 14

Editor's note: this month we continue the code for the full screen console interface for Disconnected Service Machines (DSM). This article is an extensive piece of work which will be published over several issues of VM Update. It was felt that readers could benefit from the entire article and from the individual sections. Any comments or recommendations would be welcomed and should be addressed either to Xephon or directly to the author at fernando_duarte@vnet.ibm.com.

```

*
* Add temporary entry to RND table
*
*
ADDTEMP EQU *                               Create temporary entry
        USING ADDTEMP,R6
        ST    R14,ADDTSV14
        LA   R0,RNDSIZE                      Entry length in double words
        LINK OBTAIN                           Allocate storage
        LR   R5,R1                            Address entry
        L    R0,RNDPTR                        Add it to list
        ST   R5,RNDPTR
        ST   R0,RNDFWD
        SR   R0,R0
        ST   R0,RNDOPT1                       Clear all option bytes
        ST   R0,RNDPIDS                       Clear Send PATHID
        ST   R0,RNDPIDR                       Clear Receive PATHID
        OI   RNDOPT1,RNDOTMP                  This is a temporary entry
        L    R14,ADDTSV14

```

```

BR      R14
SPACE
DROP   R6
SPACE  3
ENTRY  RNLSTX,RNLCNX,RNLSDX
ENTRY  RNLFLG01,SBININD,SBINIRS
EXTRN  RNCNAME
SPACE
ACSCCODE DC    V(CSCSVP)           Common code address (R12)
ACSCDATA DC    V(CSCSVPD)          Common data area (R10)
CNPRSV14 DS    F                    Save R14 - CNPROC
STPRSV14 DS    F                    STPROC
SDPRSV14 DS    F                    SDPROC
RCPRSV14 DS    F                    RCPROC
CHKTSV14 DS    F                    CHKTEMP
TMPRSV14 DS    F                    TMPROC
ADDTSV14 DS    F                    ADDTEMP
SPACE
CC2     EQU    2                    BC mask to check for CC 2
SPACE
RNLFLG01 DS    X                    Work to do
APPCWKC EQU    X'80'                Connect to *IDENT
APPCWKST EQU    X'40'                Connect to remote links
APPCWKSD EQU    X'20'                APPC/VM interrupts (send)
APPCWKRC EQU    X'10'                APPC/VM interrupts (receive)
APPCWKCH EQU    X'08'                RND table temporary entries
APPCWKT EQU    X'04'                Interval Timer interrupt
SPACE
DS      0D
SBINIL  DC    F'32'                 Length of initial Send buffer
SBINI   DC    H'32'                 APPC/VM length prefix
        DC    H'0'
        DC    F'28'                 Length of data plus prefix
SBINIID DC    C'<CSC>$ID'           Required ID
SBININD DC    C'      '            Node name
SBINIRS DC    C'      '            Resource name
RBINIL  DC    F'32'                 Receive buffer length
RBINI   DS    CL32                  Receive buffer
RBINIID EQU    RBINI+08,8           ID - <CSC>$ID
RBININD EQU    RBINI+16,8           Node name
RBINIRS EQU    RBINI+24,8           Resource name
SPACE
TIMEPT  DS    D                    Interval Timer (TOD format)
TIMEMIN DC    F'30'                 Interval time in minutes
TIMEMIC DC    F'600000000'          Convert to microseconds
*IMEMIC DC    F'004000000'
TIMEINT DC    X'00000400'           C0 bit to enable Interval Timer
TIMECTL0 DS    F                    Save area for C0
SPACE  3
CSCDATA

```

```

CSCDS (RND)
PUSH PRINT
PRINT OFF
COPY IPARML
POP PRINT
REGEQU
END

```

CSCUSA ASSEMBLE

CSC uses only APPC/VM to establish links with other CSC service machines. It allows you to monitor DSMs controlled by another CSC service machine on the same or another VM node in a TSAF collection. Please note that this code is not fully tested. To activate it:

- Authorize the CSC service machines to define LOCAL or GLOBAL resources, adding an IUCV statement to the CP directory similar to:

```
IUCV *IDENT RESANY GLOBAL
```

- Add class 07 to the USER statements in the configuration file.
- Add LOCAL and REMOTE statements to both configuration files. For example:

CONSOLES on VM1				CONSOLES on VM2			
LOCAL	CONVM1	RS01	GLOBAL	LOCAL	CONVM1	RS02	GLOBAL
REMOTE	CONVM2	RS02		REMOTE	CONVM2	RS01	

where RS01 and RS02 are APPC/VM resources, and CONVM1 and CONVM2 are node names given to the CSC service machines. If both machines are on the same VM node replace option GLOBAL with LOCAL.

Once the link between the two CSC machines is established, from a session with CONVM1 use the command CONNECT CONVM2 to monitor the DSMs controlled by CONSOLES on VM2.

PROGRAM CODE

```

CSCUSA TITLE 'CSCUSA - CSC Remote Node User Commands'
START X'01AFC8'
PRINT NOGEN
CSCHDR APPC/VM User Commands

```

```

*
* Process APPC/VM User Commands
*
*      Input R5 points to the RND entry
*      R4 addresses the APPC/VM receive buffer
*
*
*      USING UIDSECT,R8      UID (user) Block
*      USING RNDSECT,R5     RND Table
*      USING APPSECT,R4     APP (APPC/VM) command format
*      SPACE
*      ST      R5,USASV05   Save RND entry address
*      LA      R14,USA900   Return address for routines
*      CLC     APPCMD,APPC$SS Start session
*      BE      SSESSION
*      L       R1,SSSPTR    Address Active Sessions List
USA100 LTR      R8,R1         Check for end of list
*      BZ      USA800      Should not happen, but it did
*      L       R1,UIDFWD    Scan all list
*      CLC     UIDORIG,APPORIG Compare originating node name
*      BNE     USA100      Not this one
*      CLC     UIDVMID,APPVMID Check originating user name
*      BNE     USA100
*      CLC     APPCMD,APPC$SC Session created
*      BE      CSESSION
*      CLC     APPCMD,APPC$SR Session rejected
*      BE      RSESSION
*      CLC     APPCMD,APPC$SD Send data to connected node
*      BE      DSESSION
*      CLC     APPCMD,APPC$SU Send data back to the user
*      BE      USESSION
*      CLC     APPCMD,APPC$SE Session ended
*      BE      ESESSION
*      CLC     APPCMD,APPC$TC Terminate connected session
*      BE      TSESSION
*      LA      R2,APPVMID   Address user name for message
*      LA      R3,APPORIG   Address original node name
*      MSG     0559         Invalid data received
*      B       USA900
*      SPACE
USA800 LA      R2,APPVMID   Address user name for message
*      LA      R3,APPORIG   Address original node name
*      MSG     0560         Session not found
USA900 L       R5,USASV05
*      BACK
*      SPACE 3
*
* Start session for connected user
*
*      Runs on connected node
*

```


SSESSION	EQU	*	<CSC>\$SS	Start session
	LA	R0,UIDSIZE		Length of UID block
	LINK	OBTAIN		Allocate storage
	LR	R8,R1		Address new allocated block
	MVC	UIDSECT(UIDSIZEB),APPDATA		Copy originating UID block
	L	R0,SSSPTR		Add it as an Active Session
	ST	R0,UIDFWD		
	ST	R8,SSSPTR		
	LA	R0,UIDSCRSZ		Get screen size
	LINK	OBTAINP		Allocate storage (page aligned)
	ST	R1,UIDSCRN		Save address in UID block
	ST	R1,UIDSCRNA		Alternate screen not used yet
	LA	R0,UIDBUFSZ		User buffer size
	LINK	OBTAINP		Allocate storage (page aligned)
	ST	R1,UIDBUFF		Save address in UID block
	L	R0,RNDPIDS		Load Send PATHID
	ST	R0,UIDPIDRM		That's the way to go back
	LA	R2,UIDORIG		Original node name
	LA	R3,UIDVMID		Original user-id
	L	R8,SSSPTR		Address list of active sessions
SS100	L	R8,UIDFWD		Skip first entry just created
	LTR	R8,R8		Check for end of table
	BZ	SS200		Found it, some good news
	CLC	UIDORIG,0(R2)		Compare node names
	BNE	SS100		Not this one
	CLC	UIDVMID,0(R3)		Compare user-ids
	BNE	SS100		
	B	SS600		Found it, already in session
	SPACE			
SS200	L	R8,SSSPTR		Restore address of UID block
	L	R0,USRPTR		Address user list
	USING	USRSECT,R1		
SS300	LTR	R1,R0		Validate user
	BZ	SS700		Not found, reject session
	L	R0,USRFWD		Address next entry
	CLC	USRNAME,0(R3)		Check user names
	BE	SS400		Found it, copy user classes
	CLI	USRNAME,C'*'		Check for global entry
	BNE	SS300		Not this one
	CLI	USRNAME+1,C' '		Make sure it's just one asterisk
	BNE	SS300		
SS400	L	R0,USRCLASS		Load user classes
	ST	R0,UIDCLASS		Store new classes
	DROP	R1		
	SPACE			
	MVI	UIDOPT1,UIDRMTE		Reset all but Remote User option
	OI	UIDOPT2,UIDAUTO		Put new session in refresh mode
	OI	UIDOPT2,UIDTIME		Display time, but that is all
	NI	UIDOPT2,X'FF'-UIDDATE-UIDUSER-UIDINC-UIDEXC		
	MVI	UIDOPT3,X'00'		Reset all other display options
	MVI	UIDOPT4,UIDBTTL+UIDBHDR		Rebuild screen Title and Header

	MVI	UIDOPT5,UIDA\$SC	Session Created
	MVI	UIDOPT6,UIDA\$RN	Refresh CNN on user screen
	MVI	UIDCOL1,X'00'	Display from column one
	GO	CSCUIN	Build user buffers
	GO	CSCUSCRH	Rebuild Header line
	L	R5,USASV05	Address RND entry
	BAS	R14,SEND	Send data back to the user
	LA	R2,UIDVMID	Address original user-id and node
	LA	R3,UIDORIG	
	MSG	0550	Display info message
	B	USA900	
	SPACE		
SS600	L	R8,SSSPTR	Address current UID block
	LA	R4,CSCLOCAL	
	MSG	0552,USER	Session already active
	B	SS800	
	SPACE		
SS700	LA	R4,CSCLOCAL	
	MSG	0553,USER	User not authorized
*	B	SS800	
	SPACE		
SS800	MVI	UIDOPT1,UIDRMTE	Reset all but Remote User option
	MVI	UIDOPT5,UIDA\$SR	Set only Session Rejected
	MVI	UIDOPT6,UIDA\$RU	Release UID block after Send
	BAS	R14,SEND	Send message back
	B	USA900	
	SPACE	3	
	*		
	*	Start Session accepted - Session Created	
	*		
	*	Runs on local and routing nodes	
	*		
CSESSION	EQU	* <CSC>\$SC	Session Created
	NI	UIDOPT3,X'FF'-UIDCREQ	Remember connect is complete
	LA	R0,UIDCSCSZ	Length of work CSCBUFF
	LINK	OBTAIN	Allocate storage
	ST	R1,UIDCSC	Save address in UID block
	TM	UIDOPT1,UIDRMTE	Is this first level connect
	BO	CS100	No, it is ping-pong
	LA	R0,UIDSCRSZ	Yes, load screen size
	LINK	OBTAINP	Allocate alternate screen
	ST	R1,UIDSCRNA	Save address in UID block
CS100	L	R0,RNDPIDS	
	ST	R0,UIDPIDCN	Store Send (connect) PATHID
	LA	R2,UIDVMID	Address user-id for message
	LA	R3,RNDNODE	Address connected node name
	MSG	0551	Display info message
	BAS	R14,DISPLAY	Display screen from connected
	B	USA900	
	SPACE	3	

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*
* Start Session not accepted - Session Rejected
*
*   Runs on local and routing nodes
*
RSESSION EQU * <CSC>$SR Remote session not created
      BAS R14,DISPLAY Just do it
      NI UIDOPT1,X'FF'-UIDCONN Connect was rejected
      NI UIDOPT3,X'FF'-UIDCREQ Connect request is complete
      B USA900
      SPACE 3
*
* Process user request and send results back
*
*   Runs on connected and routing nodes
*
DSESSION EQU * <CSC>$SD Process user request
      LA R1,APPLEN Address data length prefix
      A R1,APPLEN Address end of data
      LA R0,APPDATA Address data area (skip header)
      SR R1,R0 Calculate data length
      TM UIDOPT1,UIDCONN Are we connected?
      BZ DS100 No, process command
      L R0,UIDPIDCN Load PATHID to next node
      LA R5,RNDPTR Address RND table
DS020 L R5,RNDFWD Scan it
      LTR R5,R5
      BZ DS800 End of table found, link lost
      CLM R0,B'1100',RNDPIDS Look for return link
      BNE DS020 Not this one
      TM UIDOPT3,UIDCREQ Really connected?
      BZ DS030 Yes, forward data to next node
      LA R3,RNDNODE No, we are connect pending
      MSG 0569,USER Send message to user
      GO CSCBLD Build user screen
      B DS200 Ignore user request
      SPACE
DS030 ST R1,UIDCSCL Store length in UID block
      L R2,UIDCSC Address UID work buffer
      BCTR R1,0 Prepare to EXecute
      EX R1,DSMVC Copy input data to work buffer
      OI UIDOPT5,UIDA$SD Set option
      BAS R14,SEND Forward data to next node
      B DS900
      SPACE
DS100 LA R2,CSCBUFF Address input buffer
      BCTR R1,0 Prepare to EXecute
      EX R1,DSMVC Move data to CSCBUFF
      LA R1,CSCBUFF+1(R1) Address end of data
      ST R1,CSCBUFFE Save address for CSCUSC

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MVI  Ø(R1),C' '      Terminate data for MSG scanner
ST   R5,DSESVØ5     Save address of RND entry
GO   CSCUSC         Process user command
LTR  R8,R8          Was it a Disconnect?
BZ   DS9ØØ         Yes, user is gone (disconnect)
TM   UIDOPT1,UIDCONN Was it a Connect?
BO   DS9ØØ         Yes, do not send any data back
DS2ØØ OI  UIDOPT5,UIDA$SU Remember what to do next
L    R5,DSESVØ5     Restore our RND entry
BAS  R14,SEND       Send results back to the user
B    DS9ØØ
SPACE
DS8ØØ MSG 8888
DS9ØØ B    USA9ØØ
SPACE
DSMVC MVC  Ø(*-*,R2),APPDATA Copy user command
SPACE 3
*
* Send data from connect node back to user
*
* Runs on local and routing nodes
*
USESSION EQU *      <CSC>$SU Send data back to user
BAS  R14,DISPLAY    Just do it
B    USA9ØØ
SPACE 3
*
* Session ended
*
* Runs on local node
*
ESESSION EQU *      <CSC>$SE Session ended
ST   R14,ESESV14
NI   UIDOPT1,X'FF'-UIDCONN Reset Connect option
LA   RØ,UIDCSCSZ
L    R1,UIDCSC
LINK RELEASE        Release work CSCBUFF
TM   UIDOPT1,UIDRMTE Is user remote?
BO   ES1ØØ
LA   RØ,UIDSCRSZ
L    R1,UIDSCRNA
LINK RELEASE        No, release alternate screen
L    RØ,UIDSCRN     Load screen buffer address
ST   RØ,UIDSCRNA    Store as alternate screen
ES1ØØ OI  UIDOPT4,UIDBSCR+UIDBTTL+UIDBHDR Rebuild user screen
OI   UIDOPT6,UIDA$RN Update CNN on user screen
TM   UIDOPT1,UIDRMTE Are we still remote
BO   ES3ØØ         Yes, do not build 327Ø DS yet
GO   CSCUSCRH       Rebuild Header line
GO   CSCBLD         Build user screen (327Ø DS)

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L      R2,UIDSCRN          Address Data Stream built
A      R2,UIDSCRNL        First free byte
MVC    4(L'COMMCNN,R2),COMMCNN Create <CSC>CNN command
MVC    4+L'COMMCNN(L'CSCLOCAL,R2),BLANKS Clear CNN field
NI     UIDOPT6,X'FF'-UIDA$RN Reset CNN option
LA     R0,4+L'COMMCNN+L'CSCLOCAL
ST     R0,0(,R2)          Store length prefix
A      R0,UIDSCRNL        Add lengths
ST     R0,UIDSCRNL        Store length of new Data Stream
ES300  BAS  R14,DISP#ES    Display it
L      R5,USASV05         Restore address of current RND
LA     R2,UIDVMID         Address user-id
LA     R3,RNDNODE         Address node name
MSG    0562               Display info message
L      R14,EESV14
BR     R14
SPACE 3

*
* Terminate connected session
*
*   Runs on connected and routing nodes
*
TSESSION EQU  *           <CSC>$TC Terminate session
      LA  R2,UIDVMID       Address user-id
      LA  R3,RNDNODE       Address node name
      MSG 0574             Display info message
      TM  UIDOPT1,UIDCONN   Are we still connected?
      BZ  TS100
      GO  CSCUSATC         Yes, terminate next session
      B   USA900
      SPACE
TS100  BAS  R14,RELEASE    Release buffers and UID block
      B   USA900
      SPACE 3

*
* Send user request to destination node
*
*   Runs on local node. Invoked by CSCUSC
*
CSCUSASD RELOC           Send data to destination node
      L   R0,UIDPIDCN
      LA  R5,RNDPTR        Address RND table
SD100  L   R5,RNDFWD       Scan it
      LTR R5,R5
      BZ  SD800            End of table found, not defined
      CLM R0,B'1100',RNDPIDS
      BNE SD100           Not this one
      TM  UIDOPT3,UIDCREQ   Is user Connect pending?
      BZ  SD200            No, process request
      LA  R3,RNDNODE       Yes, address remote node name

```

	MSG	Ø569,USER	Send message to user
	GO	CSCBLD	Build user screen
	BAS	R14,DISP#ES	Send data back to user
	B	SD9ØØ	Ignore user request
	SPACE		
SD2ØØ	LA	RØ,CSCBUFF	Address input buffer
	L	R1,CSCBUFFE	Address end of data
	SR	R1,RØ	Length of data
	ST	R1,UIDCSCL	Store length in UID block
	L	R2,UIDCSC	Address user work buffer
	BCTR	R1,Ø	Prepare to EXecute
	EX	R1,SDMVC	Copy data to work buffer
	OI	UIDOPT5,UIDA\$SD	Set option
	BAS	R14,SEND	Send data to next node
	B	SD9ØØ	
	SPACE		
SD8ØØ	SR	R2,R2	Link to destination not found
	ICM	R2,B'ØØ11',RNDPIDS	
	MSG	Ø57Ø	
SD9ØØ	BACK		
	SPACE		
SDMVC	MVC	Ø(*-*,R2),CSCBUFF	Copy input data to work buffer
	SPACE	3	
	*		
	*	Process CONNect command	
	*		
	*	Runs on local and routing nodes	
	*		
CSCUSACN	RELOC		Process CONNect command
*	TM	UIDOPT1,UIDRMTE	Is user already connected?
*	BO	CONN2ØØ	For now only one level possible
	SR	RØ,RØ	No table to search
	GO	CSCSCN	Get node name
	BNZ	CONN3ØØ	Nothing found, display error
	LA	RØ,8	Check word length
	CR	RØ,R1	
	BL	CONN4ØØ	Too long
	SR	RØ,RØ	
	GO	CSCSCN	Check for extra parameters
	BZ	CONN5ØØ	Something found, that's bad
	LA	R5,RNDPTR	Address RND table
CONN1ØØ	L	R5,RNDFWD	Scan it
	LTR	R5,R5	
	BZ	CONN6ØØ	End of table found, not defined
	CLC	RNDNODE,SCANUPP	Compare node names
	BNE	CONN1ØØ	Not this one
	TM	RNDOPT1,RNDOLCL	Is this the local node
	BO	CONN7ØØ	Yes, destination must be remote
	TM	RNDOPT1,RNDOSND+RNDORCV	Is link up (send and receive)
	BNO	CONN8ØØ	No, display message

	OI	UIDOPT1,UIDCONN	Set connect option
	OI	UIDOPT3,UIDCREQ	Remember connect is in progress
	OI	UIDOPT5,UIDA\$SS	Start Session
	BAS	R14,SEND	Contact the connected node
CONN900	BACK		
	SPACE		
CONN200	MSG	Ø874,USER	User already connected
	B	CONN900	
	SPACE		
CONN300	MSG	Ø310,USER	Missing operands
	B	CONN900	
	SPACE		
CONN400	MSG	Ø870,USER	Operand too long
	B	CONN900	
	SPACE		
CONN500	MSG	Ø311,USER	Invalid operand
	B	CONN900	
	SPACE		
CONN600	LA	R2,SCANUPP	
	MSG	Ø871,USER	Destination node not found
	B	CONN900	
	SPACE		
CONN700	MSG	Ø872,USER	Cannot connect to local node
	B	CONN900	
	SPACE		
CONN800	LA	R2,RNDNODE	
	MSG	Ø873,USER	Link not active
	B	CONN900	
	SPACE	3	
	*		
	*	Process DISConnect command	
	*		
	*	Runs (supposedly) on connected node	
	*		
CSCUSADN	RELOC		Process DISConnect command
	TM	UIDOPT1,UIDRMTE	Is user remote?
	BZ	DISC400	
	SR	R0,R0	No table to search
	GO	CSCSCN	Check for extra operands
	BZ	DISC500	Something found, display error
	L	R0,UIDPIDRM	
	LA	R5,RNDPTR	Address RND table
DISC100	L	R5,RNDFWD	Scan it
	LTR	R5,R5	
	BZ	DISC600	End of table found, link lost
	CLM	R0,B'1100',RNDPIDS	Look for return link
	BNE	DISC100	Not this one
	TM	RNDOPT1,RNDOSND+RNDORCV	Is link up (send and receive)
	BNO	DISC800	No, display message
	LA	R2,UIDVMID	Address original user-id and node

	LA	R3,UIDORIG	
	MSG	Ø554	Display info message
	OI	UIDOPT5,UIDA\$SE	Session ended
	OI	UIDOPT6,UIDA\$RU	Release UID block after Send
	BAS	R14,SEND	Send data back
DISC9ØØ	BACK		
	SPACE		
DISC4ØØ	MSG	3212,USER	User not connected
	B	DISC9ØØ	
	SPACE		
DISC5ØØ	MSG	Ø311,USER	Invalid operand
	B	DISC9ØØ	
	SPACE		
DISC6ØØ	LA	R2,UIDORIG	
	MSG	Ø871,USER	Return link lost
	B	DISC9ØØ	
	SPACE		
DISC8ØØ	LA	R2,RNDNODE	
	MSG	Ø873,USER	Link not active
	B	DISC9ØØ	
	SPACE	3	
	*		
	*	Send data back to user for display	
	*		
	*	Runs on connected node	
	*		
CSCUSADP	RELOC		Send data back to user
	L	RØ,UIDPIDRM	
	LA	R5,RNDPTR	Address RND table
DP1ØØ	L	R5,RNDFWD	Scan it
	LTR	R5,R5	
	BZ	DP6ØØ	End of table found, link lost
	CLM	RØ,B'11ØØ',RNDPIDS	Look for return link
	BNE	DP1ØØ	Not this one
	TM	RNDOPT1,RNDOSND+RNDORCV	Is link up (send and receive)
	BNO	DP8ØØ	No, display message
	OI	UIDOPT5,UIDA\$SU	Option to send data to user
	BAS	R14,SEND	
DP9ØØ	BACK		
	SPACE		
DP6ØØ	LA	R2,UIDORIG	
	MSG	Ø871,USER	Return link lost
	B	DP9ØØ	
	SPACE		
DP8ØØ	LA	R2,RNDNODE	
	MSG	Ø873,USER	Link not active
	B	DP9ØØ	
	SPACE	3	
	*		
	*	Process pending requests	


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*
*   Runs on all nodes
*
CSCUSAPD RELOC                               Process pending requests
      L      R0,RNDPIDS                       Load IUCV PATHID (first 2 bytes)
      L      R1,SSSPTR                       Address list of active sessions
PD100  LTR   R8,R1                           Scan list
      BZ     PD800                           End of list found, all done
      L      R1,UIDFWD                       Address next entry
      TM     UIDOPT5,UIDAPEND                Anything pending on this one?
      BZ     PD100                           No, try next one
      TM     UIDOPT5,UIDA$SS                Is it sending data?
      BZ     PD200                           No, check receiving path
      CLM    R0,B'1100',UIDPIDCN           Check IUCV PATHID
      BNE    PD100                           Not this one
      B      PD300                           We found it, process request
      SPACE
PD200  CLM    R0,B'1100',UIDPIDRM           Check receiving path
      BNE    PD100
PD300  NI     UIDOPT5,X'FF'-UIDAPEND        Reset pending option
      BAS    R14,SEND                       Process pending request
      B      PD900
      SPACE
PD800  NI     RNDOPT2,X'FF'-RNDOPND        Nothing left, reset option
*      B      PD900
      SPACE
PD900  BACK
      SPACE 3
*
* Terminate connected session
*
*   Runs on local node
*
*   Output R2 addresses the current UID block if not released
*   or the previous UID block otherwise
*
CSCUSATC RELOC                               Terminate connected session
      L      R0,UIDPIDCN
      LR     R2,R8                           Address of current UID block
      LA     R5,RNDPTR                       Address RND table
TC100  L      R5,RNDFWD                       Scan it
      LTR   R5,R5
      BZ    TC900                           End of table found, link lost
      CLM   R0,B'1100',RNDPIDS              Look for return link
      BNE   TC100                           Not this one
      TM    RNDOPT1,RNDOSND+RNDORCV        Is link up (send and receive)
      BNO   TC900
      OI    UIDOPT5,UIDA$TC                Terminate connected session
      OI    UIDOPT6,UIDA$RU                Release UID block after Send
      BAS   R14,SEND                       Send request to connected node

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        LTR   R8,R8           Was UID block released?
        BZ    TC900
        LR    R2,R8           No, use current as previous
TC900   BACK
        SPACE 3
*
* Terminate sessions affected by one APPC/VM link
*
*       Input R5 addresses RND entry being processed
*
CSCUSACL RELOC              Clean-up dead sessions
        ST    R5,CLNSV05     Save RND entry address
        LA    R8,SSSPTR      Address list of active sessions
CLEAN100 L    R8,UIDFWD      Scan table
        LTR   R8,R8          Check for end of table
        BZ    CLEAN900       Found it, all done
        TM    UIDOPT1,UIDCONN Is user connected?
        BZ    CLEAN600       No, check if remote
        L     R0,RNDPIDS
        CLM   R0,B'1100',UIDPIDCN Is user connected on this link?
        BNE   CLEAN600       No...
        LA    R2,UIDVMID     Address user and node names
        LA    R3,RNDNODE
        MSG   0580           Display info message
        MSG   0581,(USER,NOCMD) Tell the user about the failure
        BAS   R14,ESESSION   Display new user screen
        B     CLEAN100
        SPACE
CLEAN600 TM    UIDOPT1,UIDRMTE Is user remote?
        BZ    CLEAN100       No, check all sessions
        L     R0,RNDPIDS
        CLM   R0,B'1100',UIDPIDRM Is user remote on this link?
        BNE   CLEAN100
        LA    R2,UIDVMID     Address user and node names
        LA    R3,RNDNODE
        MSG   0582           Display message
        TM    UIDOPT1,UIDCONN Is user also connected (routing)
        BO    CLEAN700
        BAS   R14,RELEASE    No, just release UID block
        B     CLEAN800
        SPACE
CLEAN700 GO    CSCUSATC      Terminate all forward sessions
        L     R5,CLNSV05     Restore RND entry address
CLEAN800 LR    R8,R2         Address previous entry
        B     CLEAN100       Scan all sessions
        SPACE
CLEAN900 L     R5,CLNSV05     Restore RND entry address
        BACK
        SPACE 3
*

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* Send data to next node
*
*      Input R5 addresses RND entry being processed
*
SEND    EQU    *
          TM    RNDOPT2,RNDOSPG      Is last Send finished?
          BZ    SEND100
          OI    RNDOPT2,RNDOPND      No, link has pending requests
          OI    UIDOPT5,UIDAPEND     Session has a pending request
          BR    R14
          SPACE
SEND100 ST    R14,SNDSV14
          L     R4,RNDSBUFF          Address APPC/VM Send buffer
          MVC   APPORIG,UIDORIG      Identify originating node name
          MVC   APPVMID,UIDVMID      Identify originating user name
          TM    UIDOPT5,UIDA$SD      Send data to connected node?
          BZ    SEND200              No, it must be something else
          NI    UIDOPT5,X'FF'-UIDA$SD Reset option
          MVC   APPCMD,APPC$SD       Copy command name
          L     R2,UIDCSC             Address work buffer
          L     R1,UIDCSC            Length of data
          LA    R0,APPDATA(R1)       Address end of data
          BCTR  R1,0                 Prepare to EXecute
          EX    R1,SENDMVC            Copy data to APPC buffer
          B     SEND700              Send the data
          SPACE
SEND200 TM    UIDOPT5,UIDA$SS        Check type of request
          BZ    SEND220
          NI    UIDOPT5,X'FF'-UIDA$SS Reset Start Session request flag
          MVC   APPCMD,APPC$SS       Copy command name
          MVC   APPDATA(UIDSIZEB),UIDSECT Send a copy of the UID block
          LA    R0,APPDATA+UIDSIZEB  Address next available byte
          B     SEND700              Send the data
          SPACE
SEND220 TM    UIDOPT5,UIDA$SE        Check type of request
          BZ    SEND240
          NI    UIDOPT5,X'FF'-UIDA$SE Reset Session Ended flag
          MVC   APPCMD,APPC$SE       Copy command name
          LA    R0,APPDATA           Address next available byte
          B     SEND700              Send the data
          SPACE
SEND240 TM    UIDOPT5,UIDA$TC        Check type of request
          BZ    SEND300
          NI    UIDOPT5,X'FF'-UIDA$TC Reset Terminate Connected
          MVC   APPCMD,APPC$TC       Copy command name
          LA    R0,APPDATA           Address next available byte
          B     SEND700              Send the data
          SPACE
SEND300 TM    UIDOPT1,UIDCONN        Are we connected?
          BO    SEND320              Yes, do not rebuild screen

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	ST	R5,SNDSV05	Save RND entry address
	TM	UIDOPT4,UIDBHDR	Should we rebuild the Header?
	BZ	SEND310	No, so don't do it
	GO	CSCUSCRH	Rebuild Header line
SEND310	GO	CSCBLD	Rebuild user screen (3270 DS)
	L	R5,SNDSV05	Restore our RND entry address
SEND320	L	R4,RNDSBUFF	Address Send buffer
	L	R3,UIDSCRNL	Length of screen from CSCBLD
	L	R2,UIDSCRN	Address of screen Data Stream
	LR	R1,R3	Copy length for MVCL
	LA	R0,APPDATA	Address APPC data area
	MVCL	R0,R2	Let's do it
	LR	R1,R0	Address of next available byte
	TM	UIDOPT5,UIDA\$SU	Just send data back to the user?
	BZ	SEND400	
	NI	UIDOPT5,X'FF'-UIDA\$SU	Yes, reset option
	MVC	APPCMD,APPC\$SU	Send data back
	B	SEND600	
	SPACE		
SEND400	TM	UIDOPT5,UIDA\$SC	Is this a Session Created
	BZ	SEND500	
	NI	UIDOPT5,X'FF'-UIDA\$SC	Yes, reset option
	MVC	APPCMD,APPC\$SC	Session Created command
	B	SEND600	Send the data
	SPACE		
SEND500	TM	UIDOPT5,UIDA\$SR	Is this a session rejected
	BZ	SEND510	
	MVC	APPCMD,APPC\$SR	Session Rejected command
	B	SEND700	
	SPACE		
SEND510	EQU	*	
	MSG	1111	
	MSG	2222	
	MSG	3333	
	BACK		
SEND600	TM	UIDOPT6,UIDA\$RN	Refresh CNN on user screen?
	BZ	SEND700	
	NI	UIDOPT6,X'FF'-UIDA\$RN	Yes, reset option
	MVC	4(L'COMMCNN,R1),COMMCNN	Create <CSC>CNN command
	MVC	4+L'COMMCNN(L'CSCLOCAL,R1),CSCLOCAL	
	LA	R0,4+L'COMMCNN+L'CSCLOCAL	
	ST	R0,0(,R1)	Store command length
	AR	R0,R1	Address next available byte
SEND700	LR	R1,R0	Copy end address to R1
	LA	R2,APPLEN	Address CSC data
	SR	R0,R2	Calculate length of CSC data
	ST	R0,APPLEN	Store length prefix
	SR	R1,R4	
	STH	R1,APPLL	Store APPC/VM Logical Rec length
	GO	CSCRCSD	Send the data

	TM	UIDOPT6,UIDA\$RU	Do we need the UID block
	BZ	SEND900	
	BAS	R14,RELEASE	No, release it
SEND900	L	R14,SNDSV14	
	BR	R14	
	SPACE		
SENDMVC	MVC	APPDATA(*-*),0(R2)	
	SPACE	3	
	*		
	*	Send screen Data Stream to user	
	*		
	*	Runs on local and routing nodes	
	*		
	*	DISP#ES is invoked by ESESSION and CSCUSASD	
	*		
DISPLAY	EQU	*	Send data to user
	LA	R0,APPDATA	Address data area
	LA	R1,APPLEN	Get length of all CSC data
	A	R1,APPLEN	End address of CSC data
	SR	R1,R0	Get length of 3270 data stream
	L	R2,UIDSCRNA	Address user alternate buffer
	LR	R3,R1	Copy for MVCL
	ST	R3,UIDSCRNL	Store screen length
	MVCL	R2,R0	Move data to user screen
DISP#ES	ST	R14,DSPSV14	
	TM	UIDOPT1,UIDRMTE	Are still remote?
	BO	DISP100	Yes, send data one node back
	LINK	SEND	Display it
	B	DISP900	
	SPACE		
DISP100	L	R0,UIDPIDRM	Load return PATHID
	LA	R5,RNDPTR	Address RND table
DISP200	L	R5,RNDFWD	Scan it
	LTR	R5,R5	
	BZ	DISP800	End of table found, link lost
	CLM	R0,B'1100',RNDPIDS	Look for return link
	BNE	DISP200	Not this one
	OI	UIDOPT5,UIDA\$SU	Set option
	BAS	R14,SEND	Send data back one node
	B	DISP900	
	SPACE		
DISP800	MSG	9090	
DISP900	L	R14,DSPSV14	
	BR	R14	
	SPACE	3	

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REXX/CMS talks to VB over TCP/IP

Wouldn't it be nice if we were able to:

- Insert the contents of a CMS file directly into a Word document with just a few mouse-clicks.
- Create an Excel spreadsheet containing the names of all your VM DB2 tables, without having to bother about database connectivity software.
- Insert a formatted and comprehensive description of a VM DB2 table into a Word document.

As administrator of a VM/ESA system, I am often required to write some kind of system documentation. Of course, in 'the old days' this documentation was in the form of CMS files, but nowadays I prefer to use Microsoft's Word and Excel. Until now, this meant either having to type VM system information or using a file transfer program. I thought it would be great to have direct access to various kinds of VM system information directly from Word or Excel. This led me to build the InfoServer, a system consisting of some CMS/REXX procedures and Visual BASIC for Application (VBA) macros which communicate over a TCP/IP socket connection. The server part runs in a disconnected CMS machine, the clients are implemented as VBA macros in Word documents and Excel worksheets.

I have only just started using InfoServer, so the three clients are merely examples of what might be achieved. The configuration file INFOSRV CONFIG allows some flexibility, so that the procedures INFOSRV1, INFOSRV2, and INFOSRV3 should need no changes. For each request type, a request handler procedure needs to be created in the CMS machine (see IS0001, IS0002, and IS0003 as examples). To prevent access from unwanted clients, I also included a rather basic security check mechanism based on IP addresses.

CMS COMPONENTS

The CMS components of InfoServer are as follows:

- INFOSRV CONFIG – the configuration file for the server.

- INFOSRV1 EXEC – the InfoServer start-up procedure.
- INFOSRV2 REXX – the InfoServer main stage.
- INFOSRV3 REXX – the InfoServer client request handler.
- IS0001 REXX – request handler for InfoClient1 (REQ1).
- IS0002 REXX – request handler for InfoClient2 (REQ2).
- IS0003 REXX – request handler for InfoClient3 (REQ3).

MS OFFICE COMPONENTS

The MS Office components are as follows:

- InfoClient1.wks – client example: get DB2 table list into an Excel spreadsheet.
- InfoClient2.doc – client example: get CMS file contents into a Word document.
- InfoClient3.doc – client example: get DB2 table description into a Word document.

Prerequisites for InfoServer are VM/ESA 2.3 with TCP/IP, CMS Pipelines, and REXX/SQL; Word 97; Excel 97; and Microsoft Winsock Control/Library.

REXX COMPONENTS

INFOSRV CONFIG

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/*=====*/
/* INFOSRV  CONFIG                                     */
/*=====*/
/* THE PORT ON WHICH INFOSERVER WAITS FOR CLIENT CONNECTIONS      */
[PORT]
4444
/* CLIENTS WHICH ARE ALLOWED ACCESS TO INFOSERVER                */
/* THREE WORDS FOR EACH CLIENT DEFINITION:                       */
/*  IPADDRESS                                                     */
/*  ALIAS                                                         */
/*  CODEPAGE                                                      */
[CLIENTS]
121.33.77.123  PC1      STANDARD
121.33.77.124  PC2      437

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/* REQUEST DEFINITIONS:                                     */
/*   WORD1: REQUEST ID                                     */
/*   WORD2: FILENAME OF PIPELINE STAGE WHICH HANDLES REQUEST */
[REQUESTS]
REQ1             IS0001
REQ2             IS0002
REQ3             IS0003

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INFOSRV1 EXEC

```

/*=====*/
/* Name      :  INFOSRV1 EXEC                               */
/*=====*/
/* Application :  InfoServer                               */
/*           :  Procedure                                   */
/* Usage      :  Procedure                                   */
/*           :  Procedure                                   */
/* Arguments  :  -                                         */
/*           :  -                                         */
/* Result     :  -                                         */
/*           :  -                                         */
/* Function   :  InfoServer Start-up Procedure           */
/*           :  InfoServer Start-up Procedure           */
/*           :  InfoServer Start-up Procedure           */
/* This procedure initializes the InfoServer               */
/* It should be called in the PROFILE EXEC of the disconnected */
/* CMS machine running the InfoServer                     */
/*           :  InfoServer Start-up Procedure           */
/* It starts a pipeline with TCPLISTEN and directs the stream */
/* to INFOSRV2 REXX                                     */
/*=====*/
,pipe < infosrv config a',
,| nlocate 1-3 - - ,,
,| nlocate 1-2 -/*- ,,
,| frlab [PORT] | drop 1' ,
,| tolabel [CLIENTS] | take 1 | var port'
,vmfclear'
say ,InfoServer initializing on port' port
,pipe tcplisten' port ,| infosrv2'

```

INFOSRV2 REXX

```

/*=====*/
/* Name      :  INFOSRV2 REXX                               */
/*=====*/
/* Application :  InfoServer                               */
/*           :  Pipeline Stage Command                   */
/* Usage      :  Pipeline Stage Command                   */
/*           :  Pipeline Stage Command                   */
/* Arguments  :  -                                         */
/*           :  -                                         */
/* Result     :  -                                         */
/*           :  -                                         */

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/*                                                                    */
/* Function      :  InfoServer Main Stage                            */
/*                                                                    */
/* This stage must be run after a TCPLISTEN stage, as in INFOSRV1   */
/*                                                                    */
/* InStream  Ø  :  OutStream Ø produced by TCPLISTEN                */
/* OutStream Ø  :  -                                                */
/*                                                                    */
/* This pipeline stage procedure waits for incoming requests from   */
/* clients, performs security checking, and starts a separate       */
/* pipeline with INFOSRV3 REXX for each client connection           */
/*=====*/
/*=====*/
/* read client definitions                                          */
/*=====*/
,callpipe < infosrv config a',
,| nlocate 1-3 - - , ,
,| nlocate 1-2 -/*- , ,
,| frlab [CLIENTS] | drop 1' ,
,| tolabel [REQUESTS] | stem clients.'
/*=====*/
/* main server loop                                               */
/*=====*/
say ,InfoServer now waiting for client connections'
signal on error
do forever
,peekto peeky'          /* wait for client connection */
ipstruct=substr(peeky,65,16) /* client network address */
,callpipe var ipstruct | socka2ip | var ipstruct'
client_ipaddr=word(ipstruct,3) /* client ip address */
/* security checks */
allowed=Ø
do i=1 to clients.Ø
parse value clients.i with ipaddr name codep
if client_ipaddr = ipaddr
then
do
allowed=1
leave
end
end
if allowed
then
say ,Request from client:' ipaddr name
else
do
,readto rubbish' /* consume unwanted request from client */
say ,Request from unknown client' client_ipaddr ,refused'
iterate
end
/* spawn a separate task for this connection */

```

```

/* and pass it a record                                     */
,addpipe *.output: | i: fanin ,,
,| tcpdata | elastic | infosrv3' client_ipaddr codep name , | i:'
,callpipe *: | take 1 | *:'
,sever output'
end
exit
error: exit RC*(rc<>0)

```

INFOSRV3 REXX

```

/*=====*/
/* Name      :  INFOSRV3 REXX                               */
/*=====*/
/* Application :  InfoServer                               */
/*           :  InfoServer                               */
/* Usage      :  Pipeline Stage Command                   */
/*           :  Pipeline Stage Command                   */
/* Arguments  :  ipaddress codepage name                  */
/*           :  ipaddress codepage name                  */
/* Result     :  -                                         */
/*           :  -                                         */
/* Function   :  Handle InfoServer Client Request        */
/*           :  Handle InfoServer Client Request        */
/* InStream 0 :  one data record from the client         */
/* OutStream 0 :  data to be returned to client          */
/*           :  data to be returned to client          */
/* This procedure handles a client request.              */
/* It is called by INFOSRV2 REXX for each request       */
/* It calls the pipeline stage defined in INFOSRV CONFIG for the
/* request and handles all translation according to the clients
/* codepage                                             */
/*=====*/
parse arg client_ipaddr codepage name
/*=====*/
/* read request definitions                               */
/*=====*/
,callpipe < infoserv config a',
,| nlocate 1-3 - - ,,
,| nlocate 1-2 -/*- ,,
,| frlab [REQUESTS] | drop 1' ,
,| tolabel [DUMMY] | stem requests.'
module.=' '
do i=1 to requests.0
req_id=word(requests.i,1)
module.req_id=word(requests.i,2)
allowedclients.req_id=word(requests.i,3)
end
/*=====*/
/*           :  InfoServer                               */
/*=====*/

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```

do forever
,READTO request_record'
if rc <> 0 then leave
request_record=xlate(,FROM',request_record)
req_id=word(request_record,1)
/* check if request is defined in config file */
if module.req_id = ,
then
do
say      ,Unknown request' req_id ,cannot be processed'
orec=    ,Unknown request' req_id ,cannot be processed'
,output' xlate(,T0',orec)
return
end
/* process request and return requested information */
say ,Request:' req_id ,  Module called:' module.req_id
,callpipe var request_record' ,
,|' module.req_id ,
,| var retval'
/* append end-of-data marker to output stream data */
retval=retval || ,##eod##'
,output' xlate(,T0',retval)
END
return
/*=====*/
/* xlate()                                     */
/* translates as string according to the clients codepage */
/*=====*/
xlate:
parse arg opt,the_string
/* translate input according to codepage for this client */
select
when translate(codepage) = ,NONE' then nop
when translate(codepage) = ,STANDARD'
then
do
if translate(opt) = ,T0'
then
opt='E2A'
else
opt='A2E'
,callpipe var the_string' ,
,| xlate' opt ,
,| var the_string'
end

```

IS0001 REXX

```

/*=====*/
/* Name          : IS0001  REXX                                     */
/*=====*/

```

```

/* Application : InfoServer */
/* */
/* Usage : Pipeline Stage Command */
/* */
/* Arguments : - */
/* */
/* Result : - */
/* */
/* Function : Request Handler for REQ1 (DB2 Table List) */
/* */
/* InStream Ø : Request_Record */
/* OutStream Ø : Requested_Data_Stream_for_Client */
/* */
/*=====*/
/*=====*/
/* main processing logic */
/*=====*/
,readto request_record'
parse value request_record with req_id req_data
dbname=strip(req_data)
call do_connect
call do_select
ADDRESS COMMAND ,RXSQL COMMIT RELEASE'
return
/*=====*/
/* perform SQL CONNECT */
/*=====*/
do_connect:
USER_STRING='SQLOWNER IDENTIFIED BY HANDSOFF'
ADDRESS COMMAND ,RXSQL CONNECT' user_string ,TO' dbname
sqlrc=rc
if sqlcode = Ø | sqlrc = Ø
then
do
call error_message
return
end
return
/*=====*/
/* prepare and execute the SELECT statement */
/*=====*/
do_select:
STMT='SELECT TNAME,CREATOR,TABLETYPE,REMARKS' ,
,FROM SYSTEM.SYSCATALOG' ,
,ORDER BY CREATOR, TNAME'
address command ,RXSQL PREP STAT1' stmt
if rc = Ø
then
do
call error_message
return
end

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```

address command ,RXSQL OPEN STAT1'
if rc = 0
then
do
call error_message
return
end
orec=''
cnt=0
do forever
address command ,
,RXSQL FETCH STAT1 TNAME,CREATOR,TABLETYPE,REMARKS'
IF RC = 4 & SQLCODE = 100 THEN LEAVE
if rc = 0
then
do
call error_message
return
end
cnt=cnt+1
orec=orec || strip(creator)'. 'tname'&'
if tabletype = ,R'
then
orec=orec || ,Table'
else
orec=orec || ,View'
orec=orec || ,&' || remarks'@'
END
,output' orec
say cnt ,records sent. Length' length(orec)
address command ,RXSQL CLOSE STAT1'
address command ,RXSQL COMMIT'
address command ,RXSQL PURGE STAT1'
return
/*=====*/
/* SQL error message routine */
/*=====*/
error_message:
SAY ,ERROR'
output ,ERROR'
return

```

IS0002 REXX

```

/*=====*/
/* Name      :  IS0002  REXX */
/*=====*/
/* Application :  InfoServer */
/* */
/* Usage      :  Pipeline Stage Command */

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```

/*                                                                    */
/* Arguments      : -                                                */
/*                                                                    */
/* Result        : -                                                */
/*                                                                    */
/* Function       : Request Handler for REQ2 (CMS File Grabber)      */
/*                                                                    */
/* InStream  Ø   : Request_Record                                     */
/* OutStream  Ø   : Requested_Data_Stream_for_Client                */
/*                                                                    */
/*=====*/
/*=====*/
/* main processing logic                                           */
/*=====*/
,readto request_record'
vaddr2='1234' /* must be unused vaddr */
fmode='V'     /* must be unused fmode */
parse value request_record with req_id req_data
parse value req_data with user vaddr mname mtype
,callpipe cp link' user vaddr vaddr2 ,rr'
,callpipe cms acc' vaddr2 fmode
,callpipe cms listfile' mname mtype fmode , | var fileline'
/*=====*/
/* exit if file not found                                         */
/*=====*/
if pos(,NOT FOUND',translate(fileline)) > Ø
then
do
orec=user vaddr mname mtype ,not found'
orec=right(length(orec),8) || orec
,output' orec
,callpipe cms rel' fmode ,(det'
return
end
/*=====*/
/* read file, prepare output stream                               */
/*=====*/
,callpipe <, mname mtype fmode , | stem recs.'
orec=''
do i=1 to recs.Ø
rec=strip(recs.i)
orec=orec || right(length(rec),8) || rec
end
,callpipe cms rel' fmode ,(det'
,output' orec
return

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The DG digest reader

Many VM users make use of Richard Schafer's MailBook program to manage their mail. MailBook evolved from the popular public domain program Ricemail (also by Schafer), and is written as an XEDIT application, allowing it to be customized through user-written XEDIT macros.

One such customization greatly enhances the user's ability to traverse electronic mailing list digests, specifically digests produced by L-Soft's Listserv mailing-list manager. Such digests collect together all postings to the list during a given period (usually daily) and send them out as a single mailing to subscribers to the list, the collected postings being preceded by a list of topics discussed.

The collection of postings appears in the digest in the order in which they were received, rather than being rearranged to group together those with the same topic. In a digest containing many postings, this makes it difficult to follow a single topical thread. The DG digest reader, used in conjunction with MailBook, solves this problem. One simply positions the cursor on the desired topic in the topic list. Then subsequent use of the PF2 key takes the reader through all postings in the digest dealing with the selected topic.

DG requires no installation procedures. Just copy it to any accessed disk with name DG XEDIT and, after the digest is open in MailBook, type DG. To see a brief set of instructions, type 'DG ?'. While DG is designed to find its way through Listserv digests, it can be easily modified to negotiate its way through digests from other mailing list managers by anybody reasonably proficient at writing XEDIT macros.

Further information on MailBook is available at <http://www.mailbooksoftware.com> and further information on Listserv can be found at <http://www.lsoft.com/listserv.stm> .

SOURCE CODE

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/* DG XEDIT
DG is used in conjunction with the popular VM MAILBOOK mail reader
to follow the thread of a particular topic in a LISTSERV digest
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mailing. These mailings have a numbered list of topics at the beginning of the digest, for example:

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There are 6 messages totalling 262 lines in this issue.
Topics of the day:
  1. Choosing a wood plane (2)
  2. Wood plane
  3. Polyurethane finishes (3)
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the topic names being taken from the Subject: lines of the individual postings and the numbers in parentheses indicating how many postings in the digest have the indicated topic.

After opening the digest with the MAIL program, begin by typing DG on the command line. Then select a digest topic by moving the cursor to the line containing the topic description, and press PF2. The first article on the topic will be displayed.

Successive depressions of PF2 will display the remaining articles whose subject lines contain the selected topic. (The search for the topic is case-insensitive.) Once the topic is exhausted, the file will be repositioned to the topic list as it was when the topic was selected. (For your convenience, the topic will be marked as "read" by an asterisk after the topic number.) To escape a thread before exhaustion, press PF1.

Note that if you select a topic "Wood plane" say, this will also display those postings with subject line "Choosing a wood plane".

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To reset PF1-PF3 to their usual functions, press PF3 or type  DG EXIT */
ADDRESS XEDIT
ADDRESS CMS "GLOBALV SELECT MAIL GET ACTIVE.NOTEBOOKS"
IF ACTIVE.NOTEBOOKS = "" THEN DO                /* Not running MailBook. */
  "MSG DG cannot be used except in conjunction with the MailBook",
  "mail reader."
  EXIT Ø
END
globgrp = LEFT("$DG$",8)
ARG arg
IF arg = "?" THEN DO                            /* Display instructions. */
PARSE SOURCE . . fn ft fm .
  "PIPE <" fn ft fm "| TOLAB */| DROP 1 | CONSOLE"
  EXIT Ø
END
IF arg = "EXIT" THEN DO                        /* User pressed PF3. */
  ADDRESS CMS "GLOBALV SELECT" globgrp,        /* Clean up PF keys. */
  "GET pf1 pf2 pf3 pfline"
  IF pf1 ⇐ "" THEN "SET PF1" pf1
  IF pf2 ⇐ "" THEN "SET PF2" pf2
  IF pf3 ⇐ "" THEN "SET PF3" pf3
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IF pfline = "" THEN DO
  "SET CTLCHAR" 'FC'X "OFF"
  "SET RESERVED" pfline
END
"CURSOR CMDLINE"
ADDRESS CMS "GLOBALV SELECT" globgrp "PURGE"
CALL msgexit "DG terminated; PF1-PF3 restored."
END
"EXTRACT /CURSOR /CMDLINE /CURLINE /SIZE /LINE /PF1"
line = LINE.1
init = POS('FD'X,PF1.2) > 0      /* True if DG already initialized. */
IF CURSOR.1 = CMDLINE.2 THEN DO /* Then cursor on command line. */
  IF init & arg = "" THEN arg = 'FD'X /* If already initialized, */
                                     /* treat as if PF1. */
  SELECT /* Based on argument supplied, if any. */
    WHEN arg = "" THEN DO /* User typed command. */
      "-* FIND Subject:" /* Try to find digest name. */
      IF RC = 0 THEN DO
        "EXTRACT /CURLINE"
        PARSE VAR CURLINE.3 . digestname .
        digestname = digestname "Digest: "
      END
      ELSE digestname = ""
      "-* FIND _" /* Try to find topic list. */
      IF RC = 0 THEN "LOCATE /1./" /* Line containing first topic. */
      IF RC = 0 THEN DO
        "EXTRACT /LINE"
        topicbeg = LINE.1 - 1 /* Start of topic list. */
        DO UNTIL CURLINE.3 = "" /* Find line after last topic. */
          "LOCATE -/./"
          IF RC = 0 THEN "EXTRACT /LINE /CURLINE"
          ELSE LEAVE
        END
      END
      IF RC = 0 THEN CALL msgexit, /* Too bad about that. */
        "Topic list could not be found; DG not usable."
      topicend = LINE.1 - 1 /* End of topic list. */
      line = topicbeg /* Start out with topic list on screen. */
      ADDRESS CMS "GLOBALV SELECT" globgrp "PUT topicbeg topicend"
      "EXTRACT /PF1 /PF2 /PF3 /CTLCHAR /RESERVED *"
      pf1 = PF1.1 PF1.2; pf2 = PF2.1 PF2.2; pf3 = PF3.1 PF3.2
      ADDRESS CMS "PIPE STEM RESERVED. | LOCATE / F1 =/ | VAR pfline"
      PARSE VAR pfline pfl0 pfl1 pfl2 pfl3 pfl4 "F1 =" "F4 =" pflend
      esc = CTLCHAR.2
      IF esc = "" | POS('FC'X,esc||CTLCHAR.4)>0, /* Then user has */
        | pfl4 = "" | pflend = "" /* non-std SET RESERVED lines. */
        THEN pfline = ""
      ELSE DO /* OK to mess with PF prompt lines. */
        ccdef = "PROTECT" pfl1 pfl2 pfl4 pfl3
        pflbeg = pfl0 "YEL REV PS0 HIGH F1 =TopcList F2 ="

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    pflend = "Topic F3 =QuitDG "esc'FC'X" F4 ="pflend
    ADDRESS CMS "GLOBALV SELECT" globgrp,
      "PUT pf1 pf2 pf3 pfline pflbeg pflend line"
    "SET PF1 ONLY MACRO DG" 'FD'X
    "SET PF3 ONLY MACRO DG EXIT"
    "SET CTLCHAR" 'FC'X ccdef
  END
  CALL newtopic,
    digestname|"Put cursor at topic and press PF2 to begin thread."
  END
  WHEN arg = 'FF'X THEN /* PF2, but no current topic. */
  CALL msgexit "No topic currently selected."
  WHEN arg = 'FE'X THEN /* PF2; continue current thread. */
    ADDRESS CMS "GLOBALV SELECT" globgrp "GET topic start"
    /* search string, line to start searching. */
  WHEN arg = 'FD'X THEN /* PF1; user cancelled topic. */
    CALL newtopic "Select another topic with PF2."
  OTHERWISE
    CALL msgexit "Command DG" arg "has no meaning."
  END
END /* Case cursor on command line. */
ELSE SELECT /* Cursor not on command line */
  WHEN CURSOR.3 < 1 | CURSOR.3 > SIZE.1 THEN
    CALL msgexit "Cursor not in text area."
  WHEN arg = 'FD'X THEN DO /* User pressed PF1 while menu displayed. */
    ADDRESS CMS "GLOBALV SELECT" globgrp "GET topicbeg"
    line = topicbeg /* refresh menu. */
    ADDRESS CMS "GLOBALV SELECT" globgrp "PUT line"
    CALL newtopic
  END
  OTHERWISE
    ":"CURSOR.3
    "EXTRACT /CURLINE /LINE" /* Pick up contents of file line. */
    topicline = LINE.1 /* Topic is now on current line. */
    ADDRESS CMS "GLOBALV SELECT" globgrp "GET topicbeg topicend"
    IF topicline < topicbeg | topicline > topicend THEN
      CALL newtopic "Selected line does not appear to be in topic list."
      PARSE VAR CURLINE.3 a "." +2 topic
      topic = SPACE(topic)
      PARSE VALUE REVERSE(topic) WITH b c
      PARSE VAR b i ")" j "(" k /* Strip off any topic frequency count. */
      IF i = "" & DATATYPE(j,"W") & k = "" THEN topic = REVERSE(c)
      PARSE VAR topic topic 61 /* Shorten search target enough */
      /* to avoid missing folded Subject: lines. */
      "-1 EXTRACT /LINE"
      start = LINE.1
      ":"topicline "REPLACE" OVERLAY("*",CURLINE.3,POS(".",CURLINE.3)+1)
      /* Mark topic selected. */
      line = topicline /* for positioning topic menu next time displayed. */
      ADDRESS CMS "GLOBALV SELECT" globgrp "PUT line topic"
    END
  END

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/* Get next occurrence of current topic. */
"EXTRACT /WRAP /CASE /STAY /VARBLANK /MSGMODE"
"SET WRAP OFF"
"SET CASE MIXED IGNORE"
"SET STAY OFF"
"SET VARBLANK ON"
"SET MSGMODE OFF"
":start+2
"LOCATE" '6A'X||"Subject:"|'|6A'X|'|"&"|'|6A'X||topic||'6A'X
locrc = RC
"SET WRAP" WRAP.1
"SET CASE" CASE.1 CASE.2
"SET STAY" STAY.1
"SET VARBLANK" VARBLANK.1
"SET MSGMODE" MSGMODE.1
IF locrc ≠ ∅ THEN DO
  PARSE VAR topic top25 26 1 top28 29
  IF topic ≠ top28 THEN top28 = top25"..."
  CALL newtopic,
    "Topic ""top28"" exhausted. Select another topic with PF2."
END
"-2 EXTRACT /LINE /PF2"
start = LINE.1
ADDRESS CMS "GLOBALV SELECT" globgrp "PUT start"
IF PF2.2 = "MACRO DG" 'FF'X THEN DO
  "SET PF2 ONLY MACRO DG" 'FE'X
  ADDRESS CMS "GLOBALV SELECT" globgrp "GET pfline pflbeg pflend"
  IF pfline ≠ "" THEN
    "SET RESERVED" pflbeg"Con"pflend
  END
  PARSE VAR topic top48 49 1 top50 51
  IF topic ≠ top50 THEN top50 = top48".."
  CALL msgexit "Press PF2 to follow topic ""top50"".""
  newtopic: /* Come here to return to topic list. */
  "SET PF2 ONLY MACRO DG" 'FF'X
  ADDRESS CMS "GLOBALV SELECT" globgrp,
    "GET pfline pflbeg pflend line"
  IF pfline ≠ "" THEN "SET RESERVED" pflbeg"Sel"pflend
  ":"line
  "EXTRACT /CURLINE"
  "CURSOR FILE" line+1 MAX(POS(".",CURLINE.3),1)
  msgexit: /* Come here to display message, return to XEDIT. */
  PARSE ARG msg
  "MSG" msg
  EXIT ∅

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VM news

VM users can benefit from the integration of Aonix's System/390 Web-based reporting tool, UltraQuest Reporter, with the Web server component of Sterling Software's VM:Webgateway, providing end users with secure access to mainframe data for optimized *ad hoc* reporting via a Web browser.

UltraQuest Reporter capitalizes on the Web to enable easy access to mainframe reports, while VM:Webgateway ensures end-to-end security. In addition to leveraging mainframe security, VM:Webgateway exploits Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) technology and supports emerging multi-tier encryption security standards.

UltraQuest Reporter features a two-tier architecture that eliminates the need for additional mid-tier levels of hardware and software. Users can access multiple mainframe data sources such as DB2, IMS, IDMS, VSAM, and Teradata directly with a client Java application.

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Tivoli has announced Version 3.1 of ADSM storage manager for VM/ESA, for network back-up, archiving, and disaster recovery.

Enhancements include administrative clients to control server activities, define storage management policies for workstation files, and set up schedules for automated back-up and archive services.

Other new features include support for back-up archive clients that allows users to restore or retrieve files from an ADSM server, support for backing-up and archiving files on a variety of disk and tape devices, Web browser interfaces to support remote administration and remote back-up-archive operations, and support for customized reporting and analysis via an SQL interface.

Version 3.1 also includes support for the ADSM Hierarchical Storage Management clients and the optional Server-to-Server Virtual Volumes, which provides for on-line disaster recovery, better workload balancing across multiple servers, and sharing of system resources such as large robotic tape libraries and drives.

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