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## Optimizing processing with high-level languages

High-level languages, such as PL/I, COBOL, and Fortran, can speed up code writing, but at the same time they can create inefficiency. As a result, when high-level language code is executed, performance degradation may be observed. So, it is useful to take advantage of fast Assembler code to optimize data processing, at the same time extending the capabilities of high-level languages.

CMSFRW is a subroutine intended to accelerate file input/output. It provides a common interface to CMS macros that process disk files and allows programmers to utilize their full power.

The functions supported by CMSFRW are:

- Dynamic opening for reading or writing of CMS files on arbitrary accessible mini-disks, with no FILEDEF command needed.
- Executing implicit CLOSE on endfile events for input files, and performing explicit CLOSE for output files.
- Supporting the specification of record number, which is the defined starting position in a file for a given read or write operation.
- Writing self-defining records, containing their length in the first two bytes of each record, into variable-format CMS files.
- Erasing files, specified by filename, filetype, and filemode.
- Buffering fixed-length files and blocking read/write operations.

CMSFRW is written in Assembler and was created in CMS with VM/SP Release 5. The size of CMSFRW is 1,219 bytes. At execution time, when fixed-length files are processed, a buffer area of 256KB is allocated. For successful execution, the virtual machine size must be at least 4MB.

The CMSFRW CALL parameter list (PPLIST) includes the following parameters:

```
CALL CMSFRW (req,fn,ft,fm,buf,buf_len,read_len,start_rec_no,format)
```

where:

- ‘req’ – 1 byte, character.
- ‘fn’ – 8 bytes, character.
- ‘ft’ – 8 bytes, character.
- ‘fm’ – 2 bytes, character.
- ‘buf’ – 4 bytes, pointer.
- ‘buf\_len’ – 4 bytes, binary.
- ‘read\_len’ – 4 bytes, binary.
- ‘start\_rec\_no’ – 4 bytes, binary.
- ‘format’ – 1 byte, character.

The parameter ‘req’ specifies the requested operation and can have the following values:

- C – close output file.
- D – delete file.
- R – read operation.
- W – write operation.

After CALL, ‘req’ contains a copy of the first byte of register 15. For proper program execution, the user must always verify that the value of req is X'00'. A different value of req means that the requested action has failed, with the corresponding CMS macro return code. Note that when the read operation is executed, the req value of X'0C' signals the end of the file.

The parameters ‘fn’, ‘ft’, and ‘fm’ specify the CMS identifier of the processed file.

The parameters ‘buf’ and ‘buf\_len’ set the address and length of the file record buffer.

If a variable-length file is read, then, after CALL, the parameter ‘read\_len’ contains the actual length of the read record in the buffer.

The parameter ‘start\_rec\_no’ specifies the starting record number for read and write operations. Note that when file ‘fn ft fm’ exists, and the

write operation is executed, if 'start\_rec\_no' has a value of 0, then records append to the end of file.

The parameter 'format' defines the file record format and can have the following values:

- 'F' – fixed-length record.
- 'V' – variable-length record.
- 'W' – self-defining records to be written with variable-length.

An example of parameter descriptions in PL/I follows:

```
DCL CMSFRW ENTRY (CHAR (1),
                  CHAR (8),
                  CHAR (8),
                  CHAR (2),
                  *,
                  FIXED BIN (31),
                  FIXED BIN (31),
                  FIXED BIN (31),
                  CHAR (1))
      OPTIONS (ASM INTER);
```

## EXAMPLES OF CMSFRW USE

The following examples are created with PL/I, but they are applicable to any other high-level language, with minor modifications. All examples use the following common declarations:

```
DCL CH_1 CHAR (1) AUTO;
DCL CH_10_F CHAR (10) AUTO;
DCL CH_10_V CHAR (10) VAR AUTO;
DCL READ_LEN FIXED BIN (31) AUTO;
```

- Reading file '1 F A' with a fixed-length record of 10 bytes:

```
DO UNTIL (UNSPEC(CH_1) = '00001100'B); /* RG15 = X'0C' -> EOF */
    CH_1 = 'R';
    CALL CMSFRW (CH_1, '1', 'F', 'A', CH_10, 10, 0, 0, 'F');
END;
```

- Reading file '1 F A', starting from record number 3:

```
DO UNTIL (UNSPEC(CH_1) = '00001100'B); /* RG15 = X'0C' -> EOF */
    CH_1 = 'R';
    CALL CMSFRW (CH_1, '1', 'F', 'A', CH_10, 10, 0, 3, 'F');
END;
```

- Reading file '1 V A' with a variable-length record of 10 bytes:

```
DO UNTIL (UNSPEC(CH_1) = '00001100'B); /* RG15 = X'0C' -> EOF */
  CH_1 = 'R';
  CALL CMSFRW (CH_1, '1', 'V', 'A', CH_10, 10, READ_LEN, 0, 'V');
  CH_10_V = SUBSTR (CH_10, 1, READ_LEN);
END;
```

- Writing 7 records to file '1 F A' with a fixed-length record of 10 bytes:

```
DO I = 1 TO 7;
  CH_10 = I;
  CH_1 = 'W';
  CALL CMSFRW (CH_1, '1', 'F', 'A', CH_10, 10, 0, 0, 'F');
END;
```

```
CH_1 = 'C';
CALL CMSFRW (CH_1, '1', 'F', 'A', 0, 0, 0, 0, 'F');
```

- Writing 7 records to file '1 V A' with a variable-length record of 10 bytes:

```
DO I = 1 TO 7;
  CH_10_V = I;
  CH_10 = CH_10_V;
  CH_1 = 'W';
  CALL CMSFRW (CH_1, '1', 'V', 'A', CH_10, LENGTH(CH_10_V), 0, 0, 'V');
END;
```

```
CH_1 = 'C';
CALL CMSFRW (CH_1, '1', 'V', 'A', 0, 0, 0, 0, 'V');
```

- Writing 7 self-defined records to file '1 V A' with a variable-length record of 10 bytes:

```
DO I = 1 TO 7;
  CH_10_V = I;
  CH_1 = 'W';
  CALL CMSFRW (CH_1, '1', 'V', 'A', CH_10_V, 0, 0, 0, 'W');
END;
```

```
CH_1 = 'C';
CALL CMSFRW (CH_1, '1', 'V', 'A', 0, 0, 0, 0, 'W');
```

- Erasing file '1 E A':

```
CH_1 = 'D';
CALL CMSFRW (CH_1, '1', 'E', 'A', 0, 0, 0, 0, '');
```

## BENCHMARKS

The productivity of CMSFRW was examined during real file processing, with files ranging in size from 55MB to 500MB, on 3380 devices with a 3MB per second transfer rate. The number of read records was between 2,543,000 and 3,363,000. A comparison was made between natural PL/I program code and PL/I code containing a CALL to CMSFRW instead of the native PL/I READ statement. This showed that CMSFRW increased system performance by approximately three times.

## CMSFRW ASSEMBLE

```
*****
****                                     ***          ****
**** CMSFRW                CMS read/write driver          ***          ****
****                                     ***          ****
*****
*
CMSFRW  CSECT
        SAVE  (14,12)
        BALR  12,Ø
        USING *,12
        ST   13,SA+4
        LA   13,SA
        L    2,Ø(1)
        LM   3,9,4(1)
        MVC  FN(8),Ø(3)
        MVC  FT(8),Ø(4)
        MVC  FM(2),Ø(5)
        LA   11,1
        L    1Ø,Ø(9)
        CLC  RECNO(4),=F'-1'
        BNE  DONTSET
        ST   1Ø,RECNO
DONTSET EQU  *
        L    7,Ø(7)
        LA   3,FN
        L    4,32(1)
        CLI  Ø(4),C'W'
        BNE  SETRECFM
        IC   4,=C'V'
        LH   7,Ø(6)
        LA   6,2(6)
        B    PROC
SETRECFM EQU  *
        IC   4,Ø(4)
PROC      EQU  *
        ST   6,RGØ6
```

```

      CLI  Ø(2),C'R'
      BE   CHECKF
      CLI  Ø(2),C'W'
      BNE  PROCREQ
CHECKF EQU  *
      CLI  ALLOCFOR,X'ØØ'
      BNE  PROCREQ
      STH  7,LRECL
      SR   Ø,Ø
      CLM  4,1,=C'F'
      BE   DOBLOCK
      LR   1,7
      B    COUNTREC
DOBLOCK EQU  *
      L    1,=A(1Ø24*256)
COUNTREC EQU  *
      DR   Ø,7
      ST   1,NOREC
      MH   1,LRECL
      ST   1,BUFLEN
      LA   Ø,7(1)
      SRL  Ø,3
      DMSFREE DWORDS=(Ø),TYPE=USER,ERR=RET
      ST   1,BUFADDR
      MVC  ALLOCFOR(1),Ø(2)
      XC   BUFPOS(4),BUFPOS
      CLI  Ø(2),C'R'
      BNE  PROCREQ
      L    11,NOREC
      L    7,BUFLEN
      L    6,BUFADDR
      FSREAD (3),RECFM=(4),BUFFER=(6),BSIZE=(7),
      RECNO=(1Ø),NOREC=(11),FORM=E
      ST   Ø,BUFLEN
      XC   RECNO(4),RECNO
      CLM  4,1,=C'F'
      BE   PROCREQ
      ST   Ø,Ø(8)
PROCREQ EQU  *
      CLI  Ø(2),C'R'
      BE   READ
      CLI  Ø(2),C'W'
      BE   WRITE
      CLI  Ø(2),C'D'
      BE   DELETE
      CLI  Ø(2),C'C'
      BE   CLOSE
      MVI  Ø(2),X'FF'
      B    MISS
WRITE  EQU  *
      L    Ø,RGØ6
      L    14,BUFADDR

```



```

A      14,BUFPOS
BAL    5,CHECKBUF
FSWRITE (3),RECFM=(4),BUFFER=(6),BSIZE=(7),
RECNO=(10),NOREC=(11),FORM=E
XC     RECNO(4),RECNO
B      RET
READ  EQU  *
L      0,BUFADDR
A      0,BUFPOS
L      14,RG06
BAL    5,CHECKBUF
FSREAD (3),RECFM=(4),BUFFER=(6),BSIZE=(7),
RECNO=(10),NOREC=(11),FORM=E
ST     0,BUFLEN
CLM    4,1,=C'F'
BE     CHECKEOF
ST     0,0(8)
CHECKEOF EQU *
CLM    15,1,=X'0C'
BE     CLOSE
B      RET
DELETE EQU *
FSERASE (3)
B      RET
CLOSE EQU *
CLI    ALLOCFOR,X'00'
BE     DOCLOSE
CLI    ALLOCFOR,C'R'
BE     FREEMEM
L      7,BUFPOS
LTR    7,7
BZ     FREEMEM
L      6,BUFADDR
SR     10,10
LR     11,7
LH     1,LRECL
DR     10,1
L      10,RECNO
FSWRITE (3),RECFM=(4),BUFFER=(6),BSIZE=(7),
RECNO=(10),NOREC=(11),FORM=E
FREEMEM EQU *
L      1,NOREC
MH     1,LRECL
LA     0,7(1)
SRL    0,3
L      1,BUFADDR
DMSFRET DWORDS=(0),LOC=(1)
DOCLOSE EQU *
FSCLOSE (3)
LA     15,12
MVI    ALLOCFOR,X'00'
MVC    RECNO(4),=F'-1'

```

```

RET      EQU      *
        XC      0(1,2),0(2)
        LTR     15,15
        BZ      MISS
        CLM     15,1,=X'0C'
        BNE     CLOSE
        STCM    15,1,0(2)
MISS     EQU      *
        L       13,4(13)
        RETURN  (14,12)
CHECKBUF EQU      *
        LH      1,LRECL
        LR      15,1
        MVCL    14,0
        L       0,BUFPOS
        AH      0,LRECL
        ST      0,BUFPOS
        C       0,BUFLEN
        BL      RET
        XC      BUFPOS(4),BUFPOS
        L       11,NOREC
        L       10,RECNO
        L       7,BUFLEN
        L       6,BUFADDR
        BR      5
SA       DC      20F'0'
BLOCK    DS      F
NOREC    DS      F
RECNO    DC      F'-1'
BUFLEN   DS      F
BUFADDR  DS      F
BUFPOS   DS      F
RG06     DS      F
FN       DS      CL8
FT       DS      CL8
FM       DS      CL2
LRECL    DS      H
ALLOCFOR DC      X'00'
        END     CMSFRW

```

## PROCESSING NUMEROUS FILES

The code of CMSFRW is not re-enterable and so it can process only one file at a time. To process several files, you should make the corresponding number of copies of CMSFRW, ie CMSFRW1, CMSFRW2, etc. This will not have any effect on system performance.

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# Deleting selected lines from a file

## GENERAL DESCRIPTION

ALLDEL and NALLDEL are two XEDIT macros that delete selected lines from a file:

- ALLDEL deletes lines containing the specified targets.
- NALLDEL deletes lines not containing those targets.

Although this may sound similar to the standard ALL macro followed by a delete operation, the main difference is that these macros accept multiple targets (up to 20), separated by a standard locate operator:

```
ALLDEL/this week/next week/next month/  
NALLDEL $/*$if$then$else$do$end
```

Like the ALL macro, these macros do not affect zone setting. To avoid deleting unwanted lines, you must ensure that zone setting is as you require, especially on NALLDEL.

Because you are deleting multiple lines, the only way to recover them correctly is to quit XEDIT and risk losing any previous changes. As a precaution, I always save my file before using these macros, especially when specifying multiple targets.

Finally, an important observation – these macros act only upon displayed lines, which means hidden lines are not affected. This is a matter of personal preference, and also of safety. It also means that I do not change set select and set display. I ensure that scope display is in effect.

## ALLDEL

```
/*=====*/  
/* ALLDEL macro for XEDIT */  
/* This macro deletes all lines containing the selected targets. */  
/* Up to 20 targets can be specified simultaneously. */  
/* Example: ALLDEL/Darth Vader/Jabba/ */  
/*=====*/
```

```

cmd = "command"
parse arg arg1
arg1 = strip(arg1)
sep = left(arg1,1)
if right(arg1,1) <> sep then arg1=arg1||sep
x = 2
do k = 1 to 20
  y = pos(sep,arg1,x)
  if y=0 | y=x then leave
  z = y-x
  target.k = substr(arg1,x,z)
  x = y+1
end
maxtarget = k-1
cmd "extract/line/wrap/msgmode/stay"
first = line.1
cmd "set wrap on"
cmd "set msgmode off"
cmd "set stay on"
cmd "set scope display"
do k = 1 to maxtarget
  cmd "top"
  do forever
    cmd "locate" sep||target.k
    if rc <> 0 then leave
    cmd "extract/line/"
    if line.1 < first then first = first-1
    cmd "delete 1"
  end
end
end
":" first
cmd "set msgmode" msgmode.1
cmd "set stay" stay.1
cmd "set wrap" wrap.1
exit

```

## NALLDELL

```

/*=====*/
/* NALLDEL macro for XEDIT */
/* This macro deletes all lines not containing the selected targets. */
/* Up to 20 targets can be specified simultaneously. */
/* Example: NALLDEL/Princess Leia/R2D2/C3P0 */
/*=====*/

```

```

cmd = "command"
parse arg arg1
arg1 = strip(arg1)

```

```

sep = left(arg1,1)
if right(arg1,1) <> sep then arg1=arg1||sep
x = 2
do k = 1 to 20
  y = pos(sep,arg1,x)
  if y=0 | y=x then leave
  z = y-x
  target.k = substr(arg1,x,z)
  x = y+1
end
maxtarget = k-1
cmd "extract/size/line"
first = line.1
newfirst = first
cmd "preserve"
cmd "set wrap off"
cmd "set msgmode off"
cmd "set scope display"
do k = 1 to maxtarget
  cmd "top"
  do forever
    cmd "locate" sep||target.k
    if rc <> 0 then leave
    cmd "extract/line/"
    x = line.1
    table.x = "Y"
  end
end
cmd "top"
x = 1
do z = 1 to size.1
  ":" x
  if rc <> 0 then leave
  if table.z = "Y" then do
    x = x+1
    iterate
  end
  cmd "delete"
  if z < first then newfirst = newfirst-1
end
cmd "restore"
":" newfirst
exit

```

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## Exploring the deeper levels of VM

On 1 January 1999 the new euro currency was introduced in many European countries. For the financial sector this represented a big challenge – the euro had to be incorporated into existing applications, often in co-existence with the old currency.

Our company had to change over 4,000 COBOL programs, hundreds of VSAM files, several databases, and lots of JCL. These changes all went into production together on 1 January 1999, making this the biggest cut-over we had ever done.

Our site has two mainframes – one for running a production VM/ESA Version 2.2 (called ‘VM1’), and one for running a development and test VM/ESA Version 2.2 (called ‘VM2’). Both VM systems host several VSE/ESA Version 2.2 guests. Our DASD reside on EMC Symmetrix boxes.

Normally, we test our programs in the development and test system (VM2), using programmer-supplied test data. But for the euro project that was not enough. End users also wanted to test the new programs with real data, and we wanted to simulate the scenario for the conversion weekend itself as realistically as possible.

We also saw the Year 2000 problem coming towards us, seemingly faster and faster. It was clear that we needed a new test environment that allowed us to cope with these new requirements.

### ANOTHER LEVEL

After considering some possible solutions, we decided to use one of the wonderful facilities of VM – to start a VM ‘in second level’ under an existing VM. This second-level VM had to be a copy of our production VM (VM1), and had to be IPLed in a virtual machine on our development-and-test VM (VM2). In this second-level VM (we call it 2nd-VM1) we could then run the programs to convert our databases and VSAM files with ‘real’ production data, after which the end users could test the new euro programs and applications. And, most importantly, the process of copying, converting, and testing could be done over and over again.

The second-level VM allowed us to test our euro conversion programs several times. We could even simulate the correct date, by altering the system date during the IPL of the second-level VM. End users filtered out many errors while testing the new or updated applications, which were corrected and tested again. As a result, the euro conversion at our site was a great success.

Right now we are using the same second-level VM infrastructure to tackle the Y2K problem. One of the things we have already encountered is that some software, although being confirmed as 'Y2K-compliant' by the vendor, in fact is not Y2K-ready. There are still many bugs in the Y2K arena. One piece of software wouldn't even accept the licence key for the year 2000 when running with a system date in 2000!

#### HOW TO SET UP A SECOND-LEVEL VM

How do you set up a second-level VM testing environment? There are several steps:

- Acquire enough disk space (3390) to hold an extra copy of the production data.
- Find a flexible tool to repeatedly make a fast copy of the production data.
- Create a first-level VM user to host the second-level VM.
- Customize the 'original' first-level VM in anticipation of being IPLed as a second-level VM.

#### COPYING DASD

The first two steps were easy. Because we already had an EMC Symmetrix DASD infrastructure, we asked our boss to buy some extra disk space from EMC. We asked for the EMC TIMEFINDER feature as well. TIMEFINDER makes it possible to copy DASD full-packs at the hardware level. All you have to do is pass to TIMEFINDER a list of DASD to be copied in the EMC Symmetrix box. Of course, DDR is an alternative to TIMEFINDER, but it takes a lot more (CPU) time and system overhead, and increases system downtime.

## CREATING A LEVEL TWO USER ON VM2

Now that a copy of the production VM is available, the next step is to IPL it in a virtual machine on our VM2 test system. The following code shows the directory entry for that user, called 'LEVEL2':

```
USER LEVEL2   PASSWORD   256M 256M BDEFG
MACHINE ESA
OPTION CPUID 065920 MIH TODENABLE QUICKDSP
IPL CMS
CONSOLE 54D 3270 T
SPOOL 00C 2540 READER *
SPOOL 00D 2540 PUNCH A
SPOOL 00E 3211 A
LINK MAINT 190 190 RR
LINK MAINT 193 193 RR
LINK MAINT 19D 19D RR
LINK MAINT 19E 19E RR
MDISK 191 3390 520 0002 EMC61A ALL READ WRITE MULTI
```

```
* 3174 Control Unit
DEDICATE 580 580
```

```
* Non SNA 3270 Screens for DIAL
SPECIAL 500 3270
SPECIAL 501 3270
SPECIAL 502 3270
SPECIAL 503 3270
SPECIAL 504 3270
SPECIAL 505 3270
SPECIAL 506 3270
```

You should pay attention to the operator-console address in the CONSOLE directory statement. This also has to be present in the VM/ESA Version 2 'SYSTEM CONFIG' file in the 'OPERATOR\_CONSOLES' entry. We used the same address as the real production VM console. The 'TODENABLE' option allows you to alter the system date in the LEVEL2 virtual machine. The 'SPECIAL' statements provide some non-SNA terminals to allow the 'DIAL LEVEL2' command to get a VM logo screen.

Note that the LEVEL2 user can't perform class A commands. That prevents you from accidentally performing a SHUTDOWN command in the first-level VM user, instead of in the second-level VM (yes, we learned this the hard way).

When the LEVEL2 user has been logged on, the disks containing the



copy of the production data have to be varied on, and attached to, the LEVEL2 virtual machine. The ATTACH is done using a virtual address that corresponds to the real address of the disk on the real production VM, so that the second-level VM will find its disks with exactly the same addresses as on the real production VM. This was necessary because, in the SYSTEM CONFIG file of our real production VM, the addresses of the disks containing the production copy were set to 'offline\_at\_ipl', to avoid duplicate labels when IPLing our real production VM. Because the second-level VM will use that same SYSTEM CONFIG file (a copy) to start itself up, we have to present the copy-disks to the second-level VM using the disk-addresses from the production system.

It sounds more complicated than it really is – just remember that everything that's virtual for user LEVEL2 becomes real for the second-level VM running in user LEVEL2.

You may have noticed that, initially, CMS will be IPLed in the LEVEL2 user. This allows us to put all the necessary commands for attaching disks and the IPL command in STARTUP EXEC, a simplified version of which is provided here. The virtual device to be IPLed is, of course, the disk containing the copy of the production IPL disk.

```

/* STARTUP EXEC for 2nd-level VM */

/* rdev = real first level device addr. of the disk to be attached */
/* vdev = virtual device addr. of the disk, appears real to the 2nd-
   level VM */

'CP ATTACH rdev TO LEVEL2 AS vdev'
'CP ATTACH rdev TO LEVEL2 AS vdev'
'CP ATTACH rdev TO LEVEL2 AS vdev'
'CP ATTACH rdev TO LEVEL2 AS vdev'
'CP ATTACH rdev TO LEVEL2 AS vdev'
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'CP ATTACH rdev TO LEVEL2 AS vdev'
'CP ATTACH rdev TO LEVEL2 AS vdev'
'CP ATTACH rdev TO LEVEL2 AS vdev'

nl='15'x
/* do the IPL */
/* vdev is the virtual device address of the VM-ipl-disk (220RES),
   appears real to the 2nd-level VM */

```

```
/* 54D is the virtual device address of the operator-console,  
   appears real to the 2nd-level VM */  
'CP TERMINAL CONMODE 3270 'n1'CP IPL vdev LOADPARM 54D'
```

The IPL command activates the SAPL (Stand Alone Program Loader) which in turn will IPL VM, using the user-defined defaults. But by supplying the address of the console as a LOADPARM on the IPL statement, we force SAPL to show the SAPL options screen, on which you can alter defaults before actually IPLing VM itself.

The SAPL parameter we have to modify is the CP LOAD address. On the real production VM we have defined a 380MB V=R zone, and, as a consequence, the CP LOAD address has to be defined higher, ie 380MB+4KB. The LEVEL2 user, however, only has 256MB of virtual storage (which will become real for the second-level VM, remember). So unless we change the CP LOAD address, CP would be loaded outside the memory, which, of course is deadly for any program. Also, in a second-level VM you cannot define a V=R zone. So we change the CP LOAD address to a modest '1000'X.

After IPL, the second-level VM comes up and asks you exactly the same start-up questions as on a first-level system. You can now alter the system date and time if you wish.

The terminal on which you performed the IPL will become the console for the second-level VM, and the OPERATOR user will be logged on. You can toggle from the second-level OPERATOR user to the first-level LEVEL2 user by pressing the PA1 key (Break key).

## CUSTOMIZING THE 'ORIGINAL' FIRST-LEVEL VM

When we had our second-level VM running, we realized that it would be a good idea to customize a few things on our real production VM, anticipating that they would only become active on the second-level VM system.

The first thing you notice is that it's not easy to distinguish the original system from the copy. They both use the same VM logos, the same USSTAB VTAM screens, the same system identifier, etc. But there's a solution to everything. For example, the SYSTEMCONFIG file can be prepared to supply different system identifiers depending on the CPU serial number on which VM is running. The following code

results in a system identifier 'VM1' when running on the real production CPU, and a system identifier '2nd-VM1' when running as a second-level VM on the test CPU:

```
System_identifier_default      VM1
System_identifier * %65920 2nd-VM1
```

It's also a good idea to create a different VM logo for the '2nd-VM1' system. Again, the SYSTEM CONFIG offers a solution. Instead of using the standard LOCAL CONFIG file to reference the set of VM logos to be used, you can provide a 'Logo\_Config' statement in SYSTEM CONFIG as follows:

```
Logo_Config -system- CONFIG
```

At IPL time, the '-system-' parameter will be replaced by the appropriate system identifier. When running on the production CPU, a file called VM1 CONFIG will be used. When running as a second-level VM on the test CPU, a file called '2ND-VM1 CONFIG' will be used. You can then reference a specific set of logo files in these files. VM logos can easily be created by using the IBM-supplied DRAWLOGO EXEC (remember to put all the files on the CF1/CF2 CP parameter disks before you IPL). Using the 'DIAL LEVEL2' command on the first-level system (the system where user LEVEL2 is running) you get the VM logo from the second-level VM.

## AVOIDING CONFUSED END USERS

To be certain that end users are testing in the second-level VM, and not in the real production system (which can be catastrophic), we attached one 3174 SNA terminal control unit directly to the second-level VM, and placed the terminals in a separate 'test' room. The selected end users have to test their applications on these terminals.

To make end users even more aware of the situation, we defined an eye-catching USSTAB for these terminals in VTAM. Note that all the necessary definitions for this control unit (in VM and VTAM) were done on the real production VM. Of course, they don't work there because the 3174 isn't available there. That way we avoid having to redo these definitions in the second-level VM every time we make a new copy of the real production VM.

## AND WHAT ABOUT VSE ?

Our VSE guests did not require any change. They work exactly the same on the 2nd-VM1 system as they do on the VM1 system. Again, this shows how good VM is at creating a virtual world. We also succeeded in establishing a (virtual) channel-to-channel POWER PNET connection between a VSE guest on our development and test system and a VSE guest on the 2nd-VM1 system, in order to provide a channel for downloading new versions of euro programs.

## HOW TO USE REAL DEVICES IN SECOND-LEVEL VM

Real devices such as printers, tapes, and cartridges can be made available to the second-level VM simply by attaching them to the LEVEL2 user. They then appear as real devices to the second-level VM.

For example, to make tape unit 495 available to user MAINT in 2nd-VM1, we do a 'CP ATTACH 495 LEVEL2' on VM2 (the first level VM) followed by a 'CP ATTACH 495 MAINT' on 2nd-VM1 (the second-level VM). The device immediately becomes available in the second-level VM through device sensing (if supported by VM for that device type). Remember that some older device types still have to be predefined in VM.

## MISSION ACCOMPLISHED

And there it is, an extra test environment that meets all our requirements: flexible testing, fast refresh of production data, Y2K system date, etc. The only drawback I have to mention is poor performance. A second-level VM-system implies double, sometimes triple, paging (VSE). CPU consumption is high as well. The 'CP SET SHARE' command can be helpful here.

But still, we are very pleased with this solution. For once, the guys from the PC department were jealous of us instead of the other way round.

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## REXX/CMS talks to VB over TCP/IP – part 2

*This month we conclude the code for the InfoServer, allowing direct access to various kinds of VM system information directly from Word or Excel.*

### IS0003

```
/*=====*/
/* Name      :  IS0003  REXX                               */
/*=====*/
/* Application :  InfoServer                               */
/*           :  InfoServer                               */
/* Usage      :  Pipeline Stage Command                   */
/*           :  Pipeline Stage Command                   */
/* Arguments  :  -                                         */
/*           :  -                                         */
/* Result     :  -                                         */
/*           :  -                                         */
/* Function   :  Request Handler for REQ3 (DB2 Table Description) */
/*           :  Request Handler for REQ3 (DB2 Table Description) */
/* InStream 0 :  Request_Record                           */
/* OutStream 0 :  Requested_Data_Stream_for_Client       */
/*           :  Requested_Data_Stream_for_Client       */
/*=====*/

/*=====*/
/* main processing logic                                   */
/*=====*/
,readto request_record'
eor_marker='#eor#'
eob_marker='#eob#'
parse value request_record with req_id req_data
dbname=translate(word(req_data,1))
creator=translate(word(req_data,2))
tablename=translate(word(req_data,3))
call do_connect
call do_selects
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 = 0 | sqlrc = 0
then
do
call error_message
return
end
return

/*=====*/
/* get and prepare the table data */
/*=====*/
do_selects:

/*=====*/
/* Get Table infos from SYSCATALOG */
/*=====*/
stmt='select dbspacename,remarks' ,
,from system.syscatalog',
"where tname = ,"strip(tabname)"" and creator = ,"strip(creator)""
address command ,RXSQL PREP STAT1' stmt
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0
then
do
call error_message
return
end

address command ,RXSQL OPEN STAT1'
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0
then
do
call error_message
return
end
address command ,
,RXSQL FETCH STAT1 DBSPACE, TABREMARKS'
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0
then
do
call error_message
return
end

address command ,RXSQL CLOSE STAT1'
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0
then
do
call error_message
return
end
address command ,RXSQL PURGE STAT1'
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0

```

```

then
do
call error_message
return
end

if strip(tabremarks) = , ' then tabremarks='No remarks on table'
orec=left(tabremarks,254) || eob_marker

/*=====*/
/* Get Column Info from SYSCOLUMNS */
/*=====*/

stmt='SELECT' ,
,CNAME, COLTYPE, LENGTH, CLABEL, REMARKS, FLDPROC, NULLS, COLNO' ,
, FROM SYSTEM.SYSCOLUMNS' ,
"WHERE TNAME = , "STRIP(TABNAME)"' AND CREATOR = , "STRIP(CREATOR)"' ,
"ORDER BY COLNO"
address command ,RXSQL PREP STAT1' stmt
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0
then
do
call error_message
return
end

address command ,RXSQL OPEN STAT1'
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0
then
do
call error_message
return
end

do forever
address command ,
,RXSQL FETCH STAT1 W_CNAME, W_COLTYPE, W_LENGTH, W_LABEL, ' ,
,W_REMARKS, W_FLDPROC, W_NULLS, W_COLNO'
if rc = 4 & sqlcode = 100 then leave
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0
then
do
call error_message
return
end

if w_label = ,W_LABEL' then w_label=w_remarks
orec=orec || left(w_colno,5) ,
|| left(w_cname,30) ,
|| left(w_coltype,12) ,
|| left(w_length,12) ,
|| left(w_nulls,1) ,

```

```

|| left(w_fldproc,8) ,
|| left(w_label,40)
end

orec=orec || eob_marker
address command ,RXSQL CLOSE STAT1'
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0
then
do
call error_message
return
end
address command ,RXSQL PURGE STAT1'
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0
then
do
call error_message
return
end

/*=====*/
/* Get Key Info from SYSKEYS, SYSKEYCOLS */
/*=====*/

stmt='SELECT' ,
,KEYNAME, KEYTYPE, INAME, REFTNAME, DELETERULE, STATUS' ,
, FROM SYSTEM.SYSKEYS',
"WHERE TNAME = , "STRIP(TABNAME)"' AND TCREATOR = , "STRIP(CREATOR)"',
address command ,RXSQL PREP STAT1' stmt
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0
then
do
call error_message
return
end

address command ,RXSQL OPEN STAT1'
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0
then
do
call error_message
return
end

do forever
address command ,
, RXSQL FETCH STAT1 KEYNAME, KEYTYPE, INAME, REFTNAME, ' ,
, DELETERULE, STATUS'
if rc = 4 & sqlcode = 100 then leave
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0
then

```



```

do
call error_message
return
end

orec=orec || left(,Key Name',20),
|| left(keyname,60)
orec=orec || left(,Key Type',20),
|| left(decode(,1'keytype),60)
if keytype = ,F'
then
do
orec=orec || left(,Index',20),
|| left(iname,60)
end
else
do
orec=orec || left(,Parent Table',20),
|| left(reftname,60)
orec=orec || left(,Delete Rule',20),
|| left(decode(,2'deleterule),60)
end

orec=orec || left(,Status',20),
|| left(decode(,3'status),60)
call get_key_columns
orec=orec || left(,Columns',20),
|| left(keycols,60)
orec=orec || eor_marker
end

orec=orec || eob_marker
address command ,RXSQL CLOSE STAT1'
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0
then
do
call error_message
return
end
address command ,RXSQL PURGE STAT1'
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0
then
do
call error_message
return
end

/*=====*/
/* Get Index Info from SYSINDEXES */
/*=====*/

stmt='SELECT' ,

```

```

,INAME, COLNAMES, INDEXTYPE, CLUSTER, CLUSTERRATIO, KEYTYPE' ,
, FROM SYSTEM.SYSINDEXES' ,
"WHERE TNAME = , "STRIP(TABNAME)"" AND CREATOR = , "STRIP(CREATOR)""
address command ,RXSQL PREP STAT1' stmt
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0
then
do
call error_message
return
end
address command ,RXSQL OPEN STAT1'
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0
then
do
call error_message
return
end

do forever
address command ,
,RXSQL FETCH STAT1' ,
,INAME, COLNAMES, INDEXTYPE, CLUSTER, CLUSTERRATIO, KEYTYPE'
if rc = 4 & sqlcode = 100 then leave
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0
then
do
call error_message
return
end

if w_label = ,W_LABEL' then w_label=''
orec=orec || left(iname,20) ,
|| left(colnames,70) ,
|| left(decode(,4'indextype),40) ,
|| left(decode(,5'cluster),40) ,
|| left(,clusterratio' (Maximum: 10000)',40) ,
|| left(,6'keytype),40) ,
|| eor_marker
end
orec=orec || eob_marker
address command ,RXSQL CLOSE STAT1'
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0
then
do
call error_message
return
end
address command ,RXSQL PURGE STAT1'
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0
then
do

```

```

call error_message
return
end

/*=====*/
/* Get DBSpace Info from SYSDBSPPACES */
/*=====*/
STMT='SELECT DBSPACENO,OWNER,NTABS,NPAGES,LOCKMODE,POOL',
, FROM SYSTEM.SYSDBSPPACES',
"WHERE DBSPACENAME = ,"STRIP(DBSPACE)""

address command ,RXSQL PREP STAT1' stmt
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0
then
do
call error_message
return
end

address command ,RXSQL OPEN STAT1'
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0
then
do
call error_message
return
end

address command ,
,RXSQL FETCH STAT1 DBSPACENO,DBSPACEOWNER,NTABS,NPAGES,' ,
|| ,lockmode,pool'
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0
then
do
call error_message
return
end
address command ,RXSQL CLOSE STAT1'
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0
then
do
call error_message
return
end
address command ,RXSQL PURGE STAT1'
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0
then
do
call error_message
return
end
orec=orec || left(dbspace,20) ,

```

```

|| left(dbspaceno,10) ,
|| left(dbpaceowner,10) ,
|| left(ntabs,10) ,
|| left(npages,20) ,
|| left(decode(,7'lockmode),10) ,
|| left(pool,10) ,
|| eob_marker

/*=====*/
/* send output data */
/*=====*/
,output' orec
return

/*=====*/
/* SQL error message routine */
/*=====*/
error_message:
SAY ,ERROR'
output ,ERROR'
return

/*=====*/
/* decode: translate codes to English text */
/*=====*/
decode:
select
when arg(1) = ,1P' then ktext='Primary key'
when arg(1) = ,1F' then ktext='Foreign key'
when arg(1) = ,1U' then ktext='Unique constraint'
when arg(1) = ,2R' then ktext='Restrict'
when arg(1) = ,2C' then ktext='Cascade'
when arg(1) = ,2N' then ktext='Set Null'
when arg(1) = ,3A' then ktext='Active'
when arg(1) = ,3I' then ktext='Inactive'
when arg(1) = ,3D' then ktext='Implicitly inactive'
when arg(1) = ,4U' then ktext='Unique'
when arg(1) = ,4D' then ktext='Duplicates allowed'
when arg(1) = ,5C' then ktext='clustered'
when arg(1) = ,5N' then ktext='not clustered'
when arg(1) = ,5F' then ktext='clustered, default insert index'
when arg(1) = ,5W' then ktext='not clustered, default insert index'
when arg(1) = ,5 , then ktext='inactive primary key index'
when arg(1) = ,6P' then ktext='index for active primary key'
when arg(1) = ,6I' then ktext='index for inactive primary key'
when arg(1) = ,6U' then ktext='index for unique constraint'
when arg(1) = ,6 , then ktext=' ,
when arg(1) = ,7S' then ktext='Dbpace'
when arg(1) = ,7P' then ktext='Page'
when arg(1) = ,7T' then ktext='Row'
otherwise ktext='code' arg(1) ,unknown in decode routine'

```

```

end
return ktext

/*=====*/
/* get Key Columns */
/*=====*/
get_key_columns:
keycols=''
stmt='SELECT' ,
,CNAME, KEYORD' ,
, FROM SYSTEM.SYSKEYCOLS' ,
"WHERE TNAME = , "STRIP(TABNAME)"" AND TCREATOR = , "STRIP(CREATOR)"" ,
"AND KEYNAME = , "STRIP(KEYNAME)""
address command ,RXSQL PREP STAT2' stmt
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0
then
do
call error_message
return
end
address command ,RXSQL OPEN STAT2'
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0
then
do
call error_message
return
end
do forever
address command ,
,RXSQL FETCH STAT2 W_CNAME, W_KEYORD'
if rc = 4 & sqlcode = 100 then leave
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0
then
do
call error_message
return
end
keycols=keycols w_cname
end
address command ,RXSQL CLOSE STAT2'
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0
then
do
call error_message
return
end
address command ,RXSQL PURGE STAT2'
if rc = 0 | sqlcode = 0
then
do
call error_message

```

```
return
end
return
```

## VISUAL BASIC COMPONENTS

### **InfoClient1**

```
,-----
,
,
, InfoClient1.InfoClient1Macros  VBA code for starting DB2
,                               Table List Generator
,
,
,
, Function description:
,
,   The macro DB2TableList simply displays UserForm1 which
,   contains all the code of the DB2 Table List Generator
,-----
Sub DB2TableList()
    UserForm1.Show
End Sub

,-----
,
,
, InfoClient1.UserForm1      VBA code for the DB2 Table List Generator
,
,
, Function description:
,
,   The user selects a DB2 database and clicks
,   CommandButton1. A connection to the InfoServer is established and
,   request "REQ1" sent. After receipt of the response (ie the
,   list of tables), each entry of the list is inserted into
,   the Excel worksheet as a separate row.
,
,   This form contains a Winsock control which is used to
,   communicate with the InfoServer in VM.
,-----
,-----
, Variable declarations
,-----
Dim indata As String
Dim answer As String

,-----
, Connect to server when button is clicked
,-----
```

```

Private Sub CommandButton1_Click()
    Winsock1.RemoteHost = "es9"
    Winsock1.RemotePort = 4444
    Winsock1.Connect
End Sub

,
, Load DB selection listbox
,

Private Sub UserForm_Initialize()
    ListBox1.AddItem "SQLPROD"
    ListBox1.AddItem "SQLTEST"
    ListBox1.AddItem "SQLMILL"
End Sub

,
, Send request to server as soon as connection is OK.
, Hide form1 and display form2 while data is transferred.
,

Private Sub Winsock1_Connect()
    Winsock1.SendData "REQ1 " & ListBox1.Value
    Debug.Print ListBox1.Value
    indata = ""
    UserForm1.Hide
    UserForm2.Show
End Sub

,
, Receive incoming data from server
, When the string "#eod#" is found, the connection to the
, server is closed and the data inserted into the Excel worksheet.
,

Private Sub Winsock1_DataArrival(ByVal bytesTotal As Long)
    Debug.Print "data arrival len"; bytesTotal
    Winsock1.GetData answer
    indata = indata & answer
    If InStr(answer, "##eod##") > 0 Then
        Winsock1.Close
        Call insert_data
        UserForm2.Hide , this ends execution of the macro
    End If
End Sub

,
, Insert data into Excel worksheet
,

Private Sub insert_data()

    If Left(indata, 5) = "ERROR" Then
        MsgBox ("InfoServer error occurred")
        Exit Sub
    End If

```

```

End If
ixrow = 3
With ActiveWorkbook.ActiveSheet
.Cells.Clear

Columns("A:A").ColumnWidth = 30
Columns("B:B").ColumnWidth = 9
Columns("C:C").ColumnWidth = 65
Cells(1, 1) = "DB2 Tables in Database " & ListBox1.Value
Range("A1").Font.ColorIndex = 5
Range("A1").Font.Name = "Arial"
Range("A1").Font.Size = 16

t = InStr(indata, "@")
While t > 0
    tx = Left(indata, t)
    indata = Mid(indata, t + 1)
    t2 = InStr(tx, "&")
    tname = Left(tx, t2 - 1)
    tx = Mid(tx, t2 + 1)
    t2 = InStr(tx, "&")
    ttype = Left(tx, t2 - 1)
    tx = Mid(tx, t2 + 1)
    tdescr = Left(tx, Len(tx) - 1)
    Cells(ixrow, 1) = tname
    Cells(ixrow, 2) = ttype
    Cells(ixrow, 3) = tdescr
    ixrow = ixrow + 1
    t = InStr(indata, "@")
Wend
End With
End Sub

,-----
, Handle Socket Errors
,-----
Private Sub Winsock1_Error(ByVal Number As Integer, Description As
String, ByVal Scode As Long, ByVal Source As String, ByVal HelpFile As
String, ByVal HelpContext As Long, CancelDisplay As Boolean)
    MsgBox (Description & Str(Number))
End Sub

```

## InfoClient 2

```

,-----
,
, InfoClient2.InfoClient2Macros      VBA code for starting
,                                     CMS file grabber
,
,
,

```



```

, Function description:
,
, The macro CMSFileGrabber simply displays UserForm1 which
, contains all the code of the CMS file grabber


---


Sub CMSFileGrabber()
    UserForm1.Show
End Sub



---


, InfoClient2.UserForm1      VBA code for the CMS file grabber
,
,
, Function description:
,
, The user enters VM mini-disk and file identification and clicks
, CommandButton1. A connection to the InfoServer is established and
, request "REQ2" sent. After receipt of the response (ie the
, contents of the CMS file), each record of the file is inserted
, into the Word document as a separate line.
,
, This form contains a Winsock control which is used to
, communicate with the InfoServer in VM
,


---


,


---


, Variable declarations


---


Dim indata As String
Dim answer As String


---


, Connect to server when button is clicked


---


Private Sub CommandButton1_Click()
    Winsock1.RemoteHost = "es9"
    Winsock1.RemotePort = 4444
    Winsock1.Connect
End Sub



---


,


---


, Send request to server as soon as connection is OK
, hide form1 and display form2 while data is transferred


---


Private Sub Winsock1_Connect()
    Winsock1.SendData "REQ2 " & UserForm1.inFileSpec
    indata = ""
    UserForm1.Hide
    UserForm2.Show

```

End Sub

---

```
,  
, Receive incoming data from server  
, When the string "#eod#" is found, the connection to the  
, server is closed and the data inserted into the Word document
```

---

```
Private Sub Winsock1_DataArrival(ByVal bytesTotal As Long)  
    Debug.Print "data arrival len"; bytesTotal  
  
    Winsock1.GetData answer  
    Debug.Print answer  
    indata = indata & answer  
    If InStr(answer, "##eod##") > 0 Then  
        Winsock1.Close  
        Call insert_data  
        UserForm2.Hide , this ends execution of the macro  
    End If  
End Sub
```

---

```
,  
, Insert data into Word document
```

---

```
Private Sub insert_data()  
    While Len(indata) > 0  
        lx = Val(Left(indata, 8))  
        rec = Mid(indata, 9, lx)  
        indata = Mid(indata, 9 + lx)  
        Selection.TypeText Text:=rec  
        Selection.TypeParagraph  
    Wend  
    Selection.WholeStory  
    Selection.Font.Name = "Courier New"  
    Selection.Font.Size = 10  
End Sub
```

---

```
,  
, Handle Socket Errors
```

---

```
Private Sub Winsock1_Error(ByVal Number As Integer, Description As  
String, ByVal Scode As Long, ByVal Source As String, ByVal HelpFile As  
String, ByVal HelpContext As Long, CancelDisplay As Boolean)  
    MsgBox (Description & Str(Number))  
End Sub
```

### **InfoClient3**

---

```
,  
,  
, InfoClient3.InfoClient3Macros VBA code for starting  
, DB2 table description generator
```

```

,
,
, Function description:
,
,   The macro DB2TableDescription simply displays UserForm1 which
,   contains all the code of the DB2 table description generator
,-----
Sub DB2TableDescription()
    UserForm1.Show
End Sub

,-----
,
, InfoClient3.UserForm1   VBA code for DB2 Table Description Generator
,
,
, Function description:
,
,   The user enters dbname, creator, and tablename and clicks
,   CommandButton1. A connection to the InfoServer is established and
,   request "REQ3" sent. After receipt of the response (ie the
,   table description data), the DB2 table description is inserted into
,   the Word document and formatted.
,
, This form contains a Winsock control which is used to
, communicate with the InfoServer in VM
,
,-----
,
, Variable declarations
,-----
Dim indata As String
Dim answer As String
Dim w_db, w_creator, w_table

,-----
, Connect to server when button is clicked
,-----
Private Sub CommandButton1_Click()
    Winsock1.RemoteHost = "es9"
    Winsock1.RemotePort = 4444
    Winsock1.Connect
End Sub

,-----
, Send request to server as soon as connection is OK.
, Hide form1 and display form2 while data is transferred.
,-----
Private Sub Winsock1_Connect()

```

```

w_db = UserForm1.inDB
w_creator = UserForm1.inCreator
w_table = UserForm1.inTable
Winsock1.SendData "REQ3 " & w_db & " " & w_creator & " " & w_table
indata = ""
UserForm1.Hide
UserForm2.Show
End Sub

```

---

```

, Receive incoming data from server
, When the string "#eod#" is found, the connection to the
, server is closed and the data inserted into the Word document

```

---

```

Private Sub Winsock1_DataArrival(ByVal bytesTotal As Long)
    Winsock1.GetData answer
    indata = indata & answer
    If InStr(answer, "##eod##") > 0 Then
        Winsock1.Close
        Call insert_data
        UserForm2.Hide , this ends execution of the macro
    End If
End Sub

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```

, Insert data into Word document and format it

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Private Sub insert_data()
    ,— handle errors —
    If Left(indata, 5) = "ERROR" Then
        MsgBox ("InfoServer error occurred")
        Exit Sub
    End If
    Dim eor_marker As String
    eor_marker = "#eor#"
    Dim eob_marker As String
    eob_marker = "#eob#"
    Dim p As Integer
    ,— extract data blocks from received data stream —
    p = InStr(indata, eob_marker)
    table_block = Left(indata, p - 1)
    indata = Mid(indata, p + 5)
    p = InStr(indata, eob_marker)
    column_block = Left(indata, p - 1)
    indata = Mid(indata, p + 5)

    p = InStr(indata, eob_marker)
    key_block = Left(indata, p - 1)
    indata = Mid(indata, p + 5)

    p = InStr(indata, eob_marker)
    index_block = Left(indata, p - 1)

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indata = Mid(indata, p + 5)

p = InStr(indata, eob_marker)
dbspace_block = Left(indata, p - 1)
indata = Mid(indata, p + 5)

Dim rr As Range
Set para = Selection.Paragraphs(1)
Set rr = Selection.Paragraphs(1).Range

, ----- general information -----
Selection.TypeText Text:="DB2 Table " & w_db & "." & w_creator & "." _
                        & w_table & "      "
Selection.InsertDateTime DateTimeFormat:="t. MMMM jjjj",
InsertAsField:=False

Selection.TypeParagraph
Selection.TypeText Text:=vbVerticalTab & Trim(table_block) &
vbVerticalTab
Selection.TypeParagraph

, ----- column information -----
Selection.TypeText Text:="Column Information"
Selection.TypeParagraph
Selection.TypeParagraph

Selection.TypeText Text:=vbTab & "Colno" & vbTab & "Column Name" _
                    & vbTab & "Type" & vbTab & "Length" & vbTab & "Nulls" & vbTab _
                    & "Fieldproc" & vbTab & "Label/Remarks" & vbVerticalTab _
                    & vbVerticalTab
While Len(column_block) > 0
    s = 1
    l = 5
    colno = Trim(Mid(column_block, s, l))
    s = s + l
    l = 30
    cname = Trim(Mid(column_block, s, l))
    s = s + l
    l = 12
    coltype = Trim(Mid(column_block, s, l))
    s = s + l
    l = 12
    Length = Trim(Mid(column_block, s, l))
    s = s + l
    l = 1
    nulls = Trim(Mid(column_block, s, l))
    s = s + l
    l = 8
    fldproc = Trim(Mid(column_block, s, l))
    s = s + l
    l = 40

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Label = Trim(Mid(column_block, s, 1))

column_block = Mid(column_block, 109)
Selection.TypeText Text:=vbTab & colno & vbTab & cname _
    & vbTab & coltype & vbTab & Length & vbTab _
    & nulls & vbTab & fldproc & vbTab & Label & vbVerticalTab
Wend

Selection.TypeParagraph
, ----- key information -----
Selection.TypeText Text:="Key Information"
Selection.TypeParagraph
Selection.TypeParagraph

While Len(key_block) > 0
    p1 = InStr(key_block, eor_marker)
    key_entry = Left(key_block, p1 - 1)
    key_block = Mid(key_block, p1 + 5)
    While Len(key_entry) > 0
        w_Name = Left(key_entry, 20)
        w_Value = Mid(key_entry, 21, 60)
        key_entry = Mid(key_entry, 81)
        Selection.TypeText Text:=Trim(w_Name) & vbTab & ":" & vbTab _
            & Trim(w_Value) & vbVerticalTab
    Wend
    Selection.TypeText vbVerticalTab
Wend
Selection.TypeParagraph

, ----- index information -----
Selection.TypeText Text:="Index Information"
Selection.TypeParagraph
Selection.TypeParagraph

While Len(index_block) > 0
    p1 = InStr(index_block, eor_marker)
    index_entry = Left(index_block, p1 - 1)
    index_block = Mid(index_block, p1 + 5)
    Selection.TypeText Text:="Index Name" & vbTab & _
        ":" & vbTab & Trim(Mid(index_entry, 1, 20)) & vbVerticalTab
    Selection.TypeText Text:="Columns" & vbTab & _
        ":" & vbTab & Trim(Mid(index_entry, 21, 70)) & vbVerticalTab
    Selection.TypeText Text:="Index Type" & vbTab & _
        ":" & vbTab & Trim(Mid(index_entry, 91, 40)) & vbVerticalTab
    Selection.TypeText Text:="Cluster Status" & vbTab & _
        ":" & vbTab & Trim(Mid(index_entry, 131, 40)) & vbVerticalTab
    Selection.TypeText Text:="Cluster Ratio" & vbTab & _
        ":" & vbTab & Trim(Mid(index_entry, 171, 40)) & vbVerticalTab
    Selection.TypeText Text:="Key Type" & vbTab & _
        ":" & vbTab & Trim(Mid(index_entry, 211, 40)) & vbVerticalTab
    Selection.TypeText vbVerticalTab
Wend

```

```

Selection.TypeParagraph
, _____ Dbspace information _____
Selection.TypeText Text:="Dbspace Information"
Selection.TypeParagraph
Selection.TypeParagraph

    Selection.TypeText Text:="Dbspace Name" & vbTab & _
        ":" & vbTab & Trim(Mid(dbspace_block, 1, 20)) & vbVerticalTab
    Selection.TypeText Text:="Dbspace No." & vbTab & _
        ":" & vbTab & Trim(Mid(dbspace_block, 21, 10)) & vbVerticalTab
    Selection.TypeText Text:="Owner" & vbTab & _
        ":" & vbTab & Trim(Mid(dbspace_block, 31, 10)) & vbVerticalTab
    Selection.TypeText Text:="Tables" & vbTab & _
        ":" & vbTab & Trim(Mid(dbspace_block, 41, 10)) & vbVerticalTab
    Selection.TypeText Text:="Pages" & vbTab & _
        ":" & vbTab & Trim(Mid(dbspace_block, 51, 20)) & vbVerticalTab
    Selection.TypeText Text:="Lockmode" & vbTab & _
        ":" & vbTab & Trim(Mid(dbspace_block, 71, 10)) & vbVerticalTab
    Selection.TypeText Text:="Storage Pool" & vbTab & _
        ":" & vbTab & Trim(Mid(dbspace_block, 81, 10)) & vbVerticalTab
    Selection.TypeText vbVerticalTab

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Selection.TypeParagraph
, _____ do some formatting _____

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With rr.Paragraphs(1).Range.ParagraphFormat
    .Alignment = wdAlignParagraphCenter
    With .Shading
        .Texture = wdTextureNone
        .ForegroundColorIndex = wdWhite
        .BackgroundPatternColorIndex = wdBlue
    End With
    With .Borders(wdBorderLeft)
        .LineStyle = wdLineStyleSingle
        .LineWidth = wdLineWidth050pt
        .ColorIndex = wdAuto
    End With
    With .Borders(wdBorderRight)
        .LineStyle = wdLineStyleSingle
        .LineWidth = wdLineWidth050pt
        .ColorIndex = wdAuto
    End With
    With .Borders(wdBorderTop)
        .LineStyle = wdLineStyleSingle
        .LineWidth = wdLineWidth050pt
        .ColorIndex = wdAuto
    End With
    With .Borders(wdBorderBottom)
        .LineStyle = wdLineStyleSingle
    End With

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        .LineWidth = wdLineWidth050pt
        .ColorIndex = wdAuto
    End With
    With .Borders
        .DistanceFromTop = 1
        .DistanceFromLeft = 4
        .DistanceFromBottom = 1
        .DistanceFromRight = 4
        .Shadow = True
    End With
    With Options
        .DefaultBorderLineStyle = wdLineStyleSingle
        .DefaultBorderLineWidth = wdLineWidth050pt
        .DefaultBorderColorIndex = wdAuto
    End With
End With
With rr.Paragraphs(1).Range.Font
    .Name = "Courier New"
    .Size = 12
    .Bold = True
    .ColorIndex = wdWhite
End With

With rr.Paragraphs(3).Range.ParagraphFormat
    .Alignment = wdAlignParagraphCenter
    .Shading.Texture = wdTexture12Pt5Percent
    .Shading.ForegroundPatternColorIndex = wdAuto
    .Shading.BackgroundPatternColorIndex = wdWhite
End With

With rr.Paragraphs(5).Range.ParagraphFormat.TabStops
    .Add Position:=CentimetersToPoints(1), _
        Alignment:=wdAlignTabRight, Leader:=wdTabLeaderSpaces
    .Add Position:=CentimetersToPoints(1.5) _
        , Alignment:=wdAlignTabLeft, Leader:=wdTabLeaderSpaces
    .Add Position:=CentimetersToPoints(5), _
        Alignment:=wdAlignTabLeft, Leader:=wdTabLeaderSpaces
    .Add Position:=CentimetersToPoints(9), _
        Alignment:=wdAlignTabLeft, Leader:=wdTabLeaderSpaces
    .Add Position:=CentimetersToPoints(11), _
        Alignment:=wdAlignTabLeft, Leader:=wdTabLeaderSpaces
    .Add Position:=CentimetersToPoints(12), _
        Alignment:=wdAlignTabLeft, Leader:=wdTabLeaderSpaces
    .Add Position:=CentimetersToPoints(14), _
        Alignment:=wdAlignTabLeft, Leader:=wdTabLeaderSpaces
End With

With rr.Paragraphs(6).Range.ParagraphFormat
    .Alignment = wdAlignParagraphCenter
    .Shading.Texture = wdTexture12Pt5Percent
    .Shading.ForegroundPatternColorIndex = wdAuto

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        .Shading.BackgroundPatternColorIndex = wdWhite
    End With

    With rr.Paragraphs(8).Range.ParagraphFormat.TabStops
        .ClearAll
        .Add Position:=CentimetersToPoints(4) _
            , Alignment:=wdAlignTabLeft, Leader:=wdTabLeaderSpaces
        .Add Position:=CentimetersToPoints(5), _
            Alignment:=wdAlignTabLeft, Leader:=wdTabLeaderSpaces
    End With

    With rr.Paragraphs(9).Range.ParagraphFormat
        .Alignment = wdAlignParagraphCenter
        .Shading.Texture = wdTexture12Pt5Percent
        .Shading.ForegroundPatternColorIndex = wdAuto
        .Shading.BackgroundPatternColorIndex = wdWhite
    End With

    With rr.Paragraphs(11).Range.ParagraphFormat.TabStops
        .ClearAll
        .Add Position:=CentimetersToPoints(4) _
            , Alignment:=wdAlignTabLeft, Leader:=wdTabLeaderSpaces
        .Add Position:=CentimetersToPoints(5), _
            Alignment:=wdAlignTabLeft, Leader:=wdTabLeaderSpaces
    End With

    With rr.Paragraphs(12).Range.ParagraphFormat
        .Alignment = wdAlignParagraphCenter
        .Shading.Texture = wdTexture12Pt5Percent
        .Shading.ForegroundPatternColorIndex = wdAuto
        .Shading.BackgroundPatternColorIndex = wdWhite
    End With
    With rr.Paragraphs(14).Range.ParagraphFormat.TabStops
        .ClearAll
        .Add Position:=CentimetersToPoints(4) _
            , Alignment:=wdAlignTabLeft, Leader:=wdTabLeaderSpaces
        .Add Position:=CentimetersToPoints(5), _
            Alignment:=wdAlignTabLeft, Leader:=wdTabLeaderSpaces
    End With
End Sub

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```

,
, Handle Socket Errors
,
Private Sub Winsock1_Error(ByVal Number As Integer, Description As
String, ByVal Scode As Long, ByVal Source As String, ByVal HelpFile As
String, ByVal HelpContext As Long, CancelDisplay As Boolean)
    MsgBox (Description & Str(Number))
End Sub

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## A full screen console interface – part 15

*Editor's note: the following 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.*

```

*
* Release user buffers and UID block
*
*      Output R2 addresses previous UID block or SSSPTR
*      R8 contains zero
*
CSCUSARL RELOC      Release block (external call)
          BAS  R14,RELEASE Perform function
          BACK
          SPACE      Return to caller
RELEASE  EQU  *      Release user storage
          ST   R14,RELSV14
          LR   R0,R8  Save UID address
          LA   R8,SSSPTR Scan active sessions
REL100   LR   R2,R8  Keep address of previous entry
          L    R8,UIDFWD Address next entry
          CR   R0,R8
          BNE  REL100
          L    R1,UIDFWD Found
          ST   R1,0(,R2) Alter chain pointer
          LR   R8,R0  Restore UID entry address
          LA   R0,UIDSCRSZ Release screen
          L    R1,UIDSCRN
          LINK RELEASE
          LA   R0,UIDBUFSZ
          L    R1,UIDBUFF Release user buffer
          LINK RELEASE
          TM   UIDOPT1,UIDCONN Is user connected?
          BZ   REL200
          TM   UIDOPT3,UIDCREQ Really connected?
          BO   REL200 No, just waiting to connect
          LA   R0,UIDCSCSZ Yes, release work CSCBUFF
          L    R1,UIDCSC
          LINK RELEASE
          TM   UIDOPT1,UIDRMTE Is user also remote?
          BO   REL200
          LA   R0,UIDSCRSZ No, release alternative screen
          L    R1,UIDSCRNA
          LINK RELEASE

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REL200  LA    R0,UIDSIZE          De-allocate UID block
        LR    R1,R8
        LINK  RELEASE
        SR    R8,R8             Clear UID pointer
        L     R14,RELSV14
        BR    R14
        SPACE 3
        DS    0D
APPC$SS DC    C'<CSC>$SS'      Start Session
APPC$SC DC    C'<CSC>$SC'      Session created
APPC$SD DC    C'<CSC>$SD'      Session data to connect node
APPC$SE DC    C'<CSC>$SE'      End Connected Session
APPC$SR DC    C'<CSC>$SR'      Session rejected
APPC$SU DC    C'<CSC>$SU'      Session data to user
APPC$TC DC    C'<CSC>$TC'      Terminate connected sessions
COMMCNN DC    C'<CSC>CNN'      Display Connect Node
        SPACE
USASV05 DS    F                Save R5 - CSCUSA
DSESV05 DS    F                DSESSION
CLNSV05 DS    F                CSCUSACL
SNDSV05 DS    F                SEND
EESV14  DS    F                Save R14 - ESESSION
SNDSV14 DS    F                SEND
DSPSV14 DS    F                DISPLAY
RELSV14 DS    F                RELEASE
        SPACE 3
        CSCDATA
        CSCDS (UID,RND,APP,USR)
        REGEQU
        END

```

## CSCOPQ ASSEMBLE

This module adds support for the operator QUERY command. It is used mainly for debugging purposes.

```

        TITLE 'CSCOPQ - CSC Process Operator Query Command'
CSCOPQ  START X'01DD20'
        PRINT NOGEN
        CSCHDR                    Process Operator Query Command
*
* Process Query command
*
*
        LA    R0,OPQTABLE
        GO    CSCSCN              Scan subcommand
        BNZ   OPQ100              Nothing, display error message
        LTR   R15,R15             Is it valid?
        BZ    OPQ200              No, another error message
        GO    , Yes, process subcommand
        B     OPQ900

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OPQ100  SPACE
        MSG  0606,CC          Missing subcommand
        B    0PQ900
        SPACE
OPQ200  MSG  0604,CC          Invalid subcommand
        B    0PQ900
        SPACE
OPQ900  BACK                    All done, go back
        SPACE 3
*
*   Query Links
*
LINKS   EQU   *                LINKS subcommand
        USING RNDSECT,R5      RND Table
        ST    R14,CMDSV14
        SR    R0,R0
        GO    CSCSCN          No table to search
        BZ    LINK500         Something found, bad news
        TM    CSCFLG01,CSCAPPC Is APPC/VM enabled?
        BZ    LINK600         No, command not valid
        MSG   0643
LINK100 LA    R5,RNDPTR       Address RND table
        L     R5,RNDFWD       Scan table
        TM    RNDOPT1,RNDOLCL Locate Local node
        BZ    LINK100         Not this one
        LA    R2,RNDNODE      Address node name for messages
        LA    R3,RNDRSRC      Address resource name
        LA    R4,ACTIVE       Assume link is active
        TM    RNDOPT1,RNDOSND Is it really active?
        BO    LINK110         Yes, good guess
        LA    R4,INACTIVE     Try inactive
        BZ    LINK110         Not bad
LINK110 LA    R4,PENDING      Could not be worse
        LA    R5,LOCAL        Assume this is a local resource
        TM    RNDOPT1,RNDOLRS Is it really local?
        BZ    LINK120         Another guessing game
        LA    R5,GLOBAL       Not local, it must be global
LINK120 MSG   0644,SPACE
LINK200 LA    R5,RNDPTR       Address RND table
        L     R5,RNDFWD       Scan table
        LTR   R5,R5           Check for end of table
        BZ    LINK300         Node not found
        TM    RNDOPT1,RNDOLCL Locate Local node
        BO    LINK200         Not this one
        TM    RNDOPT1,RNDOTMP Temporary RND entry?
        BO    LINK200         Yes, ignore it
        LA    R2,RNDNODE      Address node name for messages
        LA    R3,RNDRSRC      Address resource name
        LA    R4,ACTIVE       Assume link is active
        TM    RNDOPT1,RNDOSND+RNDORCV Is it really active?
        BO    LINK210         Yes, good guess
        LA    R4,INACTIVE     Try inactive

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LINK210 BZ LINK210 Not bad
        LA R4,PENDING Could not be worse
        MSG 0645,SPACE
        B LINK200
        SPACE
LINK300 SR R15,R15 Set return code
        B LINK900
        SPACE
LINK500 MSG 0605,CC Unexpected operand
        B LINK900
        SPACE
LINK600 MSG 0642,CC APPC/VM not enabled
        B LINK900
        SPACE
LINK900 L R14,CMDSV14
        BR R14
        SPACE
        DROP R5
        SPACE 3
*
* Query SEssions
*
*
SESSIONS EQU * SESSIONS subcommand
        USING UIDSECT,R8 UID (user) Block
        ST R14,CMDSV14
        SR R4,R4 Initialize counter
        LA R8,UIDPTR Address Pending sessions table
SESS100 L R8,UIDFWD Address entry
        LTR R8,R8 End of list?
        BZ SESS500 Yes, check active sessions
        LA R4,1(,R4) Increment counter
        LA R2,UIDVMID Address user-id
        LA R3,UIDORIG Address originating APPC node
        CLC UIDORIG,CSCLOCAL Is it a local user?
        BNE SESS110
        LA R3,BLANKS Yes, do not display node name
SESS110 LA R4,PENDING
        MSG 0646,SPACE
        B SESS100 List all sessions
        SPACE
SESS500 LA R8,SSSPTR Address Active sessions table
SESS600 L R8,UIDFWD Address entry
        LTR R8,R8
        BZ SESS800 End of list, all done
        LA R4,1(,R4)
        LA R2,UIDVMID Address user-id
        LA R3,UIDORIG Address originating APPC/VM node
        CLC UIDORIG,CSCLOCAL Is it a local user?
        BNE SESS610
        LA R3,BLANKS Yes, do not display node name
SESS610 LA R4,ACTIVE

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MSG 0646,SPACE
B SESS600 List all sessions
SPACE
SESS800 LTR R4,R4
BNZ SESS890
MSG 0647
SESS890 SR R15,R15 Zero return code
SESS900 L R14,CMDSV14
BR R14
SPACE
DROP R8
SPACE 3
*
* Query Storage
*
STORAGE EQU * STORAGE subcommand
ST R14,CMDSV14
SR R0,R0
GO CSCSCN No table to search
BNZ STOR100 Nothing, that's good news
MSG 0605,CC Display error message
B STOR900
SPACE
STOR100 L R2,FSALLDW Double words allocated
SLL R2,3 Convert to bytes
L R3,FSALL Total allocations
MSG 0640
SRL R2,3 Convert bytes back to dwords
S R2,FSRELDW Subtract from dwords released
S R2,FSINIDW Dwords used for initialization
SLL R2,3 Convert to bytes
S R3,FSREL Same thing for total allocations
S R3,FSINI
MSG 0641
SR R15,R15 Zero return code
STOR900 L R14,CMDSV14
BR R14
SPACE 3
*
* Query Users
*
USERS EQU * USERS subcommand
ST R14,CMDSV14
SR R15,R15 Zero return code
MSG 3333
USER900 L R14,CMDSV14
BR R14
SPACE 3
CMDSV14 DS F Save area for input commands
DS 0D
ACTIVE DC C'Active '
INACTIVE DC C'Inactive'

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PENDING DC C'Pending '
LOCAL DC C'Local '
GLOBAL DC C'Global '
SPACE
OPQTABLE CMMD (I,00,01,LINKS,LINKS), Query subcommands *
              (I,00,02,SESSIONS,SESSIONS), *
              (I,00,01,STORAGE,STORAGE), *
              (I,00,01,USERS,USERS)
*
* OPTIONS PREFIXES
*
SPACE
LNKTABLE CMMD (B,00,01,ALL,LNKALL), LINK operands *
              (B,00,01,ACTIVE,LNKACT), *
              (B,00,01,INACTIVE,LNKINACT)
SPACE
LNKALL EQU LNKACT+LNKINACT
LNKACT EQU X'80'
LNKINACT EQU X'40'
SPACE
CSCDATA
CSCDS (RND,UID)
REGEQU
END

```

## CSCOPA ASSEMBLE

This module adds support for the operator START and STOP commands. Note that this code has not been fully tested.

```

TITLE 'CSCOPA - CSC Remote Node Operator Commands'
CSCOPA START X'01D118'
PRINT NOGEN
CSCHDR APPC/VM Operator commands
*
* Process APPC/VM Operator Commands
*
* USING IPARML,R9 IUCV Parameter List
* USING UIDSECT,R8 UID (user) Block
* USING CCHSECT,R7 CCH (cache) Block
* USING RNDSECT,R5 RND Table
SPACE
*
* Start an inactive link
*
* STArt nodeid
* *
*
TM CSCFLG01,CSCAPPC Is APPC/VM enabled?
BZ STRT600 No, command not valid
LA R5,RNDPTR Address RND table

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STRT100	L	R5,RNDFWD	Scan table
	TM	RNDOPT1,RNDOLCL	Locate Local node
	BZ	STRT100	Not this one
	LA	R2,RNDNODE	Address node name for messages
	TM	RNDOPT1,RNDOSND	Is Local node active
	BZ	STRT620	No, display error message
	SR	R0,R0	No table to search
	GO	CSCSCN	Get node name
	BNZ	STRT700	Nothing found, display error
	LA	R0,8	Maximum length is 8
	CR	R0,R1	Check against entered data
	BL	STRT720	Too long... too bad
	SR	R0,R0	No table to search
	GO	CSCSCN	Check for extra operands
	BZ	STRT740	Too bad, it is invalid
	LA	R6,SCANUPP	Address entered data for message
	CLC	SSALL,SCANUPP	Is it STArt *
	BE	STRT300	Yes, that's a different game
	L	R1,RNDPTR	Address RND table
STRT200	LTR	R5,R1	Check for end of table
	BZ	STRT760	Node not found
	L	R1,RNDFWD	Address following entry
	LA	R2,RNDNODE	Address node name for messages
	CLC	RNDNODE,SCANUPP	Compare node names
	BNE	STRT200	Not this one
	TM	RNDOPT1,RNDOLCL	Is it the Local node name
	BO	STRT800	Yes, command not valid for Local
	TM	RNDOPT1,RNDOSND+RNDORCV	Is link already up?
	BO	STRT820	Yes, cannot start again
	L	R0,RNDPIDS	Load possible IUCV PATHID
	LTR	R0,R0	Is it zero
	BNZ	STRT840	No, activation is in progress
	GO	CSCRNCST	Activate link
	B	STRT900	All done
	SPACE		
STRT300	SR	R0,R0	Process STArt *
	ST	R0,SSCNT	Zero counter
	L	R1,RNDPTR	Address RND table
STRT400	LTR	R5,R1	Check for end of table
	BZ	STRT500	Found it, all done
	L	R1,RNDFWD	Address following entry
	TM	RNDOPT1,RNDOLCL	Is it the Local node?
	BO	STRT400	Yes, skip it
	TM	RNDOPT1,RNDOSND+RNDORCV	Is link already active?
	BO	STRT400	Yes, skip it
	L	R0,RNDPIDS	Is activation in progress?
	LTR	R0,R0	
	BNZ	STRT400	Yes, skip it
	GO	CSCRNCST	Start link
	LA	R0,1	Increment counter by one
	A	R0,SSCNT	
	ST	R0,SSCNT	



	L	R1,RNDFWD	Address following entry
	B	STRT400	Scan all RND table
	SPACE		
STRT500	L	R2,SSCNT	Load counter
	LTR	R2,R2	Any link started?
	BZ	STRT510	
	MSG	0910	Yes, display info message
	B	STRT900	
	SPACE		
STRT510	MSG	0911	No, display a different message
	B	STRT900	
	SPACE		
STRT600	MSG	0900	APPC/VM not enabled
	B	STRT900	
	SPACE		
	SPACE		
STRT620	MSG	0901	Local node not active
	B	STRT900	
	SPACE		
STRT700	MSG	0902	Missing operand
	B	STRT900	
	SPACE		
STRT720	MSG	0903	Operand too long
	B	STRT900	
	SPACE		
STRT740	MSG	0904	Unexpected operand
	B	STRT900	
	SPACE		
STRT760	MSG	0905	Node not defined
	B	STRT900	
	SPACE		
STRT800	MSG	0906	Command not valid for Local node
	B	STRT900	
	SPACE		
STRT820	MSG	0907	Link already active
	B	STRT900	
	SPACE		
STRT840	MSG	0908	Activation pending
*	B	STRT900	
	SPACE		
STRT900	BACK		
	SPACE 3		
*			
* Stop an active link			
*			
CSCOPASP	RELOC		Stop a link
	TM	CSCFLG01,CSCAPPC	Is APPC/VM enabled?
	BZ	STOP600	No, command not valid
	LA	R5,RNDPTR	Address RND table
STOP100	L	R5,RNDFWD	Scan table
	TM	RNDOPT1,RNDOLCL	Locate Local node
	BZ	STOP100	Not this one

	LA	R2,RNDNODE	Address node name for messages
	TM	RNDOPT1,RNDOSND	Is Local node active
	BZ	STOP620	No, display error message
	SR	R0,R0	No table to search
	GO	CSCSCN	Get node name
	BNZ	STOP700	Nothing found, display error
	LA	R0,8	Maximum length is 8
	CR	R0,R1	Check against entered data
	BL	STOP720	Too long... too bad
	SR	R0,R0	No table to search
	GO	CSCSCN	Check for extra operands
	BZ	STOP740	Too bad, it is invalid
	LA	R6,SCANUPP	Address entered data for message
	CLC	SSALL,SCANUPP	Is it STOP *
	BE	STOP300	Yes, that's a different game
	L	R1,RNDPTR	Address RND table
STOP200	LTR	R5,R1	Check for end of table
	BZ	STOP760	Node not found
	L	R1,RNDFWD	Address following entry
	LA	R2,RNDNODE	Address node name for messages
	CLC	RNDNODE,SCANUPP	Compare node names
	BNE	STOP200	Not this one
	TM	RNDOPT1,RNDOLCL	Is it the Local node name
	BO	STOP800	Yes, command not valid for Local
	TM	RNDOPT1,RNDOSND+RNDORCV	Is link up?
	BO	STOP210	Yes, stop it
	L	R0,RNDPIDS	Is activation pending?
	LTR	R0,R0	
	BZ	STOP820	No, already down
	MSG	0908	Display warning message
STOP210	GO	CSCRNCSP	Stop link
	B	STOP900	
	SPACE		
STOP300	SR	R0,R0	Process STOP *
	ST	R0,SSCNT	Zero counter
	L	R1,RNDPTR	Address RND table
STOP400	LTR	R5,R1	Check for end of table
	BZ	STOP500	Found it, all done
	L	R1,RNDFWD	Address following entry
	TM	RNDOPT1,RNDOLCL	Is it the Local node?
	BO	STOP400	Yes, skip it
	TM	RNDOPT1,RNDOSND+RNDORCV	Is link up?
	BO	STOP410	Yes, stop it
	L	R0,RNDPIDS	Is activation in progress
	LTR	R0,R0	
	BZ	STOP400	No, skip it
	MSG	0908	Display warning message
STOP410	GO	CSCRNCSP	Stop link
	LA	R0,1	Increment counter by one
	A	R0,SSCNT	
	ST	R0,SSCNT	
	L	R1,RNDFWD	Address following entry

	B	STOP400	Scan all RND table
	SPACE		
STOP500	L	R2,SSCNT	Load counter
	LTR	R2,R2	Any link stopped?
	BZ	STOP510	
	MSG	0916	Yes, display info message
	B	STOP900	
STOP510	MSG	0917	No, display a different message
	B	STOP900	
	SPACE		
STOP600	MSG	0900	APPC/VM not enabled
	B	STOP900	
	SPACE		
STOP620	MSG	0901	Local node not active
	B	STOP900	
	SPACE		
STOP700	MSG	0902	Missing operand
	B	STOP900	
	SPACE		
STOP720	MSG	0903	Operand too long
	B	STOP900	
	SPACE		
STOP740	MSG	0904	Unexpected operand
	B	STRT900	
	SPACE		
STOP760	MSG	0905	Node not defined
	B	STOP900	
	SPACE		
STOP800	MSG	0906	Command not valid for Local node
	B	STOP900	
	SPACE		
STOP820	MSG	0909	Link not active
	B	STOP900	
	SPACE		
STOP900	BACK		
	SPACE	3	
	DS	0D	
SSALL	DC	C'*	Generic operand (all)
SSCNT	DS	F	Counter
	CSCDATA		
	CSCDS	(RND)	
	PUSH	PRINT	
	PRINT	OFF	
*	COPY	IPARML	
	POP	PRINT	
	REGEQU		
	END		

*Editor's note: this article will be continued next month.*

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# VM news

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IBM has announced the IBM Java Port for VM/ESA, Developer Release 1.1.4, as a port for Sun Microsystems' Java Development Kit (JDK) to the System/390 platform.

Developer Release 1.1.4, developed to run with the OpenEdition Shell and Utilities feature, has executed and passed the majority of the Java Compatible test suite with the exception of certain graphical function tests for the AWT. The full range of Java graphical functionality is not supported by the VM/ESA operating system so this Java implementation does not claim to be fully Java Compatible. It has been made available as a Developer Release rather than as a GA product to facilitate development of Java applications designed for server environments that do not provide a graphical capability (also known as 'headless servers'). A subsequent GA release will support the running of Java applications that assume a screen is available.

Developer Release 1.1.4 includes a compiler, a debugger, the Java Virtual Machine (a Java byte-code interpreter), Sun Microsystem's JDK 1.1.4 class libraries, and Java Native Interface (JNI). It does not include a Just-In-Time compiler (JIT) or use of the Abstract Windowing Toolkit (AWT) classes for execution on VM/ESA.

An alternative execution environment, also available as a Developer Release, removes the need for users to purchase the

OpenEdition Shell and Utilities feature by offering a 'shell-less' Java implementation.

Code changes necessary to fix the '29 February 2000' date format bug found in JDK Version 1.1.4 and 1.1.5 have been implemented so that the Developer Release 1.1.4 is Year 2000 ready.

For further information contact your local IBM representative.

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Mirasoft has announced Distributed Devices for VM/ESA, enabling devices on one VM/ESA system to be used by virtual machines on another. Using the ISFC (Inter-System Facility for Communications) feature of the VM/ESA Control Program, it allows virtual machine-based servers such as VTAM and TCP/IP to support users across VM/ESA system boundaries. This allows hardware and software costs to be reduced, as well as easing system management in the multiple-system environment.

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