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VM batch FTP

We needed to automatically move files from our VM system to a Novell server without using the Network File System or LANRES. To do this VMBFTP EXEC was created. From this base the functionality was expanded to include Unix, VAX/VMS, and VM Shared File System directories. Other system types could be added to the EXEC with only minor modifications.

I use a service machine which calls a REXX EXEC that interfaces to the SFS on VM to move files between our VM/ESA 1.2.2 (TCP/IP at Release 2.2, FTP at Release 2.3) and several different target systems. These are Novell file servers (running HellSoft FTP Version 1.10), VAX/VMS, Unix (Solaris), and VMS SFS. The server runs the VMBFTP EXEC every 15 minutes on my system, and it is very flexible in how it can handle new files and destinations.

The real key is having an SFS directory tree set up to match the directory tree on the target system.

The SFS directory tree looks like this:

```
SERVER.Volume.Root_Dir.Sub_Dir.Sub_Dir2.Sub_Dir3.Sub_Dir4.Sub_Dir5
```

To get a file to Novell server LOCAL1 on volume SYSTEM in the directory /LOCAL/PCMODS/DOWNLOAD, the file would reside in an SFS directory called LOCAL1.SYSTEM.LOCAL.PCMODS.DOWNLOAD. The problem with this is that the SFS system will allow only eight subdirectory levels, while other systems will allow more (how many depends on the target system).

The program requires a list of 'servers' in the root directory of the VM service machine (this is the SERVER LIST file). Each server is the name of a root of an SFS tree. In that root directory is a file called 'IP ADDRESS' containing an IP address, user name, password, and system type. Note: the only users who have authority on VM to read the root level files should be the service machine and the administrator setting up the IP ADDRESS file.

The program will then access each directory in the SFS tree to see if

there are any files to FTP. If any are found, it will do a size check. Sizes are defined as a maximum number of 4KB blocks in a given time frame. If the file is too large, the program will delay moving the file until 'after hours' (defined as a time with no size limit). These time frames and limits are defined in an array called 'ZONE'. My service machine also takes care of LPRing files to several printers so I care about the amount of time it may take to move a file during the day.

To accommodate the lowest common denominator (the PC file system) the file will be renamed during the FTP to an eight-character filename and a three-character extension (filetype). The software will assign the extension as the number of days (including the current day) since 1 January of the current year (REXX Date(D) function).

To prevent overwriting a file on the target system, an FTP session is opened against the target system and a list (LS) command is executed. The output of the LS is scanned to look for name conflicts. If the file-id already exists on the target system, the last character of the extension is changed. The new character will be the first character in the alphabet (A-Z) that is unused as a tie breaker.

For example: two files are located in a SFS directory on VM called SAMPLE FILEA and SAMPLE FILEB (for the purpose of example today is 6 January), and they are downloaded to a PC. The first file (FILEA) will be called SAMPLE.006. The second file will then find the name SAMPLE.006 in use and will scan for SAMPLE.00A. The PC will report no file by that name, so it will issue a message to the VM service machine's console (and send a file with that name to any VM user-ids defined as part of a nickname FTPERR), then FTP the file with the new name SAMPLE.00A. Tomorrow (7 January) a file on VM called SAMPLE DATA will be downloaded with the name SAMPLE.007, and no messages will be issued.

This scheme will allow for 26 duplicate file names every 10 days. You may want to customize the code in this area if it proves to be an issue with your site.

If the software does not see a message "226 Transfer complete" (or "250 Transfer successful" message from a VM system) from the FTP, the program will issue a warning message to the console. If the FTP

is successful to the target system, the program will delete the file from the SFS directory on VM (cleaning up ready for the next time). If the FTP is unsuccessful, a message will be written to the console, then the file will be retained for the next iteration of the program and it will try to FTP again.

Use this procedure to add new directories/servers for use.

Adding a new destination to the Auto FTP is done by VMBFTP:

- Are you adding a directory on a server that does not already have an Auto FTP?

Skip to step 1

- Are you adding a new directory on a server that already receives an Auto FTP?

Skip to step 6

On the target system you need to have completed the following:

- 1 Install and have functioning FTP software.
- 2 Create a user-id with R/W access to the target volume.
- 3 Pass on to the VMBFTP support person the following information:
 - IP address for the new server.
 - User name to log-on with.
 - Password for this user-id.
 - Volume/directory layout that includes **all** directories from the root level. (This is used to build an SFS tree to match the PC volumes.)
 - System type (VMS, Unix, Novell, VMSFS).

On the host mainframe side:

- 4 Create an SFS tree with the root name matching the target server's name. This can be a name that is only used internally in VM. For example, I will call it 'PC1'.

5 Create a file in the root directory (PC1) called 'IP ADDRESS'. This file has several tokens on one record. They are positional parameters:

- The IP address (in dot notation or a named system).
- The user name that is to be used to sign-on to the remote system.
- Password to use for the remote system.
- System type. Currently acceptable systems are: Novell, VMS, VM SFS (VM Shared File System), and Unix.

Note: for Unix, enter the user-id and password in the correct case (mixed, upper, lower). No translation to upper or lower case will occur for these fields.

A sample IP ADDRESS file would look like:

```
1.1.255.1 USERID Password System_Type
```

6 Create a subdirectory with the name of the volume in the VM SFS (PC1.Volid).

7 Create a subdirectory with the same path to the download destination in the VM SFS (PC1.Volid.Path).

8 Give Write and NewWrite authority to the directories to the VM service machine (we use File control directories).

9 On the service machine's root directory (or on some accessed mini-disk or directory) you will need to create or modify a file called SERVERLIST. This file contains a list of the root directories in the default filepool to search for files to download. All entries are used in an ACCESS command so they **must** end with a full stop/period (.) to comply with the syntax of the ACCESS command for a root directory. Comments are allowed in the file. Comment lines start with the characters '* ' in columns 1 and 2 (the space **must** be present).

A sample SERVER LIST file would look like:

- * This is a file of SFS high-level directories.
- * Always include a period after the directory Id.

PC1.
SERVERB.

The service machine will not need any code changes to have any of these modifications done. The service machine is looping 24 hours a day, and at the top of each quarter hour it will read the SERVER LIST file. It will then access directory tree(s) in turn on the VM system. If it finds a file in any directory (**except** the root directory), it will FTP the file to the same location on the target system.

To have a file moved to the target directory, copy it to the correct VM shared file directory and the service machine will move the file at the next iteration of the program.

SERVICE MACHINE PROFILE EXEC

```
/* PROFILE EXEC for VMBFTP service machine */
'CP SP CON * START'
trace error
Processed = 0
Rscs_Cntr = 0
W = Time(R)      /* Reset timer */
Do Forever
  'CP CLO CON'
  Do Day = 1 to 24      /* Run this loop once per hour */
    Do Hour = 1 to 4    /* Do this loop every 15 minutes */
      Call VMBFTP      /* Let's check for FTP items in the SFS*/
      Do QtrHour = 1 to 3 /* Do this every 5 minutes */
        Do fivemin = 1 to 5 /* Do this loop every minute */
          Do Min = 1 to 2
            /* Do this loop every 30 seconds (for fast response time).*/
            Wait_Start = Time(r)
            /* Print routing by class to RSCS printers */
            /* Print routing to remote TCP printers W. LPR */
            Wait = 30 - (Time(e) + .5)
            Parse Var Wait Seconds '.' Milsecs
            'EXECIO 0 CP ( STRING SLEEP' Seconds 'SEC'
            /* Do overnight processing at 3 am */
            If Time(H) = 3 & ¬Processed then do
              /* Call EXEC to run overnight process */
              Processed = 1
            End
            Else If Time(H) = 3 & Processed then do
              /* Reset processed flag to allow for tomorrow night's processing */
              Processed = 0
            End
          End
        End
      End
    End
  End
End
```

```

        End /* Min */
        /* Do any process every minute */
    End /* Five Min */
    /* Do any process every 5 minutes */
    End /* Qrt Hour */
    End /* Hour */
    End /* Day */
End /* Forever */
Exit

```

VMBFTP EXEC

/* This EXEC will perform an FTP for moving files from VM/ESA system to remote systems (PC file servers, VMS, UNIX, and other VM systems).

Input files: Server List (Root Directory). This file contains a list of SFS root directories that correspond to remote system names.

Output files: WARNING MAIL (user mail). This is mail that the server may create to warn of errors. It will be sent to an internal nickname of FTPERR

```

*/
Mail_Opts = 'NOACK NOLOG NOEDIT NOPROMPT'
Server_List = 'SERVER LIST'
Mail_Fl = 'TEMP MAILFILE A'
Error_Log = 'FTPERROR LOG F'
        /* a log file - File mode can be determined by the site */
LS_Output = '' /* null string */
Low_Alpha = 'abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz'
Up_Alpha = 'ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ'
Mixed_Alpha = 'ZXWVTRQPONMLKJIHGFECB ' /* File modes to ck for */
Max_Window = 5 /* The max number of minutes the process will run and
        FTP files outbound. If the duration of the routine
        extends beyond Max_Window, a message will be placed
        on the console for each file skipped. They will be
        processed on the next iteration of the routine.
        */
/* ZONE. Array is used to determine the max file size by time of day */
Run_Time1 = Time()
Run_Time = Time(m)
        /* Static start time - used for Zones and Max_Window*/
Zone.0 = 4 /* Number of time zones per day */
Zone.0.0 = 3 /* Number of items to check per zone */
Zone.1.1 = 0 /* Zone.n.1 = Start time for the zone (Time(m)) */
Zone.1.2 = 480 /* Zone.n.2 = End time for zone */
Zone.1.3 = 0 /* Zone.n.3 = Max number of blocks allowed to */

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Zone.2.1 = 481      /* during this time zone. When = 0 , any size */
Zone.2.2 = 1080    /* file can be moved. */
Zone.2.3 = 2000
Zone.3.1 = 1081
Zone.3.2 = 1320
Zone.3.3 = 6000
Zone.4.1 = 1321
Zone.4.2 = 1440
Zone.4.3 = 0
/* Find out what the max allowable file size to transfer is for now */
Do Lp = 1 to Zone.0
  If Run_Time > Zone.Lp.1 & Run_Time <= Zone.Lp.2 then do
    If Zone.Lp.3 = 0 then do
      Max_Blocks = 99999
    End
    Else do
      Max_Blocks = Zone.Lp.3
    End
  End
End
/* Let's start out by finding an open file mode I can use with the SFS
directories later.
*/
'Pipe',
  'COMMAND QUERY DISK ',
  '| Drop 1 ',
  '| Specs 13.1 1 ',
  '| Join * ',
  '| Var Disk_Fm' /*
  '| Console ' */
Do Lp = 1 to Length(Mixed_Alpha) Until
Pos(Substr(Mixed_Alpha,Lp,1),Disk_Fm) = 0
  Last = Lp
End
If Last = Length(Mixed_Alpha) then do
  Call Mail_Error VMDFTP001 'No open filemodes'
End
Else do
  Open_Fm = Substr(Mixed_Alpha,Last,1)
End
/* Find out which servers I am to hit with this run... */
'Pipe',
  '<' Server_List ,
  '| NFind *_', /* Drop any recs that start with '* ' comments */
  '| Strip ',
  '| STEM Servers. ' /*
  '| Console ' */
Do Lp = 1 to Servers.0
  /* For each server I have a file in the root directory that contains

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    an IP address and a password for the server.
*/
'PIPE CMS ACCESS VMSYSU:'||Servers.Lp Open_Fm '(FORCERW '
'PIPE ',
  '< IP ADDRESS' Open_Fm ,
  '| Strip',
  '| VAR IP_Addr' /*
  '| CONSOLE'      */
/* OK, now let's get a list of all the subdirs on this server */
'Pipe',
'  CMS LISTDIR' Servers.Lp,
'| Drop 2',
'| Specs 4.170 1',
'| Stem Dir_Ids.' /*
'| Console'      */
/* Now lets see if I have any files to deal with in this tree */
Do Lp2 = 1 to Dir_Ids.0
  'Pipe CMS ACCESS' Dir_Ids.Lp2 Open_Fm '(FORCERW'
  'Pipe',
  '  CMS Listfile * *' Open_Fm '(DATE NOH',
  '| Stem File_Ids.' /*
  '| Console'      */
  /* Ok, we have a list of the files that exist in this directory,
     let's see if the size/time allows for a download now... */
  Do Lp3 = 1 to File_Ids.0
  Parse Var File_Ids.Lp3 M_Fn M_Ft M_Fm M_Fmt M_Lrecl M_Recs M_Blks,
    M_Dt M_Time .
    If M_Fn = 'DMSLST002E' then do /* No files found by Listfile */
      If M_Blks <= Max_Blocks then do
        /* See if we are in the window for this run still... */
        If Time(m) - Run_Time < Max_Window then do
          Call Transfer_File M_Fn M_Ft Open_Fm Dir_Ids.Lp2
        End
      Else do
        Say 'File' Dir_ids.Lp2 M_Fn M_Ft 'not moved - Passed time',
          'limit for this iteration'
      End
    End
  Else do
    Say 'File' Dir_Ids.Lp2 M_Fn M_Ft 'not moved - over block limit',
      ' - ' Max_Blocks
  End
End
End
End
End
End
End
'PIPE CMS RELEASE' Open_Fm
Return

```

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Mail_Error: Procedure Expose Mail_Opts Mail_Fl Error_Log
Parse arg Msg_Num Description
Say Msg_Num Description
Txt = Date() Time() Msg_Num Description
'Pipe VAR Txt | >>' Error_Log
Subject_Text = 'VMBFTP FTP ERROR' Msg_Num
'PIPE CMS ERASE' Mail_Fl
'PIPE',
    'VAR Description ',
    '| >' Mail_Fl
'FINIS * NOTEBOOK *'
'SENDFILE' Mail_Fl FTPERR
/* 'MAIL FTPERR ( FILE' Mail_Fl Mail_Opts */
Return
Transfer_File: Procedure Expose IP_Addr Low_Alpha Up_Alpha,
    LS_Output FTP_Output. Mail_Opts Mail_Fl Error_Log
Parse arg Parm_String
Parse Var Parm_String Fn Ft Fm FilePool ':' Server'.' Dir_Name
Parse Var Ip_Addr IP_Address Remote_User_Name Password System_Type .
File_Id = Fn||'.'||Ft||'.'||Fm
Out_Ft = Right(Date(d),3,'0')
File_Out = Fn||'.'||Out_Ft
Valid_Server_type = 0
Opn_Brkt = X2C(AD) /* Open square bracket for VMS systems */
Clo_Brkt = X2C(BD) /* Close square bracket for VMS systems */
/* Now let's look at the System Type (from IP ADDRESS file) and set up
the remote directory name in the correct format (Novell, VMS, UNIX)
*/
Select
    When Translate(System_Type) = 'NOVELL' then do
        /* Format of Dir_Id is now '/Volume/Root/Dir_1/Dir_2/' */
        Dir_Id = Translate('.'||Dir_Name||'.','/','.')
        Dir_Id = Translate(Substr(Dir_Id,1,Length(Dir_Id)-1),
            Low_Alpha,Up_Alpha)
        Valid_Server_type = 1
    End /* Novell */
    When Translate(System_Type) = 'VMS' then do
        Parse var Dir_Name VMS_Volume '.' VMS_Dir
        /* Format of Dir_Id is now 'Vol_Id:{Root.sub1.sub2}' (changing to
square brackets for VMS. */
        Dir_Id = VMS_Volume||':'||Opn_Brkt||VMS_Dir||Clo_Brkt
        Valid_Server_type = 1
    End /* VMS */
    When Translate(System_Type) = 'UNIX' then do
        Dir_Name = Translate(Dir_Name,Low_Alpha,Up_Alpha)
        /* Format of Dir_Id is now '/root/dir_1/dir_2/' */
        Dir_Id = Translate('.'||Dir_Name||'.','/','.')
        Valid_Server_type = 1
    End /* Unix */

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When Translate(System_Type) = 'VMSFS' then do
  /* Make sure that we have a sub dir - if not put a period at the
  end of the root dir name */
  If Pos('.',Dir_Name) = 0 then do
    /* We have a root directory so stick a period on it */
    Dir_Name = Dir_Name||'.'
  End
  /* Format of Dir_Id is now 'Filepool:dir.dir' */
  Dir_Id = Server||':'||Dir_Name
  Valid_Server_type = 1
End /* VMSFS */
Otherwise do
  Call Mail_Error VMDFTP009 'System type' System_Type 'for server',
    Server 'is undefined.'
  Valid_Server_type = 0
End /* Otherwise */
End /* Select System Type */
If Valid_server_Type then do
  Alt_File_Out = ''
  Remote_File = File_Exists_Remotely(File_Out)
  If Remote_File then do
    /* We already have a remote file with same ID */
    Remote_Hit = 1
    Do Fn_Id = 1 to 26 while Remote_Hit
      Ltr = Substr(Up_Alpha,Fn_Id,1)
      Alt_File_Out =
Translate(Fn||'.'||Substr(Out_Ft,1,2)||Ltr,Low_Alpha,Up_Alpha)
      Remote_Hit = FTP_Result_Scan(':'||Alt_File_Out||':')
      Say 'Remote scanning for ' Alt_File_Out '= ' Remote_Hit Time()
    End
    If Remote_Hit then do
      /* We have too many dup files to live with */
      'RELO' Fn Ft Server '.'Dir_Name 'TO VMBFTP.WORK'
      Call Mail_Error VMDFTP002
        'Excessive remote duplicates-'Server '.'Dir_Name,
        File_Id 'RELOcated to VMSYSU:VMBFTP.WORK'
    End
  Else do
    File_Out = Alt_File_Out
    Remote_File = 0
    Call Mail_Error VMDFTP003
      'File to be renamed on remote system',
      Dir_Id File_Id 'as' File_Out
  End
End
If ¬Remote_File then do
  Queue Remote_User_Name Password
  Queue 'CWD' Dir_Id
  Queue 'PUT' File_Id File_Out

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Queue 'QUIT'
'Pipe ',
  ' CMS FTP' Ip_Address,
  '| Stem FTP_Output.' ,
  '| CONSOLE'
/* Inspect for errors */
Str1 = '::226 Transfer::'
Str2 = '::501 Write::'
Str3 = '::530 Login::'
Str4 = '::Unable to connect::'
Str5 = '::553_::'
Str6 = '::550 FTP server does not::'
Str7 = '::250 Transfer completed successfully::'
Successful_Tran = FTP_Result_Scan(Str1)
Select
  When FTP_Result_Scan(Str1) | FTP_Result_Scan(Str7) then do
    /* Successful transfer */
    'PIPE CMS ERASE' Fn Ft Fm
  End
  When FTP_Result_Scan(Str2) then do
    Call Mail_Error VMDFTP004 'Write error to remote system (501)',
      Dir_Id File_Id 'as' File_Out
    xx = Delete_Remote_File(File_Out)
  End
  When FTP_Result_Scan(Str3) then do
    Call Mail_Error VMDFTP005 'Login error to remote system (530)',
      Remote_User_Name
  End
  When FTP_Result_Scan(Str4) then do
    Call Mail_Error VMDFTP006 'Unable to connect to foreign host.',
      IP_Address
  End
  When FTP_Result_Scan(Str5) then do
    Call Mail_Error VMDFTP008 'Foreign system denied put request',
      '(553).' IP_Address Dir_Id File_Id
  End
  When FTP_Result_Scan(Str6) then do
    Call Mail_Error VMDFTP010 'Foreign VM system does not have',
      'filepool administrator authority (550).' IP_address,
      Dir_ID File_Id
  End
  Otherwise do
    Call Mail_Error VMDFTP007 'Unknown error' Ip_Address Dir_Id File_Id
  End
End /* Select for result scan */
End /* no remote file */
End /* Valid server Type */
Return
File_Exists_Remotely:

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Else Do
  Exit_Cd = 1 /* Match found */
End
Return Exit_Cd
Delete_Remote_File:
  Procedure Expose Ip_Address Remote_User_Name Password,
    Dir_Id LS_Output FTP_Output.
/* This is a function that will go to the remote system at the specified
  directory and delete a specified file. This is done as a clean up
  procedure for a failed FTP. This procedure will return a 1 if it is
  successful in deleting the file.
*/
Parse arg File_Id .
Queue Remote_User_Name Password
Queue 'CWD' Dir_Id
Queue 'DELETE' File_Id
Queue 'QUIT'
'Pipe ',
  ' CMS FTP' Ip_Address,
  '| Stem FTP_Output.'/*
  '| CONSOLE'          */
/* Look for an OK message for the delete now. */
Str = '::200 OK::'
File_Match = FTP_Result_Scan(Str)
Return File_Match

```

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Renaming files

The CMS RENAME command does not allow you to rename a file where only parts of the filename or filetype are changed for the target file. The following procedure overcomes this limitation.

SYNTAX

```
RENAMCH fn ft fm fnneu ftneu fmneu
```

where 'fn ft fm' are the files to be renamed (wildcards are allowed) and 'fnneu ftneu fmneu' are the new file names. Corresponding parts (that

should be identical) can be specified by the '=' sign. The '=' is only valid at the end of a name.

EXAMPLES

```
RENAMCH MAK* TEST Z MAT= = =
```

renames all files with a filename beginning with 'MAK' and a filetype of 'TEST' on filemode 'Z' to files with a filename where the first three characters are changed to 'MAT' and the filetype remains the same.

```
RENAMCH TEST JOB* X PROD JCL= =
```

renames all files with a filename of 'TEST' and a filetype beginning with 'JOB' on filemode 'X' to files with a filename of 'PROD' and a filetype where the first three characters are changed from 'JOB' to 'JCL'.

RENAMCH EXEC

```

/*****
/*  RENAME with changing parts of fn or ft                                     */
/*****
/*  Call:  RENAMCH fn ft fm fnneu ftneu fmneu                               */
/*          fn ft fm                : files to be renamed                    */
/*          : (wildcards allowed)                                           */
/*          fnneu ftneu fmneu       : target file names                      */
/*          : corresponding parts are                                        */
/*          : identified by =                                               */
/*          : (= must be the last charact.*                                 */
/*          : of fnneu ftneu)                                              */
/*****
/*  Examples:  RENAMCH MAK* TEST Z MAT= = =                                 */
/*             RENAMCH TEST JOB* X PROD JCL= =                             */
/*****
trace off
parse upper arg fn ft fm fnneu ftneu fmneu .
if fn = '?' then signal hilfe
'MAKEBUF'
'LISTFILE' fn ft fm '(EXEC ARGS'
if rc != 0 then signal fileerr
'EXECIO * DISKR CMS EXEC A (FINIS'
anz = queued()

```

```

do i = 1 to anz
  pull p1 p2 fname ftype fmode p3 p4 pn
  p3neu = p3
  p4neu = p4
  posi = pos('=',fnneu)
  if posi > 0 then do
    if posi = length(fnneu) then signal gleicherr
    if posi = 1 & length(fnneu) = 1 then signal gleicherr
    p3neu = substr(fnneu,1,posit-1) || substr(fname,posit)
  end
  else p3neu = fnneu
  posi = pos('=',ftneu)
  if posi > 0 then do
    if posi = length(ftneu) then signal gleicherr
    if posi = 1 & length(ftneu) = 1 then signal gleicherr
    p4neu = substr(ftneu,1,posit-1) || substr(ftype,posit)
  end
  else p4neu = ftneu
  zeile.i = p1 p2 fname ftype fmode p3neu p4neu pn
end
'ERASE CMS EXEC A'
'EXECIO' anz 'DISKW CMS EXEC A (FINIS STEM ZEILE.'
'EXEC CMS RENAME % % %' fmneu
'DROPBUF'
exit

gleicherr:
say 'Error: Equal sign (=) may be specified only at the end of fn/ft'
'DROPBUF'
exit

fileerr:
say 'Error: No files found'
exit

/*****/
/* Help */
/*****/
hilfe:
'VMFCLEAR'
address cms 'type renamch exec * 1 15'

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DASD Space Manager (DSM)

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

DASD space manager (DSM) is designed both for single mainframe installations and for installations with two mainframes that share DASD. DSM is useful for systems programmers in their everyday work.

DSM provides the following possibilities:

- Viewing the allocation map for a selected volume in a single mainframe installation.
- Viewing the allocation map for a selected volume in a two-mainframe installation.
- Viewing an ordered gaps map for all volumes or a selected volume.
- Viewing an ordered overlaps map for all volumes or a selected volume.
- Interactive mini-disk allocation, using two vertically separated logical screens – one for VMUSERS DIRECT and the other for DSM.

The iterative interactive procedure of DASD space allocation with DSM is shown in Figure 1.

The maximum size of VMUSERS DIRECT that may be processed is 25,000 input lines and 3,000 mini-disks descriptions.

DSM is written in Assembler and REXX.

BASIC SOFTWARE FOR DSM EXECUTION

DSM executes in CMS with VM/SP Release 5.

STARTING DSM

DSM EXEC has no parameters. At installations with two mainframes,

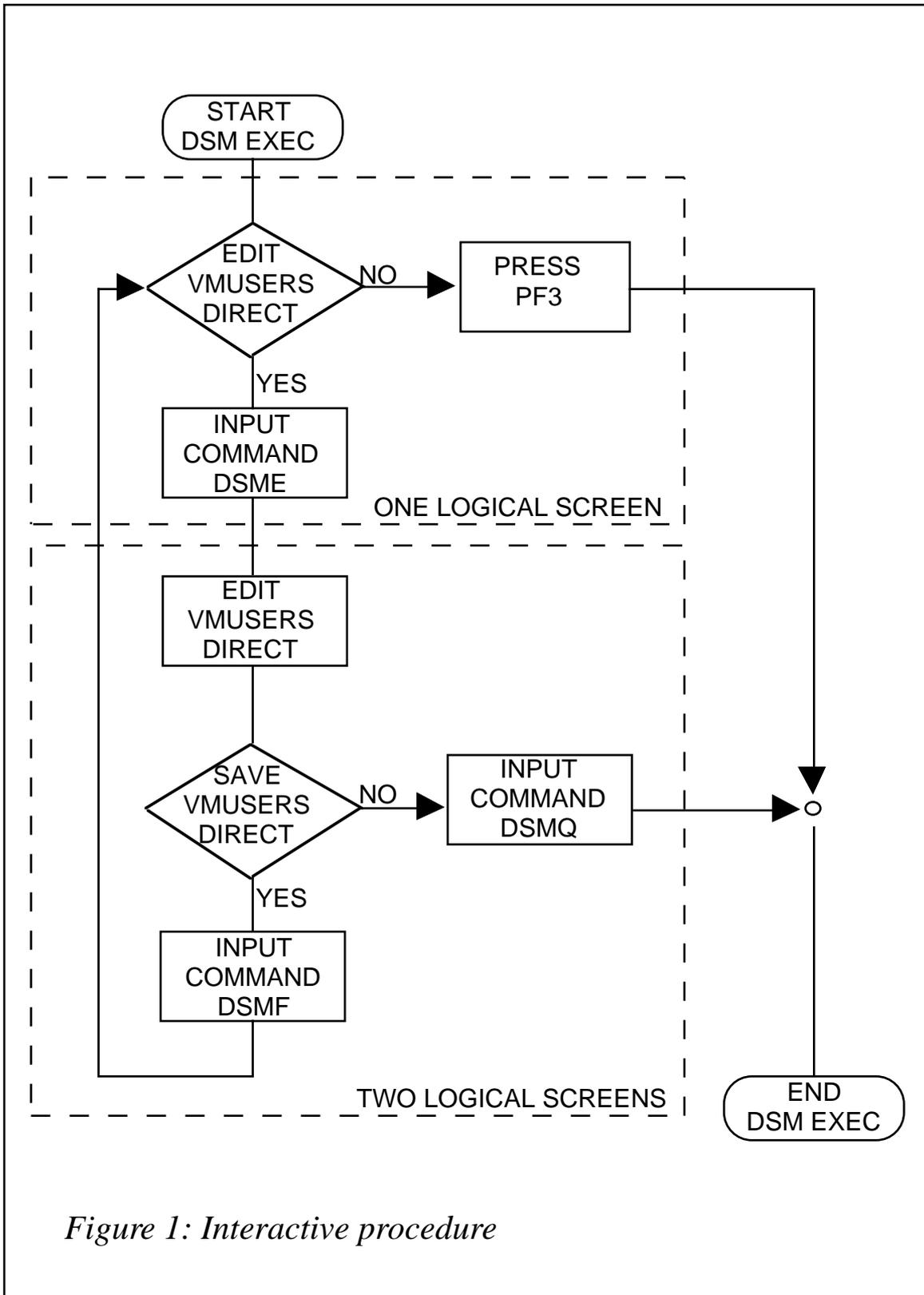


Figure 1: Interactive procedure

simultaneous execution is not allowed. It cannot modify VMUSERS DIRECT on two nodes concurrently.

Before starting DSM, a PROFILE DSM should be created. The file PROFILE DSM contains constant information about a specific installation.

The following record formats are used:

- NODE <nodeid> <mode> [<smode>] (1)
- NODE <nodeid> <smode> (2)
- OWNS <volid> (3)
- <dev type> <max cyl number> (4)

Format (1) defines the node identifier and disk on which VMUSERS DIRECT resides. For two-mainframe installations <smode> defines a shared disk, on which a copy of VMUSERS DIRECT is made, after its modification. The first record always describes a local or single host. Format (2) defines the shared disk in an installation with two mainframes containing VMUSERS DIRECT for the remote host. Format (3) defines non-shared DASD in two-mainframe installations, which may have identical volids. Format (4) determines the maximum cylinder or block numbers for a specific device type.

Examples of file PROFILE DSM in user-id MAINT are:

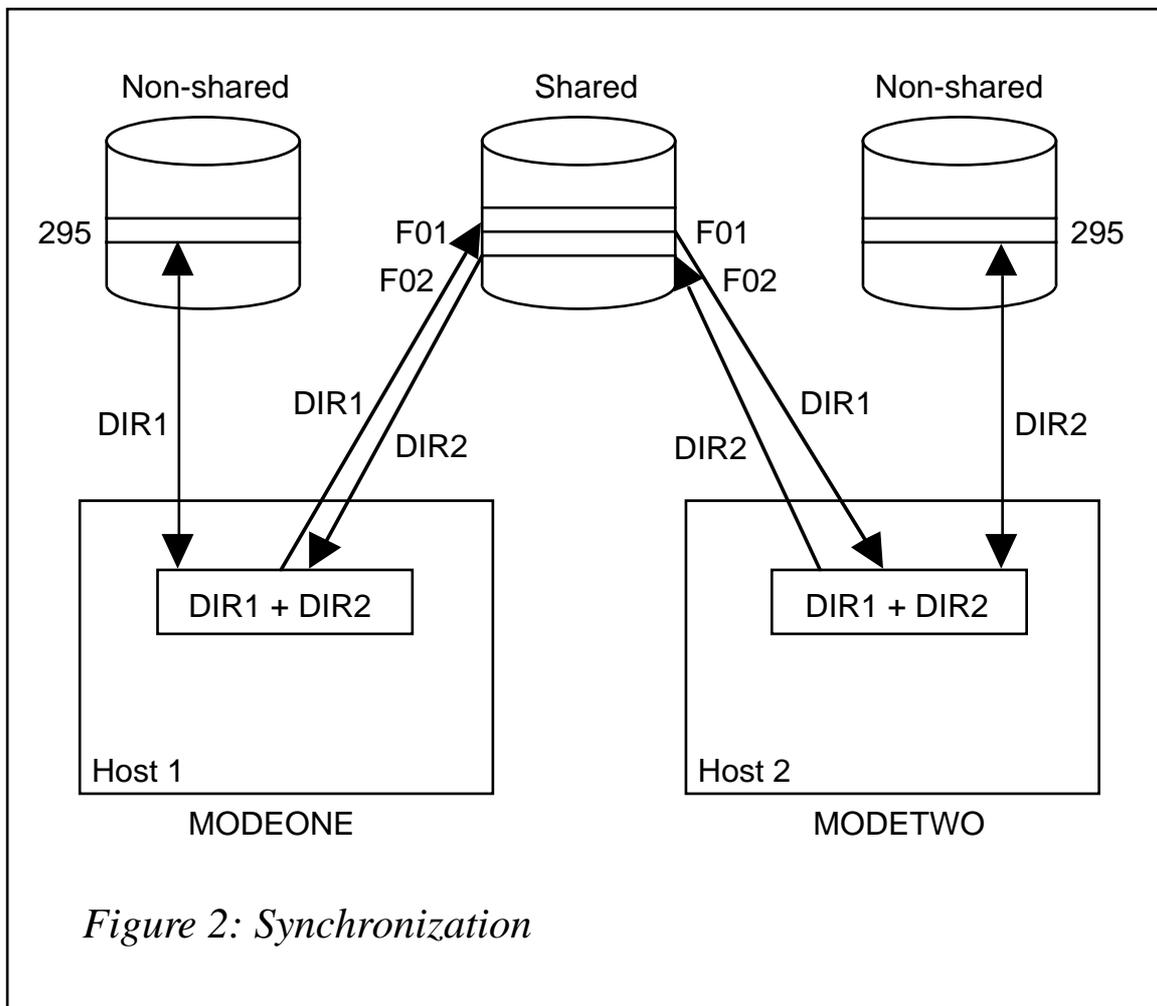
For a single mainframe installation:

```
NODE NODEONE B
3350 554
3380 884
```

For a two-mainframe installation:

```
- PROFILE DSM in MAINT at node NODEONE
  NODE NODEONE B C
  NODE NODETWO F
  OWNS VMSRES
  OWNS VMPK01
  3350 554
  3380 884

- PROFILE DSM in MAINT at node NODETWO
  NODE NODETWO B C
  NODE NODEONE F
```



```
OWNS VMSRES
OWNS VMPK01
3350 554
3380 884
```

VMUSERS DIRECT synchronization in installations with two mainframes is shown in Figure 2.

DSM EXECUTION

DSM is PFK and command driven. The commands are XEDIT macros.

PFK settings for volume selection are:

- PF1 – sort by cuu
- PF2 – sort by devtype

- PF3 – exit
- PF4 – begin
- PF5 – end
- PF6 – sort by volume id
- PF7 – backward
- PF8 – forward
- PF9 – view general gaps map
- PF10 – view general overlaps map
- PF11 – view volume allocation map
- PF12 – cursor.

Columns ‘Cuu’ and ‘Devt’ contain corresponding allocation values, starting from cylinder or block 0 – usually this is user-id \$ALLOC\$ with a real cuu and device type.

PF11 gives a view of the allocation map of a volume. It is selected by placing the cursor in any column of the corresponding row on the screen.

Commands that can be used with the volume selection screen are:

- DSME – creates two logical screens vertically separated and reads VMUSERS DIRECT for editing. The second logical screen is for DSM.
- DSMF – issues the XEDIT command FFILE to end VMUSERS DIRECT editing. It is used only in installations with two mainframes. It creates a copy of VMUSERS DIRECT on a shared disk, and calls DSM again to check new DASD space allocation.
- DSMQ – issues the XEDIT command QQUIT to ignore any VMUSERS DIRECT modifications and ends the edit session.

The commands DSMF and DSMQ should be issued in the VMUSERS DIRECT logical screen, and the DMSE command should be entered in the DSM logical screen. Otherwise, the commands are ignored by DSM.

PFK settings for the general gaps map screen are:

- PF1 – sort by volume-id
- PF2 – sort by gaps size
- PF3 – return to volume selection
- PF4 – top
- PF5 – end
- PF7 – backward
- PF8 – forward.

PFK settings for the general overlaps map screen are:

- PF3 – return to volume selection
- PF4 – top
- PF5 – end
- PF7 – backward
- PF8 – forward.

PFK settings for the volume allocation map screen are:

- PF2 – refresh
- PF3 – return to volume selection
- PF4 – top
- PF5 – end
- PF7 – backward
- PF8 – forward
- PF9 – view volume gaps map
- PF10 – view volume overlaps map.

PFK settings for volume gaps map screen and PFK settings for volume overlaps map screen are the same as for the volume allocation map screen.

Free disk space on disk A is used always as a work area for DSM.

When editing large VMUSERS DIRECT files, the DSMF command response time may be slightly increased.

DSM converts a device type FB-512 to a four-byte string F512 and that way displays it on screen.

The following messages may appear in the Note column on DSM screens:

- *DVC* – device type check, unknown device type.
- *GAP* – not allocated, free DASD space.
- *OVL* – two or more mini-disk allocations are overlapping, possible allocation error.

Message *DVC* means, that the record format (4) for this unit in PROFILE DSM is not correct or is not available. In this case the file PROFILE DSM must be corrected, before make any new allocations on the volume.

For installations with two mainframes, if two allocations have identical user-id, cuu, start, and size for a particular shared volume, but the first allocation is made in node 1 and the second allocation is made in node 2, then no message is displayed in the Note column. Instead of the second allocation appearing in the Node 2 column, the corresponding node identifier is displayed. So, if for some allocations both columns Node 1 and Node 2 are not empty, this means that the same allocation was made in both nodes. In this case, the corresponding user-id is not protected from loss of data on the shared disk when it concurrently works in node 1 and node 2 – both having write access to the disk.

DSMINSTL EXEC

```

/*****
/***          - installation aid          ***
/*** DSMINSTL      dsm install          ***
/***                                     ***
/*****
/***  SIZE 00039  VER 1.0 MOD 00          ***
/*****
  CLRSCRN
  MESSAGE = 'user request'
  SAY ' --- Start DSM 1.0 installation - reply Y or N'
  PULL REPLY
```

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IF REPLY = 'Y' THEN
SIGNAL ERROR
SET CMSTYPE HT
SIGNAL ON ERROR
MESSAGE = ' assemble '$DIRIN
ASSEMBLE $DIRIN
ERASE $DIRIN LISTING A
MESSAGE = ' load '$DIRIN
LOAD $DIRIN '(' NOMAP NOLIBE AUTO
MESSAGE = ' genmod '$DIRIN
GENMOD
ERASE $DIRIN TEXT A
MESSAGE = ' assemble '$MAPOUT
ASSEMBLE $MAPOUT
ERASE $MAPOUT LISTING A
MESSAGE = ' load '$MAPOUT
LOAD $MAPOUT '(' NOMAP NOLIBE AUTO
MESSAGE = ' genmod '$MAPOUT
GENMOD
ERASE $MAPOUT TEXT A
SIGNAL OFF ERROR
SET CMSTYPE RT
SAY ' --- DSM 1.0 installed successfully'
EXIT
ERROR:
SET CMSTYPE RT
SAY ' --- DSMINSTL not properly executed -> 'MESSAGE

```

DSM EXEC

```

/*****/
/***                                     ***      ***/
/*** DSM           disk space manager      ***      ***/
/***                                     ***      ***/
/*****/
/***  SIZE 00118  VER 1.0 MOD 02  TIME 13:19:05      ***/
/*****/
SET CMSTYPE HT
MAKEBUF
LISTFILE PROFILE DSM '* ( STACK'
IF RC = 0 THEN
DO
SET CMSTYPE RT
SAY '---' PROFILE DSM 'not found'
EXIT
END
DROPBUF
SET CMSTYPE RT
MAKEBUF
EXECIO '*' DISKR PROFILE DSM '(FINI'

```

```

NODE_1 = ''
NODE_1S = ''
NODE_2 = ''
NODE_2I = ''
J = 0
OWNS = ''
K = 0
UNIT = ''
DO I = 1 TO QUEUED()
  PULL TAG P
  P = STRIP(P)
  IF TAG = 'NODE' THEN
    DO
      PARSE VAR P ID MODE SMODE
      IF MODE = '' THEN
        DO
          SAY '--- MODE or SMODE not defined'
          DROPBUF
          EXIT
        END
      STATE VMUSERS DIRECT MODE
      IF RC  $\neq$  0 THEN
        DO
          SAY '--- VMUSERS DIRECT' MODE 'not found'
          DROPBUF
          EXIT
        END
      IF I = 1 THEN
        DO
          NODE_1 = ID MODE
          NODE_1S = SMODE
        END
      ELSE
        DO
          NODE_2 = P
          NODE_2I = MODE
        END
      END
    END
  ELSE
    IF TAG = 'OWNS' THEN
      DO
        K = K + 1
        OWNS = OWNS LEFT(P, 6)
      END
    ELSE
      DO
        J = J + 1
        IF SUBSTR(TAG, 1, 1) = 'F' THEN
          TAG = 'F512'
          UNIT = UNIT TAG RIGHT(P, 6, '0')
        END
      END
    END
  END
END

```

```

END
DROPBUF
IF NODE_2 ≠ '' & NODE_1S = '' THEN
DO
  SAY '--- SMODE not defined'
  EXIT
END
IF J = Ø THEN
DO
  SAY '--- UNIT info not defined'
  EXIT
END
SET CMSTYPE HT
IF NODE_1S ≠ '' THEN
DO
  AC FØ1 NODE_1S
  IF RC ≠ Ø THEN
  DO
    SET CMSTYPE RT
    SAY '--- Shared disk FØ1 not available'
    EXIT
  END
END
END
IF NODE_2I ≠ '' THEN
DO
  AC FØ2 NODE_2I
  IF RC ≠ Ø THEN
  DO
    SET CMSTYPE RT
    SAY '--- Shared disk FØ2 not available'
    EXIT
  END
END
END
GLOBALV SELECT DSM PUT 'NODE_1 NODE_1S NODE_2 OWNS J K UNIT'
SET CMSTYPE HT
REFRESH:
END = 'Y'
GLOBALV SELECT DSM PUT 'END'
ERASE $$$ $$$ A
X $$$ $$$ A '(' PROF DSM WIDTH 7Ø
EXECIO '*' DISKR $$$ $$$ A '(' FINI M 28 43 FIFO
X $$$ $$$ A '(' PROF DSMV
GLOBALV SELECT DSM GET 'END'
IF END ≠ 'Y' THEN
SIGNAL REFRESH
ERASE $$$ $$$ A

```

DSM XEDIT

```

/*****/
/****                                     ****          ****/

```

```

/**** DSM                disk space manager                ****      ****/
/****                                                              ****      ****/
/*****                                                              *****/
/****  SIZE 00027  VER 1   MOD 01  TIME 16:56:00          *****/
/*****                                                              *****/
X $$$ $$$ A '('  WIDTH 70
HI = '1DF8'X
LO = '1DF0'X
ADDRESS CMS
GLOBALV SELECT DSM GET 'NODE_1 NODE_2 OWNS J K UNIT'
IF NODE_2 ^= '' THEN
PROC = 2
ELSE
PROC = 1
$DIRIN PROC NODE_1 NODE_2 K OWNS
IF RC = 13 THEN
SAY HI'      No more memory is available - use DEFINE STORAGE'LO
ELSE
DO
ADDRESS XEDIT DMSXMS 28 34 52 64 19 24
ADDRESS XEDIT ':1'
ADDRESS CMS $MAPOUT J UNIT
END
ADDRESS XEDIT QUIT

```

DSMF XEDIT

```

/*****                                                              *****/
/****                                                              *****/
/**** DSMF                disk space manager                ****      ****/
/****                                                              ****      ****/
/*****                                                              *****/
/****  SIZE 00037  VER 1.0 MOD 00  TIME 13:49:19          *****/
/*****                                                              *****/
EXT '/FN'
IF SUBSTR(FNAME.1, 1, 1) ^= '$' THEN
DO
ADDRESS CMS
GLOBALV SELECT DSM GET 'NODE_1 NODE_1S'
PARSE VAR NODE_1 . MODE
QUERY DISK MODE '(' STACK
PULL
PULL . CUU .
SET CMSTYPE HT
ACCESS CUU MODE
ADDRESS XEDIT FFILE
ADDRESS CMS
ACCESS CUU MODE '/A'
IF NODE_1S ^= '' THEN
COPYFILE VMUSERS DIRECT MODE '= =' NODE_1S '(OLDDATE REP'

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```

IF RC = 0 THEN
DO
  SET CMSTYPE RT
  SAY '--- Copy of VMUSERS DIRECT' NODE_1S 'failed'
  SET CMSTYPE HT
END
ELSE
DO
  END = 'R'
  GLOBALV SELECT DSM PUT 'END'
END
ADDRESS XEDIT QUIT
END

```

DSMOM XEDIT

```

/*****/
/****                                     ****      ****/
/**** DSMOM           disk space manager          ****      ****/
/****                                     ****      ****/
/*****/
/****  SIZE 00042  VER 1.0 MOD 00  TIME 12:06:08          ****/
/*****/

PF01 ONLY      NULLKEY
PF02 ONLY      NULLKEY
PF03 ONLY      QQUIT
PF04 ONLY      ':1'
PF05 ONLY      BOT
PF06 ONLY      NULLKEY
PF07 ONLY      '-19'
PF08 ONLY      19
PF09 ONLY      NULLKEY
PF10 ONLY      NULLKEY
PF11 ONLY      NULLKEY
PF12 ONLY      NULLKEY
ENT  ONLY      NULLKEY
CMDLINE        OFF
CURLINE        ON  4
CURS           SCR 4 1
MSGLINE        OFF
NUMB           OFF
PREFIX         NULL
SCALE          OFF
SERIAL         OFF
STAY           ON
TOFEOF         OFF
RESER 1 HI COPIES(' ', 48) '*** Disk Space Manager ***'
RESER 2 HI COPIES(' ', 49) '*** Ver 1.0 (C) DG'95 ***'
RESER 24 NO ' 3 Exit 4 Top 5 End 7 + 8 -'

```

```

DO I = 1 TO QUEUED() BY 2
  PULL LINE
  INPUT LINE
  PULL
END
RESER 3 HI COPIES(' ', 5) LEFT('Node 1', 8) LEFT('Node 2', 8) ,
      'Userid  Volume  Cuu Devt Start  End    Size  Note'
':1'

```

DSMDM XEDIT

```

/*****/
/****                                     ****      ****/
/**** DSMDM          disk space manager          ****      ****/
/****                                     ****      ****/
/*****/
/****  SIZE 00044  VER 1.0 MOD 01  TIME 16:55:41          ****/
/*****/
PF01 ONLY    MACRO DSMED
PF02 ONLY    MACRO DSMR
PF03 ONLY    QQUIT
PF04 ONLY    ':1'
PF05 ONLY    BOT
PF07 ONLY    '-19'
PF08 ONLY    19
PF09 ONLY    ALL '/GAP'
PF10 ONLY    ALL '/OVL'
PF11 ONLY    NULLKEY
PF12 ONLY    NULLKEY
ENT ONLY     NULLKEY
CMDLINE      OFF
CURLINE      ON  4
CURS         SCR 4 1
MSGLINE      OFF
MSGMODE      OFF
NUMB         OFF
PREFIX       NULL
SCALE        OFF
SERIAL       OFF
SHADOW       OFF
STAY         ON
TOFEOF       OFF
RESER 1 HI COPIES(' ', 48) '*** Disk Space Manager ***'
RESER 2 HI COPIES(' ', 49) '*** Ver 1.0 (C) DG''95 ***'
RESER 24 NO '  2 Refr 3 Exit 4 Top 5 End 7 + 8 - ' ,
      '9 Gaps 10 Ovrs'
DO I = 1 TO QUEUED() BY 2
  PULL LINE
  INPUT LINE

```

```

PULL
END
RESER 3 HI COPIES(' ', 5) LEFT('Node 1', 8) LEFT('Node 2', 8)
      'Userid  Volume  Cuu Devt Start  End    Size  Note'
':1'

```

DSMV XEDIT

```

/*****/
/****                                     ****      ****/
/**** DSMV          disk space manager          ****      ****/
/****                                     ****      ****/
/*****/
/****  SIZE 00045  VER 1.0 MOD 02  TIME 13:32:16          ****/
/*****/
PF01 ONLY    DMSXMS 8 10
PF02 ONLY    DMSXMS 12 15 8 10
PF03 ONLY    QQUIT
PF04 ONLY    ':1'
PF05 ONLY    BOT
PF06 ONLY    DMSXMS 1 6
PF07 ONLY    '-17'
PF08 ONLY    17
PF09 ONLY    MACRO DSMG
PF10 ONLY    MACRO DSMO
PF11 ONLY    MACRO DSMD
PF12 ONLY    CURS SCR 4 1
CMDLINE      BOTTOM
CURLINE      ON 3
CURS         SCR 4 1
MSGLINE      OFF
NUMB         OFF
PREFIX       NULL
SCALE        OFF
SERIAL       OFF
STAY         ON
TOFEOF       OFF
RESER 1 HI COPIES(' ', 48) '*** Disk Space Manager ***'
RESER 2 HI COPIES(' ', 49) '*** Ver 1.0 (C) DG''95 ***'
RESER 3 HI COPIES(' ', 6)'Volume  Cuu Devt'
RESER 22 NO '1 S(C) 2 S(D) 3 Exit 4 Bgn 5 End 6 S(V)'
          '7 + 8 - 9 Gaps 10 Ovrs 11 Map 12 Curs'
RESER 23 NO 'Cmd DSMF DSMQ DSME'
BUF = ''
DO I = 1 TO QUEUED()
  PULL NEW
  IF SUBSTR(BUF, 1, 7) = SUBSTR(NEW, 1, 7) THEN
    ITERATE
  BUF = NEW

```

```

INPUT BUF
END
':1'

```

DSME XEDIT

```

/*****/
/****                                     ****          ****/
/**** DSME           disk space manager          ****          ****/
/****                                     ****          ****/
/*****/
/****  SIZE 00020  VER 1.0 MOD 00  TIME 13:03:05          ****/
/*****/
EXT '/FN/SCR'
IF SUBSTR(FNAME.1, 1, 1) = '$' THEN
DO
  IF SUBSTR(SCREEN.1, 1, 1) = 'S' THEN
  DO
    PREF OFF
    SCR W 60 20
    ADDRESS CMS GLOBALV SELECT DSM GET 'NODE_1'
    PARSE VAR NODE_1 . MODE
    X VMUSERS DIRECT MODE
  END
END
END

```

DSMO XEDIT

```

/*****/
/****                                     ****          ****/
/**** DSMO           disk space manager          ****          ****/
/****                                     ****          ****/
/*****/
/****  SIZE 00017  VER 1.0 MOD 00  TIME 12:14:50          ****/
/*****/
ADDRESS CMS
DO FOREVER
  EXECIO '*' DISKR $$$ $$$ A '(LO /OVL/ Z 67 69 FIFO'
  IF RC = 0 THEN
  LEAVE
END
FINIS $$$ $$$ A
XEDIT $ $ A '(' PROF DSMOM
ADDRESS XEDIT SOS PF12

```

DSMG XEDIT

```
/*****  
/****  
/**** DSMG          disk space manager          ****  
/****  
/****  
/**** SIZE 00016  VER 1.0 MOD 00  TIME 11:54:21          ****  
/****  
ADDRESS CMS  
DO FOREVER  
  EXECIO '*' DISKR $$$ $$$ A '(LO /GAP/ Z 67 69 FIFO'  
  IF RC = 0 THEN  
  LEAVE  
END  
FINIS $$$ $$$ A  
X $ $ A '(' PROF DSMGM
```

DSMD XEDIT

```
/*****  
/****  
/**** DSM          disk space manager          ****  
/****  
/****  
/**** SIZE 00028  VER 1.0 MOD 01  TIME 16:55:48          ****  
/****  
EXT '/CURS/LI'  
IF CURSOR.3 <= 0 THEN  
EXIT  
PF12 CURS SCR CURSOR.1 1  
' : 'CURSOR.3  
STACK 1 1 8  
PULL VOLUME .  
CL ':18'  
CR CENTRE('Peeked at' TIME(), 56, '-')  
' : 'LINE.1  
ADDRESS CMS  
VOLUME = LEFT(STRIP(VOLUME), 7)  
DO FOREVER  
  EXECIO '*' DISKR $$$ $$$ A '(LO /'VOLUME'/ Z 28 34 FIFO'  
  IF RC = 0 THEN  
  LEAVE  
END  
FINIS $$$ $$$ A  
XEDIT $ $ A '(' PROF DSMDM  
ADDRESS XEDIT SOS PF12
```

DSMGM XEDIT

```

/*****/
/****                                     ****      ****/
/**** DSMGM           disk space manager          ****      ****/
/****                                     ****      ****/
/*****/
/****  SIZE 00044  VER 1.0 MOD 00  TIME 12:06:08          ****/
/*****/
PF01 ONLY      DMSXMS 28 33
PF02 ONLY      DMSXMS D 58 63
PF03 ONLY      QQUIT
PF04 ONLY      ':1'
PF05 ONLY      BOT
PF06 ONLY      NULLKEY
PF07 ONLY      '-19'
PF08 ONLY      19
PF09 ONLY      NULLKEY
PF10 ONLY      NULLKEY
PF11 ONLY      NULLKEY
PF12 ONLY      NULLKEY
ENT ONLY       NULLKEY
CMDLINE        OFF
CURLINE        ON  4
CURS           SCR 4 1
MSGLINE        OFF
MSGMODE        OFF
NUMB           OFF
PREFIX         NULL
SCALE          OFF
SERIAL         OFF
STAY           ON
TOFEOF         OFF
RESER 1 HI COPIES(' ', 48) '*** Disk Space Manager ***'
RESER 2 HI COPIES(' ', 49) '*** Ver 1.0 (C) DG''95 ***'
RESER 3 HI COPIES(' ', 5) LEFT('Node 1', 8) LEFT('Node 2', 8)      ,
      'Userid  Volume  Cuu  Devt  Start  End    Size  Note'
RESER 24 NO
      '  1 S(Vol)  2 S(Size)  3 Exit  4 Top  5 End  7 +  8 -'
DO I = 1 TO QUEUED() BY 2
      PULL LINE
      INPUT LINE
      PULL
END
':1'
```

DSMQ XEDIT

```

/*****/
/****                                     ****      ****/
```

```

/**** DSMQ          disk space manager          ****      ****/
/****                                                    ****      ****/
/*****                                                    ****/
/****  SIZE 00019  VER 1.0 MOD 00  TIME 13:41:39          ****/
/*****                                                    ****/
EXT '/FN'
IF SUBSTR(FNAME.1, 1, 1) = '$' THEN
DO
  QQUIT
  QQUIT
END
ELSE
DO
  QQUIT
  SCR 1
END

```

DSMR XEDIT

```

/*****                                                    ****/
/****                                                    ****      ****/
/**** DSM          disk space manager          ****      ****/
/****                                                    ****      ****/
/*****                                                    ****/
/****  SIZE 00010  VER 1.0 MOD 00  TIME 12:59:37          ****/
/*****                                                    ****/
ALL
':1'

```

\$DIRIN ASSEMBLE

```

*****                                                    ****
****                                                    ****      ****
**** DSM          disk space manager          ****      ****
****                                                    ****      ****
*****                                                    ****
****  SIZE 00234  VER 1.0 MOD 01  TIME 14:54:36          ****
*****                                                    ****
*                                                    *
$DIRIN  CSECT
        PRINT NOGEN
        USING *,12
        ST   14,RG14
        MVC  TOPROC(1),8(1)
        MVC  NODE1(8),16(1)
        MVC  MODE1(1),24(1)
        CLI  8(1),C'2'
        BNE  READ

```

```

MVC    NODE2S(8),32(1)
MVC    MODE2(1),40(1)
PACK   DOUBLE(8),48(1,1)
MVN    DOUBLE+7(1),=X'0C'
CVB    11,DOUBLE
LTR    11,11
BZ     READ
LR     3,11
LA     1,56(1)
LA     2,VOLIDS
INVOL  EQU    *
MVC    0(6,2),0(1)
LA     1,8(1)
LA     2,6(2)
BCT    3,INVOL
READ   EQU    *
DMSFREE DWORDS=250000,ERR=RET,AREA=HIGH
ST     1,RG1
LR     5,1
LA     2,DIRECT
FSREAD (2),NOREC=25000,BSIZE=2000000,BUFFER=(5)
LTR    15,15
BNZ    ABEND
ST     0,RG0
CLI    TOPROC,C'1'
BE     ONLYONE
LR     6,5
AR     6,0
MVC    MODE1(1),MODE2
S      0,=F'20000000'
BZ     ABEND
LCR    7,0
FSCLOSE (2)
FSREAD (2),NOREC=25000,BSIZE=(7),BUFFER=(6)
LTR    15,15
BNZ    ABEND
A      0,RG0
ONLYONE EQU    *
BCTR   0,0
LR     6,5
A      6,RG0
ST     6,RG0
LR     6,5
LA     2,80
LR     3,5
AR     3,0
LA     8,1
FSCLOSE (2)
CYC   EQU    *
C      6,RG0

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```

        BNE    CONTINUE
        MVC    NODE1(8),=8X'40'
        MVC    NODE2(8),NODE2S
CONTINUE EQU    *
        CLI    0(6),C'*'
        BE     MISS
        LR     7,6
        BAL   14,SELWORD
        CLC    0(4,7),=C'USER'
        BNE    CHECKUSR
        LA     7,1(1,7)
        BAL   14,SELWORD
        MVC    USER+1(7),=7X'40'
        LA     10,USER
        EX     1,MVC
        B      MISS
CHECKUSR EQU    *
        CLI    USER,C'$'
        BNE    CHECKMDK
        CLC    USER(7),=C'$ALLOC$'
        BNE    MISS
CHECKMDK EQU    *
        CLC    0(5,7),=C'MDISK'
        BNE    MISS
        LA     7,1(1,7)
        BAL   14,SELWORD
        LA     10,CUU
        EX     1,MVC
        LA     7,1(1,7)
        BAL   14,SELWORD
        CLI    0(7),C'F'
        BNE    NOTFB
        MVC    DEV(4),=C'F512'
        B      JUMPDEV
NOTFB    EQU    *
        LA     10,DEV
        EX     1,MVC
JUMPDEV EQU    *
        LA     7,1(1,7)
        BAL   14,SELWORD
        CLI    0(7),C'T'
        BE     MISS
        LA     10,PSTART
        EX     1,PACK
        LA     7,1(1,7)
        BAL   14,SELWORD
        LA     10,PCYLS
        EX     1,PACK
        LA     7,1(1,7)
        BAL   14,SELWORD

```

```

MVI VOL+6,X'40'
LTR 11,11
BZ MOVEID
LR 14,11
LA 15,VOLIDS
CHKID EQU *
CLC 0(6,15),0(7)
BE MODID
LA 15,6(15)
BCT 14,CHKID
MODID B MOVEID
EQU *
LA 1,1(1)
CLI NODE1,X'40'
BE ADD2
MVI 6(7),X'F1'
ADD2 B MOVEID
EQU *
MVI 6(7),X'F2'
MOVEID EQU *
LA 10,VOL
EX 1,MVC
UNPK START(6),PSTART
OI START+5,X'F0'
UNPK CYLS(6),PCYLS
OI CYLS+5,X'F0'
AP PCYLS,PSTART
SP PCYLS,=P'1'
UNPK END(6),PCYLS
OI END+5,X'F0'
LA 0,EXTPLIST
LA 1,FSCB
ICM 1,8,=X'02'
SVC 202
DC AL4(1)
C 15,=F'13'
BE FREEMEM
MISS EQU *
BXLE 6,2,CYC
FREEMEM EQU *
L 1,RG1
DMSFRET DWORDS=200000,LOC=(1)
RET EQU *
L 14,RG14
BR 14
ABEND EQU *
ABEND 1313
TRT TRT 0(0,7),TRTTABLE
MVC MVC 0(0,10),0(7)
PACK PACK 0(4,10),0(0,7)

```

```

SELWORD EQU *
        LA 9,10(7)
CHECKBGN EQU *
        CLI 0(7),X'40'
        BNE THISBGN
        BXLE 7,8,CHECKBGN
THISBGN EQU *
        SR 1,1
        LA 15,9
        EX 15,TRT
        LA 2,80
        LTR 1,1
        BZ MISS
        SR 1,7
        BCTR 1,0
        BR 14
TRTTABLE EQU *
        DC 64X'00'
        DC X'40'
        DC 191X'00'
RG0 DS F
RG1 DS F
RG14 DS F
DOUBLE DS D
EXTPLIST EQU *
        DC A(COMMVERB)
        DC A(0)
        DC A(0)
        DC A(0)
COMMVERB DC CL8'SUBCOM'
FSCB EQU *
FSCBCOMM DC CL8'DMSXFLWR'
FSCBFN DC CL8'$$$'
FSCBFT DC CL8'$$$'
FSCBFM DC CL2'A'
FSCBITNO DC H'0'
FSCBBUFF DC A(BUF)
FSCBSIZE DC F'70'
FSCBFV DC CL1'F'
FSCBFLG DC X'00'
FSCBNOIT DC H'1'
FSCBNORD DC F'0'
FSCBAITN DC F'0'
FSCBANIT DC F'1'
FSCBWPTR DC A(0)
FSCBRPTR DC A(0)
DIRECT DC CL8'VMUSERS'
        DC CL8'DIRECT'
MODE1 DC CL2' '
TOPROC DS CL1

```

```

NODE2S  DS    CL8
MODE2   DS    CL1
VOLIDS  DS    9CL6
BUF     EQU   *
NODE1   DC    CL9' '
NODE2   DC    CL9' '
USER    DC    CL9' '
VOL     DC    CL8' '
CUU     DC    CL4' '
DEV     DC    CL5' '
START   DC    CL7' '
END     DC    CL7' '
CYLS    DC    CL7' '
        DC    CL20' '
PSTART  DS    PL4
PCYLS   DS    PL4
        END   $DIRIN

```

\$MAPOUT ASSEMBLE

```

*****
****                                     ***          ****
**** DSM           disk space manager          ***          ****
****                                     ***          ****
*****
****  SIZE 00163  VER 1.0 MOD 01  TIME 15:26:39          ****
*****
*                                                                 *
$MAPOUT  CSECT
        USING *,12
        LR   11,14
        MVC  UNITS(1),8(1)
        PACK DOUBLE(8),UNITS(1)
        MVN  DOUBLE+7(1),=X'0C'
        CVB  0,DOUBLE
        LR   10,0
        LA   4,16
        LA   3,UNITDATA
CYC      EQU   *
        LA   2,0(4,1)
        MVC  0(4,3),0(2)
        MVC  4(6,3),8(2)
        LA   3,10(3)
        LA   4,16(4)
        BCT  0,CYC
        DMSFREE DWORDS=26250,ERR=RET
        ST   1,FSCBBUFF
        LA   0,EXTPLIST
        LA   1,FSCB

```

```

      ICM  1,8,=X'02'
      SVC  202
      DC   AL4(1)
      L    2,FSCBBUFF
      L    0,FSCBNORD
      LR   1,2
      AR   1,0
      MVC  27(6,1),=6X'FF'
      SRDL 0,32
      D    0,=F'70'
      LR   3,1
      MVC  BUF(70),0(2)
      ZAP  TEND(4),=P'-1'
CHECK  EQU  *
      PACK START(4),BUF+44(6)
      MVN  START+3(1),=X'0C'
      ZAP  END,TEND
      PACK TEND(4),BUF+51(6)
      MVN  TEND+3(1),=X'0C'
      SP   START,END
      CP   END(4),=P'-1'
      BNE  CHECKNXT
      CP   START,=P'2'
      BL   CHECKEND
      B    SETGAP
CHECKNXT EQU *
      CP   START(4),=P'1'
      BE   CHECKEND
      BL   OVERLAP
SETGAP EQU *
      BAL  9,WRITEGAP
      B    CHECKEND
OVERLAP EQU *
      MVC  BUF+65(5),=C'*OVL*'
CHECKEND EQU *
      LR   4,10
      LA   5,UNITDATA
CHECKUNT EQU *
      CLC  0(4,5),BUF+39
      BE   FINDUNIT
      LA   5,10(5)
      BCT  4,CHECKUNT
      MVC  BUF+65(5),=C'*DVC*'
      SR   5,5
      B    WRITE
FINDUNIT EQU *
      CLC  BUF+51(6),4(5)
      BNH  WRITE
      MVC  BUF+65(5),=C'*ERR*'
WRITE  EQU  *

```

```

LA      2,70(2)
CLC    BUF+27(7),27(2)
BNE    CONTINUE
CLI    BUF,X'40'
BE     CONTINUE
CLI    9(2),X'40'
BE     CONTINUE
CLC    18(8,2),BUF+18
BNE    CONTINUE
CLC    44(8,2),BUF+44
BNE    CONTINUE
CLC    58(8,2),BUF+58
BNE    CONTINUE
MVC    BUF+9(8),9(2)
LA      2,70(2)
BCTR   3,0
CONTINUE EQU *
FSWRITE '$$$ $$$ A',BUFFER=BUF,BSIZE=70
CLC    BUF+27(7),27(2)
BE     MISS
LTR    5,5
BZ     NOGAP
PACK   START(4),4(6,5)
MVN    START+3(1),=X'0C'
SP     START,TEND
BZ     NOGAP
ISGAP  EQU *
AP     START,=P'1'
ZAP    END,TEND
BAL    9,WRITEGAP
NOGAP  EQU *
ZAP    TEND(4),=P'-1'
MISS   EQU *
MVC    BUF(70),0(2)
BCT    3,CHECK
FSCLOSE '$$$ $$$ A'
L      1,FSCBBUFF
DMSFRET DWORDS=26250,LOC=(1)
RET    EQU *
BR     11
WRITEGAP EQU *
AP     END,=P'1'
AP     START,=P'-1'
MVC    GAPMSG+27(7),BUF+27
UNPK   GAPMSG+44(6),END(4)
OI     GAPMSG+49,X'F0'
UNPK   GAPMSG+58(6),START(4)
OI     GAPMSG+63,X'F0'
FSWRITE '$$$ $$$ A',BUFFER=GAPMSG,BSIZE=70
BR     9

```

```

UNITS      DS      CL1
UNITDATA  DS      CL9Ø
BUF        DS      CL7Ø
GAPMSG    DC      CL65' '
           DC      CL5'*GAP*'
START     DS      CL4
END        DS      CL4
TEND      DS      CL4
GAP        DS      CL4
DOUBLE    DS      D
EXTPLIST  EQU     *
           DC      A(COMMVERB)
           DC      A(Ø)
           DC      A(Ø)
           DC      A(Ø)
COMMVERB  DC      CL8'SUBCOM'
           DS      ØF
FSCB      EQU     *
FSCBCOMM  DC      CL8'DMSXFLRD'
FSCBFN    DC      CL8'$$$'
FSCBFT    DC      CL8'$$$'
FSCBFM    DC      CL2'A'
FSCBITNO  DC      H'Ø'
FSCBBUFF  DC      A(Ø)
FSCBSIZE  DC      F'21ØØØØ'
FSCBFV    DC      CL1'F'
FSCBFLG   DC      X'2Ø'
FSCBNOIT  DC      H'Ø' '
FSCBNORD  DC      AL4(Ø)
FSCBAITN  DC      AL4(Ø)
FSCBANIT  DC      AL4(3ØØØ)
FSCBWPTR  DC      A(Ø)
FSCBRPTR  DC      A(Ø)
           END     $MAPOUT

```

PREPARING FOR DSM

The DSMINSTL EXEC should be used to install DSM.

DSMINSTL EXEC performs the following actions:

- ASSEMBLE \$DIRIN and \$MAPOUT
- LOAD \$DIRIN and GENMOD
- LOAD \$MAPOUT and GENMOD.

All DSM REXX texts should be on accessible mini-disks. For installations with two mainframes, mini-disks should be defined on

shared DASD to synchronize VMUSERS DIRECTs in both nodes. Actual copies of VMUSERS DIRECTs are written by DSM on these mini-disks.

The following are sample mini-disk control statements for user-id MAINT in two nodes:

```
- node NODEONE -  
  
MDISK F01 3380 100 002 SHRVOL W  
MDISK F02 3380 102 002 SHRVOL R  
  
- node NODETWO -  
  
MDISK F01 3380 102 002 SHRVOL W  
MDISK F02 3380 100 002 SHRVOL R
```

The virtual device addresses F01 and F02 should not be changed when sample mini-disks control statements are modified at your installation. Before first starting DSM, VMUSERS DIRECTs should be copied to the corresponding NODEONE and NODETWO disks.

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VMFE2E – revisited

Playing with the VMFE2E module (see *VM Update*, issue 120, August 1996, page 47) I've seen another restriction to VMFE2E.

Assume the following EXECs:

MYCALLER EXEC

```
/* */  
ADDRESS 'COMMAND';  
Y. = ' ';  
X.0 = 1;  
X.1 = '111';
```

```
SAY 'X.1' SYMBOL('X.1');
SAY 'X.2' SYMBOL('X.2');
SAY 'Y.1' SYMBOL('Y.1');
SAY 'Z.1' SYMBOL('Z.1');
SAY 'TEST' SYMBOL('TEST');
SAY;
'EXEC MYSUBEX1';
EXIT 0;
```

MYSUBEX1 EXEC

```
/* */
ADDRESS 'COMMAND';
'VMFE2E GET X. Y. Z. TEST';
SAY 'X.1' SYMBOL('X.1');
SAY 'X.2' SYMBOL('X.2');
SAY 'Y.1' SYMBOL('Y.1');
SAY 'Z.1' SYMBOL('Z.1');
SAY 'TEST' SYMBOL('TEST');
EXIT 0;
```

What you should get is:

```
X.1 VAR
X.2 LIT
Y.1 VAR
Z.1 LIT
TEST LIT
```

But you get the following results from MYSUBEX1:

```
X.1 VAR
X.2 LIT
Y.1 VAR
Z.1 LIT
TEST VAR      ==> wrong
```

Compound variables seem to be handled correctly by VMFE2E, but there seems to be a problem with simple variables.

We are running VM/ESA Release 2, service level 9403 and our VMFE2E module is dated 10/02/92 9:56. Maybe this has been resolved in VM/ESA 2.1?

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Dynamic menu system for CMS

PROBLEM

We have a FOCUS application that runs on different databases, for different users. What we do now is duplicate the application procedures, and change the statements pointing to the data. (Tell me about an administration nightmare!)

We have several end users that need a specific application. This means that we must duplicate the VM definitions for each user who needs this application.

We also have end users who need different applications. For these we must 'load' their VM with all that is needed for all applications, or set up as many VM users as applications they need.

When we are done with this mess, we have to cope with security, both on access and while running the different applications.

For these reasons (and more), I have designed this simple yet quite effective dynamic menu system.

The idea is to create the procedures 'on the fly', while the user needs it. And it works for any application, not only FOCUS applications.

This is done by 'plugging in' the security part of the menu system to the CMS SYSTEM SYSPROF EXEC. From here, the end user goes to the menu part, the starting point of all productive work. In cases where security isn't needed, you may plug the menu system directly into SYSPROF EXEC.

The dynamic menu system is made of three independent parts:

- The security part
- The dynamic menus part
- The on-line administration part.

THE SECURITY PART

Security is implemented using two REXX programs and two data

files. The first program, SERVPASW, runs in a disconnected service machine. It reads passwords from the data file LOG1 XPASW, and gets the access requests from the second program, LOGO EXEC.

Access is granted only if the name and password from the LOGO screen are matched in LOG1 XPASW. Any user can change his access password by typing a name, the matching password, and a new password in the relevant fields. Adding new names and passwords is done by typing in the new entries in the MENU NAME and PASSWORD field, together with the ADDPSWD in the NEW PASSWORD field. The ADDPSWD is set in the second line of the SERVPASW EXEC. Current ADDPSWD is "12345678".

LOGO EXEC may be called by any user's PROFILE EXEC, or, if you want to tighten your security, you may plug it in the S disk's SYSPROF EXEC. In this case, users' PROFILE EXECs are bypassed, and any attempt to get through by issuing IPL CMS with NOPROF will put the user back to the security part.

SERVPASW EXEC in the password checking service machine and LOGO EXEC in the user's VM communicate in both directions using SMSG commands. If the service machine decides to grant access to the dynamic menus to a user, an authorization file, MENU XAUTH, is checked for the existence of one or more menus for this user. Then the menu program is called with the matching menu name. If security is not needed, you may call the menu program directly from the user's PROFILE EXEC or the system's SYSPROF EXEC.

THE DYNAMIC MENUS PART

I call 'MENU' a bunch of functions related to the same kind of application. Menus are defined in MENU XLINES file. Each menu has a name, a short description, and a set of 'menu lines'. Menu lines are the execution definitions of the function we want to operate from our menu. A menu line has a name, a description, and a type. The type may be 'EXEC' (if it executes a CMS EXEC procedure), it may be 'MENU' (if it calls another dynamic menu), or 'MENPROC' (if it toggles the auto-generated procedure feature). The 'REXX' type has been added to allow the execution of REXX statements.

The second data file is the authorization file MENU XAUTH. In this file, there is an entry for each user's authorized menu. In front of each user/menu key, there is a 'stream' of flags !X!; each flag represents the user authorization to access the specific 'menu line' of this menu. The N position of a flag in the stream means that the Nth line of the menu is to be present in this user's menu.

The third data file, MENU XSTATMS, deals with a special type of menu line – the 'MENPROC' type. This type of menu lines operates an auto-generated REXX procedure. Each 'menproc' definition includes LINK, ACCESS, TDISK, and EXEC statements. LINK and ACCESS statements are CP/CMS-like. LINK passwords are slightly scrambled using REXX X2C and REVERSE functions. TDISK parameters may be 'Y' (yes, default size), 'N' (no), or Number of cylinders for temporary disk size. The EX parameter is the name of a FOCUS program to execute once the proper setup is done. When a MENPROC menu option is selected from the menu, the MAKEXEC program is initiated. It reads the proper MENPROC definitions from the MENU XSTATMS data file, and builds a REXX procedure. This procedure is run immediately, and is discarded as soon as it completes.

Samples of MENU data files are enclosed. You may add your own definitions simply by editing the samples.

THE ON-LINE ADMINISTRATION PART

One can update the data files manually, using XEDIT, or use the full screen utilities.

The on-line administration utilities would be used to:

- 1 Administer passwords
- 2 Create menus
- 3 Update menus
- 4 Delete menus
- 5 Update authorizations
- 6 Create/update MENPROCs
- 7 Delete MENPROCs

THE DYNAMIC MENUS SETUP

A VM user-id is needed to run the Menu password verification. This can be a regular CMS user, which can issue CP SMSG commands. It needs to have read/write access to the passwords file (LOGO XPASW) and read access to the authorization file (MENU XAUTH). The password checking server must run SERVPASW EXEC.

The dynamic menu system entry point is to be plugged in the user's PROFILE EXEC, or in the CMS SYSTEM SYSPROF EXEC. This entry point is LOGO EXEC if you choose to use the password verification, or MENU EXEC if the dynamic menu system is all you need.

To use MENU EXEC, you need to have read access to MENU XAUTH, MENU XLINES, and MENU XSTATMS. I strongly recommend not to put these files on the same mini-disk as the password file.

The on-line administration utilities need read/write access to all data files.

SERVPASW

```
/* PASSWORDS SERVER MONITOR PROGRAM */
ADDPSWD='12345678'                /* THIS IS THE PASSWORD TO TYPE IN */
                                  /* "NEW PASSWORD" FIELD IN ORDER TO */
                                  /* ADD A NEW MENUID AND PASSWORD IN */
                                  /* LOG1 XPASW FILE */
'VMFCLEAR'
SAY DATE(J)||TIME(S)||' =====> MENU SYSTEM PASSWORDS VERIFICATION IS
ACTIVE <===== '
'CP SET SMSG ON'
DO FOREVER                        /* INFINITE LOOP */
SERVPASW:                         /* LOOP STARTS HERE */
'WAKEUP (SMSG EXT QUIET'         /* WAIT UNTIL SMSG OR
                                  EXTERNAL INTERRUPT */
IF RC=6 THEN SIGNAL OUTOUT       /* EXIT ON EXT INTRPT */
PARSE PULL TYPE SMSGUSER UID PSWD NPSWD /* PARSE TEXT DATA */
                                  /* THIS IS TO TERMINATE MENU SYSTEM PASSWORDS VERIFICATION */
                                  /* YOU SIGN ON WITH USERID "EXIT" AND PASSWORD AS 'ADDPSWD'*/
IF STRIP(UID)='EXIT' & PSWD=ADDPSWD THEN DO
'SMSG 'SMSGUSER' PSWD SHUT'
SIGNAL OUTOUT                     /* EXIT WHEN EXIT DATA */
END
                                  /* WHEN LOGO PROGRAM SENDS A MESSAGE TO TEST MENU SYSTEM */
```

```

                /* PASSWORDS VERIFICATION STATUS, WE DO NOTHING                */
IF STRIP(UID)='TEST' THEN ITERATE
'STATE MENU XAUTH'
IF RC =0 THEN DO
'VMFCLEAR'
SAY '=====>      CANNOT FIND AUTHORIZATION FILE   !!!           '
EXIT 9999
END
/* CHECK MENU EXISTENCE */
'PIPE < MENU XAUTH ',
'| DROP 4 ',
'| LOCATE 1-8 /'UID'/ ',
'| STEM TAFUSER.'
IF TAFUSER.=0 THEN DO
'SMSG 'SMSGUSER' NOTAF'
SAY DATE(J)||TIME(S)||C098 UID' DOES NOT HAVE A WORKING MENU'
SIGNAL SERVPASW
END
'STATEW LOG1 XPASW A'
IF RC =0 THEN DO
'VMFCLEAR'
SAY '=====>      NO WRITE ACCESS TO PASSWORD FILE!!!           '
EXIT 9998
END
'PIPE (ENDCHAR ? ) < LOG1 XPASW A ',
'| DROP FIRST ',
'| LOCATE 1.8 /'UID'/ ',
'| A: FANOUT',
'| VAR PASWLINE',
'? A: | SPLIT MIN 28 AT /!/',
'| TAKE FIRST ',
'| SPLIT AT /!/',
'| STEM LOG1.'
IF LOG1.=0 THEN DO
IF STRIP(NPSWD)='' THEN DO
'SMSG 'SMSGUSER' NOADDPASWD'
SAY DATE(J)||TIME(S)||C088 'MENU 'UID' DOES NOT EXIST AND'
SAY DATE(J)||TIME(S)||C088 'ADD PASSWORD NOT SUPPLIED BY USER'
'SMSGUSER
END /* END NO ADD PASSWORD */
ELSE DO
IF NPSWD=ADDPASWD THEN DO
USER_LINE=LEFT(UID,8)||'!'||LEFT(PASWD,8)||'!'||DATE(J)||TIME(S)||'!'
'PIPE VAR USER_LINE | >> LOG1 XPASW A'
'SMSG 'SMSGUSER' ADDPSWDOK'
SAY DATE(J)||TIME(S)||C001 UID' WAS ADDED TO PASSWORDS DATA BASE BY
USER 'SMSGUSER
END /* END NEW USERID */
ELSE DO
'SMSG 'SMSGUSER' ADDPSWDNOTOK'
SAY DATE(J)||TIME(S)||C098 SMSGUSER 'HAS FAILED TO ADD A NEW MENU '

```

```

END /* END ADD NEW MENU */
END
END /* END EXISTING MENU */
        ELSE CALL CHKPSWD                /* EXISTING USER        */
END /* END INFINITE LOOP */
EXIT
/* CHKPSWD: CHECK PASSWORD PROCEDURE */
CHKPSWD: PROCEDURE EXPOSE LOG1. PSWD NPSWD UID MSGUSER PASWLINE
IF STRIP(PSWD)≠STRIP(LOG1.2) THEN DO        /* NO MATCH                */
'SMSG 'MSGUSER' NOMATCH'
SAY DATE(J)||TIME(S)||C099 UID' HAS FAILED TO ACCESS MENU SYSTEM ON USER
'SMSGUSER
        END                                /* END NO MATCH            */
        ELSE DO                            /* PSWD MATCH              */
IF STRIP(NPSWD)≠'' & STRIP(NPSWD)≠STRIP(LOG1.2) THEN DO
USER_LINE=LEFT(UID,8)||'!'||LEFT(STRIP(NPSWD),8)||'!',
||DATE(J)||TIME(S)||'!'||LEFT(PASWLINE,87)
'PIPE < LOG1 XPASW A | CHANGE /'PASWLINE'/'USER_LINE'/ | > LOG1 XPASW A'
SAY DATE(J)||TIME(S)||C003 UID' HAS CHANGED HIS ACCESS PASSWORD'
'SMSG 'MSGUSER' CHDPSWDOK'
RETURN
END                                /* END CHANGE PASSWORD */
SAY DATE(J)||TIME(S)||C002 UID,
        ' HAS SUCCESSFULLY ACCESSED MENU SYSTEM ON USER 'MSGUSER
'SMSG 'MSGUSER' GOGOGO'
        END                                /* END PSWD MATCH        */
RETURN                            /* END CHKPSWD PROCEDURE */
OUTOUT:
SAY DATE(J)||TIME(S)||' =====>  MENU SYSTEM PASSWORDS VERIFICATION IS
DE-ACTIVATED <===== '
'CP SET SMSG OFF'
EXIT

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

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VM news

LinkAge Software has announced LinkAge Message Exchange, a message switch that promises enterprise-wide connectivity, integrated directory services, and administration and management tools for mixed environments.

The product, which is integrated with Microsoft Exchange Server and NT Server, is claimed to be the first messaging system to extend Microsoft technology into all IBM and Lotus environments. It connects users and integrates the directory services and management of most messaging systems, including MS Mail and Exchange, Lotus Notes and cc:Mail, SMTP/MIME, X.400, OfficeVision/VM, OfficeVision/MVS, OfficeVision/400, Verimation MEMO, Fischer International TAO and other host-based messaging systems that are compliant with SNADS.

There are four components: Microsoft Exchange-Notes Connector, Microsoft Exchange-cc:Mail Connector, Microsoft Exchange-SNADS Connector, and the Microsoft Exchange-OfficeVision/VM Connector. Each can be configured and managed from within the Exchange Administrator user interface. LME is also tightly integrated with other components of the Microsoft BackOffice family of server applications. LinkAge Message Exchange is available immediately.

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Fischer International has unveiled Version 4.0 of TAO, its enterprise messaging and office automation product. The new version has an improved look and feel that adapts to the environment it runs in, and Windows 95 and NT clients now support OLE and Container technology, so users can send video clips, sound bites, and other large attachments, such as an Excel file, a sound clip from a sales presentation, or a video message from an organization's spokesperson.

TAO clients are available for Windows 3.x, Windows 95, Windows NT and OS/2 as well as large systems running OS/400, CICS, VTAM, TSO, IDMS, IMS, and CMS. The server version runs on VM, MVS, AS/400 and OS/2.

There is a new option for logging on as a live or disconnected client. Workers can take TAO on the road and access e-mail locally. The new GUI-based scheduling system features real-time, cross platform scheduling across an enterprise, with daily, weekly, and monthly calendar views. New features include drag and drop for private and public appointment scheduling and rescheduling, conflict checking for all types of appointments, and attendance confirmation from a notification.

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