

WHAT YOU *MUST* KNOW ABOUT DISTRIBUTED ACCESS TO DB2 FOR Z/OS – PART 1

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Agenda

→Objective

To review topics that you *must* know about distributed access to DB2 for z/OS

Contents

- Connectivity topics
- Accounting and SMF
- High performance DBATs
- And there is more
- In Part 2:
 - Data Sharing considerations
 - Specialty engines
 - What is new in DB2 11
 - Problem determination

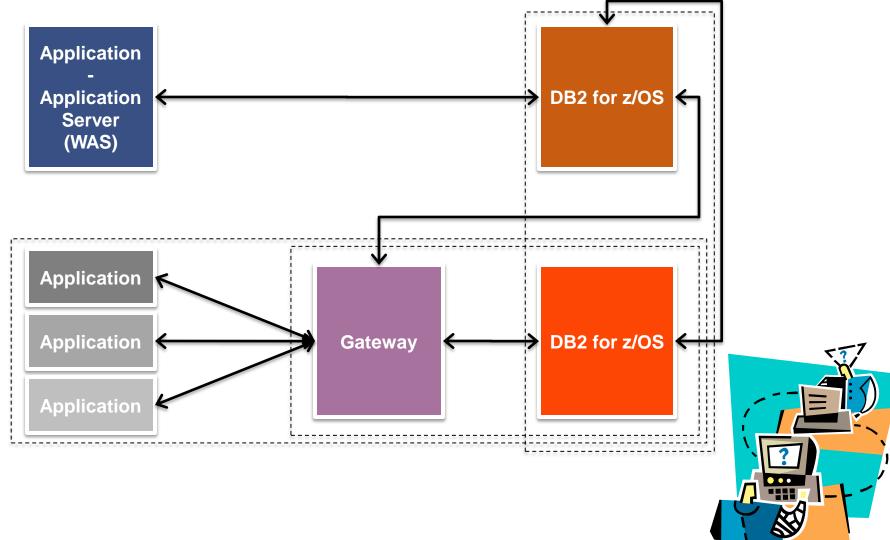




CONNECTIVITY TOPICS

Distributed access to DB2

Configuration examples



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Distributed Relational Database Architecture levels

- Communication will be done using the lowest DRDA level supported by the Client / Server
- Working with down-level clients?
 - An old client will work but probably with a subset of the DRDA capabilities of the DB2 server
 - Clients and servers are supported independently
- → **BUT:** feedback from IBM DDF Level 2 Support area shows:
 - Typical problem: distribution protocol errors or errors with certain DDM code points
 - Special register settings not taking effect after connection reuse
 - Many (sometimes undetermined) problems solved after updating clients





IMPORTANT: Keep clients up to date

Database access threads processing modes

- ACTIVE MODE: A DBAT is always active from initial creation to termination
- INACTIVE MODE: A DBAT that is not currently processing a unit of work is called a pooled thread, and it is disconnected
 - When a DBAT in INACTIVE MODE is active, it processes requests from client connections within units of work
 - When a DBAT is pooled, it waits for the next request from a client to start a new unit of work

CONDBAT: Max. # of distributed connections into DB2 system

- Includes inactive and active connections, may be large
- DB2 queues DBAT requests to become active up to CONDBAT
- MAXDBAT: Max # database access threads (DBATs) that can be active concurrently
 - In many installations, max. value determined by available storage in DBM1 → check IFCID 225

Use INACTIVE threads

- Enable inactive thread support
 - CMSTAT=INACTIVE
 - Allows DB2 for z/OS pooling:
 - Reduction in CPU utilization
 - Reduction in Memory utilization
- To allow DDF threads to become INACTIVE
 - Avoid holding resources
 - WITH HOLD cursors not closed
 - DTT not dropped
 - Application using packages bound using KEEPDYNAMIC

IMPORTANT: Resources held across a COMMIT would prevent the connection and associated DB2 thread from being POOLED

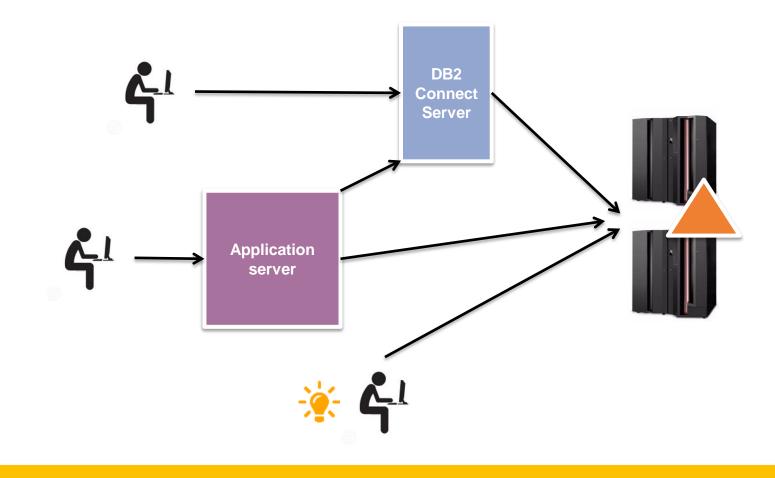


DIS DDF command

DSNL0801	-DB2P DSNLTDDF DISPLAY DDF REPORT FOLLOWS:
DSNL081I	STATUS=STARTD
DSNL082I	LOCATION LUNAME GENERICLU
DSNL083I	DB2P DB2P.LU1 -NONE
DSNL084I	TCPPORT=5136 SECPORT=5137 RESPORT=5138 IPNAME=-NONE
DSNL0851	IPADDR=::192.168.1.1
DSNL086I	SQL DOMAIN=WWW.HELLOWORLD.BE
DSNL0901	DT=I CONDBAT= 1000 MDBAT= 200
DSNL0921	ADBAT = 2 QUEDBAT = 0 INADBAT = 0 CONQUED = 0
DSNL093I	DSCDBAT= 0 INACONN= 0
DSNL0991	DSNLTDDF DISPLAY DDF REPORT COMPLETE

- → DT=I --> DDF configured with INACTIVE threads
- → CONDBAT --> MAX REMOTE CONNECTED
- → MDBAT --> MAX REMOTE ACTIVE
- → ADBAT --> Current # of DBATs, active and disconnected
- → QUEDBAT --> Count # times MDBAT was reached, only reset at restart
- INADBAT --> Current # of inactive DBATs, DISPLAY THREAD TYPE (INACTIVE)
- CONQUED --> Current # of queued connections
- → DSCDBAT --> Current # of disconnected DBATs= DBAT pool threads
- → INACONN --> Current # of inactive connections

DB2 Connect Configurations

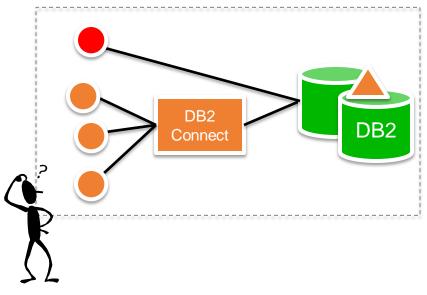


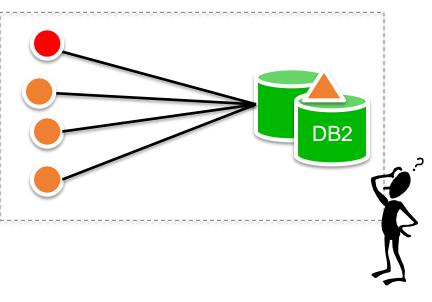
IMPORTANT: DB2 Connect licensing is required in **ALL** configurations

Some DB2 Connect reserved functionalities

IMPORTANT: There is no mechanism available to DDF or WLM to classify a workload **BEFORE** connection: critical and low priority workloads compete for DBATs

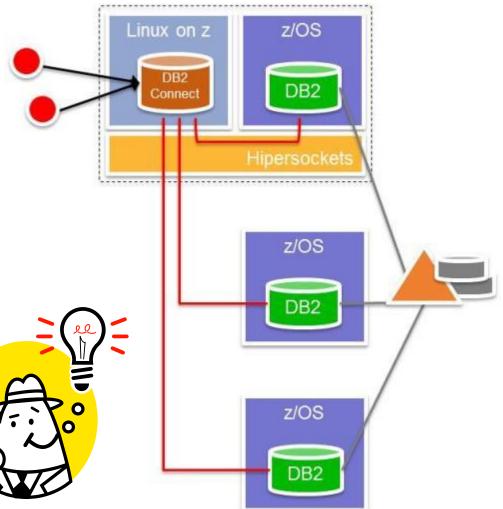
- → DB2 Connect:
 - Provides gateway, connection concentration and a larger scope for WLB and Pooling
 - Simplification of upgrades and maintenance

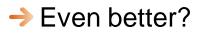




DB2 Connect and Hipersockets

- DB2 Connect + zVM + zLinux
- Probably the best option for a DB2 Connect server
- Get availability advantages of System z at IFL price
- Hipersockets support
- Promotes server consolidation: reduces Data Center costs





Application server in zLinux

db2 ping

- Tests the network response time of the underlying connectivity between a client and a database server
- → Can simulate ≠ packages sizes (bytes) for REQUEST and RESPONSE

C:\..\SQLLIB\BIN>db2 ping PRODDB request 100 response 32000 10 times

Elapsed time: 4256 microseconds Elapsed time: 4507 microseconds Elapsed time: 4240 microseconds Elapsed time: 5034 microseconds Elapsed time: 3998 microseconds Elapsed time: 4009 microseconds Elapsed time: 4030 microseconds Elapsed time: 4071 microseconds Elapsed time: 4096 microseconds Elapsed time: 4096 microseconds

Requires to be connected to the target database

- For testing if you can reach the server
 - Ping / traceroute OS commands

DB2 for z/OS Timeouts

Example: a remote client connects to DB2, does some work, and then does not go inactive (likely no COMMIT):

P	STC09109	DSNL027I	_DBXP SERVER DISTRIBUTED AGENT WITH
4			LUWID=GA65B414.PA09.1111C8065156=43494
			THREAD-INFO=TOTO123:MACBOOK01:TOTO123:javaw.exe
			RECEIVED ABEND=04E
			FOR REASON=00D3003B

→ IDTHTOIN

- Time, in seconds, an active server thread remains idle before it is cancelled
- Inactive connections are not subject to idle thread timeout
- In general, default works well
- Client may receive SQL30081N which would indicate that the remote connection was terminated

Client timeouts

→ SQL_ATTR_QUERY_TIMEOUT

- The client side equivalent of IDTHTOIN
- Set a timeout value for SQL queries ran through the ODBC API

A timeout value of 0 disables the timeout

2	STC09109	DSNL511I	_DBXP DSNLIENO TCP/IP CONVERSATION FAILED TO LOCATION 10.100.1.123 IPADDR=10.100.1.124 PORT=1248 SOCKET=RECV RETURN CODE=1121 REASON CODE=00000000

QueryTimeoutInterval is the delay, in seconds, between checks for a query timeout

- May be set larger than SQL_ATTR_QUERY_TIMEOUT
- It is a db2cli.ini keyword

How to catalog a DB2 for z/OS SSID with Client 10

→ DB2 10 for LUW does not provides the Configuration Assistant



DSNL080I -DZA1 DSNLTDDF DISPLAY DDF REPORT FOLLOWS: DSNL081I STATUS=STARTD DSNL082I LOCATION LUNAME GENERICLU DSNL083I CRISDDF USIBMT6.DDFDZA1 -NONE DSNL084I TCPPORT=446 SECPORT=448 RESPORT=4461 IPNAME=-NONE DSNL085I IPADDR=::10.50.1.1 DSNL086I SQL DOMAIN=CRIS59 DSNL105I CURRENT DDF OPTIONS ARE: DSNL106I PKGREL = BNDOPT DSNL099I DSNLTDDF DISPLAY DDF REPORT COMPLETE



catalog tcpip node CMO9 remote 10.50.1.1 server 446 ostype mvs



catalog db CRISDDF as DZA1 at node CMO9 authentication SERVER_ENCRYPT

catalog odbc data source DZA1

Pivot table + ODBC to connect to DB2 for z/OS

P	db2 => list odbc data sources User ODBC Data So	urces
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DB2 Security options

TCP/IP Already Verified (TCPALVER) subsystem parameter

- Controls whether DB2 accepts TCP/IP connection requests that contain only a user ID
- TCPALVER=NO → strongly recommended
- TCPALVER=YES → RACF will not perform password checking unless the connection request sends the password
 - Potential security exposure!
- TCPALVER=SERVER_ENCRYPT: new in DB2 10

IMPORTANT: Do not send a clear text password through the network!

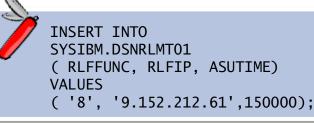
- Consider using one of the following security options:
 - RACF PassTicket
 - Kerberos ticket
 - DRDA encrypted passwords

TIP: db2 catalog db DB9A at node NODE1 authentication SERVER_ENCRYPT

Resource Limit Middleware Table (RLMT)

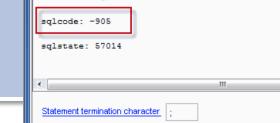
- The resource limit tables can be used to limit the amount of resources used by dynamic queries that run on middleware servers
- Queries can be limited based on:
 - <u>Client information</u>, including the application name, user ID, workstation ID
 - IP address of the client

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-DIS THD(*)
SERVER RA * 34 db2jcc_appli IDAA1 DISTSERV 008A 146248
V437-WORKSTATION=cmothink, USERID=idaa1,
APPLICATION NAME=db2jcc_application
V441-ACCOUNTING=Cris
V445-G998D43D.I775.C924C6B7E632=146248 ACCESSING DATA FOR
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V447--INDEX SESSID A ST TIME
V448--( 1) 10512:10101 W R2 1204913244630
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An application program that receives this return code can additional SQL statements.



WLM client information

→ DB2 server systems have implemented the concepts of:

- End user IDs
- End user workstation names
- End user application names
- Accounting data
- Much of this information is externalized in various forms:
 - The DSNV437I message of the DISPLAY THREAD command
 - THREAD-INFO data in various messages such as DSNT375I
 - DB2 accounting records

P	DSNL027I	-PRD1 SERVER DISTRIBUTED AGENT WITH 778 LUWID=C9DE5919.F7D7.C5C2D6F15029=636 THREAD-INFO=CRIS:TotoMac:Toto:TestFromMac:*:*:*
		RECEIVED ABEND=04E FOR REASON=00D3003B
	DSNL028I	-PRD1 C9DE5919.F7D7.C5C2D6F15029=636 779 ACCESSING DATA FOR LOCATION ::10.50.1.12 IPADDR ::10.50.1.12

WLM client information

Cannot use SQL for setting values

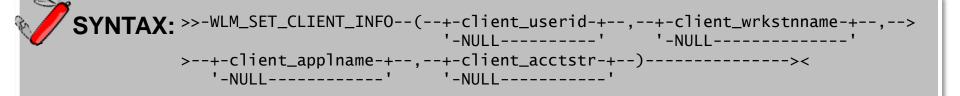
 \rightarrow Can use SQL for inquiring values:

SELECT SUBSTR(CURRENT CLIENT_ACCTNG,1,15), SUBSTR(CURRENT CLIENT_APPLNAME,1,15), SUBSTR(CURRENT CLIENT_USERID,1,15), SUBSTR(CURRENT CLIENT_WRKSTNNAME,1,15) FROM SYSIBM.SYSDUMMY1;

The value of these special register can be changed by using:

- SQLE_CLIENT_INFO_USERID (sqleseti)
- DB2Connection.setDB2ClientUser(String info)
- The RRS DSNRLI SIGNON, AUTH SIGNON, CONTEXT SIGNON, or SET_CLIENT_ID function
- The WLM_SET_CLIENT_INFO stored procedure

WLM_SET_CLIENT_INFO



Korn shell script example

WLM_SET_CLIENT_INFO cost

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7	TIMES/EVENTS ELAPSED TIME NONNESTED STORED PROC UDF TRIGGER CP CPU TIME AGENT NONNESTED STORED PRC UDF TRIGGER PAR.TASKS	APPL(CL.1) 0.015367 0.007966 0.007402 0.000000 0.001771 0.001771 0.001771 0.00509 0.001262 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000	DB2 (CL.2) 0.004823 0.000505 0.004319 0.000000 0.001340 0.001340 0.001340 0.001340 0.000397 0.000943 0.000000 0.000000 0.000000	Up to 20 mSecs in first exec	<pre>echo "Connecting to " \$MFDB2 db2 +o "Connect to " \$MFDB2 " user " \$HOSTuser " using " \$HOSTpasswd db2 "CALL SYSPROC.WLM_SET_CLIENT_INFO(</pre>

DSNADMSI	VALUE	DSNADMSI	TIMES	DSNADMSI	TIME
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LOCATION	DWHDA12	CP CPU TIME	0.000010	IRLM LOCK+LATCH	0.00000
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Accounting information and WLM

- Client info can be used to clasiffy work in WLM
- WLM Classification rules
 - For work type DDF: DDF Accounting information is the value of the DB2 accounting string associated with the DDF server thread

* Subsystem Type DDF - Distributed Workload

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Classification:
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Default service class is **SCDDFLOW** There is no default report class.

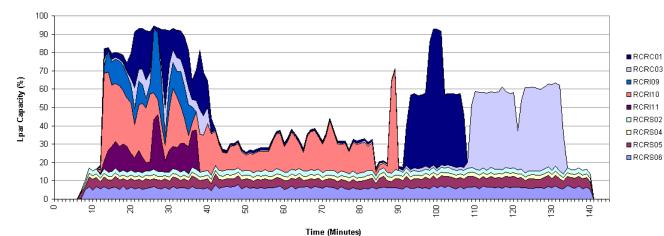
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2	. AI	. RC03*	56	SCREPLO	RCRC03
2	. AI	. RSO4*	56	SCREPHI	RCRS04
2	. AI	. RS05*	56	SCREPHI	RCRS05
2	. AI	. RS06*	56	SCREPHI	RCRS06
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Can you tell the difference?

Lpar Capacity (%) 0 +-₽ 묵 ឆ R = Time (Minutes)

Workload - Normalized DB2 application CPU Time





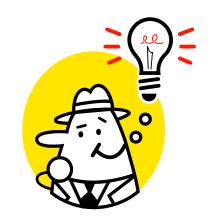


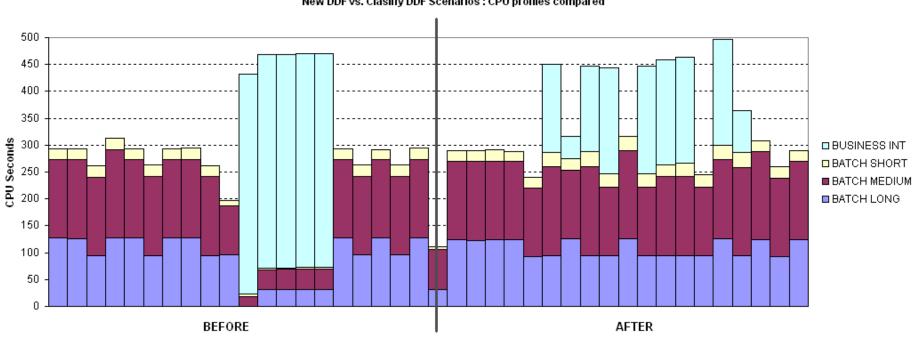
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Protecting the work that matters

- → WLM can help to
 - Protect critical workloads
 - Provide consistent response times
- → Example:





New DDF vs. Clasiffy DDF Scenarios : CPU profiles compared

DDF and Classification Rules

Classification rules used to assign the incoming work to a

- Service Class
- Reporting Class (optional)
- If you do not implement classification rules for DDF
 - All DDF workload is classified and executed under the service class...

SYSOTHER



- System provided service class for all work not associated with a service class
- It is assigned a discretionary goal
- Discretionary work is run using any system resources not required to meet the goals of other work



ACCOUNTING AND SMF

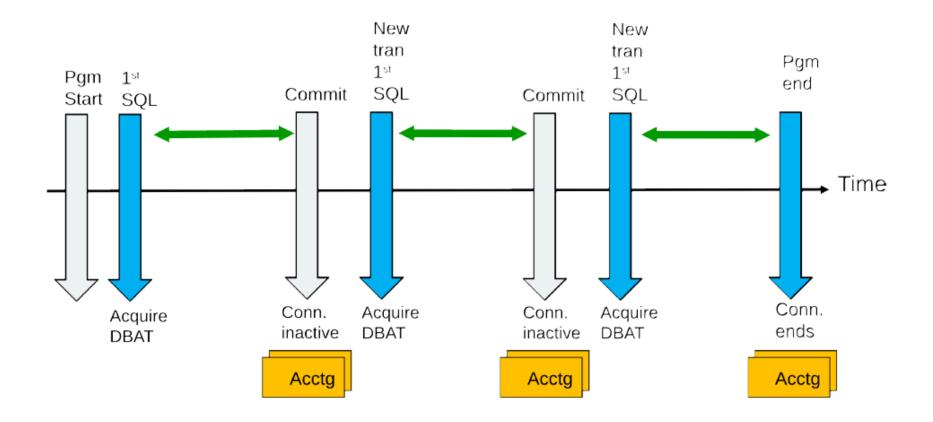
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DB2 Accounting rollup

- \rightarrow DB2 writes an accounting record when a DDF thread:
 - Ends
 - Is made inactive
 - Does not go inactive because using KEEPDYNAMIC(YES)
 - Or a sign-on occurs for an RRSAF thread
- This has the potential to create a huge amount of records
- zParm ACCUMACC controls whether and when DB2 accounting data is accumulated for DDF and RRSAF threads
 - ACCUMACC=NO, default no effect
 - ACCUMACC = n, (n defines the accumulation interval)
- zParm ACCUMUID defines the aggregation criteria
 - Value from 0 to 17
 - ACCUMUID=1 → End user ID

Accounting interval and distributed threads

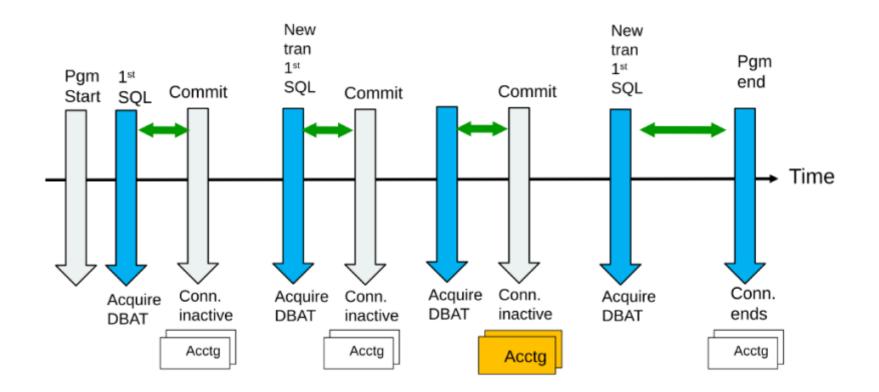
Accounting record cut when the connection goes inactive CMTSTAT = INACTIVE



Accounting rollup

Accounting rollup accumulates accounting information

DDF and RRS only



DB2 10 introduces SMF compression

- Controlled by new system parameter SMFCOMP
 - OFF (default): SMF trace records are not compressed
 - ON: Trace records written to SMF are compressed
- The z/OS compression service CSRCESRV compresses everything after the SMF header
- Data Sharing environment: SMFCOMP has member scope
- Performance measurements
 - Minimal overhead; ~ 1% with Accounting Class 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 10
 - The disk savings for DB2 SMF data set can be significant with compression rate of 60% 80%
- → APAR PM27872
 - Decompression routine DSNTSMFD
 - Sample JCL DSNTEJDS

TIP: SMF Compression is preferable to Accounting Rollup



HIGH PERFORMANCE DBATS

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Benefits of HP DBAT + RELEASE(DEALLOCATE)

- DB2 10 High Performance DBAT support reduces CPU consumption by:
 - Supporting RELEASE(DEALLOCATE)
 - Avoid repeated package allocation/de-allocation
 - Avoids acquiring and releasing parent (IS, IX) locks frequently
 - Avoids the processing necessary to go INACTIVE and then back to ACTIVE
 - More noticeable CPU reduction for short transactions
- Behavior
 - DBAT will stay associated with connection at UOW boundaries if there is at least one RELEASE(DEALLOCATE) package allocated
 - DBAT will be terminated after 200 uses
 - Normal idle thread time-out IDTHTOIN detection will be applied to these DBATs

TIP: No benefit and not support for ACTIVE threads (CMSTATS=ACTIVE)

TIP: No benefit for KEEPDYNAMIC YES

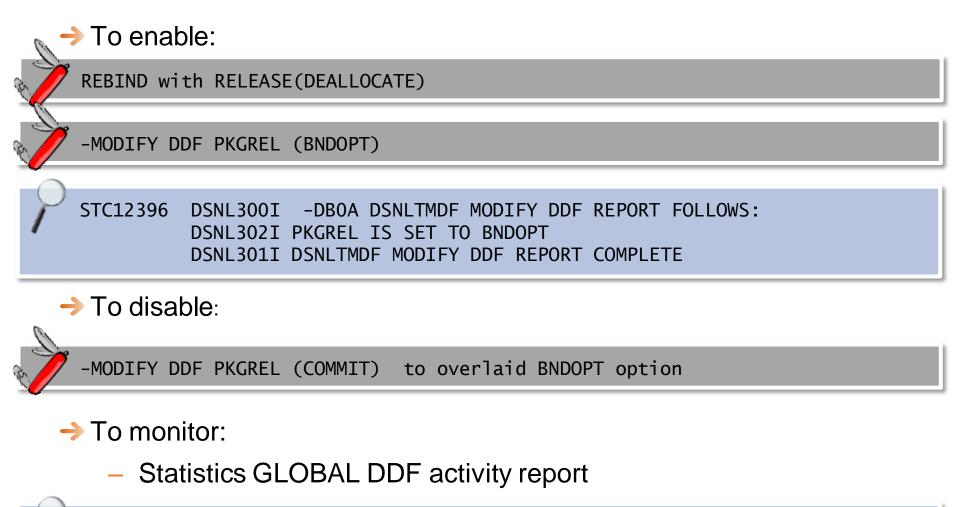
RELEASE(COMMIT) vs RELEASE(DEALLOCATE)

Total CPU per transaction	V9	V10 PKREL(COMMIT)	Delta (%)	V10 PKREL(BNDOPT)	Delta (%)
SQCL	2114	1997	-5.5	1918	-9.3
SPCB	1221	1124	-7.9	1056	-13.5
JDBC	2152	2017	-6.3	1855	-13.8
SQLJ	1999	1761	-11.9	1689	-15.5
SPSJ	1759	1642	-6.7	1550	-11.9
SPNS	1472	1304	-11.4	1180	-19.8

Total CPU per txn = System Services Address Space + Database Services Address Space + IRLM + DDF Address Space CPU

→ CPU time in microseconds.

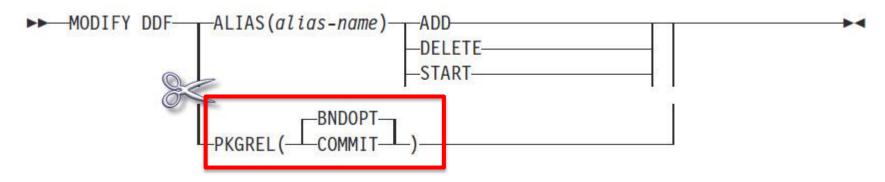
Exploiting High Performance DBATs



P	GLOBAL DDF ACTIVITY	QUANTITY
	CUR ACTIVE DBATS-BND DEALLC HWM ACTIVE DBATS-BND DEALLC	5.39 10.00

DIS DDF DETAIL in DB2 10

DSNL0801	-DB0A DSNLTDDF DISPLAY DDF REPORT FOLLOWS:
DSNL081I	STATUS=STARTD
DSNL0821	LOCATION LUNAME GENERICLU
DSNL0831	DB0A USIBMSC.SCPDB0A -NONE
DSNL0841	TCPPORT=12345 SECPORT=12346 RESPORT=12347 IPNAME=-NONE
DSNL0851	IPADDR=::10.50.1.1
DSNL086I	SQL DOMAIN=wtsc63.itso.ibm.com
DSNL087I	ALIAS PORT SECPORT STATUS
DSNL088I	
DSNL0881	TEST 0 0 STOPD
DSNL0881	TEST2 0 0 STOPD
DSNL0901	DT=I CONDBAT= 10000 MDBAT= 200
DSNL0921	ADBAT= 0 QUEDBAT= 0 INADBAT= 0 CONQUED= 0
	DSCDBAT= 0 INACONN= 1
	CURRENT DDF OPTIONS ARE:
	PKGREL = COMMIT
DSNL0991	DSNLTDDF DISPLAY DDF REPORT COMPLETE



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Implement gradually or selectively

BIND a new set of packages with RELEASE(DEALLOCATE)

→ SYS<mark>SHxyy</mark>

- S: Represents a small package (65 sections)
- H: Represents WITH HOLD
- x: Indicates the isolation level
 - 1=UR, 2=CS, 3=RS, 4=RR
- yy: The package iteration 00 through FF

		R1) 32R1) LID.SYSSH200) R(NOPACKAGE) P(N) REPLACE)				
2	S Collection	Name Owner	Bind Timestamp	V I V O Quali- D S A P fier 		ED KR -
	DRDADEALLOC NULLID		2011-02-25-15.01 2011-02-22-20.35 DB2 DATA *******	R S Y Y DB2R1	С	N R N R ***

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Release Deallocate Enhancements in DB2 11

DB2 11

- RELEASE(DEALLOCATE) Bind/Rebind option
 - Avoid package allocation overhead
 - CPU savings with transactions with frequent commits
- Concerns
 - REBIND, DDL and online REORG cannot break-in with local persistent threads using RELEASE(DEALLOCATE)
- → DB2 11
 - Allows REBIND/DDL, and online REORG to break in "committed" persistent threads with REL(DEALLOC)

/	* USERS AFFECTED: All users of DB2 10 and 11 for z/OS.	*
	***************************************	****
	* PROBLEM DESCRIPTION: Bind requests are unable to break-in	*
	* when an idle thread connected to	*
	* DB2 holds a package lock.	*

PM95929: BREAK INTO PERSISTENT THREAD DOES NOT BREAK LOCALLY ATTACHED THREAD WITH RELEASE(DEALLOCATE) FOR BIND AND DDL

TIP: More aggressive adaptation of RELEASE(DEALLOCATE) is possible

Break-in into High Performance DBATs

- To enable HP DBATs in DB2 10 and DB2 11:
 - Create a collection of packages with RELEASE(DEALLOCATE)
 - Do NOT bind NULLID col. with RELEASE(DEALLOCATE)
 - Modify client applications to request packages from a different collection via CURRENTPACKAGESET
 - Issue -MODIFY DDF PKGREL (BNDOPT)
- → To disable
 - Issue -MODIFY DDF PKGREL (COMMIT)



- Existing running DBATs will be terminated on next COMMIT
- Idle DBATs waiting for a new transaction will be terminated during the next two minutes DDF
- New DBATs will only allocate packages in RELEASE(COMMIT)

→ DB2 11 break-in

Automatically done on next COMMIT if waiter on a package lock

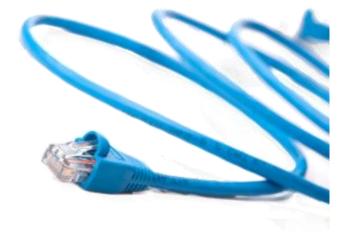


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There is *more* that you *must* know!

- Automatic client reroute and work load balancing
- Stored procedures
- Autocommit implications
- Tracing distributed applications
- Application development best practices
- Security topics
- Trusted contexts and roles
- →...
- In the appendix
 - Data Sharing considerations
 - Specialty engine considerations
 - What is new in DB2 11?
 - Problem determination



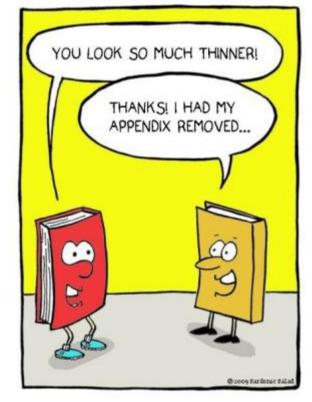
This was our Agenda

→Objective

To review topics that you *must* know about distributed access to DB2 for z/OS

Contents

- Connectivity topics
- Accounting and SMF
- High performance DBATs
- And there is more
- In Part 2
 - Specialty engines
 - What is new in DB2 11
 - Problem determination





Questions?



THANKS!

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