My Favorite Things in DB2 11 for z/OS



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Frame of Reference

- I have worked with DB2 for z/OS since 1985
 - I started with DB2 for LUW in 1993
 - I wrote my 1st New Features class for DB2 V2R3 in 1992
- The "big ticket" items get the most press
- There are many cool features that you can discover in each DB2 version
 - This is my list of less-discussed items in DB2 11

Agenda

- A brief history of DB2 time
 - New archive tables added in DB2 11
- Smoke 'em if you got 'em
 - Cube and rollup grouping functions
- The line forms to the left
 - Arrays and new functions to support them

Transparent archiving of temporal data

- DB2 11 archiving uses two table approach
- Current data is in archive-enabled table
 - Pre-existing rows in archive table
 - Application can design its own way to archive data
 - Or DB2 can automatically move rows deleted from archiveenabled table to associated archive table
 - Retrieval of data from base table plus its associated archive table controlled by setting built-in system defined global variable without changing SQL
- New global variable controls whether DB2 automatically moves deleted rows to the archive table
 - Can also use LOAD utility with resume behavior to archive data

- ALTER TABLE extended with ENABLE ARCHIVE
 - Changes an existing table into an archive-enabled table with an associated archive table
 - You can use the table as the archive table is specified in the USE clause.
 - Defining a table as an archive-enabled table results in package invalidation
- For archive-enabled tables, you do not need to change the application
 - No DBA intervention to recall data required
- NOTE: A table cannot be defined as both an archive-enabled table and a system-period temporal table
- Two global variables used to control archiving:
 - SYSIBMADM.GET_ARCHIVE
 - SYSIBMADM.MOVE_TO_ARCHIVE

- After a table is defined as an archive-enabled table:
 - ALTER TABLE with ADD COLUMN clause implicitly adds column to associated archive table
 - If SYSIBMADM.GET_ARCHIVE is set to Y:
 - Data is retrieved from the archive table when an archiveenabled table is referenced in a table-reference
 - Access of historical data in the archive table is "transparent" to the application
 - Allows application to see active and archive data without modifying SQL statements in multiple packages
 - DB2 rewrites the query with UNION ALL operator

- If SYSIBMADM.MOVE_TO_ARCHIVE is Y
 - Historical data stored in archive table when a row is deleted in an archive-enabled table.
 - Storing of a row of historical data in archive table is "transparent" to the application
 - When the global variable is set to Y, an update operation will return an error

- Any INSERT, UPDATE, DELETE, or MERGE will not include rows of the associated archive table
- Cannot reference temporal tables and archive-enabled tables in same DML
 - Neither system-period or application-period tables
 - Both tables are considered for transparent archive transformations

Controls of archive transparency

- Bind/routine options added that control SYSIBMADM.GET_ARCHIVE global variable:
 - ARCHIVESENSITIVE (default YES)
 - BIND/ REBIND/ (TRIGGER) PACKAGE
 - CREATE TRIGGER (implicit trigger package)
 - ARCHIVE SENSITIVE (default YES)
 - CREATE/ALTER FUNCTION (SQL scalar) or PROCEDURE (SQL native)

Sample for enabling archive transparency

• To use archive transparency, need two tables, issue ALTER TABLE to define relationship

```
-- Main table which will be archive enabled

CREATE TABLE POLICY_INFO_AET

(POLICY_ID CHAR(10) NOT NULL,

COVERAGE INT NOT NULL);

-- Archive table to store archive data

CREATE TABLE POLICY_INFO_ARC

(POLICY_ID CHAR(10) NOT NULL,

COVERAGE INT NOT NULL);

-- ARCHIVE ENABLE -- ALTER table to enable archive transparency

ALTER TABLE POLICY INFO AET ENABLE ARCHIVE USE POLICY INFO ARC;
```

• ALTER statement to add a column or multiple columns on an archive-enabled table also adds the same column or columns to an archive table

Inserting rows into archive enabled table

- The INSERT, UPDATE, and MERGE statements are all blocked in archive mode. These statements use the following options:
 - If SYSIBMADM.MOVE_TO_ARCHIVE = 'Y'
 - INSERT, UPDATE, and MERGE statements fail assumed in archive mode, you only DELETE
 - If SYSIBMADM.MOVE TO ARCHIVE = 'N'
 - No archive mode failure occurs (that is, it is business as usual)
 - If SYSIBMADM.MOVE_TO_ARCHIVE = 'E'
 - Similar to Y, but with flexibility
 - No restriction on data change statements
 - Users that favor the restriction can set the global variable to Y, and users that do not want the restriction can set the global variable to E

Inserting rows into archive enabled table

```
SET SYSIBMADM.MOVE_TO_ARCHIVE = 'N';
INSERT INTO POLICY_INFO_AET
(SELECT J_POLICY, COVERAGE_NBR, CHG_TIMESTAMP)
FROM DSN81110.TEMP)
```

• INSERT statement attempted on an archive enabled table with SET SYSIBMADM.MOVE_TO_ARCHIVE = 'Y'.

```
DSNT408I SQLCODE = -20555, ERROR: AN ARCHIVE-ENABLED TABLE IS NOT ALLOWED IN THE SPECIFIED CONTEXT.

REASON CODE 2
```

- A single DELETE statement can trigger transparent archive when MOVE_TO_ARCHIVE is on
 - No additional privilege is required on an archive table
 - Only the privileges on the delete of an archive-enabled table are needed

Deleting rows into archive enabled table

- Given an SQL DELETE from an archive enabled table, and ARCHIVESENSITIVE option YES or NO:
 - If SYSIBMADM.MOVE_TO_ARCHIVE = 'Y', for each row deleted, DB2 inserts into corresponding archive table
 - If SYSIBMADM.MOVE_TO_ARCHIVE = 'N' (default), DB2 does no data propagation
- Basically an SQL performance improvement to help archiving data with a single DELETE
 - No change on the data-change SQL statements (that is, transparent to the application)

```
SET SYSIBMADM.MOVE_TO_ARCHIVE = 'Y';
DELETE FROM POLICY_INFO_AET
WHERE UPDATE TS < CURRENT TIMESTAMP - 7 YEARS;</pre>
```

Querying archive enabled table

- No need to change existing SQL statements to get current data only or to get both current and archive data
 - Setting of SYSIBMADM.GET_ARCHIVE built-in global variable offers transparent access to archive data
- If the application wants to get the result from both base and archive table, use the following option:
 - SET SYSIBMADM.GET ARCHIVE = 'Y';
- If the application just wants to access the active data, use the following default option:
 - SET SYSIBMADM.GET_ARCHIVE = 'N';

```
SET SYSIBMADM.GET_ARCHIVE = 'Y';
SELECT * FROM POLICY_INFO_AET
```

DISABLE ARCHIVE

- ALTER TABLE with DISABLE ARCHIVE clause
 - Table is no longer treated as an archive-enabled table
 - Data in both tables is unaffected
 - The archive table is not dropped only the relationship between the two tables is removed
 - Subsequent queries will not consider rows in the archive table and deleted rows will not be moved to the archive table
- -- ALTER table to disable archive transparency ALTER TABLE POLICY_INFO_AET DISABLE ARCHIVE;
- After ALTER TABLE ... DISABLE ARCHIVE, the packages and statements in dynamic statement cache are invalidated

Archiving Summary

- Archiving provides a way to save data elsewhere for archival purposes
 - Likely a stand alone operation
 - Periodically done
- System-period temporal tables provide more of an audit functionality
 - Rows images stored

CUBE, ROLLUP and GROUPING SETS

- Grouping-sets and super-groups are two new options under GROUP BY of SELECT
- Super-group stands for ROLLUP, CUBE or grand-total clause
 - ROLLUP is helpful in providing subtotaling along a hierarchical dimension such as time or geography
 - CUBE is helpful in queries that aggregate based on columns from multiple dimensions
- SQL coding complexity can be reduced greatly and SQL performance can be improved dramatically

Grouping Sets

- Can be considered as the union of two or more groups of rows into a single result set
 - Logically equivalent to union of multiple subselects with the group by clause in each subselect corresponding to one grouping set
- Sample:

```
SELECT WORKDEPT, EDLEVEL, SEX,

SUM(SALARY) as SUM_SALARY,

AVG(SALARY) as AVG_SALARY, COUNT(*) as COUNT

FROM DSN81110.EMP WHERE SALARY > 20000

GROUP BY GROUPING SETS (WORKDEPT, EDLEVEL, SEX)
```

- Result is logically equivalent to the union all of three subselects
 - Non-aggregate functions must be in Select list and in the Grouping Sets

Grouping sets sample output

WORKDEPT	EDLEVEL	SEX	SUM_SALARY	AVG_SALARY	COUNT
			1001620 00		1.0
_		F	1201630.00		19
_	_	M	1240895.00	53951.95	23
_	12	_	107140.00	35713.33	3
_	14	-	335320.00	47902.85	7
_	15	_	86560.00	43280.00	2
_	16	_	847855.00	60561.07	14
_	17	_	350880.00	50125.71	7
_	18	_	550020.00	78574.28	7
_	19	-	66500.00	66500.00	1
_	20	_	98250.00	98250.00	1
A00	_	_	354250.00	70850.00	5
B01	_	_	94250.00	94250.00	1
C01	_	_	308890.00	77222.50	4
D11	_	_	646620.00	58783.63	11
D21	_	-	358680.00	51240.00	7
E01	_	_	80175.00	80175.00	1
E11	-	-	317140.00	45305.71	7
E21	_	_	282520.00	47086.66	6

ROLLUP

- ROLLUP is an extension to GROUP BY
 - Produces sub-total rows in addition to the "regular" grouped rows
 - Subtotal rows are "super-aggregate" rows
 - Further aggregates derived from same column functions

Rollup sample

• Sample:

```
SELECT WORKDEPT, EDLEVEL, SEX,

SUM(SALARY) as SUM_SALARY,

AVG(SALARY) as AVG_SALARY, COUNT(*) as COUNT

FROM DSN81110.EMP WHERE SALARY > 20000

GROUP BY ROLLUP (WORKDEPT, EDLEVEL, SEX)
```

Rollup sample output

- -- 55 rows in full answer set
- -- Totals at each level, ending with grand total

WORKDEPT	EDLEVEL	SEX	SUM_SALARY	AVG_SALARY	COUNT
_	_	-	2442525.00	58155.35	42
A00	_	_	354250.00	70850.00	5
B01	_	-	94250.00	94250.00	1
C01	_	-	308890.00	77222.50	4
A00	14	_	88500.00	44250.00	2
A00	18	_	199250.00	99625.00	2
A00	19	_	66500.00	66500.00	1
B01	18	_	94250.00	94250.00	1
C01	16	_	73800.00	73800.00	1
C01	18	_	136840.00	68420.00	2
C01	20	-	98250.00	98250.00	1
A00	14	M	88500.00	44250.00	2
A00	18	F	199250.00	99625.00	2
A00	19	M	66500.00	66500.00	1

Rollup

- n elements of ROLLUP translate to n+1 grouping sets
 - Order of grouping-expressions is specified is significant for ROLLUP

```
GROUP BY ROLLUP (a, b)
```

• Is equivalent to:

```
GROUP BY GROUPING SETS ((a,b), (a), () )
```

GROUP BY ROLLUP (b, a)

Is the same as:

```
GROUP BY GROUPING SETS ((b,a), (b), ())
```

Rollup equivalency

• Statement is equivalent to ROLLUP shown earlier:

```
SELECT WORKDEPT, EDLEVEL, SEX,
    SUM (SALARY) as SUM SALARY,
    AVG (SALARY) AS AVG SALARY,
    count(*) as COUNT
  FROM DSN81110.EMP
  WHERE SALARY > 20000
  GROUP BY GROUPING SETS
    ((WORKDEPT, EDLEVEL, SEX),
     (WORKDEPT, EDLEVEL),
     (WORKDEPT), ())
```

Grand total for result of generated by ()

Cube

- Primarily for analytics
 - Contains all the rows of a ROLLUP and also cross-tabulation rows
 - Cross-tabulation rows are additional super-aggregate rows that are not part of an aggregation with sub-totals
- Like ROLLUP, CUBE grouping can also be thought of as a series of grouping-sets
 - For CUBE, all permutations of cubed grouping-expression-list are computed with grand total
 - n CUBE elements translate to 2**n grouping-sets

Cube

• A specification of:

```
GROUP BY CUBE (a,b,c)
• is equivalent to:
GROUP BY GROUPING SETS ((a,b,c),
(a,b),
(a,c),
(b,c),
(a),
(b),
(C),
```

Cube

- Three elements of CUBE translate to eight grouping sets
- The order of specification of elements does not matter for CUBE

```
SELECT WORKDEPT, EDLEVEL, SEX,

SUM(SALARY) as SUM_SALARY,

AVG(SALARY) AS AVG_SALARY,

count(*) as COUNT

FROM DSN81110.EMP WHERE SALARY > 20000

GROUP BY CUBE (WORKDEPT, EDLEVEL, SEX);
```

Cube Result

• Total of 92 rows in result

WORKDEPT	EDLEVEL	SEX	SUM_SALARY	AVG_SALARY	COUNT
	12	 F	71800.00	35900.00	2
_	12		35340.00		1
_	12	_	107140.00		3
_	_	F	1201630.00	63243.68	19
_	_	M	1240895.00	53951.95	23
_	_	_	2442525.00	58155.35	42
A00	14	_	88500.00	44250.00	2
A00	18	_	199250.00	99625.00	2
A00	19	-	66500.00	66500.00	1
A00	_	_	354250.00	70850.00	5
A00	_	F	199250.00	99625.00	2
A00	-	M	155000.00	51666.66	3
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A00	18	F	199250.00	99625.00	2
A00	14	M	88500.00	44250.00	2
A00	19	M	66500.00	66500.00	1

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CUBE, ROLLUP and GROUPING SETS Summary

- Grand total
 - Both CUBE and ROLLUP return a row that is the overall (grand total) aggregation,
 - Can be separately specified with empty parentheses within GROUPING SET
 - Can also be specified directly in the GROUP BY clause
 - No effect on the result of the query

Array data type

- An array type is a user-defined data type that is an ordinary array or an associative array.
 - Elements of an array type are based on one of existing built-in data types.
- Note: array data type can only be used as one of:
 - An SQL variable
 - A parameter or RETURNS data-type of an SQL scalar function
 - A parameter of a native SQL procedure
 - Target data type for a CAST specification

Ordinary arrays

- An array with:
 - User-defined upper bound on number of elements
 - Referenced by their ordinal position in the array
- In this example:
 - After the execution of the assignment statement, the cardinality of mySimpleA is set to 100
 - The elements of array indexes with values 1 to 99 are implicitly initialized to NULL

```
CREATE TYPE simple AS INTEGER ARRAY[];
BEGIN
SET mySimpleA[100] = 123;
END
```

Associative arrays

- An array with no user-defined upper bound on number of elements
 - Ordered by and referenced by an array index value
 - Array index values are unique and do not have to be contiguous
- In this example:

END

• After the execution of the assignment statement, the cardinality of the array is set to 1

```
CREATE TYPE assoc AS INTEGER ARRAY[INTEGER];
BEGIN
SET myAssocA[100] = 123;
```

Other cool stuff

ALTER TABLE DROP COLUMN

- Pending definition change
- Entry is placed in SYSIBM.SYSPENDINGDDL for pending drop column, and TS placed in advisory REORG-pending (AREOR) state
- Many restrictions, but they make sense

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