

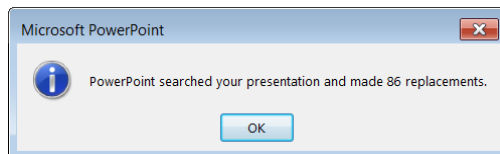
## The Db2 12 catalog – what happened since Db2 11



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## It is Db2 and not DB2





## Agenda

- Dropped catalog objects.
- New catalog objects.
- Old Db2 features added to the catalog.
- Modified catalog tablespaces, catalog tables, columns, indexes, relationships.
- New Db2 12 features reflected in the catalog.

This presentation has 5 main topics:

Objects removed from the Db2 catalog.

New tablespaces and tables as well as indexes.

Part of the catalog can adopt Db2 features which were made available in Db2 10.

A few catalog objects have been modified too.

Finally, a glance into existing objects with modified information reflecting the new Db2 12 features.

## DISCLAIMER

- Expressions are purely my own – not CA technologies.
- This presentation is based on using a real life Db2 12 system FUNCTION LEVEL(V12R1M500) with maintenance as of November 2016
- Discrepancies do exist comparing with Db2 SQL Reference Guide APPENDIX A Catalog Tables – and this presentation (as of January 2017).

## ABSTRACT

- There are many ways to learn about a new Db2 version, but using the catalog is probably the fastest and most enlightening. Once you look at the revision track in the Db2 Catalog and Directory section of the SQL Reference Guide, study the column changes, additions as well as new catalog tables, you have a very good overview of everything worth to know about that specific Db2 version.

The catalog always reflect the features available in a Db2 release, so browsing through the IBM Db2 SQL Reference Guide to look at the new tables and also existing columns with new content as well as existing tables with new columns can provide a quick view of all the changes in that specific Db2 release.

## Why do you have to understand the Db2 Catalog changes ?

- You can read the What's New Guide
- The IDUG website has an excellent White Paper
- You have some kind of tooling to query the catalog !
- If you don't know what's IN there – how do you know how to benefit ?
- If using your own SQL or homegrown REXX's or the like:
  - You might have to consider adding additional join predicates
  - You probably need to change FILTERING (WHERE clauses)
  - You might need to code new queries
- And probably many more reasons . . . . .

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You might question why it can be an advantage to understand the catalog changes between releases.

1) After all you can study the release guide

2) IDUG usually provides some kind of white paper highlighting all the new goodies

3) Most Db2 sites have a catalog query tool from IBM or one of the vendors – and some might be using SPUFI or have some homegrown solution in place.

Bottom line, if you don't understand all the details, you might be missing out some great opportunities.

If you are using SPUFI or a homegrown solution, you probably need to change some of the queries or add new ones, in which case its even more important that you have a good understanding of the changes.

## Dropped Catalog Objects



## Nothing removed from the Catalog

- No additional PBG conversions like Db2 10 and 11
- Still some old multi-table tablespaces and non-PBG

```
SYSALTER with SYSOBDS  
SYSCONTX with 3 tables  
SYSDDF with 8 tables  
SYSEBCDC with 2 tables  
SYSGPAUT with SYSRESAUTH  
SYSGRTNS with 2 tables  
SYSHIST with 11 tables  
SYSJAUXA with SYSJARDATA  
SYSJAUXB with  
SYSJARCLASS_SOURCE  
SYSJAVA with 4 tables  
SYSPLUXA with SYSROUTINESTEXT  
SYSPLUXB with SYSROUTINES_TREE
```

```
SYSROLES with 2 tables  
SYSSEQ with SYSSEQUENCES  
SYSSEQ2 with 2 tables  
SYSSTATS with 9 tables  
SYSTARG with SYSKEYTARGETS  
SYSXML with 2 tables
```

Nothing has been removed from DSNCB06 unlike what was the case in Db2 10 and Db2 11 where some multi-table tablespaces were moved into PBG tablespaces.

Db2 12 has NOT converted any of the remaining multi-table tablespaces, so this is the list of some “good old objects”.

You might question why these haven't been converted to UTS since many Db2 features require UTS – maybe IBM has no plans to exploit UTS-only features for these objects ??

## New catalog objects.

## Catalog objects

- A historical view of the evolution in terms of #objects

	#TS	#LOB Cols	#TB	#TB Cols	#IX	#Constraints
<b>Db2 V1R1M0</b>	11	0	25	291	27	
.....						
<b>Db2 V8</b>	23	2	85	1333	133	
<b>Db2 V9</b>	26	3	104	1714	166	
<b>Db2 10</b>	77	18	116	2036	234	192
<b>Db2 11</b>	115	21	151	2231	250	197
<b>Db2 12</b>	149	33	185	2934	275	233

- Not all objects included (SYSTSTAB, DSNPROGAUTH, Accelerator tables, ...)
- DSNDB01 included since Db2 10
- Constraints include RI and table check constraints
- New tablespaces follow the “rule” from Db2 10/11 : PBG and understandable naming convention

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This is a short overview illustrating the Db2 catalog objects over the past +30 years. For comparison reasons, SYSTSTAB and a few other tablespaces are excluded since they are not “mandatory”.

DSNDB01 (the Directory) is included beginning with Db2 10 when these “tables” became select’able.

The good news in Db2 12 is, the naming convention and tablespace attributes follow the standard introduced in Db2 10 and continued in Db2 11.

## SYSLEVELUPDATES catalog table

- A few ways to identify where you are on the Db2 Continuous Delivery Model : one being DISPLAY GROUP

```

----- DB2 Command Processor ----- 2016/12/27 06:37
COMMAND ==>                               SCROLL ==> PAGE
----- User ID: RASST02 -----

- DIS GROUP

***** TOP OF DATA *****
DSN7100I  !D12A DSN7GCMDB
*** BEGIN DISPLAY OF GROUP(.....) CATALOG LEVEL(V12R1MS00)
                                CURRENT FUNCTION LEVEL(V12R1MS00)
                                HIGHEST ACTIVATED FUNCTION LEVEL(V12R1MS00)
                                HIGHEST POSSIBLE FUNCTION LEVEL(V12R1MS00)
                                PROTOCOL LEVEL(2)
                                GROUP ATTACH NAME(.....)
-----
DB2      SUB      DB2      SYSTEM      IRLM
MEMBER  ID  SYS  CMDPREF  STATUS   LVL    NAME    SUBSYS  IRLMPROC
-----
.....   0  D12A !D12A    ACTIVE   121500 CAS1   I12A    D12AIRLM
-----
SPT01 INLINE LENGTH: 32198
*** END DISPLAY OF GROUP(.....)
DSN9022I  !D12A DSN7GCMDB 'DISPLAY GROUP ' NORMAL COMPLETION
***** BOTTOM OF DATA *****

```

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One method to find out where you are and where you have been as well as where you can go is to execute the DIS GROUP command.

This is one method where you can verify:

- 1) Where you are in terms of maintenance – what is the highest possible FUNCTION LEVEL which can be activated due to the current maintenance.
- 2) Where you were previously
- 3) What function level you can use

## SYSLEVELUPDATES catalog table

- Another method is looking at this new catalog table.
  - Where are you : FUNCTION\_LVL
  - Where did you come from : PREV\_FUNCTION\_LVL
  - Have you been in the future in the past : HIGH\_FUNCTION\_LVL
  - Where is the Db2 catalog : CATALOG\_LVL
  - No indexes and might not be needed for years

```

RUBROWF 19.0 ----- RC/Browse: Form Mode ----- 2016/12/27 06:43:30
COMMAND ==>

For Table => SYSIBM.SYSLEVELUPDATES
Browse Mode => F
SSID: D12A -----FETCH STATUS: COMPLETE-----
##.COLUMN NAME      NULL  DATA FOR ROW # 1
A1.FUNCTION_LVL      V12R1M500
A2.PREV_FUNCTION_LVL V12R1M100
A3.HIGH_FUNCTION_LVL V12R1M500
A4.CATALOG_LVL       V12R1M500
A5.OPERATION_TYPE    M
A6.EFFECTIVE_TIME    2016-09-01-18.27.36.821189395019
A7.EFFECTIVE_LRSN    .....W.C+
A8.OPERATION_TEXT    CATMAINT PROCESSING - DB2DEV
A9.GROUP_MEMBER
***** BOTTOM OF DATA *****

```

**OPERATION TYPE:**  
**C:** Catalog level change.  
**F:** Function level change.  
**M:** Code level change.

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One new table is SYSLEVELUPDATES which is very useful due to the agile approach Db2 has taken – becoming a continuous delivery model.

This table basically provides the same information as the DIS GROUP command, but I expect this table to also illustrate the historical path – still to be determined once new function levels become available.

The historical view of OPERATION TYPE and FUNCTION LEVEL could provide a lot of valuable information once Db2 12 gets “older”.

## System Time Temporal available for RTS

- Optional to enable history of RTS tables.
  - Two new tablespaces and tables

<u>TABLE NAME</u>	<u>CREATOR</u>	<u>DATABASE</u>	<u>TBLSPACE</u>
SYSIXSPACESTATS_H	SYSIBM	DSNDB06	SYSTSISH
SYSTABSPACESTATS_H	SYSIBM	DSNDB06	SYSTSTSH

- History table name length kept less than 18 byte (unfortunately ?)

```
ALTER TABLE SYSIBM.SYSINDEXSPACESTATS
ADD VERSIONING USE HISTORY TABLE SYSIBM.SYSIXSPACESTATS_H;

ALTER TABLE SYSIBM.SYSTABLESPACESTATS
ADD VERSIONING USE HISTORY TABLE SYSIBM.SYSTABSPACESTATS_H;
```

Db2 10 introduced three types of Temporal Tables – and now Db2 12 offers the same functionality for two catalog tables :The RTS (Real Time Statistics) tables.

This is an optional feature not being mandated.

In order to activate SYSTEM TIME temporal tables for the RTS tables, two simple ALTER commands are needed (described in the SQL REFERENCE GUIDE).

From my opinion, I would have preferred to simply add “ \_H ” to the RTS tables for the history tables instead of shortening them.

## System Time Temporal – future planning ?

- What is IBM planning ?      Maybe this provides a clue ? !



- Catalog Table changes in the past has not very often indicated what we can expect in the future – Db2 12 may be different
- We have had history tables for several releases covering *statistics history* :  
`SYSIBM.SYSxxxxx_HIST`

We just mentioned RTS can be enabled with system time temporal tables, but what's quite interesting is to have a closer look at which tablespaces and tables exist in the Db2 12 catalog but are not referenced in the SQL Reference Guide's Appendix A section describing the catalog tables.

This is probably the first time that the Db2 catalog tables are prepared for the future and kind of eludes what to expect.

The \_HIST tables have existed for many releases providing the ability to store historical data for RUNSTATS. There are a complete new set of DIFFERENT history tables – let's have a closer look.

## System Time Temporal – future planning ?

- One common component for these OLD and NEW objects – all have the same columns appended (see next slide).

Tablespace	Table	AUX	Suggested Base Table	Suggested Base Tablespace
SYSTSADH	SYSAUDITPOLICIES_H		SYSAUDITPOLICIES	SYSTSADT
SYTSFAH	SYSCOLAUTH_H		SYSCOLAUTH	SYTSFAU
SYTSCXH	SYSCONTEXTAUTHID_H		SYSCONTEXTAUTHIDS	SYSTCONX
SYTSCNH	SYSCONTEXT_H		SYSCONTEXT	SYTSCON
SYTSCTH	SYSCONTROLS_H		SYSCONTROLS	SYTSCCTL
SYTSCDH	SYSCONTROLS_DESC_H	X	SYSCONTROLS_DESC	SYTSCDT
SYTSCRH	SYSCONTROLS_RTXT_H	X	SYSCONTROLS_RTXT	SYTSCCTR
SYTSTA_H	SYSCTXTTRUSTATTR_H		SYSCTXTTRUSTATTRS	SYSTCONX
SYTSDBH	SYSDBAUTH_H		SYSDBAUTH	SYTSDBU
SYTSPKH	SYSPACKAUTH_H		SYSPACKAUTH	SYTSPKA
SYTSPLH	SYSPLANAUTH_H		SYSPLANAUTH	SYTSPLA
SYTSAUH	SYSRESAUTH_H		SYSRESAUTH	SYSGPAUT
SYTSRAH	SYSROUTINEAUTH_H		SYSROUTINEAUTH	SYTSRAU
SYTSSCH	SYSSCHEMAAUTH_H		SYSSCHEMAAUTH	SYTSSCM
SYTSSAH	SYSSEQUENCEAUTH_H		SYSSEQUENCEAUTH	SYTSEQ2
SYTSTBH	SYSTABAUTH_H		SYSTABAUTH	SYTSTAU
SYTSUAH	SYSUSERAUTH_H		SYSUSERAUTH	SYTSUSER
SYTSVDH	SYSVIEWDEP_H		SYSVIEWDEP	SYTSVWD

To me these tables seem to indicate that we can expect all the tables holding authorizations (GRANT's) to be temporal as well – they all have a couple of attributes in common (please see next page).



## System Time Temporal – future planning ?

- These appended columns could indicate a potential enablement of System Time Temporal Table (just like the RTS tables can be enabled in Db2 12)

```
CREATE TABLE "SYSIBM" ".SYSSEQUENCEAUTH
(,GRANTOR VARCHAR(128) FOR MIXED DATA NOT NULL
,GRANTEE VARCHAR(128) FOR MIXED DATA NOT NULL
,"SCHEMA" VARCHAR(128) FOR MIXED DATA NOT NULL
,"NAME" VARCHAR(128) FOR MIXED DATA NOT NULL
,GRANTEETYPE CHARACTER(1) FOR MIXED DATA NOT NULL
,AUTHHOWGOT CHARACTER(1) FOR MIXED DATA NOT NULL
,ALTERAUTH CHARACTER(1) FOR MIXED DATA NOT NULL
,USEAUTH CHARACTER(1) FOR MIXED DATA NOT NULL
,"COLLID" VARCHAR(128) FOR MIXED DATA NOT NULL
,CONTOKEN CHARACTER(8) FOR BIT DATA NOT NULL
,GRANTEDTS TIMESTAMP (6) WITHOUT TIME ZONE NOT NULL
,IBMREQD CHARACTER(1) FOR MIXED DATA NOT NULL
,GRANTORTYPE CHARACTER(1) FOR MIXED DATA NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT
,SYS_START TIMESTAMP (12) WITHOUT TIME ZONE NOT NULL
GENERATED ALWAYS AS ROW BEGIN
,SYS_END TIMESTAMP (12) WITHOUT TIME ZONE NOT NULL
GENERATED ALWAYS AS ROW END
,TRANS_START TIMESTAMP (12) WITHOUT TIME ZONE NOT NULL
GENERATED ALWAYS AS TRANSACTION START ID
,PERIOD SYSTEM_TIME
( SYS_START, SYS_END )
)
IN DSNDB06.SYSSEQ2
```

All these tables have had the special columns/attributes appended which are needed to turn them into temporal tables.  
However – if you try to enable history, Db2 will block you from doing so.

## System Time Temporal – future planning ?

- Another view of “preparation for the future”
- System Time changes – but not enabled to history tables.

```
-- SYSXXX.SYSAUDITPOLICIES WILL BE ALTERED VIA THESE NATIVE Db2 COMMANDS
-- .

ALTER TABLE SYSXXX.SYSAUDITPOLICIES
ADD SYS_START TIMESTAMP ( 12 )
NOT NULL GENERATED ALWAYS AS ROW BEGIN
;

ALTER TABLE SYSXXX.SYSAUDITPOLICIES
ADD SYS_END TIMESTAMP ( 12 )
NOT NULL GENERATED ALWAYS AS ROW END
;

ALTER TABLE SYSXXX.SYSAUDITPOLICIES
ADD TRANS_START TIMESTAMP ( 12 )
NOT NULL GENERATED ALWAYS AS TRANSACTION START ID
;

ALTER TABLE SYSXXX.SYSAUDITPOLICIES
ADD PERIOD SYSTEM_TIME ( SYS_START , SYS_END ) ;
```

Doing a schema compare between these tables in Db2 11 and Db2 12 illustrated that the Db2 upgrade process has appended the needed columns to the base catalog tables.

## System Time Temporal – future planning ?

- Maybe we are getting ready to get an “autonomic audit trail” of GRANT/REVOKE
- If so – changes are required for some catalog objects.
  - SYSSEQUENCEAUTH sits in a tablespace with TWO tables
  - VCAT defined tablespace (like prior to other tablespaces converted to PBG)

```

RQTST 19.0  ----- RC/Q Table Space Table Inquiry ----- 2016/12/31 09:17
COMMAND ==>                                           SCROLL ==> CSR

  Db2 Object ==> TS                      Option ==> T      Where => N
Table Space ==> SYSSEQ2                  > Creator ==> *      >
Data Base ==> DSNDB06                   > N/A      ==> *      >
Loc: LOCAL ----- SSID: D12A -----RASST02 -          LINE 1 OF 3  >
CMD      NAME      CREATOR  DATABASE      N. ROWS
-----
      SYSSEQ2      SYSIBM   DSNDB06
      SYSSEQUENCEAUTH  SYSIBM
      SYSSEQUENCESDEP  SYSIBM
***** BOTTOM OF DATA *****

```

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My personal opinion is we're getting prepared to provide an automatic method to audit who is granting/revoking which auth's from who.

If this is going to happen, there are a couple of schema changes needed since temporal tables have to reside in UTS tablespaces and violations do exist :

- 1) VCAT defined tablespaces not yet converted to PBG
- 2) Some tablespaces have more than one table.

## System Time Temporal – future planning ?

- Another interesting topic is SYSVIEWDEP\_H
  - This is not a table holding authorizations
  - Maybe due to TRANSFER OWNERSHIP ?
- Your guess as good as mine

When looking at the previous pages, there clearly seems to be a theme.

SYSVIEWDEP doesn't really fall into the category of holding AUTH's, so why does this table follow the same pattern ?

## New Catalog Objects

- **Dynamic Query Stabilization**
  - An extension to what Db2 11 delivered for static queries.
  - Two tables and five LOBs.

```

RQTL 19.0 ----- RC/Q Table List ----- 2016/12/31 09:45
COMMAND ==> SCROLL ==> CSR

Db2 Object ==> T          Option ==> L      Where => N
Table Name ==> SYSDBN%    > Creator ==> SYSIBM
Qualifier ==> *          > N/A ==> *
Loc: LOCAL ----- SSID: D12A -----RASST02 - LINE 1 OF 7 >
CMD  TABLE NAME      CREATOR  DATABASE  TBLSpace  NUMBER OF ROWS
-----
SYSDYNQRY             SYSIBM   DSNDB06   SYSTSDQY   176
SYSDYNQRYDEP          SYSIBM   DSNDB06   SYSTSDQD   653
SYSDYNQRY_EXPL        SYSIBM   DSNDB06   SYSTSDQE   232
SYSDYNQRY_OPL         SYSIBM   DSNDB06   SYSTSDQO   232
SYSDYNQRY_SHTL        SYSIBM   DSNDB06   SYSTSDQH   232
SYSDYNQRY_SPAL        SYSIBM   DSNDB06   SYSTSDQS   27
SYSDYNQRY_TXTL        SYSIBM   DSNDB06   SYSTSDQT   232
***** BOTTOM OF DATA *****

```

Let's have a look at the NEW catalog tables which really can be used.

I have divided them into the Db2 12 themes to hopefully get a better overview of the new Db2 12 features.

Db2 11 offered the opportunity to lock down the access path for static packages/queries. Db2 12 has extended this to DYNAMIC SQL.

In order to support this – 5 new tables and 2 AUX objects are available.

## New Catalog Objects

- SYSDYNQRY and SYSDYNQRYDEP indexes
  - Indexes seem to follow “normal standard”
  - Might consider reversing first two columns of DSNDQX04

TABLE NAME	INDEX NAME	INDEXED COLUMN	UNQ
SYSDYNQRY	DSNDQX01	SDQ_STMT_ID	P
		COPYID	P
	DSNDQX02	CURSCHEMA	D
		QUERY_HASH	D
		COPYID	D
		RELBOUNO	D
	DSNDQX11	STBLGRP	U
		SDQ_STMT_ID	U
		COPYID	U

TABLE NAME	INDEX NAME	INDEXED COLUMN	UNQ
SYSDYNQRYDEP	DSNDQX03	SDQ_STMT_ID	D
		COPYID	D
	DSNDQX04	BQUALIFIER	D
		BNAME	D
		BTYPE	D
		SDQ_STMT_ID	D
	DSNDQX05	COPYID	D
		CLASS	D
		AUTHID	D
		AUTHID_TYPE	D
	DSNDQX12	CLASS	D
		BTYPE	D
		BAUTH	D
		AUTHID_TYPE	D
		AUTHID	D
		BQUALIFIER	D
		BNAME	D

The indexes created for these tables seem to match what's needed if this feature will be heavily exploited.

The only modification which should be considered is to create one additional index reversing BQUALIFIER and BNAME depending on how much this will be used and how many distinct object qualifiers do exist (pretty much like CREATOR,NAME for SYSDINDEXES, SYSTABLES etc.

## New Catalog Objects

- IN-MEMORY indexes (aka FTB) – another autonomic feature with control.
  - Eligible for UNIQUE indexes<sup>4</sup> where key size < 64K
  - DSNZPARM : INDEX\_MEMORY\_CONTROL
  - Control which indexes not to be considered / when
  - TS=SYSTSICO
  - TYPE could indicate future options (no check what's inserted – NO RI)

```
CREATE TABLE "SYSIBM".SYSINDEXCONTROL
(SSID CHARACTER(4) FOR MIXED DATA WITH DEFAULT NULL
,"PARTITION" SMALLINT WITH DEFAULT NULL
,IXNAME VARCHAR(128) FOR MIXED DATA NOT NULL
,IXCREATOR VARCHAR(128) FOR MIXED DATA NOT NULL
,"TYPE" CHARACTER(1) FOR MIXED DATA NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT 'F'
,"ACTION" CHARACTER(1) FOR MIXED DATA NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT 'A'
,MONTH_WEEK CHARACTER(1) FOR MIXED DATA WITH DEFAULT NULL
,"MONTH" SMALLINT WITH DEFAULT NULL
,"DAY" SMALLINT WITH DEFAULT NULL
,FROM_TIME TIME WITH DEFAULT NULL
,TO_TIME TIME WITH DEFAULT NULL
) IN DSNDB06.SYSTSICO
```

Force FTB creation  
Disable FTB creation  
Automatic FTB creation

Another new table is SYSINDEXCONTROL which is used to administer a new feature for in-memory indexes.

The look and feel is pretty similar to SYSINDEXCLEANUP in the nature that you can specify which indexes should take advantage or not of this FTB feature as well as when.

Looking at the TYPE column, this could indicate preparation for the future since only 'F' is current a valid option, so why need a type ?

## New Catalog Objects

- SYSINDEXCONTROL has no indexes defined
- You might consider creating one depending on usage:
  - If you don't let Db2 decide when to use
  - If you want to highly customize which indexes to use FTB
  - If you want to be very specific about which weeks/days and timeframe

```
CREATE TABLE "SYSIBM".SYSINDEXCONTROL
(SSID CHARACTER(4) FOR MIXED DATA WITH DEFAULT NULL
,"PARTITION" SMALLINT WITH DEFAULT NULL
,IXNAME VARCHAR(128) FOR MIXED DATA NOT NULL
,IXCREATOR VARCHAR(128) FOR MIXED DATA NOT NULL
,"TYPE" CHARACTER(1) FOR MIXED DATA NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT 'F'
,ACTION CHARACTER(1) FOR MIXED DATA NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT 'A'
,MONTH_WEEK CHARACTER(1) FOR MIXED DATA WITH DEFAULT NULL
,"MONTH" SMALLINT WITH DEFAULT NULL
,"DAY" SMALLINT WITH DEFAULT NULL
,FROM_TIME TIME WITH DEFAULT NULL
,TO_TIME TIME WITH DEFAULT NULL
) IN DSNDB06.SYSTSICO
```

There are no indexes defined for SYSINDEXCONTROL, so if you plan on really controlling this feature instead of letting Db2 master the decision, you should consider a user-defined index based on usage.



## New Catalog Objects

- Maintain session data on target server to reduce network traffic.
  - Three base tables and two AUX tables.
  - Supports transaction rerouting and pooling.
  - Distributed clients need session data (special registers and global variables) to be returned.

```

Db2 Object ==> T          Option ==> L      Where => N
Table Name ==> SYSSESS%   > Creator ==> SYSIBM      >
Qualifier ==> *          > N/A      ==> *      >
Loc: LOCAL ----- SSID: D12A -----RASST02 -      LINE 1 OF 5  >
CMD      TABLE NAME      CREATOR    DATABASE  TBLSPACE
-----
SYSSSESSION      SYSIBM      DSNDB06   SYSTSSSES
SYSSSESSION_DATA  SYSIBM      DSNDB06   SYSTSSXL
SYSSSESSION_EX    SYSIBM      DSNDB06   SYSTSSNX
SYSSSESSION_GV    SYSIBM      DSNDB06   SYSTSSNL
SYSSSESSION_STATUS  SYSIBM      DSNDB06   SYSTSSSTA
***** BOTTOM OF DATA *****

```

If you have applications where you need to reduce network traffic by maintaining session data, three base tables and two AUX objects are delivered to support this feature.

## New Catalog Objects

- SYSSSESSION indexes seem to be appropriate and no immediate need to create your own for performance:

TABLE NAME	INDEX NAME	INDEXED COLUMN	COLSEQ	ORD	CLS
SYSSSESSION	DSNSNX02	TOKEN	1	A	N
SYSSSESSION_DATA	DSNSNX03	AUXID	1	A	N
		AUXVER	2	A	N
SYSSSESSION_EX	DSNSNX04	TOKEN	1	A	N
SYSSSESSION_GV	DSNSNX05	TOKEN	1	A	N
		GVID	2	A	N
		LOCATOR	3	A	N
SYSSSESSION_STATUS	DSNSNX01	AUXID	1	A	N
		AUXVER	2	A	N
SYSSSESSION_STATUS	DSNSNX06	TOKEN	1	A	N

The indexes delivered with SESSION DATA tables seem to be sufficient and I see no need to create your own indexes for performance reasons.

## New Catalog Objects

- New indexes on existing tables:
  - DSNDXC06 on SYSCOLUMNS  
(TBCREATOR ASC, TBNAME ASC , COLNO ASC )
  - DSNVX04 on SYSVARIABLES  
( TYPESCHEMA ASC, TYPENAME ASC)
  - DSNQYX04 on SYSQUERY  
(QUERY\_SEC\_HASH ASC, SCHEMA ASC, SOURCE ASC)
- Changed indexes:
  - ALTER INDEX DSNATX02 ADD COLUMN ( UNLOADAUTH ASC )
    - SYSTABAUTH non-unique index
  - ALTER INDEX DSNOTX01 ADD COLUMN ( VERSION ASC )
    - Unique Clustering for SYSTRIGGERS

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Three new indexes are created on existing catalog tables and two existing indexes have an additional column appended.  
SYSTABAUTH has a new column appended – UNLOADAUTH – which is another new Db2 12 feature.  
SYSTRIGGERS has VERSION appended which also is a new column for a new feature.

# Modified catalog objects

*(Db2 12 <> Db2 11 compare)*

## Modified Objects

- Encoding scheme a new attribute on the column level

```
ALTER TABLE SYSIBM.SYSCOLUMNS
ADD ENCODING_SCHEME CHAR ( 1 )
NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT FOR MIXED DATA ;

ALTER TABLE SYSIBM.SYSCONROLS
ADD REGENERATETS TIMESTAMP ( 12 )
NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT ;
```

- Row permissions and column masks can be **REGENERATED** via ALTER command and timestamp recorded (*alter command did exist in Db2 11 as well*)

Another new feature is that it is now possible to have the CCSID on the column level and not being dictated on the table level.

To support this, SYSCOLUMNS has a new column=ENCODING\_SCHEME appended.

Even though Db2 11 had an ALTER command to REGENERATE row permissions and column masks, SYSCONROLS has a new column added illustrating when this command was executed.

## Modified Objects

- Two new columns for SYSENVIRONMENT – not described in the SQL Reference Guide “Catalog Tables”.

```
ALTER TABLE SYSIBM.SYSENVIRONMENT
ADD CREATEDTS TIMESTAMP ( 12 )
NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT ;

ALTER TABLE SYSIBM.SYSENVIRONMENT
ADD APPLCOMPAT VARCHAR ( 10 )
NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT 'V11R1' FOR MIXED DATA;
```

SYSENVIRONMENT has two new columns appended, but these are not described in appendix A in the SQL Reference Guide, so I am not sure whether they are used or not.

One new column is when the row was inserted and another column is APPLCOMPAT.

To me it seems like these two columns are useful however.

## Modified Objects

- **SYSINDEXES** ready for partition wise attributes and new tablespace type (*Italic marked reserved for the future*).

```
DSSIZE          INTEGER ;
PAGENUM         CHAR ( 1 ) NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT 'A';
PARTKEYCOLNUM   SMALLINT NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT;
STATUS         CHAR ( 1 ) NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT;
INDEXSTATUS     VARCHAR ( 30 ) NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT;
PARTITIONS      SMALLINT;
PQTY           INTEGER;
STORYPE        CHAR ( 1 );
STORNAME       VARCHAR ( 128 );
VCATNAME       VARCHAR ( 24 );
FREEPAGE       SMALLINT;
PCTFREE        SMALLINT;
GBPCACHE       CHAR ( 1 );
SECQTYI        INTEGER;
ENFORCED_CONS  CHAR ( 1 ) NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT;
IMPLICIT        CHAR ( 1 );
REGENERATETS   TIMESTAMP ( 12 ) NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT;
```

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A large number of new columns have been added to SYSINDEXES.

All the columns in the box marked in *ITALIC* are considered for future use.

These new columns are related to the new tablespace type (PBR2 or tablespaces with relative addressing) where partition level attributes will be available etc.

## Modified Objects

- SYSINDEXPART also ready for relative page numbering.

```
DSSIZE          INTEGER;  
PAGENUM         CHAR ( 1 ) NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT 'A';  
LIMITKEY_EXTERNAL VARCHAR ( 765 ) NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT ;
```

The same goes for SYSINDEXPART which is ready for the new tablespace type PBR2.



## Modified Objects

- Real Time Statistics tables (besides System Time Temporal columns)

```
ALTER TABLE SYSIBM.SYSINDEXSPACESTATS  
ADD GETPAGES BIGINT WITH DEFAULT 0 ;  
  
ALTER TABLE SYSIBM.SYSTABLESPACESTATS  
ADD GETPAGES BIGINT WITH DEFAULT 0 ;
```

We already covered the Real Time Statistics changes where it's now possible to enable System Time Temporal. Besides this change both RTS tables now also counts the GETPAGE activity.

## Modified Objects

- SYSPACKAGE has some very nice pieces of information
  - How the BIND was performed (eg. Auto-Rebind)
  - If CONCENTRATE statement is enabled
  - When APREUSE was disabled
  - Db2 FUNCTION\_LEVEL when the row was inserted

```
ORIGIN CHAR ( 1 ) NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT;  
APREUSE_NO_FL    VARCHAR ( 10 ) NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT;  
APREUSE_NO_TS    TIMESTAMP NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT;  
CONC_STMT        CHAR ( 1 ) NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT 'N';  
FUNCTION_LVL     VARCHAR ( 10 ) NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT;
```

- SYSPACKCOPY has the same columns appended.
- SYSQUERY has FUNCTION\_LVL appended.

SYSPACKAGE has some new columns which seem extremely useful.

- 1) How the package got bound : REBIND, BIND, Automatic Rebind etc.
- 2) FUNCTION-LEVEL when APREUSE(NO) was executed as well as timestamp.
- 3) If CONCENTRATE\_STATEMENT was specified for literals/constants.
- 4) Finally the Db2 FUNCTION-LEVEL when the row was inserted.

## Modified Objects

- SYSPACKSTMT has new columns matching SYSQUERY

```
QUERYID          BIGINT NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT - 1 ;  
  
QUERY_HASH       CHAR ( 16 ) NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT  
                  X'00000000000000000000000000000000' FOR BIT DATA;  
  
QUERY_HASH_VERSION INTEGER NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT -1 ;
```

- SYSPENDINGDDL partition-range for logical parts to be reorganized instantiating pending changes

```
REORG_SCOPE_LOWPART SMALLINT ;  
  
REORG_SCOPE_HIGHPART SMALLINT ;
```

SYSPACKSTMT has been appended with the same columns as SYSQUERY so it's possible to join these.

Since attributes can be altered for PBR2 partitions independently, SYSPENDINGDDL now keeps track of the highest and lowest partition with PENDING changes since adjacent logical partitions must be reorganized together to materialize pending definition changes.

## Modified Objects

- SYSROUTINES describes if obfuscation is active

```
ALTER TABLE SYSIBM.SYSROUTINES  
ADD WRAPPED CHAR ( 1 ) NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT ;  
  
ALTER TABLE SYSIBM.SYSROUTINES  
ADD REGENERATETS TIMESTAMP ( 12 )  
NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT ;
```

- And yet another catalog table has REGENERATE timestamp appended.
- SYSTABLES also has REGENERATE timestamp.

Routines can be obfuscated and REGENERATED using ALTER so these are reflected as new columns.

## Modified Objects

- SYSTABLEPART reflects the new tablespace type (absolute or relative page numbering)
- Partition level physical attributes reflected.

```
TYPE          CHAR ( 1 ) ;  
PAGENUM       CHAR ( 1 ) NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT 'A' ;  
BPOOL         CHAR ( 8 ) ;  
PGSIZE        SMALLINT ;  
DSSIZE        INTEGER ;  
MEMBER_CLUSTER CHAR ( 1 ) ;  
COMPRESSRATIO SMALLINT NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT - 1 ;
```

Due to the new tablespace type (PBR2 or relative page addressing), SYSTABLEPART has 7 new columns reflecting this feature along with the attributes which now can be different for the individual partitions.

## Modified Objects

- **SYSTABLESPACE.**
  - Relative/absolute page numbering.
  - Interesting that this table now has inherited columns from SYSTABLEPART.

PAGENUM	CHAR ( 1 ) NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT 'A';
INSERTALG	SMALLINT NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT;
PQTY	INTEGER;
STOR TYPE	CHAR ( 1 );
STORNAME	VARCHAR ( 128 );
VCATNAME	VARCHAR ( 24 );
FREEPAGE	SMALLINT;
PCTFREE	SMALLINT;
COMPRESS	CHAR ( 1 );
GBPCACHE	CHAR ( 1 );
TRACKMOD	CHAR ( 1 );
SECQTYI	INTEGER;
PCTFREE_UPD	SMALLINT;
PCTFREE_UPD_CALC	SMALLINT;
COMPRESSIONRATIO	SMALLINT NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT - 1;

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SYSTABLESPACE also reflects the new tablespace type.

What is interesting is that some attributes are inherited from SYSTABLEPART like PCTFREE, SECQTY etc.

## Modified Objects

- SYSTRIGGERS
  - Versioning available (like NSP's)
  - Trigger text can be obfuscated

```
VERSION          VARCHAR ( 122 ) NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT ;  
ORIGINAL_CONTOK  CHAR ( 8 ) FOR BIT DATA ;  
REGENERATETS     TIMESTAMP NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT ;  
ACTIVE           CHAR ( 1 ) FOR MIXED DATA ;  
WRAPPED CHAR     ( 1 ) NOT NULL WITH DEFAULT ;
```

Triggers can now be versioned like Native Stored Procedures and they can also be obfuscated.

## **New Db2 12 features reflected in the catalog (existing columns with additional value/meaning)**



## Existing columns with new content

- Compared to the past couple of Db2 releases – Db2 12 has far less changes.
- Only the most important covered here:

SYSCOLUMNS	PERIOD	C : Now EXCLUSIVE end period
		I : New INCLUSIVE end period
	ENCODING_SCHEME	Ascii , Ebcdic , Unicode
SYSCOPY	STYPE	C : Index Compression enabled (besides existing explanations)
	TTYPE	C : Index Compression enabled (besides existing explanations)
		CMP=Y/N : ALTER INDEX COMPRESS YES/NO
		When ICTYPE=A and STYPE=P : tablespace converted to RELATIVE
SYSDEPENDENCES	DTYPE	B is now BASIC Trigger
		1 is ADVANCED Trigger
SYSKEYCOLUSE	PERIOD	I/C : INCLUSIVE/EXCLUSIVE Business end period
SYSKEYS	PERIOD	I/C : INCLUSIVE/EXCLUSIVE Business end period
SYSPACKAGE	TYPE	1 : Advanced Trigger Package
SYSPACKDEP	DTYPE	1 : Advanced Trigger Package
SYSRELS	CHECKEXISTINGDATA	T : Immediately check existing data for a temporal referential constraint

Db2 12 seems to have less changes to existing columns compared to the past couple of releases. This section will only cover some of these.  
 PERIOD in syscolumns, syskeycoluse and syskeys : For temporal tables, ENDING can now be either inclusive or exclusive.  
 SYSDEPENDENCES has an indicator whether the trigger is the old style or it's an advanced trigger and the same goes for syspackage and syspackdep.

## User Defined Functions available

- Some of these existed since several Db2 releases
  - Execute `highlvl.SDSNSAMP(DSNTEJ2U)`
  - Requires C / C++ compiler license
  - Use as samples to create you own – or modify
  - Here are just a few of the available UDF's

Function Name	Description
ALTDATE	Returns the current date or a user-specified date in a user-specified format
ALTIME	Returns the current time or a user-specified time in a user-specified format
CURRENCY	Returns a floating-point number as a currency value
DAYNAME	Returns the name of the day of the week on which a date in ISO format falls
MONTHNAME	Returns the name of the month in which a date in ISO format falls
TABLE_LOCATION	Returns the location name of a table or view after resolving any aliases
TABLE_NAME	Returns the unqualified name of a table or view after resolving any aliases
TABLE_SCHEMA	Returns the schema name of a table or view after resolving any aliases
WEATHER	Shows how to use a user-defined table function to make non-relational data available for SQL manipulation

UDF's are not widely used as far as I have experienced, but I stumbled across this section while preparing this presentation.

Most of these routines are not new, but I am positive some of the attendees will find these useful.

Source code do exist for all of these (only a fraction listed here) so you can easily pick up what's needed and then change to do whatever you need.

## User Defined Functions available

- In member DSNTJ2U – find the UDF needed and look for EXTERNAL NAME
- This is the example for ALTDAT using member DSN8DUAD

```

*****
* Module name = DSN8DUAD (DB2 sample program) *
* *
* DESCRIPTIVE NAME = Current date reformatter (UDF) *
* *
* LICENSED MATERIALS - PROPERTY OF IBM *
* 5625-DB2 *
* (C) COPYRIGHT 1998, 2003 IBM CORP. ALL RIGHTS RESERVED. *
* *
* STATUS = VERSION 8 *
* *
* Function: Returns the current date in one these 34 formats: *
* *
*   D MONTH YY   D MONTH YYYY   DD MONTH YY   DD MONTH YYYY *
*   D.M.YY       D.M.YYYY       DD.MM.YY       DD.MM.YYYY *
*   D-M-YY       D-M-YYYY       DD-MM-YY       DD-MM-YYYY *
*   D/M/YY       D/M/YYYY       DD/MM/YY       DD/MM/YYYY *
*   M/D/YY       M/D/YYYY       MM/DD/YY       MM/DD/YYYY *
*   YY/M/D       YYYY/M/D       YY/MM/DD       YYYY/MM/DD *
*   YY.M.D       YYYY.M.D       YY.MM.DD       YYYY.MM.DD *
*               YYYY-M-D       YYYY-MM-DD       YYYY-MM-DD *
*               YYYY-D-XX       YYYY-DD-XX       YYYY-DD-XX *
*               YYYY-XX-D       YYYY-XX-DD       YYYY-XX-DD *
* *
* where: *
* *
*   D: Suppress leading zero if the day is less than 10 *
*   DD: Retain leading zero if the day is less than 10 *
*   M: Suppress leading zero if the month is less than 10 *
*   MM: Retain leading zero if the month is less than 10 *
*   MONTH: Use English-language name of month *
*   XX: Use a capital Roman numeral for month *
*   KK: Use a capital Roman numeral for month *
*   YY: Use non-century year format *
*   YYYY: Use century year format *

```

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Have a look at highlvl.SDSNSAMP (DSNTJ2U) and find the UDF you can take advantage from and look for EXTERNAL NAME.  
This is a snippet from the ALTDAT routine which can automate the conversion of a date into 30+ formats.

## References used

- A live Db2 12 system
- Db2 12 for z/OS SQL Reference Guide SC27-8859-00
- White Paper : Db2 12 for z/OS - an IDUG Perspective  
<http://www.idug.org/p/bl/ar/blogaid=527>  
(you have to be logged in to the IDUG.ORG website)

This presentation was prepared using primarily a Db2 12 system FUNCTION LEVEL V12R1M500.

I did take a peek into the IBM Db2 SQL Reference Guide to validate new columns and column content.

Also, please take a look at the white paper created late 2016 by a lot of famous Db2'ers around the world.

## Wrap Up

**Thank You - QUESTIONS ?**