

# Db2 13 for z/OS Technical Overview

## DB2Night Show

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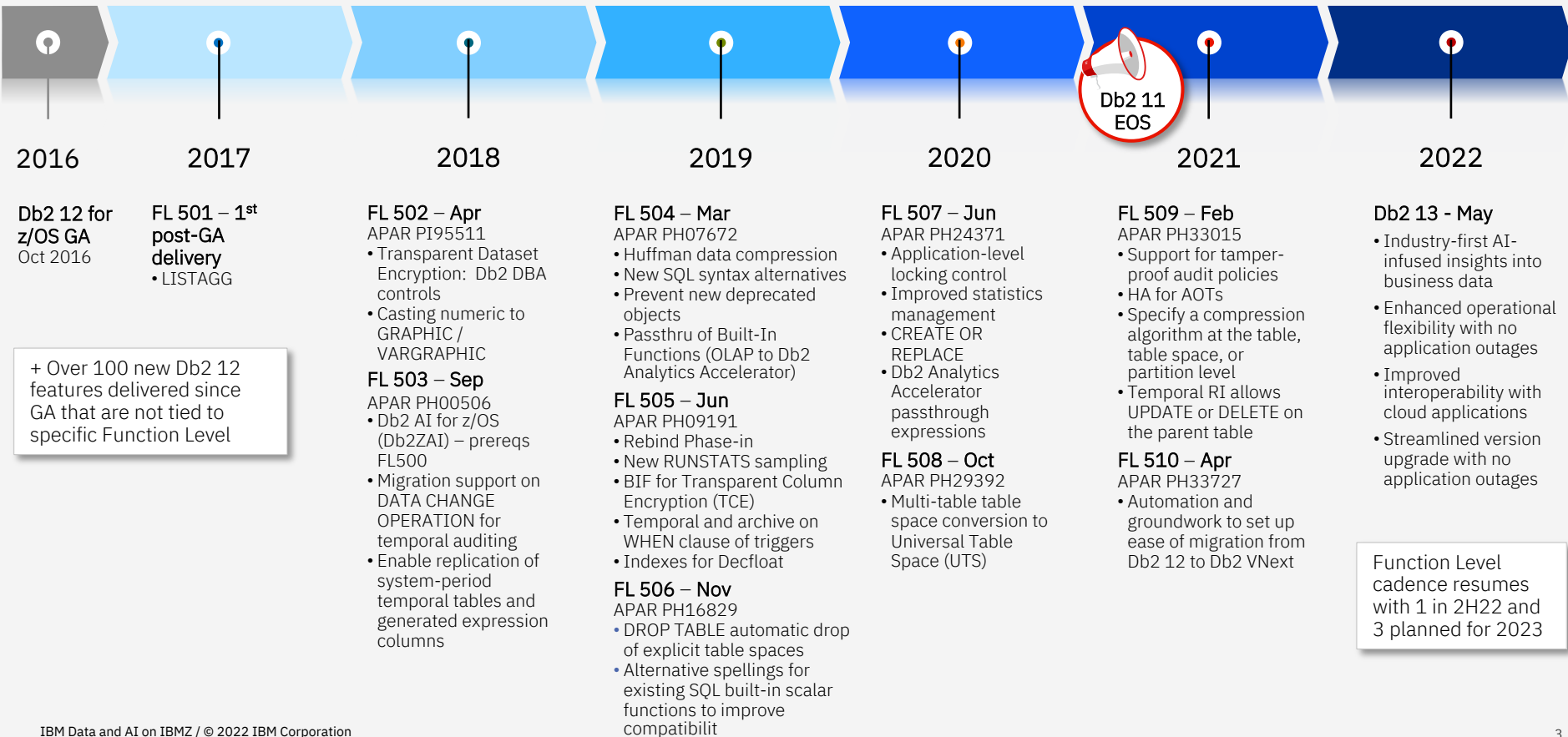
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# Db2 13 – Setting the Context for New Innovation



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IBM Db2 13 for z/OS



Better together!

# Simpler installation and migration



- Fewer ZPARMs and improved defaults or allowable ranges
  - 16 removed, 12 updated
- Migration only from V12R1M510 with validation of migration readiness
- V13R1M100 introduces no new external function
  - No catalog structural changes in V13 until after V13R1M500 to minimize risk and complexity
  - But catalog must be V13R1M100 “level,” so trivial CATMAINT required at M100
- V13R1M500 supports new features without catalog changes
- V13R1M501 supports all the initial new features of Db2 13

# Availability and scalability (1 of 8)



- ALTER TABLE DATA CAPTURE CHANGES will no longer serialize with application threads
  - Before: had to quiesce static packages, quiesce and invalidate dynamic statements
  - Now: no quiesce of static packages or quiesce or invalidation of cached dynamic statements
  - This is an initial step in improving concurrency from an ALTER perspective

ALTER	base run 1	base run 2	base run 3	new run 1	new run 2	new run 3
Executed	10	10	10	10	10	10
Failed	9	10	9	0	0	0

## Availability and scalability (2 of 8)

- Online conversion from PBG to PBR
  - New ALTER TABLE syntax for pending alter to convert to PBR RPN
  - All related artifacts preserved (e.g., indexes) – table ready for use after online REORG
  - Currently not supported for tables with LOB or XML columns

```
ALTER TABLE SCR001.TB01 ALTER PARTITIONING TO  
                           PARTITION BY RANGE (ACCT_NUM)  
                           (  
                             PARTITION 1 ENDING AT (199) ,  
                             PARTITION 2 ENDING AT (299) ,  
                             PARTITION 3 ENDING AT (399) ,  
                             PARTITION 4 ENDING AT (MAXVALUE) ) ;
```

# Availability and scalability (3 of 8)



- Online removal of active log datasets allows complete online replacement of logs
- New –SET LOG REMOVELOG option
  - Remove from BSDS or mark removal pending for later removal
- Enhanced –DISPLAY LOG command (new DETAIL option)
- Quadruple size of critical SPT01 and SYSLGRNX table spaces to 256 GB
- Catalog/directory PBGs are defined with MAXPARTITIONS 1 DSSIZE 64G
- SPT01 defaults to inline LOB length of the maximum (32138)
- V13: SYSLGRNX, SPT01 changed to DSSIZE 256G on REORG after M500
  - Optional and not part of any CATMAINT



# Availability and scalability (4 of 8)



- Support more open datasets
  - Actual open dataset limit is a function of the amount of memory consumed per open dataset below 2GB bar and amount of 31-bit private storage
  - Db2 APARs PH09189 (threshold processing) and PH27493 (utility data sets) improved open dataset management
  - z/OS 2.5 reduces below-the-bar memory consumption per dataset by ~35%
  - Optionally move SWB blocks above 2 GB bar
    - Update ALLOCxx member of PARMLIB, or...
    - Issue command SETALLOC SYSTEM,SWBSTORAGE=ATB
  - Db2 13 exploits new z/OS API
  - Double DSMAX limit from 200,000 to 400,000

# Availability and scalability (5 of 8)



- Virtual storage constraint relief
  - Reduce ECSA consumption by Db2 IFCID tracing
    - Cut by up to 80% (from around 30 MB to 4-8 MB)
  - Reduced ECSA footprint for distributed threads
  - Move dynamic SQL statement text above 2 GB bar
  - BIND/REBIND/PREPARE storage reduction
- Improved storage management
  - Improved storage contraction for thread and ECSA pool storage
  - Prevent flood of DISCARD DATA requests after DDF workload spikes (improved “right-sizing” of DBAT pool following workload spike)
  - Remove REALSTORAGE\_MANAGEMENT ZPARM

# Availability and scalability (6 of 8)



- RTS improvements to support larger workloads
  - Change various “counter” columns from INTEGER to BIGINT (up to about 9 quadrillion)
  - Change to LOCKMAX 0 to avoid lock escalation
- PAGESET\_PAGENUM ZPARM default changes to RELATIVE (relative page numbering for PBR table spaces)
  - Note: PBR RPN requires EA/EF datasets
- Simplify IRLM memory management
  - Value of ZPARM parameter MAX STORAGE FOR LOCKS now passed by Db2 when IRLM is started
  - Can no longer be overridden in SMFLIMxx PARMLIB member
    - Effect: cut down on “surprise” changes in IRLM storage
  - Can still be changed via MODIFY IRLM command

# Availability and scalability (7 of 8)



- Dynamic alteration of lock structure to avoid structure full conditions
- More responsive than ALLOWAUTOALT in CFRM policy

```
DXR189I  <irlmname> ALTERING LOCK STRUCTURE SIZE
DXR190I  <irlmname> ALTER LOCK STUCTURE COMPLETED
```

```
IXC530I START ALTER REQUEST FOR STRUCTURE DSNCAT_LOCK1 ACCEPTED
      TARGET SIZE:                      8 M
IXC534I REQUEST TO ALTER STRUCTURE DSNCAT_LOCK1
COMPLETED.  TARGET ATTAINED.
CURRENT SIZE:                      8 M   TARGET:                      8 M
CURRENT ENTRY COUNT:              4427   TARGET:              4427
CURRENT ELEMENT COUNT:            0      TARGET:            0
CURRENT EMC COUNT:                0      TARGET:                0
```

# Availability and scalability (8 of 8)



- Positioning for statement-level dependency in future (think about ALTERs that invalidate entire packages)
- Disabled in V13, but some catalog objects are created
  - New table SYSPACKSTMTCOPY
  - New table SYSPACKSTMTDEP
  - New column SYSPACKSTMT.VALID
  - Indexes on new tables
  - All new page sets are DEFINE NO

# Performance (1 of 4)



- Improved PBG insert processing – reduce incidence of invalid “no space for INSERT” situations
  - Retry conditional partition locks
  - Smarter space search across partitions
- More efficient handling of DBAT threads
  - Improved termination of pooled and keep dynamic DBATs caused by workload spikes
- Intelligent use of internal block fetch
  - Track statement fetch history for better internal block fetch decisions

## Performance (2 of 4)



- Intelligent index lookaside support
  - Adjusts usage based on random vs. sequential index access (usage based on learning, versus just catalog stats)
    - Index lookaside benefits sequential access (FTBs primarily benefit random access)
- Greater index FTB eligibility
  - Unique indexes: Increase max key length from 64 to 128 bytes
  - Non-unique indexes: Increase max key length from 56 bytes to 120 bytes
- Drop DSNKDX02 on SYSIBM.SYSPACKDEP
  - Redundant since creation of DSNKDX03

## Performance (3 of 4)



- More efficient IFCID306 log read - better support for partition-level reads
  - New partition range log read support in IFCID 306 interface
  - One result: ability to drive parallel replication streams for one partitioned table space
- Reduced false lock contention for PBR RPN in data sharing
  - Reduced page P-lock contention for row-level locking
- Authorization cache improvements to reduce RACF contention
  - Cache successful external plan auth checks
  - Smarter caching to cache more auth IDs per plan



# Performance (4 of 4)



- More efficient data sharing castout processing
  - Lower GBPOOLT checking interval from 10s to 1s
  - Reduce write failure retry interval for GBP full conditions
- SQL sort performance improvements
  - Use query history (learning) to expand SORTL use
    - Db2 support for z15 SORTL instruction originally in PH31684
- System recovery performance boost
  - z16 automatic support for boost during restart of Db2 and IRLM (V12 and V13)

# SQL and application management (1 of 9)

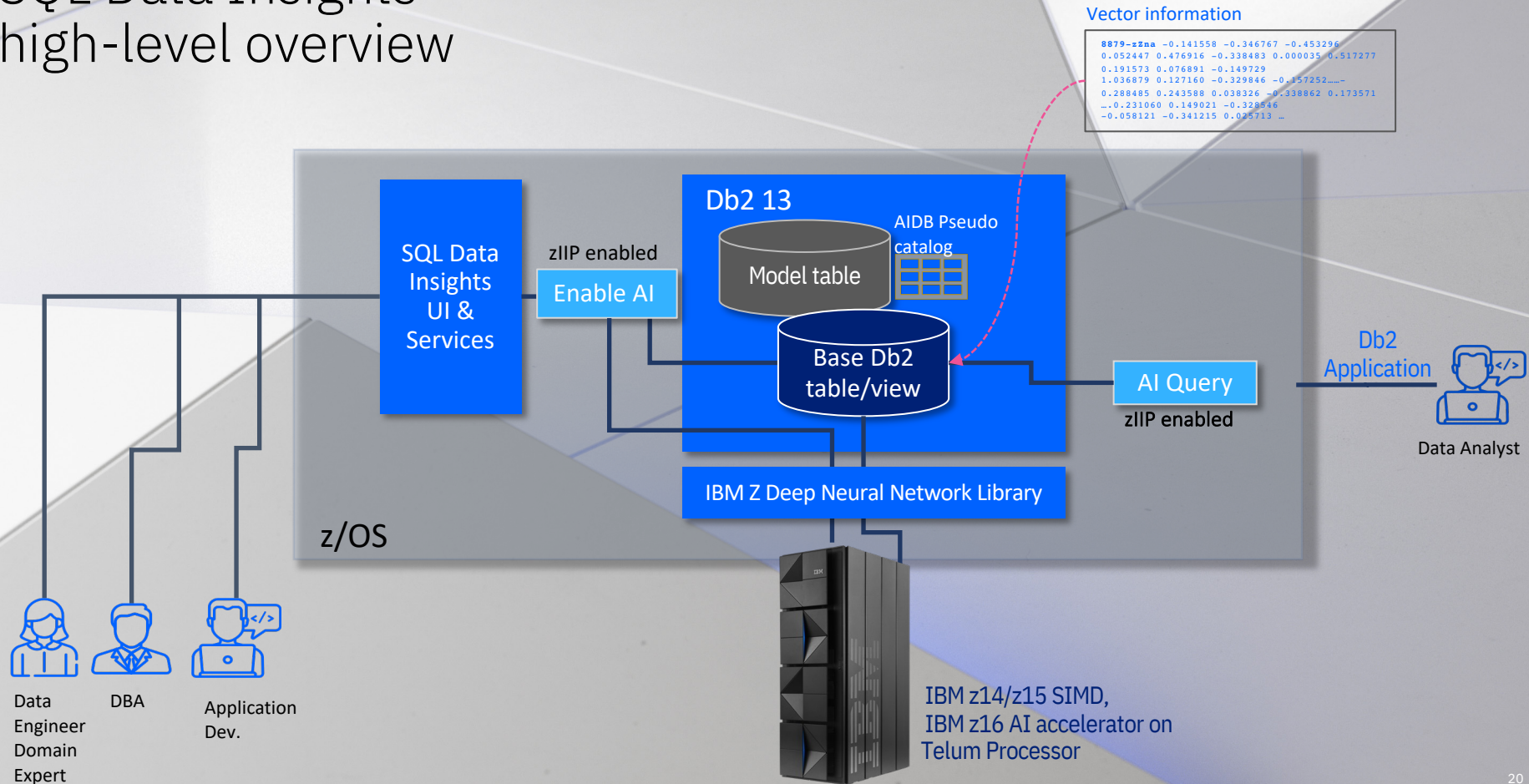
- SQL Data Insights
  - Infuse AI to deliver SQL semantic query support
  - New built-in functions
    - AI\_ANALOGY
    - AI\_SIMILARITY
    - AI\_SEMANTIC\_CLUSTER
- Exploits zIIP engines

# Semantic SQL functions

## First set of AI built-in functions available in Db2 13

Cognitive intelligence query	Functional description	Db2 functions
Semantic similarity and dissimilarities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Matching rows/entities based on overall meaning (similarity/dissimilarity)</li><li>Suggest choices for incorrect or missing entities</li></ul>	AI_SIMILARITY
Semantic clustering	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Find entities/rows based on relationships between attributes in a given set</li><li>Example: Find animals similar to (lion, tiger, panther)</li></ul>	AI_SEMANTIC_CLUSTER
Reasoning analogy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Find entities/rows based on relationships between attributes</li><li>Example: Moon : Satellite :: Earth; ?</li></ul>	AI_ANALOGY

# SQL Data Insights – high-level overview



# SQL and Application Management (4 of 9)

- New CURRENT LOCK TIMEOUT special register
  - Override IRLMRWT for claims and transaction L-locks
    - IRLMRWT also made online changeable!
  - NULL is default, equates to IRLMRWT
  - Range: -1 - 32767
  - ZPARM SPREG\_LOCK\_TIMEOUT\_MAX provides system-level control
  - DSNT376I enhanced to indicate timeout value and source of timeout value
    - When special register set to 0 (application does not wait for lock), no lock holder information returned in message
  - Instrumentation enhanced
    - Accounting, stats trace information, IFCID 106 ZPARM information, IFCID 196 timeout information, new IFCID 437

# SQL and application management (5 of 9)

- Note on setting current lock timeout at application level through new special register:
  - Data sharing processing overhead may make it difficult to achieve low lock timeout intervals (e.g. timeout 1 sec with deadlock cycle 1 sec)
    - Documented here:
      - <https://www.ibm.com/docs/en/db2-for-zos/12?topic=processing-elapsed-time-until-timeout-data-sharing>
  - Consider lowering deadlock detection cycle time to minimize delay
    - IRLM PH43770 and Db2 PH45103 (V12) reduce timeout delays

`MIN GLOBAL TIMEOUT = timeout period + DEADLOCK TIME value`  
`MAX GLOBAL TIMEOUT = timeout period + 4 * DEADLOCK TIME value`  
`AVERAGE GLOBAL TIMEOUT = timeout period + 2 * DEADLOCK TIME value`

# SQL and application management (6 of 9)

- SYSIBMADM.DEADLOCK\_RESOLUTION\_PRIORITY built-in global variable
  - Influence deadlock victim decision
  - Range 0 – 255
  - IFCID 172 deadlock information enhanced
    - QW0172WAS
      - G = Global variable
      - O = Other
    - QW0172WA
      - Assigned worth value

## SQL and application management (7 of 9)

- Profile table support for both SYSIBMADM.DEADLOCK\_RESOLUTION\_PRIORITY global variable and CURRENT LOCK TIMEOUT special register
- Profile table support for RELEASE\_PACKAGE
  - Control package RELEASE option for both distributed and local threads
- Profile table support for local-to-Db2 applications (for application-level lock timeout and deadlock priority, and for package RELEASE setting)
- IFI306 support for decoding EDITPROCs
- New WQALLOPT flag option
  - Provides standard mechanism for using EDITPROC-decode support for vendors of Db2 for z/OS data replication tools (vendors formerly required to work with Db2 for z/OS development to enable support)



# SQL and application management (8 of 9)

- Improved consistency for creation of PBG table spaces
- Background: for create of a PBG with explicit MAXPARTITIONS value, DSSIZE defaults based upon the following table

- Page size                      MAXPARTITIONS                      DSSIZE default

- Any                      1-254                      4G

- 4K                      255-4096                      4G

- 8K                      255-4096                      8G

- 16K                      255-4096                      16G

- 32K                      255-4096                      32G

## SQL and application management (9 of 9)

- Improved consistency for creation of PBG table spaces (continued)
- From V12R1M504, CREATE TABLESPACE will default to PBG with MAXPARTITIONS 256, instead of traditional segmented
- This should have followed table (on preceding slide) *for default DSSIZE based upon page size*, but instead DSSIZE 4G is always given – [we violated our own rule](#)
- With APPLCOMPAT set to V13R1M500 or higher, CREATE TABLESPACE without explicit MAXPARTITIONS will default to **MAXPARTITIONS 254** – result: [we're within the rules](#)
  - Change applies to implicit PBGs also

# Security



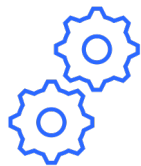
- Improved management of package ownership
- Allow a DBA with role-based security to create packages using authid security
- New SQL and BIND syntax to indicate whether owner is a role or a user
  - For **CREATE PROCEDURE**: PACKAGE OWNER *auth-name* AS ROLE | USER
  - For **BIND/REBIND PACKAGE**: OWNERTYPE(ROLE | USER)
- Db2 support for IBM compliance controls
- <https://www.ibm.com/products/z-security-and-compliance-center>

# Insight and oversight (1 of 2)



- New tracking of page GBP residency time for better GBP tuning tracking
- Track index page splits
  - New IFCID 396 (stats class 3 – active by default) when split takes >1 second
  - New SYSINDEXSPACESTATS columns
    - REORGTOTALSPLITS, REORGSPPLITTIME, REORGEXCSPLITS

# Insight and oversight (2 of 2)



- New tracking of longest lock or latch wait by thread in accounting IFCID 3
  - Also longest wait for sync or async I/O, drain lock, service task
- STATIME\_MAIN default changed from 60s to 10s to better diagnose workload peaks
- Include IFCID 369 (aggregate accounting information by connection type) in STATS CLASS 1 and 2
- New utility history table in Db2 catalog (more info to come)
- Support names > 16 bytes in deadlock and timeout messages DSNT375I, DSNT376I
  - And in IFCIDs 172 and 196

# Utilities (1 of 4)

- Significant utilities investment supports core Db2 13 features such as online conversion from PBG to PBR
- Many major utility enhancements delivered via APAR in the years following Db2 12 general availability, including:
  - Redirected recovery
  - LOAD PRESORT
  - REORG inline copy improvements
  - LOAD REPLACE with SHRLEVEL REFERENCE
  - ...
- Following slides describes Db2 13-specific utility enhancements

## Utilities (2 of 4)

- Central oversight over utility executions with new utility history catalog table
- New ZPARM parameter: UTILITY\_HISTORY [NONE](#) | [UTILITY](#)
- Collect and store utility-level information in new SYSIBM.SYSUTILITIES catalog table
- Who, what, when, where, etc.
- New EVENTID column added to SYSCOPY to allow correlation
- Object- and phase-level detail to follow later

## Utilities (3 of 4)

- REORG INDEX performance
  - REORG INDEX NOSYSUT1 delivered for Db2 12 via PH25217
    - Keys not unloaded to data set – passed in memory to index build
    - Up to 80% ET and 90% CPU savings for REORG INDEX
    - Enabled via NOSYSUT1 parm of REORG, or REORG\_INDEX\_NOSYSUT1 parameter in ZPARM (Db2 12 default for that ZPARM is NO)
  - REORG\_INDEX\_NOSYSUT1 parameter in ZPARM will no longer have any effect as of V13R1M500
    - REORG INDEX will always avoid use of SYSUT1
    - REORG option NOSYSUT1 is ignored from M500 onwards
- Easier space-level RECOVER from part-level image copies
  - Supported for universal table spaces, associated partitioned indexes, associated LOB table spaces
  - Previously required use of LISTDEF PARTLEVEL keyword



## Utilities (4 of 4)

- Page sampling support for inline stats
  - Support TABLESAMPLE for page sampling in inline stats
  - Also support STATPGSAMP in ZPARM for inline stats
    - Default of SYSTEM will mean that page sampling will be the default
- New REPAIR WRITELOG option to allow for writing of decompression dictionaries to Db2 log when dictionary created by other vendor products
- Required for decompression of log records by IFI306 processing when new compression dictionaries are built to replace old dictionaries
- Available in V13R1M100
- Vendors responsible for writing correct information and inserting correct SYSCOPY entry

Thanks for your time

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