# RPG IV - V5R2 and beyond . . .

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### V5R1 enhancements ....

- New built-in functions:
- %CHECKR, %XLATE,%SCANR, %LOOKUP
- Monitor operation group
- Increasing Java-related support
- CLASS keyword on the D spec
- EXTPROC maps to Object (CLASS) methods
- STATIC keyword for static methods
- Free Form Calcs!
- Runtime control of file to be opened
- Date/time/timestamp operations in expressions
- ELSEIF
- Predefined compiler directives
- Qualified names in data structures







For date/time/timestamp operations in expressions:

%DIFF %MSECONDS %SECONDS %MINUTES %HOURS %DAYS %MONTHS %YEARS %DATE %TIME %TIMESTAMP %SUBDT





**MONITOR GROUP** 















```
/FREE
      read file:
                               // Get next record
     dow not %eof(file);
                               // Keep looping while we have
                               // a record
          if %error;
              dsply &csq.The read failed&csq.;
              leave;
         else;
              chain(n) name database data;
              time = hours * num_employees
                        + overtime saved;
              pos = %scan (&csq.,&csq.&colon. name);
              name = %xlate(upper&colon.lower&colon.name);
              exsr handle record;
              read file;
         endif;
      enddo;
  begsr handle record;
     eval(h) time = time + total_hours_array (empno);
      temp hours = total hours - excess hours;
     record transaction();
  endsr;
 /end-free
```





OVRDBF OVRNAME OVRLIB/OVRFILE CALL RPG



**OVRDBF** 











# Qualified Subfield Name

D cust	DS QUALIFIED < specify subfields ds.subf
D name	50a < has subfield called "name"
D 1d_num D part D name D id_num	DS QUALIFIED 25a <also "name"<br="" called="" has="" subfield="">10i 0</also>
D part1	DS LIKEDS(part) < define with same subfields
D part2	DS LIKEDS(part) < new DS is also QUALIFIED
C eval C eval C eval C eval C eval C eval	<pre>cust.name = 'ABC Electronics' part1.name = 'Radio' &lt; ds name is required part1.id_num = 100035 part2.name = 'Telephone' part2.id_num = 100036</pre>

















## 31 Digit support:

### • Field definitions

- Packed and Zoned now support 31-digit total length
- Explicit (D-spec) and implicit (C-spec) declarations
- Internal (explicit, implicit) and external (record formats)

### • Expressions

Decimal numeric max precision now 31 digits (vs 30)

why increase it from 30?







DECPREC keyword:

- DECPREC (<u>30</u>|31)
- specifies the precision of decimal values within expressions
- specific to %EDITC and %EDITW operations
- default value is 30
- If expression contains a decimal variable declared as 31, keyword does not apply and 31 digits will be used















# Character parms for built-ins

- Currently %INT, %INTH, %UNS, %UNSH, %DEC, %DECH, and %FLOAT allow only numeric operands
  - Enhanced to allow character data for V5R2
  - It represents valid numeric value, built-in will return that value
    - ✓ %DEC('-15.57' : 7 : 2)
    - ✓ will return a packed(7,2) value of -00015.57
- Rules for %INT, %INTH, %UNS, %UNSH, %DEC, %DECH:
  - $\checkmark$  The sign (+/-) can precede or follow the value
  - ✓ The decimal point can be either period (.) or comma (,)
  - ✓ For %UNS and %UNSH, only positive signs (+) are allowed
  - ✓ The second and third parameters are required for %DEC(character)
    - $\checkmark$  This is similar to the existing rule for a float parameter.
  - ✓ Floating point data, for example '1.5E3', is not allowed.
    - ✓ For other builtins, this value will result in an "Invalid Numeric Data" exception.
  - ✓ Blanks are allowed anywhere. For example '123.45-' is a valid input string







# ► Rules for %FLOAT:

- ✓ The sign must precede the value for both mantissa and exponent
- ✓ The decimal point can be either period (.) or comma (,).
- Blanks are allowed anywhere. For example '1 2 3 . 4 5 E 5' is a valid input string
- $\checkmark$  The 'E' for the exponent may be in upper or lower case







# Character parms for built-ins

• Examples:

BIF	result	notes
	123	
%UNS('123.6')	123	decimal truncation
%INTH('123.6')	124	rounding
%INTH('123.6-')	-124	trailing sign
%UNSH(' 1 2 3 . 6 ')	124	
%DEC('-123.6' : 5 : 2)	-123.60	
%DEC('123.6 -' : 5 : 2)	-123.60	trailing sign
%DEC(' 5 123 456,18 '	: 15 : 2) 5123456.18	comma decimal point
%DEC(' 5 123 456.18-'	: 15 : 1)-5123456.1	decimal truncation
%DECH(' 5 123 456.188'	: 15 : 1) 5123456.2	rounding
%FLOAT('123E9')	123E9	
%FLOAT('-12345')	-1.2345E4	
%FLOAT(' 1,2 E 9 ')	1.2E9	comma decimal point



Examples - Exceptions!

<pre>%DECH(' 5 123 456.18': 5 : 1) 00103 overflow %UNS('-1') 00105 neg. sign not allowed for %UN %INT('-1+') 00105 too many signs</pre>	BIF	status	problem
%INT('1234A')00105invalid character (A)%DECH('1.5E7': 5:1)00105Only floating point allowed%DECH('1.5.3': 5:1)00105too many decimal points%DECH('': 5:1)00105no numeric data%FLOAT('123-')00105invalid character (sign must precede number for float)	<pre>%DECH(' 5 123 456.18' : 5 : 1) %UNS('-1') %INT('-1+') %INT('1234A') %DECH('1.5E7' : 5 : 1) %DECH('1.5.3' : 5 : 1) %DECH(' : 5 : 1) %DECH(' : 5 : 1) %FLOAT('123-')</pre>	00103 00105 00105 00105 00105 00105 00105	overflow neg. sign not allowed for %UNS too many signs invalid character (A) Only floating point allowed too many decimal points no numeric data invalid character (sign must precede number for float)







<pre>* * * If the character data is known to contain non-numeric characters * such as thousands separators (like 1,234,567) or leading * asterisks and currency symbols (like \$***1,234,567.89), some * preprocessing is necessary to remove these characters from the * data. *</pre>							
D data	S	<b>20a</b>	inz('\$1,234,567.89')				
D num /free	S	21p 9					
 	Use the %XLATE builtin f symbol, asterisks or tho	unction usands	to replace any currency separators with blanks				
nu	<pre>m = %dech(%xlate('\$*,' :</pre>	· · · :	data)				
<pre>// If the currency symbol or thousands separator might // vary at runtime, use variables to hold these values.</pre>							
nu	<pre>m = %dech(%xlate(cursym +     : 21 : 9);</pre>	· ** + *	thousandsSep : ' ' : data)				











## Data structure enhancements

- Keyword **DIM** is allowed on a data structure definition to improve usability of multiple-occurrence data structures
- Keyword LIKEDS is allowed on a subfield definition
- Arbitrary levels of indexing and qualification are allowed:

#### ds(x).subfl.s2.s3(y+1).s4











### **Description:**

- Keyword DIM allowed on data structure
  - similar to multiple occurence data structure elements referenced by array index
- Multiple Occurrences may be referenced in one expression
- LIKEDS allowed on subfield definition
  - when specified subfield is defined to be a data structure

has its own set of subfields

Example:

- Data Structure (DS) has subfield S1
- S1 defined as a data structure with subfield S2 coded as:

DS.S1.S2

# Array Data Structure

#### **Definitions:**

- Simply Qualified Name
  - -form "A.B"
  - -allowed as
    - argument on keywords in F and D specs
    - In Field-name entries on I and O specs
    - Factor 1, Factor 2 and Result-Fields on fixed form C specs
  - no white space allowed between names and the dot
- Fully Qualified Name
  - name with qualifications and indexing to arbitrary number of levels
    - **e.g.** "A(X).B.C(Z+17)"
  - -Allowed in
    - free-form C specs
    - and extended Factor-2 entries







#### Example:



#### /free TotalCost = 0; for i = 1 to SalesTransaction.Numproducts; TotalCost = Total Cost + SalesTransaction.Product(i).Cost; endfor dsply SalesTransaction.Product(i).Cost; dsply ('Total cost is ' + %char(TotalCost)); /end-free

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#### INZ(\*LIKEDS)

- allowed on LIKEDS subfield
- initialized exactly the same as corresponding data structure
- if no INZ specified, subfield is initialized to x'40's
  - even if INZ is coded at the main data structure definition that contains the LIKEDS subfield
- INZ may be coded for a LIKEDS subfield
  - initialized to default values
- Includes all levels of nested subfields
  - -NOT like nested LIKEDS subfields with INZ(\*LIKEDS)
- If INZ is specified at main data structure definition, INZ is implied for all LIKEDS subfields in the data structure

– except for the LIKEDS subfields with INZ(\*LIKEDS)















- ► IFS Support!
  - Existing support
    - possible to access data on IFS
    - ► APIs are available

### • New V5R2 support for compiling out of IFS

- source files and copy files can now be in IFS file system
- Parameters added to the create commands (CRTBNDRPG, CRTRPGMOD)
  - SRCSTMF is used instead of SRCFILE and SRCMBR to indicate a stream file is the main source file
  - ► **INCDIR** is used to list the copy-file directories
  - new directive allows inclusion of files from IFS source files

✓ similar to /COPY

# ► However...

- CVTRPGSRC will not be changed to support IFS
- Compiled objects cannot live in IFS











- Short-form Assignment Operators
  - Compressed syntax when modifying field based on its old variable:
    - <eval> target **op=** expression
  - ... same as...

<eval> target = target op expression

Operation	Short Form Operator	Example	Full
Add	+=	a += b	a = a + b
Subtract	-=	a -= b	a = a - b
Multiply	*=	a *= b	a = a * b
Divide	/=	a /= b	a = a / b
Exponential	**=	a **= b	a = a**b








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- Bitwise built-in functions • %BITAND(expr:expr<:expr...>) Logically AND the bits • %BITOR(expr:expr<:expr...>) Logically OR the bits • %BITXOR(expr:expr) Logically EXCLUSIVE-OR the bits • %BITNOT(expr)
  - Logically NEGATE the bits







D const	С	x'0007'					
D ch1	S	4a inz(%Bl	TNOT(const))				
* ch1 is initialized to x'FFF84040'					* operand1 = b'1111 1110 0101 0001'		
D num1 s 5i 0 inz(%BITXOR(const:x'000F'))			BITXOR(const:x'00	)0F'))	* operand2 = $b'0000\ 1111\ 0000\ 1111'$		
* num is ir	nitialized	to x'0008', or 8			* bitwise AND: 0000 1110 0000 0001		
D char2a	S	<b>2</b> a	C 01/2	l char?a	- Y'EE51'		
D char2b	S	<b>2</b> a	C eva	eval $Char2a = x FEST$ eval eber2b = 9/ BITAND(eber10e + x'0E0E')			
DuA	S	5u 0	$t = \frac{1}{2} $				
DuB	S	3u 0		UI 1 11 A - 24	402		
D uC	S	5u 0	C eva		* operand1 = b'0000 0001 0010 0011'		
D uD	S	5u 0 C	C eva	eval $uB = x^{AB}$ * operand2 = b'0000 00			
			C eva	eval uc = x.8	*  operand = b'1000 1000 0001 0110'		
			C eva	ii uD = %	STICK(UA : UB : UC) * Operation OD: 1000 1000 0001 0110		
					" DIWISE OR: 1000 1001 1011 1111		















- Qualified Data Areas
  - Name of data area specified in character constant or variable must be in following form:
    - ► 'NAME'
    - ► 'LIBRARY/NAME'
    - ► '\*LIBL/NAME'
  - valid for single parameter form of DTAARA or using new DTAARA(\*VAR) form
    - ► \*\* DTAARA keyword had un-quoted name of data area
  - Naming must follow same rules as called programs and EXTFILE F-spec keyword
  - External name of the DTAARA used when RPG handles the IN op code
    - except when DTAARA already locked by a previous \*LOCK IN operation ... with no interim OUT or \*UNLOCK operation







# Qualified Data Areas Example:

```
D dtal
                           10A
                                 DTAARA(*VAR : pgmvar)
                   S
D pqmvar
                   S
                           21A
C
                EVAL
                                pgmvar = 'LIB1/DTAARA1'
C
            IN
                      dta1
 The data area LIB1/LIB1/DTAARA1 is read into variable dta1
C
            eval
                     pgmvar = 'LIB1/DTAARA2'
C
   *LOCK
            IN
                      dta1
* Data area LIBL1/DTAARA2 is locked, and its contents are read
* into "pgmvar". Until data area is unlocked, the data area
* being used by dta1 is fixed.
C
            eval
                     pgmvar = 'LIB1/DTAARA3'
C
            IN
                      dta1
* The data area LIB1/DTAARA2 is read again. The value of the
* DTAARA variable is ignored, since the data area is already
* locked and in use by the RPG program
            OUT
                      dta1
C
* The data area LIB1/DTAARA2 is updated with the contents of dta1
* and unlocked. Since the data area has been unlocked, the
* external data area can now be changed.
```







## Qualified Data Areas Example Ct'd:

C	C EVAL pgmva	r = 'LIB1/DTAARA3'					
C	C IN dtal						
*	* The data area LIB1/DTAARA3	is read. Since the data area is not					
*	* locked, the external data	area can be changed for the next use					
*	* of dtal.						
C	C eval pgmvar	r = 'LIB1/DTAARA4'					
C	C *LOCK IN dtal						
*	* The data area LIB1/DTAARA4	is locked and read into dtal					
C	C *LOCK OUT dtal						
*	* The data area LIB1/DTAARA4	is updated with the contents of dtal					
*	* but it is not unlocked.						
C	C eval var =	'LIBL/DTAARA5'					
C	C IN dtal						
*	* The data area LIB1/DTAARA4	is read into dtal again. Since it					
*	* was not unlocked by the OUT command, it is still locked , and						
*	* the existing locked data area DTAARA4 is used.						















### Say we change the RPG code to do this ...

FCUSTC	ML3 IF	E	K	DISK		
DCUSTI	.NFO	DS	_			
D Numb	ber		1	<b>7A</b>		
D Name			8	<b>47A</b>		
C	*ENTRY	PLIST				
C		PARM		C	USTINFO	
C	Number	SETLL	CUS	TOM01		
C	Number 🗲	READE	CUS	TOM01		9091
C		EVAL	Nam	e = CUS	STNA	
C		MOVE	*ON		*INLR	
*****	*****	* End of d	lata *	*****	* * * * * * * * * *	******

### Pass in Customer ID and receive back customer name.



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```
eceiving DS in Java from RP
public static void main (Sing[] argv)
                                         File: GetCust.java
   AS400 as400System = new AS400();
   ProgramCallDocument pcml = null;
                                           Class: GetCust
   String msgId, msgText;
   Object value = null;
   try {
     System.out.println(
        "Creating ProgramCallDocument for GetCust pgm.");
     pcml = new ProgramCallDocument(as400System, "GETCUST");
     boolean ok = pcml.callProgram("getcust");
     System.out.println(" rc is---> " + rc);
                                               Name of PCML file
     if (!ok)
       { /* Retrieve list of AS/400 messages & display them */ }
     else
                                                        Retrieve
         value = pcml.getValue("getcust.gotback.Name");
         System.out.println("Customer name: " + value);
                                                          Name
    } catch (PcmlException exc) {
     System.out.println("*** Call to getcust failed. ***");
     System.exit(0);
   System.exit(0);
                                                                  47
        main method
```







#### Command Prompt

f:\toolbox\examples>javac GetCust.java f:\toolbox\examples>java GetCust Constructing ProgramCallDocument for GetCust pgm... rc is---> true Customer name: Great Neck Industries

f:\toolbox\examples>

😹 Signon to AS/400 🛛 🛛				
System:	TORASB5D			
User ID:	FARR			
Password:	****			
<ul><li>Default User ID</li><li>Save password</li></ul>				
OK	Cancel			













- PCML Support!
  - PCML will be generated from RPG compiler
  - PCML will generally be complete...
    - However, when requested from the CRTRPGMOD and CRTCBLMOD commands, some manual fixup is needed since the compilers don't know how the module will be used. In particular, for each program tag, the path and entrypoint attributes will have to be manually fixed up
- ► What is PCML?
  - Program Call Markup Language
    - XML language Toolbox for Java uses to define entry points into programs and service programs
    - Eases effort to call RPG from Java
- ► Why PCML?
  - To enable tools: ie Program Call wizard in WDSc















# Enhanced I/O operations

- 1. Extract specific fields for externally described DS
  - EXTNAME( filename{:extrecname}{:\*ALL|\*INPUT|\*OUTPUT|\*KEY})
- 2. Keyword LIKEREC to define a DS with same subfields as an externally described record format
   LIKEREC(intrecname{:\*ALL|\*INPUT|\*OUTPUT|\*KEY})
- 3. List of keys on keyed I/O operations

/free

chain (a: b+c: %subst(d:e:1)) record;

/end-free

- 4. %KDS on keyed I/O operation
- 5. Data structure name on keyed I/O operations to externally described files
- **6.** List of fields to update on UPDATE operation







EXTNAME(filename{:extrecname}{:\*ALL|\*INPUT|\*OUTPUT|\*KEY})

- D-Spec keyword EXTNAME can take optional 2nd or 3rd parameter
  - indicates the types of fields to extract for the externally described data structure
- If no subfields meet requirements, data structure has no subfields

*ALL	All fields in external record are extracted
*INPUT	All input capable fields are extracted (default??)
*OUTPUT	All output capable fields are extracted
*КЕҮ	Only key fields are extracted In order specified on K spec of DDS

#### \* Fixes problem of only extracting \*Both fields from \*DSPF







LIKEREC(intrecname{:\*ALL|\*INPUT|\*OUTPUT|\*KEY})

- Extract fields from an internal record format
- D-Spec keyword; optional 2nd parameter indicating types of fields to extract

*ALL	All fields in internal record are extracted
*INPUT	All input capable fields are extracted (default??)
*OUTPUT	All output capable fields are extracted
*КЕҮ	Only key fields are extracted In order specified on K spec of DDS

- First parm must be name of internal record format
- Second optional parameter must match the definition of the associated record or file
- Similar to LIKEDS but not for DS



#### Current Keyed I/O format:

```
CHAIN(EHMNR) fieldname file-or-record-name {ds-name};
DELETE(EHMR) klistname file-or-record-name;
```

#### Future Keyed I/O format:

```
CHAIN(EHMNR) (expression{:expression ..}) file-or-record-name {ds-name};
DELETE(EHMR) (expression{:expression ..}) file-or-record-name;
READE(EHMNR) (expression{:expression ..}) file-or-record-name {ds-name};
READPE(EHMNR)(expression{:expression ..}) file-or-record-name {ds-name};
SETLL(EHMNR) (expression{:expression ..}) file-or-record-name;
SETGT(EHMNR) (expression{:expression ..}) file-or-record-name;
```

/free

```
chain (a:b+c: %subst(d:e:1)) record;
```

- List of expressions is allowed as the search argument for any keyed I/O operation in a free-form group
- Search argument is the compound key formed from all expressions in the list

<u>List of Keys on Keyed I/OLE</u>

%KDS(data-structure-name{:num-keys})

- %KDS is allowed as a search argument for any keyed I/O operations coded in a free-form group
  - -CHAIN, DELETE, READE, READPE, SETGT, SETLL
- may be an externally described data structure
- Rules
  - -first argument must be a ds name
    - includes subfields defined with LIKEDS
  - second argument provides number of subfields to use as argument
  - -subfields used to form compound key may not be arrays
  - -more to follow

D ds e ds extname(extfile:\*key) /free chain %kds(ds) record;

/end-free



#### Future Keyed I/O format:

```
CHAIN(EHMNR) fieldname file-or-record-name {ds-name};
2. DELETE(EHMR) klistname file-or-record-name;
                 (expression{:expression ..}) file-or-record-name {ds-name};
   CHAIN (EHMNR)
                (expression{:expression ..}) file-or-record-name;
   DELETE (EHMR)
            /free
                 chain (a:b+c: %subst(d:e:1)) record;
            /end-free
                                                 extname(extfile:*key)
    D ds
                  е
                    ds
4.
    /free
                 chain %kds(ds) record;
```

/end-free





- Today:
  - can use data structure name on I/O for program described files
- Future:
  - may specify data structure name on I/O to externally described files also
    - CHAIN, READ, READC, READE, READP, READPE, UPDATE, WRITE
  - -name may be fully qualified
    - may be a LIKEREC subfield
  - types of fields included must match the type of I/O operation being executed
    - -e.g. for input or update operations base externally
      - described data structure must be extracted with \*INPUT

• Example:



%FIELDS (name{:name ...})

- List of fields can be specified as final argument to I/O operation UPDATE in a free-form group
- Built-in function %FIELDS allowed for externally described files
   on UPDATE operation
- Each name must be name of a fields in the input buffer for the record

/free

```
chain empno record;
salary = salary + 2000;
status = STATEXEMPT;
update records %fields(salary:status);
/end-free
```















What's in?
→ SQL Preprocessor
→ 64 Digit support (Packed and Zoned)
→ ... More



#### The selected items are:

- → Allow dynamic resizing of arrays and multi-occurrence DS.
- Conversion of date/time/tstamp to numeric using %INT, %DEC.
- Second parameter on %TRIMx char to trim.
- Option to pass trimmed string as parameter.
- If time permits, high priority:
- Allow EXTPGM to be coded without a parameter.
- → LEAVE-WHEN & ITER-WHEN: single-statement conditional leave or iter.
- → DEBUG(\*RETVAL) to allow debugging of procedure return values

#### If time permits, lower priority:

- Procedure name overloading based on parm types.
- EVALC move corresponding from one data structure to another.



### SUBARR(array:start:{elements})

- Built-in function %SUBARR() returns a contiguous subset of the specified array starting at the specified starting index
- → Can be used in any place an array can be used except as a procedure parameter.
- Array parameter can be any array including procedure return values.
- This can be used to implement dynamically sized arrays with varying number of elements.



a(1)=9; a(2)=5; a(3)=16; a(4)=13; a(5)=3; // Copy part of an array to another array: array = %subarr(a:4:n); %subarr(b:3:n) = %subarr(a:m:n);

// Sort subset of array: sorta %subarr(a:1:4); // Now, A=(5,9,13,16,3);

// Dynamically allocated arrays: // (parr is array based on pointer p) n = 17; p = %alloc(%size(parr) \* n); %subarr(parr:1:n) = \*blank; b = %subarr(parr:1:n);



# %DEC (date | time | timestamp { : format } )

- Allow date, time and timestamp parameters for %DEC, with an optional format parameter, to allow conversion from these types to numeric, in expressions.
- Currently it is simple to do this conversion using the MOVE operation, but MOVE is not supported in /free calculations.
- By enhancing %DEC to take date, time and timestamp parameters and an optional format, conversion in /free calculations will be straightforward.
- The length of the result is the number of digits in the date, time or timestamp value. For example:
  --->%DEC(date : \*MDY) = length of 6; Length of %DEC(timestamp) is 20.
- If the format is not specified, the default format will be used. (\*ISO). For date and time conversions, the default may be overridden by the DATFMT and TIMFMT keywords on the Control Specification.









%TRIMx 2nd parameter ...

# %TRIMx(string{:trim-chars})

- An optional second parameter is allowed on the %TRIMx built-in functions to indicate the set of characters to trim off the end(s) of the specified string.
- The second parameter must be the same type as the first parameter, which include:
  - character
  - graphic
  - ucs2
- If 2nd parameter is not specified, the trim character defaults to blank.









OPTION(\*TRIM) Add a new prototyped-parameter option OPTIONS(\*TRIM), to request RPG to trim a string before passing it to the called procedure.

OPTIONS(\*TRIM) is valid with CONST or VALUE varying-length character, UCS-2 or graphic parameters CONST or VALUE fixed-length character, UCS-2 or graphic parameters when OPDESC is coded on the prototype Pointer parameters when OPTIONS(\*STRING) is also coded

The benefit of this enhancement is that it allows the writer of a prototype to tell the compiler

the parameter must be trimmed, rather than telling the callers of the procedure through documentation.

This ensures that a trimmed parameter is always passed, without relying on programmers to read the documentation.

It also simplifies the calls to the procedure, by eliminating the need to code %TRIM.







- \* Using OPTIONS(\*TRIM) to pass a trimmed OPTIONS(\*STRING) parameter
- \* The function stat() does not allow trailing blanks in the
- \* IFS path. By coding OPTIONS(\*TRIM) on the filename
- \* parameter, we assure that trailing blanks are never passed.

D	stat	PR		LIKEDS(statResult	)
D				<pre>EXTPROC('stat')</pre>	
D	path		*	VALUE	
D				OPTIONS(*STRING :	*TRIM)

/free

```
filename = '/home/george/myfile.txt';
// Since filename is a fixed length field, its
// value is now '/home/george/myfile.txtbbbbbbbbbbbbbbbb'
// (where b represents blanks)
// However, the programmer does not need to worry about
// trimming the filename on the call, because OPTIONS(*TRIM)
// will handle the trimming.
result = stat (filename);
```







LEAVE WHEN expression; ITER WHEN expression;

A "when clause" can be coded on opcodes LEAVE and ITER. When the specified expression is true, the operation is performed.







```
// Loop through all records of file
dow '1';
  read record data;
  leave when %eof(file);// Are we done?
  iter when data.code <> 'B3E';// Process only B3E records
  process(data);
enddo;
```












## Releases

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- Another big release for ILE COBOL
  - 1. More intrinsic functions
  - 2. Recursive support
  - **3. Local storage support**
  - 4. IFS source file support
  - **5. PCML generation**







#### More ANSI Intrinsic Functions!

- MAX
- MEDIAN
- MIDRANGE
- MIN
- ORD-MAX
- ORD-MIN
- **PRESENT-VALUE**
- RANGE
- **STANDARD-DEVIATION**
- SUM
- VARIANCE
- Plus UTF8STRING
  - Converts strings to UTF-8 format
    - ► For better Java interoperability







# Recursion Support Optional RECURSIVE clause

- COBOL programs can call themselves!
- ► You can now write games in COBOL :-)

#### Local Storage Support

#### • Local variables!!

- A new data section that defines storage allocated and freed on a per-invocation basis.
- You can specify the Local-Storage Section in recursive programs, and in non-recursive programs







#### IFS Support!

- Existing support
  - possible to access data on IFS
  - ► APIs are available
- New V5R2 support for compiling out of IFS
  - source files and copy files can now be in IFS file system
- Parameters added to the create commands (CRTBNDCBL, CRTCBLMOD)
  - SRCSTMF is used instead of SRCFILE and SRCMBR to indicate a stream file is the main source file
  - ► **INCDIR** is used to list the copy-file directories
  - new directive allows inclusion of files from IFS source files

#### ► However...

Compiled objects cannot live in IFS







#### PCML Support!

- PCML will be generated from COBOL compiler
- PCML will generally be complete...
  - However, when requested from the CRTCBLMOD and CRTRPGMOD commands, some manual fixup is needed since the compilers don't know how the module will be used. In particular, for each program tag, the path and entrypoint attributes will have to be manually fixed up

### ► What is PCML?

- Program Call Markup Language
  - XML language Toolbox for Java uses to define entry points into programs and service programs
  - Eases effort to call COBOL from Java

#### ► Why PCML?

• To enable tools: ie Program Call wizard in WDSc



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