
A Preview of IMS 12

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Announcing IMS 12

for Early customer delivery December 10, 2010 for those customers already participating in the IMS Quality Partnership Program (QPP)

General availability of IMS 12 will be announced at a later date

Announcement letter is available on the IMS website:
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Modernize Application Interoperation/Integration

- Standard Tools/Interfaces to Speed Deployment

Streamline Installation/Management

- Simplify Interfaces, Ease Operations
- Heighten Availability, Increase Productivity

Enable Efficient Growth

- Alleviate Bottlenecks
- Reduce costs
- Optimize performance and resilience



Database Management

Full Function Database

- Extended Address Volume Support for non-VSAM
- FF Dynamic DB Buffers
- FF DB Storage Enhancement
- Additional FF Enhancements

Fast Path Database

- FP Buffer Manager 64 bit Enhancements
- FP DEDB Secondary Index Enablement
- Additional FP Enhancements

DBRC

- DBRC Enhancements
- Migration/Coexistence

Systems Management

- IMS Repository and Usage for DRD Resources
- IMPORT Command Enhancement
- Logger Enhancements
- Syntax Checker Enhancements

Transaction Management and Connectivity

- IMS to IMS TCP/IP Communications
- MSC TCP/IP Support
- OTMA TCP/IP Support
- IMS Connect Type-2 Commands Support
- Additional Connect Enhancements
- OTMA Security Enhancements
- APPC/OTMA Sync SQ
- Enhanced CQS Traceability

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Full Function Database Enhancements

Solution

- Non-VSAM data sets can reside in Extended Address Space (EAS) on EAV volumes to satisfy growing DASD storage requirements.
 - Requires z/OS 1.12 and above
- EAV supported for the following non-VSAM data sets:
 - Full Function Overflow Sequential Access Method (OSAM) data sets
 - IMS Online Log Data Sets (OLDS)
 - IMS Log Write Ahead Data Sets (WADS)
 - IMS Spool data sets

Value

- Provide relief for systems running out of z/OS addressable disk storage
- Allows more data sets on a single larger volume
- Less need for multi-volume OSAM
- Alleviate disk storage constraints providing greater scalability to grow business solutions



Full Function Dynamic Database Buffer Pools



Availability

Scalability

Solution

- Provide for dynamic change to an OSAM or VSAM buffer pool without recycling IMS systems to pick up the change
- Commands are used to add, change, or delete Full Function Database Buffer Pools
- Increase VSAM buffer pool limit (from 16 to 255)

Value

- Improves buffer pool management
- Eliminates system down time for modifications
- Flexibility with the ability to adjust DB buffers to business needs to improve application performance



Solution

- Storage for Full Function database pools obtained in 31 bit virtual, can now be page fixed in 64-bit real storage
 - DB Work pool
 - PSB CSA pool
 - PSB Work Pool
 - DMB Pool
 - DLI PSB pool

Value

- Could reduce use of 31-bit fixed real frames, relieves 31-bit real storage constraint and improve performance in managing PSBs in the pool
- Customers with large database pools who previously could not page fix these pools due to storage constraints may now be able to page fix due to an increase in available real storage

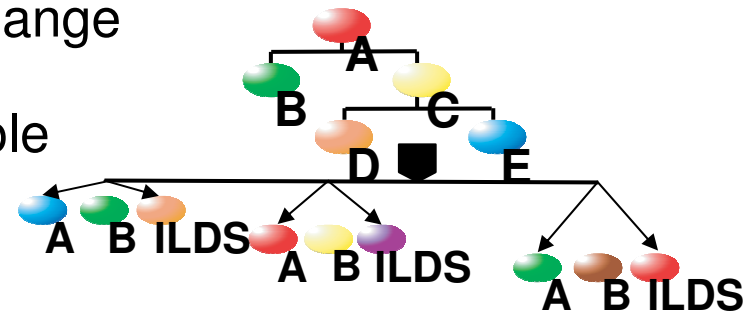


Additional Full Function Database Enhancements



Solution

- Display status of randomizers and partition selection exit routines
- Optional DFS2291I diagnostic messages for U3310 for lock timeouts
- RACF userid in Data Capture batch log records (9904)
- Eliminates IMS U0080 abends for OSAM Open, Close, and EOVS processing - DFS0730I issued
- Batch Data Sharing jobs survive CF cache structure access failures
- HALDB Partition reuse after structure change
- Reuse of local DMB numbers
- Message DFS993I sent to system console



Value

- Scalability by reusing unused local DMB numbers
- Serviceability by providing additional information
- Availability by reuse of DMB numbers and eliminating of some hangs
- Enhance the availability and usability for HALDB, OLR and batch users of IMS

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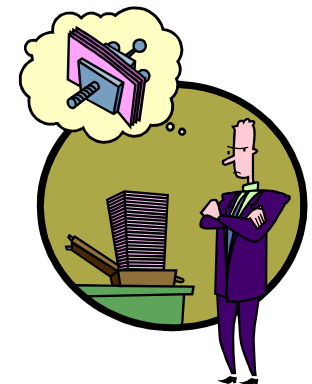
Fast Path Database Enhancements

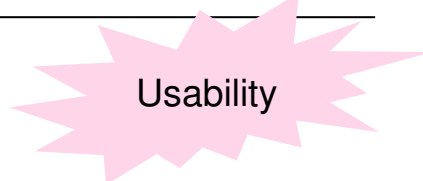
Solution

- FP subpools made more dynamic
 - Compression and pre-expansion
 - Resizing and cleanup
- Additional FP buffers are moved from ECSA to 64-bit storage
 - FLD calls
 - SDEP calls during /ERE and XRF tracking
- Query Pool Type (FPBP64) command enhancements
 - SHOW(STATISTICS) added
 - SHOW(ALL) now displays subpool status

Value

- Reduce ECSA usage
- Smarter usage of subpools





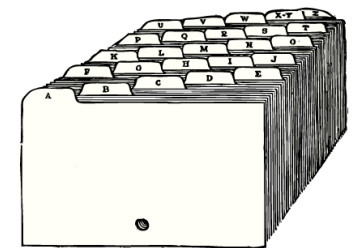
Usability

Solution

- Provide secondary indexing infrastructure for Fast Path DEDBs
 - Secondary indexes are full function databases (HISAM or SHISAM)
 - Support for maintenance of secondary indexes
 - No support for the creation of secondary indexes
- Tools or utilities to build a secondary index database for DEDB databases exploiting this function could be separately offered by IBM or other vendors

Value

- Enhance usability by providing Fast Path DEDB secondary indexing infrastructure in IMS to access a DEDB database using a secondary key sequence
 - Access via an alternate key



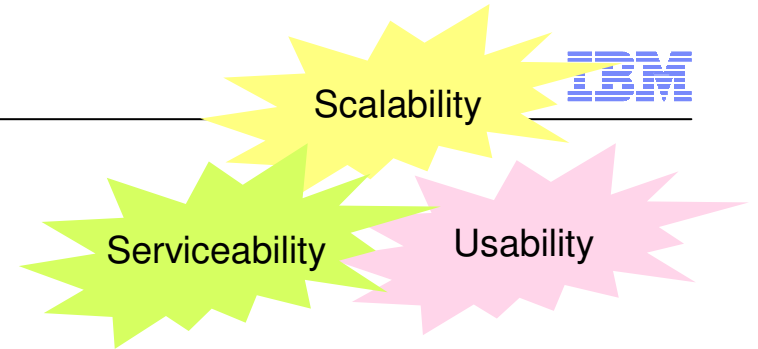
Additional Fast Path Enhancements

Solution

- DEDB data sharing enhancement
 - When an IMS system sends a subsystem resource synchronization (notify) message to its data sharing partners systems, each will respond with new message DFS0066I
 - Any partner that fails to respond will cause the IMS that originally sent the notify message to issue DFS3770W
- Optionally log the entire DEDB segment for REPL in 5950 record versus only changed data
- Skip logging x'99' (changed data capture) record
 - For DLET calls
 - Before image for REPL calls

Value

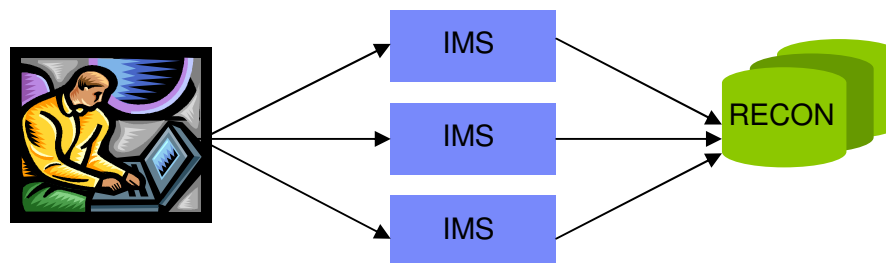
- User can determine which IMS is non-responsive - quicker response to a system hang
- Can use full segment logging for disaster recovery tracking
- Optional log reduction for x'99' data capture log records reduces logging overhead & improves performance where logging is a constraint



IMS 12 Database Recovery Control (DBRC) Enhancements

Solution

- Remove the 32K output buffer constraint for DBRC LIST commands entered through the Operations Manager (OM) API
- Enhance the following DBRC commands:
 - CLEANUP.RECON – now includes CA record data
 - LIST.HISTORY – increased timestamp precision/new data
 - INIT.CA, INIT.IC, NOTIFY.CA, NOTIFY.IC – VOLLIST parameter now optional if data sets cataloged
 - INIT.CAGRP, CHANGE.CAGRP – retention period added to GRPMAX
 - GENJCL – userkeys increased from 32 to 64 and new %DBTYPE kwd added
- Add user data fields to the DBDS recovery records (IC, RECOV, REORG, and CA)



Value

- Improve the reliability, availability, maintainability, serviceability, and usability of DBRC and the RECON data sets

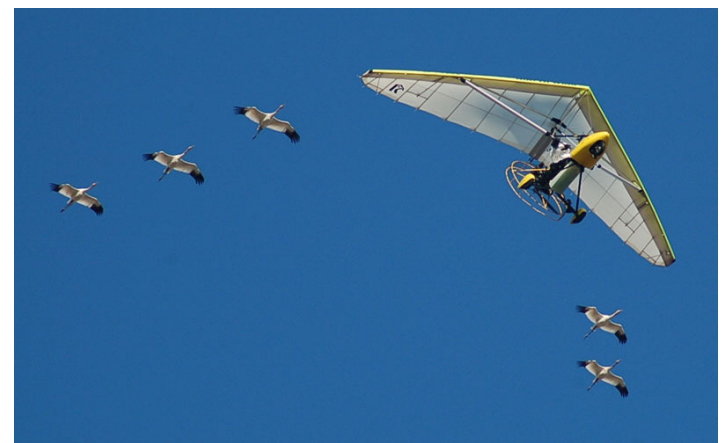
Usability

Solution

- Provide support for migration and coexistence from IMS 10 and 11
 - RECONs are upgraded
 - IMS 11 to IMS 12
 - IMS 10 to IMS 12
 - Databases are compatible
 - Applications are compatible

Value

- Ease migration to IMS 12



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Systems Management Enhancements

IMS Repository and Usage for Dynamic Resource Definition (DRD) Resources



Usability

Simplify

Solution

- Provides an optional single centralized store for the DRD resource definitions
 - IMS Resource Definition Data Set (RDDS) can continue to be used instead of the repository
- Enables IMS systems to manage, store, share, and retrieve resource definitions
 - Database, Program, Transaction, Routing Code and related descriptors
- Allows DRD resource definition changes to be made in repository and rolled to one or more active IMS systems

Value

- Simplifies management of IMS resource definitions
- Eliminates the need for managing multiple RDDS for each IMS





Usability

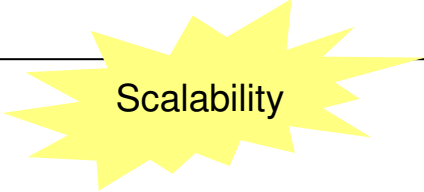
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- IMPORT command is enhanced to support an optional update function
 - New resources are created
 - Existing resources are updated

Value

- Enhances usability of the IMPORT command





Scalability

Solution

- Optional Extended Format Support for OLDS and SLDS
 - Allows OLDS and SLDS to be striped
- WADS management changed to be more efficient
 - Track groups no longer used
 - WADS written in wrap around fashion

Value

- Increased OLDS write capability
- Increases logging speed
- Improves logging bandwidth



Solution

- Allow parameters to be displayed and saved in custom order
- Provide support for Repository Server configuration member

Value

- Improved migration to IMS 12
- Improved usability



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Transaction Management and Connectivity Enhancements



Simplify

Solution

- Provide communications between remote IMS systems for OTMA transaction messages via two IMS Connect instances

Value

- Supports TCPIP communications to invoke transactions between IMS systems without having to create or maintain a separate gateway solution
- Reduces the maintenance cost by eliminating the need to maintain a RYO IMS Connect gateway application solution



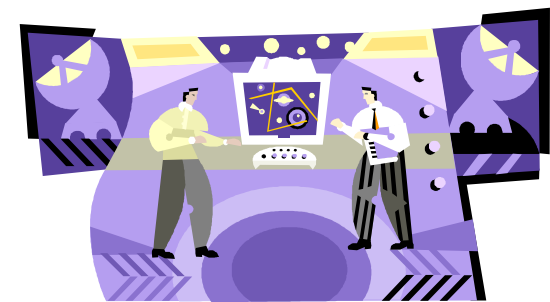
Usability

Solution

- Support for MSC communications across a TCP/IP network
 - New physical link type MSPLINK TYPE = TCPIP
- MSC communicates with IMS Connect within a IMSplex to send/receive messages via the TCP/IP network
 - IMS Connect manages the TCP/IP communications
 - MSC manages the message processing
 - Structured Call Interface (SCI) used for communication

Value

- Increased usability by allowing migration of links from SNA to TCP/IP
- Increased availability if VTAM/SNA and TCP/IP are used together for redundancy
- Potential increased MSC bandwidth



Open Transaction Manager Access (OTMA) TCP/IP Connection Enhancement



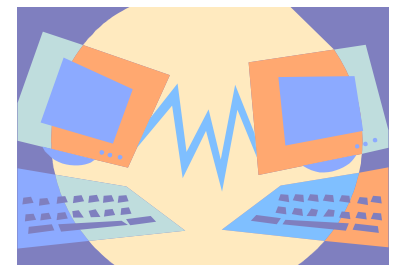
Usability

Solution

- OTMA can now send transaction messages from applications running a dependent region across a one-way TCP/IP connection to another IMS system for processing
- OTMA destination descriptor has new parameters specified when a remote IMS is the TCP/IP destination for transaction messages

Value

- Enhances connectivity
- Simplifies definition of remote IMS system as TCP/IP destination for OTMA transaction messages





Solution

- QUERY IMSCON and UPDATE IMSCON command support is introduced for IMS Connect resources, including:

Alias	Datastore	MSC	Racfuid
Client	IMSPlex	ODBM	RmtIMSCon
Converter	Link	Port	SendClnt
UOR			

- Access to IMS Connect using a standardized command interface

Value

- Usability by controlling IMS Connect from a Single Point of Control
- Efficiency by using a single command to receive consolidated output that otherwise requires several WTOR & z/OS Modify commands
- Improve ease-of-use for managing IMS Connect resources
- Support all functionality available with existing WTOR and z/OS Modify commands



Additional IMS Connect Enhancements

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Usability

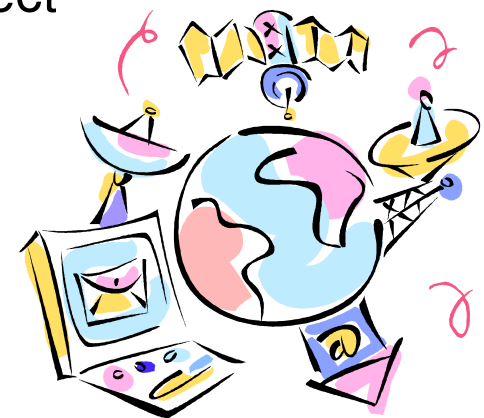
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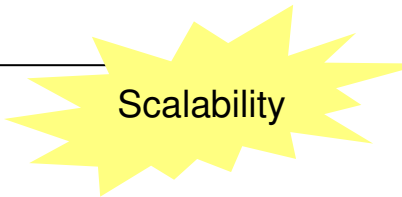
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- Ability to refresh XML converters for IMS SOAP Gateway without restarting IMS Connect
- Provide RACF Userid caching – reduces MIPS
- Return actual RACF return codes – more info for security errors
- Recorder Trace data capture – new trace points
- Commit Mode 0 (CM0) NoWait for ACK/NAK for RYO clients
- New READ client connection status
- Load modules for IMS-provided exits – no need to assemble/bind

Value

- Improve usability and availability for IMS Connect while providing better performance and diagnostics





Scalability

Solution

- New capability creates, shares and **caches a single ACEE** associated with a RACF userid
 - Shared across multiple OTMA member clients (TMEMBER)
- New maximum ACEE aging value of 99,999 seconds

Value

- Reduce the system storage for RACF ACEEs while providing better security and performance
- More efficient usage of storage for caching RACF ACEEs
- Higher IMS availability for applications



Enhanced APPC/OTMA Synchronous Shared Queues



Simplify

Solution

- New capability removes the dependency on RRS in a Shared Queues environment for
 - APPC synchronous conversations and OTMA CM1 (send-then-commit) interactions
 - Applies only to synclevel=None | Confirm
 - Synclevel=Syncpoint still requires RRS
 - IMS is the sync point manager rather than RRS
- Shared Queues Front-End and Back-End systems use XCF for communication

Value

- Improve performance and simplify the syncpoint process

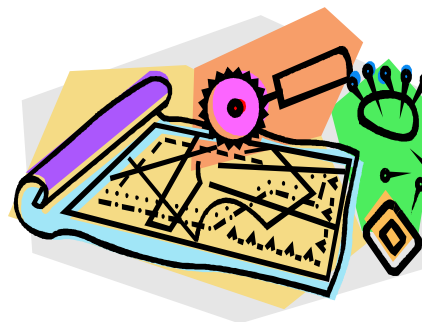


Solution

- Preserve structure events trace entries by separating and categorizing trace data into new trace tables
 - Structure Event trace table (SEVT) - all of the structure events except the overflow events.
 - Structure Overflow trace table (OFLW) – all overflow events
- Increase the size of the trace records to boost trace data storage capacity.

Value

- Improve diagnostics for certain Shared Message Queue structure related problems



IMS 12 Prerequisites

- 64-bit Processors capable of running z/OS 1.11 and that support the Long Displacement Facility of the z/Architecture
 - ESA mode is not supported by IMS 11 or 12
 - For a list of z/Series machines see:
 - www.ibm.com/systems/z/hardware/
 - Note: z900 systems must be at the GA2 level (microcode level 3G or later) to enable the Long Displacement Facility.

- Sysplex Data Sharing (including Data Caching and VSO Data Sharing)
 - Coupling Facility (CF) level 9, or later

- Shared Queues and Shared EMH support
 - Coupling Facility level 9 or later
 - System-managed CF Duplexing
 - CF level 12, or later and bidirectional CF to CF links

- Extended Address Volume (EAV) support for non-VSAM data sets
 - DS8000 or DS8700

- For additional line item requirement information see the IMS 12 Release Planning information at www.ibm.com/ims

- IMS 12 Minimum Release Levels
 - z/OS V1R11 (5694-A01) with DFSMSdfp (a base element of z/OS 1.11)
 - RACF (included in separately orderable SecureWay Security Server), or equivalent, if security is used
 - High Level Assembler Toolkit Release 5 (5696-234), a separately orderable feature of z/OS
 - IRLM 2.2 or IRLM 2.3 (included in IMS 12)

- Other prerequisites for *optional* line items:
 - Java Dependent Regions requires JDK 6.0
 - EAV support for non-VSAM datasets requires z/OS V1R12
 - Additional function requirement information is provided in the IMS 12 Release Planning Information at www.ibm.com/ims

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