z/OS V1R13

BCP service aids:

z/OS problem documentation upload utility (PDUU)

Overview

- Problem Documentation Upload Utility is a utility that facilitates sending large amounts of documentation in an efficient manner
- Prior to z/OS V1R13, Problem Documentation Upload Utility (MTFTPS) was an independent tool which is available for downloading from IBM web site
- z/OS V1R13 has included this in the z/OS operation system
- It is now a z/OS Service Aids program

■ Problem statement / need addressed:

- Simplify and speed up the process of sending problem related materials from customers' sites to IBM
- Provide a simple, readily available industry standard level of encryption between two z/OS end points

Solution:

- Provide the problem documentation upload utility in the z/OS operating system
- Use triple DES encryption (the feature is called CPACF)

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- Allows customer defined criteria to drive multiple simultaneous FTP sessions, allowing higher utilization of a customer's networking infrastructure
- Shorter transmission time for very large data sets
- Encryption capability ensures that the transfer occurs in a secured manner

Usage and invocation

- Use the PDUU as the primary utility for sending large volumes of documentation to the IBM FTP site
- Data sets are compressed and sent in parallel using multiple, simultaneous FTP sessions
- There are two work files for each FTP session
- You can have up to 20 FTP sessions running simultaneously
- The work data sets are dynamically allocated and can range in size 1MB 9,999MB
- PDUU always compresses the input data before it is written to the work data sets
- No need to use an additional tool such as AMATERSE or TRSMAIN to compress the input data set before using the PDUU
- 192-bit triple Data Encryption Standard (DES) can be requested by using CIPHER_KEY keyword
- Uses a built-in instruction to do encryption, available on all processors starting with the z990 and z890

Changes made to package the PDUU as part of z/OS:

- The PDUU utility program name is AMAPDUPL
- MTFTPS ships as an alias entry point to AMAPDUPL for compatibility
- AMAPDUPL resides in SYS1.MIGLIB (which is a data set in the LNKLST concatenation), so a STEPLIB DDNAME is not necessary to invoke AMAPDUPL (compared to the earlier MTFTPS tool)
- The complete description of the AMA messages are in z/OS MVS System Messages, Vol 1 (ABA-AOM)
- Must properly configure z/OS Communications Server to use the FTP client program (See the topic on Transferring files using FTP in z/OS Communications Server: IP Configuration Guide)

PDUU supports following types of data sets:

- Members of partitioned data sets (PDS) and partitioned data sets extended (PDSE)
- Large format (DSNTYPE=LARGE) and traditional sequential data sets
- Extended format sequential data sets
- Fixed and variable, blocked and unblocked, unspanned record formats (RECFM = F.FB.FBS.V.VB)
- Data sets with records containing ISO/ANSI or machine code control characters
- Data sets in cylinder-managed space

PDUU does not support following types of input data sets:

- Large block interface (LBI) (no BLKSIZE value)
- VSAM and direct (DSORG=DA) data sets
- Data sets with keys (KEYLEN)
- Spanned record formats (VBS)
- Partitioned data sets (PDS) and partitioned data sets extended (PDSE)
- z/OS UNIX files
- Any data set with an undefined-length record format (RECFM=U)

JCL statements for PDUU:

- AMAPDUPL utility is invoked via JCL (PGM=AMAPDUPL) consisting of the following DD statements:

SYSPRINT

- Specifies the job output data set
- The data set can be either SYSOUT or a sequential data set
- Must be RECFM=FB,LRECL=134

- SYSUT1
 - Specifies the sequential input data set to transfer to IBM
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- SYSIN

- Specifies the sequential data set that uses following control statements. (The data set must be RECFM=FB,LRECL=80)
- TARGET SYS The name of the TCP/IP system to transfer the files to using FTP
- USERID The user ID on the target system that is used to send the files
- PASSWORD The password for the USERID on the target system
- ACCOUNT The account data that is sent when an FTP session is started.
- WORK_DSN The prefix for the data set names of work files on the sending system
- WORK_DSN_SIZE The size of the work files in megabytes
- KEEP_WORK The parameter to save the work data sets that are dynamically allocated for each FTP session.
- DATACLAS The data class to use when allocating the work files on the sending system
- STORCLAS The storage class to use when allocating the work files on the sending system
- CC_FTP The number of parallel FTP sessions to use when transmitting the files
- DIRECTORY The directory on the target system where the files will be sent with FTP

PMR - The PMR number that this file is to be associated with

CIPHER_KEY – The encryption key to use for 192-bit triple DES encription

FTPCMDS

An optional DD statement that provides additional flexibility for traversing firewall or proxy servers

Example of running AMAPDUPL in batch mode

//FTP EXEC PGM=AMAPDUPL

//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=*

//SYSUT1 DD DISP=SHR,DSN=IPCS.PROBLEM.DUMP

//SYSIN DD*

USERID=anonymous

PASSWORD=anonymous

TARGET SYS=testcase.boulder.ibm.com

TARGET_DSN=wessamp.bigfile

WORK_DSN=wes.ftpout

CC_FTP=03

WORK_DSN_SIZE=50

DIRECTORY=/toibm/mvs/

PMR=12345.123.123

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Interactions and dependencies

- Software Dependencies
 - None
- Hardware Dependencies
 - The Encryption function provided by the CPACF, DES/TDES Enablement is available on processors starting with the z990 (2084) and z890 (2086)

Migration and coexistence considerations

If you have previously used the PDUU, shipped as the MTFTPS stand-alone program from www-01.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=isg3T1011823, you must remove it prior to migrate to z/OS V1R13 because this utility is included in z/OS V1R13 by default.

Installation

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Session summary

- PDUU:
 - The Problem documentation Upload Utility (AMAPDUU) is included in the z/OS operation system.
 - It shortens transmission time for very large data sets to speed up the process of sending problem related materials from customers' sites to IBM.
 - You can encrypt the data sets.

Appendix - References

- Publications
 - z/OS MVS Diagnosis: Tools and Service Aids (GA22-7589)
 - z/OS MVS System Messages Volume 1 (ABA-AOM) (SA22-7631)