

# Backing Up and Restoring z/VM, a z/VM Cluster, and Linux on System z Guests

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# Agenda

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- Backing up and restoring Linux on System z
- Backing up and restoring data in a z/VM SSI cluster
- Requirements for Demo Scenarios
- Overview of IBM products
  - Backup and Restore Manager for z/VM
  - Tape Manager for z/VM
  - Operations Manager for z/VM
- Backup scenarios
  - Can be product agnostic
  - Live demos
  - Configuration options and sample code
- Summary and reference information



# **IBM z/VM Management Solutions**

- Security
  - RACF and zSecure Manager for z/VM
- Performance monitoring
  - OMEGAMON XE on z/VM and Linux
- Backup and recovery
  - Backup and Restore Manager for z/VM
  - Tape Manager for z/VM
  - Tivoli Storage Manager
- Automation and operational monitoring
  - Operations Manager for z/VM
  - Including integration with existing monitoring and alert systems



### **Recommended Practices**



# **Recommended Practices – Backup and Recovery**

# Image level backup of z/VM >Operating system

File level backup of z/VM data
> Directory information
> Configuration files
> Log files
> Tools – REXX EXECs, automation scripts, etc.

#### Image level backup of Linux guests

- Operating system
- ➢ Applications
- >Application data (maybe)

#### File level backup of Linux guests

- Configuration files
- ➤Log files
- ≻Tools

Disaster recovery of z/VM system, including Linux guest

- Dependence on z/OS
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- Independent recovery in parallel with z/OS

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#### Image Level Backup/Recovery of z/VM and Linux Guests



- Image level backup and recovery of DASD volumes from z/OS
  - Existing z/OS procedures and tools in place
  - Use existing tape devices
  - Fast
  - Doesn't include FCP-attached DASD
  - Linux should be down
  - Dependent on z/OS for recovery
    - Is Linux workload critical recovery required in parallel with z/OS in event of disaster?
  - Using z/OS cycles (on general purpose processors) to back up z/VM and Linux

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#### Image Level Backup/Recovery of z/VM and Linux Guests



- Image level backup and recovery of DASD volumes from z/VM
  - Low risk if z/VM is running
  - Includes FCP-attached DASD (defined to z/VM as EDEVICEs)
  - Linux should be down
  - Recovery of z/VM and Linux independent from recovery of z/OS
    - Critical Linux workload recovered in parallel with z/OS in event of disaster
    - Faster recovery of z/VM and Linux overall
  - Backup software required on z/VM
    - Use z/VM cycles on IFL processors to back up z/VM and Linux
  - Requires mainframe attached tape devices
    - Share tape devices with z/OS does not require both systems to be up



# File Level Backup and Recovery of Linux Guests



<ul> <li>File Level Backup and Recovery of z/VM</li> <li>File level backup and recovery of z/VM</li> <li>Low risk if z/VM is running</li> <li>Requires mainframe-attached tape hardware (or DASD)</li> <li>Supports dynamically sharing tape devices with z/OS</li> <li>No need for dedicated tapes devices on z/VM</li> <li>Can be used in addition to image level recovery</li> </ul>								
Other guest	Other guest	Backup and Restore Manager for z/VM CMS guest	FBA or ECKD         DASD         fn1 ft1 fm1         fn2 ft2 fm2         fn3 ft3 fm3         Must be done using z/VM-based tools					



### Where and How to Back Up z/VM and Linux Guests

- Using z/OS to back up and restore z/VM and Linux
  - Useful during Linux on System z POC or early stages of Linux roll-out
    - Easy and fast to implement for existing z/OS customers
    - Provides disaster/volume level recovery
  - Concerns or issues long term as Linux workload grows or becomes critical
    - Doesn't support FCP-attached DASD
    - File level recovery of z/VM or Linux data is time consuming and manual
    - In disaster situation, z/VM and Linux must wait for z/OS recovery before beginning their recovery
    - Increased use of z/OS CPU cycles to support z/VM and Linux
- Using native z/VM and Linux solutions for backup and recovery
  - Supports operational errors and disaster situations
    - File level backup and recovery
    - Image level backup and recovery of FCP and FICON-attached DASD
  - Independent of z/OS
    - Backups run on (less expensive) IFLs
    - Recovery in parallel with z/OS
    - Dynamically sharing of tape devices with z/OS is still possible
      - Does not require both systems to be up



### Backing Up Linux – Should the Guest Be Up or Down?

- Linux keeps pending I/O's in memory when possible
  - Designed for distributed platforms where I/O is assumed to be slow
  - SYNC command exists to force all I/Os to be processed
    - Linux will immediately start caching new I/Os
- Backup solutions that read Linux DASD volumes but run outside Linux don't have a view of these pending I/Os
  - Data on DASD may be in inconsistent state due to pending I/Os
  - Restoring data that has been backed up while Linux is running may not yield usable results
    - Dependent on type of application running on Linux
    - Similar to pulling the plug on a distributed Linux server, then restarting it
- For guaranteed recovery, shut down the guest before backing it up from z/VM or z/OS
  - Your experience may (will) vary
  - Evaluate the risk based on the application





Single Config Users and MDisks

### SSI Considerations for Backup and Restore

Multiconfig / IDENTITY Users and MDisks



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### SSI Considerations for Backup and Restore

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# **SSI** Considerations for Backup and Restore

- Backup Manager service machines on any member can see all minidisks of single configuration users
- Backup Manager service machines on any member can see all minidisks of local multiconfiguration (IDENTITY) users
  - Can <u>not</u> see minidisks of IDENTITY users on other members
  - Can <u>only</u> see DASD volumes (if shared/available) of IDENTITY users on other members

#### Recommendation

- Create Backup Manager service machines as IDENTITY users on each member
- Create one single configuration user for SFS server/filepool for the backup catalog
  - Configure as SSI (or REMOTE) in DMSPARMS file
  - Allows single configuration users to restore their own data when logged onto any member
- Create multiple backup jobs
  - One job for all single configuration users only run it from one member
  - For multiconfiguration (IDENTITY) users
    - One job per member
    - Use a unique job name on each member
    - Run the member specific job on that member's backup server



Requirements Implementing these Scenarios



# Backup requirements for z/VM system

- Define a backup job that limits the backup to a specified set of disks
- Customize messages that are displayed when backup is complete
- Invoke backup via an "API"
- Use a shared backup catalog across the cluster
- Use backup service machines on each member of the cluster



## Automation requirements for z/VM system

- Take an action based on a message on a console
  - Provide data from the message to the action
- Send commands to Linux guests
- Schedule an action to occur immediately
  - Or on a regular schedule
- Chain actions (triggered by messages, schedules, etc.)
- Suspend and resume message rules, schedules, spool monitors, etc.



# Managing Backup and Recovery Backup and Restore Manager for z/VM



### **Product Overview**

#### Backup

- Requested by administrators
- Full or incremental
- Flexible selection of disks and files to back up
- Review job before submitting for backup

#### Restore

- Performed by users for their own data
- Extending to other users available via exit
- Performed by administrators for any data
- Selection of data to restore
  - Full screen interface or commands

Catalog in Shared File System (SFS) – presentation on web site for installation and setup

- Integration with Tape Manager for z/VM
- Optional compression of data during backup via exits
  - Call your own compression algorithm
  - Use IBM provided routine
- Encryption available via exits
  - > Call your own routine
  - Use vendor-written routine, such as V/Soft Software's Encrypt/Backup for z/VM
  - Use encryption capable tape devices











#### Backup and Restore Manager and Linux Guests

#### Using Backup and Restore Manager with Tivoli Storage Manager

Choose the solution that meets your needs – or combine for file recovery and DR





# **Key Benefits**

#### System backups available for Disaster Recovery

- Option to restore using DDR or Backup and Restore Manager
- Manage retention of DR backups
- Retrieve a list of tapes associated with a specific backup
  - Pull list for movement to off-site storage
- Guest backups available for restoring to a previous state or level

#### Backups of user data available for

- Restoring to a previous state or level
- Replacing files accidentally erased or corrupted

#### Users restore their own data

No administrator interaction required



# Key Benefits Cont...

#### Flexible selection of data to back up

- Include/exclude
  - Minidisks, directories
  - Real device addresses or volsers
  - Extents
- Mask by filename, filetype, or SFS path
- Review a defined backup job before submission

#### Management of backup data

- Retention set as part of the backup job
- Automatic aging and pruning of the backup catalog
  - Including associated tapes and disk pools
- View/query the list of expired backups

#### Reduced backup window with concurrent processing

- Multiple worker service machines sharing the job
- Suggest one worker service machine for each available tape drive



### Defining a Backup Job

/* Include/H	Exclude def:	initions						*	/			
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FUNCTION	MEDIATYPE	OWNER		VDEV	VOLUME	DEVTYPE		START		END		SIZE
INCLUDE	MINIDISK	*	=	*	*	*		*	=	*	=	*
EXCLUDE	MINIDISK	*LNX*	=	*	*	*	=	*	=	*	=	*
EXCLUDE	MINIDISK	MAINT	=	0123	*	*	=	*	=	*	=	*
EXCLUDE	MINIDISK	MAINT	=	0124	*	*	=	*	=	*	=	*
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#### Backup and Restore Manager Architecture – non-SSI







# **Recommended Practices – Backup and Recovery**





# Summary

### Use Backup and Restore Manager to

- Perform file-level backups of z/VM data
- Perform image level backups of non-z/VM guest data
  - Use Tivoli Storage Manager for file level backups of Linux
- Perform disaster recovery backups of entire system
- Easily find and restore data as needed
- Automatically manage retention of backup data
- Carefully plan for SSI configurations



## Managing Tapes and Tape Devices Tape Manager for z/VM



## **Product Overview**

#### Manage tapes

- Define tapes in a catalog, including:
  - Free or used
  - Retention/expiration information
  - ATL/VTS or manual mount
  - Data Security Erase
- Group tapes together into pools
  - Ownership and access control
  - Media type

#### Manage devices

- Define available devices
  - Dedicated or assignable
- Group devices together into device pools
  - ATL/VTS or manual mount
  - Any other grouping you choose (read only vs. write, location, etc.)
- Share devices with other systems

#### Manage mount requests

- Volume specific and scratch requests
  - Standard Label
  - Non-Label
  - Bypass Label Processing



# **Key Benefits**

#### Effective management of tapes in ATL or VTS

- Granular access control
- Expiration processing
- Notification for low threshold for tape resources
- Interacts with IBM devices through DFSMSRMS on z/VM
- Interacts with STK devices through STK Host Software Component for VM, or STK VM Client

#### Improved accuracy of manual tape processing

- Granular access control
- Automated interface to Operator for manual mounts
- Internal label verification at attach/give and detach (SL only)
- Read/Write verification at attach/give

#### Integrated management of z/OS and z/VM tapes using DFSMSrmm on z/OS

- Optionally use RMM on z/OS as the tape catalog for z/VM and z/OS tapes
- Tapes, access control, and retention managed by the existing RMM catalog
- Accessible via Tape Manager on z/VM
- Tapes managed by RMM
- Devices managed by Tape Manager
- Not available for STK libraries



# Data Security Erase (DSE)

- Erase (sensitive) data before tape is reused
- Option to enable DSE at tape pool or individual tape level
  - DSE-enabled flag included in each catalog entry
- DSE-enabled tapes marked as DSE-ready when freed
- Tape Manager DSE utility (TMDSE) executed on a separate user ID
  - Started manually or automatically with Operations Manager
  - Queries the catalog to find all tapes with DSE-ready flag on
  - Mounts each tape
    - Verifies volume label if possible
      - Configuration option to perform DSE on NL tapes or not
    - Erases tape
    - Turns off DSE-ready flag in catalog
  - Tape is now available for scratch unless its HOLD flag is on



### **Tape Manager in Standard Mode**





## Tape Manager in RMM Mode





### Support for One Tape Catalog Across Multiple z/VM Systems

- One "catalog node"
  - Responsible for the tape catalog contents
- Multiple "request nodes"
  - Manage requests on the local system
  - Communicate with catalog node to read or update catalog data
- One catalog used by multiple z/VM systems
  - No longer need to create a catalog on each z/VM system, each with its own range of volsers
  - All z/VM systems share one catalog
- IP used for communication between systems



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### Dynamically Share Tape <u>Devices</u>

- > z/VM systems with IBM Tape Manager
- z/OS systems with IBM Automated Tape Allocation Manager
- Linux systems with software supporting mainframe tape devices

\* No multi-user attach support





# Summary

### Use Tape Manager to

- Manage and share devices
- Manage tape volumes
  - Access control
  - Retention
  - Data Security
- Improve accuracy of mount requests



# Automating Operations Operations Manager for z/VM



# **Operations Manager for z/VM**



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## **Schedule Events and Actions**

#### Define schedules

- Hourly, daily, weekly, monthly, or yearly, nth weekday of the month
- Once on specified month, day, year, and time
- At regular intervals
  - Every x hours and y minutes
- Within a specified window of time
  - Specify start time
  - Specify conflicting schedules
  - Specify maximum time to defer this schedule
- Within limits
  - Restrict to specific days of the week: Monday through Sunday plus holidays
  - Restrict to certain hours of the day
- Specify the action associated with the schedule
  - Actions specified are the same as those for console and spool monitoring
- No impact from SSI



# Summary

### Use Operations Manager to

- Automate daily operations
- Integrate your z/VM and Linux on System z environment with existing enterprise monitoring and alerting
- Prevent problems rather than react to them
- Automate reactions to problems when they can't be prevented
- Improve problem determination procedures
- Increase programmer and operator productivity
- Continue to monitor locally with improved management of clusters



# Summary

- Management of z/VM systems with Linux guests requires monitoring and management tools
- IBM solutions exist
  - OMEGAMON XE on z/VM and Linux
  - zSecure Manager for z/VM
  - Operations Manager for z/VM
  - Tape Manager for z/VM
  - Backup and Restore Manager for z/VM
  - Archive Manager for z/VM
- Demos are available



## **Reference Information**

- Product Web site
  - Start at http://www.ibm.com/software/stormgmt/zvm/
  - Product pages include
    - Publications
    - Pre-requisites
    - Announcements
    - Presentations
    - White papers
    - Support
- e-mail
  - Mike Sine, sine@us.ibm.com, Technical Marketing
  - Tracy Dean, tld1@us.ibm.com, Product Manager
- White papers on Operations Manager website (Library page)
  - Routing Linux syslog data
  - Sending alerts from Operations Manager to Netcool/OMNIbus
  - Using Shared File System to store Operations Manager configuration files and automation EXECs
  - Automatically logging on a user at Linux system boot time for easier console management
- White paper and presentation on Backup and Restore Manager website (Library page)
  - Getting Started with Installation, including SFS server creation and installation of Backup Mgr
  - Backing up z/VM and Linux on System z Tivoli Storage Manager vs Backup Manager



### **Demonstration Scenarios**



# Backup Demos Available (Including Automation)

### **16.** Perform an incremental backup

- **17.** Find and restore a file from the backup catalog
- 18. Backup and restore single and multiconfiguration users in an SSI environment
- 19. Automatically shut down, back up, and restart a Linux guest

### **20.** Reviewing a disaster recovery backup

21. Reviewing other ways to find data in the backup catalog





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