

Language Environment for Dummies

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Agenda

- What is a Run-time Library?
- -Why LE?
- **LE Terminology**
- **LE CEL Functions**
- Setting Run-time Options
- -Appendix





What is a Run-Time Library?

- -A Run-time Library works together with the code produced by a compiler to provide functionality for an application
 - Obtain and manage storage
 - Read and write data
 - Perform math calculations
- There are advantages to providing function in a Run-time Library
 - Greatly reduces need for the compilers to generate the code
 - Shields the languages from needing detailed knowledge of the underlying operating system and hardware
 - Greatly reduces the need to recompile and re-link when fixes are required to run-time functions





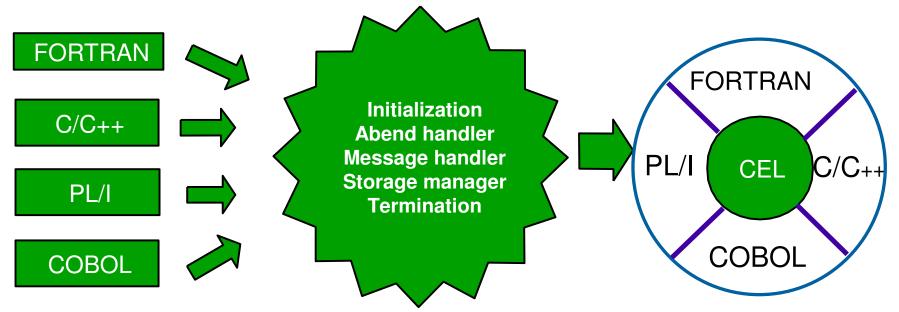
So, Why Language Environment?

- Since their creation, customers were having trouble getting COBOL and PL/I to play nicely together
 - COBOL and PL/I each designed to be stand-alone, unaware of each other
 - When leaving a COBOL program to return to a PL/I program, the COBOL library might free storage that PL/I still wanted
 - Language-specific Math Libraries produced different results
- Customers at GUIDE and SHARE worked with IBM to design a solution
 - The result: Language Environment





Time to make the doughnut...



- Pre-LE environment
 - 4 independent products
 - upward incompatibilities
 - loose adherence to standards
 - purely a customer application enabler

- LE environment
 - 1 product for z/OS, z/VM and VSE
 - -100% upward/downward compatibility
 - strict adherence to standards
 - part of the z/OS base
 - exploiters include USS, TCP/IP, BCPii, LOTUS Domino, WebSphere, etc...

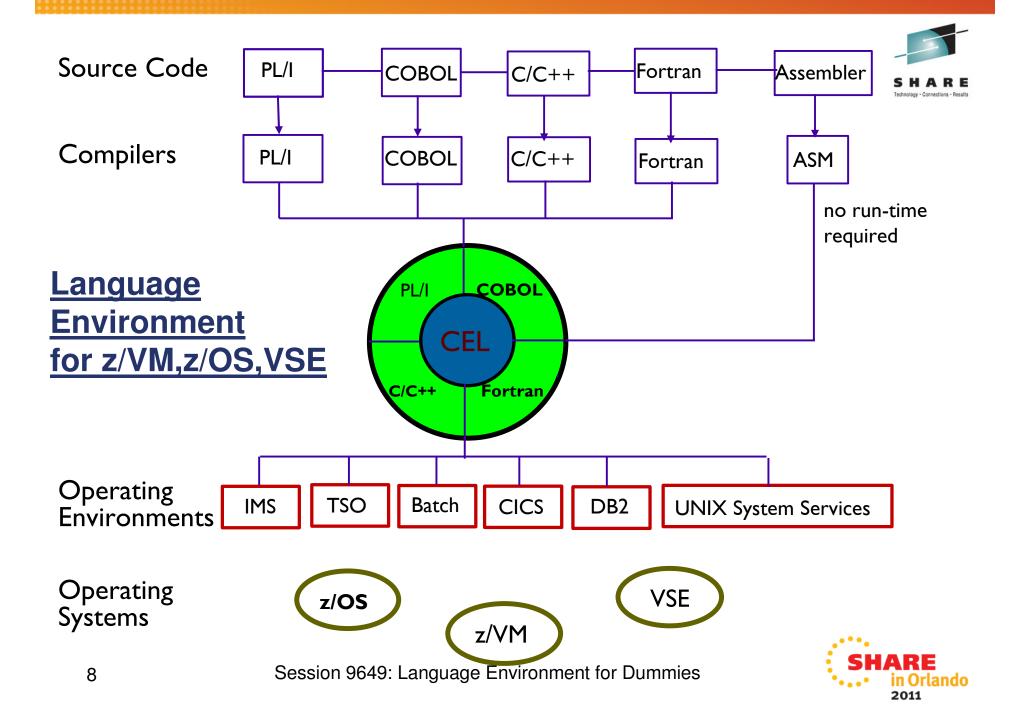




Other Advantages

- Language Environment not only helped the languages to cooperate with each other, but also allowed member languages to share each other's features. For example:
 - COBOL can use the C and PL/I condition handling infrastructure
 - Storage managed in a 'common' fashion
 - -All languages now access the excellent Fortran library math routines
 - "hybrid" languages Enterprise PL/I







LE Terminology - Program Management

- main program the routine that causes the LE environment to be initialized
- **routine** either a procedure, function, or subroutine Equivalent HLL terms:
 - COBOL program
 - C/C++ function
 - PL/I procedure, BEGIN block
- **ILC** inter-language communication application contains a mixture of languages, which introduces special issues
 - how the languages' data maps across load module boundaries
 - how conditions are handled
 - how data can be passed and received by each language





LE Terminology - Program Management

- member language a high-level language that is compiled with an LE-supported compiler
- -member event handler member-supplied routine that is called at various times as a program runs when a significant event has occurred, or when the environment needs some information that is held by the member
- **LE-Enabled** Routine that can run with LE run-time, and may also run with previous run-times. Cannot make use of Language Environment callable services.
- **LE-Conforming** Routine that can run only with the LE runtime library. Can make use of LE callable services.





LE Terminology – Callable Services

- LE Callable Services programmatic way of utilizing LE services
 - AWI Application Writer Interface
 - CWI Compiler Writer Interface
 - CEE prefixed general to all platforms
 - CEE3 prefixed specific to only z/OS
 - SHARE Session: Introducing LE Callable Services, plus a User's View of Why and How You Should Exploit Them in Your Applications – Fri 9:30AM
- **USS Assembler Callable Services –** supported by the C/C++ specific portion of the Run-time
 - BPX prefixed





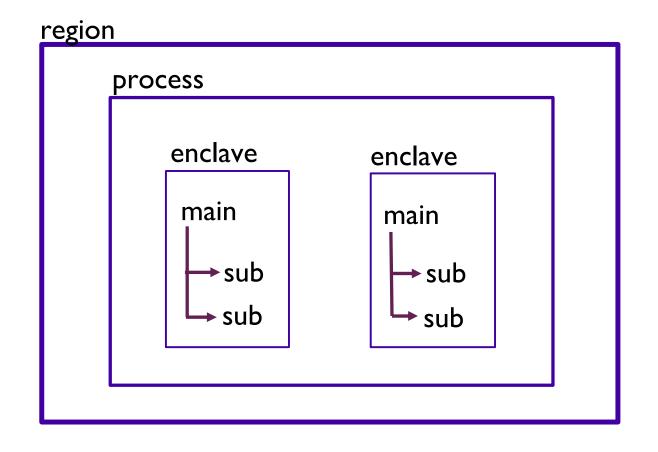
LE Terminology – Program Model

- -region the range of storage the application set runs in
- -process set of applications that accomplish a task
- enclave an application set of modules that accomplish some subtask
- -thread dispatchable unit of work that shares storage with others in the enclave





LE Terminology - Program Model







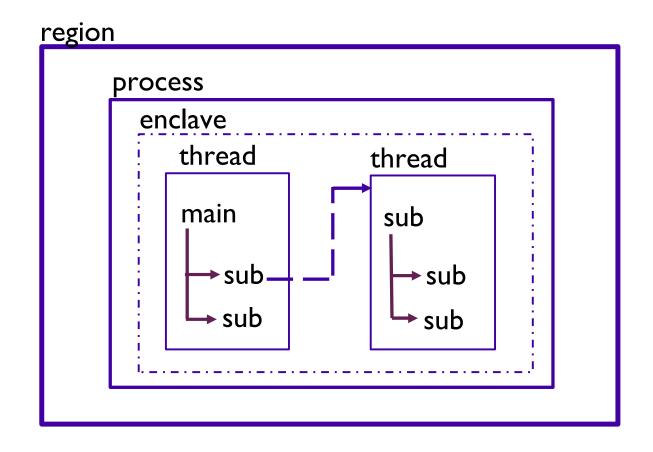
LE Terminology - MVS 'Model'

region - address space process - application enclave - pgm - enclave main main **→** sub **→** sub **→** sub





LE Terminology – Multi-threading 'Model'







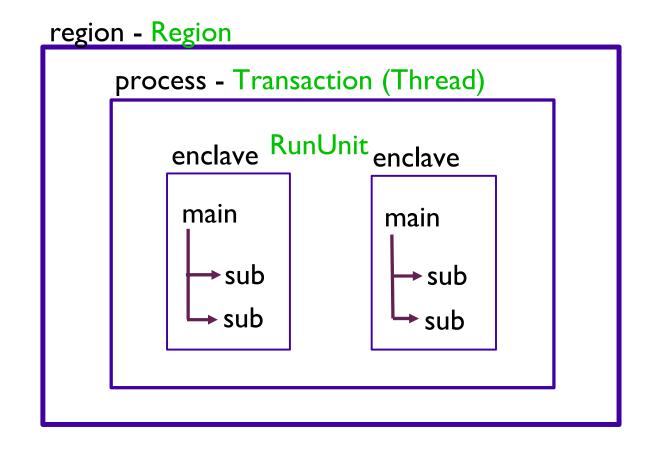
CICS Terminology

- -region the range of storage the application set runs in
- -transaction set of applications that accomplish a task
- **run-unit** an application set of modules that accomplish some subtask





LE Terminology - CICS 'Model'







LE CEL Functions

- CEL is a set of common functions and routines used by all member languages of LE
 - Initialization/Termination
 - Storage Management
 - Condition Handling
 - Message Services
 - Date/Time Services
 - Math Functions
- Behavior customizable by the use of Run-time Options





Common LE Functions – Initialization/Termination

- LE code linked with the module begins a bootstrap process to initialize LE
 - initial storage is obtained
 - this LE instance 'registered' with UNIX System Services
 - condition handlers initialized
 - active member language specific run-time is initialized
- Control is given to the application code
- Once the application ends and 'returns' to LE
 - The LE environment is terminated
 - System resources obtained during initialization and throughout the execution of the application are cleaned up





Common LE Functions - Storage Management

- LE manages two types of storage for use by the application (and itself):
 - HEAP used for COBOL WORKING-STORAGE, C malloc, and PL/I ALLOCATE requests
 - STACK module linkage (save areas), C and PL/I automatic variables, COBOL LOCAL-STORAGE
- Initial storage is obtained with one GETMAIN and managed internal to LE





Common LE Functions - Condition Handling

- Condition Any change to the normal flow of a program
 - a.k.a. exception, interruption
 - Could be detected by hardware or software (ours or yours)
- Condition Handler A routine called by LE to respond to a condition
 - Registered by application using CEEHDLR, or part of a member language semantics, such as PL/I ON statements
- Condition Handler Response
 - Resume after corrective action taken, control returns to a 'resume cursor'
 - Either back to point of failure, or to a new resume point set by the condition handler
 - Percolate decline to handle the condition, LE calls next condition handler
 - Promote change condition meaning and percolate





Common LE Functions - Condition Handling

- Diagnostic Documentation
 - messages (same as module prefixes)
 - -CEE CEL
 - IGZ COBOL
 - IBM PL/I
 - AFH FORTRAN
 - EDC C/C++
 - CEEDUMP and/or system dump
 - Run-time Options Report
 - Run-time Storage Report





Common LE Functions - Condition Handling

LE Abend Codes

- designated as USER abends
- U4000-4095 reserved for applications running under LE
- many abends codes have associated reason codes to further isolate the problem
- some abends are the result of LE problems while others are application problems
- 'special' processing needed to generate U1000 style abend codes





Common LE Functions - Message Services

- allows HLLs to 'issue' common messages
- -messages written to a common place LE's MSGFILE
- -'abstracts' system failures from the application
- can be formatted in:
 - Mixed-case American English (ENU)
 - Uppercase American English (UEN)
 - Japanese (JPN)





Common LE Functions – Date/Time Services

- provides a consistent 'answer' when requesting date and time from the running system
- format date and time by country code
- parse date and time values
- convert between different formats (Gregorian, Julian, Asian, etc)
- -calculate days between dates, elapsed time
- get local time
- handle 2 year dates as part of Y2K solution





Common LE Functions – Math Services

- derived from FORTRAN math functions
- -binary, single floating point, double floating point, IEEE support
- See the LE Programming Reference for a complete list





Run-Time Options

- Allows users to specify how Language Environment behaves when an application runs
 - Performance tuning
 - Error handling characteristics
 - Storage management
 - Production of debugging information
- May be set in many different locations with varying scopes





Setting Run-Time Options

- To set default RTOs for applications across all systems
 - Installation defaults (CEEDOPT/CEECOPT/CELQDOPT)
 - SMP/E USERMOD used to update Language Environment modules
 - Note: USERMODs will be eliminated after V1R13!
- To set default RTOs for applications on one or more systems
 - System defaults
 - Options specified in a PARMLIB member (CEEPRMxx)
 - Options specified with an operator command (SETCEE)
- To affect applications running within a region
 - -Region Level Overrides (CEEROPT/CELQROPT)
 - -CICS TS, LRR users (e.g. IMS), also Batch
 - Separate module loaded at run-time during region initialization
 - CLER transaction for CICS environment (RTO subset)





Setting Run-Time Options

- To provide RTO settings for a specific application:
 - Application Level Overrides (CEEUOPT/CELQUOPT)
 - CSECT linked with the application
 - Programmer Overrides
 - #pragma runopts for C/C++
 - PLIXOPT for PL/I
- To provide RTO settings for a given run of an application:
 - Program Invocation Overrides
 - USS shell: export _CEE_RUNOPTS='run-time options'
 - In batch, on EXEC card: PARM=
 - DD:CEEOPTS Overrides
 - Optional data set in which run-time options may be specified





Setting Run-Time Options

- Options Merge (priority)
 - Program Invocation Overrides
 - DD:CEEOPTS Overrides
 - Programmer Overrides
 - Application Level Overrides
 - Region Level Overrides (where applicable)
 - System Defaults (CEEPRMxx and SETCEE)
 - Installation Defaults (through V1R13)
- For more information on setting run-time options, see Appendix





Key Run-Time Options

Subtopics

- Tuning
 - Additional Information in SHARE sessions:
 - Look What I Found Under the Bar! (Thu 3:00PM)
- Diagnostics
 - Additional Information in SHARE sessions:
 - Heap Damage, Is Your Insurance Up-to-Date? (Fri 8:00AM)
 - •LE Crime Scene Investigation (Fri 11:00AM)





- ALL31(option)
 - ON For AMODE 31 programs
 - OFF For AMODE 24 programs (can be determined dynamically)





- ANYHEAP(initial, increment, location, disp)
- BELOWHEAP(initial, increment, disp)
- HEAP(initial, increment, location, disp, init24, incr24)

initial
 Minimum size of initial heap segment

increment Minimum size of additional segments

location BELOW (<16MB), ANYWHERE

disp
 KEEP, FREE (action when empty)

• Notes:

- ANYHEAP/BELOWHEAP used internally by Language Environment
- HEAP used for application-related storage
 - COBOL WORKING-STORAGE (for RENT programs)
 - Dynamic storage (C malloc, C++ new, PL/I ALLOCATE)





STACK(init, incr, location, disp, dsinit, dsincr)

init
 Actual size of initial stack segment

incr Minimum size of additional segments

location BELOW, ANYWHERE

disp
 KEEP, FREE (action when empty)

dsinit XPLINK initial stack

dsincr XPLINK increment stack

• Notes:

- Used for Dynamic Save Areas / Stack Frames
 - •C/C++ and PL/I local variables, COBOL LOCAL-STORAGE
- Must use STACK(,,BELOW) when running ALL31(OFF)





- RPTSTG(option)
 - OFF Storage report not requested
 - ON Generates a report of stack/heap usage
 - including recommended settings
 - Caution:
 - •Use only for application tuning. Do not make RPTSTG(ON) system wide default due to significant performance impact.

Consider CICS TS dynamic storage tuning as an alternative.





Key Run-Time Options - Diagnostics

- DYNDUMP(hlq,U4039 Behavior,U40xx Behavior)
 - hlq may be user-specified, or:
 - *USERID | *USERID.hlq
 - *TSOPREFIX | *TSOPREFIX.hlq
 - U4039 Behavior with TERMTHDACT(UADUMP/UAONLY/UATRACE)
 - NODYNAMIC Do not create IPCS-readable dump (default)
 - DYNAMIC Create IPCS-readable dump if no other dump DD name
 - FORCE Create IPCS-readable dump instead of other dumps
 - BOTH Create IPCS-readable dump in addition to other dumps
 - U40xx Behavior non-U4039 dumps
 - TDUMP Create IPCS-readable dump (default)
 - NOTDUMP Do not create IPCS-readable dump





 HEAPCHK(ON|OFF, frequency, delay, level, call-depth, num-entries, pool-num)

OFF Normal processing

ON Checks HEAP structures on get/free

frequency How often the HEAP is checked

delay
 Number of get/free before starting

level Number of calls to be displayed in

Heap Storage Diagnostic Report

call-depth
 Number of calls to be displayed for

HEAPPOOLS Serviceability

num-entries
 Number of entries to be recorded in the heap

pool trace table for the main user heap

pool-num
 ID of the heap pool to be traced





- HEAPCHK(ON|OFF, frequency, delay, level, call-depth, num-entries, pool-num) (continued)
 - Caution:
 - Use only for application tuning/diagnostics.
 Do not make HEAPCHK(ON) system wide default due to serious performance impact.
 - Notes:
 - To generate only Heap Storage Diagnostic Report use, e.g.
 HEAPCHK(ON,0,0,10,0)
 - To activate only HEAPPOOLS Serviceability use, e.g.
 - •HEAPCHK(ON,0,0,0,5)





STORAGE(getheap, freeheap, stack, reserve)

getheap One byte value used to initialize every

heap allocation

freeheap One byte value used to initialize every

heap free

stack
 One byte value used to initialize every

stack allocation

reserve Amount of space to reserve for out of

storage condition processing





- STORAGE(getheap, freeheap, stack, reserve) (continued)
 Notes:
 - STORAGE(AA,EE,,) useful for debugging
 - When HEAPCHK(ON), free elements are checked to ensure they contain the freeheap value
 - STORAGE(00,,,) is equivalent to COBOL WSCLEAR
 - STORAGE(,,00,) vs. STORAGE(,,CLEAR,)
 - 00 is very expensive (especially for C/C++)
 - CLEAR sets to binary zeros the unused portion of the initial stack segment just prior to the "main" getting control





- TERMTHDACT(option)
 - QUIET Messages off, no dump
 - MSG Messages only, no dump
 - TRACE CEEDUMP with traceback only
 - DUMP CEEDUMP
 - UADUMP CEEDUMP, optional system dump
 - UAONLY System dump only, no CEEDUMP
 - UATRACE System dump and traceback
 - Notes:
 - •SYSMDUMP DD card required for system dump (unless DYNDUMP is being used)





- TRAP(option)
 - ON,SPIE Condition handling enabled
 - ON,NOSPIE Allows user applications to have their own

SPIE routine, Language Environment

condition handling will take place via the ESTAE

OFF Condition handling disabled, some

functionality not available (AVOID)

- Notes:
 - TRAP(ON,SPIE) <u>highly</u> recommended for normal processing





- RPTOPTS(option)
 - OFF Options report not requested
 - ON Generate a report of all current
 - options (upon successful termination)

- Notes:
 - Automatically included in CEEDUMP





Other Good sessions

■What's New in LE for z/OS	Mon	11:00AM
■What's New in Enterprise PL/I V4R1 and C/C++ V1.12	Mon	12:15PM
Full Speed Ahead with COBOL into the Future	Mon	1:30PM
REXX Language Coding Techniques	Tues	12:15PM
User Experience: Writing a Web-enabled CICS/COBOL Program	Wed	8:00AM
 COBOL Performance – Myths and Realities 	Wed	11:00AM
Language Environment Futures Workshop/AMODE 64 Discussion	Wed	4:30PM
An Introduction to using REXX with Language Environment	Thu	1:30PM
Look What I Found Under the Bar!	Thu	3:00PM
Heap Damage, Is Your Insurance Up-to-Date?	Fri	8:00AM
Introducing LE Callable Services, plus a User's View of Why and		
How You Should Exploit Them in Your Applications	Fri	9:30AM
LE Crime Scene Investigation - Finding debugging clues in		
LE dumps	Fri	11:00AM











Appendix

- Supported Releases
- Compilers Compatible With LE
- Compilers That Require LE
- The Life of a Module
- Setting Run-time Options





Supported Releases

Supported Release Level	FMID	Support Withdrawn
z/OS V1.10	HLE7750	9/30/2011
z/OS V1.11	HLE7760	9/2012*
z/OS V1.12	HLE7770	
z/OS V1.13	HLE7780	

^{*} Indicates Projected Date





Compilers Compatible with LE

Object modules compiled with the following compilers will run with LE without having to be re-linked or if linked with LE do not need to be recompiled:

C/370 Versions 1 and 2

OS/VS COBOL Release 2

VS COBOL II Release 3 or later

OS PL/I Version 1 Release 3 (object modules),

Version 1 Release 5.1 and Version 2, all releases (load modules)

VS FORTRAN Versions 1 and 2 (MVS only)

FORTRAN IV H Extended (MVS only)

FORTRAN IV G1 (MVS only) for OS/390 VS FORTRAN and FORTRAN IV (in compatibility mode)





Compilers that Require LE

z/OS XL C/C++

OS/390 C/C++

C/C++ Compiler for MVS/ESA(TM)

AD/Cycle® C/370(TM) Compiler

VisualAge for Java, Enterprise Edition for OS/390

Enterprise COBOL for z/OS

Enterprise COBOL for z/OS and OS/390

COBOL for OS/390 & VM

COBOL for MVS & VM (formerly COBOL/370)

Enterprise PL/I for z/OS

Enterprise PL/I for z/OS and OS/390

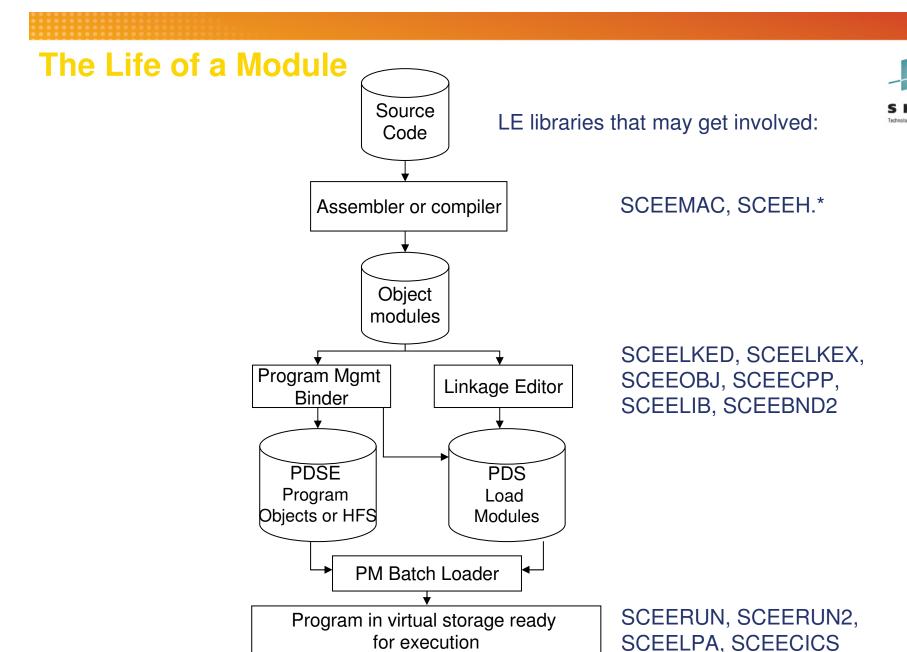
VisualAge PL/I for OS/390

PL/I for MVS & VM

AD/Cycle PL/I for MVS & VM

VS FORTRAN and FORTRAN IV (in compatibility mode)









- Installation defaults (CEEDOPT/CEECOPT/CELQDOPT)
 - Also referred to as system-wide defaults
 - SMP/E USERMOD to Language Environment modules
 - All options must be specified

CEEDOPT	CSECT	00110000
CEEDOPT	AMODE ANY	00120000
CEEDOPT	RMODE ANY	00130000
	CEEXOPT ABPERC=((NONE),OVR),	X00140000
	ABTERMENC=((ABEND), OVR),	x00150000
	AIXBLD=((OFF),OVR),	X00160000
	ALL31=((ON),OVR),	x00170000
	ANYHEAP=((16K,8K,ANYWHERE,FREE),OVR)	, x00180000
	BELOWHEAP=((8K,4K,FREE),OVR),	x00190000





- System defaults
 - Options may be specified in a PARMLIB member
 - CEEPRMxx
 - Options may be specified with an operator command
 - SETCEE
 - Reduces the need to maintain USERMODs for CEEDOPT/CEECOPT/CELQDOPT





- System defaults (continued)
 - Specifying options in PARMLIB member
 - Member name CEEPRMxx
 - Member(s) specified at IPL time using CEE=xx via IEASYSxx or at the system parameters prompt
 - Can by dynamically changed via SET CEE=yy command
 - Options specified in groups





- System defaults (continued)
 - -Using the SETCEE system command
 - Overrides the current system defaults
 - Usage
 - Specify one group per command
 - -Up to 126 characters
 - Example:

SETCEE ceedopt, rptstg(on), rptopts(on)





- System defaults (continued)
 - Displaying the system defaults
 - D CEE displays the active members

```
d cee
CEE3744I 17.57.31 DISPLAY
CEE=(JM)
```

D CEE, group name displays the options for a particular group

CEEPRMO1 ENVAR("testing=roger", "verify=1 2 3"
CEEPRMO1 HEAP (4194304, 5242880, ANYWHERE, KEEP,

16384, 16384)

CEEPRM01 PROFILE (OFF, "XXX")

CEEPRM01 RPTOPTS (ON)





- Region Level Overrides (CEEROPT)
 - CICS TS and LRR users (e.g. IMS) only (pre-z/OS V1.10)
 - Batch users (via CEEROPT/CELQROPT CEEPRMxx keyword) (V1.10)
 - Separate load module dynamically loaded at run-time during region initialization
 - SCEESAMP(CEEWROPT)
 - Must be found in search order, such as STEPLIB for IMS and batch, or DFHRPL for CICS TS
 - Specify only those options you wish to change

```
CEEROPT CSECT 00110000
CEEROPT AMODE ANY 00120000
CEEROPT RMODE ANY 00130000
CEEXOPT ALL31=((ON),OVR), X00170000
STORAGE=((00,NONE,NONE,OK),OVR) 00210000
END
```





- Region Level Overrides (CEEROPT) (continued)
 - Certain options can be overridden dynamically in CICS TS region via the CLER transaction
 - ALL31
 - CBLPSHPOP
 - CHECK
 - INFOMSGFILTER
 - RPTOPTS
 - RPTSTG
 - TERMTHDACT
 - TRAP





- Application Level Overrides (CEEUOPT/CELQUOPT)
 - CSECT linked with the application
 - SCEESAMP(CEEWUOPT/CEEWQUOP)
 - Specify only those options you wish to change

CEEUOPT	CSECT	00110000
CEEUOPT	AMODE ANY	00120000
CEEUOPT	RMODE ANY	00130000
	CEEXOPT HEAP=(10M, 10M, ANYWHERE, FREE),	X00180000
	STACK=(1M, 1M, ANYWHERE, KEEP)	00250000
	FND	





- Programmer Overrides
 - Compiled into program
 - #pragma runopts for C/C++ #pragma runopts(ALL31(ON),ERRCOUNT(0),\ STACK(2M,1M,ANYWHERE,KEEP),\ HEAP(1M,500K,ANYWHERE,KEEP))
 - PLIXOPT for PL/I
 DCL PLIXOPT CHAR(140) VAR INIT('ALL31(ON)
 ERRCOUNT(0) STACK(2M,1M,ANYWHERE,KEEP)
 HEAP(1M,500K,ANYWHERE,KEEP)') STATIC EXTERNAL;
 - not available for COBOL
 - Internally generates CEEUOPT/CELQUOPT





- Program Invocation Overrides
 - In UNIX System Services shell (case sensitive)
 - export _CEE_RUNOPTS='run-time options'
 - In batch, on EXEC card
 - COBOL (with CBLOPTS(ON))
 - PARM='program arguments/run-time options'
 - C/C++, PL/I, FORTRAN, Language Environment-conforming Assembler
 - PARM='run-time options/program arguments'
 - First program must be Language Environment-conforming
 - The slash is required to delineate the run-time options, even when no program arguments.
 - Note that PARM= is limited to 100 characters





- DD:CEEOPTS Overrides
 - Optional data set in which run-time options may be specified
 - Allows up to 3K characters
 - Allows run-time options to be passed to non-Language Environment conforming main routines

