



# First Look at the DB2 10 Changes to DSNZPARMs

*"The Good, the Bad, and the Really Ugly: DSNZPARMs" continued...*

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# Agenda

- What is DSNZPARM
- The Macros
- How do you change DSNZPARM
- Dynamically reloading DSNZPARM
- What's meant by hidden, opaque and visible?
- Some DSNZPARM keywords



# So, What's With The Name



**DSN Z PARM**

Yup, they're DB2's parameters or parms

The fourth character of DB2 CSECT names & message identifiers is an identifying character called the *subcomponent identifier*. -- Z --

DB2 CSECT names and message identifiers always begin with "**DSN**"

DB2 CSECT names and message identifiers use 21 of the 26 letters and 6 of the 10 numbers



# What are DSNZPARMs



- Data only, subsystem parameter load module containing the DB2 execution-time parameters
- Initially set at install time through the installation ISPF panels
- Includes macros:

DSN6ARVP	Archive dataset parameters
DSN6ENV	DB2 environment settings (removed)
DSN6FAC	DDF
DSN6GRP	Group stuff for data sharing
DSN6SYSP	Miscellaneous system parameters
DSN6SPRM	Initialization parameters for DBM1
DSN6LOGP	Log Stuff

# Install $\neq$ DSNZPARM

- Some DSNZPARMs are set outside the install panels
  - Hidden – discussed later
  - Opaque – discussed later
- Some install panels do not update DSNZPARMs
  - IRLM start procedure
  - DSNHDECP
    - i.e. – data and time formats
  - Etc...

# What's Meant By...

- Hidden
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# Opaque DSNZPARMs

- Opaque ZPARS have been around forever
  - They usually arrive via APAR
  - The only documentation about the new ZPARM is usually in the APAR
- What's improved in DB2 9 and DB2 10?
- A new section in the manuals (PDF and Web)

*“Subsystem parameters that are not on installation panels”*





# Changing Your DSNZPARMs



Edit parameter list, assemble, link and restart DB2

Change your DSNZPARMs online

Change some of your DSNZPARMs online

**Change DSNZPARM parameters and dynamically load LOAD module into storage**



# -SET SYSPARM

- Dynamically change selected DSNZPARM values
  - Prior to Version 7, required recycle of DB2
  - Still requires the first steps of DSNTIJUZ to be executed
    - Change macro parameters
    - Assemble macros
    - Link
  - Now you should use the
    - -SET SYSPARM command

**Note:** There are still a few ZPARMs that require DB2 to be recycled. Refer to “Directory of subsystem parameters” in Chapter 4 of the DB2 10 Installation and Planning Guide (GC19-2974) for a complete list.

# -SET SYSPARM

- Load/Reload new DSNZPARM member
  - Either SYSOPR, SYSCTRL or SYSADM must be in privilege set of auth-id issuing command
- Works only at data sharing member level
  - Each member has its own DSNZPARM load module
- Cannot change individual parameters
- Not all parameters are eligible for change
- Not all changes are immediate

# -SET SYSPARM

```
-SET SYSPARM  
LOAD  
(  
    DSNZPARM  
    Module name  
)
```

**-or-**

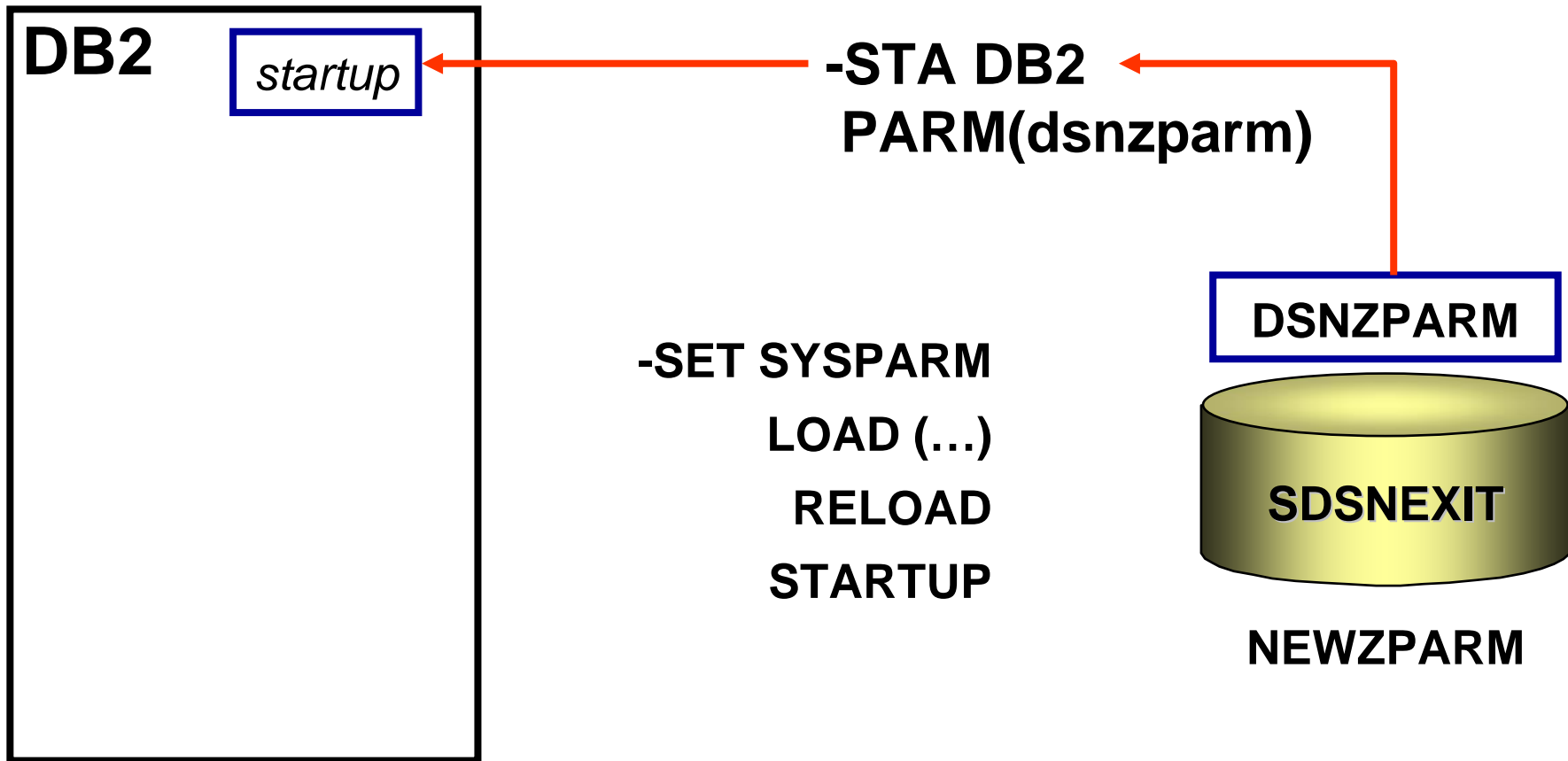
```
RELOAD
```

**-or-**

```
STARTUP
```

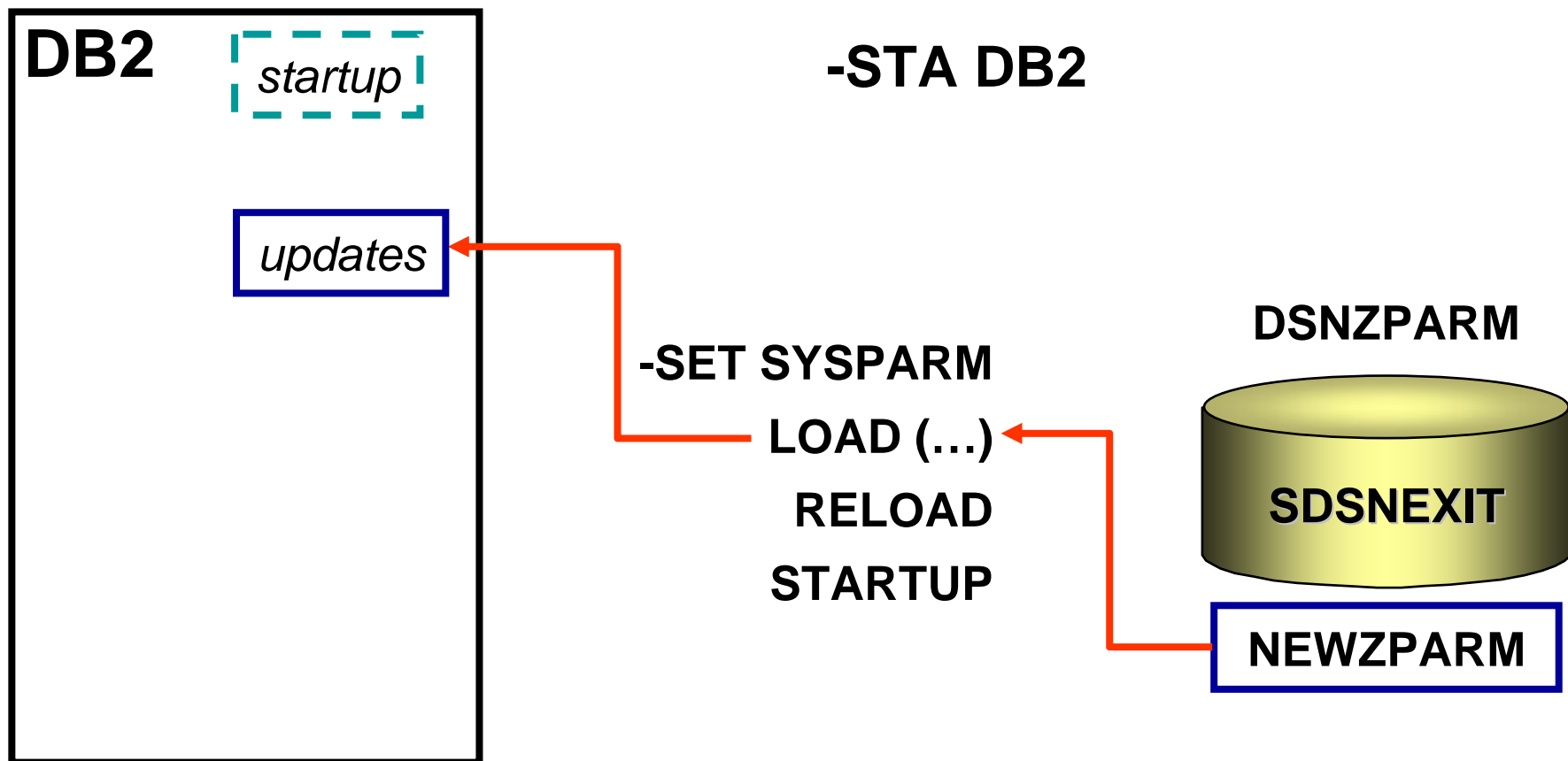


# -SET SYSPARM



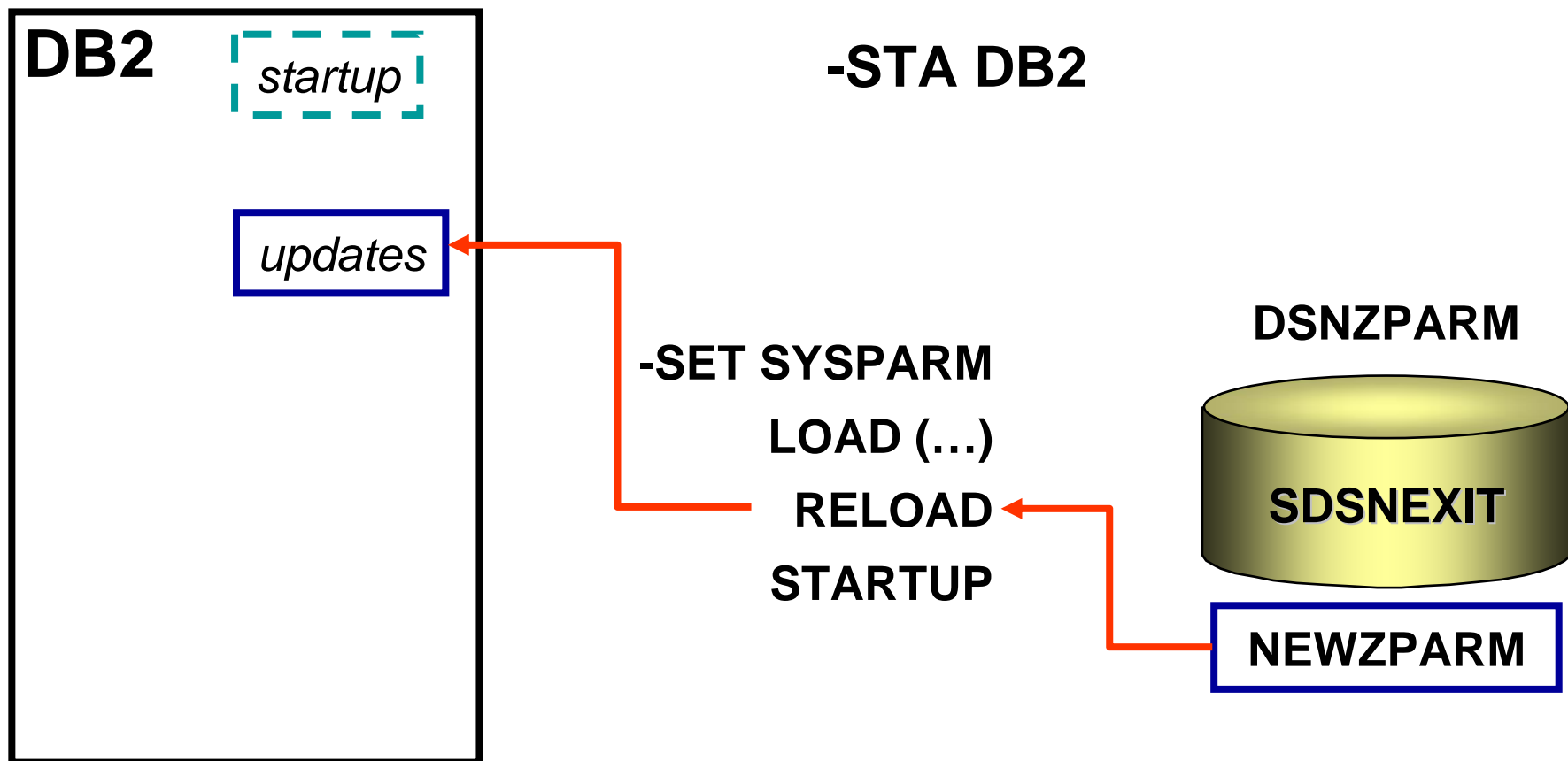


# -SET SYSPARM



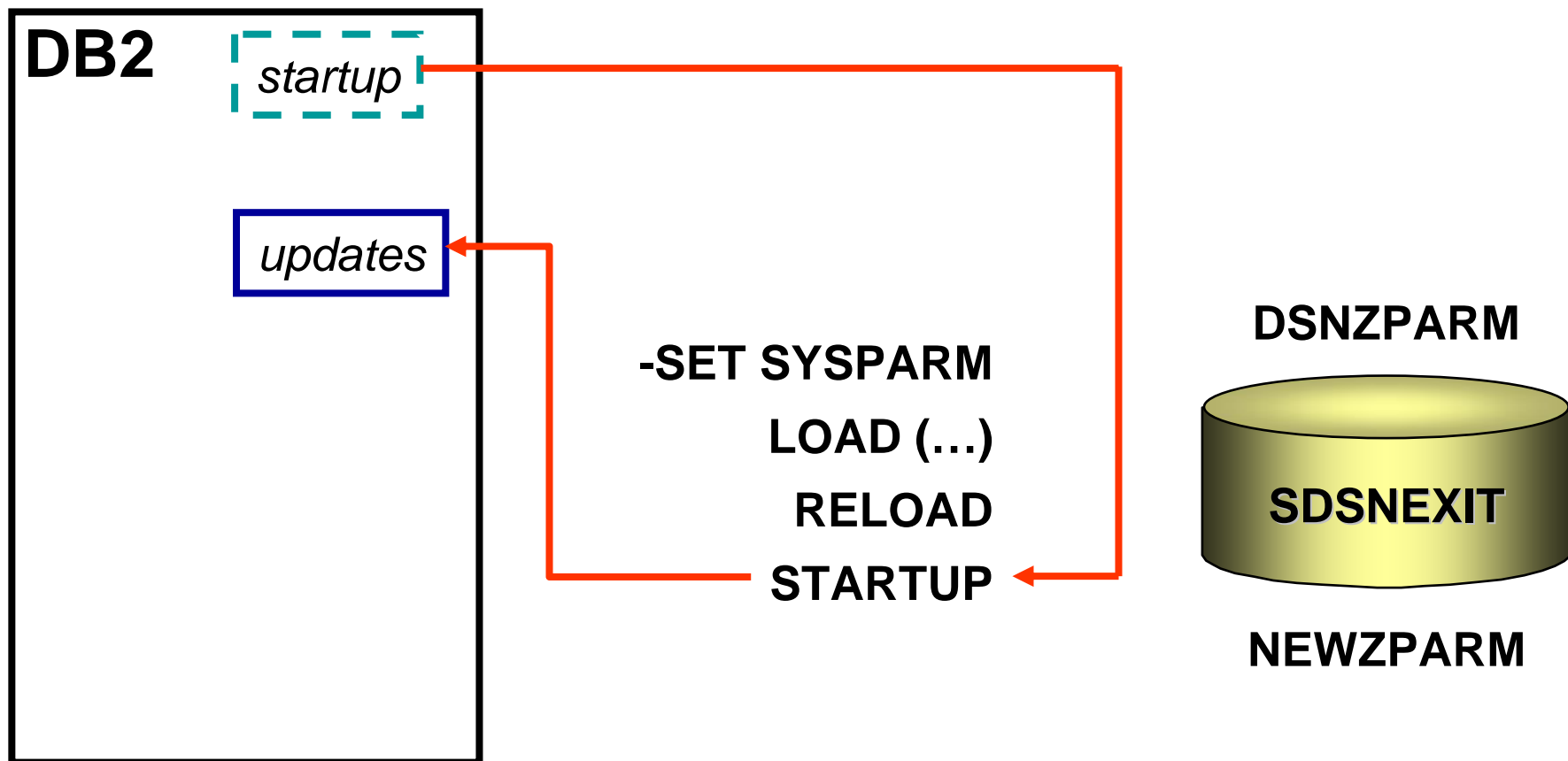


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# Display DSNZPARM Settings



- Sample program DSN8ED7
  - Generates list of current DB2 parameters settings

DSN6SYSP	AUDITST	0000000000	AUDIT TRACE	DSNTIPN	1
DSN6SYSP	CONDBAT	0000000064	MAX REMOTE CONNECTED	DSNTIPE	4
DSN6SYSP	CTHREAD	00030	MAX USERS	DSNTIPE	2
DSN6SYSP	DLDFREQ	00005	LEVELID UPDATE FREQ	DSNTIPL	14
DSN6SYSP	PCLOSEN	00005	SWITCH CHKPTS	DSNTIPL	12

Report  
Sample Only

- Calls stored procedure DSNWZP
  - Provided with DB2
  - Also used by Control Center and Visual Explain,
- Sample job DSNTJ6Z prepares and executes DSN8ED7
- Before running DSN8ED7 you must create the stored procedure DSNWZP (installation job DSNTIJSJG).
- Don't forget your other resources that display your ZPARMs

# Display DSNZPARM Settings

OMEGAMON XE for DB2 PE V5.1.0

```

Session A - [24 x 80]
File Edit View Communication Actions Window Help
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Z          VTM          02          V510.#P          07/24/11 16:15:43  2
> Help PF1                      Back PF3
> R.H.A
> DSNZPARM INFORMATION: Enter a selection letter on the top line.
> *-THREAD      B-TRACE      C-LOGGING      D-ARCHIVING      E-AUTH/RLF/DDF      F-IRLM
> G-STORAGE     H-DATASET     I-DDCS         J-DATA SHARING   K-STORED PROC
=====
> DSNZPARM THREAD PARAMETERS
DSNZ
+ DSNZPARM Module =                Assembly Date =
+ Initial Module =                Assembly Date =
+ Previous Module =                Assembly Date =

psys
+ Thread Related Parameters:
+ Max Concurrent (CTHREAD) =        Max Batch Connections (IDBACK) =
+ Max TSO Users (IDFORE) =          Max Active DBATs (MAXDBAT) =
+ IMS/BMPTIMEOUT (BMPTOUT) =        Max Concurrent DBATs (CONDBAT) =
+ IMS/DLITIMEOUT (DLITOUT) =

+ Miscellaneous Parameters:
+ Single Byte CCSID =                Mixed Byte CCSID =

MA a                                01/002
Connected to remote server/host 129.40.178.17 using lu/pool TCPP 1720 and port 23
  
```

# DSNTXAZP tool

- Updates member DSNTIDxx, input to the installation CLIST
  - Will update buffer pool settings
  - Will update DSNZPARM values
  - Will update both
  - Provides report of all DSNZPARMs
- Fully documented in the InfoCenter
  - Search on DSNTXAZP
- And in the DB2 10 Installation and Migration Guide (GC19-2974), Chapter 4
- Program was introduced by APAR PM10726



# Default Changes V8 to DB2 9



DSNZPARAM Macro Keyword	Old Value (V8)	New Value (V10)	Install Panel Name
BP8K0*	1000	2000	DSNTIP2
DATABASES*	100	200	DSNTIPE
CACHEPAC	100K	5M	DSNTIPP
CACHERAC	100K	5M	DSNTIPP
CHKFREQ	500,000 records	5 minutes	DSNTIPL1
<b>CONTSTOR</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>YES</b>	DSNTIPE
<b>DB2SORT</b>	DISABLE	<b>ENABLE</b>	DSNTIP61
DLDFREQ	5	ON	DSNTIPL1
<b>DSMAX</b>	9,960	<b>20,000</b>	DSNTIPC
EDMDBDC	102,396K	23,400K	DSNTIPC
<b>EDMPOOL</b>	32,767K	<b>0</b>	DSNTIPC
EDMSTMTC	102,396K	113,386K	DSNTIPC
FLASHCOPY_PPRC	Blank	REQUIRED	DSNTIP6
<b>IRLMRWT</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>30</b>	DSNTIPI

# Default Changes V8 to DB2 9



DSNZPARAM Macro Keyword	Old Value (V8)	New Value (V10)	Install Panel Name
IRLMSWT	300	120	DSNTIP1
LRDRTHLD	0	10	DSNTIPE
<b>MAXRBLK</b>	8,000K	<b>400,000K</b>	DSNTIPC
MONSIZE	256K	1M	DSNTIPN
NUMLKTS	1,000	2,000	DSNTIPJ
PCLOSEN	5 checkpoints	10	DSNTIPL1
RRULOCK	NO	YES	DSNTIPI
SEQCACH	BYPASS	SEQ	none
SEQPRES	NO	YES	none
<b>SRTPOOL</b>	2000K	<b>10000K</b>	DSNTIPC
STATIME	5	1	DSNTIPN
<b>STATROLL</b>	NO	<b>YES</b>	DSNTIP61
URCHKTH	0	5	DSNTIPL1
URLGWTH	0	10K	DSNTIPL1

# Default Changes DB2 9 to DB2 10



DSNZPARM Macro Keyword	Old Value (V9)	New Value (V10)	Install Panel Name
BP8K0*	1000	2000	DSNTIP2
DATABASES*	100	200	DSNTIPE
CACHEPAC	100K	5M	DSNTIPP
CACHERAC	100K	5M	DSNTIPP
CHECK_FASTREPLICATION	PREFERRED	REQUIRED	DSNTIP6
<b>CHKFREQ</b>	<b>500,000 records</b>	<b>5 minutes</b>	DSNTIPL1
CONSTOR	NO	YES	DSNTIPE
DB2SORT	DISABLE	ENABLE	DSNTIP61
DLDFREQ	5	ON	DSNTIPL1
DSMAX	9,960	20,000	DSNTIPC
EDM_SKELETON_POOL	5,120K	10,240K	DSNTIPC
EDMDBDC	11,700K	23,400K	DSNTIPC
EDMPOOL	18,142	0	DSNTIPC
EDMSTMTC	56,693K	113,386K	DSNTIPC
FLASHCOPY_PPRC	Blank	REQUIRED	DSNTIP6
<b>IRLMRWT</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>30</b>	DSNTIPI
IRLMSWT	300	120	DSNTIP1

# Default Changes DB2 9 to DB2 10

DSNZPARM Macro Keyword	Old Value (V9)	New Value (V10)	Install Panel Name
LRDRTHLD	0	10	DSNTIPE
<b>MAXRBLK</b>	<b>8,000K</b>	<b>400,000K</b>	DSNTIPC
<b>MINSTOR</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	DSNTIPE
MONSIZE	256K	1M	DSNTIPN
NUMLKTS	1,000	2,000	DSNTIPJ
PARA_EFF	100	50	DSNTIP8
PCLOSEN	5	10	DSNTIPL1
* <b>PLANMGMT</b>	<b>OFF</b>	<b>EXTENDED</b>	DSNTIP8
RRULOCK	NO	YES	DSNTIPI
SEQCACH	BYPASS	SEQ	none
SEQPRES	NO	YES	none
<b>SRTPOOL</b>	<b>2000K</b>	<b>10000K</b>	DSNTIPC
STATIME	5	1	DSNTIPN
STATROLL	NO	YES	DSNTIP61
URCHKTH	0	5	DSNTIPL1
URLGWTH	0	10K	DSNTIPL1
<b>UTSORTAL</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>YES</b>	DSNTIP61





# PLAN MANAGEMENT



- PLAN MANAGEMENT on DSNTIP8
  - PLANMGMT on DSN6SPRM macro
    - DB2 10 default is EXTENDED
      - DB2 9 default was OFF
    - ON is no longer a valid value
      - APAR PM28217
    - Valid values are OFF, BASIC, and EXTENDED

Careful: REBIND PACKAGE in DB2 10 will now save old packages

- PLAN MANAGEMENT SCOPE
  - PLANMGMTSCOPE on DSN6SPRM macro
    - Only value is STATIC
  - Determines scope when not specified in the BIND





# A Few Changed Maximums



DSNZPARM Keyword	DB2 9	DB2 10
<b>STATIME, SYNCVAL*</b>		Applies only to IFICDs 0105, 0106, and 0199 in DB2 10
<b>STATIME, SYNCVAL</b>		For IFICDs 0001, 0002, 0202, 0217, 0225, and 0230 always one minute
<b>CTHREAD*</b>	2,000	<b>20,000</b>
IDFORE	2,000	20,000
IDBACK	2,000	20,000
<b>MAXDBAT*</b>	1,999	<b>19,999</b>
MAXOFILR	2,000	20,000
DSSTIME	1440	60
CACHEPAC, CACHERAC	5 MB	10 MB
<b>STATIME</b>	1 - 1440	1 - 60 (Default now 1)
MONSIZE	16MB	64MB

\* CTHREAD + MAXDBAT ≤ 20,000

\*RMF sync point



# What About Minimums?



<b>DSNZPARAM</b>	<b>DB2 9</b>	<b>DB2 10</b>
OUTBUFF (400K – 400000K)	40K	400K Check region size
DLDFREQ	0, 1-32767	ON, OFF
PARAMDEG* (0-254)	0, 10 x CPs	0, 2 X CPs
PARA_EFF (0-100) 1 less affect 99 more affect	Opaque	Externalized on DSNTIP8

\*PARAMDEG has no effect on the degree of parallelism if the degree is determined by OPTHINTS.



# ZPARMs Removed DB2 9 to 10



- **PARTKEYU** provides the ability to update the partitioning key; this functionality is incorporated into DB2 10.
- **PREVALKEEP** was removed in DB2 10 to allow thread re-signon by a different user after COMMIT when NEXTVAL or PREVAL are used.
- **REORG\_IGNORE** was set to YES to used 0 (zero) for PCTFREE and FREEPAGE when data was reloaded into a table space.
- **SJMISSKY** enabled a star join performance enhancement in previous versions; it's included in DB2 10.
- **XMLTABJPD** is for an XML optimization enhancement delivered in DB2 9 by APAR PM05664; it's incorporated in DB2 10; see the APAR to learn more.

# ZPARMs Removed DB2 9 to 10



- **EDMBFIT** is no longer needed. Since DB2 V7, the single Environmental Descriptor Manager (EDM) pool was divided into four separate pools. You should use the default, NO, for EDMBFIT and increase the EDM pool size to reduce latch class 24. This decreased the need to use EDMBFIT = YES, eliminating the need for this DSNZPARM.
- **LOGAPSTG** is the log apply buffer.
- **MAX\_UTIL\_PARTS** was introduced to DB2 V8 and DB2 9 by APAR PK51853 to control the number of compressed partitions LOAD or REORG can process. This subsystem parameter is removed in DB2 10 because the limit restriction was removed.
- **OPHYBCST** (PK90334), **OPTIXOPREF** (PK68986), and **OPTOIRCPF** (PK89637) introduced optimization enhancements to DB2 V8 and DB2 9; the enhancements were incorporated into DB2 10. The APAR numbers provide details of what each parameter does.

# ZPARMs Removed V8 to DB2 10

- **DBPROTCL** is no longer supported; the DBPROTOCOL bind option is DRDA by default.
- **MAX\_OPT\_ELAP** specifies the maximum amount of elapsed time the DB2 optimizer can consume.
- **MORE\_UNION\_DISTRIBUTION** when set ON, can improve performance of queries using views defined with UNION ALL.
- **RELCURHL** is an option to hold a lock over a commit.
- **STORPROC** is the parameter for creating stored procedures.
- **SUPPRESS\_TS\_CONV\_WARNING**, the option to turn off messages when DB2 converts a table space from index-controlled to table-controlled partitioning.
- **TABLES\_JOINED\_THRESHOLD**, setting a limit (16) on table joins.



# Deprecated ZPARMs

- DISABSCL - DSN6SPRM macro
- OJPERFEH - DSN6SPRM macro
- OPTIOWGT - DSN6SPRM macro
- OPTIXIO - DSN6SPRM macro
- PTCDIO - DSN6SPRM macro
- RETVLCFK - DSN6SPRM macro
- SEQCACH - DSN6SPRM macro
- SEQPRES - DSN6SPRM macro
- SMSDCFL and SMSDCIX parameters DSN6SPRM macro
- STATCLUS - DSN6SPRM macro



# Deprecated ZPARMs



- **DISABSCCL** on DSN6SPRM macro
  - Default is NO
  - Updatable using SET SYSPARM command
  - Sets SQLWARN1 and SQLWARN5 for non-scrollable cursors on OPEN and ALLOCATE CURSOR.
  - Introduced in DB2 Version 7 by APAR PQ65622 as an opaque DSNZPARAM.
  
- **OJPERFEH** on DSN6SPRM macro
  - Default is YES
  - NOT SET SYSPARM updatable
  - Enables several performance enhancements in outer joins. Overriding the default by specifying NO disables the enhancements.
  - Almost always, this value should be set to YES.
  - This opaque parameter was introduced using a hidden DSNZPARAM in DB2 V5 and later updated to an opaque DSNZPARAM. APARs PQ29780 and PQ48485 have additional details.

# Deprecated ZPARMs

- **OPTIOWGT** on DSN6SPRM macro
  - Default is ENABLE
  - Updatable using SET SYSPARM command
  - Enables support for an improved formula for balancing the costs of I/O and CPU speeds.
  - This support was added in DB2 9 via APAR PK61277. ENABLE is the default as of APAR PK75643.
- **OPTIXIO** on DSN6SPRM macro
  - Default is ON
  - Updatable using SET SYSPARM command
  - This opaque parameter can improve I/O with significantly less sensitivity to buffer pool and object size when the current default (ON) is used.
  - This function was delivered in DB2 V8 via APAR PK12803
    - Default was changed to **ON** with APAR PK26613.

# Deprecated ZPARMs

- **PTCDIO** on DSN6SPRM macro
  - Default is off
  - This opaque parameter is a switch to turn off a change made to determine the cost of using an index by APAR PQ86763 in DB2 V7.
    - The actual DSNZPARM parameter was added via APAR PQ97866 with a default of OFF.
  - This ZPARM should not be enable without guidance from IBM support
  - Not something carried forward

# Deprecated ZPARMs

- **RETVLCFK** on DSN6SPRM macro
  - Default is NO
  - Updatable using SET SYSPARM command
  - If this parameter is set to its default no
  - This opaque parameter specifies whether a VARCHAR column data can be retrieved from a padded index.
  - This parameter was introduced in DB2 V5 by APAR PQ10465.

# Deprecated ZPARMs

- **SEQCACH** on DSN6SPRM macro
  - Default is SEQ
  - controls whether DB2 prefetch uses sequential access for reading the cache on a 3990 controller. The default in DB2 10, SEQ, prompts use of sequential access. BYPASS tells DB2 prefetch to bypass the cache
- **SEQPRES** on DSN6SPRM macro
  - Default is YES
  - Updatable using SET SYSPARM command
  - affects how long a utility scan leaves the data in the cache. The default value in DB2 10 is YES; this setting leaves DB2 utility prefetch reads in cache longer.

# Deprecated ZPARMs

- **SMSDCFL** and **SMSDCIX** parameters on macro DSN6SPRM support specifying a DFSMS data class for a table space and indexes. The default is a blank string. These parameters were introduced in DB2 V7 by APAR PQ32414. As of DB2 9 NFM, **DATACLAS**, **MGMTCLAS**, and **STORCLAS** are included as syntax on the SQL statements **CREATE/ALTER STOGROUP**, and should be used rather than the **DSNZPARM** parameter.



# Deprecated ZPARMs



- The **STATCLUS** parameter, also on macro DSN6SPRM, specifies the type of clustering statistics RUNSTATS collects. The default is ENHANCED clustering statistics, which should result in an improved CLUSTERRATION formula. STATCLUS was added to DB2 9 on installation panel DSNTIP6 and removed from the install panel, making this an opaque parameter in DB2 10.







# Fast Replication (Not new to DB2 10)



- FAST REPLICATION on DSNTIP6
- CHECK\_FASTREPLICATION on DSN6SPRM macro
  - Valid values: REQUIRED and DEFERRED
  - REQUIRED forces the CHECK utility to use DSS COPY. If Flash Copy cannot be used, the CHECK utility fails.
    - This is the default setting in DB2 10
  - PREFERRED simply directs the CHECK utility to use fast replication only if Flash Copy is available.
    - This is the default setting for DB2 9
  - Can change using –SET SYSPARM command

# Delete Coupling Facility Structures



- DEL\_CFSTRUCTS\_ON\_RESTART
  - Data sharing only ZPARM
    - Help avoid using corrupted coupling facility structures after restart
  - On the DSN6SYSP macro
  - Valid values: YES or NO
    - NO- No attempts are made to delete structures
    - YES - attempt to delete the structures in the coupling facility at restart. If deletion is successful, the deleted structures will be recovered during group restart. Deletion is only attempted when there are NO DB2 members connected to the structures.
- Cannot be changed online

This function delivered via APARs PM28295 and PM31807

# Use FLASHCOPY Technology



- 5 DSNZPARMS available to enable DB2 10 support of FLASHCOPY if DB2 data sets are on FlashCopy Version 2 disk.
  - FLASHCOPY\_COPY=
  - FLASHCOPY\_LOAD=
  - FLASHCOPY\_REORG\_TS=
  - FLASHCOPY\_REBUILD\_INDEX=
  - FLASHCOPY\_REORG\_INDEX=
    - Valid values: YES or NO
      - YES – the corresponding utility can use FlashCopy
      - NO – Flash Copy is not used
  - Default – NO
  - This feature is new function mode (NFM) only
    - "[DB2 10 Installation and Migration Guide \(GC19-2974\)](#)" states that these keywords are ignored in conversion mode (CM) and enabling new function mode (ENFM) when migrating from both DB2 V8 and DB2 9. However, not quite true.
    - Good news: APAR PM33104 fixes issue comes into play. .

Can change using –SET SYSPARM command

# DDL/DCL Timeout Control

- DDLTOX
  - DSN6SPRM macro, Valid values: 1 to 254
  - Default – 1
    - 1 – use IRLM resource timeout value
    - 2-254 is a factor time the resource timeout value.
  - Can change using –SET SYSPARM command
  
- Requires APAR PM32921, PM37660, and PM36177



# MAX TEMP RID



- MAX TEMP RID on DSNTIP9
- MAXTEMPS\_RID
  - On DSN8SPRM macro
    - Default is NOLIMIT
    - Values: NONE, NOLIMIT, or 1 – 329166
  - Amount of temp storage can be used for RID blocks that overflow RID pool
  - Not for pair-wise join RID processing
  - Can change using –SET SYSPARM command

# INDEX\_IO\_PARALLELISM

- INDEX\_IO\_PARALLELISM
  - I/O parallelism for concurrent insert operations on multiple indexes
  - DSN6SPRM macro
    - Opaque
    - Default is YES
    - Valid values are NO and YES
  - Can change using –SET SYSPARM command

# Catalog, Directory SMS names



- For catalog and directory
  - On DSN6SPRM macro
    - CATDDACL – Data Class
    - CATDMGCL – Management Class
    - CATDSTCL – Storage Class
- For catalog and directory indexes
  - On DSN6SPRM macro
    - CATXDAACL – Data Class
    - CATXMGCL – Storage Class
    - CATXSTCL – Storage Class
- Acceptable values – blank or appropriate SMS class name
- Default – blank
  - Can change ALL using –SET SYSPARM command



# CHAR Built-in Function Issue

- DB2 10 CHAR built-in function no longer returns
  - Leading zeros
  - Trailing decimal point character
  - Leading blanks for positive decimal value
  - Example:

Setting	CHAR(000.1)	CHAR(1000.)	CHAR(1.1)
CURRENT	‘.1’	‘1000’	‘1.1’
V9	‘000.1’	‘1000.’	‘1.1’

- BIF\_COMPATIBILITY
  - DSN6SPRM macro
  - Valid values – V9, CURRENT
  - Defaults:
    - If an installation then CURRENT
    - If migration to DB2 10 then V9
- Can change using –SET SYSPARM command



# SET CHECK PENDING



- CHECK\_SETCHKP
- DSN6SPRM macro
  - Valid values: YES or NO
    - For YES, no restrictive state set for SHRLEVEL CHANGE
  - Default: NO
  - Can change using –SET SYSPARM command

# DISALLOW\_DEFAULT\_COLLID



- DISALLOW\_DEFAULT\_COLLID
  - Should default collection ID, `DSN_DEFAULT_COLLID_planname`, be used for implicitly generated packages during automatic DBRM to package conversion
    - DSN6SPRM macro
    - Valid values: YES or NO
      - YES
        - BIND PLAN cannot be used with MEMBER option
        - REBIND PLAN cannot be used without COLLID
        - Automatic rebinds do not convert existing plans that were last bound from DBRMs
      - NO
        - BIND PLAN contains MEMBER option, bind DBRM into package and package into plan using `DSN_DEFAULT_COLLID_planname`
        - REBIND the same
        - Auto rebinds the same
    - Can change using `–SET SYSPARM` command

# Compress SMF Records

- COMPRESS SMF RECS on DSNTIPN
- SMFCOMP on DSN6SYSP macro
  - Valid values – OFF or ON
  - Default – OFF
  - Can change using –SET SYSPARM command

# SIGNON Module Name

- SIGNON on DSNTIPO3
- SIGNON\_MODULE on DSN6SYSP macro
  - Valid values
    - Installation: 1 to 8 characters
    - Migration: DSN3@SGN
  - Default – DSN3@SGN
- Requires NFM – If not NFM will fail
- Requires DB2 10 ERLY code – If not, will fail
- This parameter cannot be changed online

# Default Partition Size

- DEFAULT PARTITION SIZE on DSNTIP7
- DPSEGSZ on DSN6SYSP
  - Valid values: 0, 4, 8, 12, ... 60, 64
  - Default: 32
- Lots of combinations of what this can do
  - 0 and Numparts: classic partitioning
  - >0 and Numparts: range-partitioned
  - More; see Install Guide
- Used if SEGsize is not specified
- Deprecated in DB2 10
- Can change using `-SET SYSPARM` command



# Even More...



- REALSTORAGE\_MANAGEMENT
- REALSTORAGE\_MAX
- REVOKE\_DEP\_PRIVILEGES
- SECADM1
- SECADM1\_INPUT\_STYLE
- SECADM2
- SECADM2\_INPUT\_STYLE
- SECADM2\_TYPE
- SEPARATE\_SECURITY
- SIMULATED\_CPU\_COUNT
- SIMULATED\_CPU\_SPEED
- SPT01\_INLINE\_LENGTH
- ACCESS\_CNTL\_MODULE
- CHKLOGR
- CHKMINS
- CHKTYPE



# And Still More...





# References

- [A First Look: DB2 10 DSNZPARM Changes](#)
- [The Good, the Bad and the Really Ugly: DB2's DSNZPARM Module](#)
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- [DB2 10 Installation and Migration Guide \(CG19-2974\)](#)

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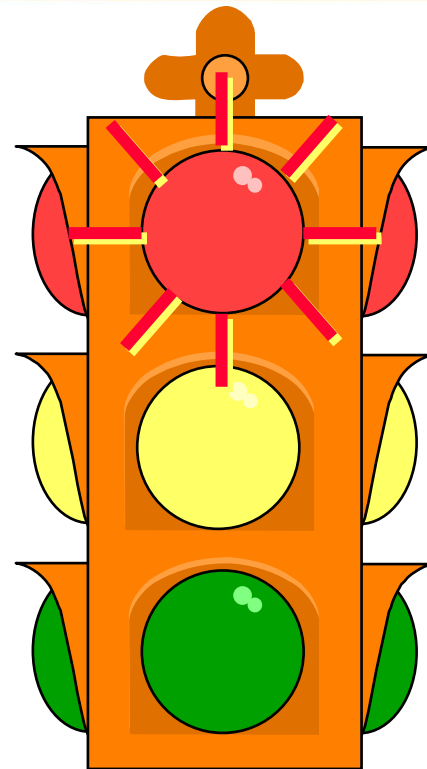
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# *Stop!! The End*



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# What Can You Change

**Notes!**



- **DSN6ARVP**
  - All parameters are changeable
- **DSN6FAC**
  - RLFERRD, , RESYNC,
- **DSN6LOGP**
  - ARC2FRST, DEALLCT, MAXRTU
- **DSN6GRP**

# What Can You Change

**Notes!**



- **DSN6ARVP**
  - All parameters are changeable
- **DSN6FAC**
  - RLFERRD, IDHTOIN, RESYNC, TCPALVER, MAXTYPE1,  
TCPKPALV, POOLINAC
- **DSN6LOGP**
  - ARC2FRST, DEALLCT, MAXRTU
- **DSN6GRP**
  - IMMEDWRI

**Underlined parms are  
changeable as of Version 8**

# What Can You Change

Notes!

- **DSN6SYSP**

– , CHKFREQ, CONDBAT,  
CTHREAD, DBPROTCL, DLDFREQ, DSSTIME,  
, EXTSEC, IDBACK,  
IDFORE, IDXBPOOL, IXQTY, LOBVALA, LOBVALS,  
MAXDBAT, PCLOSEN, PCLOSET,  
PTASKROL, RLFAUTH, RLFERR, RLFTBL,  
STATIME, STORMXAB, STORTIME, SYNCVAL,  
TBSBPOOL, TSQTY, , URCHKTH,  
URLGWTH, WLMENV

# What Can You Change

Notes!

- **DSN6SYSP**

– , CHKFREQ, CONDBAT,  
CTHREAD, DBPROTCL, DLDFREQ, DSSTIME,  
EXTRAREQ, EXTRASRV, EXTSEC, IDBACK,  
IDFORE, IDXBPOOL, IXQTY, LOBVALA, LOBVALS,  
MAXDBAT, PCLOSEN, PCLOSET,  
PTASKROL, RLFAUTH, RLFERR, RLFTBL,  
STATIME, STORMXAB, STORTIME, SYNCVAL,  
TBSBPOOL, TSQTY, URCHKTH,  
URLGWTH, WLMENV



# What Can You Change

Notes!

- **DSN6SYSP**

- **ACCUMACC**, **ACCUMUID**, CHKFREQ, CONDBAT, CTHREAD, DBPROTCL, DLDFREQ, DSSTIME, **DSVCI**, EXTRAREQ, EXTRASRV, EXTSEC, IDBACK, IDFORE, IDXBPOOL, IXQTY, LOBVALA, LOBVALS, MAXDBAT, **MGEXTSZ**, PCLOSEN, PCLOSET, PTASKROL, RLFAUTH, RLFERR, RLFTBL, STATIME, STORMXAB, STORTIME, SYNCVAL, TBSBPOOL, TSQTY, **UIFCIDS**, URCHKTH, URLGWTH, WLMENV

**Parms in RED are new keywords as of Version 8**



# What Can You Change

Notes!



- **DSN6SPRM**

- ABEXP, ABIND, AUTHCACH, BINDNV, BMPTOUT,  
CDSSRDEF, CONTSTOR, DBACRVW, DESCSTAT, DLITOUT, DSMAX,  
EDMPOOL, , EVALUNC,  
IRLMSWT, MAXRBLK,  
MINRBLK, MINSTOR, NUMLKTS, NUMLKUS,  
OPTHINTS, PARAMDEG, RECALLD,  
RELCURHL, RETLWAIT, RRULOCK, SEQCACH,  
SEQPRES, SJTABLES, SKIPUNCI, SMSDCFL, SMSDCIX,  
STARJOIN, STATROLL, STATSINT, SUPERRS,  
SYSADM, SYSADM2, SYSOPR, SYSOPR2, UTIMOUT,

# What Can You Change

Notes!

- **DSN6SPRM**

- ABEXP, ABIND, AUTHCACH, BINDNV, BMPTOUT, **CACHEDYN**,  
CDSSRDEF, **CHGDC**, CONTSTOR, DBACRVW, DESCSTAT, DLITOUT, DSMAX,  
**EDMBFIT**, EDMPOOL, **EDPROP**, EVALUNC,  
IRLMSWT, **MAXKEEPD**, MAXRBLK,  
MINRBLK, MINSTOR, **NPGTHRSH**, NUMLKTS, NUMLKUS,  
**OJPERFEH**, OPTHINTS, PARAMDEG, **PARTKEYU**, RECALLD,  
RELCURHL, RETLWAIT, **RETVLCFK**, RRULOCK, SEQCACH,  
SEQPRES, SJTABLES, SKIPUNCI, SMSDCFL, SMSDCIX,  
**SRTPOOL**, STARJOIN, **STATHIST**, STATROLL, STATSINT, SUPERRS,  
SYSADM, SYSADM2, SYSOPR, SYSOPR2, UTIMOUT, **XLKUPDLT**

# What Can You Change

Notes!

- **DSN6SPRM**

- ABEXP, ABIND, **AEXITLIM**, AUTHCACH, BINDNV, BMPTOUT, CACHEDYN, CDSSRDEF, CHGDC, CONTSTOR, DBACRVW, DESCSTAT, DLITOUT, DSMAX, EDMBFIT, **EDMDBDC**, EDMPOOL, **EDMSTMTC**, EDPROP, EVALUNC, IRLMSWT, **LRDRTHLD**, **MAINTYPE**, MAXKEEPD, **MAX\_NUM\_CUR**, MAXRBLK, **MAX\_ST\_PROC**, MINRBLK, MINSTOR, NPGTHRSH, NUMLKTS, NUMLKUS, OJPERFEH, OPTHINTS, **PADIX**, PARAMDEG, PARTKEYU, RECALLD, **REFSHAGE**, RELCURHL, RETLWAIT, RETVLCFK, RRULOCK, SEQCACH, SEQPRES, **SJMXPOOL**, SJTABLES, SKIPUNCI, SMSDCFL, SMSDCIX, SRTPOOL, STARJOIN, STATHIST, STATROLL, STATSINT, SUPERRS, SYSADM, SYSADM2, SYSOPR, SYSOPR2, UTIMOUT, **VOLTDEVT**, XLKUPDLT

# Not Everything Takes Effect Immediately

- AUTHCACH
- LOBVALA
- LOBVALS
- MAXRBLK
- NUMLKTS
- EDMPOOL
- EDMBFIT
- EDMDSPAC (not in V8)
- RLFERRD, RLFAUTH
- RLFTBL, RLFERR
- IDBACK, IDFORE
- BMPTOUT, DLITOUT
- CHKFREQ (was LOGLOAD)
- DEALLCT, MAXRTU
- DSSTIME, STATIME, PCLOSET
- PTASKROL
- MAXDBAT

# System behavior change

- The following DSNZPARMs may cause a behavioral change when modified.
- PARTKEYU
  - (Restriction to update partitioning key lifted in V5 with APAR PQ16946 and ZPARM added by APAR PQ22653)
  - Changes in Version 8
- SYSADM/SYSADM2
  - (requires Install SYSADM or Install SYSADM2 privilege)
- CACHEDYN & MAXKEEPD
- XLKUPDLT
  - Introduced by APAR PQ18915

# Let's Look at the Visible Parameters First



# Thread Stuff



<b>CONDBAT</b>	DSN6SYSP	DSNTIPE	Max remote connected
<b>CTHREAD</b>	DSN6SYSP	DSNTIPE	Max Users Macro
<b>IDBACK</b>	DSN6SYSP	DSNTIPE	Max batch connect
<b>IDFORE</b>	DSN6SYSP	DSNTIPE	Max TSO connect
<b>MAXDBAT</b>	DSN6SYSP	DSNTIPE	Max remote active



# Storage

<b>EDMBFIT</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIP8	Free space utilization for large pools
<b>EDMDSPAC</b> (removed in V8)	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPC	EDM Pool data space size
<b>EDMPOOL</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPC	environmental descriptor manager pool
<b>SEQCACH</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPE	Sequential cache
<b>SEQPRES</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPE	Utility Cache Option
<b>MAXRBLK</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPC	Storage for RID Blocks
<b>MAXKEEPD</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPE	Number of dynamic SQL statements that can be keep past a commit point when binding with KEEPYNAMIC(YES)
<b>SRTPOOL</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPC	Storage for sort pool
<b>All Threads</b>			See previous foil for list of thread parms

# Logging

<b>BACKODUR</b>	DSN6SYSP	DSNTIPL	How much back out processing when LBACKOUT
<b>DLDFREQ</b>	DSN6SYSP	DSNTIPL	How often level id is updated in checkpoints
<b>CHKFREQ</b>	DSN6SYSP	DSNTIPL	System checkpoint frequency in minutes or logs
<b>LBACKOUT</b>	DSN6SYSP	DSNTIPL	Should back out log processing be postponed
<b>LOGAPSTG</b>	DSN6SYSP	DSNTIPL	Storage for fast log apply
<b>OUTBUFF</b>	DSN6LOGP	DSNTIPL	Output buffer size used writing the active log
<b>PCLOSEN</b>	DSN6SYSP	DSNTIPL	Duration in checkpoints or minutes between updates before page set is switched to RO
<b>PCLOSET</b>	DSN6SYSP	DSNTIPL	
<b>URCHKTH</b>	DSN6SYSP	DSNTIPL	Number of checkpoint cycles for uncommitted units of recovery (UR)
<b>URLGWTH</b>	DSN6SYSP	DSNTIPL	Number of log records in uncommitted UR

→ **SET LOG LOGLOAD/CHKTIME**

# Programming

<b>CACHEDYN</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIP8	Dynamic SQL cache
<b>CDSSRDEF</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIP8	Current degree
<b>DECDIV3</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIP4	Minimum divide scale
<b>DESCSTAT</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIP4	Static describe
<b>OPTHINTS</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIP8	Optimization hints

# Locking

<b>IRLMRWT</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPI	Resource timeout
<b>NUMLKTS</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPJ	Locks per table (space)
<b>NUMLKUS</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPJ	Locks per user
<b>SKIPUNCI (V8)</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIP8	Skip Uncomm Inserts
<b>EVALUNC</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIP4 (V7) DSNTIP8 (V8)	Evaluate Uncommitted
<b>RRULOCK</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPI	U LOCK FOR RR/RS
<b>XLKUPDLT</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPI	X Lock for searched U/D
<b>RELCURHL</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIP4 (V7) DSNTIP8 (V8)	RELEASE LOCKS
<b>RETLWAIT</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPI	Retained lock timeout



# Database Access Threads



<b>CMSTAT</b>	DSN6FAC	DSNTIPR	DDF threads
<b>CONDBAT</b>	DSN6SYSP	DSNTIPE	Max remote connected
<b>CONTSTOR</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPE	Contract thread storage
<b>IDHTOIN</b>	DSN6FAC	DSNTIPR	Idle thread timeout
<b>MAXDBAT</b>	DSN6SYSP	DSNTIPE	Max remote active
<b>POOLINAC</b>	DSN6FAC	DSNTIP5	Pool thread timeout



# DSMAX



<b>DSMAX</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPC	Max number of open data sets
Approx Storage used: DSMAX * 1.8K	Default is calculated	Calculated default does not take into account partitioning	Acceptable values: 1 – 100,000 (V8)



# Deferred Close



**Affects CLOSE YES and CLOSE NO page sets**

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Close CLOSE=YES data sets

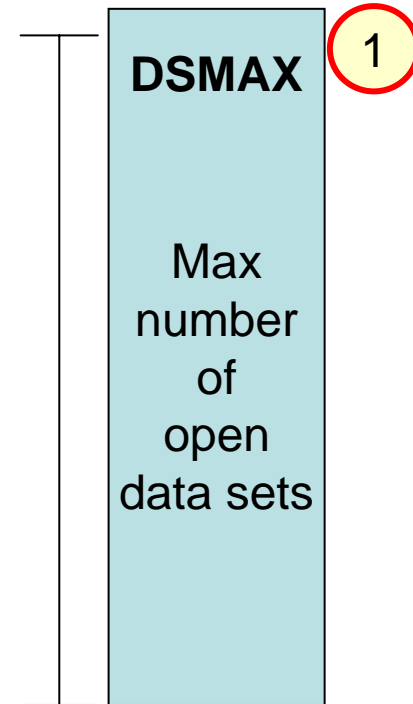


**Drain Queue**

3% or 300 data sets physically closed (and deallocated) 4

5

If min to close not on queue, close CLOSE=NO page sets



3

Open data sets reach 99% of DSMAX

# Read Only Switch

- RO SWITCH CHKPTS
  - DSN6SYSP PCLOSEN
  - Number of consecutive checkpoints since last update
  - Default is 5 checkpoints
  
- RO SWITCH TIME
  - DSN6SYSP PCLOSET
  - Number of minutes since last update
  - Default is 10 minutes

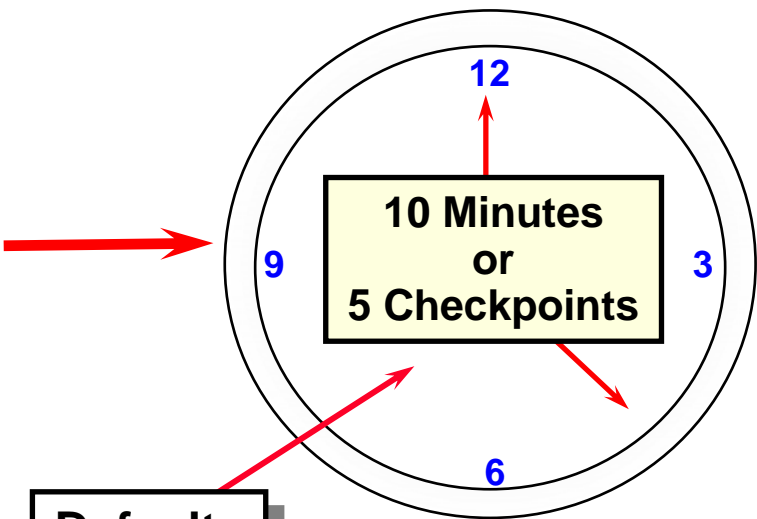




# Read Only Switch

**For CLOSE YES and CLOSE NO page sets**

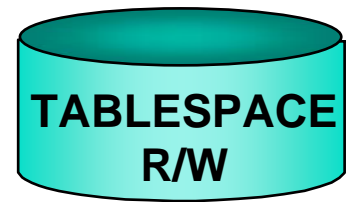
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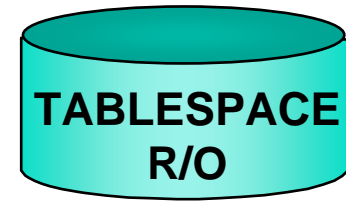
**Defaults**

<b>DSN6SYSP</b>
<i>Macro</i>
<b>PCLOSEN</b>
<b>PCLOSET</b>

**Then**



**State Switched Internally**



**Flush Database Buffers**  
**Update End RBA**  
**Update RB\_RBA**  
**RO Page Sets not Logged**

# DSNZPARMs Added in Version 8 (1 of 2)



<b>ACCUMACC</b>	DSN6SYSP	DSNTIPN	Specifies whether DB2 accounting data should be accumulated by the user for DDF and RRSF threads.
<b>ACCUMUID</b>	DSN6SYSP	DSNTIPN	Aggregation fields to be used for DDF and RRSF accounting rollup
<b>AEXITLIM</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPP	AUTH EXIT LIMIT
<b>DSVCI</b>	DSN6SYSP	DSNTIP7	VARY DS CONTROL INTEVAL
<b>EDMDBDC</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPC	EDM DBD cache size
<b>EDMSTMTC</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPC	EDM Statement Cache size
<b>LRDRTHLD</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPE	LONG-RUNNING READER
<b>MAINTYPE</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIP8	Default value for CURRENT MAINTAINED TABLE TYPES FOR OPTIMIZATION special register
<b>MAX_NUM_CUR</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPX	Maximum number of open cursors

**Notes!**

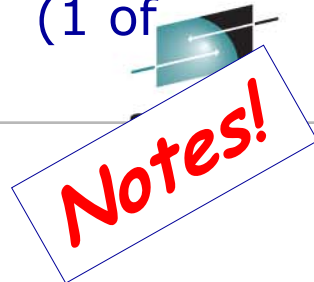
# DSNZPARAMs Added in Version 8 (2 of 2)

**Notes!**

<b>MAX_ST_PROC</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPX	Maximum number of stored procedures per thread
<b>MGEXTSZ</b>	DSN6SYSP	DSNTIP7	OPTIMIZE EXTENT SIZING
<b>PADIX</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPE	Pad new indexes by default
<b>REFSHAGE</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIP8	Default value for the CURRENT REFRESH AGE special register
<b>SJMXPOOL</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIP8	Maximum size of the virtual memory pool for star join queries in MB
<b>SMF89</b>	DSN6SYSP	-----	USAGE PRICING
<b>UIFCIDS</b>	DSN6SYSP	DSNTIPN	Output from IFC records should include Unicode information
<b>VOLTDEVT</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPA2	Device type or unit name for allocating temporary data sets

# Changed Online Change Option (1 of

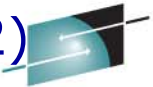
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			Pre-V8	Version 8
<b>CACHEDYN</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIP8	No	Yes
<b>CHGDC</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPO	No	Yes
<b>EDMBFIT</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIP8	Opaque/No	Yes
<b>EDPROP</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPO	No	Yes
<b>EXTRAREQ</b>	DSN6SYSP	DSNTIP5	No	Yes
<b>EXTRASRV</b>	DSN6SYSP	DSNTIP5	No	Yes
<b>IDTHTOIN</b>	DSN6FAC	DSNTIPR	No	Yes
<b>IMMEDWRI</b>	DSN6GRP	DSNTIP8	No	Yes
<b>MAXKEEPD</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPE	No	Yes
<b>MAXTYPE1</b>	DSN6FAC	DSNTIPR	No	Yes

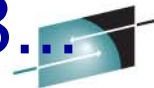
# Changed Online Change Option (2 of 2)



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			Pre-V8	Version 8
<b>NPGTHRSH</b>	DSN6SPRM	---	Opaque/No	Yes
<b>OJPERFEH</b>	DSN6SPRM	---	Opaque/No	Yes
<b>PARTKEYU</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIP8	Opaque/No	Yes
<b>POOLINAC</b>	DSN6FAC	DSNTIP5	No	Yes
<b>RETVLCFK</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIP8	Yes	Now consider non-padded
<b>SRTPOOL</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPC	No	Yes
<b>STATHIST</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPO	No	Yes
<b>TCPALVER</b>	DSN6FAC	DSNTIP5	No	Yes
<b>TCPKPALV</b>	DSN6FAC	DSNTIP5	No	Yes
<b>XLKUPDLT</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPI	No	Yes

# DSNZPARAMs Externalized in Version 8...



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<b>IXQTY <sup>1</sup></b>	DSN6SYSP	DSNTIP7	Index space default size
<b>SKIPUNCI <sup>2</sup></b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIPS	Skip Uncommitted INSERTs
<b>STARJOIN</b>	DSN6SPRM	DSNTIP8	Enable star join processing
<b>SVOLARC</b>	DSN6ARVP	DSNTIPA	Single volume allocation
<b>TSQTY <sup>1</sup></b>	DSN6SYSP	DSNTIP7	Table space default size

**1** – Available in Version 6 & 7 via APAR PQ53067

**2** – Available in Version 7 via APAR PQ79789

The above opaque DSNZPARAMs have externalized through the installation panels in DB2 Version 8.

# DSNZPARAMs Removed in Version 8...



<b>COMPAT</b>	DSNHDECP	Serviceability option
<b>EDMDSPAC</b>	DSN6SPRM	EDM Pool Data Space Size
<b>EDMDSMAX</b>	DSN6SPRM	EDM Pool Data Space Maximum
<b><u>PKGLDTOL</u><sup>1</sup></b>	DSN6SPRM	Turn off package requirement for certain SQL statements
<b>SARGSWRP<sup>2</sup></b>	DSN6SPRM	Allow index access for certain nested correlated table access
<b><u>OPTSUBQ1</u><sup>3</sup></b>	DSN6SPRM	Non-correlated subquery costs
<b><u>OPTCCOS1</u><sup>4</sup></b>	DSN6SPRM	List prefetch picked as the access path while regular index access could perform better
<b><u>OPTCCOS2</u><sup>5</sup></b>	DSN6SPRM	Inefficient access path or inefficient index is picked for correlated subquery

**1** - APAR PQ59207

**2** - APAR PQ61024 & PQ66365

**3** - APAR PQ50462 & PQ81790

**4** - APAR PQ84158

**5** - APAR PQ03849 & PQ66335

# New Version 8 Defaults

**Notes!**

LOBVALA	USER LOB VALUE STORAGE	2048	10240
<b>CTHREAD</b>	<b>MAX USERS</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>200</b>
<b>MAXDBAT</b>	<b>MAX REMOTE ACTIVE</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>200</b>
<b>CONDBAT</b>	<b>MAX REMOTE CONNECTED</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>10000</b>
IDFORE	MAX TSO CONNECT	40	50
IDBACK	MAX BATCH CONNECT	20	50
ACCUMACC	DDF/RRSAF ACCUM	NO	10
<b>CACHEDYN</b>	<b>CACHE DYNAMIC SQL</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>YES</b>
<b>AUTHCACH</b>	PLAN AUTH CACHE	1024	3072
<b>LOGAPSTG</b>	<b>LOG APPLY STORAGE</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>CHKFREQ</b>	<b>CHECKPOINT FREQ</b>	<b>50000</b>	<b>500000</b>
<b>BLKSIZE</b>	BLOCK SIZE	28672	24576
<b>CMTSTAT</b>	<b>DDF THREADS</b>	<b>ACTIVE</b>	<b>INACTIVE</b>
<b>IDTHTOIN</b>	IDLE THREAD TIMEOUT	0	120
<b>EXTSEC</b>	EXTENDED SECURITY	NO	YES
<b>TCPKPALV</b>	TCP/IP KEEPALIVE	ENABLE	120
<b>DSMAX</b>	<b>MAXIMUM OPEN DATA SETS</b>	<b>3000</b>	<b>10000</b>
<b>EDMPOOL</b>	EDMPOOL STORAGE SIZE	7312	327681



# Added in Version 7

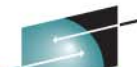
- STATROLL - Statistics Rollup for partitions
- STATSINT – Turn on collecting real time statistics
- MINSTOR - Manage Thread Storage
- OJPERFEH - Disables performance enhancements for outer join operations
- OPTOPSE - Parallelism: Type of sort operations for parallel queries that involve join
- STARJOIN - Fact table cardinality:
  - -1 disabled, 1 fact largest,
  - 0 (25) / n: x largest dimension
- STATHIST - STATISTICS HISTORY, SPACE, NONE, ALL, ACCESSPATH.
  - Default=No

# Added in Version 7

- CHKFREQ - Checkpoint Freq
  - 200 – 16,000,000 (log records),
  - or 1- 60 (minutes)
  - Default 50,000
- URLGWITH - UR log write check, # of log records written by an uncommitted unit
  - 0 – 1,000K
  - Default 0
  - URCHKTH - UR Checkpoint Frequency can still be used
- SYNCVAL - Monitoring
  - NO / 0-59 - Synchronize among Data Sharing members / Stats & RMF
  - Default NO

# Added in Version 7

- UGCCSID - Unicode CCSID, Graphics, accept default- data integrity may be compromised.
- UMCCSID - Unicode CCSID, Mixed, accept default- data integrity may be compromised.
- USCCSID - Unicode CCSID, Single, accept default- data integrity may be compromised.
- APPENSCH - Application Encoding Scheme - EBCDIC, if changed release incompatibility



# And Then There Was Opaque



# DISABSCL

- DISABSCL
  - Macro: DSN6SPRM
  - Online Changeable: Yes
  - Default: NO
  - Values: YES/NO
  - Description: Disable scrollable cursor warning messages. If YES is specified and non-scrollable cursors are in use, SQLWARN1 and SQLWARN5 warning messages at OPEN and ALLOCATE CURSOR will be disabled.
  - APAR PQ65622

# PTASKROL

- PTASKROL
  - Macro: DSN6SYSP
  - Online Changeable: Yes
  - Default: YES
  - Values: YES/NO
  - Description: Roll up accounting trace records for parallel query task
  - APAR PQ10864

# OJPERFEH

- OJPERFEH is used to disable some portion of outer join
  - Macro: DSN6SPRM
  - Online Changeable: Yes
  - Default: YES
  - Values: YES/NO
  - Description: Disable outer join performance enhancements when first release. Now selectively disables certain enhancements
  - APAR PQ18710 – added with default NO
  - APAR PQ48485 – Externalized – Should now be YES



# SMSDCFL & SMSDCIX



- SMSDCFL - SMS data class name keyword for all table space data sets
- SMSDCIX - SMS data class name keyword for all index space data sets
  - Macro: DSN6SPRM
  - Online Changeable: Yes
  - Default: blank
  - Values: data class name
  - Description: SMS data class name keyword
  - APAR PQ32414





# NPGTHRSH



- NPGTHRSH
  - Macro: DSN6SPRM
  - Online Changeable: Yes
  - Default: 0
  - Values:
  - Description: Favor index access when tables statistics indicate less than a given number of pages\*
  - APAR PQ33429

\*DB2 Version 8 CREATE/ALTER TABLE option VOLATILE has a similar affect on an access path.

**May be a better choice.**



# UTLRSTRT



Careful

- UTLRSTRT
  - Macro: DSN6SPRM
  - Online Changeable: Yes
  - Default: OFF
  - Values: ON, OFF
  - Description: If set to ON, implicitly restart utility after failure.\*
  - APAR PQ33429

\* Removed in DB2 Version 8

# CLAIMDTA

- CLAIMDTA
  - Macro: DSN6SPRM
  - Online Changeable: Yes
  - Default: NO
  - Values: YES, NO
  - Description: If set to YES, the data-first claiming and table space-level claim/drain process is enabled\*
  - APAR PQ96628

\* Removed in DB2 Version 8



# UNION\_COLNAME\_7



- Macro: DSN6SPRM
- Online Changeable: No
- Default: NO
- Values: NO, YES
- For usability, an optional DB2 system parameter called UNION\_COLNAME\_7 to the DSN6SPRM macro. YES will cause DB2 Version 8 to behave as Version 7 did.
- APAR: PK03946

# COMCRIT

- Macro: DSN6SPRM
- Online Changeable: Yes
- Default: NO
- Values: NO, YES
- Optional functionality that allows you to establish a Common Criteria-compliant environment in DB2 UDB for z/OS Version 8.
  - YES activates the Common Criteria environment and requires every new table that is created to have a security label column, which enables multilevel security.
- APAR: PK08344



# ZPARM DB2 9 Sample



- IMPDSDEF (DSN6SYSP) – Define data sets
  - YES/NO
- IMPTSCMP (DSN6SYSP) - Use Compression
  - YES/NO
- MAXTEMPS (DSN6SPRM) - Max Temp
  - 0 to 2147483647
- REOPTTEXT (DSN6SPRM) - R
  - YES/NO
- MXDTCA (DSN6SPRM) - P
  - 0 - 512
- CACHEPDS (DSN6SPRM) - Free cached dynamic
  - 0 - 100
- MAXCONC (DSN6SPRM) Max Concurrent
  - 1 - 1000000
- ... and many more

**All of these could change or even disappear before DB2 9 goes GA**

And of Course, There are the  
**Hidden Ones!!!**



# Hidden DSNZPARMs

## Disclaimer #2 and Warning

- All of the following examples are intended to be used for educational purposes ONLY!
- **PROCEED WITH CAUTION!!**
- **BEWARE! WARNING!** Etc. Etc. Etc.
- Danger, danger! Injuries can happen
- Have resume up to date

**Danger, Will Robinson! Danger!**





# Hidden DSNZPARMs



<b>OPTNTJP</b>		Stage 1 Null tolerant join predicate  PQ39223
Was: <b>SPRMMXTB</b>	Now: <b>MXTBJOIN</b>	Max tables  PQ57516
<b>OPTOPSE</b>		Parallelism: Type of sort operations for parallel queries that involve join
<b>SPRMPPTH</b>		Disable parallelism for short running queries PQ45820, PQ25135
<b>SPRMMQTT</b>		Bind cost overhead associated with MQT for short running SQL MQT rewrite threshold – serviceability Default = 120, Set to 0 to turn off rewrite

# More from Version 8



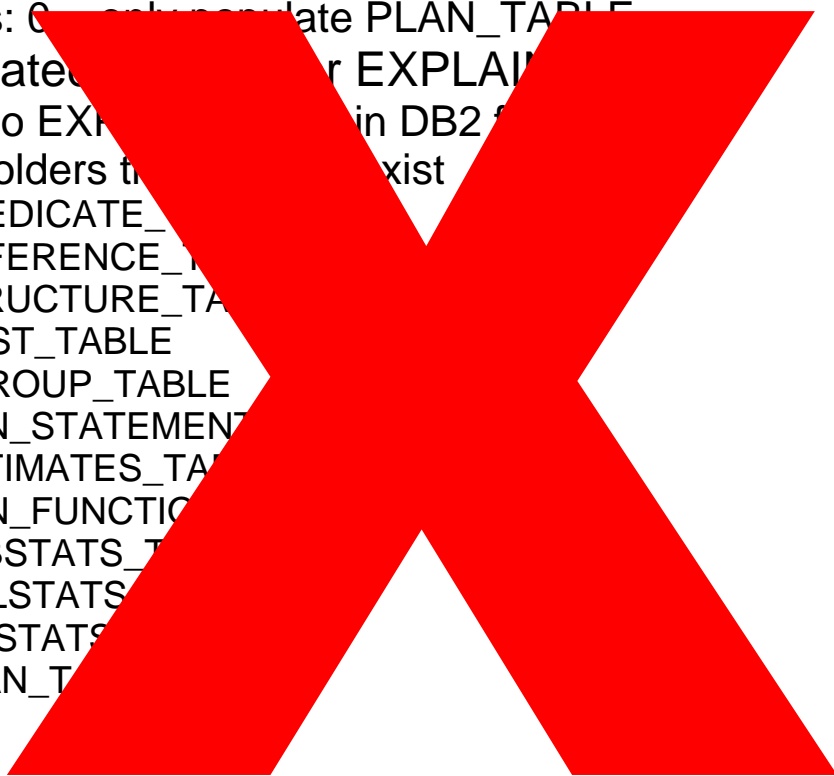
<b>MAX_OPT_STOR</b> (SPRMMXOS)	Max amount of RDS OP POOL storage consumed by DB2 Optimizer (MB)	20 MB	0 MB – 100 MB
<b>MAX_OPT_CPU</b> (SPRMMXOC)	Max amount of CPU Time consumed by DB2 Optimizer (Seconds)	100 sec	0 sec – 1000 sec
<b>MAX_OPT_ELAP</b> (SPRMMXOE)	Max amount of elapsed time consumed by DB2 Optimizer (Seconds)	100 sec	0 sec – 1000 sec
<b>TABLES_JOINED_THRESHOLD</b> (SPRMTJTH)	The number of tables joined to cause DB2 to limit the amount of resources consumed by Optimizer (V7)	16	0 - 225
<b>MXTBJOIN</b> (SPRMMXTB)	The maximum number of tables that can be joined in a single FROM clause (V7)	225	15 - 225
<b>MXQBCE</b> (SPRMMXCE)	The maximum number of cost entries to be considered for a single FROM clause (V7)	32767	1 - 32767



# And Yes, Those Hidden Plan Tables



- SPRMxxxx - Generates all EXPLAIN data
  - Defaults: 0 - refreshes table PLAN\_TABLE
- Tables updated for EXPLAIN
  - Similar to EXPLAIN in DB2
  - Place-holders that do not exist
    - PREDICATE\_TABLE
    - REFERENCE\_TABLE
    - STRUCTURE\_TABLE
    - COST\_TABLE
    - PGROUP\_TABLE
    - DSN\_STATEMENT
    - ESTIMATES\_TABLE
    - DSN\_FUNCTION
    - TABSTATS\_TABLE
    - COLSTATS\_TABLE
    - IDXSTATS\_TABLE
    - PLAN\_TABLE



# What Tables are Accessed

(examples)



- **STRUCTURE\_TABLE** shows execution frequency
  - 1 row per SQL section (QBLOCKNO)
- **REFERENCE\_TABLE** shows objects, attributes
  - 1 row per referenced object (table, column, etc.)
- **PREDICATE\_TABLE** shows predicate data
  - 1 row per predicate LHS-operator-RHS
  - Shows filter factors, Stage 1-2, indexability
- **COST\_TABLE** shows detailed cost estimates
  - 1 row per SQL section step (PLANNO)
  - Composite cost = IFCID 22 MiniPlan cost = QMF statement cost (timerons)

# You're Right, There's Not Enough

- DDL for hidden EXPLAIN tables
  - How do you read tables?
  - What can you do with the information?
  - Do you REALLY need to know more?
- 
- Probably not.. In fact, you are actually much further ahead just leaving them alone

# Populate the PLAN\_TABLE?

- Explain's output goes three places:
  - PLAN\_TABLE
    - Describes access path of SQL statement
    - Help better design SQL statements
    - Can give optimization hints
  - DSN\_STATEMENT\_TABLE
    - Provides cost estimates
    - Cost in service units and in milliseconds
    - For dynamic and static SQL statements
  - DSN\_FUNCTION\_TABLE
    - How DB2 resolves functions
    - One row for each function in an SQL statement



# And Last... But not least...



# DSNZPARM Protection

- As a final, yet very important note, make sure...
- DB2 load libraries are RACF (or equivalent) write protected
- Secure DSNZPARM source
  - Control who is allowed to modify DSNZPARM source
- Control who can issue the SET SYSPARM command
  - Only SYSOPR, SYSCTRL, or SYSADM
    - And control who as the above privileges



# Session Summary

- Now that you have completed this session, you should be able to:
  - Explain the purpose of DSNZPARM
  - Describe DB2 SET SYSPARM Command
  - Describe each of the macros and their major keywords
  - Describe the different ?type? of DSNZPARMs
  - Advise on how best to use DSNZPARMs