



Why Are You Still on HFS? zFS V5: The Future Awaits!

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Benefits of migrating from HFS to zFS

- Higher Performance
- Greater Reliability
- Expanded functionality and tuning
- zFS is IBM's strategic filesystem for z/OS
 - *All future enhancements will be made in zFS*

zFS Performance

V1R11: zFS sysplex-aware fully supports shared filesystem for both admin and file operations

V1R13: zFS sysplex-aware support enhanced allowing clients direct access to files (“Direct I/O”).

V2R1: Introduction of v5 filesystems to resolve known large directory performance problems.

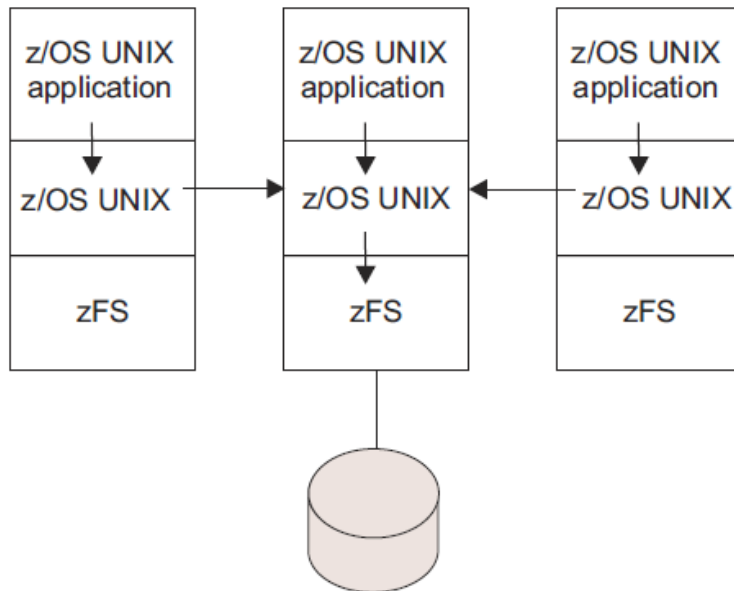
Sysplex client directory performance improvements for both existing v4 and new v5 filesystems

V2R2: zFS kernel to run in AMODE64 and can optionally run in the OMVS address space

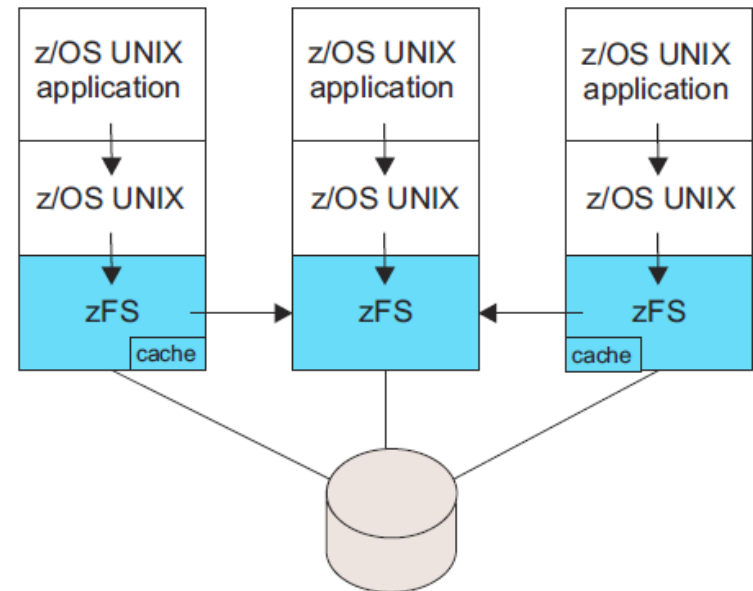
zFS sysplex-aware and “Direct I/O”

- **V1R11:** zFS forwards requests to the owner for sysplex-aware filesystems
 - - *Eliminates the need for Unix Systems to function ship requests.*
- **V1R13:** zFS further enhances its sysplex-aware support providing direct I/O from clients
 - *Reduces the overhead of using XCF communications.*

zFS read/write file system mounted with NORWSHARE



zFS read/write file system mounted with RWSHARE



zFS for Large Directories

- Prior to V2R1, there were known performance problems with large zFS directories
 - Affects directories with more than ~10,000 entries
- In V2R1, zFS provides a new v5 directory format to resolve this problem
 - Uses extensible hash algorithm
 - Provides improved performance for large directories
 - Maintains POSIX semantics.
 - max num. of sub-directories is increased (4G-1)

zFS V2R2 Performance keeps getting better!!

- zFS Kernel runs AMODE64
- zFS Kernel can be configured to run in the OMVS address space
- zFS will support higher system limits
 - meta_cache_size
 - vnode_cache_size
 - token_cache_size
- The logging system has been re-written in V2R2 providing I/O efficiency and more parallelism resulting in significant performance gains

HFS / zFS performance comparison (V1R13)

- **VERIFY workload** is single-threaded test of various file I/O functions. All measurements on z990 processor
- Record sizes vary from 80, 2K, 4K, 8K, 32K, 64K,bytes
- ETR rates are reported in MB/second
- **Monoplex Results:**
- Create Sequential File
 - HFS : 7 - 13 MB/Sec (tops out with 2K record size)
 - zFS : 9 - 606 MB/Sec (Far superior for 2K through 64K record sizes. Increasing record size improves performance)
- Read Sequential File (non-cached)
 - HFS : 8 - 19 MB/Sec (Increasing record size slightly improves performance)
 - zFS : 8 - 23 MB/Sec (20% better for 2K through 64K record sizes)

HFS / zFS performance comparisons (V1R13)...

- **VERIFY workload, Monoplex results (cont'd)**
- Read Sequential File (cached)
 - HFS : 8 - 20 MB/Sec (no caching benefit)
 - zFS : 8 - 856 MB/Sec (Far superior for 2K through 64K record sizes. Increasing record size improves performance)
- Create Random File
 - HFS : 0.05 - 10 MB/Sec (Increasing record size slightly improves performance)
 - zFS : 6 - 500 MB/Sec (Far superior for all record sizes. Increasing record size improves performance)
- Read Random File (non-cached)
 - HFS : 0.08 - 12 MB/Sec (Increasing record size slightly improves performance)
 - zFS : 3 - 12 MB/Sec (Only 80 bytes size shows improvement)
- Read Random File (cached)
 - HFS : 0.08 - 12 MB/Sec (no caching benefit)
 - zFS : 7 - 809 MB/Sec (Far superior for all record sizes. Increasing record size improves performance)

HFS / zFS performance comparisons (V1R13)...

- **VERIFY** workload
- **Sysplex Client Results** (two system sysplex)
- Create Sequential File
 - HFS : 0.2 - 11 MB/Sec (Increasing record size slightly improves performance)
 - zFS : 8 - 580 MB/Sec (Far superior for all record sizes. Increasing record size improves performance)
- Read Sequential File (non-cached)
 - HFS : 0.2 - 13 MB/Sec (Increasing record size slightly improves performance)
 - zFS : 7 - 23 MB/Sec (Slightly better for all record sizes)
- Read Sequential File (cached)
 - HFS : 0.2 - 13 MB/Sec (no caching benefit)
 - zFS : 7 - 845 MB/Sec (Far superior for all record sizes. Increasing record size improves performance)

HFS / zFS performance comparisons (V1R13)...

- VERIFY workload, sysplex (cont.)
- Create Random File
 - HFS : 0.04 - 8 MB/Sec (Increasing record size slightly improves performance)
 - zFS : 6 - 443 MB/Sec (Far superior for all record sizes. Increasing record size improves performance)
- Read Random File (non-cached)
 - HFS : 0.05 - 4 MB/Sec (Increasing record size slightly improves performance)
 - zFS : 3 - 12 MB/Sec (Slightly better for all record sizes)
- Read Random File (cached)
 - HFS : 0.05 - 4 MB/Sec (no caching benefit)
 - zFS : 6 - 809 MB/Sec (Far superior for all record sizes. Increasing record size improves performance)

HFS / zFS performance comparisons (V1R13)...

- **FSPT workload** is multi-threaded test of random 4K file I/O with 65/35 R/W ratio
- ETR and ITR improvements vary by zFS caching levels
- Monoplex Results (single owning system)
 - 0% zFS caching : ETR 10% and ITR 44% less than HFS (startup costs for zFS are slightly higher)
 - 75% zFS caching : ETR 5X and ITR 2X better than HFS
 - 100% zFS caching : ETR 128X and ITR 5X better than HFS
 - Based on this data zFS starts to outperform HFS in terms of ETR at 10% and ITR at 60% cache hits

HFS / zFS performance comparisons (V1R13)...

- FSPT workload,
- Sysplex Client Results (two system sysplex)
 - 0% zFS caching : ETR 29% and ITR 2X better than HFS
 - 100% zFS caching : ETR 176X and ITR 22X better than HFS
 - zFS Sysplex Aware and Direct I/O always makes zFS better than HFS

V2R1 & V2R2 Performance Workload Descriptions



- No zFS HFS comparisons available after V1R13, but the following results demonstrate the continuing zFS improvement in directory operations
- Performance results (on subsequent slides) were obtained using 3 workloads created by IBM:
 - All workloads involved many tasks processing 2000 objects in each directory, for multiple directories, on multiple file systems (see slide notes).
 - **pctestDL2** – This workload did repeated lookup (name searches) by the tasks.
 - **pctestDL** – The tasks did repeated lookup and readdir functions.
 - **pctestDU** – The tasks performed directory create/update/remove/readdir/search.

zFS V2R1 and V2R2 Performance Gains

- Tests were run varying the sizes of the involved directories to test scale-ability.
- Results on next page show:
 - z/OS V2R1 V5 relative improvement over V1R13
 - V2R2 v5 relative improvement over V2R1 v5
- For further details, refer to presentation “zFS v5 Migration and Performance”

zFS V2R1 and V2R2 Performance Gains

		Monoplex Results		Sysplex Client Results	
Workload	Directory Sizes (names / directory)	z/OS V2R1 V5 relative improvement over V1R13	V2R2 v5 relative improvement over V2R1 v5	z/OS V2R1 V5 relative improvement over V1R13	V2R2 v5 relative improvement over V2R1 v5
ptestDL2	2,000	EΔ = 1.197 IΔ = 1.197	EΔ = 1.54 IΔ = 1.45	EΔ = 1.416 IΔ = 1.378	EΔ = 1.35 IΔ = 1.20
	20,000	EΔ = 4.536 IΔ = 4.536	EΔ = 1.60 IΔ = 1.51	EΔ = 7.271 IΔ = 7.098	EΔ = 1.63 IΔ = 1.37
	50,000	EΔ = 10.026 IΔ = 10.026	EΔ = 2.10 IΔ = 1.63	EΔ = 16.668 IΔ = 16.297	EΔ = 1.88 IΔ = 1.40
ptestDL	2,000	EΔ = 1.167 IΔ = 1.167	EΔ = 1.14 IΔ = 1.14	EΔ = 1.454 IΔ = 1.452	EΔ = 1.03 IΔ = 1.04
	20,000	EΔ = 5.978 IΔ = 5.977	EΔ = 1.14 IΔ = 1.14	EΔ = 77.549 IΔ = 51.830	EΔ = 1.07 IΔ = 1.08
	50,000	EΔ = 9.160 IΔ = 9.160	EΔ = 1.12 IΔ = 1.12	EΔ = 276.67 IΔ = 174.81	EΔ = 1.13 IΔ = 1.10
ptestDU	2,000	EΔ = 1.167 IΔ = 1.167	EΔ = 1.54 IΔ = 1.45	EΔ = 1.249 IΔ = 1.226	EΔ = 1.35 IΔ = 1.20
	20,000	EΔ = 3.313 IΔ = 3.586	EΔ = 1.60 IΔ = 1.51	EΔ = 8.940 IΔ = 6.822	EΔ = 1.63 IΔ = 1.37
	50,000	EΔ = 6.158 IΔ = 7.069	EΔ = 2.10 IΔ = 1.63	EΔ = 65.110 IΔ = 47.891	EΔ = 1.88 IΔ = 1.40

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zFS: Greater Reliability

- zFS has made improvements to reduce situations which:
 - Require re-mount of filesystem(s)
 - Require re-IPL
- zFS has a lower exposure to situations that could result in corruption of a filesystem... and in the very rare situation that a corruption does occur, zFS has a salvager to correct most corruptions.

zFS Internal Restart (V1R13)

- There are (unusual) situations where the zFS PFS may go down on a sysplex member
- Prior to V1R13, all zFS filesystems owned on that system are moved or unmounted
- With this V1R13 support, when a such a situation occurs, zFS will internally go down, restart and internally remount any zFS file systems that were locally mounted
- zFS will not read IOEFSPRM configuration options during this internal restart.
- **zFS internal restart will clear up almost any internal zFS problem without losing the filesystem tree**
- *Note that in a single system environment if zFS goes down, you will loose the mount tree.*

zFS filesystem corruption avoidance & correction



- Filesystem corruption is a very rare event
 - *HFS filesystems can become permanently corrupted if a system outage occurs during an HFS sync. zFS does not have this issue.*
- zFS will disable a filesystem to try to prevent a corruption
- In the rare event that a corruption occurs, zFS has a salvager that will repair most filesystem corruptions.

zFS auto-takeover of disabled aggregates (V1R13)



- If a zFS filesystem becomes disabled it must be unmounted and then mounted again to recover
- Prior to this support this was a manual operation
- With this support, in a zFS sysplex-aware environment, zFS will attempt to automatically recover the disabled filesystem
 - *The owning system will request that another sysplex-aware system take over zFS ownership*
 - *In a single system, same-mode remounts are used to resolve disabled aggregates.*

zFS Queries

- zFS provides query functions that provide extensive information on system utilization, files, directories, and filesystems
- V2R1: fileinfo
 - Displays detailed information about a file or directory
- V2R2: fsinfo
 - Displays detailed information about single or multiple filesystems including sysplex-wide detailed information
- These queries are not available on HFS.

zFS system utilization queries

- zFS has extensive query commands to show system statistics.
- Data that comes from these queries allow the understanding of zFS's use of system resources and allows zFS to be tuned to optimize performance for the installation.
- Queries include:
 - Storage
 - Counters for the various caches
 - I/O by dasd or aggregate
 - PFS calls on the owner
 - Locking statistics

fileinfo query

- **zfsadm fileinfo** – displays detailed file information:
 - **zfsadm fileinfo -path <pathname> [{-globalonly | -localonly | -both}]**

```
path: /home/suimghq/lfsmounts/PLEX.ZFS.FS2/DCEIMGHQ.ftestLD.p6/.
***  global data  ***
fid                7,174515          anode              130931,2028
length            33546240          format            BLOCKED
1K blocks         21664              permissions       755
uid,gid           0,10              access acl        33,72
dir model acl     33,72              file model acl    32,72
user audit        F,F,F            auditor audit     N,N,N
set sticky,uid,gid 0,0,0          seclabel          none
object type       DIR              object linkcount  39686
object genvalue   0x00000000         dir version       5
dir name count    39686             dir data version  160308
dir tree status   VALID            dir conversion    na
file format bits  na,na,na          file charset id   na
file cver         na              charspec major,minor na
direct blocks     0x000D91FE         0x000D91FF        0x000D9200        0x000D9201
                  0x000D9202         0x000D9203        0x000D9204        0x000D9205
indirect blocks   0x000D9206         0x00052199
mtime            May 28 17:09:45 2013  atime             May 28 17:09:19 2013
ctime            May 28 17:09:45 2013  create time       May 28 15:14:48 2013
reftime         none
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fsinfo query

- New file system query command to provide more information, faster, with selection and sorting criteria
- It offers the ability to get and sort information for one or more file systems that have common names, common attributes, or that have encountered similar unexpected conditions
- Available from the shell (zfsadm), console (MODIFY) or via API call.
- Can display basic output, information know only to owner, only on local system, or full information.
- RMF enhancements will use new fsinfo api interface, providing improved performance and additional information

FSINFO – full (brown = info not previously available)

```

• File System Name: PLEX.ZFS.SMALL2
•
• *** owner information ***
• Owner: DCEIMGHQ Converttov5: OFF,n/a
• Size: 40320K Free 8K Blocks: 905
• Free 1K Fragments: 7 Log File Size: 32800K
• Bitmap Size: 8K Anode Table Size: 80K
• File System Objects: 28 Version: 1.5
• Overflow Pages: 0 Overflow HighWater: 0
• Thrashing Objects: 0 Thrashing Resolution: 0
• Token Revocations: 37 Revocation Wait Time: 85.141
• Devno: 46 Space Monitoring: 90,5
• Quiescing System: n/a Quiescing Job Name: n/a
• Quiescor ASID: n/a File System Grow: OFF,0
• Status: RW,RS,GD,SE
• Audit Fid: C3C6C3F0 F0F001F9 0000
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• File System Creation Time: Nov 14 00:07:36 2014
• Time of Ownership: Dec 9 11:10:36 2014
• Statistics Reset Time: Dec 9 11:10:35 2014
• Quiesce Time: n/a
• Last Grow Time: n/a
•
• Connected Clients: n/a
•
• Legend: RW=Read-write, GD=AGGRGROW disabled, RS=Mounted RWSHARE
• SE=Space errors reported

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FSINFO – full (output continued)

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•   *** local data from system DCEIMGHQ (owner: DCEIMGHQ) ***
•   Vnodes:                      410                      LFS Held Vnodes:          30
•   Open Objects:                 2                      Tokens:                   29
•   User Cache 4K Pages:         13                      Metadata Cache 8K Pages: 35
•   Application Reads:           104355143                Avg. Read Resp. Time:    0.151
•   Application Writes:           39105328                Avg. Writes Resp. Time: 0.641
•   Read XCF Calls:              0                      Avg. Rd XCF Resp. Time: 0.000
•   Write XCF Calls:             0                      Avg. Wr XCF Resp. Time: 0.000
•   ENOSPC Errors:               15920695                Disk IO Errors:          0
•   XCF Comm. Failures:          0                      Canceled Operations:     0
•
•   DDNAME:                      SYS00008
•   Mount Time:                  Dec  9 11:10:35 2014
•
•   VOLSER PAV      Reads      KBytes      Writes      KBytes      Waits
•   -----
•   CFC000    1      821059      6997808      537165      14633376      974568
•   2.805
•   -----
•   TOTALS      821059      6997808      537165      14633376      974568
•   2.805

```

Improved quiesced filesystem displays

- df Shell command:
- Console Commands:
 - D OMVS,F
 - F ZFS,QUERY,FILESETS,QUIESCED

Misc zFS Advantages and Improvements

- Improved FFDC
- Intelligent hang detector
- More stressful and varied testing on zFS
- Filesystem backup improvement in V2R1

zFS is the strategic filesystem for z/OS

- No additional enhancements will be made to HFS
- zFS will continue to be enhanced in future releases!