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# Fast, Safe and Effective Methods for Solving Data Copy Challenges



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## Agenda

- Customer challenges, solutions, and scenarios when copying large amounts of data – Data warehouses, SAP, PeopleSoft, read-only
- Database and storage integration
  - Operational advantages
- Cloning terminology
- Options for copying data
- How to clone DB2 sub-systems quickly with large amounts of data – New subsystem features
- How to refresh DB2 table and index spaces quickly
  - New table space features

## Customer challenges, solutions, and scenarios when copying large amounts of data

- Customer 1: DB2 Cloning Tool is able to perform the complete SAP cloning function in approximately 15 minutes, a saving of over 11 hours and 45 minutes. Because the time to clone a DB2 subsystem was reduced so drastically they are cloning weekly instead of monthly.
- Customer 2: We create HSC copies primarily for development and for some unit testing. When a lot of development was going on, we had up to 93 SAP instances. Creating SAP homogenous system copies is a requested process and can be anywhere from once or twice a month to three to eight times a week during heavy development times. We went from two to three days to clone an SAP instance to only minutes.
- Customer 3: The end users had access to the warehouse data 1 day a week. Now, the users have unlimited access to the data.
- Customer 4: It took us 48 hours to clone our PeopleSoft subsystem. Now it takes 30 minutes.



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## Database and Storage Integration

- Storage Aware Tools

#### Large database systems require high availability

- Fast and non-intrusive backup and cloning facilities are required
- Fast recovery capabilities are required to minimize downtime and promote high availability
- Most backup, recovery and cloning solutions do not leverage storage-based fastreplication facilities

#### Storage-based fast-replication facilities are under-utilized

- Tend to be used by storage organizations
- Tend not to be used by database administrators (DBAs)

#### Storage aware database products allow DBAs to use fast-replication in a safe and transparent manner

- Provides fast and non-intrusive backup and cloning operations
- Simplifies recovery operations and reduces recovery time
- Simplifies disaster recovery procedures

Database and Storage Integration - Operational Advantages

- Reduces time and cloning administration costs
- Simplifies cloning strategies by using automation to coordinate database system operations with fast-replication facilities
- Reduces host CPU and I/O resource utilization
- Creates cloned copies without affecting running applications
- Leverages storage processors and fast-replication investments — IBM, EMC, HDS, STK
- Exposes fast-replication capabilities to the DBAs safely and transparently using "storage-aware" database utilities
- Provides a sophisticated infrastructure and metadata to manage the DBMS and storage processor coordination



## **Cloning Terminology**

#### A clone is an exact replica

- Clone a DB2 system by volume
- Clone a table space by data set

#### • DB2 system cloning and table space refresh

 The act of replicating the data, making the replica accessible, and then using the replica in lieu of the original data

#### DB2 system cloning automation

- Clones a complete DB2 system including all its databases by VOLUME

#### DB2 table and index space refresh automation

- Refreshes specific table and index spaces by data set
- Lowest level is by data set



### Fast Replication Data Copy Options

### Fast copy processes offloaded to the storage processor No host CPU or I/O resources

- Volume based fast replication options for DB2 system cloning
  - FlashCopy (IBM,EMC,HDS)
  - SnapShot (IBM,STK)
  - TimeFinder/Clone Volume Snap (EMC)
  - TimeFinder/Snap (EMC)
  - Mirror processes
    - •PPRC (IBM,EMC,HDS)
    - •TimeFinder/Mirror, SRDF (EMC)
    - •ShadowImage HUR (HDS)
    - •TDMF (software based)

#### Data set based fast replication options for DB2 table space refresh

- Data Set FlashCopy (IBM,EMC,HDS)
- Data set SnapShot (IBM,STK)
- TimeFinder/Clone Data set Snap (EMC)



## Host Based Data Copy Options

## Data copy processes use host based CPU and I/O facilities Slower than storage-based fast replication

- Volume copy options for DB2 system cloning
  - TDMF (IBM)
  - FDRPAS (Innovation Data Processing)
  - DFSMSdss (IBM)
  - FDR (Innovation Data Processing)
- Data set copy options for DB2 table space refresh
  - Any traditional data set copy processes



## Fast, safe and effective methods

## **DB2 Subsystem Cloning**

Copy complete DB2 subsystems

Clone DB2 Systems Using DB2 Cloning Tool **DB2 System Cloning Automation** 

- Performs automated cloning of DB2 systems
- DB2 data copied using storage-based dataset fastreplication
  - Data can be cloned while online or offline
- Performs rapid volume reconditioning and data set renaming on cloned volumes to solve the data access challenges
  - Target volumes retain their target volume label
  - Renames the VTOC, VTOCIX, and VVDS to match the target volume
  - Renames and catalogs all data sets to a new HLQ
- Adjusts target DB2 system to accommodate and accept the cloned data
  - DB2 catalog, directory, BSDS, active / archive Log
     Makes data accessible on the same or shared LPAR



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## DB2 System Cloning Steps





### NEW in v3.1 – Subsystem Cloning Enhancements

- A DB2 stored procedure that works with the DB2 Administrative Task Scheduler to clone an entire DB2 subsystem
- FlashCopy Preserve Mirror support to remove the necessity of copying cloned data over the Metro Mirror/Peer to Peer Remote Copy (PPRC) link
- ISPF interface can be used to create a clone from a DB2 System Level Backup
- The ability to clone a DB2 Data Sharing Group without having to drop and re-create the work database for each DSHARE member

NEW in 3.1 – A DB2 stored procedure that works with the DB2 Administrative Task Scheduler to clone an entire DB2 subsystem

- Stored procedure is an application interface (API) to DB2 Cloning Tool
- The stored procedure will:

- Generate the necessary jobs to do the subsystem cloning
- Schedule the jobs in the DB2 Administrative Task Scheduler and cause the jobs to be submitted
- Monitor the execution of the jobs
- The stored procedure will return to the caller, when the requested cloning has ended, either in success or failure
- It can be called from a platform other than z/OS to clone an entire z/OS DB2 subsystem

NEW in 3.1 – A DB2 stored procedure that works with the DB2 Administrative Task Scheduler to clone an entire DB2 subsystem

#### Input to the stored procedure:

#### Product Parameter File

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- DSName of the product load library
- DSName of the CKZINI file

#### DB2 Systems Parameter File

- SSID of each DB2 subsystem
- DSName of the SDSNLOAD library
- SYSAFFINITY for the LPAR where the jobs will execute
- VCATNAME for the DB2 catalog
- DSNames of the BSDS data sets

#### Cloning Parameter File

- JOBCARD, USERID and PASSWORD for the executing jobs
- DSName of the output JCL library
- HLQ of the work data sets
- Source and Target volumes, ICF catalogs and DB2 subsystems
- Rename masks

NEW in 3.1 – A DB2 stored procedure that works with the DB2 Administrative Task Scheduler to clone an entire DB2 subsystem

#### Output of the stored procedure:

- Output JCL PDS

- The jobs created by the stored procedure are written here
- Output Status file
  - Used by the stored procedure to record and monitor the jobs submitted by the DB2 Administrative Task Scheduler

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IBM FlashCopy of DB2 data where volumes are being mirrored \*\*\*\*\*\* Clone *Without* Preserve Mirror FlashCopy \*\*\*\*\*\*



NEW in 3.1 - IBM FlashCopy of DB2 data where volumes are being mirrored \*\*\*\*\*\*\* Clone <u>With</u> Preserve Mirror FlashCopy \*\*\*\*\*\*



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## NEW in 3.1 – ISPF interface can be used to create a clone from a DB2 System Level Backup

- ISPF interface can generate the jobs necessary to clone a DB2 subsystem from a:
  - DB2 BACKUP SYSTEM utility
  - A clone created by DB2 Recovery Expert is currently only supported in batch

NEW in 3.1 – Clone a DB2 Data Sharing Group without having to drop and re-create the work database for each DSHARE member

- Simplifies the process of creating a data sharing DB2
- Updates of the GROUP\_MEMBER column in the cloned DB2 catalog table SYSIBM.SYSDATABASE with the new member name

## DB2 Support

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#### DB2 Support

- DB2 offline
- DB2 online
  - Clone from an executing DB2 subsystem
  - Clone from a System Level Backup
- DB2 data sharing
- DB2 data sharing with many to less members
- DB2 data sharing to non-DB2 data sharing

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## Table Space and Index Space Cloning

Propagate objects to test environments to help speed application deployment in production

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### Refresh DB2 Table and Index Spaces Using DB2 Cloning Tool Table and Index Space Refresh Automation

- Performs automated DB2 table and index space refresh operations
  - DB2 RI relationships, LOBS, and Identity columns
  - XML on DB2 V9 or greater

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- Verifies source target database compatibility
- DB2 data copied using storage-based dataset fastreplication
  - Data can be cloned while online or offline
  - Slow copy mechanism can be used
- Performs object ID translations, data masking, log apply, and target system meta-data



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Source Target Table Table Space Space Refresh

### DB2 Table and Index Space Refresh Steps



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### Target locations that DB2 Cloning Tool supports

- Within the same DB2 system or to another DB2 system
- To the same database name or to another database
- To the same table space name, or to another table space name
- To the same Creator ID or to another Creator ID



### DB2 Cloning Tool does the Catalog Research for you

- Determines the source and target data sets
- Determines the source and target object IDs
- Determines compatibility
- Creates the XLATE parameters
- Tracks source DB2 extents

## Data Masking

- Option to mask one or more columns during the table space refresh process
- The masking changes are made during OBID translation step based on masking rules that are enabled during the copy
- All referential integrity (RI) columns can have same masking function applied
  - Examples of fields that a user might change are US--- >Social Security numbers< --credit card numbers, names and addresses
- NEW in 3.1 DECFLOAT column data is now supported for STATIC, SCRAMBLE and USEREXIT rules.



## Data Masking

#### Types of data masking functions are provided, such as:

- PATTERN RULE (Sir | Mr) Bill
- SCRAMBLE RULE , SCRAMBLE(FIELD)
- USER EXIT RULE , FIELD = USER\_EXIT()
- STATIC RULE , FIELD = CONSTANT VALUE
- -MASK RULE, FIELD = [a-z0-9]\*10
- RANDOM RULE, FIELD = RAND(1, 100)
- SEQUENCE RULE, SEQ(1, 1)
- CURRENT DATE, CURRENT TIME, CURRENT TIMESTAMP RULES
- CURRENT USER RULE

## NEW in v3.1 - Table Space Cloning Enhancements

- Create Target DDL and target table spaces and index spaces that do not already exist
- Step restart a table refresh process that ends in error
- LOG-APPLY to provide transactional consistency without stopping the source objects
- Clone objects by specifying only their DB2 STOGROUP
- Increased MAX-SUBTASKS limit to 99 to increase parallelism and decrease elapsed time
- Added ISPF option to check the index keys of indexes (was only in batch)
- LONGVAR (v8) to VARCHAR v(9) supported
- WARN-ON-SIMPLE-TABLESPACE
- DECFLOAT column data masking support

NEW in 3.1 – Create target DDL and target table spaces and index spaces that do not already exist

- Optionally creates and/or executes DDL for target objects that don't exist
- CREATE DDL is generated for the following objects:
  - Databases
  - Table spaces
  - Tables

- Indexes
- LOB and XML spaces are supported
- All referenced STOGROUPS, distinct types and other supporting objects must exist on the target to be able to execute the DDL generated

NEW in 3.1 – Step restart a table space refresh process that ends in error

- A new repository keeps track of all data sets processed by Target job
- The repository allows a failed Target Job to be restarted

   Skips data sets that were successfully processed
- New Target Job Report

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 Many of the columns in the report may optionally be added to the Target Job runtime repository

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## NEW in 3.1 – LOG APPLY

#### Log Apply brings objects to consistent point when fuzzy copy is used

- Updates the target tables with source table DB2 log records
- Log records are from before and after the completion of the data set copies
- Commands:
  - QUIESCE-POINT(Y/N) Issues a QUIESCE command for all table spaces (in the source job) unless they have a utility status that prevents it. This can reduce the amount of time to find the consistent point by reducing the number of log records to interrogate.
  - COMMON-CONSISTENT-POINT(Y) Find a consistent point common to the source DB2 objects (all objects will be consistent with each other)
  - COMMON-CONSISTENT-POINT(N) Specify consistency but not common across all source tables



## NEW in 3.1 – LOG APPLY

- Mini-logs are created from the source active and archive logs
- The mini-logs are dynamically created data sets containing extractions from the DB2 logs for the cloned tables
- The mini-log entries are applied to the target DB2 data sets when the object IDs are translated
- The target indexes must be rebuilt afterwards

## NEW in 3.1 – Clone objects by specifying only their DB2 STOGROUP

- LISTDEF STOGROUP selects all objects in all databases that have STOGROUP as their default.
- For Example:

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- If there are three DATABASEs: DB11, DB21 and DB31
- And the default STOGROUP names are: STG1, STG2 and STG3

LISTDEF STOGROUP STG% selects all objects in DB11, DB21 and DB31

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