# WLM RESOURCE GROUPS

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- What is a Resource Group ?

- Why use a Resource Group ?

- How do you define one ?

## What is a Resource Group ?

An amount of processing capacity across one or more MVS images, assigned to one or more service classes.

- Defined in terms of CPU SU/SEC. The user defined CPU co-efficient is not used.
- List of SU/SEC is in Appendix B of the WLM Planning manual

## Why use a Resource Group ?

Limit or Guarantee resource capacity

- SLA's specify a specific amount of service
- Service is sold to others in discreet amounts
- Ensure discretionary work receives a minimum amount of capacity
- Prevent a dominant workload from monopolizing the capacity

## Things to keep in mind

- -Service Class Goals (are they achievable ?)
  - Resource groups prevail
- -Resource Group is the amount of capacity across the sysplex (for goal mode systems only)
- -Not valid for transaction oriented work (assign regions to group)
- -Only 1 RG can be assigned to a SC: multiple SC can use a RG
- -Up to 32 RG per service definition

## Things to keep in mind

- -Resource is defined in service units per second Maximum value (no default) -- Minimum value (default 0)
- Minimum has no effect when work in a resource group is meeting its goals
  Minimums for discretionary work are effective only if
  - Minimums for discretionary work are effective only if actions do not cause others to miss their goals

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- 6. Classification Rules
- 7. Report Classes
- 8. Service Coefficients/Options
- 9. Application Environments
- **10. Scheduling Environments**

**Create a Resource Group** 

Command ===> \_\_\_\_\_

**Enter or change the following information:** 

Resource Group Name .....\_LIMIT\_\_\_ (required) Description .....\_ limit group for xyx \_\_\_

Minimum Capacity500Maximum Capacity2000

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Command ===	Modify a Service Class	Row 1 to 2 of 2
Service Class	Name : BAT_HI	

Description ...... Batch High Velocity Workload Name ...... BAT\_WKL (name or ?) Base Resource Group ..... LIMIT (name or ?)

Specify BASE GOAL information. Action Codes: I=Insert new period, E=Edit period, D=Delete period.

# **SUMMARY**

 In general, don't use resource groups Let workload management decide how to best manage work

Use resource groups only when/if necessary

 Use caution when specifying MIN/MAX values (other work may suffer)