

Reduce Application Recovery Time and Complexity using DB2 Recovery Expert for z/OS



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System Level Backup Usage Considerations

Definitions

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Restore

- Restoring database environment to a previous copy
 - Table space, index space, application, system

Recover

- Explicit application of database logs to a point of consistency

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• Table space, index space, application, system

Restart

- Implicit application of database logs that happens during the normal database initialization process
 - System



Database and Storage Administration

- Trends and Directions

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Large DB2 and IMS 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 fast-replication 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
- Provide fast and non-intrusive backup and cloning operations
- Simplify recovery operations and reduces recovery time
- Simplify disaster recovery procedures

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Database and Storage Integration



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Database and Storage Integration

- Operational Advantages
 - Reduce backup, recovery, and cloning administration costs
 - Reduce host CPU and I/O resource utilization
 - Perform backups and create clone copies instantly
 - Fast restore and parallel recovery reduces recovery time
 - Simplify disaster recovery operations and procedures
 - DBMS and storage-based fast-replication integration
 - Leverage storage processors and fast-replication investments
 - IBM, EMC, HDS, STK
 - Expose fast-replication capabilities to the DBAs *safely and transparently* using "*storage-aware*" database utilities
 - Provide a sophisticated infrastructure and metadata to manage the DBMS and storage processor coordination

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DB2 System Level Backup Overview - System Level Backup

- A System Level Backup is a backup of the entire DB2 environment at a point in time
 - Does not require DB2 BACKUP SYSTEM or HSM
 - Recorded in DB2 Recovery Expert Meta data repository
- Leverages storage-based fast replication to drive the volume backup
 - Backup in seconds
 - Offloading the data copy process to the storage processor saves CPU and I/O resources
 - Faster than data set copies

Backup DB2 without affecting applications

- Backup windows reduced by replacing image copies
- Extends processing windows
- Data consistency ensures data is dependent-write V consistent
 - DB2 Suspend
 - Storage-based consistency functions
 - Equivalent to a power failure



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DB2 System Level Backup Overview - System Level Backup

- Backup validation each time ensures successful recoveries
 - Insurance that a backup is available

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- Automated backup offload (archive/recall)
 - Copies system backup from fast replication disk to tape for use at either local or disaster site (or both)
- Image Copies can be taken from SLB
 - Can register Image Copies in SYSCOPY to be used by any recovery tool
 - Does not affect source application performance since image copy is made from SLB
 - All backups taken at the same time
- Can be used in combination with other backups (image copies)



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DB2 System Level Backup - System and Application Recovery

- Recover DB2 systems or application objects from disk or tape automatically
- System recovery

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- Volume fast-replication used to restore data
- Parallel log apply reduces recovery time
- Automatically fixes objects in recover/rebuild pending after a System Restore

Object or application recovery

- Intelligent Recovery Manager invoked to optimize recovery
 - Integrates with traditional DB2 recovery tools
- Data set fast-replication used to restore data
- Parallel log apply reduces recovery time

Faster recovery

- Instantaneous system or application restore process
- Parallel recovery minimizes downtime
- One system backup used for system, application, and disaster restart



Database **Volumes**

System Level

Backup

"Restartable DBMS

Copy"

Source

DB2 Database System and Storage Coordination ocessor APIs Storage

Simplifies disaster recovery operations

- System level backup for restart

DB2 System Level Backup

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- Disaster Recovery

- System level backup and roll forward

System backup is "restartable"

- Restore volumes containing the last SLB
- Performs recovery during normal database initialization process
- Disaster recovery is as simple as restarting from a power failure

Intelligent Disaster Recovery Manager

- Prepares recovery assets and manages remote restore and recovery operations
- Reduced recovery time at a DR site
- Transform disaster recovery procedures into a tape-based disaster restart process
 - Similar benefits as storage-based remote replication solutions
- Possible tertiary DR site for sites using remote mirroring

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DB2 System Level Backup - Storage

Reduce storage and processing costs by utilizing one backup for multiple purposes – Local DB2 system recovery

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- Local Application recovery
 Disaster restart/recovery

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- Image copies from SLB
- Leverages storage-processor and fast-replication software investments
 - Saves CPU, I/O, and processing resources
- Expose fast copy capabilities to the DBAs safely and transparently using "storage-aware" database utilities
- Provides a sophisticated infrastructure and metadata to manage DB2 and storage processor coordination
- Multiple storage vendor support IBM FlashCopy

 - EMC TimeFinder/Mirror/Clone/Snap, FlashCopy

 - Hitachi ShadowImage, FlashCopy
 IBM RAMAC Virtual Array, STK SnapShot
- Perform DB2 system cloning operations from a system level backup



Clone from a System Level Backup

- Full system-level backup created using full volume fast-replication
- Database clone operations performed using SLB volumes as source
- Storage-aware database tools provides infrastructure and metadata to manage database and storage processor coordination







Intelligent Recovery Manager

Intelligent Recovery Manager

Performs efficient local recoveries using available recovery resources and tools

- IBM DB2 backup and recovery utilities look like a single product from the end-users perspective
 - Centralizes backups
 - Only one product is needed for all recovery processes (local recovery, disaster recovery, rebuilding damaged index, dropped object recovery, application relationship analysis, etc.)

Simplifies and automates recovery processes:

- Recovery JCL built once (in advance)
- Run-time analysis to determine recovery resources available
 - Combination of SLB and other DB2 recovery assets
 - Can be directed to use DB2 recovery assets only
- Run-time analysis of what recovery utility to invoke and in what order
- Spawns jobs to perform recovery tasks
- Takes the technical knowledge out of having to create complex recovery JCL

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Intelligent Recovery Manager Overview

- System Level Backup Recovery
- Analyzes system backup and DB2 system to generate JCL that will restore/recover the system in quickest way possible
- Automates volume restore process from either fast replication disk or from tape copy

Full DB2 Restore

- Restore Entire DB2 System
 - Includes DB2 active and archive logs, BSDS, ICF catalogs and z/OS control datasets
 - · Can be used for disaster restart or local restart of an entire DB2 system

Data Only Restore/Recover

- Restore volumes that contain DB2 tablespaces and Indexspaces
- Perform roll forward recovery with one pass of the log
- Recovery of all objects to a specified point in time after the SLB
- Detects objects that had a LOG NO event occur in recovered log range
 - Automatically generates recovery using Image Copies and rebuild indexes for those objects
- Can be used at disaster site to replace traditional image copy recovery methods
 - SLB volumes are restored at DR site from a system backup on tape
 - · Recovery is performed with one pass of the log

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Intelligent Recovery Manager Overview - Application Recovery From a System Level Backup

Enables recovery of an application or individual table or index spaces to a point-in-time

- Recover to current
- Recover to a timestamp (timestamp utility converts to RBA)
- Recover to an RBA/LRSN

Object profile created in advance

- Single or group of objects
- Supports wildcards to select multiple objects
- Saves recovery time because related applications are defined ahead of time and used when application needs recovery
- Analyzes all objects in the profile and generates the most appropriate recovery method for each object
 - Related objects (RI) can automatically be included
 - Generates JCL to restore objects from either IC or SLB
 - Indexes that cannot be restored are rebuilt
 - Log apply occurs in single step eliminating multiple passes of the log
 - Access to objects is automatically stopped and restarted at end of recovery

Storage-based fast-replication is used to perform restore (if available)

- Performs an instantaneous data set restore process
- Fast replication from SLB is available even if data set has moved or was deleted or an Online Reorg occurred after SLB
- Recovery (log apply) is performed in parallel with volume restore process if fast replication is used

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Intelligent Recovery Manager Overview

- Dropped Object Recovery

Dropped object recovery to any version of the table

- Reduces downtime by eliminating the cumbersome process of figuring out what needs to be created and how to restore the data
- Fills gap in standard DB2 recovery tools of not being able to recover dropped objects

Utility to save the DB2 object attributes in a DB2 Recovery Expert Schema Level Repository (SLR)

- Run on a scheduled basis to capture schema changes

Recovery point:

- Current, RBA/LRSN, to Copy (last full, last incremental, specific copy)

• Overview:

- Display shows objects that no longer exist in DB2 catalog (dropped)
 - Users can visually see dropped objects
- Create the DDL from the version selected
 - · All related objects that have been dropped are automatically included
- Load data from available Image Copy
 - Image copy entries are tracked in SLR
- Apply logs to specified recovery point
 - Log apply is accomplished via building SQL statements from the log

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Intelligent Recovery Manager Overview

- Recovery Versioning

Recovers an object or application set of objects back to a prior version

- Reduces downtime by eliminating the cumbersome process of figuring out what needs to be created and how to restore the data
- If a DDL change was made that was incorrect, this allows you to recover to a prior version of the DDL

Utility to save the DB2 object attributes in a DB2 Recovery Expert Schema Level Repository

 Compares information stored in the system catalog tables against the information stored in the Schema Level Repository (SLR) repository to identify version differences

• Overview:

- Drops the object definitions
- Creates the DDL from the version specified
 - · Automatically includes related objects that have changed as well
- Loads data from available Image Copy
- Apply the logs to specified timestamp or RBA/LRSN

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Intelligent Recovery Manager Overview

- Log Analysis Services
- Enables recovery of individual tables or groups of objects to a point-in-time to provide the most efficient recovery
 - Recover to current
 - Recover to a timestamp (converts to RBA)
 - Recover to an RBA/LRSN
 - Reduces recovery complexity and speeds up the recovery process

Quiet Time Advisor

- Reads and analyzes the DB2 log to find quiet times or points of consistency for single or groups of objects
- These points are saved in a DB2 table and can be selected (or generated) when a recovery is performed.

Undo / Redo SQL plans

- Undo SQL based recoveries can be generated to quickly "backout" transactions
 - This type of recovery is not supported by standard DB2 recovery tools
- Redo SQL recoveries to quickly "roll-forward" changes
- Generated SQL can be analyzed to identify and change errant transaction that caused issues
- Can be used to recover just one table of a segmented tablespace
- Includes recovering objects that contain XML or LOB columns
- Provides recovery support not supported by standard DB2 recovery tools

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Intelligent Recovery Manager Overview

- Dependency Analysis

All related objects that must be recovered together will automatically be included

- DB2 catalog referential integrity (RI)
- User RI through an interface to Optim database relationship analyzer (DRA)
- Related objects (RI) can automatically be included

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Intelligent Recovery Manager Overview

- Recovery Plans

GUI recovery tool that presents many different plans (or methods) of recovery

- Analyzes all recovery assets and methods and presents them in a list with most efficient plans presented first
- Each plan uses a different primary recovery resource or different recovery method
- Users can chose which method they want for a certain reason or use the recommended plan
 - SQL based recovery plans may not be the least expensive, but may be desired to view the SQL to find a bad transaction
- Recovery plans are assigned a relative cost to indicate how quickly they will run in comparison to the other plans
 - Users can easily identify which recovery method will get their data back the fastest
 - Cost calculation is an estimate based on the size of the data sets and the method of recovery

Provides intelligent assistance for performing many types of DB2 recoveries

- Faster, simpler recovery
 - You don't need an expert DBA
 - · Provides recovery expertise to reduce downtime

Builds restore/recover jobs

- User chooses the selected plan and can review the generated JCL

Executes the recovery plan

- Can generate and execute the JCL in multiple jobs that run in parallel to execute recovery faster

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Intelligent Recovery Manager Overview

- Recovery Plans
- Supports index image copies
 - If an index is defined as COPY YES, and an image copy of the index is available, the index will be recovered from the image copy
 - If COPY NO, the index is rebuilt
- Improves recovery performance by executing utilities in parallel where appropriate
 - Includes restore and recover
- Option to generate an image copy after recovery



Intelligent Disaster Recovery Manager

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DB2 Intelligent Disaster Recovery Manager

Performs:

- Local site procedures to prepare for offsite disaster recovery or disaster restart
 - Image copy method
 - System level backup method
- Remote site restore operations and appropriate recovery or restart procedures
- Simplifies and automates disaster recovery processes

Disaster recovery or disaster restart creation of jobs to:

- Perform traditional disaster recovery process
- Restore system level backup and restart DB2
- Restore system level backup, restart DB2, update BSDS, apply logs to point in time
- Restore system level backup, restart DB2, apply image copies that were sent offsite

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DB2 Intelligent Disaster Recovery Manager

Options to:

- Specify which archive logs are to be used at the disaster site
- Copy archive logs
 - Option to force a checkpoint before archiving DB2 Recovery Expert issues a SET LOG LOGLOAD(0) command
 - Option to force the active log to archive
- Builds JCL to restore the DB2 catalog and directory from Image Copies
 - DB2 Recovery Expert builds recovery procedures in the right order to match DB2 release requirements
- Finds appropriate DR image copies and stores information about them in the PDS which will be shipped to the DR site
- Dump the DB2 Recovery Expert repository to the PDS and creates recovery JCL
- Copy archive logs to disk at the recovery site to reduce or eliminate contention on the archive log tape during recovery
- Catalog disaster recovery image copies in ICF catalog at DR site
- Build the bootstrap data set(s) (BSDS)
- Recovery JCL created each time DB2 Intelligent Disaster Recovery manager is executed at local site
- Jobs are pre-built and placed in a PDS to be shipped to the disaster recovery site



Space Efficient Usage

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One Set of Backup Volumes for Multiple DB2 Systems



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System Level Backup Implementation Considerations - Use of Space Efficient Fast-Replication Technologies

- Volume vs Space Efficient Operations

Full volume copy

- Copy requires same amount of storage as the source
- Relationship can be retained with production volume
 - Allows incremental resynchronization
- Full volume restore used for system restore operations
- Fast replication data set level copy used for application or object recovery from non-archived backups

Space Efficient Devices

- Requires minimal additional storage
- Restores changed tracks
- Can have multiple volumes associated with production volume
- Full volume restore used for system restore operations
 - Changed tracks restored from repository in save or extent pool
 - Full volume backup needed for catastrophic loss of source volume because only changed tracks are copied back
- DFSMSdss host copy methods used for application or object recovery from non-archived backups
- *Available for EMC TimeFinder/Snap, IBM/STK SnapShot, (IBM FlashCopy coming soon)

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Space Efficient Cloning Using an SLB

- Full DB2 system-level backup created using full volume fast-replication
- DB2 clone operations performed using SLB backup volumes as source
- Cloned DB2 systems use virtual storage devices (VDEVs)
 - DB2 SLB volumes are used to service I/O for DB2 clone access
 - DB2 clone writes (few) go to save pool
 - DB2 SLB writes (noné) go to save pool
- Storage-aware database tools provides infrastructure and metadata to manage DB2 and storage processor coordination
- Operational automation may be required to reinstantiate space efficient clones when the full volume clone is re-instantiated
- *FlashCopy SE, EMC TimeFinder/Snap, STK SnapShot



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DB2 Recovery Expert

- Summary of Benefits

Object or Application recovery leverages existing products (with or without SLBs)

- Dropped object recovery
- Versioning recovery
- Recovery plans
- Implementation of an SLB and parallel recovery methodology can be done over time
- DB2 Intelligent Disaster Recovery Manager can support image copy or disaster restart
- Simplifies and automates a DB2 system level backup (SLB) methodology
 - Leverages storage-based fast-replication
 - Backup DB2 without affecting applications
 - Reduces CPU, I/O and storage utilization
 - Backup validation each time ensures successful recoveries
 - Backup windows reduced by replacing a majority of image copies
 - Extends processing windows
 - Restore in parallel with recovery
 - Image Copies can be taken from SLB
 - Utilizes one backup for multiple purposes

Less skills required to implement advanced DB2 backup, recover, and disaster recovery solutions

- Managed recovery with or without System Level Backup