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About this document

This document provides information about implementing programs that are written in C and C++. It contains advanced guidelines and information for developing C and C++ programs to run under z/OS® and z/OS.e. References to z/OS in the document refer to both z/OS and z/OS.e.

This document contains terminology, maintenance, and editorial changes. Technical changes or additions to the text and illustrations are indicated by a vertical line (|) to the left of the change.

You may notice changes in the style and structure of some of the contents in this document; for example, headings that use uppercase for the first letter of initial words only, and procedures that have a different look and format. The changes are ongoing improvements to the consistency and retrievability of information in our documents.

How to read syntax diagrams

This section describes how to read syntax diagrams. It defines syntax diagram symbols, items that may be contained within the diagrams (keywords, variables, delimiters, operators, fragment references, operands) and provides syntax examples that contain these items.

Syntax diagrams pictorially display the order and parts (options and arguments) that comprise a command statement. They are read from left to right and from top to bottom, following the main path of the horizontal line.

Symbols

The following symbols may be displayed in syntax diagrams:

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<td>Indicates the end of the syntax diagram.</td>
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Syntax items

Syntax diagrams contain many different items. Syntax items include:

- Keywords - a command name or any other literal information.
- Variables - variables are italicized, appear in lowercase and represent the name of values you can supply.
- Delimiters - delimiters indicate the start or end of keywords, variables, or operators. For example, a left parenthesis is a delimiter.
- Operators - operators include add (+), subtract (-), multiply (*), divide (/), equal (=), and other mathematical operations that may need to be performed.
- Fragment references - a part of a syntax diagram, separated from the diagram to show greater detail.
- Separators - a separator separates keywords, variables or operators. For example, a comma (,) is a separator.
Keywords, variables, and operators may be displayed as required, optional, or default. Fragments, separators, and delimiters may be displayed as required or optional.

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### Syntax examples

The following table provides syntax examples.

**Table 1. Syntax examples**

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<td>Required choice.</td>
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<td>A required choice (two or more items) appears in a vertical stack on the main path of the horizontal line. You must choose one of the items in the stack.</td>
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<td>Optional item.</td>
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<td>Optional items appear below the main path of the horizontal line.</td>
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<td>Optional choice.</td>
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<td>A optional choice (two or more items) appear in a vertical stack below the main path of the horizontal line. You may choose one of the items in the stack.</td>
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<td>Default.</td>
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<td>Default items appear above the main path of the horizontal line. The remaining items (required or optional) appear on (required) or below (optional) the main path of the horizontal line. The following example displays a default with optional items.</td>
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<td>Variable.</td>
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<td>Variables appear in lowercase italics. They represent names or values.</td>
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<td>Repeatable item.</td>
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The ─╴fragment╴ symbol indicates that a labelled group is described below the main syntax diagram. Syntax is occasionally broken into fragments if the inclusion of the fragment would overly complicate the main syntax diagram.

z/OS C/C++ and related publications

This section summarizes the content of the z/OS C/C++ publications and shows where to find related information in other publications.

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| | • z/OS C/C++ examples  
| | • Compiler options  
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| | • Specifying Language Environment® run-time options  
| | • Compiling, IPA Linking, binding, and running z/OS C/C++ programs  
| | • Utilities (Object Library, CXXFILT, DSECT Conversion, Code Set and Locale, ar and make, BPXBATCH)  
| | • Diagnosing problems  
| | • Cataloged procedures and REXX EXECs supplied by IBM |
| z/OS C/C++ Language Reference, SC09-4815 | Reference information for:  
| | • The C and C++ languages  
| | • Lexical elements of z/OS C and z/OS C++  
| | • Declarations, expressions, and operators  
| | • Implicit type conversions  
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| | • C++ templates and exception handling  
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| z/OS C/C++ Messages, GC09-4819 | Provides error messages and return codes for the compiler, and its related application interface libraries and utilities. For the C/C++ run-time library messages, refer to z/OS Language Environment Run-Time Messages, SA22-7566. For the c89 and xlc utility messages, refer to z/OS UNIX System Services Messages and Codes, SA22-7807. |
| z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference, SA22-7821 | Reference information for:  
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| | • Curses concepts  
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| z/OS C/C++ Compiler and Run-Time Migration Guide for the Application Programmer, GC09-4913 | Guidance and reference information for:  
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  • ISO Standard C Library  
  • ISO Standard C++ Library  
  • Standard Template Library (C++)  
  
The ISO Standard C++ library consists of 51 required headers. These 51 C++ library headers (along with the additional 18 Standard C headers) constitute a hosted implementation of the C++ library. Of these 51 headers, 13 constitute the Standard Template Library, or STL. |
| **C/C++ Legacy Class Libraries Reference, SC09-7652** | Reference information for:  
  • UNIX System Laboratories (USL) I/O Stream Library  
  • USL Complex Mathematics Library  
  
  As of z/OS V1R6, this reference is part of the Run-Time Library Extensions documentation. |
| **IBM Open Class Library Transition Guide, SC09-4948** | The documentation explains the various options to application owners and users for migrating from the IBM Open Class® library to the Standard C++ Library. |
| **z/OS Common Debug Architecture User’s Guide, SC09-7653** | This documentation is the user’s guide for IBM’s libddpi library. It includes:  
  • Overview of the architecture  
  • Information on the order and purpose of API calls for model user applications and for accessing DWARF information  
  • Information on using CDA with C/C++ source  
  
  This user’s guide is part of the Run-Time Library Extensions documentation. |
| **z/OS Common Debug Architecture Library Reference, SC09-7654** | This documentation is the reference for IBM’s libddpi library. It includes:  
  • General discussion of Common Debug Architecture  
  • Description of APIs and data types related to stacks, processes, operating systems, machine state, storage, and formatting  
  
  This reference is part of the Run-Time Library Extensions documentation. |
| **DWARF/ELF Extensions Library Reference, SC09-7655** | This documentation is the reference for IBM’s extensions to the libdwarf and libelf libraries. It includes information on:  
  • Consumer APIs  
  • Producer APIs  
  
  This reference is part of the Run-Time Library Extensions documentation. |
| APAR and BOOKS files (Shipped with Program materials) | Partitioned data set CBC.SCCNDOD on the product tape contains the members. APAR and BOOKS, which provide additional information for using the z/OS C/C++ licensed program, including:  
  • Isolating reportable problems  
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**Note:** For information on using the prelinker, see the appendix on prelinking and linking z/OS C/C++ programs in [z/OS C/C++ User's Guide](http://www.redbooks.ibm.com/abstracts/sg245991.html). As of OS/390 Version 2 Release 4, this appendix contains information that was previously in the chapter on prelinking and linking z/OS C/C++ programs in [z/OS C/C++ User's Guide](http://www.redbooks.ibm.com/abstracts/sg245991.html). It also contains prelinker information that was previously in [z/OS C/C++ Programming Guide](http://www.redbooks.ibm.com/abstracts/sg245991.html).

### Softcopy documents

The z/OS C/C++ publications are supplied in PDF and BookMaster® formats on the following CD: z/OS Collection, SK3T-4269. They are also available at [http://www.ibm.com/software/awdtools/czos/library](http://www.ibm.com/software/awdtools/czos/library).

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- [z/OS C/C++ Language Reference, SC09-4815](http://www.redbooks.ibm.com/abstracts/sg245991.html)
- [z/OS C/C++ Programming Guide, SC09-4765](http://www.redbooks.ibm.com/abstracts/sg245991.html)

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### z/OS C/C++ on the World Wide Web


This page contains late-breaking information about the z/OS C/C++ product, including the compiler, the class libraries, and utilities. There are links to other useful information, such as the z/OS C/C++ information library and the libraries of
other z/OS elements that are available on the Web. The z/OS C/C++ home page also contains links to other related Web sites.

**Where to find more information**

Please see [z/OS Information Roadmap](http://www.ibm.com/servers/resourcelink) for an overview of the documentation associated with z/OS, including the documentation available for z/OS Language Environment.

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You can access LookAt from the Internet at:

[http://www.ibm.com/eserver/zseries/zos/bkserv/lookat/](http://www.ibm.com/eserver/zseries/zos/bkserv/lookat/) or from anywhere in z/OS or z/OS.e where you can access a TSO/E command line (for example, TSO/E prompt, ISPF, z/OS UNIX System Services running OMVS).

The LookAt Web site also features a mobile edition of LookAt for devices such as Pocket PCs, Palm OS, or Linux-based handhelds. So, if you have a handheld device with wireless access and an Internet browser, you can now access LookAt message information from almost anywhere.

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1. z/OS.e customers received a Memo to Licensees, (GI10-0684) that includes this key code.
To use LookAt as a TSO/E command, you must have LookAt installed on your host system. You can obtain the LookAt code for TSO/E from a disk on your z/OS Collection (SK3T-4269) or from the LookAt Web site’s Download link.
This part discusses introductory concepts on the z/OS C/C++ product. Specifically, it discusses the following:

- Chapter 1, “About IBM z/OS C/C++,” on page 3
- “About prelinking, linking, and binding” on page 10
Chapter 1. About IBM z/OS C/C++

The C++ feature of the IBM z/OS licensed program provides support for C and C++ application development on the z/OS platform.

z/OS C/C++ includes:
- A C compiler (referred to as the z/OS C compiler)
- A C++ compiler (referred to as the z/OS C++ compiler)
- Performance Analyzer host component, which supports the IBM C/C++ Productivity Tools for OS/390 product
- A set of utilities for C/C++ application development

Notes:
1. The Run-Time Library Extensions base element was introduced in z/OS V1R5. It includes the Common Debug Architecture (CDA) Libraries, the c89 utility, and the xlc utility. The Common Debug Architecture provides a consistent and common format for debugging information across the various languages and operating systems that are supported on the IBM eServer™ zSeries® platform. Run-Time Library Extensions also includes legacy libraries to support existing programs. These are the UNIX System Laboratories (USL) I/O Stream Library, USL Complex Mathematics Library, and IBM Open Class DLLs. Application development using the IBM Open Class Library is not supported.
2. The Standard C++ Library is included with the Language Environment.
3. The z/OS C/C++ compiler works with the mainframe interactive Debug Tool product.

IBM offers the C and C++ compilers on other platforms, such as the AIX®, Linux, OS/400®, and z/VM® operating systems. The C compiler is also available on the VSE/ESA™ platform.

Changes for z/OS V1R6

z/OS V1R6 C/C++ supports compilation of 64-bit programs, which is enabled by the LP64 compiler option. z/OS C/C++ has made the following performance and usability enhancements for the V1R6 release:

New compiler suboptions
- z/OS V1R6 C/C++ introduces the following new compiler suboptions:
  - ARCH(6)
  - TARGET(zOSV1R6)
  - TUNE(6)

New cataloged procedures
- z/OS V1R6 C/C++ introduces the following new cataloged procedures:
  - CBCQ8 - to bind a 64-bit C++ program
  - CBCQ8G - to bind and run a 64-bit C++ program
  - CBCQCB - to compile and bind a 64-bit program
  - CBCQCBG - to compile, bind, and run a 64-bit program
  - CCNQPD1B - to bind the results of IPA(LINK,PDF1) for 64-bit applications
  - EDCQB - to bind 64-bit C programs
New keyword  
z/OS V1R6 C/C++ introduces the following new keyword, which is used in a declaration to specify an alignment for a declared variable:

- `__attribute__((aligned(n)))`

For further information on this keyword, see [http://gcc.gnu.org/onlinedocs](http://gcc.gnu.org/onlinedocs)

New xlc compiler invocation utility  
This release includes the new xlc compiler invocation utility, which supports the following invocation commands that accept AIX option syntax:

- `c89` - to compile ANSI compliant C programs
- `cc` - to compile non-standard C programs
- `xlc` - to compile any C programs

It also includes the following invocation commands, which are used to compile C++ code:

- `c++`
- `cxx`
- `x1C`
- `x1c++`

All of the invocation commands listed above can have the following suffixes:

- `_x` - to compile the program with XPLINK (for example, `c89_x`)
- `_64` - to compile the program in 64-bit mode (for example, `c89_64`)

For z/OS Version 1 Release 6, the Language Environment provides the following:

64-bit virtual addressing mode support  
With 64-bit virtual storage support, the maximum virtual addressability is up to 16 exabytes. For programs that need large data caches, migrating to 64-bit virtual addressing mode (AMODE 64) is reasonable. This enables applications to access storage and helps in porting applications from other platforms.

Language Environment provides 64-bit virtual support for XPLINK applications only. Applications compiled for AMODE 31 and AMODE 64 applications is not supported.

Assembler dynamic link libraries (DLL) support  
This support allows Language Environment-conforming assembler applications to create and use DLLs.

C/C++ run-time enhancements  
These enhancements include:

- The `dlopen()` family of functions is provided.
- Enhanced ASCII support is added for `__getenv()`, `reexec()`, and `reexec_af()`.
The C/C++ compilers

The following sections describe the C and C++ languages and the z/OS C/C++ compilers.

The C language

The C language is a general purpose, versatile, and functional programming language that allows a programmer to create applications quickly and easily. C provides high-level control statements and data types as do other structured programming languages. It also provides many of the benefits of a low-level language.

The C++ language

The C++ language is based on the C language and includes all of the advantages of C listed above. In addition, C++ also supports object-oriented concepts, generic types or templates, and an extensive library. For a detailed description of the differences between z/OS C++ and z/OS C, refer to [z/OS C/C++ Language Reference](#).

The C++ language introduces classes, which are user-defined data types that may contain data definitions and function definitions. You can use classes from established class libraries, develop your own classes, or derive new classes from existing classes by adding data descriptions and functions. New classes can inherit properties from one or more classes. Not only do classes describe the data types and functions available, but they can also hide (encapsulate) the implementation details from user programs. An object is an instance of a class.

The C++ language also provides templates and other features that include access control to data and functions, and better type checking and exception handling. It also supports polymorphism and the overloading of operators.

Common features of the z/OS C and C++ compilers

The C and C++ compilers, when used with z/OS Language Environment, offer many features to help your work:

- Optimization support:
  - Algorithms to take advantage of the z/Series architecture to get better optimization for speed and use of computer resources through the `OPTIMIZE` and `IPA` compiler options.
  - The `OPTIMIZE` compiler option, which instructs the compiler to optimize the machine instructions it generates to produce faster-running object code, which improves application performance at run time.
  - Interprocedural Analysis (IPA), to perform optimizations across compilation units, thereby optimizing application performance at run time.
- DLLs (dynamic link libraries) to share parts among applications or parts of applications, and dynamically link to exported variables and functions at run time.

Support for Euro Phase III and G11N currency

Phase III of Euro support in locales is provided for National Language Standards.
DLLs allow a function reference or a variable reference in one executable to use a definition located in another executable at run time. You can use both load-on-reference and load-on-demand DLLs. When your program refers to a function or variable which resides in a DLL, z/OS C/C++ generates code to load the DLL and access the functions and variables within it. This is called load-on-reference. Alternatively, your program can use z/OS C library functions to load a DLL and look up the address of functions and variables within it. This is called load-on-demand. Your application code explicitly controls load-on-demand DLLs at the source level.

You can use DLLs to split applications into smaller modules and improve system memory usage. DLLs also offer more flexibility for building, packaging, and redistributing applications.

- Full program reentrancy

With reentrancy, many users can simultaneously run a program. A reentrant program uses less storage if it is stored in the LPA (link pack area) or ELPA (extended link pack area) and simultaneously run by multiple users. It also reduces processor I/O when the program starts up, and improves program performance by reducing the transfer of data to auxiliary storage. z/OS C programmers can design programs that are naturally reentrant. For those programs that are not naturally reentrant, C programmers can use constructed reentrancy. To do this, compile programs with the RENT option and use the program management binder supplied with z/OS or the z/OS Language Environment prelinker and program management binder. The z/OS C/C++ compiler always uses the constructed reentrancy algorithms.

- INLINE compiler option

Additional optimization capabilities are available with the INLINE compiler option.

- Locale-based internationalization support derived from IEEE POSIX 1003.2-1992 standard. Also derived from X/Open CAE Specification, System Interface Definitions, Issue 4 and Issue 4 Version 2. This allows programmers to use locales to specify language/country characteristics for their applications.

- The ability to call and be called by other languages such as assembler, COBOL, PL/1, compiled Java™, and Fortran, to enable programmers to integrate z/OS C/C++ code with existing applications.

- Exploitation of z/OS and z/OS UNIX System Services technology.

z/OS UNIX System Services is an IBM implementation of the open operating system environment, as defined in the XPG4 and POSIX standards.

- Support for the following standards at the system level:
  - A subset of the extended multibyte and wide character functions as defined by Programming Language C Amendment 1. This is ISO/IEC 9899:1990/Amendment 1:1994(E)
  - A subset of IEEE POSIX 1003.1a, Draft 6, July 1991
  - IEEE Portable Operating System Interface (POSIX) Part 2, P1003.2
  - A subset of IEEE POSIX 1003.4a, Draft 6, February 1992 (the IEEE POSIX committee has renumbered POSIX.4a to POSIX.1c)
  - X/Open CAE Specification, System Interfaces and Headers, Issue 4 Version 2
  - X/Open CAE Specification, Networking Services, Issue 4

- Support for the Euro currency
z/OS C Compiler specific features

In addition to the features common to z/OS C and C++, the z/OS C compiler provides you with the following capabilities:

- The ability to write portable code that supports the following standards:
  - All elements of the ISO standard ISO/IEC 9899:1990 (E)
  - X/Open Specification Programming Languages, Issue 3, Common Usage C
  - FIPS-160

- System programming capabilities, which allow you to use z/OS C in place of assembler

- Extensions of the standard definitions of the C language to provide programmers with support for the z/OS environment, such as fixed-point (packed) decimal data support

z/OS C++ Compiler specific features

In addition to the features common to z/OS C and C++, the z/OS C++ compiler supports the International Standard for the C++ Programming Language (ISO/IEC 14882:1998) specification.

Class libraries

z/OS V1R6 C/C++ uses the following thread-safe class libraries that are available with z/OS:

- Standard C++ Library, including the Standard Template Library (STL), and other library features of ISO C++ 1998

Note: Starting with z/OS V1R5, all application development using the C/C++ IBM Open Class Library (Application Support Class and Collection Class Libraries) is not supported. Run-time support for the execution of existing applications, which use the IBM Open Class, is provided with z/OS V1R6 but is planned to be removed in a future release. For additional information, see IBM Open Class Library Transition Guide.

For new code and enhancements to existing applications, the Standard C++ Library should be used. The Standard C++ Library includes the following:

- Stream classes for performing input and output (I/O) operations
- The Standard C++ Complex Mathematics Library for manipulating complex numbers
- The Standard Template Library (STL) which is composed of C++ template-based algorithms, container classes, iterators, localization objects, and the string class

Utilities

The z/OS C/C++ compilers provide the following utilities:

- The xlC utility to invoke the compiler using a customizable configuration file.
- The c89 utility to invoke the compiler using host environment variables.
- The CXXFILT utility to map z/OS C++ mangled names to the original source.
- The DSECT Conversion Utility to convert descriptive assembler DSECTs into z/OS C/C++ data structures.
The `makedepend` utility to derive all dependencies in the source code and write these into the makefile for the make command to determine which source files to recompile, whenever a dependency has changed. This frees the user from manually monitoring such changes in the source code.

z/OS Language Environment provides the following utilities:
- The Object Library Utility (C370LIB) to update partitioned data set (PDS and PDSE) libraries of object modules and Interprocedural Analysis (IPA) object modules.
- The prelinker which combines object modules that comprise a z/OS C/C++ application, to produce a single object module. The prelinker supports only object and extended object format input files, and does not support GOFF.


**z/OS Language Environment**

z/OS C/C++ exploits the C++ run-time environment and library of run-time services available with z/OS Language Environment (formerly OS/390 Language Environment, Language Environment for MVS™ & VM, Language Environment/370 and LE/370).

z/OS Language Environment consists of four language-specific run-time libraries, and Base Routines and Common Services, as shown below. z/OS Language Environment establishes a common run-time environment and common run-time services for language products, user programs, and other products.

![Libraries in z/OS Language Environment](image)

**Language Environment Base Routines and Common Services**

The common execution environment is composed of data items and services that are included in library routines available to an application that runs in the environment. The z/OS Language Environment provides a variety of services:
- Services that satisfy basic requirements common to most applications. These include support for the initialization and termination of applications, allocation of storage, interlanguage communication (ILC), and condition handling.
Extended services that are often needed by applications. z/OS C/C++ contains these functions within a library of callable routines, and includes interfaces to operating system functions and a variety of other commonly used functions.

- Run-time options that help in the execution, performance, and diagnosis of your application.
- Access to operating system services; z/OS UNIX System Services are available to an application programmer or program through the z/OS C/C++ language bindings.
- Access to language-specific library routines, such as the z/OS C/C++ library functions.

**Note:** The z/OS Language Environment run-time option TRAP(ON) should be set when using z/OS C/C++. Refer to [z/OS Language Environment Programming Reference](#) for details on the z/OS Language Environment run-time options.

### z/OS Language Environment downward compatibility

z/OS Language Environment provides downward compatibility support. Assuming that you have met the required programming guidelines and restrictions, described in [z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide](#), this support enables you to develop applications on higher release levels of z/OS for use on platforms that are running lower release levels of z/OS. In C and C++, downward compatibility support is provided through the C/C++ TARGET compiler option. See [TARGET in z/OS C/C++ User’s Guide](#) for details on this compiler option.

For example, a company may use z/OS V1R6 with Language Environment on a development system where applications are coded, link-edited, and tested, while using any supported lower release of z/OS Language Environment on their production systems where the finished application modules are used.

Downward compatibility support is not the roll-back of new function to prior releases of the operating system. Applications developed that exploit the downward compatibility support must not use any Language Environment function that is unavailable on the lower release of z/OS where the application will be used.

The downward compatibility support includes toleration PTFs for lower releases of z/OS to assist in diagnosing applications that do not meet the programming requirements for this support. (Specific PTF numbers can be found in the PSP buckets.)

The diagnosis assistance that will be provided by the toleration PTFs includes detection of an unsupported program object format. If the program object format is at a level which is not supported by the target deployment system, then the deployment system will produce an abend when trying to load the application program. The abend will indicate that DFSMS was unable to find or load the application program. Correcting this problem does not require the installation of any toleration PTFs. Instead, the application developer will need to recreate the program object which is compatible with the older deployment system.

The downward compatibility support provided by z/OS Language Environment and by the toleration PTFs does not change Language Environment’s upward compatibility. That is, applications coded and link-edited with one release of z/OS Language Environment will continue to run on later releases of z/OS Language Environment without the need to recompile or re-link the application, independent of the downward compatibility support.
The current z/OS level header files and SYSLIB can be used (the user no longer has to copy header files and SYSLIB data sets from the deployment release).

Note: As of z/OS V1R3, the executables produced with the binder's COMPAT=CURRENT setting will not run on lower levels of z/OS. You will have to explicitly override to a particular program object level, or use the COMPAT=MIN setting introduced in z/OS V1R3.

About prelinking, linking, and binding

When describing the process to build an application, this document refers to the bind step.

Normally the program management binder is used to perform the bind step. However, in many cases the prelink and link steps can be used in place of the bind step. When they cannot be substituted, and the program management binder alone must be used, it will be stated. For more information, refer to Prelinking and linking z/OS C/C++ programs and Binding z/OS C/C++ programs in z/OS C/C++ User's Guide.

The terms bind and link have multiple meanings.

- With respect to building an application:
  - In both instances, the program management binder is performing the actual processing of converting the object file(s) into the application executable module. Object files with longname symbols, reentrant writable static symbols, and DLL-style function calls require additional processing to build global data for the application.
  - The term link refers to the case where the binder does not perform this additional processing, due to one of the following:
    - The processing is not required, because none of the object files in the application use constructed reentrancy, use long names, are DLL or are C++.
    - The processing is handled by executing the prelinker step before running the binder.
  - The term bind refers to the case where the binder is required to perform this processing.

- With respect to executing code in an application:
  - The linkage definition refers to the program call linkage between program functions and methods. This includes the passing of control and parameters. Refer to Program Linkage in z/OS C/C++ Language Reference for more information on linkage specification.
  - Some platforms have a single linkage convention. z/OS has a number of linkage conventions, including standard operating system linkage, Extra Performance Linkage (XPLINK), and different non-XPLINK linkage conventions for C and C++.

Notes on the prelinking process

Note that you cannot use the prelinker if you are using the XPLINK, GOFF, or LP64 compiler options. Also, IBM recommends using the binder without the prelinker whenever possible.

Prior to OS/390 V2R4 C/C++, the z/OS C/C++ User's Guide showed how to use the prelinker and linkage editor. Sections throughout the document discussed concepts of prelinking and linking. The prelinker was designed to process long names and support constructed reentrancy in earlier versions of the C compiler on the MVS...
and OS/390 operating systems. The prelinker, shipped with the z/OS C/C++ run-time library, provides output that is compatible with the linkage editor, that is shipped with the binder.

The binder is designed to include the function of the prelinker, the linkage editor, the loader, and a number of APIs to manipulate the program object. Thus, the binder is a superset of the linkage editor. Its functionality provides a high level of compatibility with the prelinker and linkage editor, but provides additional functionality in some areas. Generally, the terms binding and linking are interchangeable. In particular, the binder supports:

- Inputs from the object module
- XOBJ, GOFF, load module and program object
- Auto call resolutions from HFS archives and C370LIB object directories
- Long external names
- All prelinker control statements

Note: You need to use the binder for 64-bit objects.

For more information on the compatibility between the binder, and the linker and prelinker, see z/OS DFSMS Program Management.

Updates to the prelinking, linkage-editing, and loading functions that are performed by the binder are delivered through the binder. If you use the prelinker shipped with the z/OS C/C++ run-time library and the linkage editor (supplied through the binder), you have to apply the latest maintenance for the run-time library as well as the binder.

If you still need to use the prelinker and linkage editor, see Prelinker and linkage editor options in z/OS C/C++ User’s Guide.

File format considerations
You can use the binder in place of the prelinker and linkage editor but there are exceptions, which are file format considerations. For further information, on when you cannot use the binder, see Binding z/OS C/C++ programs in z/OS C/C++ User’s Guide.

The program management binder
The binder provided with z/OS combines the object modules, load modules, and program objects comprising an application. It produces a single z/OS output program object or load module that you can load for execution. The binder supports all C and C++ code, provided that you store the output program in a PDSE (Partitioned Data Set Extended) member or an HFS file.

If you cannot use a PDSE member or HFS file, and your program contains C++ code, or C code that is compiled with any of the RENT, LONGLINE, DLL or IPA compiler options, you must use the prelinker. C and C++ code compiled with the GOFF or XPLINK compiler options cannot be processed by the prelinker.

Using the binder without using the prelinker has the following advantages:
- Faster rebinds when recompiling and rebinding a few of your source files
- Rebinding at the single compile unit level of granularity (except when you use the IPA compile-time option)
- Input of object modules, load modules, and program objects
• Improved long name support:
  – Long names do not get converted into prelinker generated names
  – Long names appear in the binder maps, enabling full cross-referencing
  – Variables do not disappear after prelink
  – Fewer steps in the process of producing your executable program

The prelinker provided with z/OS Language Environment combines the object modules comprising a z/OS C/C++ application and produces a single object module. You can link-edit the object module into a load module (which is stored in a PDS), or bind it into a load module or a program object (which is stored in a PDS, PDSE, or HFS file).

z/OS UNIX System Services

z/OS UNIX System Services provides capabilities under z/OS to make it easier to implement or port applications in an open, distributed environment. z/OS UNIX System Services are available to z/OS C/C++ application programs through the C/C++ language bindings available with z/OS Language Environment.

Together, the z/OS UNIX System Services, z/OS Language Environment, and z/OS C/C++ compilers provide an application programming interface that supports industry standards.

z/OS UNIX System Services provides support for both existing z/OS applications and new z/OS UNIX System Services applications through the following:
• C programming language support as defined by ISO C
• C++ programming language support as defined by ISO C++
• C language bindings as defined in the IEEE 1003.1 and 1003.2 standards; subsets of the draft 1003.1a and 1003.4a standards; X/Open CAE Specification: System Interfaces and Headers, Issue 4, Version 2, which provides standard interfaces for better source code portability with other conforming systems; and X/Open CAE Specification, Network Services, Issue 4, which defines the X/Open UNIX descriptions of sockets and X/Open Transport Interface (XTI)
• z/OS UNIX System Services extensions that provide z/OS-specific support beyond the defined standards
• The z/OS UNIX System Services Shell and Utilities feature, which provides:
  – A shell, based on the Korn Shell and compatible with the Bourne Shell
  – A shell, tshell, based on the C shell, csh
  – Tools and utilities that support the X/Open Single UNIX Specification, also known as X/Open Portability Guide (XPG) Version 4, Issue 2, and provide z/OS support. The following is a partial list of utilities that are included:
    ar Creates and maintains library archives
    BPXBATCH Allows you to submit batch jobs that run shell commands, scripts, or z/OS C/C++ executable files in HFS files from a shell session
    c89 Uses host environment variables to compile, assemble, and bind z/OS UNIX System Services C/C++ and assembler applications
    dbx Provides an environment to debug and run programs
    gencat Merges the message text source files message file (usually *.msg) into a formatted message catalog file (usually *.cat)
functions

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Applications

You can invoke a z/OS C/C++ program that uses z/OS UNIX System Services C functions using the following methods:

z/OS C/C++ Applications with z/OS UNIX System Services C/C++ functions

All z/OS UNIX System Services C functions are available at all times. In some situations, you must specify the POSIX(ON) run-time option. This is required for the POSIX.4a threading functions, and the system() and signal handling functions where the behavior is different between POSIX/XPG4 and ISO. Refer to z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference for more information about requirements for each function.

For application developers who have worked with other UNIX environments, the z/OS UNIX System Services Shell and Utilities are a familiar environment for C/C++ application development. If you are familiar with existing MVS development environments, you may find that the z/OS UNIX System Services environment can enhance your productivity. Refer to z/OS UNIX System Services User’s Guide for more information on the Shell and Utilities.

- Access to a hierarchical file system (HFS), with support for the POSIX.1 and XPG4 standards
- Access to zServer File System (zFS), which provides performance improvements over HFS
- z/OS C/C++ I/O routines, which support using HFS files, standard z/OS data sets, or a mixture of both
- Application threads (with support for a subset of POSIX.4a)
- Support for z/OS C/C++ DLLs

z/OS UNIX System Services offers program portability across multivendor operating systems, with support for POSIX.1, POSIX.1a (draft 6), POSIX.2, POSIX.4a (draft 6), and XPG4.2.

invokes mkcatdefs and pipes the message catalog source data (the output from mkcatdefs) to gencat

- Support for other utilities such as:
dspcat Displays all or part of a message catalog
dspmsg Displays a selected message from a message catalog
mkcatdefs Preprocesses a message source file for input to the gencat utility
runcat Invokes mkcatdefs and pipes the message catalog source
data (the output from mkcatdefs) to gencat

iconv Converts characters from one code set to another
lex Automatically writes large parts of a lexical analyzer based on
a description that is supplied by the programmer
localedef Creates a compiled locale object
make Helps you manage projects containing a set of interdependent
files, such as a program with many z/OS source and object
files, keeping all such files up to date with one another
xlc Allows you to invoke the compiler using a customizable
configuration file
yacc Allows you to write compilers and other programs that parse
input according to strict grammar rules

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• Directly from a shell.
• From another program, or from a shell, using one of the exec family of functions, or the BPXBATCH utility from TSO or MVS batch.
• Using the POSIX system() call.
• Directly through TSO or MVS batch without the use of the intermediate BPXBATCH utility. In some cases, you may require the POSIX(ON) run-time option.

Input and output

The C/C++ run-time library that supports the z/OS C/C++ compiler supports different input and output (I/O) interfaces, file types, and access methods. The Standard C++ Library provides additional support.

I/O interfaces

The C/C++ run-time library supports the following I/O interfaces:

C Stream I/O
This is the default and the ISO-defined I/O method. This method processes all input and output on a per-character basis.

Record I/O
The library can also process your input and output by record. A record is a set of data that is treated as a unit. It can also process VSAM data sets by record. Record I/O is a z/OS C/C++ extension to the ISO standard.

TCP/IP Sockets I/O
z/OS UNIX System Services provides support for an enhanced version of an industry-accepted protocol for client/server communication that is known as sockets. A set of C language functions provides support for z/OS UNIX System Services sockets. z/OS UNIX System Services sockets correspond closely to the sockets used by UNIX applications that use the Berkeley Software Distribution (BSD) 4.3 standard (also known as OE sockets). The slightly different interface of the X/Open CAE Specification, Networking Services, Issue 4, is supplied as an additional choice. This interface is known as X/Open Sockets.

The z/OS UNIX System Services socket application program interface (API) provides support for both UNIX domain sockets and Internet domain sockets. UNIX domain sockets, or local sockets, allow interprocess communication within z/OS, independent of TCP/IP. Local sockets behave like traditional UNIX sockets and allow processes to communicate with one another on a single system. With Internet sockets, application programs can communicate with each other in the network using TCP/IP.

In addition, the Standard C++ Library provides stream classes, which support formatted I/O in C++. You can code sophisticated I/O statements easily and clearly, and define input and output for your own data types. This helps improve the maintainability of programs that use input and output.

File types

In addition to conventional files, such as sequential files and partitioned data sets, the C/C++ run-time library supports the following file types:

Virtual Storage Access Method (VSAM) data sets
z/OS C/C++ has native support for three types of VSAM data organization:
- Key-Sequenced Data Sets (KSDS). Use KSDS to access a record through a key within the record. A key is one or more consecutive characters that are taken from a data record that identifies the record.
- Entry-Sequenced Data Sets (ESDS). Use ESDS to access data in the order it was created (or in reverse order).
- Relative-Record Data Sets (RRDS). Use RRDS for data in which each item has a particular number (for example, a telephone system where a record is associated with each telephone number).

For more information on how to perform I/O operations on these VSAM file types, see Chapter 12, “Performing VSAM I/O operations,” on page 157.

Hierarchical File System files
z/OS C/C++ recognizes Hierarchical File System (HFS) file names. The name specified on the fopen() or freopen() call has to conform to certain rules. See Chapter 11, “Performing UNIX file system I/O operations,” on page 133 for the details of these rules. You can create regular HFS files, special character HFS files, or FIFO HFS files. You can also create links or directories.

Memory files
Memory files are temporary files that reside in memory. For improved performance, you can direct input and output to memory files rather than to devices. Since memory files reside in main storage and only exist while the program is executing, you primarily use them as work files. You can access memory files across load modules through calls to non-POSIX system() and C fetch(); they exist for the life of the root program. Standard streams can be redirected to memory files on a non-POSIX system() call using command line redirection.

Hiperspace™ expanded storage
Large memory files can be placed in Hiperspace expanded storage to free up some of your home address space for other uses. Hiperspace expanded storage or high performance space is a range of up to 2 GB of contiguous virtual storage space. A program can use this storage as a buffer (1 gigabyte(GB) = 2^30 bytes).

zServer File System
zServer File System (zFS) is a z/OS UNIX file system that can be used in addition to the Hierarchical File System (HFS). zFS provides performance gains in accessing files that are frequently accessed and updated. The I/O functions in the C/C++ run-time library support zFS.

Additional I/O features
z/OS C/C++ provides additional I/O support through the following features:
- Large file support, which enables I/O to and from Hierarchical File System (HFS) files that are larger than 2 GB (see large file support in z/OS C/C++ Language Reference)
- User error handling for serious I/O failures (SIGIOERR)
- Improved sequential data access performance through enablement of the DFSMS support for 31-bit sequential data buffers and sequential data striping on extended format data sets
- Full support of PDSEs on z/OS (including support for multiple members opened for write)
- Overlapped I/O support under z/OS (NCP, BUFNO)
- Multibyte character I/O functions
- Fixed-point (packed) decimal data type support in formatted I/O functions
- Support for multiple volume data sets that span more than one volume of DASD or tape
- Support for Generation Data Group I/O

The System Programming C facility

The System Programming C (SPC) facility allows you to build applications that require no dynamic loading of z/OS Language Environment libraries. It also allows you to tailor your application for better utilization of the low-level services available on your operating system. SPC offers a number of advantages:

- You can develop applications that can be executed in a customized environment rather than with z/OS Language Environment services. Note that if you do not use z/OS Language Environment services, only some built-in functions and a limited set of C/C++ run-time library functions are available to you.
- You can substitute the z/OS C language in place of assembler language when writing system exit routines, by using the interfaces that are provided by SPC.
- SPC lets you develop applications featuring a user-controlled environment, in which a z/OS C environment is created once and used repeatedly for C function execution from other languages.
- You can utilize co-routines, by using a two-stack model to write application service routines. In this model, the application calls on the service routine to perform services independent of the user. The application is then suspended when control is returned to the user application.

Interaction with other IBM products

When you use z/OS C/C++, you can write programs that utilize the power of other IBM products and subsystems:

- Customer Information Control System (CICS)
  You can use the CICS Command-Level Interface to write C/C++ application programs. The CICS Command-Level Interface provides data, job, and task management facilities that are normally provided by the operating system.

- DB2 Universal Database™ (UDB) for z/OS
  DB2 programs manage data that is stored in relational databases. You can access the data by using a structured set of queries that are written in Structured Query Language (SQL).
  A DB2 program uses SQL statements that are embedded in the application program. The SQL translator (DB2 preprocessor) translates the embedded SQL into host language statements, which are then compiled by the z/OS C/C++ compilers.

  Note: Alternatively, use the SQL compiler option to compile a DB2 program without using the DB2 preprocessor.

  The DB2 program processes requests, then returns control to the application program.

- Debug Tool
  z/OS C/C++ supports program development by using the Debug Tool. This tool allows you to debug applications in their native host environment, such as CICS, IMS, and DB2. Debug Tool provides the following support and function:
  - Step mode
  - Breakpoints
  - Monitor
– Frequency analysis
– Dynamic patching

You can record the debug session in a log file, and replay the session. You can also use Debug Tool to help capture test cases for future program validation, or to further isolate a problem within an application.

You can specify either data sets or Hierarchical File System (HFS) files as source files.


• IBM C/C++ Productivity Tools for OS/390

**Note:** Starting with z/OS V1R5, both the z/OS C/C++ compiler optional feature and the Debug Tool product will need to be installed if you wish to use IBM C/C++ Productivity Tools for OS/390. For more information on Debug Tool, refer to [http://www.ibm.com/software/awdtools/debugtool/](http://www.ibm.com/software/awdtools/debugtool/)

With the IBM C/C++ Productivity Tools for OS/390 product, you can expand your z/OS application development environment out to the workstation, while remaining close to your familiar host environment. IBM C/C++ Productivity Tools for OS/390 includes the following workstation-based tools to increase your productivity and code quality:

– A Performance Analyzer to help you analyze, understand, and tune your C and C++ applications for improved performance
– A Distributed Debugger that allows you to debug C or C++ programs from the convenience of the workstation
– A workstation-based editor to improve the productivity of your C and C++ source entry
– Advanced online help, with full text search and hypertext topics as well as printable, viewable, and searchable Portable Document Format (PDF) documents

In addition, IBM C/C++ Productivity Tools for OS/390 includes the following host components:

– Debug Tool
– Host Performance Analyzer

Use the Performance Analyzer on your workstation to graphically display and analyze a profile of the execution of your host z/OS C or C++ application. Use this information to time and tune your code so that you can increase the performance of your application.

Use the Distributed Debugger to debug your z/OS C or C++ application remotely from your workstation. Set a breakpoint with the simple click of the mouse. Use the windowing capabilities of your workstation to view multiple segments of your source and your storage, while monitoring a variable at the same time.

Use the workstation-based editor to quickly develop C and C++ application code that runs on z/OS. Context-sensitive help information is available to you when you need it.

References to *Performance Analyzer* in this document refer to the IBM OS/390 Performance Analyzer included in the C/C++ Productivity Tools for OS/390 product.

• Fault Analyzer for z/OS and OS/390

The IBM Fault Analyzer helps developers analyze and fix application and system failures. It gathers information about an application and the surrounding environment at the time of the abend, providing the developer with valuable information needed for developing and testing new and existing applications. For
more information, please refer to:
http://www.ibm.com/software/awdtools/faultanalyzer/

- Application Monitor for z/OS and OS/390
The IBM Application Monitor provides resource utilization information for your applications. This resource information can be the current system data (online analysis) or data collected over a certain time period (historical analysis). It helps you to isolate performance problems in applications, improve response time in online transactions and improve batch turnaround time. It also collects samples from the monitored address space and analyzes the system or resource application. For more information please refer to:
http://www.ibm.com/software/awdtools/applicationmonitor/

- Software Configuration and Library Manager facility (SCLM)
The ISPF Software Configuration and Library Manager facility (SCLM) maintains information about the source code, objects and load modules. It also keeps track of other relationships in your application, such as test cases, JCL, and publications. The SCLM Build function translates input to output, managing not only compilation and linking, but all associating processes required to build an application. This facility helps to ensure that your production load modules match the source in your production source libraries.

- Graphical Data Display Manager (GDDM)
GDDM provides a comprehensive set of functions to display and print applications most effectively:
  - A windowing system that the user can tailor to display selected information
  - Support for presentation and keyboard interaction
  - Comprehensive graphics support
  - Fonts (including support for the double-byte character set)
  - Business image support
  - Saving and restoring graphic pictures
  - Support for many types of display terminals, printers, and plotters

- Query Management Facility (QMF)
z/OS C supports the Query Management Facility (QMF), a query and report writing facility, which allows you to write applications through a callable interface. You can create applications to perform a variety of tasks, such as data entry, query building, administration aids, and report analysis.

- z/OS Java Support
The Java language supports the Java Native Interface (JNI) for making calls to and from C/C++. These calls do not use ILC support but rather the Java defined JNI, which is supported by both compiled and interpreted Java code. Calls to C or C++ do not distinguish between these two.

### Additional features of z/OS C/C++

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<td>Packed Structures and Unions</td>
<td>z/OS C provides support for packed structures and unions. Structures and unions may be packed to reduce the storage requirements of a z/OS C program or to define structures that are laid out according to COBOL or PL/I structure alignment rules.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fixed-point (Packed) Decimal Data</td>
<td>z/OS C supports fixed-point (packed) decimal as a native data type for use in business applications. The packed data type is similar to the COBOL data type COMP-3 or the PL/I data type FIXED DEC, with up to 31 digits of precision.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Long Name Support</td>
<td>For portability, external names can be mixed case and up to 32 K - 1 characters in length. For C++, the limit applies to the mangled version of the name.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>System Calls</td>
<td>You can call commands or executable modules using the system() function under z/OS, z/OS UNIX System Services, and TSO. You can also use the system() function to call EXECs on z/OS and TSO, or Shell scripts using z/OS UNIX System Services.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Feature</td>
<td>Description</td>
</tr>
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<td>---------------------------------------</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>Exploitation of Hardware</td>
<td>Use the ARCHITECTURE compiler option to select the minimum level of machine architecture on which your program will run. Note that certain features provided by the compiler require a minimum architecture level. The highest level currently supported is ARCH(6), which exploits instructions available on model 2084-xxx (z900) in z/Architecture™ mode. For more information, refer to the ARCHITECTURE compiler option in z/OS C/C++ User’s Guide.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Use the TUNE compiler option to optimize your application for a specific machine architecture within the constraints imposed by the ARCHITECTURE option. The TUNE level must not be lower than the setting in the ARCHITECTURE option. For more information, refer to the TUNE compiler option in z/OS C/C++ User’s Guide.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Built-in Functions for Floating-Point and Other Hardware Instructions</td>
<td>Use built-in functions for floating-point and other hardware instructions that are otherwise inaccessible to C/C++ programs. For more information, see Appendix I, “Using built-in functions,” on page 919.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Part 2. Input and Output

This part describes the models of input and output available with IBM z/OS C/C++.

The C run-time functions are available if the corresponding C header files are used. C I/O can be used by C++ when the C run-time library functions are used.

The following references provide a description and examples of I/O streams:

- Chapter 2, “Introduction to C and C++ input and output,” on page 23
- Chapter 3, “Understanding models of C I/O,” on page 25
- Chapter 4, “Using the Standard C++ Library I/O Stream Classes,” on page 37
- Chapter 5, “Opening files,” on page 41
- Chapter 6, “Buffering of C streams,” on page 61
- Chapter 7, “Using ASA text files,” on page 63
- Chapter 8, “z/OS C Support for the double-byte character set,” on page 67
- Chapter 9, “Using C and C++ standard streams and redirection,” on page 75
- Chapter 10, “Performing OS I/O operations,” on page 95
- Chapter 11, “Performing UNIX file system I/O operations,” on page 133
- Chapter 12, “Performing VSAM I/O operations,” on page 157
- Chapter 13, “Performing terminal I/O operations,” on page 197
- Chapter 14, “Performing memory file and hiperspace I/O operations,” on page 207
- Chapter 15, “Performing CICS I/O operations,” on page 221
- Chapter 16, “Language Environment Message file operations,” on page 223
- Chapter 17, “Debugging I/O programs,” on page 225
Chapter 2. Introduction to C and C++ input and output

This chapter provides you with a general introduction to C and C++ input and output (I/O). Three types of C and C++ input and output are discussed in this chapter:

- text streams
- binary streams
- record I/O

Types of C and C++ input and output

A stream is a flow of data elements that are transmitted or intended for transmission in a defined format. A record is a set of data elements treated as a unit, and a file (or data set) is a named set of records that is stored or processed as a unit.

The z/OS C/C++ compiler supports three types of input and output: text streams, binary streams, and record I/O. Text and binary streams are both ANSI standards; record I/O is an extension for z/OS C. Record I/O is not supported by either the USL I/O Stream Class Library or the Standard C++ I/O stream classes.

Note: If you have written data in one of these three types and try to read it as another type (for example, reading a binary file in text mode), you may not get the behavior that you expect.

Text streams

Text streams contain printable characters and, depending on the type of file, control characters. Text streams are organized into lines. Each line ends with a control character, usually a new-line. The last record in a text file may or may not end with a control character, depending on what kind of file you are using. Text files recognize the following control characters:

- \a Alarm.
- \b Backspace.
- \f Form feed.
- \n New-line.
- \r Carriage return.
- \t Horizontal tab character.
- \v Vertical tab character.
- \x0E DBCS shift-out character. Indicates the beginning of a DBCS string, if >MB_CUR_MAX 1 in the definition of the locale that is in effect. For more information about _MBCURMAX, see Chapter 8, “z/OS C Support for the double-byte character set,” on page 67.
- \x0F DBCS shift-in character. Indicates the end of a DBCS string, if >MB_CUR_MAX 1 in the definition of the locale that is in effect. For more information about _MBCURMAX, see Chapter 8, “z/OS C Support for the double-byte character set,” on page 67.

Control characters behave differently in terminal files (see Chapter 13, “Performing terminal I/O operations,” on page 197) and ASA files (see Chapter 7, “Using ASA text files,” on page 63).
Binary streams

Binary streams contain a sequence of bytes. For binary streams, the library does not translate any characters on input or output. It treats them as a continuous stream of bytes, and ignores any record boundaries. When data is written out to a record-oriented file, it fills one record before it starts filling the next. HFS streams follow the binary model, regardless of whether they are opened for text, binary, or record I/O. You can simulate record I/O by using new-line characters as record boundaries.

Record I/O

Record I/O is an extension to the ISO standard. For files opened in record format, z/OS C/C++ reads and writes one record at a time. If you try to write more data to a record than the record can hold, the data is truncated. For record I/O, z/OS C/C++ allows only the use of fread() and fwrite() to read and write to files. Any other functions (such as fprintf(), fscanf(), getc(), and putc()) will fail. For record-oriented files, records do not change size when you update them. If the new record has fewer characters than the original record, the new data fills the first $n$ characters, where $n$ is the number of characters of the new data. The record will remain the same size, and the old characters (those after $n$) are left unchanged. A subsequent update begins at the next boundary. For example, if you have the string "abcdefgh:

```
  a b c d e f g h
```

and you overwrite it with the string ""1234, the record will look like this:

```
  1 2 3 4 e f g h
```

z/OS C/C++ record I/O is binary. That is, it does not interpret any of the data in a record file and therefore does not recognize control characters. The only exception is for file categories that do not support records, such as the Hierarchical File System (also known as POSIX I/O). For these files, uses new-line characters as record boundaries.
Chapter 3. Understanding models of C I/O

This chapter describes z/OS C/C++ support for the major models of C I/O:

- The record model
- The byte stream model

The next chapter (Chapter 4, “Using the Standard C++ Library I/O Stream Classes,” on page 37) describes a third major model, the object-oriented model.

The record model for C I/O

Almost all the kinds of I/O that z/OS C/C++ supports use this model. The only ones that do not are HFS, memory file, and Hiperspace I/O.

The record model consists of the following:

- A record, which is the unit of data transmitted to and from a program.
- A block, which is the unit of data transmitted to and from a device. Each block may contain one or more records.

In the record model of I/O, records and blocks have the following attributes:

RECFM Specifies the format of the data or how the data is organized on the physical device.

LRECL Specifies the length of logical records (as opposed to physical ones). Variable length records include a count field that is normally not available to the programmer.

BLKSIZE Specifies the length of physical records (blocks on the physical device).

Record formats

Use the RECFM attribute to specify the record format. The records in a file using the record model have one of the following formats:

- Fixed-length (F)
- Variable-length (V)
- Undefined-length (U)

Note: z/OS C/C++ does not support Format-D files.

These formats support the following additional options for RECFM:

A Specifies that the file contains ASA control characters.

B Specifies that a file is blocked. A blocked file can have more than one record in each block.

M Specifies that the file contains machine control characters.

S Specifies that a file is either in standard format (if it is fixed) or spanned (if it is variable). In a standard file, every block must be full before another one starts. In a spanned file, a record can be longer than a block. If it is, the record is divided into segments and stored in consecutive blocks.

The record formats and the additional options associated with them are discussed in the following sections.
Not all the I/O categories (listed in Table 5 on page 43) support all of these attributes. Depending on what category you are using, z/OS C/C++ ignores or simulates attributes that do not apply. For more information, on the record formats and the options supported for each I/O category, see Chapter 5, “Opening files,” on page 41.

**Fixed-format records**

**Record format (RECFM)**

These are the formats you can specify for RECFM if you want to use a fixed-format file:

- **F** Fixed-length, unblocked
- **FA** Fixed-length, ASA print-control characters
- **FB** Fixed-length, blocked
- **FM** Fixed-length, machine print-control codes
- **FS** Fixed-length, unblocked, standard
- **FBA** Fixed-length, blocked, ASA print-control characters
- **FBM** Fixed-length, blocked, machine print-control codes
- **FBS** Fixed-length, blocked, standard
- **FSA** Fixed-length, unblocked, standard, ASA print-control characters
- **FSM** Fixed-length, unblocked, standard, machine print-control codes
- **FBSM** Fixed-length, blocked, standard, machine print-control codes
- **FBSA** Fixed-length, blocked, standard, ASA print-control characters.

**Note:** In general, all references in this guide to files with record format **FB** also refer to **FBA** and **FBM**. The specific behavior of ASA files (such as **FBA**) is explained in Chapter 7, “Using ASA text files,” on page 63.

**Attention:** z/OS C/C++ distinguishes between **FB** and **FBS** formats, because an **FBS** file contains no embedded short blocks (the last block may be short). **FBS** files give you much better performance. The use of standard (S) blocks optimizes the sequential processing of a file on a direct-access device. With a standard format file, the file pointer can be directly repositioned by calculating the exact position in that file of a given record rather than reading through the entire file.

If the records are **FB**, some blocks may contain fewer records than others, as shown in Figure 2 on page 27.
**Mapping C types to fixed format:** The following formats are discussed in this section:

- Binary
- Text (non-ASA)
- Text (ASA)
- Record

### Binary

On binary input and output, data flows over record boundaries. Because all fixed-format records must be full, z/OS C/C++ completes any incomplete output record by padding it with nulls (\'\0\') when you close the file. Incomplete *blocks* are not padded. On input, nulls are visible and are treated as data.

For example, if record length is set to 10 and you are writing 25 characters of data, z/OS C/C++ will write two full records, each containing 10 characters, and then an incomplete record containing 5 characters. If you then close the file, z/OS C/C++ will complete the last record with 5 nulls. If you open the file for reading, z/OS C/C++ will read the records in order. z/OS C/C++ will not strip off the nulls at the end of the last record.

### Text (non-ASA)

When writing in a text stream, you indicate the end of the data for a record by writing a new-line (\'\n\') or carriage return (\'\r\') to the stream. In a fixed-format file, the new-line or carriage return will not appear in the external file, and the record will be padded with blanks from the position of the new-line or carriage return to LRECL. (A carriage return is considered the same as a new-line because the '\r' is not written to the file.)

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**Figure 2. Blocking fixed-length records**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>F-Format</th>
<th>FB-Format</th>
<th>FBS-Format</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Block</td>
<td>Block</td>
<td>Block</td>
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<tr>
<td>Block</td>
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<td>Record</td>
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<td>Record</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

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For example, if you have set LRECL to 10, and you write the string "ABC\n" to a fixed-format text file, z/OS C/C++ will write this to the physical file:

```
A B C
```

A record containing only a new-line is written to the file as LRECL blanks.

When reading in a text stream, the I/O functions place a new-line character ("\n") in the buffer to indicate the end of data for the record. In a fixed-format file, the new-line character is placed at the start of the blank padding at the end of the data.

For example, if your file position points to the start of the following record in a fixed-format file opened as a text stream:

```
A B C
```

and you call fgets() to read the line of text, fgets() places the string "ABC\n" in your input buffer.

**Attention:** Any blanks written immediately before a new-line or carriage return will be considered blank padding when the record is read back from the file. You cannot change the padding character.

When you are updating a fixed-format file opened as a text stream, you can update the amount of data in a record. The maximum length of the updated data is LRECL bytes plus the new-line character; the minimum length is zero data bytes plus the new-line character. Writing new data into an existing record replaces the old data. If the new data is longer or shorter than the old data, the number of blank padding characters in the record in the external file is changed. When you extend a record, thereby writing over the old new-line, there will be a new-line character implied after the new characters. For instance, if you were to overwrite the record mentioned in the previous example with the string "123456", the records in the physical file would then look like this:

```
1 2 3 4 5 6
```

The blanks at the end of the record imply a new-line at position 7. You can see this new-line by calling fflush() and then performing a read. The implied new-line is the first character returned from this read.

A fixed record can hold only LRECL characters. If you try to write more than that, z/OS C/C++ truncates the data unless you are using a standard
stream or a terminal file. In this case, the output is split across multiple records. If truncation occurs, z/OS C/C++ raises SIGIOERR and sets both errno and the error flag.

**Text (ASA)**

For ASA files, the first character of each record is reserved for the ASA control character that represents a new-line, a carriage return, or a form feed. This control character represents what should happen before the record is written.

### Table 4. C control to ASA characters

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>C Control Character</th>
<th>ASA Character</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>\n</td>
<td>' '</td>
<td>skip one line</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>\n\n</td>
<td>'0'</td>
<td>skip two lines</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>\n\n\n</td>
<td>'1'</td>
<td>skip three lines</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>\f</td>
<td>'1'</td>
<td>new page</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>\r</td>
<td>'+'</td>
<td>overstrike</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

A control character that ends a logical record is represented at the beginning of the following record in the external file. Since the ASA control character is in the first byte of each record, a record can hold only LRECL - 1 bytes of data. As with non-ASA text files described above, z/OS C/C++ adds blank padding to complete any record shorter than LRECL - 1 when it writes the record to the file. On input, z/OS C/C++ removes all trailing blanks. For example, if LRECL is 10, and you enter the string:

```
\nABC\nDEF
```

the record in the physical file will look like this:

```
A B C
```

On input, this string is read as follows:

```
\nABC\nDEF
```

You can lengthen and shorten records the same way as you can for non-ASA files. For more information about ASA, refer to Chapter 7, “Using ASA text files,” on page 63.

**Record**

As with fixed-format text files, a record can hold LRECL characters. Every call to fwrite() is considered to be writing a full record. If you write fewer than LRECL characters, z/OS C/C++ completes the record with enough nulls to make it LRECL characters long. If you try to write more than that, z/OS C/C++ truncates the data.

**Variable-format records**

In a file with variable-length records, each record may be a different length. The variable length formats permit both variable-length records and variable-length blocks. The first 4 bytes of each block are reserved for the Block Descriptor Word (BDW); the first 4 bytes of each record are reserved for the Record Descriptor Word.
(RDW), or, if you are using spanned files, the Segment Descriptor Word (SDW). Illustrations of variable-length records are shown in Figure 3 on page 31.

Once you have set the LRECL for a variable-format file, you can write up to LRECL minus 4 characters in each record. z/OS C/C++ does not let you see RDWs, BDWs, or SDWs when you open a file as variable-format. To see the RDWs or SDWs and BDWs, open the variable file as undefined-format, as described in "Undefined-format records" on page 32.

The value of LRECL must be greater than 4 to accommodate the RDW or SDW. The value of BLKSIZE must be greater than or equal to the value of LRECL plus 4. You should not use a BLKSIZE greater than LRECL plus 4 for an unblocked data set. Doing so results in buffers that are larger than they need to be. The largest amount of data that any one record can hold is LRECL bytes minus 4.

For striped data sets, a block is padded out to its full BLKSIZE. This makes specifying an unnecessarily large BLKSIZE very inefficient.

**Record format (RECFM):** You can specify the following formats for variable-length records:

- **V** Variable-length, unblocked
- **VA** Variable-length, ASA print control characters, unblocked
- **VB** Variable-length, blocked
- **VM** Variable-length, machine print-control codes, unblocked
- **VS** Variable-length, unblocked, spanned
- **VBA** Variable-length, blocked, ASA print control characters
- **VBM** Variable-length, blocked, machine print-control codes
- **VBS** Variable-length, blocked, spanned
- **VSA** Variable-length, spanned, ASA print control characters
- **VSM** Variable-length, spanned, machine print-control codes
- **VBSA** Variable-length, blocked, spanned, ASA print control characters
- **VBSM** Variable-length, blocked, spanned, machine print-control codes

**Note:** In general, all references in this guide to files with record format VB also refer to VBM and VBA. The specific behavior of ASA files (such as VBA) is explained in Chapter 7, "Using ASA text files," on page 63.

V-format signifies unblocked variable-length records. Each record is treated as a block containing only one record.

VB-format signifies blocked variable-length records. Each block contains as many complete records as it can accommodate.

**Spanned records:** A spanned record is opened using both V and S in the format specifier. A spanned record is a variable-length record in which the length of the record can exceed the size of a block. If it does, the record is divided into segments and accommodated in two or more consecutive blocks. The use of spanned records allows you to select a block size, independent of record length, that will combine optimum use of auxiliary storage with the maximum efficiency of transmission.
VS-format specifies that each block contains only one record or segment of a record. The first 4 bytes of a block describe the block control information. The second 4 bytes contain record or segment control information, including an indication of whether the record is complete or is a first, intermediate, or last segment.

VBS-format differs from VS-format in that each block in VBS-format contains as many complete records or segments as it can accommodate, while each block in VS-format contains at most one record per block.

V-format:

```
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>C1</th>
<th>C2</th>
<th></th>
<th>C1</th>
<th>C2</th>
<th></th>
<th>C1</th>
<th>C2</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Record 1</td>
<td>Record 2</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
```

VB-format:

```
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>C1</th>
<th>C2</th>
<th></th>
<th>C2</th>
<th></th>
<th>C1</th>
<th>C2</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Record 1</td>
<td>Record 2</td>
<td>Record 3</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
```

VS-format:

```
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>C1</th>
<th>C2</th>
<th></th>
<th>C2</th>
<th></th>
<th>C1</th>
<th>C2</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Record 1 (entire)</td>
<td>Record 2 (first segment)</td>
<td>Record 2 (next segment)</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
```

VBS-format:

```
<table>
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<tr>
<th>C1</th>
<th>C2</th>
<th></th>
<th>C2</th>
<th></th>
<th>C1</th>
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<tr>
<td>Record 1 (entire)</td>
<td>Record 2 (first segment)</td>
<td>Record 2 (last segment)</td>
<td>Record 3</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
```

C1: Block control information  
C2: Record or segment control information

Figure 3. Variable-length records on z/OS

Mapping C types to variable format:

Binary

On input and output, data flows over record boundaries. Any record will hold up to LRECL minus 4 characters of data. If you try to write more than that, your data will go to the next record, after the RDW or SDW. You will not be able to see the descriptor words when you read the file.

Note: If you need to see the BDWs, RDWs, or SDWs, you can open and read a V-format file as a U-format file. See "Undefined-format records" on page 32 for more information.

z/OS C/C++ never creates empty binary records for files opened in V-format. See "Writing to binary files" on page 117 for more information. An empty binary record is one that contains only an RDW, which is 4 bytes long. On input, empty records are ignored.
Text (non-ASA)

Record boundaries are used in the physical file to represent the position of the new-line character. You can indicate the end of a record by including a new-line or carriage return character in your data. In variable-format files, z/OS C/C++ treats the carriage return character as if it were a new-line. z/OS C/C++ does not write either of these characters to the physical file; instead, it creates a record boundary. When you read the file back, boundaries are read as new-lines.

If a record only contains a new-line character, the default behavior of z/OS C/C++ is to write a record containing a single blank to the file. Therefore, the string "\n" is treated the same way as the string "\n"; both are read back as "\n". All other blanks in your output are read back as is. Any empty (zero-length) record is ignored on input. However, if the environment variable _EDC_ZERO_RECLEN was set to Y at the time the file was opened, a single new-line is written to the file as an empty record, and a single blank represents "\n". On input, an empty record is treated as a single new-line and is not ignored.

After a record has been written to a file, you cannot change its length. If you try to shorten a logical record by writing a new, smaller amount of data into it, the C I/O library will add blank characters until the record is full. Writing more data to a record than it can hold causes your data to be truncated unless you are writing to a standard stream or a terminal file. In this case, your output is split across multiple records. If truncation occurs, z/OS C/C++ raises SIGIOERR and sets both errno and the error flag.

Note: If you did not explicitly set the _EDC_ZERO_RECLEN environment variable when you opened the file, you can update a record that contains a single blank to contain a non-blank character, thereby lengthening the logical record from '\n' to 'x\n'), where x is the non-blank character.

Text (ASA)

z/OS C/C++ treats variable-format ASA text files similarly to the way it treats fixed-format ones. Empty records are always ignored in ASA variable-format files; for a record to be recognized, it must contain at least one character as the ASA control character.

For more information about ASA, refer to Chapter 7, “Using ASA text files,” on page 63.

Record

Each call to fwrite() creates a record that must be shorter than or equal to the size established by LRECL. If you try to write more than LRECL bytes on one call to fwrite(), z/OS C/C++ will truncate your data. z/OS C/C++ never creates empty records using record I/O. On input, empty records are ignored unless you have set the _EDC_ZERO_RECLEN environment variable to Y. In this case, empty records are treated as records with length 0.

If your application sets _EDC_ZERO_RECLEN to Y, bear in mind that fread() returns back 0 bytes read, but does not set errno, and that both feof() and ferror() return 0 as well.

Undefined-format records

Everything in an undefined-format file is treated as data, including control characters and record boundaries. Blocks in undefined-format records are variable-length; each block is considered a record.
It is impossible to have an empty record. Whatever you specify for LRECL has no
effect on your data, but the value of LRECL must be less than or equal to the value
you specify for BLKSIZE. Regardless of what you specify, z/OS C/C++ sets LRECL to
zero when it creates an undefined-format file.

Reading a file in U-format enables you to read an entire block at once.

**Record format (RECFM):** You can specify the following formats for
undefined-length records:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>U</th>
<th>Undefined-length</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>UA</td>
<td>Undefined-length, ASA print control characters</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UM</td>
<td>Undefined-length, machine print-control codes</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

U, UA, and UM formats permit the processing of records that do not conform to F- and
V-formats. The operating system treats each block as a record; your program must
perform any additional blocking or deblocking.

You can read any file in U-format. This is useful if, for example, you want to see the
BDWs and RDWs of a file that you have written in V-format.

**Mapping C types to undefined format:**

**Binary**

When you are writing to an undefined-format file, binary data fills a block
and then begins a new block.

**Text (non-ASA)**

Record boundaries (that is, block boundaries) are used in the physical file
to represent the position of the new-line character. You can indicate the end
of a record by including a new-line or carriage return character in your data.
In undefined-format files, z/OS C/C++ treats the carriage return character
as if it were a new-line. z/OS C/C++ does not write either of these
characters to the physical file; instead, it creates a record boundary. When
you read the file back, these boundaries are read as new-lines.

If a record contains only a new-line character, z/OS C/C++ writes a record
containing a single blank to the file regardless of the setting of the
_EDC_ZERO_RECLEN environment variable. Therefore, the string '\n' (a
single blank followed by a new-line character) is treated the same way as
'\n'; both are written out as a single blank. On input, both are read as
'\n'. All other blank characters are written and read as you intended.

After a record has been written to a file, you cannot change its length. If
you try to shorten a logical record by writing a new, smaller amount of data
into it, the C I/O library adds blank characters until the record is full. Writing
more data to a record than it can hold will cause your data to be truncated
unless you are writing to a standard stream or a terminal file. In these
cases, your output is split across multiple records. If truncation occurs, z/OS
C/C++ raises SIGIOERR and sets both errno and the error flag.

**Note:** You can update a record that contains a single blank to contain a
non-blank character, thereby lengthening the logical record from '\n' to
'x\n'), where x is the non-blank character.

**Text (ASA)**

For a record to be recognized, it must contain at least one character as the
ASA control character.
For more information about ASA, refer to Chapter 7, “Using ASA text files,” on page 63.

Record

Each call to fwrite() creates a record that must be shorter than or equal to the size established by BLKSIZE. If you try to write more than BLKSIZE bytes on one call to fwrite(), z/OS C/C++ truncates your data.

The byte stream model for C I/O

The byte stream model differs from the record I/O model. In the byte stream model, a file is just a stream of bytes, with no record boundaries. New-line characters written to the stream appear in the external file.

If the file is opened in binary mode, any new-line characters previously written to the file are visible on input. z/OS C/C++ memory file I/O and Hiperspace memory file I/O are based on the byte stream model (see Chapter 14, “Performing memory file and hiperspace I/O operations,” on page 207 for more information).

Hierarchical File System (HFS) I/O, defined by POSIX, is also based on the byte stream model. Refer to Chapter 11, “Performing UNIX file system I/O operations,” on page 133 for information about I/O with HFS.

Mapping the C types of I/O to the byte stream model

Binary

In the byte stream model, files opened in binary mode do not contain any record boundaries. Data is written as is to the file.

Text

The byte stream model does not support ASA. New-lines, carriage returns, and other control characters are written as-is to the file.

Record

If record I/O is supported by the kind of file you are using, z/OS C/C++ simulates it by treating new-line characters as record boundaries. New-lines are not treated as part of the record. A record written out with a new-line inside it is not read back as it was written, because z/OS C/C++ treats the new-line as a record boundary instead of data.

HFS files support record I/O, but memory files do not.

As with all other record I/O, you can use only fread() and fwrite() to read from and write to files. Each call to fwrite() inserts a new-line in the byte stream; each call to fread() strips it off. For example, if you use one fwrite() statement to write the string ABC and the next to write DEF, the byte stream will look like this:

```
A B C \n D E F \n ...```

There are no limitations on lengthening and shortening records. If you then rewind the file and write new data into it, z/OS C/C++ will replace the old data. For example, if you used the rewind() function on the stream in the previous example and then called fwrite() to place the string 12345 into it,
the stream would look like this:

```
1 2 3 4 5 \n F \n...
```

If you are using files with this model, do not use new-line characters in your output. If you do, they will create extra record boundaries. If you are unsure about the data being written or are writing numeric data, use binary instead of text to avoid writing a byte that has the hex value of a new-line.
Chapter 4. Using the Standard C++ Library I/O Stream Classes

The object-oriented model for input and output (I/O) is a set of classes and header files that are provided by the Standard C++ Library. These classes implement and manage the stream buffers and the data held in the buffer. Stream buffers hold data sent to the program (input) and from the program (output), enabling the program to manipulate and format the data.

There are two base classes, ios and streambuf, from which all other I/O stream classes are derived. The ios class and its derivative classes are used to implement formatting of I/O and maintain error state information of stream buffers implemented with the streambuf class.

There are two shipped versions of the I/O stream classes:

- The Unix Systems Laboratories C++ Language System Release (USL) I/O Stream Class Library
- The Standard C++ I/O stream classes

The Unix Systems Laboratories C++ Language System Release (USL) I/O Stream Class Library is declared in the iostream.h header file. This version does not support ASCII and large files. For more information, see C/C++ Legacy Class Libraries Reference.

The Standard C++ I/O stream classes are declared in the iostream header file. This version supports ASCII and large files. For more detailed information on the I/O stream classes provided by the Standard C++ Library, see LARGE_FILES in z/OS C/C++ Language Reference.

The I/O stream classes use OBJECTMODEL(COMPAT). They cannot be used with other classes that use OBJECTMODEL(IBM), within the same inheritance hierarchy. For more information, see OBJECTMODEL in z/OS C/C++ User's Guide.

This chapter includes the following topics:

- Advantages to using the C++ I/O Stream Library
- Predefined Streams for C++
- How C++ I/O Streams Relate to C Streams
- Specifying File Attributes

Advantages to Using the C++ I/O Stream Classes

Although input and output are implemented with streams for both C and C++, the C++ I/O stream classes provide the same facilities for input and output as C stdio.h. The I/O stream classes in the Standard C++ Library have the following advantages:

- The input (>>) operator and output (<<) operator are typesafe. These operators are easier to use than scanf() and printf().
- You can overload the input and output operators to define input and output for your own types and classes. This makes input and output across types, including your own, uniform.
Predefined Streams for C++

z/OS C++ provides the following predefined streams:

- **cin**  The standard input stream
- **cout**  The standard output stream
- **cerr**  The standard error stream, unit-buffered such that characters sent to this stream are flushed on each output operation
- **clog**  The buffered error stream

All predefined streams are tied to **cout**. When you use **cin**, **cerr**, or **clog**, **cout** gets flushed sending the contents of **cout** to the ultimate consumer.

z/OS C standard streams create all I/O to I/O streams:

- Input to **cin** comes from stdin (unless **cin** is redirected)
- **cout** output goes to stdout (unless **cout** is redirected)
- **cerr** output goes to stderr (unit-buffered) (unless **cerr** is redirected)
- **clog** output goes to stderr (unless **clog** is redirected)

When redirecting or intercepting a C standard stream, the corresponding C++ standard stream becomes redirected. This applies unless you redirect an I/O stream. See Chapter 9, “Using C and C++ standard streams and redirection,” on page 75 for more information.

How C++ I/O Streams Relate to C Streams

 Typically, USL I/O Stream Class Library file I/O is implemented in terms of z/OS C file I/O, and is buffered from it.

**Note:** The only exception is that **cerr** is unit-buffered (that is, ios::unitbuf is set).

A **filebuf** object is associated with each **ifstream**, **ofstream**, and **fstream** object. When the **filebuf** is flushed, it writes to the underlying C stream, which has its own buffer. The **filebuf** object follows every **fwrite()** to the underlying C stream with an **fflush()**.

Mixing the Standard C++ I/O Stream Classes, USL I/O Stream Class Library, and C I/O

It is not recommended to mix the usage of the Standard C++ I/O stream classes, USL I/O Stream Class Library, and C I/O. The USL I/O Stream Library uses a separate buffer so you would need to flush the buffer after each call to **cout** by either setting **ios::unitbuf** or calling **sync_with_stdio()**. You should avoid switching between the formatted extraction functions of the C++ I/O stream classes and C **stdio** library functions whenever possible. You should also avoid switching between versions of these classes.

For more information on mixing the I/O stream classes refer to “Interleaving the standard streams with sync_with_stdio()” on page 76 and “Interleaving the standard streams without sync_with_stdio()” on page 78.
Specifying File Attributes

The fstream, ifstream, and ofstream classes specialize stream input and output for files.

For z/OS C++, overloaded fstream, ifstream, and ofstream constructors, and open() member functions, with an additional parameter, are provided so you can specify z/OS C fopen() mode values. You can use this additional parameter to specify any z/OS C fopen() mode value except type=record. If you choose to use a constructor without this additional parameter, you will get the default z/OS C fopen() file characteristics. [Table 7 on page 49] describes the default fopen() characteristics.
Chapter 5. Opening files

This chapter describes how to open I/O files. You can open files using the Standard C fopen() and freopen() library functions. Alternatively, if you want to use the C++ I/O stream classes, you can use the constructors for the ifstream, ofstream or fstream classes, or the open() member functions of the filebuf, ifstream, ofstream or fstream classes.

To open a file stream with a previously opened HFS file descriptor, use the fdopen() function.

To open files with HFS low-level I/O, use the open() function. For more information about opening HFS files, see Chapter 11, “Performing UNIX file system I/O operations,” on page 133.

Prototypes of functions

The prototypes of these functions are:

C Library Functions:

FILE *fopen(const char *filename, const char *mode);
FILE *freopen(const char *filename, const char *mode, FILE *stream);
FILE *fdopen(int filedes, char *mode);

USL I/O stream library functions:

// ifstream constructor
ifstream(const char* fname, int mode=ios::in,
         int prot=filebuf::openprot);

// ifstream constructor; z/OS C++ extension
ifstream(const char* fname, const char* fattr,
         int mode=ios::in, int prot=filebuf::openprot);

// ifstream::open()
void open(const char* fname, int mode=ios::in,
         int prot=filebuf::openprot);

// z/OS C++ extension
void open(const char* fname, const char* fattr,
         int mode=ios::in, int prot=filebuf::openprot);

// ofstream constructor
ofstream(const char* fname, int mode=ios::out,
         int prot=filebuf::openprot);

// ofstream constructor; z/OS C++ extension
ofstream(const char* fname, const char* fattr,
         int mode=ios::out, int prot=filebuf::openprot);

// ofstream::open()
void open(const char* fname, int mode=ios::out,
         int prot=filebuf::openprot);

// z/OS C++ extension
void open(const char* fname, const char* fattr,
         int mode=ios::out, int prot=filebuf::openprot);

// fstream constructor
Standard C++ I/O stream functions:

// z/OS C++ Standard Library ifstream constructor
ifstream(const char *, ios_base::openmode, const char * _A)

// z/OS C++ Standard Library ofstream constructor
ofstream(const char *, ios_base::openmode, const char * _A)

// C++ Standard Library filebuf::open
filebuf::open(const char *, ios_base::openmode, const char * _A)

For more detailed information about the C I/O stream functions, see z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference. For more detailed information about the C++ I/O stream classes, see:

- Standard C++ Library Reference discusses the Standard C++ I/O stream classes

Categories of I/O

The following table lists the categories of I/O that z/OS C/C++ supports and points to the section where each category is described.

Note: CICS Data Queues and z/OS Language Environment Message File do not apply in AMODE 64 applications. Hiperspace Memory Files are opened as
(regular) Memory Files since the size of a (regular) Memory File can exceed 2GB in AMODE 64 applications.

Table 5. Kinds of I/O supported by z/OS C/C++

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<th>Type of I/O</th>
<th>Suggested Uses and Supported Devices</th>
<th>Model</th>
<th>Page</th>
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<tr>
<td>OS I/O</td>
<td>Used for dealing with the following kinds of files:</td>
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<td>• Generation data group</td>
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<td></td>
<td>• MVS sequential DASD files</td>
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<td></td>
<td>• Regular and extended partitioned data sets</td>
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<td>• Tapes</td>
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<td>• Printers</td>
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<td></td>
<td>• Punch data sets</td>
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<td></td>
<td>• Card reader data sets</td>
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<td>• MVS inline JCL data sets</td>
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<td>• MVS spool data sets</td>
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<td>• Striped data sets</td>
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<td></td>
<td>• Optical readers</td>
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<tr>
<td>Hierarchical File System (HFS) I/O</td>
<td>Used under z/OS UNIX System Services (z/OS UNIX System Services) to support HFS data sets, and access the byte-oriented HFS files according to POSIX .1 and XPG 4.2 interfaces. This increases the portability of applications written on UNIX-based systems to z/OS C/C++ systems.</td>
<td>Byte stream</td>
<td>133</td>
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<tr>
<td>VSAM I/O</td>
<td>Used for working with VSAM data sets. Supports direct access to records by key, relative record number, or relative byte address. Supports entry-sequenced, relative record, and key-sequenced data sets.</td>
<td>Record</td>
<td>157</td>
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<tr>
<td>Terminal I/O</td>
<td>Used to perform interactive input and output operations with a terminal.</td>
<td>Record</td>
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<tr>
<td>Memory Files</td>
<td>Used for applications requiring temporary I/O files without the overhead of system data sets. Fast and efficient.</td>
<td>Byte stream</td>
<td>207</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hiperspace Memory Files</td>
<td>Used to deal with memory files as large as 2 gigabytes.</td>
<td>Byte stream</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>CICS Data Queues</td>
<td>Used under the Customer Information Control System (CICS). CICS data queues are automatically selected under CICS for the standard streams std out and std err for C, or cout and cerr for C++. The CICS I/O commands are supported through the Command Level interface. The standard stream stdin under C (or cin under C++) is treated as an empty file under CICS.</td>
<td>Record</td>
<td>221</td>
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<tr>
<td>z/OS Language Environment Message File</td>
<td>Used when you are running with z/OS Language Environment. The message file is automatically selected for std err under z/OS Language Environment. For C++, automatic selection is of cerr.</td>
<td>Record</td>
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The following table lists the environments that z/OS C/C++ supports, and which categories of I/O work in which environment.
Table 6. I/O categories and environments that support them

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Type of I/O</th>
<th>MVS batch</th>
<th>IMS online</th>
<th>TSO</th>
<th>TSO batch</th>
<th>CICS</th>
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<tr>
<td>OS I/O</td>
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<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<tr>
<td>HFS I/O</td>
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<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<tr>
<td>VSAM I/O</td>
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<tr>
<td>Terminal I/O</td>
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<td>No</td>
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<td>No</td>
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<tr>
<td>Memory Files</td>
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<tr>
<td>Hiperspace Memory Files</td>
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<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
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<tr>
<td>CICS Data Queues</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
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<tr>
<td>z/OS Language Environment Message File</td>
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<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
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</table>

Note: MVS batch includes IMS batch. TSO is interactive. TSO batch indicates an environment set up by a batch call to IKJEFT01. Programs run in such an environment behave more like a TSO interactive program than an MVS batch program.

Specifying what kind of file to use

This section discusses:
- the kinds of files you can use
- how to specify RECFM, LRECL, and BLKSIZE
- how to specify DDnames

OS files

z/OS C/C++ treats a file as an OS file, provided that it is not a CICS data queue, or an HFS, VSAM, memory, terminal, or Hiperspace file.

HFS files

When you are running under MVS, TSO (batch and interactive), or IMS, z/OS C/C++ recognizes an HFS I/O file as such if the name specified on the fopen() or freopen() call conforms to certain rules. These rules are described in "How z/OS C/C++ determines what kind of file to open" on page 51.

VSAM data sets

z/OS C/C++ recognizes a VSAM data set if the file exists and has been defined as a VSAM cluster before the call to fopen().

Terminal files

When you are running with the run-time option POSIX(0FF) under interactive TSO, z/OS C/C++ associates streams to the terminal. You can also call fopen() to open the terminal directly if you are running under TSO (interactive or batch), and either the file name you specify begins with an asterisk (*), or the ddname has been allocated with a DSN of *.

When running with POSIX(ON), z/OS C/C++ associates streams to the terminal under TSO and a shell if the file name you have specified fits one of the following criteria:
- Under TSO (interactive and batch), the name must begin with the sequence //*, or the ddname must have been allocated with a DSN of *.
- **Under a shell**, the name specified on fopen() or freopen() must be the character string returned by ttyname().

Interactive IMS and CICS behave differently from what is described here. For more information about terminal files with interactive IMS and CICS see Chapter 9, “Using C and C++ standard streams and redirection,” on page 75.

If you are running with POSIX(ON) outside a shell, you must use the regular z/OS C/C++ I/O functions for terminal I/O. If you are running with POSIX(ON) from a shell, you can use the regular z/OS C/C++ I/O functions or the POSIX low-level functions (such as read()) for terminal I/O.

### Memory files and hiperspace memory files

You can use regular memory files on all the systems that z/OS C/C++ supports. To create one, specify `type=memory` on the fopen() or freopen() call that creates the file. A memory file, once created, exists until either of the following happens:

- You explicitly remove it with remove() or clrmenf()
- The root program is terminated

While a memory file exists, you can just use another fopen() or freopen() that specifies the memory file’s name; you do not have to specify `type=memory`. For example:

```c
#include <stdio.h>
char text[3], *result;
FILE *fp;
int main(void) {
    fp = fopen("a.b", "w, type=memory"); /* Opens a memory file */
    fprintf(fp, "%d\n", 10); /* Writes to the file */
    fclose(fp); /* Closes the file */
    fp = fopen("a.b", "r"); /* Reopens the same */
    /* file (already */
    /* a memory file) */
    if ((result=fgets(text,3,fp)) !=NULL) /* Retrieves results */
        printf("value retrieved is %s\n",result);
    fclose(fp); /* Closes the file */
    return(0);
}
```

*Figure 4. Memory file example*

A valid memory file name will match current file restrictions on a real file. Thus, a memory file name that is classified as HFS can have more characters than can one classified as an MVS file name.

If you are not running under CICS, you can open a Hiperspace memory file as follows:

```c
fp = fopen("a.b", "w, type=memory(hiperspace)");  
```

If you specify hiperspace and you are running in a CICS environment, z/OS C/C++ opens a regular memory file. If you are running with the run-time options POSIX(ON)
and TRAP(0FF), specifying hiperspace has no effect; z/OS C/C++ will open a regular memory file. You must specify TRAP(ON) to be able to create Hiperspace files.

**Restriction:** Hiperspace is not supported in AMODE 64 applications. If you specify hiperspace in AMODE 64 applications, z/OS C/C++ opens a regular memory file.

### CICS data queues

A CICS transient data queue is a pathway to a single predefined destination. The destination can be a ddname, another transient data queue, a VSAM file, a terminal, or another CICS environment. The CICS system administrator defines the queues that are active during execution of CICS. All users who direct data to a given queue will be placing data in the same location, in order of occurrence.

You cannot use fopen() or freopen() to specify this kind of I/O. It is the category selected automatically when you call any ANSI functions that reference stdout and stderr under CICS. If you reference either of these in a C or C++ program under CICS, z/OS C/C++ attempts to open the CESO (stdout) or CESE (stderr) queue. If you want to write to any other queue, you should use the CICS-provided interface.

### z/OS Language Environment Message file

The z/OS Language Environment message file is managed by z/OS Language Environment and may not be directly opened or closed with fopen(), freopen() or fclose() within a C or C++ application. In z/OS Language Environment, output from stderr is directed to the z/OS Language Environment message file by default. You can use freopen() and fclose() to manage stderr, or you can redirect it to another destination. There are application writer interfaces (AWIs) that enable you to access the z/OS Language Environment message file directly. These are documented in [z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide](https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/SSDV47_6.3.0/com.ibm.zos.v6r3_cics.cics.v6r3.doc/parvisoft_home.html).


### How to specify RECFM, LRECL, and BLKSIZE

For OS files and terminal files, the values of RECFM, LRECL, and BLKSIZE are significant. When you open a file, z/OS C/C++ searches for the RECFM, LRECL, and BLKSIZE values in the following places:

1. The fopen() or freopen() statement that opens the file
2. The DD statement (described in [DDnames](https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/SSDV47_6.3.0/com.ibm.zos.v6r3_cics.cics.v6r3.doc/parvisoft_home.html) on page 50)
3. The values set in the existing file
4. The default values for fopen() or freopen().

When you call fopen() and specify a write mode (w, wb, w+, wb+, w+b) for an existing file, z/OS C/C++ uses the default values for fopen() if:

- the data set is opened by the data set name or
- the data set is opened by ddname and the DD statement does not have any attributes filled in.

These defaults are listed in [Table 7 on page 49](https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/SSDV47_6.3.0/com.ibm.zos.v6r3_cics.cics.v6r3.doc/parvisoft_home.html) To force z/OS C/C++ to use existing attributes when you are opening a file, specify recfm=* (or recfm=+) on the fopen() or freopen() call.

recfm=* (or recfm=+) is valid only for existing DASD data sets. It is ignored in all other cases.
recfm+ is identical to recfm=* with the following exceptions:

- If there is no record format for the existing DASD data set, the defaults are assigned as if the data set did not exist.
- When append mode is used, the fopen() fails.

Notes:

1. When specifying a ddname on fopen() or freopen() you should be aware of the following when opening the ddname using one of the write modes:

2. If the ddname is allocated to an already existing file and that ddname has not yet been opened, then the DD statement will not contain the recfm, lrecl, or blksize. That information is not filled in until the ddname is opened for the first time. If the first open uses one of the write modes (w, wb, w+, wb+, w+b) and recfm=* (or recfm=+) is not specified, then the existing file attributes are not considered. Therefore, since the DD statement has not yet been filled in, the fopen() defaults are used.

3. If the ddname is allocated at the same time the file is created, then the DD statement will contain the same recfm, lrecl, and blksize specified for the file. If the first open uses one of the write modes (w, wb, w+, wb+, w+b) and recfm=* (or recfm=+) is not specified, then z/OS C/C++ picks up the existing file attributes from the DD statement since they were placed there at the time of allocation.

You can specify the record format in

- The RECFM parameter of the JCL DD statement under MVS
- The RECFM parameter of the ALLOCATE statement under TSO
- The __recfm field of the __dyn_t structure passed to the dynalloc() library function under MVS
- The RECFM parameter on the call to the fopen() or freopen() library function
- The __S99TXTPP text unit field on an SVC99 parameter list passed to the svc99() library function under MVS
- The ISPF data set utility under MVS

Certain categories of I/O may ignore or simulate some attributes such as BLKSIZE or RECFM that are not physically supported on the device. Table 5 on page 43 lists all the categories of I/O that z/OS C/C++ supports and directs you to where you can find more information about them.

You can specify the logical record length in

- The LRECL parameter of the JCL DD statement under MVS
- The LRECL parameter of the ALLOCATE statement under TSO
- The __lrecl field of the __dyn_t structure passed to the dynalloc() library function under MVS
- The LRECL parameter on the call to the fopen() or freopen() library function
- The __S99TXTPP text unit field on an SVC99 parameter list passed to the svc99() library function under MVS
- The ISPF data set utility

If you are creating a file and you do not select a record size, z/OS C/C++ uses a default. See "fopen() defaults" on page 48 for details on how defaults are calculated.

You can specify the block size in
• The BLKSIZE parameter of the JCL DD statement
• The BLKSIZE parameter of the ALLOCATE statement under TSO
• The __blkszsize field of the __dyn_t structure passed to the dynalloc() library function under MVS
• The BLKSIZE parameter on a call to the fopen() or freopen() library function
• The __s99TXTPP text unit field on an SVC99 parameter list passed to the svc99() library function under MVS
• The ISPF data set utility

If you are creating a file and do not select a block size, z/OS C/C++ uses a default. The defaults are listed in Table 7 on page 49.

fopen() defaults

You cannot specify a file attribute more than once on a call to fopen() or freopen(). If you do, the function call fails. If the file attributes specified on the call to fopen() differ from the actual file attributes, fopen() usually fails. However, fopen() does not fail if:

• The file is opened for w, w+, wb, or wb+, and the file is neither an existing PDS or PDSE nor an existing file opened by a ddname that specifies DISP=MOD. In such instances, fopen() attributes override the actual file attributes. However, if recfm=* (or recfm=+) is specified on the fopen(), any attributes that are not specified either on the fopen() or for the ddname will be retrieved from the existing file. If the final combination of attributes is invalid, the fopen() will fail.
• The file is opened for reading (r or rb) with recfm=U. Any other specified attributes should be compatible with those of the existing data set.

In calls to fopen(), the LRECL, BLKSIZE, and RECFM parameters are optional. (If you are opening a file for read or append, any attributes that you specify must match the existing attributes.)

If you do not specify file attributes for fopen() (or for an I/O stream object), you get the following defaults.

RECFM defaults

If recfm is not specified in a fopen() call for an output binary file, recfm defaults to:
• recfm=VB for spool (printer) files
• recfm=FB otherwise

If recfm is not specified in a fopen() call for an output text file, recfm defaults to:
• recfm=F if _EDC_ANSI_OPEN_DEFAULT is set to Y and no LRECL or BLKSIZE specified.
  In this case, LRECL and BLKSIZE are both defaulted to 254.
• recfm=VBA for spool (printer) files.
• recfm=U for terminal files.
• recfm=VB for MVS files.
• recfm=VB for all other OS files.

If recfm is not specified for a record I/O file, you will get the default of recfm=VB.

LRECL and BLKSIZE defaults

The following table shows the defaults for LRECL and BLKSIZE when z/OS C/C++ is creating a file, not appending or updating it. The table assumes that z/OS C/C++
has already processed any information from the fopen() statement or ddname. The defaults provide a basis for fopen() to select values for unspecified attributes when you create a file.

Table 7. fopen() defaults for LRECL and BLKSIZE when creating OS files

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>lrecl specified?</th>
<th>blksize specified?</th>
<th>REC FM</th>
<th>LRE CL</th>
<th>BLK SIZE</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>no</td>
<td>no</td>
<td>All F</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>80</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>All FB</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>maximum integral multiple of 80 less than or equal to max</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>All V, VB, VS, or VBS</td>
<td>minimum of 1028 or max–4</td>
<td>max</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>All U</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>max</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>yes</td>
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<td>All F</td>
<td>lrecl</td>
<td>lrecl</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>All FB</td>
<td>lrecl</td>
<td>maximum integral multiple of lrecl less than or equal to max</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>All V</td>
<td>lrecl</td>
<td>lrecl+4</td>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>All U</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>lrecl</td>
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<td>blksize</td>
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<td>All V, VB, VS, or VBS</td>
<td>minimum of 1028 or blksize–4</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>All U</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>blksize</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Note: “All” includes the standard (S) specifier for fixed formats, the ASA (A) specifier, and the machine control character (M) specifier.

In the preceding table, the value max represents the maximum block size for the device. These are the current default maximum block sizes for several devices that z/OS C/C++ supports:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Device</th>
<th>Block Size</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>DASD</td>
<td>6144</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3203 Printer</td>
<td>132</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3211 Printer</td>
<td>132</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4245 Printer</td>
<td>132</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2540 Reader</td>
<td>80</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2540 Punch</td>
<td>80</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2501 Reader</td>
<td>80</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3890 Document Processor</td>
<td>80</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TAPE</td>
<td>32760</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

For more information about specific default block sizes, as returned by the DEVTYPE macro, refer to z/OS DFSMS: Using Data Sets.

For DASD files that do not have recfm=U, if you specify blksize=0 on the call to fopen() or freopen() and you have DFP Release 3.1 or higher, the system determines the optimal block size for your file. If you do not have the correct level
of DFP or you specify `blksize=0` for a ddname instead of specifying it on the `fopen()` or `freopen()` call, z/OS C/C++ behaves as if you had not specified the `blksize` parameter at all.

For information about block sizes for different categories of I/O, see the chapters listed in Table 5 on page 43.

You do not have to specify the `LRECL` and `BLKSIZE` attributes; however, it is possible to have conflicting attributes when you do specify them. The restrictions are:

- For a V file, the `LRECL` must be greater than 4 bytes and must be at least 4 bytes smaller than the `BLKSIZE`.
- For an F file, the `LRECL` must be equal to the `BLKSIZE`, and must be at least 1.
- For an FB file, the `BLKSIZE` must be an integer multiple of the `LRECL`.
- For a U file, the `LRECL` must be less than or equal to the `BLKSIZE` and must be greater than or equal to 0. The `BLKSIZE` must be at least 1.
- In spanned files, the `LRECL` and the `BLKSIZE` attributes must be greater than 4.
- If you specify `LRECL=X`, the `BLKSIZE` attribute must be less than or equal to the maximum block size allowed on the device.

To determine the maximum `LRECL` and `BLKSIZE` values for the various file types and devices available on your operating system, refer to the chapters listed in Table 5 on page 43.

**DDnames**

DD names are specified by prefixing the DD name with DD:. All the following forms of the prefix are supported:

- `DD:`
- `dd:`
- `dD:`
- `Dd:`

The **DD** statement enables you to write C source programs that are independent of the files and input/output devices they will use. You can modify the parameters of a file (such as `LRECL`, `BLKSIZE`, and `RECFM`) or process different files without recompiling your program.

**How to create a DDname under MVS batch**

To create a ddname under MVS batch, you must write a JCL **DD** statement. For the C file `PARTS.INSTOCK`, you would write a JCL **DD** statement similar to the following:

```bash
//STOCK   DD DSN=PARTS.INSTOCK, ...
```

HFS files can be allocated with a **DD**. For example:

```bash
//STOCK   DD PATH="/u/parts.instock",
//         PATHOPTS=(OWONLY,OCREAT,OTRUNC),
//         PATHMODE=(SIRWXU,SIRWXO,SIRWXG)
```

When defining **DD**, do not use **DD** ... FREE=CLOSE for unallocating **DD** statements. The C library may close files to perform some file operations such as `freopen()`, and the **DD** statement will be unallocated.

For more information on writing **DD** statements, refer to the JCL manuals listed in [z/OS Information Roadmap](#).
How to create a DDname under TSO

To create a ddname under TSO, you must write an ALLOCATE command. For the declaration shown above for the C file STOCK, you should write a TSO ALLOCATE statement similar to the following:

```
ALLOCATE FILE(STOCK) DATASET('PARTS.INSTOCK')
```

You can also allocate HFS files with TSO ALLOCATE commands. For example:

```
ALLOC FI(stock) PATH('/used/parts.stock') PATHOPTS(OWRONLY,OCREAT)
PATHMODE(sirwxu,sirwxo,sirwxg)
```

See [z/OS Information Roadmap](http://www.ibm.com) for more information on TSO ALLOCATE.

How to create a DDname in source code

You can also use the z/OS C/C++ library functions `svc99()` and `dynalloc()` to allocate ddnames. See [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference](http://www.ibm.com) for more information about these functions.

You do not always need to describe the characteristics of the data in files both within the program and outside it. There are, in fact, advantages to describing the characteristics of your data in only one place.

Opening a file by ddname may require the merging of information internal and external to the program. If any conflict is detected that will prevent the opening of a file, `fopen()` returns a NULL pointer to indicate that the file cannot be opened. See [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference](http://www.ibm.com) for more information on `fopen()`.

If DISP=MOD is specified on a DD statement and if the file is opened in w or wb mode, the DISP=MOD causes the file to be opened in append mode rather than in write mode.

**Note:** You can open a ddname only with `fopen()` or `freopen()`. `open()` does not interpret ddnames as such.

### Avoiding Undesirable Results when Using I/O

File serialization is not provided for different tasks attempting to access the same file. When a C/C++ application is run on one task, and the same application or another C/C++ application is run on a different task, any attempts for both applications to access the same file is the responsibility of the application.

### How z/OS C/C++ determines what kind of file to open

This section describes the criteria that z/OS C/C++ uses to determine what kind of file it is opening. z/OS C/C++ goes through the categories listed in Table 5 on page 43 in the order that follows. If a category applies to a file, z/OS C/C++ stops searching.

**Note:** Files cannot be opened under CICS when you have specified the POSIX(ON) run-time option.

The following chart shows how z/OS C/C++ determines what type of file to open under TSO, MVS batch, and interactive IMS with POSIX(ON). For information on the types of files shown in the chart see the appropriate chapter in the I/O section.
MAP 0010: Under TSO, MVS batch, IMS — POSIX(ON)

001

Is type=memory specified?
Yes  No

002

Does the name begin with // but NOT ///?
Yes  No

003

Continue at Step 017 on page 53

004

Continue at Step 008

005

Is hyperspace specified?
Yes  No

006

z/OS C/C++ opens a regular memory file.

007

z/OS C/C++ opens a memory file in Hiperspace.

008

Is the next character an asterisk?
Yes  No

009

Is name of form DDname?
Yes  No

010

Does the name specified match that of an existing memory file?
Yes  No

011

z/OS C/C++ opens an OS file.

012

z/OS C/C++ opens the existing memory file.
014
Are you running under TSO interactive?
Yes No
015
z/OS C/C++ removes the asterisk from the name unless the asterisk is the only character, and proceeds to Step 028 on page 54.
016
z/OS C/C++ opens a terminal file.
017
Is the name of the form *DD:ddname or DD:ddname?
Yes No
018
Does the name specified match that of an existing memory file?
Yes No
019
z/OS C/C++ opens an HFS file.
020
z/OS C/C++ opens the existing memory file.
021
Does ddname exist?
Yes No
022
Does a memory file exist?
Yes No
023
z/OS C/C++ opens an HFS file called either *DD:ddname or DD:ddname.
024
z/OS C/C++ opens the existing memory file.
Is a path specified in ddname?
Yes  No

z/OS C/C++ opens an OS file.

z/OS C/C++ opens an HFS file.

Is the name of the form *DD:ddname or DD:ddname?
Yes  No

Does the name specified match that of an existing memory file?
Yes  No

z/OS C/C++ opens an OS file.

z/OS C/C++ opens the existing memory file.

Does ddname exist?
Yes  No

Does a memory file exist?
Yes  No

***ERROR***

z/OS C/C++ opens the existing memory file.

Is a path specified in ddname?
Yes  No

z/OS C/C++ opens an OS file.
038
z/OS C/C++ opens an HFS file.

The following chart shows how z/OS C/C++ determines what type of file to open under TSO, MVS batch, and interactive IMS with POSIX(OFF). For information on the types of files shown in the chart see the appropriate chapter in the I/O section.
### MAP 0020: Under TSO, MVS batch, IMS — POSIX(OFF)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Step</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>
| **001** | Is type=memory specified?  
Yes | No |
| **002** | Does the name begin with // but NOT ///?  
Yes | No |
| **003** | Continue at Step 017 on page 57  
| **004** | Continue at Step 008  
| **005** | Is hiperspace specified?  
Yes | No |
| **006** | z/OS C/C++ opens a regular memory file.  
| **007** | z/OS C/C++ opens a memory file in Hiperspace.  
| **008** | Is the next character an asterisk?  
Yes | No |
| **009** | Is name of form DDname?  
Yes | No |
| **010** | Does the name specified match that of an existing memory file?  
Yes | No |
| **011** | z/OS C/C++ opens an OS file.  
| **012** | z/OS C/C++ opens the existing memory file.  

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Continue at Step 021.

Are you running under TSO interactive?
Yes  No

z/OS C/C++ removes the asterisk from the name unless the asterisk is the only character, and proceeds to Step 017.

z/OS C/C++ opens a terminal file.

Is the name of the form *DD:ddname or DD:ddname?  
Yes  No

Does the name specified match that of an existing memory file?  
Yes  No

z/OS C/C++ opens an OS file.

z/OS C/C++ opens the existing memory file.

Does ddname exist?  
Yes  No

Does a memory file exist?  
Yes  No

***ERROR***

z/OS C/C++ opens the existing memory file.
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Question</th>
<th>Yes</th>
<th>No</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>025 Is a path specified in ddbname?</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>026 Yes</td>
<td>z/OS C/C++ opens an OS file.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>027 No</td>
<td>z/OS C/C++ opens an HFS file.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The following chart shows how z/OS C/C++ determines what type of file to open under CICS. For information on the types of files shown in the chart see the appropriate chapter in the I/O section.
MAP 0030: Under CICS

001

Is type=memory specified?
Yes           No

002

Does the name specified match that of an existing memory file?
Yes           No

003

The fopen() call fails.

004

z/OS C/C++ opens that memory file.

005

Is hiperspace specified?
Yes           No

006

z/OS C/C++ opens the specified memory file.

007

The fopen() call ignores the hiperspace specification and opens the memory file.
Chapter 6. Buffering of C streams

This chapter describes buffering modes used by z/OS C/C++ library functions available to control buffering and methods of flushing buffers.

z/OS C/C++ uses buffers to map C I/O to system-level I/O. When z/OS C/C++ performs I/O operations, it uses one of the following buffering modes:

* **Line buffering** - characters are transmitted to the system as a block when a new-line character is encountered. Line buffering is meaningful only for text streams and HFS files.
* **Full buffering** - characters are transmitted to the system as a block when a buffer is filled.
* **No buffering** - characters are transmitted to the system as they are written. Only regular memory files and HFS files support the no buffering mode.

The buffer mode affects the way the buffer is flushed. You can use the `setvbuf()` and `setbuf()` library functions to control buffering, but you cannot change the buffering mode after an I/O operation has used the buffer, as all read, write, and reposition operations do. In some circumstances, repositioning alters the contents of the buffer. It is strongly recommended that you only use `setbuf()` and `setvbuf()` before *any* I/O, to conform with ANSI, and to avoid any dependency on the current implementation. If you use `setvbuf()`, z/OS C/C++ may or may not accept your buffer for its internal use. For a hiperspace memory file, if the size of the buffer specified to `setvbuf()` is 8K or more, it will affect the number of hiperspace blocks read or written on each call to the operating system; the size is rounded down to the nearest multiple of 4K.

Full buffering is the default except in the following cases:

* If you are using an interactive terminal, z/OS C/C++ uses line buffering.
* If you are running under CICS, z/OS C/C++ also uses line buffering.
* `stderr` is line-buffered by default.
* If you are using a memory file, z/OS C/C++ does not use any buffering.

For terminals, because I/O is always unblocked, line buffering is equivalent to full buffering.

For record I/O files, buffering is meaningful only for blocked files or for record I/O HFS files using full buffering. For unblocked files, the buffer is full after every write and is therefore written immediately, leaving nothing to flush. For blocked files or fully-buffered HFS files, however, the buffer can contain one or more records that have not been flushed and that require a flush operation for them to go to the system.

You can flush buffers to the system in several different ways:

* If you are using full buffering, z/OS C/C++ automatically flushes a buffer when it is filled.
* If you are using line buffering for a text file or an HFS file, z/OS C/C++ flushes a buffer when you complete it with a control character. Except for HFS files, specifying line buffering for a record I/O or binary file has no effect; z/OS C/C++ treats the file as if you had specified full buffering.
* z/OS C/C++ flushes buffers to the system when you close a file or end a program.
• z/OS C/C++ flushes buffers to the system when you call the `fflush()` library function, with the following restrictions:
  – A file opened in text mode does not flush data if a record has not been completed with a new-line.
  – A file opened in fixed format does not flush incomplete records to the file.
  – An FBS file does not flush out a short block unless it is a DISK file opened without the NOSEEK parameter.
• All streams are flushed across non-POSIX `system()` calls. Streams are not flushed across POSIX `system()` calls. For a POSIX system call, we recommend that you do a `fflush()` before the `system()` call.

If you are reading a record that another user is writing to at the same time, you can see the new data if you call `fflush()` to refresh the contents of the input buffer.

**Note:** This is not supported for VSAM files.

You may not see output if a program that is using input and output fails, and the error handling routines cannot close all the open files.
Chapter 7. Using ASA text files

This chapter describes the American Standards Association (ASA) text files, the control characters used in ASA files, how z/OS C/C++ translates the control characters, and how z/OS C/C++ treats ASA files during input and output. The first column of each record in an ASA file contains a control character (‘’, ‘0’, ‘−’, ‘1’, or ‘+’) when it appears in the external medium.

z/OS C/C++ translates control characters in ASA files opened for text processing (r, w, a, r+, w+, a+ functions). On input, z/OS C/C++ translates ASA characters to sequences of control characters, as shown in Table 8. On output, z/OS C/C++ performs the reverse translation. The following sequences of control characters are translated, and the resultant ASA character becomes the first character of the following record:

Table 8. C control to ASA characters translation table

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>C Control Character Sequence</th>
<th>ASA Character</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>\n</td>
<td>’ ’</td>
<td>skip one line</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>\n\n</td>
<td>’0’</td>
<td>skip two lines</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>\n\n\n</td>
<td>’−’</td>
<td>skip three lines</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>\f</td>
<td>’1’</td>
<td>new page</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>\r</td>
<td>’+’</td>
<td>overstrike</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

If you are writing to the first record or byte of the file and the output data does not start with a translatable sequence of C control characters, the ’ ’ ASA control character is written to the file before the specified data.

z/OS C/C++ does not translate or verify control characters when you open an ASA file for binary or record I/O.

Example of writing to an ASA file

CCNGAS1

/* this example shows how to write to an ASA file */
#include <stdio.h>
#define MAX_LEN 80

int main(void) {
    FILE *fp;
    int i;
    char s[MAX_LEN+1];

    Figure 5. ASA Example (Part 1 of 2)
This program writes five records to the file *asa.file*, as follows:

```
0abcdef
1+345
-9034
```

Note that the last record is 9034. The last single 'n' does not create a record with a single control character (' '). If this same file is opened for read, and the `getc()` function is called to read the file 1 byte at a time, the same characters as those that were written out by `fputs()` in the first program are read.

### ASA file control

ASA files are treated as follows:

- If the first record written does not begin with a control character, then a single new-line is written and then followed by data; that is, the ASA character defaults to a space when none is specified.
- In ASA files, control characters are treated the same way that they are treated in other text files, with the following exceptions:

  **'f' — form feed**
  
  Defines a record boundary and determines the ASA character of the following record. Refer to Table 8 on page 63.

  **'n' — new-line**
  
  Does either of these:
  - Define a record boundary and determines the ASA character of the following record (see translation table above).
  - Modify the preceding ASA character if the current position is directly after an ASA character of ' ' or '0' (see translation table above).

  **'r' — carriage return**
  
  Defines a record boundary and determines the ASA character of the following record (see translation table above).

- Records are terminated by writing a new-line ('n'), carriage return ('r'), or form feed ('f') character.
- An ASA character can be updated to any other ASA character.

Updates made to any of the C control characters that make up an ASA character cause the ASA character to change.
If the file is positioned directly after a ' ' or '0' ASA character, writing a '\n' character changes the ASA character to a '0' or ' ' respectively. However, if the ASA character is a ' ', '1' or '2', the '\n' truncates the record (that is, it adds blank padding to the end of the record), and causes the following record's ASA character to be written as a '. ' . Writing a '\f' or '\r' terminates the record and start a new one, but writing a normal data character simply overwrites the first data character of the record.

- You cannot overwrite the ASA character with a normal data character. The position at the start of a record (at the ASA character) is the logical end of the previous record. If you write normal data there, you are writing to the end of the previous record. z/OS C/C++ truncates data for the following files, except when they are standard streams:
  - Variable-format files
  - Undefined-format files
  - Fixed-format files in which the previous record is full of data

When truncation occurs, z/OS C/C++ raises SIGIOERR and sets both errno and the error flag.

- Even when you update an ASA control character, seeking to a previously recorded position still succeeds. If the recorded position was at a control character that no longer exists (because of an update), the reposition is to the next character. Often, this is the first data character of the record. For example, if you have the following string:
  you have saved the position of the third new-line. If you then update the ASA

\n\n\nHELLO WORLD

\n
x = ftell()

character to a form feed ('\f'), the logical ASA position x no longer exists:

\fHELLO WORLD

If you call fseek() with the logical position x, it repositions to the next valid character, which is the letter 'H':

\fHELLO WORLD

fseek() to pos x

- If you try to shorten a record when you are updating it, z/OS C/C++ adds enough blank padding to fill the record.

- The ASA character can represent up to three new-lines, which can increase the logical record length by 1 or 2 bytes.

- Extending a fixed logical record on update implies that the logical end of the line follows the last written non-blank character.

- If an undefined text record is updated, the length of the physical records does not change. If the replacement record is:
– **Longer** - data characters beyond the record boundary are truncated. At the point of truncation, the User error flag is set and SIGIOERR is raised (if the signal is not set up to be ignored). Truncation continues until you do one of these:

  1. Write a new-line character, carriage return, or form feed to complete the current record
  2. Close the file explicitly or implicitly at termination
  3. Reposition to another position in the file.

– **Shorter** - the blank character is used to overwrite the rest of the record.

  • If you close an ASA file that has a new-line as its last character, z/OS C/C++ does not write the new-line to the physical file. The next time you read from the file or update it, z/OS C/C++ returns the new-line to the end of the file. An exception to this rule happens when you write only a new-line to a new file. In this case, z/OS C/C++ does not truncate the new-line; it writes a single blank to the file. On input, however, you will read two new-lines.

  • Using ASA format to read a file that contains zero-length records results in undefined behavior.

  • You may have trouble updating a file if two ASA characters are next to each other in the file. For example, if there is a single-byte record (containing only an ASA character) immediately followed by the ASA character of the next record, you are positioned at or within the first ASA character. If you then write a sequence of \n characters intended to update both ASA characters, the \n's will be absorbed by the first ASA character before overflowing to the next record. This absorption may affect the crossing of record boundaries and cause truncation or corruption of data.

  At least one normal intervening data character (for example, a space) is required between \n and \n to differentiate record boundaries.

**Note:** Be careful when you update an ASA file with data containing more than one consecutive new-line: the result of the update depends on how the original ASA records were structured.

  • If you are writing data to a non-blocked file without intervening flush or reposition requests, each record is written to the system on completion (that is, when a \n, \r or \f character is written or when the file is closed).

  If you are writing data to a blocked file without intervening flush or reposition requests, and the file is opened in full buffering mode, the block is written to the system on completion of the record that fills the block. If the blocked file is line buffered, each record is written to the system on completion.

  If you are writing data to a spanned file without intervening flush or reposition requests, and the record spans multiple blocks, each block is written to the system once it is full and the user writes an additional byte of data.

  • If a flush occurs while an ASA character indicating more than one new-line is being updated, the remaining new-lines will be discarded and a read will continue at the first data character. For example, if \n is updated to be \n and a flush occurs, then a \0 will be written out in the ASA character position.
Chapter 8. z/OS C Support for the double-byte character set

The number of characters in some languages such as Japanese or Korean is larger than 256, the number of distinct values that can be encoded in a single byte. The characters in such languages are represented in computers by a sequence of bytes, and are called multibyte characters. This chapter explains how the z/OS C compiler supports multibyte characters.

**Note:** The z/OS C++ compiler does not have native support for multibyte characters. The support described here is what z/OS C provides; for C++, you can take advantage of this support by using interlanguage calls to C code. Please refer to Chapter 18, “Using Linkage Specifications in C or C++,” on page 237 for more information.

The z/OS C compiler supports the IBM EBCDIC encoding of multibyte characters, in which each natural language character is uniquely represented by one to four bytes. The number of bytes that encode a single character depends on the *global shift state information*. If a stream is in initial shift state, one multibyte character is represented by a byte or sequence of bytes that has the following characteristics:

- It starts with the byte containing the shift-out (0x0e) character.
- The shift-out character is followed by 2 bytes that encode the value of the character.
- These bytes may be followed by a byte containing the shift-in (0x0f) character.

If the sequence of bytes ends with the shift-in character, the state remains initial, making this sequence represent a 4-byte multibyte character. Multibyte characters of various lengths can be normalized by the set of z/OS C library functions and encoded in units of one length. Such normalized characters are called wide characters; in z/OS C they are represented by two bytes. Conversions between multibyte format and wide character format can be performed by string conversion functions such as `wcstombs()`, `mbstowcs()`, `wcsrtombs()`, and `mbstowcs()`, as well by the family of the wide character I/O functions. **MB_CUR_MAX** is defined in the `stdlib.h` header file. Depending on its value, either of the following happens:

- When **MB_CUR_MAX** is 1, all bytes are considered single-byte characters; shift-out and shift-in characters are treated as data as well.
- When **MB_CUR_MAX** is 4:
  - On input, the wide character I/O functions read the multibyte character from the streams, and convert them to the wide characters.
  - On output, they convert wide characters to multibyte characters and write them to the output streams.

Both binary and text streams have *orientation*. Streams opened with `type=record` do not. There are three possible orientations of a stream:

**Non-oriented**

A stream that has been associated with an open file before any operation other than `setbuf()` or `setvbuf()` is performed. Subsequent operations on a non-oriented stream change the orientation of the stream. You can use the `setbuf()` and `setvbuf()` functions only on a non-oriented stream. When you use these functions, the stream remains non-oriented. When you perform one of the wide character input/output operations on a non-oriented stream,
the stream becomes wide-oriented. When you perform one of the byte input/output operations on a non-oriented stream, the stream becomes byte-oriented.

**Wide-oriented**
A stream on which any wide character input/output functions are guaranteed to operate correctly. Conceptually, wide-oriented streams are sequences of wide characters. The external file associated with a wide-oriented stream is a sequence of multibyte characters. Using byte I/O functions on a wide-oriented stream results in undefined behavior. A stream opened for record I/O cannot be wide-oriented.

**Byte-oriented**
A stream on which any byte input/output functions are guaranteed to operate properly. Using wide character I/O functions on a byte input/output stream results in undefined behavior. Byte-oriented streams have minimal support for multibyte characters.

Calls to the `clearerr()`, `feof()`, `ferror()`, `fflush()`, `fgetpos()`, or `fseek()` functions do not change the orientation.

Once you have established a stream’s orientation, the only way to change it is to make a successful call to the `freopen()` function, which removes a stream’s orientation.

The `wchar.h` header file declares the `WEOF` macro and the functions that support wide character input and output. The macro expands to a constant expression of type `wint_t`. Certain functions return `WEOF` type when the end-of-file is reached on the stream.

**Note:** The behavior of the wide character I/O functions is affected by the `LC_CTYPE` category of the current locale, and the setting of `MB_CUR_MAX`. Wide-character input and output should be performed under the same `LC_CTYPE` setting. If you change the setting between when you read from a file and when you write to it, or vice versa, you may get undefined behavior. If you change it back to the original setting, however, you will get the behavior that is documented. See the introduction of this chapter for a discussion of the effects of `MB_CUR_MAX`.

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**Opening files**

You can use the `fopen()` or `freopen()` library functions to open I/O files that contain multibyte characters. You do not need to specify any special parameters on these functions for wide character I/O.

**Reading streams and files**

Wide character input functions read multibyte characters from the stream and convert them to wide characters. The conversion process is performed in the same way that the `mbtowc()` function performs conversions.

The following z/OS C library functions support wide character input:
- `fgetwc()`
- `fgetws()`
- `getwc()`
- `getwchar()`
In addition, the following byte-oriented functions support handling multibyte characters by providing conversion specifiers to handle the wchar_t data type:

- scanf()
- fscanf()
- sscanf()

All other byte-oriented input functions treat input as single-byte.

For a detailed description of unformatted and formatted I/O functions, refer to the [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference](#).

The wide-character input/output functions maintain global shift state for multibyte character streams they read or write. For each multibyte character they read, wide-character input functions change global shift state as the mbtowc() function would do. Similarly, for each multibyte character they write, wide-character output functions change global shift state as the wcrtomb() function would do.

When you are using wide-oriented input functions, multibyte characters are converted to wide characters according to the current shift state. Invalid double-byte character sequences cause conversion errors on input. As z/OS C uses wide-oriented functions to read a stream, it updates the shift state when it encounters shift-out and shift-in characters. Wide-oriented functions always read complete multibyte characters. Byte-oriented functions do not check for complete multibyte characters, nor do they maintain information about the shift state. Therefore, they should not be used to read multibyte streams.

For binary streams, no validation is performed to ensure that records start or end in initial shift state. For text streams, however, all records must start and end in initial shift state.

### Writing streams and files

Wide character output functions convert wide characters to multibyte characters and write the result to the stream. The conversion process is performed in the same way that the wcrtomb() function performs conversions.

The following z/OS C functions support wide character output:

- fputwc()
- fputws()
- swprintf()
- vswprintf()
- putwc()
- putwchar()

In addition, the following byte-oriented functions support handling multibyte characters by providing conversion specifiers to handle the wchar_t data type:

- printf()
- fprintf()
- sprintf()
All other output functions do not support the \texttt{wchar_t} data type. However, all of the output functions support multibyte character output for text streams if MB\_CUR\_MAX is 4.

For a detailed description of unformatted and formatted I/O functions, refer to the \textit{z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference}.

\textbf{Writing text streams}

When you are using wide-oriented output functions, wide characters are converted to multibyte characters. For text streams, all records must start and end in initial shift state. The wide-character functions add shift-out and shift-in characters as they are needed. When the file is closed, a shift-out character may be added to complete the file in initial shift state.

When you are using byte-oriented functions to write out multibyte data, \texttt{z/OS C} starts each record in initial shift state and makes sure you complete each record in initial shift state before moving to the next record. When a string starts with a shift-out, all data written is treated as multibyte, not single-byte. This means that you cannot write a single-byte control character (such as a new-line) until you complete the multibyte string with a shift-in character.

Attempting to write a second shift-out character before a shift-in is not allowed. \texttt{z/OS C} truncates the second shift-out and raises SIGIOERR if SIGIOERR is not set to SIG\_IGN.

When you write a shift-in character to an incomplete multibyte character, \texttt{z/OS C} completes the multibyte character with a padding character (\texttt{\textbackslash fe}) before it writes the shift-in. The padding character is not counted as an output character in the total returned by the output function; you will never get a return code indicating that you wrote more characters than you provided. If \texttt{z/OS C} adds a padding character, however, it does raise SIGIOERR, if SIGIOERR is not set to SIG\_IGN.

Control characters written before the shift-in are treated as multibyte data and are not interpreted or validated.

When you close the file, \texttt{z/OS C} ensures that the file ends in initial shift state. This may require adding a shift-in and possibly a padding character to complete the last multibyte character, if it is not already complete. If padding is needed in this case, \texttt{z/OS C} does not raise SIGIOERR.

Multibyte characters are never split across record boundaries. In addition, all records end and start in initial shift state. When a shift-out is written to the file, either directly or indirectly by wide-oriented functions, \texttt{z/OS C} calculates the maximum number of complete multibyte characters that can be contained in the record with the accompanying shift-in. If multibyte output (including any required shift-out and shift-in characters) does not fit within the current record, the behavior depends on what type of file it is (a memory file has no record boundaries and so never has this particular problem). For a standard stream or terminal file, data is wrapped from one record to the next. Shift characters may be added to ensure that the first record ends in initial shift state and that the second record starts in the required shift state.

For files that are not standard streams, terminal files, or memory files, any attempt to write data that does not fit into the current record results in data truncation. In such a case, the output function returns an error code, raises SIGIOERR, and sets
errno and the error flag. Truncation continues until initial state is reached and a new-line is written to the file. An entire multibyte stream may be truncated, including the shift-out and shift-in, if there are not at least two bytes in the record. For a wide-oriented stream, truncation stops when a wchar_t new-line character is written out.

Updating a wide-oriented file or a file containing multibyte characters is strongly discouraged, because your update may overwrite part of a multibyte string or character, thereby invalidating subsequent data. For example, you could inadvertently add data that overwrites a shift-out. The data after the shift-out is meaningless when it is treated in initial shift state. Appending new data to the end of the file is safe.

**Writing binary streams**

When you are using wide-oriented output functions, wide characters are converted to multibyte characters. No validation is performed to ensure that records start or end in initial shift state. When the file is closed, any appendes are completed with a shift-in character, if it is needed to end the stream in initial shift state. If you are updating a record when the stream is closed, the stream is flushed. See Flushing buffers for more information.

Byte-oriented output functions do not interpret binary data. If you use them for writing multibyte data, ensure that your data is correct and ends in initial shift state. Updating a wide-oriented file or a file containing multibyte characters is strongly discouraged, because your update may overwrite part of a multibyte string or character, thereby invalidating subsequent data. For example, you could inadvertently add data that overwrites a shift-out. The data after the shift-out is meaningless when it is treated in initial shift state. Appending new data to the end of the file is safe for a wide-oriented file.

If you update a record after you call fseekpos(), the shift state may change. Using the fpos_t value with the fsetpos() function may cause the shift state to be set incorrectly.

**Flushing buffers**

You can use the library function fflush() to flush streams to the system. For more information about fflush(), see the z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.

The action taken by the fflush() library function depends on the buffering mode associated with the stream and the type of stream. If you call one z/OS C program from another z/OS C program by using the ANSI system() function, all open streams are flushed before control is passed to the callee. A call to the POSIX system() function does not flush any streams to the system. For a POSIX system call, we recommend that you do a fflush() before the system call.

**Flushing text streams**

When you call fflush() after updating a text stream, fflush() calculates your current shift state. If you are not in initial shift state, z/OS C looks forward in the record to see whether a shift-in character occurs before the end of the record or any shift-out. If not, z/OS C adds a shift-in to the data if it will not overwrite a shift-out character. The shift-in is placed such that there are complete multibyte characters between it and the shift-out that took the data out of initial state. z/OS C
may accomplish this by skipping over the next byte in order to leave an even number of bytes between the shift-out and the added shift-in.

Updating a wide-oriented or byte-oriented multibyte stream is strongly discouraged. In a byte-oriented stream, you may have written only half of a multibyte character when you call fflush(). In such a case, z/OS C adds a padding byte before the shift-out. For both wide-oriented and byte-oriented streams, the addition of any shift or padding character does not move the current file position.

Calling fflush() has no effect on the current record when you are writing new data to a wide-oriented or byte-oriented multibyte stream, because the record is incomplete.

Flushing binary streams
In a wide-oriented stream, calling fflush() causes z/OS C to add a shift-in character if the stream does not already end in initial shift state. In a byte-oriented stream, calling fflush() causes no special behavior beyond what a call to fflush() usually does.

ungetwc() considerations
ungetwc() pushes wide characters back onto the input stream for binary and text files. You can use it to push one wide character onto the ungetwc() buffer. Never use ungetc() on a wide-oriented file. After you call ungetwc(), calling fflush() backs up the file position by one wide character and clears the pushed-back wide character from the stream. Backing up by one wide character skips over shift characters and backs up to the start of the previous character (whether single-byte or double-byte). For text files, z/OS C counts the new-lines added to the records as single-byte characters when it calculates the file position. For example, if you have the following stream: you can run the following code fragment:

```c
fgetwc(fp); /* Returns X'00C1' (the hexadecimal */
/* wchar representation of A) */
fgetwc(fp); /* Returns X'00C2' (the hexadecimal */
/* wchar representation of B) */
fgetwc(fp); /* Returns X'7FFE' (the hexadecimal */
/* wchar representation of the DBCS */
/* character) between the SO and SI */
/* characters; leaves file position at C */
ungetwc('Z',fp); /* Logically inserts Z before SI character */
fflush(fp); /* Backs up one wchar, leaving position at */
/* beginning of X'7FFE' DBCS char */
/* and DBCS state in double-byte mode; */
/* clears Z from the logical stream */
```

Figure 6. ungetwc() Example

You can set the_EDC_COMPAT environment variable before you open the file, so that fflush() ignores any character pushed back with ungetwc() or ungetc(), and leaves
the file position where it was when ungetwc() or ungetc() was first issued. Any characters pushed back are still cleared. For more information about _EDC_COMPAT, see Chapter 31, “Using environment variables,” on page 457.

Setting positions within files

The following conditions apply to text streams and binary streams.

Repositioning within text streams

When you use the fseek() or fsetpos() function to reposition within files, z/OS C recalculates the shift state.

If you update a record after a successful call to the fseek() function or the fsetpos() function, a partial multibyte character can be overwritten. Calling a wide character function for data after the written character can result in undefined behavior.

Use the fseek() or fsetpos() functions to reposition only to the start of a multibyte character. If you reposition to the middle of a multibyte character, undefined behavior can occur.

Repositioning within binary streams

When you are working with a wide-oriented file, keep in mind the state of the file position that you are repositioning to. If you call ftell(), you can seek with SEEK_SET and the state will be reset correctly. You cannot use such an ftell() value across a program boundary unless the stream has been marked wide-oriented. A seek specifying a relative offset (SEEK_CUR or SEEK_END) will change the state to initial state. Using relative offsets is strongly discouraged, because you may be seeking to a point that is not in initial state, or you may end up in the middle of a multibyte character, causing wide-oriented functions to give you undefined behavior. These functions expect you to be at the beginning or end of a multibyte character in the correct state. Using your own offset with SEEK_SET also does the same. For a wide-oriented file, the number of valid bytes or records that ftell() supports is cut in half.

When you use the fsetpos() function to reposition within a file, the shift state is set to the state saved by the function. Use this function to reposition to a wide character that is not in the initial state.

ungetwc() considerations

For text files, the library functions fgetpos() and ftell() take into account the character you have pushed back onto the input stream with ungetwc(), and move the file position back by one wide character. The starting position for an fseek() call with a whence value of SEEK_CUR also takes into account this pushed-back wide character. Backing up one wide character means backing up either a single-byte character or a multibyte character, depending on the type of the preceding character. The implicit new-lines at the end of each record are counted as wide characters.

For binary files, the library functions fgetpos() and ftell() also take into account the character you have pushed back onto the input stream with ungetwc(), and adjust the file position accordingly. However, the ungetwc() must push back the same type of character just read by fgetwc(), so that ftell() and fgetpos() can save the state correctly. An fseek() with an offset of SEEK_CUR also accounts for the
pushed-back character. Again, the `ungetc()` must unget the same type of character for this to work properly. If the `ungetc()` pushes back a character in the opposite state, you will get undefined behavior.

You can make only one call to `ungetc()`. If the current logical file position is already at or before the first wchar in the file, a call to `ftell()` or `fgetpos()` after `ungetc()` fails.

When you are using `fseek()` with a whence value of SEEK_CUR, the starting point for the reposition also accounts for the presence of `ungetc()` characters and compensates as `ftell()` and `fgetpos()` do. Specifying a relative offset other than 0 is not supported and results in undefined behavior.

You can set the `_EDC_COMPAT` environment variable to specify that `ungetc()` should not affect `fgetpos()` or `fseek()`. (It will still affect `ftell()`. If the environment variable is set, `fgetpos()` and `fseek()` ignore any pushed-back wide character. See Chapter 31, “Using environment variables,” on page 457 for more information about `_EDC_COMPAT`.

If a repositioning operation fails, z/OS C attempts to restore the original file position by treating the operation as a call to `fflush()`. It does not account for the presence of `ungetc()` characters, which are lost.

Closing files

z/OS C expects files to end in initial shift state. For binary byte-oriented files, you must ensure that the ending state of the file is initial state. Failure to do so results in undefined behavior if you reaccess the file again. For wide-oriented streams and byte-oriented text streams, z/OS C tracks new data that you add. If necessary, z/OS C adds a padding byte to complete any incomplete multibyte character and a shift-in to end the file in initial state.

Manipulating wide character array functions

In order to manipulate wide character arrays in your program, the following functions can be used:

Table 9. Manipulating wide character arrays

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For more information about these functions, refer to the z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.
Chapter 9. Using C and C++ standard streams and redirection

The standard streams are declared in the C header file stdio.h or in the C++ header files iostream.h or iostream. Table 10 below shows the C standard streams and the functions that use them, as well as the C++ standard streams and the operators typically used to perform I/O with them.

By default, the standard streams are opened implicitly the first time they are referenced. You do not have to declare them or call their open() member functions to open them. For example, with no preceding declaration or open() call, the following statement writes the decimal number n to the cout stream.

cout << n << endl;

For more detailed information about C++ I/O streaming see the following:

- **z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference** discusses the C I/O stream functions
- **Standard C++ Library Reference** discusses the Standard C++ I/O stream classes
- **C/C++ Legacy Class Libraries Reference** discusses the Unix Systems Laboratories C++ Language System Release (USL) I/O Stream Library.

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On I/O operations requiring a file pointer, you can use stdin, stdout, or stderr in the same manner as you would any other file pointer.

If you are running with POSIX(ON), standard streams are opened during initialization of the process, before the application receives control. With POSIX(OFF), the default behavior is for the C standard streams to open automatically on first reference. You do not have to call fopen() to open them. For example:

```c
printf("%d
",n);
```

with no preceding fopen() statement writes the decimal number n to the stdout stream.

By default, stdin interprets the character sequence /* as indicating that the end of the file has been reached. See Chapter 13, “Performing terminal I/O operations,” on page 197 for more information.

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**Default open modes**

The default open modes for the C standard streams are:

```plaintext
stdin  r
stdout w
stderr w
```

Where the streams go depends on what kind of environment you are running under. These are the defaults:

- **Under interactive TSO**, all three standard streams go to the terminal.
- **Under MVS batch, TSO batch, and IMS (batch and interactive):**
  - stdin goes to dd:sysin. If dd:sysin does not exist, all read operations from stdin will fail.
  - stdout goes first to dd:sysprint. If dd:sysprint does not exist, stdout looks for dd:system and then dd:syserr. If neither of these files exists, z/OS C/C++ opens a sysout=* data set and sends the stdout stream to it.
  - stderr will go to the z/OS Language Environment message file. In AMODE 64 applications, stderr goes to dd:sysout.
- **Under CICS**, stdout and stderr are assigned to transient data queues, allocated during CICS initialization. The CICS standard streams can be redirected only to or from memory files. You can do this by using freopen().
- **Under z/OS UNIX System Services**, if you are running in one of the z/OS UNIX System Services shells, the shell controls redirection. See [z/OS UNIX System Services User’s Guide](https://www.ibm.com/docs/en/zos-systems-1/1.1) and [z/OS UNIX System Services Command Reference](https://www.ibm.com/docs/en/zos-systems-1/1.1) for information.

You can also redirect the standard streams to other files. See [Redirecting standard streams](https://www.ibm.com/docs/en/zos-systems-1/1.1) and sections following.

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**Interleaving the standard streams with sync_with_stdio()**

The sync_with_stdio() function allows you to interleave C standard streams with standard streams from either the Standard C++ Library or the USL I/O Stream Class Library. A call to sync_with_stdio() does the following:

- cin, cout, cerr, and clog are initialized with stdiobuf objects associated with stdin, stdout, and stderr.
The flags `unitbuf` and `stdio` are set for `cout`, `cerr`, and `clog`. This ensures that subsequent standard streams may be mixed on a per-character basis. **However, a run-time performance penalty is incurred to ensure this synchronization.**

```c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <fstream.h>

int main()
{
    ios::sync_with_stdio();
    cout << "object: to show that sync_with_stdio() allows interleaving
" " standard input and output on a per character basis\n" << endl;

    printf("line 1 ");
    cout << "rest of line 1\n";
    cout << "line 2 ";
    printf("rest of line 2\n");

    char string1[80] = "";
    char string2[80] = "";
    char string3[80] = "";
    char* rc = NULL;

    cout << "type the following 2 lines:\n" "hello world, here I am\n" "again\n" << endl;

    cin.get(string1[0]);
    string1[1] = getchar();
    cin.get(string1[2]);

    cout << "\nstring1[0] is " << string1[0] << "\n"
        << "string1[1] is " << string1[1] << "\n"

    cin >> &string1[3];
    rc = gets(string2); // note: reads to end of line, so
    cin >> string3; // this line waits for more input

    cout << "\nstring1 is " << string1 << "\n"
        << "string2 is " << string2 << "\n"
        << "string3 is " << string3 << "\n" << flush;
}
```

*Figure 7. Interleaving I/O with sync_with_stdio() (Part 1 of 2)*
Interleaving the standard streams without sync_with_stdio()

Output can be interleaved without sync_with_stdio(), since the C++ standard streams are based on z/OS C I/O. That is, cout can be interleaved with stdout, and clog can be interleaved with stderr. This is done by explicitly flushing cout or clog before calling the z/OS C output function. Results of attempting to interleave these streams without explicitly flushing, are undefined. Output to cerr doesn't have to be explicitly flushed, since cerr is unit-buffered.

Input to cin may be interleaved with input to stdin, without sync_with_stdio(), on a line-by-line basis. Results of attempting to interleave on a per-character basis are undefined.
// Example of interleaving I/O without sync_with_stdio()
//
// tsyncwos.cxx
#include <stdio.h>
#include <fstream.h>

int main() {
    cout << "object: to illustrate interleaving input and output\n" << endl;
    printf("interleaving output ");
    cout << "works with an (end of line 1) \n" << flush;
    cout << "explicit flush of cout  " << flush;
    printf("(end of line 2)\n\n");
    char string1[80] = "";
    char string2[80] = "";
    char string3[80] = "";
    char* rc = NULL;
    cout << "type the following 3 lines:\n" "interleaving input\n" "on a per-line basis\n" "is supported\n" << endl;
    cin.getline(string1, 80);
    rc = gets(string2);
    cin.getline(string3, 80);
    cout << "\nstring1 is " << string1 << "\n" << string2 << "\n" << string3 << "\n" << endl;
    // The endl manipulator inserts a newline
    // character and calls flush().
    char char1 = '\0';
    char char2 = '\0';
    char char3 = '\0';
    cout << "\nchar1 is \"" << char1 << "\"\n" << char2 << "\"\n" << char3 << "\"\n" << endl;
    cin >> char1;
    char2 = (char) getchar();
    cin >> char3;
    cout << "\nchar1 is \"" << char1 << "\"\n" << char2 << "\"\n" << char3 << "\"\n" << flush;
}

Figure 8. Interleaving I/O without sync_with_stdio() (Part 1 of 2)
Redirecting standard streams

This section describes redirection of standard streams:

- From the command line
- By assignment
- With freopen()
- With the MSGFILE run-time option

Note that, C++ standard streams are implemented in terms of C standard streams. Therefore, cin, cout, cerr, and clog are implicitly redirected when the corresponding C standard streams are redirected. These streams can be redirected by assignment, as described in "Assigning the standard streams" on page 82. If freopen() is applied to a C standard stream, creating a binary stream or one with "type=record", then behavior of the related stream is undefined.

Redirecting streams from the command line

To redirect a standard stream to a file from the command line, invoke your program by entering the following:

1. Program name
2. Any parameters your program requires (these may be specified before and after the redirection)
3. A redirection symbol followed by the name of the file that is to be used in place of the standard stream

**Note:** If you specify a redirection in a `system()` call, after `system()` returns, the streams are redirected back to those at the time of the `system()` call.

### Using the redirection symbols

The following table lists the redirection symbols supported by z/OS C/C++ (when not running under one of the z/OS UNIX System Services shells) for redirection of C standard streams from the command line or from a `system()` call. 0, 1, and 2 represent stdin, stdout, and stderr, respectively.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Symbol</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td><code>&lt;fn</code></td>
<td>associates the file specified as <code>fn</code> with stdin; reopens <code>fn</code> in mode r.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>0&lt;fn</code></td>
<td>associates the file specified as <code>fn</code> with stdin; reopens <code>fn</code> in mode r.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>&gt;fn</code></td>
<td>associates the file specified as <code>fn</code> with stdout; reopens <code>fn</code> in mode w.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>0&gt;fn</code></td>
<td>associates the file specified as <code>fn</code> with stdout; reopens <code>fn</code> in mode w.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>w&gt;fn</code></td>
<td>associates the file specified as <code>fn</code> with stdout; reopens <code>fn</code> in mode w.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>2&gt;fn</code></td>
<td>associates the file specified as <code>fn</code> with stderr; reopens <code>fn</code> in mode w.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>2&gt;2fn</code></td>
<td>associates the file specified as <code>fn</code> with stderr; reopens <code>fn</code> in mode w.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>1&gt;&amp;2</code></td>
<td>associate stderr with stdout; same file and mode.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Notes:**

1. If you use the NOREDIR option on a `#pragma runopts` directive, or the NOREDIR compile-time option, you cannot redirect standard streams on the command line using the preceding list of symbols.

2. If you want to pass one of the redirection symbols as an argument, you can enclose it in double quotation marks. For example, the following passes the string "here are the args including a " to prog and redirects stdout to redir1 output a.

   ```
   prog "here are args including a " >"redir1 output a"
   ```

3. TSO (batch and online) and MVS batch support command line arguments. CICS and IMS do not.

4. When two options specifying redirection conflict with each other, or when you redirect a standard stream more than once, the redirection fails. If you do the latter, you will get an abend. For example, if you specify

   ```
   2>&1
   ```
   and then

   ```
   1>&2
   ```

   z/OS C/C++ uses the first redirection and ignores any subsequent ones. If you specify

   ```
   >a.out
   ```
   and then

   ```
   1>&2
   ```

   the redirection fails and the program abends.

5. A failed attempt to redirect a standard stream causes your program to fail in initialization.
Assigning the standard streams

This method of redirecting streams is known as direct assignment. You can redirect a C standard stream by assigning a valid file pointer to it, as follows:

```c
FILE *stream;
stream = fopen("new.file", "w+");
stdout = stream;
```

You must ensure that the streams are appropriate; for example, do not assign a stream opened for w to stdin. Doing so would cause a function such as getchar() called for the stream to fail, because getchar() expects a stream to be opened for read access.

Similarly, you can redirect a standard stream under C++ by assignment:

```c
ofstream myfile("myfile.data");
cout = myfile;
```

Again, you must ensure that the assigned stream is appropriate; for example, do not assign an fstream opened for ios::out only to cin. This will cause a subsequent read operation to fail.

Using the freopen() library function

You can use the freopen() C library function to redirect C standard streams in all environments.

Redirecting streams with the MSGFILE option

Restriction: This section does not apply to AMODE 64.

You can redirect stderr by specifying a ddname on the MSGFILE run-time option and not redirecting stderr elsewhere (such as on the command line). The default ddname for the z/OS Language Environment MSGFILE is SYSOUT. See the Language Environment Programming Guide for more information on MSGFILE.

MSGFILE considerations

z/OS C/C++ makes a distinction between types of error output according to whether the output is directed to the MSGFILE, to stderr, or to stdout:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Destination of Output</th>
<th>Type of Message</th>
<th>Produced by</th>
<th>Default Destination</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>MSGFILE output</td>
<td>z/OS Language Environment messages (CEExxxx)</td>
<td>z/OS Language Environment conditions</td>
<td>MSGFILE ddname</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>z/OS C/C++ language messages (EDCxxxx)</td>
<td>z/OS C/C++ unhandled conditions</td>
<td>MSGFILE ddname</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>stderr messages</td>
<td>perror() messages (EDCxxxx)</td>
<td>Issued by a call, for example, to: perror()</td>
<td>MSGFILE ddname ^2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>User output sent explicitly to stderr</td>
<td>Issued by a call to fprintf()</td>
<td>MSGFILE ddname</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>stdout messages</td>
<td>User output sent explicitly to stdout</td>
<td>Issued by a call, for example, to: printf()</td>
<td>stdout ^3</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
All stderr output is by default sent to the MSGFILE destination, while stdout output is sent to its own destination. When stderr is redirected to stdout, both share the stdout destination. When stdout is redirected to stderr, both share the stderr destination.

If you specified one of the DDs used in the stdout open search order as the DD for the MSGFILE option, then that DD will be ignored in the stdout open search.

Table 13 describes the destination of output to stderr and stdout after redirection has occurred. Whenever stdout and stderr share a common destination, the output is interleaved. The default case is the one where stdout and stderr have not been redirected.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>stdout not redirected</th>
<th>stderr redirected to destination other than stdout</th>
<th>stderr redirected to stdout</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>stdout to itself</td>
<td>stdout to itself stderr to MSGFILE</td>
<td>Both to stderr</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>stderr redirected to destination other than stdout</td>
<td>stderr to its other destination stderr to MSGFILE</td>
<td>Both to the new stdout destination</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>stderr redirected to stdout</td>
<td>Both to MSGFILE</td>
<td>stderr to stderr stderr to stdout</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

z/OS C/C++ routes error output as follows:

- MSGFILE output
  - z/OS Language Environment messages (messages prefixed with CEE)
  - Language messages (messages prefixed with EDC)
- stderr output
  - perror messages (messages prefixed with EDC and issued by a call to perror())
  - Output explicitly sent to stderr (for example, by a call to fprintf())

By default, z/OS C/C++ sends all stderr output to the MSGFILE destination and stdout output to its own destination. You can change this by using z/OS C/C++ redirection, which enables you to redirect stdout and stderr to a ddname, file name, or each other. Unless you have redirected stderr, it always uses the MSGFILE destination. When you redirect stderr to stdout, stdout and stderr share the stdout destination. When you redirect stdout to stderr, they share the stderr destination.

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2. When you are using one of the z/OS UNIX System Services shells, stderr will go to file descriptor 2, which is typically the terminal. See Chapter 16, “Language Environment Message file operations,” on page 223 for more information about z/OS Language Environment message files.

3. When you are using one of the z/OS UNIX System Services shells, stdout will go to file descriptor 1, which is typically the terminal.
Redirecting streams under z/OS

This section describes how to redirect C standard streams under MVS batch and under TSO.

**Restrictions**: The following restrictions apply to AMODE 64 applications:
- IMS and CICS environments are not supported in AMODE 64 applications
- The Language Environment Message File (MSGFILE) is not supported in AMODE 64 applications
- The stderr stream goes to the ddname SYSOUT in AMODE 64 applications

**Under MVS batch**

You can redirect standard streams in the following ways:
- From the freopen() library function call
- On the PARM parameter of the EXEC used to invoke your C or C++ program
- Using DD statements

Because the topic of JCL statements goes beyond the scope of this book, only simple examples will be shown here.

**Using the PARM parameter of the EXEC statement**

The following example shows an excerpt taken from a job stream. It demonstrates both the redirection of stdout using the PARM parameter of the EXEC statement, and the way to redirect to a fully qualified data set. You can use the redirection symbols described in [Table 11 on page 83](#).

Suppose you have a program called BATCHPGM, with 1 required parameter 'DEBUG'. The output from BATCHPGM is to be directed to a sequential data set called 'MAINT.LOG.LISTING'. You can use the following JCL statements:

```
//JOBname   JOB...
//STEP01    EXEC PGM=BATCHPGM,PARM='DEBUG >' 'MAINT.LOG.LISTING'
```

The following JCL redirects output to an unqualified data set using the same program name, parameter and output data set as the example above:

```
//STEP01    EXEC PGM=BATCHPGM,PARM='DEBUG >LOG.LISTING'
```

If your userid were TSOU812, stdout would be sent to TSOU812.LOG.LISTING.

**Using DD statements**

When you use DD statements to redirect standard streams, the standard streams will be associated with ddnames as follows:
- stdin will be associated with the SYSIN ddname. If SYSIN is not defined, no characters can be read in from stdin.
- stdout will be associated with the SYSPRINT ddname. If SYSPRINT is not defined, the C library will try to associate stdout with SYSTERM, and if SYSTERM is also not defined, the C library will try to associate stdout with SYSERR. If any of the above DD statements are used as the MSGFILE DD, then that DD statement will not be considered for use as the stdout DD.

**Restriction**: The reference to the MSGFILE does not apply to AMODE 64 applications.
The stderr could be a device or data set called 'YEAREND.ACTION(CHEM)' MONITOR retrieved in demonstrating the following sequential data set called 'SAFETY.CHEM.LIST'. The output of the ddname for stdout is not allocated to a device or data set, it is dynamically allocated to the terminal in an interactive environment or to SYSOUT=* in an MVS batch environment.

The following table summarizes the association of streams with ddnames:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Standard stream</th>
<th>ddname</th>
<th>Alternate ddname</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>stdin</td>
<td>SYSIN</td>
<td>none</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>stdout</td>
<td>SYSPRINT</td>
<td>SYSTEM, SYSERR</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>stderr</td>
<td>DD associated with MSGFILE. For AMODE 64 applications stderr is SYSOUT, and there is no alternate ddname.</td>
<td>None</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The following MVS example shows an excerpt taken from a job stream demonstrating the redirection of the three standard streams by using ddnames.

In the example, your program name is MONITOR and the input to MONITOR is to be retrieved from a sequential data set called 'SAFETY.CHEM.LIST'. The output of MONITOR is to be directed to a partitioned data set member called 'YEAREND.ACTION(CHEM)', and any errors generated by MONITOR are to be written to a sequential data set called 'YEAREND.MONITOR.ERRLIST'. To redirect the standard streams using DD statements you could use the following JCL statements:

```jcl
//JOBname   JOB...
//STEP01    EXEC PGM=MONITOR,PARM='MSGFILE(SYSERR)'/
            ...
//SYSIN     DD DSN=SAFETY.CHEM.LIST,DISP=OLD
//SYSERR    DD DSN=YEAREND.MONITOR.ERRLIST,DISP=MOD
//SYSPRINT  DD DSN=YEAREND.ACTION(CHEM),DISP=OLD
            ...
```

The following example shows how to get stdout and stderr to share the same file where: the program name is HOCKEY and the input to HOCKEY is to be retrieved from a sequential data set called 'HOCKEY.PLAYER.LIST'. The output of HOCKEY is to be directed to a sequential data set called 'HOCKEY.OUTPUT' and any errors generated by HOCKEY are also to be written to the sequential data set 'HOCKEY.OUTPUT'. You could use the following JCL statements:

```jcl
//JOBname   JOB...
//STEP01    EXEC PGM=HOCKEY,PARM="/2>&1"
//SYSIN     DD DSN=HOCKEY.PLAYER.LIST,DISP=SHR
//SYSPRINT  DD DSN=HOCKEY.OUTPUT,DISP=(OLD),DCB=...
```

stderr shares stdout because of the 2>&1 redirection statement.

If you want to redirect to an HFS file, you can modify the above examples to use the PATH and PATHOPT options described in "DDnames" on page 50.
**Under TSO**

You can redirect standard streams in the following ways:

- From the `freopen()` library function call
- From the command line
- Using the parameter list in a CALL command

**From the command line**

The following example illustrates the redirection of stdin under TSO. The program in this example is called `BUILD` and it has 2 required parameters, 'PLAN' and 'JOHNSTON'. The input to `BUILD` is to be retrieved from a partitioned data set member called 'CONDO(SPRING)'. To redirect stdin in this example under TSO you can use the following command:

```
BUILD PLAN JOHNSTON < 'CONDO(SPRING)' 
```

**Notes:**

1. If the data set name is not enclosed in quotation marks, your user prefix will be appended to the data set name specified.
2. If you specify a redirection in a `system()` call, after `system()` returns, the streams are redirected back to those at the time of the `system()` call.

**Using the parameter list in a CALL command**

You can also redirect the output to a file with a ddname in TSO by specifying the output file in the parameter list like the following:

```
CALL 'PREFIX.PROGRAM' '>&DD:OUTFILE'
```

The ddname can be created by an `ALLOCATE` command.

**Under IMS**

Under IMS online and batch, you can redirect the C standard streams in any of the following ways:

- with direct assignment
- with the `freopen()` function
- with ddnames

For details on ddnames, see "Using DD statements" on page 84.

**Under CICS**

There are several ways to redirect C standard streams under CICS:

- You can assign a memory file to the stream (for example, `stdout=myfile`).
- You can use `freopen()` to open a standard stream as a memory file.
- You can use CICS facilities to direct where the stream output goes.

If you assign a file pointer to a stream or use `freopen()` on it, you will not be able to use C functions to direct the information outside or elsewhere in the CICS environment. Once access to a CICS transient data queue has been removed, either by a call to `freopen()` or `fclose()`, or by the assignment of another file pointer to the stream, z/OS C/C++ does not provide a way to regain access. Once C functions have lost access to the transient data queues, you must use the CICS-provided facilities to regain it.
CICS provides a facility that enables you to direct where a given transient data queue, the default standard stream implementation, will go, but you must configure this facility before a CICS cold start.

**Passing C and C++ standard streams across a system() call**

**Restriction:** ANSI system() is not supported in AMODE 64, but references to POSIX system() apply to all applications.

A system() call occurs when one z/OS C/C++ program calls another z/OS C/C++ program by using the ANSI system() function, which z/OS C/C++ uses if you are not running with POSIX(ON). Standard streams are inherited across calls to the ANSI system() function. With a POSIX system() function, file descriptors 0, 1, and 2 will be mapped to standard streams stdin, stdout and stderr in the child process. The behavior of these streams is similar to binary streams called with the ANSI system() function.

Inheritance includes any redirection of the stream as well as the open mode of the stream. For example, if program A reopens stdout as "A.B" for "wb" and then calls program B, program B inherits the definition of stdout. If program B reopens stdout as "C.D" for "ab" and then uses system() to call program C, program C inherits stdout opened to "C.D" for append. Once control returns to the calling program, the definitions of the standard streams from the time of the system() call are restored. For example, when program B finally returns control to program A, stdout is restored to "A.B" opened for "wb".

The file position and the amount of data that is visible in the called and calling programs depend on whether the standard streams are opened for binary, text, or record I/O.

The behavior of the C standard streams across a system() call indicates the behavior of all standard streams since they are implemented in terms of the C standard streams.

**Passing binary streams**

If the standard stream being passed across a system() call is opened in binary mode, any reads or writes issued in the called program occur at the next byte in the file. On return, the position of the file is wherever the called program is positioned. This includes any possible repositions made by the called program if the file is enabled for positioning. Because output to binary files is done byte by byte, all bytes are written to stdout and stderr in the order they are written. This is shown in the following example:

```c
printf("123");
printf("456");
system("CHILD");  // int main(void) { putc('7',stdout);} printf("89");
```

The output from this example is:

```
123456789
```

Memory files are always opened in binary mode, even if you specify text. Any standard streams redirected to memory files and passed across system() calls will be treated as binary files. HFS files are also treated as binary files, because they do not contain any real record boundaries. Memory files are not passed across calls to the POSIX system() function.
If `freopen()` is applied to a C standard stream, thereby creating a binary stream, then the results of I/O to the associated standard stream across a `system()` call are undefined.

### Passing text streams

If the C standard stream being passed across a `system()` call is opened in text mode (the default), the file position in the called program is placed at the next record boundary, if it is not already at the start of a record. Any data in the current record that is unread is skipped. Here is an example:

```c
int main() {
    char c[4];
    c[0] = getchar();
    c[1] = getchar();
    printf("def\n");
    system("hello");
    printf("abc\n");
    printf("test\n");
    return 0;
}
```

**Output:**
```
no
--- from the child
ab01
--- from root
```

When you write to a spanned file, the file position moves to the beginning of the next record, if that record exists. If not, the position moves to the end of the incomplete record.

For non-spanned standard streams opened for output, if the caller has created a text record missing an ending control character, the last record is hidden from the called program. The called program can append new data if the stream is open in append mode. Any appends made by the called program will be after the last record that was complete at the time of the `system()` call.

When the called program terminates, it completes any new unfinished text record with a new-line; the addition of the new-line does not move the file position. Once any incomplete record is completed, the file position moves to the next record boundary, if it is not already on a record boundary or at EOF.

When control returns to the original caller, any incomplete record hidden at the time of the `system()` call is restored to the end of the file. If the called program is at EOF when it is terminated and the caller was within an incomplete record at the time of the `system()` call, the position upon return is restored to the original record offset at the time of the `system()` call. This position is usually the end of the incomplete record. Generally, if the caller is writing to a standard stream and does not complete the last record before it calls `system()`, writes continue to add to the last record when control returns to the caller. For example:

```c
printf("test\n");
printf("abc\n");
system("hello\n");
------> int main(void) { printf("hello world\n");}
printf("def\n");
```

The output from this example is as follows:
```
test
hello world
abcdef
```
If stdout had been opened for "w+" in this example, and a reposition had been made to the character 'b' before the system() call, upon return, the incomplete record "abc" would have been restored and the position would have been at the 'b'. The subsequent write of def would have performed an update to give test hello world adef.

**C++ standard streams considerations**

The following sections are considerations for C++ standard streams.

**Output with sync_with_stdio():** When a standard output stream is open in text mode (the default), and sync_with_stdio() has been called, the output across a system() call behaves the same as a C standard stream:

- If the parent program writes a newline character, the line will be flushed before the child program is invoked;
- Otherwise, the output from the parent will be held in a buffer until the child returns.

**Output without sync_with_stdio():** When a standard output stream is open in text mode, and sync_with_stdio() has not been called, the behavior is as follows:

- If the parent program writes a newline character, and explicitly flushes it, the line will be written out before the child program is invoked;
- Otherwise, the behavior is undefined.

**Input with sync_with_stdio():** When cin is open in text mode (the default), and sync_with_stdio() has been called, the input across a system() call behaves the same as stdin:

- The child program begins reading at the next record boundary, that is, unread data in the current record in the parent is hidden.
- When the child program returns, the parent program begins reading at the next record boundary, that is, unread data in the current record in the child is lost.

**Input without sync_with_stdio():** When cin is open in text mode, and sync_with_stdio() has not been called, the behavior is as follows:

- The parent program must either not read from cin before calling the child, or must read to the end of a complete record.
- The child program begins reading at the next record boundary, that is, unread data in the current record in the parent is hidden.
- When the child program returns, the parent program begins reading at the next record boundary, that is, unread data in the current record in the child is lost.
- If the parent program read only part of a record before calling the child, the behavior upon returning from the child is undefined.

**Passing record I/O streams**

For record I/O, all reads and writes made by the called program occur at the next record boundary. Since complete records are always read and written, there is no change in the file position across a system() call boundary.

In the following example, stdout is a variable-length record I/O file.
fwrite("test",1,4,stdout);
fwrite("abc",1,3,stdout);
system("hello");  ----->  int main(void) {
  fwrite("def",1,3,stdout);
  fwrite("hello world",1,11,stdout)
}

The output from this code fragment is as follows:

test
abc
hello world
def

If freopen() is applied to a C standard stream, creating a stream with "type=record", then behavior of the associated I/O stream is undefined across a system() call.

Using global standard streams

Restriction: This section does not apply to AMODE 64.

In the default inheritance model, the behavior of C standard streams is such that a child main() function cannot affect the standard streams of the parent. The child can use the parent’s definition or redirect a standard stream to a new location, but when control returns to the parent, the standard stream reverts back to the definition of the parent. In the global model, the C standard streams, stdin, stdout, and stderr, can be redirected to a different location while running in a child main() function and have that redirection stay in effect when control returns to the parent. You can use the _EDC_GLOBAL_STREAMS environment variable to set standard stream behavior to the global model. For more information, see "_EDC_GLOBAL_STREAMS" on page 471.

Table 15 highlights the standard stream behavior differences between the default inheritance model and the global model.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Behavior</th>
<th>Default Inheritance Model</th>
<th>Global Model</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>POSIX(OFF)</td>
<td>Standard streams are opened automatically on first reference.</td>
<td>(Same)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>POSIX(ON)</td>
<td>Standard streams are opened during initialization of the process, before the application receives control.</td>
<td>Not supported.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>default open modes</td>
<td>As currently described in Default open modes on page 76.</td>
<td>(Same)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>default locations</td>
<td>As currently described in this chapter.</td>
<td>(Same)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>command line redirection</td>
<td>Changes the location for the main being called and subsequent child programs.</td>
<td>Changes the location for the entire C environment.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>direct assignment</td>
<td>Affects the current main and subsequent child programs.</td>
<td>Affects the current main only. This definition is not passed on to a subsequent child program. The child gets the current global definition, if there is one defined.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>freopen()</td>
<td>Changes location for the main from which it is called and affects any subsequent child programs.</td>
<td>Changes location for the entire C environment.</td>
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</table>
Table 15. Standard stream behavior differences (continued)

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Behavior</th>
<th>Default Inheritance Model</th>
<th>Global Model</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>MSGFILE() run-time option</td>
<td>Redirects stderr for the main being invoked and affects any subsequent child programs. When control returns to a parent program, stderr reverts back to the definition of the parent. If stderr is also redirected on the command line, that redirection takes precedence.</td>
<td>(Same)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>fclose()</td>
<td>Closes the standard stream in current main only.</td>
<td>Closes the standard stream for the entire C environment. The standard stream cannot be global anymore. Only direct assignment can be used to use the standard stream, and that would only be for the main in which it is assigned.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>file position and visible data</td>
<td>As currently described in this chapter.</td>
<td>File position and visible data across mains are as if there were only one main. No special processing occurs during the ANSI system() call. The standard streams are left untouched. When either entering or returning from a child program, reading or writing to the standard streams begin where previously left off,</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C++ I/O Stream</td>
<td>cin defaults to stdin</td>
<td>(Same)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>cout defaults to stdout</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>cerr defaults to stderr (unbuffered)</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>clog defaults to stderr (buffered)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Notes:
1. The following environments do not allow global standard stream behavior as an option:
   - POSIX(ON)
   - CICS
   - SPC
   - AMODE 64

2. You must identify the behavior of the standard streams to the C run-time library before initialization of the first C main in the environment. The default behavior uses the inheritance model. Once you set the standard stream behavior, it cannot be changed. Attempts to change the behavior after the first C main has been initialized are ignored.

3. The value of the environment variable, when queried, does not necessarily reflect the standard stream behavior being used. This is because the value of the environment variable can be changed after the standard stream behavior has been set.

4. The behaviors described in Table 15 on page 90 only apply to the standard streams that use the global behavior.

Command line redirection

In the C standard stream global model, command line redirection of the standard streams is supported, but has much different behavior than the C standard stream inheritance model.
The most important difference is that when redirection is done at `system()` call time, the redirection takes effect for the entire C environment. When the child program terminates, the standard stream definitions do not revert back to what they were before the `system()` call.

Redirection of any of the standard streams, except when `stderr` is redirected to `stdout` or vice versa, causes the standard stream to be flushed. This is because an `freopen()` is done under the covers, which first closes the stream before reopening it. Since the standard stream is global, the close causes the flush.

Redirecting `stderr` to `stdout`, or `stdout` to `stderr`, does not flush the redirected stream. Any data in the buffer remains there until the stream is redirected again, to something other than `stdout` or `stderr`. Only then is the buffer flushed.

Consider the following example:

```c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
main() {
    int rc;
    printf("line 1\n");
    printf("line 2");
    fprintf(stderr,"line 3\n");
    fprintf(stderr,"line 4");
    rc=system("PGM=CHILD,PARM="/ >stdout.file 2>&1;"
    printf("line 5\n");
    fprintf(stderr,"line 6\n");
}
```

**Figure 9. PARENT.C**

```c
#include <stdio.h>
main() {
    printf("line 7\n");
    fprintf(stderr,"line 8\n");
    stderr = freopen("stderr.file","w",stderr);
    printf("line 9\n");
    fprintf(stderr,"line 10\n");
}
```

**Figure 10. CHILD.C**

When run from TSO terminal using the following command:

```
parent ENVAR(_EDC_GLOBAL_STREAMS=7)/
```

the output will be as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>(terminal)</th>
<th>stdout.file</th>
<th>stderr.file</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>line 1</td>
<td>line 7</td>
<td>line 10</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>line 2</td>
<td>line 9</td>
<td>line 6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>line 3</td>
<td>line 8</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>line 4</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Attention:** If the `stdout` or `stderr` stream has data in its buffer and it is redirected to `stderr` or `stdout`, then the data is lost if `stdout` or `stderr` is not redirected again.

**Note:** If either `stdout` or `stderr` is using global behavior, but not both, then any redirection of `stdout` or `stderr` to `stdout` or `stderr` is ignored.
Direct assignment

You can directly assign the C standard streams in any main program. This assignment does not have any effect on the global standard stream. No flush is done and the new definition is not passed on to a child program nor back to a parent program. Once you directly assign a standard stream, there is no way to re-associate it with the global standard stream.

freopen()

When you use freopen() to redirect a standard stream, the stream is closed, causing a flush, and then redirected. The new definition affects all C mains currently using the global stream.

MSGFILE() run-time option

The MSGFILE() run-time option redirects the stderr stream similar to command line redirection. However, this redirection is controlled by the Common Execution Library and does not apply to all C mains in the environment. When control returns to a parent program, stderr reverts back to the definition of the parent.

fclose()

When a global standard stream is closed, only direct assignment can be used to begin using the standard stream again. That use would only be for the main performing the direct assignment. There is no way to get back global behavior for the standard stream that was closed.

File position and visible data

The file position and amount of visible data in the called and calling program is as if there is only one program. There is no data hidden from a called program. A child program continues where the parent program left off. This is true for all types of I/O: binary, text, and record.

C++ I/O stream library

Since cin, cout, cerr and clog are initially based on stdin, stdout and stderr, they continue to be in the global model. For example, if stdout is redirected using freopen() in a child program, then both stdout and cout retain that redirection when control returns to the parent.
Chapter 10. Performing OS I/O operations

This chapter describes using OS I/O, which includes support for the following:

- Regular sequential DASD (including striped data sets)
- Partitioned DASD (PDS and PDSE)
- Tapes
- SYSOUT
- Printers
- In-stream JCL

**Note:** z/OS C/C++ does not support BDAM or ISAM data sets.

OS I/O supports text, binary, and record I/O, in three record formats: fixed (F), variable (V), and undefined (U). For information about using wide-character I/O with z/OS C/C++, see Chapter 8, “z/OS C Support for the double-byte character set,” on page 67.

This chapter describes C I/O stream functions as they can be used within C++ programs. If you want to use the C++ I/O stream classes instead, see Chapter 4, “Using the Standard C++ Library I/O Stream Classes,” on page 37 for general information. For more detailed information, see:

- **Standard C++ Library Reference** discusses the Standard C++ I/O stream classes
- **C/C++ Legacy Class Libraries Reference** discusses the Unix Systems Laboratories C++ Language System Release (USL) I/O Stream Library.

Opening files

To open an OS file, you can use the Standard C functions `fopen()` or `freopen()`. These are described in general terms in [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference](http://www.ibm.com). Details about them specific to all z/OS C/C++ are discussed in the “Opening Files” section. This section describes considerations for using `fopen()` and `freopen()` with OS files.

**Using fopen() or freopen()**

When you open a file using `fopen()` or `freopen()`, you must specify the file name (a data set name) or a ddname. **Restriction:** It is not possible to open a file for writing if there is already an open file with the same data set name on a different volume.

**Using a data set name**

Files are opened with a call to `fopen()` or `freopen()` in the format `fopen("filename", "mode")`. The following diagram shows the syntax for the `filename` argument on your `fopen()` or `freopen()` call:

```
/SM590000/SM590000
//
'|qualifier(0)

|number

|member

|-

|&qualifier

|&
```

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Note: The single quotation marks in the `filename` syntax diagram must be matched; if you use one, you must use the other.

A sample construct is:

```
'qualifier1.qualifier2(member)'
```

// Specifying these slashes indicates that the filename refers to a non-POSIX file or data set.

**Qualifier**

Each qualifier is a 1- to 8-character name. These characters may be alphanumeric, national ($, #, @), or the hyphen. The first character should be either alphabetic or national. Do not use hyphens in names for RACF-protected data sets.

You can join qualifiers with periods. The maximum length of a data set name is as follows:

- Generally, 44 characters, including periods.
- For a generation data group, 35 characters, including periods.

These numbers do not include a member name or GDG number and accompanying parentheses.

Specifying one or two ampersands before a single qualifier opens a temporary data set. Multiple qualifiers are not valid after ampersands, because the system generates additional qualifiers. Opening two temporary data sets with the same name creates two distinct files. If you open a second temporary data set using the same name as the first, you get a distinct data set. For example, the following statements open two temporary data sets:

```
fp = fopen("//&myfile","wb+"),
fp2 = fopen("//&myfile","wb+"),
```

You cannot fully qualify a temporary data set name. The file is created at open time and is empty. When you close a temporary data set, the system removes it.

(member)

If you specify a *member*, the data set you are opening must be a PDS or a PDSE. For more information about PDSs and PDSEs, see [Regular and extended partitioned data sets](#) on page 102. For members, the member name (including trailing blanks) can be up to 8 characters long. A member name cannot begin with leading blanks. The characters in a member name may be alphanumeric, national ($, #, @), the hyphen, or the character X'C0'. The first character should be either alphabetic or national.

+number

- number

0 You specify a Generation Data Group (GDG) by using a plus (+) or minus (−) to precede the version number, or by using a 0. For more information about GDGs, see [Generation data group I/O](#) on page 98.

The Resource Access Control Facility (RACF) expects the data set name to have a high-level qualifier that is defined to RACF. RACF uses the entire data set name when it protects a tape data set.

When you enclose a name in single quotation marks, the name is fully qualified. The file opened is the one specified by the name inside the quotation marks. If the name is not fully qualified, z/OS C/C++ does one of the following:
- If your system does not use RACF, z/OS C/C++ does not add a high-level qualifier to the name you specified.
- If you are running under TSO (batch or interactive), z/OS C/C++ appends the TSO user prefix to the front of the name. For example, the statement `fopen("a.b","w");` opens a data set `tsoid.a.b`, where `tsoid` is the user prefix. If the name is fully qualified, z/OS C/C++ does not append a user prefix. You can set the user prefix by using the TSO PROFILE command with the `PREFIX` parameter.
- If you are running under z/OS batch or IMS (batch or online), z/OS C/C++ appends the RACF user ID to the front of the name.

If you want your code to be portable between the VM/CMS and z/OS systems and between memory files and disk files, use a name of the format `name1.name2`, where `name1` and `name2` are up to 8 characters and are delimited by a period, or use a ddname. You can also add a member name.

For example, the following piece of code can run under Language Environment for VM and z/OS Language Environment:

```c
FILE *stream;
stream = fopen("parts.instock", "r");
```

### Using a DDname

The DD statement enables you to write C or C++ source programs that are independent of the files and input/output devices they use. You can modify the parameters of a file or process different files without recompiling your program.

Use ddnames if you want to use non-DASD devices.

If you specify `DISP=MOD` on a DD statement and `w` or `wb` mode on the `fopen()` call, z/OS C/C++ treats the file as if you had opened it in append mode instead of write mode.

To open a file by ddname under z/OS batch, you must define the ddname first. You can do this in any of the following ways:

- In batch (z/OS, TSO, or IMS), you can write a JCL DD statement. For the declaration shown above for the C or C++ file `PARTS.INSTOCK`, you write a JCL DD statement similar to the following:
  ```
  //STOCK   DD DSN=USERID.PARTS.INSTOCK,DISP=SHR
  ```
  When defining DD, do not use `DD ... FREE=CLOSE` for unallocating DD statements. The C library may close files to perform some file operations such as `freopen()`, and the DD statement will be unallocated.
  If you use `SPACE=RLSE` on a DD statement, z/OS C/C++ releases space only if all of the following are true:
  - The file is open in `w`, `wb`, `a`, or `ab` mode
  - It is not simultaneously open for read
  - No positioning functions (`fseek()`, `ftell()`, `rewind()`, `fgetpos()`, `fsetpos()`) have been performed.

For more information on writing DD statements, refer to the job control language (JCL) manuals listed in [z/OS Information Roadmap](https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/en/POWER5/systems_management/power5/).

- Under TSO (interactive and batch), you can issue an `ALLOCATE` command. The DD definition shown above for the C file `STOCK` has an equivalent TSO `ALLOCATE` command, as follows:
  ```
  ALLOCATE FILE(STOCK) DATASET(PARTS.INSTOCK) SHR
  ```
See [z/OS Information Roadmap](http://www.ibm.com) for manuals containing information on TSO.

In the z/OS environment, you can use the svc99() or dynalloc() library functions to define ddnames. For information about these functions, refer to [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference](http://www.ibm.com).

**DCB parameter:** The DCB (data control block) parameter of the DD statement allows you to describe the characteristics of the data in a file and the way it will be processed at run time. The other parameters of the DD statement deal chiefly with the identity, location, and disposition of the file. The DCB parameter specifies information required for the processing of the records themselves. The subparameters of the DCB parameter are described in [z/OS MVS JCL User’s Guide](http://www.ibm.com).

The DCB parameter contains subparameters that describe:

- The organization of the file and how it will be accessed. Parameters supplied on fopen() override those specified in DCB.
- Device-dependent information such as the recording technique for magnetic tape or the line spacing for a printer (for example: CODE, DEN, FUNC, MODE, OPTCD=J, PRTSP, STACK, SPACE, UNIT and TRCH subparameters).
- The data set format (for example: BLKSIZE, LRECL, and RECFM subparameters).

You cannot use the DCB parameter to override information already established for the file in your C or C++ program (by the file attributes declared and the other attributes that are implied by them). DCB subparameters that attempt to change information already supplied by fopen() or freopen() are ignored.

An example of the DCB parameter is:

```
DCB=(RECFM=FB,BLKSIZE=400,LRECL=40)
```

It specifies that fixed-length records, 40 bytes in length, are to be grouped in a block 400 bytes long. You can copy attributes from another data set by either setting the DCB parameter to DCB=(dsnname) or using the SVC 99 services provided by the svc99() and dynalloc() library functions.

**Generation data group I/O**

A Generation Data Group (GDG) is a group of related cataloged data sets. Each data set within a generation data group is called a generation data set. Generation data sets have sequentially ordered absolute and relative names that represent their age. The absolute generation name is the representation used by the catalog management routines in the catalog. The relative name is a signed integer used to refer to the latest (0), the next to the latest (-1), and so forth, generation. The relative number can also be used to catalog a new generation (+1). For more information on GDGs, see [z/OS DFSMS: Using Data Sets](http://www.ibm.com).

If you want to open a generation data set by data set name with fopen() or freopen(), you will require a model. This model specifies parameters for the group, including the maximum number of generations (the generation index). You can define such a model by using the Access Method Services DEFINE command. For more information on the DEFINE command, see [z/OS DFSMS Access Method Services for Catalogs](http://www.ibm.com). Note also that fopen() does not support a DCB= parameter. If you want to change the parameters, alter the JCL that describes the model and open it in w mode.
z/OS uses an absolute generation and version number to catalog each generation. The generation and version numbers are in the form GxxxxVyy, where xxxx is an unsigned 4-digit decimal generation number (0001 through 9999) and yy is an unsigned 2-digit decimal version number (00 through 99). For example:

- A.B.C.G0001V00 is generation data set 1, version 0, in generation data group A.B.C.
- A.B.C.G0009V01 is generation data set 9, version 1, in generation data group A.B.C.

The number of generations kept depends on the size of the generation index.

When you open a GDG by relative number, z/OS C/C++ returns the relative generation in the __dsname field of the structure returned by the fldata() function. You cannot use the rename() library function to rename GDGs by relative generation number; rename GDG data sets by using their absolute names.

The following example defines a GDG. The fopen() fails because it tries to change the RECFM of the data set.
This example is valid only for C:

```c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <errno.h>

int main(void) {
    FILE *fp;
    fp = fopen("MYGDG(+1)", "a,rcfm=F");
    if (fp == NULL) {
        printf("Error...Unable to open file\n");
        fprintf(stderr, "%d", errno);
        perror("perror ");
    }
    printf("Finished\n");
}
```

Figure 11. Generation data group example for C
This example is valid for C++:

```c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <errno.h>

int main(void) {
    FILE *fp;
    fp = fopen("MYGDG(+1)", "a,recfm=F");
    if (fp == NULL) {
        printf("Error...Unable to open file\n");
        printf("errno ... %d\n",errno);
        perror("perror ...");
    }
    printf("Finished\n");
}
```

A relative number used in the JCL refers to the same generation throughout a job. The (+1) used in the example above exists for the life of the entire job and not just the step, so that fopen()’s reference to (+1) did not create another new data set but accessed the same data set as in previous steps.

Figure 12. Generation data group example for C++
Note: You cannot use fopen() to create another generation data set because fopen() does not fully support the DCB parameter.

Regular and extended partitioned data sets

Partitioned data sets (PDS) and partitioned data sets extended (PDSE) are DASD data sets divided into sections known as members. Each member can be accessed individually by its unique 1- to 8-character name.

PDSEs are similar to PDSs, but contain a number of enhancements.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>PDSE Characteristics</th>
<th>PDS Characteristics</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Data set has a 123-extent limit</td>
<td>Data set has a 16-extent limit</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Directory is open-ended and indexed by member name; faster to search directory</td>
<td>Fixed-size directory is searched sequentially</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PDSEs are device-independent: records are reblockable</td>
<td>Block sizes are device-dependent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Uses dynamic space allocation and reclamation</td>
<td>Must use IEBCOPY COMPRESS to reclaim space</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Supports creation of more than one member at a time*</td>
<td>Supports creation of only one member at a time</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Note: *z/OS C/C++ allows you to open two separate members of a PDSE for writing at the same time. However, you cannot open a single member for writing more than once.

You specify a member by enclosing its name in parentheses and placing it after the data set name. For example, the following JCL refers to member A of the data set MY.DATA:

```
//MYDD DD DSN=userid.MY.DATA(A),DISP=SHR
```

You can specify members on calls to fopen() and freopen(). You can specify members when you are opening a data set by its data set name or by a ddname. When you use a ddname and a member name, the definition of the ddname must not also specify a member. For example, using the DD statement above, the following will fail:

```
fp = fopen("dd:MYDD(B)","r");
```

You cannot open a PDS or PDSE member using the modes a, ab, a+, a+b, w+, w+b, or wb+. If you want to perform the equivalent of the w+ or w+b mode, you must first open the file as w or wb, write to it, and then close it. Then you can perform updates by reopening the file in r+ or rb+ mode. You can use the C library functions ftell() or fgetpos() to obtain file positions for later updates to the member. Normally, opening a file in r+ or rb+ mode enables you to extend a file by writing to the end; however, with these modes you cannot extend a member. To do so, you must copy the contents of the old member plus any extensions to a new member. You can remove the old member by using the remove() function and then rename the new member to the old name by using rename().

All members have identical attributes for RECFM, LRECL, and BLKSIZE. For PDSs, you cannot add a member with different attributes or specify a RECFM of FBS, FBSA, or FBSM. z/OS C/C++ verifies any attributes you specify.

For PDSEs, z/OS C/C++ checks to make sure that any attributes you specify are compatible with those of the existing data set. Compatible attributes are those that
specify the same record format (F, V, or U) and the same LRECL. Compatibility of attributes enables you to choose whether to specify blocked or unblocked format, because PDSEs reblock all the records. For example, you can create a PDSE as FB LRECL=40 BLKSIZE=80, and later open it for read as FB LRECL=40 BLKSIZE=1600 or F LRECL=40 BLKSIZE=40. The LRECL cannot change, and the BLKSIZE must be compatible with the RECFM and LRECL. Also, you cannot change the basic format of the PDSE from F to V or vice versa. If the PDS or PDSE already exists, you do not need to specify any attributes, because z/OS C/C++ uses the previously existing ones as its defaults.

At the start of each partitioned data set is its directory, a series of records that contain the member names and starting locations for each member within the data set. You can access the directory by specifying the PDS or PDSE name without specifying a member. You can open the directory only for read; update and write modes are not allowed. The only RECFM that you can specify for reading the directory is RECFM=U. However, you do not need to specify the RECFM, because z/OS C/C++ uses U as the default.

*z/OS DFSMS: Using Data Sets* contains more detailed explanations about how to use PDSs and PDSEs.

### Partitioned and sequential concatenated data sets

There are two forms of concatenated data sets: partitioned and sequential. You can open concatenated data sets only by ddname, and only for read or update. Specifying any of the write, or append modes fails. As with PDS members, you cannot extend a concatenated data set.

**Partitioned concatenation** consists of specifying multiple PDSs or PDSEs under one ddname. When you access the concatenation, it acts as one large PDS or PDSE, from which you can access any member. If two or more partitioned data sets in the concatenation contain a member with the same name, using the concatenation ddname to specify that member refers to the first member with that name found in the entire concatenation. You cannot use the ddname to access subsequent members. For example, if you have a PDS named PDS1, with members A, B, and C, and a second PDS named PDS2, with members C, D, and E, and you concatenate the two data sets as follows:

```c
//MYDD  DD userid.PDS1,DISP=SHR
//      DD userid.PDS2,DISP=SHR
```

and perform the following:

```c
fp = fopen("DD:MYDD(C)","r");
fp2 = fopen("DD:MYDD(D)","r");
```

the first call to fopen() finds member C from PDS1, even though there is also a member C in PDS2. The second call finds member D from PDS2, because PDS2 is the first PDS in the concatenation that contains this member. The member C in PDS2 is inaccessible.

When you are concatenating partitioned data sets, be aware of the DCB attributes for them. The concatenation is treated as a single data set with the following attributes:

- **RECFM** = the RECFM of the first data set in the concatenation
- **LRECL** = the LRECL of the first data set in the concatenation
- **BLKSIZE** = the largest BLKSIZE of any data set in the concatenation
These are the rules for compatible concatenations:

Table 17. Rules for possible concatenations

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>RECFM of first data set</th>
<th>RECFM of subsequent data sets</th>
<th>LRECL of subsequent data sets</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>RECFM=F</td>
<td>RECFM=F</td>
<td>Same as that of first one</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RECFM=FB</td>
<td>RECFM=F or RECFM=FB</td>
<td>Same as that of first one</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RECFM=V</td>
<td>RECFM=V</td>
<td>Less than or equal to that of first one</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RECFM=VS</td>
<td>RECFM=V or RECFM=VS</td>
<td>Less than or equal to that of first one</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RECFM=VB</td>
<td>RECFM=V or RECFM=VB</td>
<td>Less than or equal to that of first one</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RECFM=VBS</td>
<td>RECFM=V, RECFM=VB, RECFM=VS, RECFM=VBS</td>
<td>Less than or equal to that of first one</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RECFM=U</td>
<td>RECFM=U or RECFM=F (see note below)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Note: You can use a data set in V-format, but when you read it, you will see all of the BDWs and RDWs or SDWs with the data.

If the first data set is in ASA format, all subsequent data sets must be ASA as well. The preceding rules apply to ASA files if you add an A to the RECFMs specified.

If you do not follow these rules, undefined behavior occurs. For example, trying to read a fixed-format member as RECFM=V could cause an exception or abend.

Repositioning is supported as it is for regular PDSs and PDSEs. If you try to read the directory, you will be able to read only the first one.

Sequential concatenation consists of treating multiple sequential data sets or partitioned data set members as one long sequential data set. For example,

```c
#define MYDD DD userid.PDS1(A),DISP=SHR
define DD userid.PDS2(E),DISP=SHR
define DD userid.DATA,DISP=SHR
```

creates a concatenation that contains two members and a regular sequential data set. You can read or update all of these in order. In partitioned concatenations, you can read only one member at a time.

z/OS C/C++ does not support concatenating data sets that do not have compatible DCB attributes. The rules for compatibility are the same as those for partitioned concatenations.

If all the data sets in the concatenation support repositioning, you can reposition within a concatenation by using the functions fseek(), ftell(), fgetpos(), fsetpos(), and rewind(). If the first one does not, all of the repositioning functions except rewind() fail for the entire concatenation. If the first data set supports repositioning but a subsequent one does not, you must specify the noseek parameter on the fopen() or freopen() call. If you do not, fopen() or freopen() opens the file successfully; however, an error occurs when the read position gets to the data set that does not support repositioning.
In-stream data sets

An **in-stream data set** is a data set contained within a set of JCL statements. In-stream data sets (also called inline data sets) begin with a DD * or DD DATA statement. These DD statements can have any valid ddname, including SYSIN. If you omit a DD statement before the input data, the system provides a DD * statement with the ddname of SYSIN. This example shows you how to indicate an in-stream data set:

```c
#include <stdio.h>

int main()
{
    printf("Hello, world\n");
    return 0;
}
```

For more information about in-stream data sets, see [z/OS MVS JCL User’s Guide](#).

To open an in-stream data set, call the fopen() or freopen() library function and specify the ddname of the data set. You can open an in-stream data set only for reading. Specifying any of the update, write, or append modes fails. Once you have opened an in-stream data set, you cannot acquire or change the file position except by rewinding. This means that calls to the fseek(), ftell(), fgetpos(), and fsetpos() for in-stream data sets fail. Calling rewind() causes z/OS C/C++ to reopen the file, leaving the file position at the beginning.

You can concatenate regular sequential data sets and in-stream data sets. If you do so, note the following:

- If the first data set is in-stream, you cannot acquire or change the file position for the entire concatenation.
- If the first data set is not in-stream and supports repositioning, you must specify the nseek parameter on the fopen() or freopen() call that opens the concatenation. If you do not, fopen() or freopen() opens the file successfully; however, an error occurs when the read position gets to the in-stream.
- The in-stream data set is treated as FB 80 and the concatenation rules for sequential concatenation apply.

**SYSOUT data sets**

You can specify a SYSOUT data set by using the SYSOUT parameter on a DD statement. z/OS C/C++ supports opening SYSOUT data sets in two ways:

1. Specifying a ddname that has the SYSOUT parameter. For information about defining ddnames, see "Using a DDname" on page 97.
2. Specifying a data set name of * on a call to fopen() or freopen() while you are running under z/OS batch or IMS online or batch.
On a DD statement, you specify SYSOUT=x, where x is the output class. If the class matches the JOB statement MSGCLASS, the output appears with the job log. You can specify a SYSOUT data set and get the job MSGCLASS by specifying SYSOUT=*. If you want to create a job stream within your program, you can specify INTRDR on the DD statement. This sends your SYSOUT data set to the internal reader to be read as an input job stream. For example,

```c
//MYDD DD SYSOUT=(A,INTRDR)
```


You can specify DCB attributes for a SYSOUT data set on a DD statement or a call to fopen() or freopen(). If you do not, z/OS C/C++ uses the following defaults:

**Binary or Record I/O**

- `RECFM=VB`  
- `LRECL=137`  
- `BLKSIZE=882`

**Text I/O**

- `RECFM=VBA`  
- `LRECL=137`  
- `BLKSIZE=882`

### Tapes

z/OS C/C++ supports standard label (SL) tapes. If you are creating tape files, you can only open them by ddname. z/OS C/C++ provides support for opening tapes in read, write, or append mode, but not update. When you open a tape for read or append, any data set control block (DCB) characteristics you specify must match those of the existing data set exactly. The repositioning functions are available only when you have opened a tape for read. For tapes opened for write or append, calling `rewind()` has no effect; calls to any of the other repositioning functions fail. To open a tape file for write, you must open it by ddname.

Opening FBS-format tape files with append-only mode is not supported.

When you open a tape file for output, the data set name you specify in the JCL must match the data set name specified in the tape label, even if the existing tape file is empty. If this is not the case, you must either change the JCL to specify the correct data set name or write to another tape file, or reinitialize the tape to remove the tape label and the data. You can use IEBGENER with the following JCL to create an empty tape file before passing it to the subsequent steps:

```c
//ALLOC EXEC PGM=IEBGENER
//SYSUT1 DD *
/*
//SYSUT2 DD DSN=your-tape-volume-name,UNIT=xxx,LABEL=(x,SL),
// DISP=(NEW,PASS),(DCB=LRECL=xx,BLKSIZE=xx,RECFM=xx),
// VOL=SER=xxx
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=*"```

**Note:** For tapes, the value for UNIT= can be TAPE or CART.

Because the C library does not create tape files, you can append only to a tape file that already exists. Attempting to append to a file that does not already exist on a tape will cause an error. You can create an empty data set on a tape by using the utility IEBGENER.

### Multivolume data sets

z/OS C/C++ supports data sets that span more than one volume of DASD or tape. To open a multivolume data set for write, you must open it by ddname.
You can open multivolume tape data sets only for read or write. Opening them for update or append is not supported.

You can open multivolume DASD data sets for read, write, or update, but not for append. If you open one in r+ or rb+ mode, you can read and update the file, but you cannot extend the data set.

The repositioning functions are available only when you have opened a multivolume data set for read. For multivolume data sets opened for write, calling rewind() has no effect; calls to any of the other repositioning functions fail. Here is an example of a multivolume data set declaration:

```
//MYDD DD DSN=TEST.TWO,DISP=(NEW,CATLG),
// VOLUME=(,,3,SER=(333001,333002,333003)),
// SPACE=(TRK,(9,10)),UNIT=(3390,P)
```

This creates a data set that may span up to three volumes. For more information about the VOLUME parameter on DD statements, refer to [z/OS MVS JCL User’s Guide](https://www.ibm.com).

### Striped data sets

A striped data set is a special data set organization introduced with DFSMS Version 1 Release 1.0. Stripping spreads a data set over a specified number of volumes such that I/O parallelism can be exploited. Unlike a multivolume data set in which physical record \( n \) follows record \( n-1 \), a striped data set has physical records \( n \) and \( n-1 \) on separate volumes. This enables asynchronous I/O to perform parallel operations, making requests for multiple reads and writes faster. Striped data sets also facilitate repositioning once the relative block number is known. z/OS C/C++ exploits this capability when it uses fseek() to reposition. This can result in substantial savings for applications that use ftell() and fseek() with data sets that have RECFMs of V, U, and FB (not FBS). data sets. When a data set is striped, an fseek() can seek directly to the specified block just as an fsetpos() or rewind() can. For a normal data set with the aforementioned RECFMs, z/OS C/C++ has to read forward or rewind the data set to get to the desired position. Depending on how large the data set is, this can be quite inefficient compared to a direct reposition. Note that for such data sets, striping pads blocks to their maximum size. Therefore, you may be wasting space if you have short records.

If your system has DFSMS Version 1 Release 1.0 and higher, you may not be able to use striped data sets. This is because there is a hardware requirement by DFSMS that all volumes of a striped data set be attached to ESCON channels. Contact your system administrator for details on whether striped data sets are available on your system and how to specify them.

### Other devices

z/OS C/C++ supports several other devices for input and output. You can open these devices only by ddname. The following table lists a number of these devices and tells you which record formats are valid for them.

**Table 18. Other devices supported for input and output**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Device</th>
<th>Valid open modes</th>
<th>Repositioning?</th>
<th>fldata()_device</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Printer</td>
<td>w, wb, a, ab</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>_PRINTER</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Card reader</td>
<td>r, rb</td>
<td>rewind() only</td>
<td>_OTHER</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Card punch</td>
<td>w, wb, a, ab</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>_OTHER</td>
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</table>
Table 18. Other devices supported for input and output (continued)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Device</th>
<th>Valid open modes</th>
<th>Repositioning?</th>
<th>fldata().__device</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Optical reader</td>
<td>r, rb</td>
<td>rewind() only</td>
<td>__OTHER</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DUMMY data set</td>
<td>r, rb, r+, r+b, w, wb, w+, wb+ w+b, a, ab, a+, ab+, a+b</td>
<td>rewind() only</td>
<td>__DUMMY</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Note: For all devices above that support open modes a or ab, the modes are treated as if you had specified w or wb.

None of the devices listed above can be opened for update except the DUMMY data set.

z/OS C/C++ queries each device to find out its maximum BLKSIZE.

The DUMMY data set is not truly a device, although z/OS C/C++ treats it as one. To use the DUMMY data set, specify DD DUMMY in your JCL. On input, the DUMMY data set always returns EOF; on output, it is always successful. This is the way to specify a DUMMY data set:

```
//MYDD DD DUMMY
```

For more information on DUMMY data sets, see z/OS MVS JCL User’s Guide.

**fopen() and freopen() parameters**

The following table lists the parameters that are available on the fopen() and freopen() functions, tells you which ones are allowed and applicable for OS I/O, and lists the option values that are valid for the applicable ones. Detailed descriptions of these options follow the table.

Table 19. Parameters for the fopen() and freopen() functions for z/OS OS I/O

<table>
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<th>Parameter</th>
<th>Allowed?</th>
<th>Applicable?</th>
<th>Notes</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>recfm=</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Any of the 27 record formats available under z/OS C/C++, plus * and A are valid.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>lrecl=</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>0, any positive integer up to 32760, or X is valid. See the parameter list below.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>blksize=</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>0 or any positive integer up to 32760 is valid.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>space=</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Valid only if you are opening a new data set by its data set name. See the parameter list below.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>type=</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>May be omitted. If you do specify it, type=record is the only valid value.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>acc=</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Not used for OS I/O.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>password=</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Not used for OS I/O.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>asis</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Used to specify mixed-case file names. Not recommended.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>bytesseek</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Used for binary files to specify that the seeking functions should use relative byte offsets instead of encoded offsets.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>noseek</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Used to disable seeking functions for improved performance.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
The LRECL that you specify on the fopen() call defines the maximum record length that the C library allows. Records longer than the maximum record length are not written to the file. The first 4 bytes of each block and the first 4 bytes of each record of variable-format files are used for control information. For more information, see “Variable-format records” on page 29.

recfm=

z/OS C/C++ allows you to specify any of the 27 possible RECFM types (listed in “Fixed-format records” on page 26, “Variable-format records” on page 29, and “Undefined-format records” on page 32), as well as the z/OS C/C++ RECFMs * and A.

When you are opening an existing file for read or append (or for write, if you have specified DISP=MOD), any RECFM that you specify must match that of the existing file, except that you may specify recfm=U to open any file for read, and you may specify recfm=FBS for a file created as recfm=FB. Specifying recfm=FBS indicates to z/OS C/C++ that there are no short blocks within the file. If there are, undefined behavior results.

For variable-format OS files, the RDW, SDW, and BDW contain the length of the record, segment, and block as well as their own lengths. If you open a file for read with recfm=U, z/OS C/C++ treats each physical block as an undefined-format record. For files created with recfm=V, z/OS C/C++ does not strip off block descriptor words (BDWs) or record descriptor words (RDWs), and for blocked files, it does not deblock records. Using recfm=U is helpful for viewing variable-format files or seeing how records are blocked in the file.

When you are opening an existing PDS or PDSE for write and you specify a RECFM, it must be compatible with the RECFM of the existing data set. FS and FBS formats are invalid for PDS members. For PDSs, you must use exactly the same RECFM. For PDSEs, you may choose to change the blocked attribute (B), because PDSEs perform their own blocking. If you want to read a PDS or PDSE directory and you specify a RECFM, it must be recfm=U.

Specifying recfm=A indicates that the file contains ASA control characters. If you are opening an existing file and you specify that ASA characters exist (>recfm=A) when they do not, the call to fopen() or freopen() fails. If you create a file by opening it for write or append, the A attribute is added to the default RECFM. For more information about ASA, see Chapter 7, “Using ASA text files,” on page 63.

Specifying recfm=* causes z/OS C/C++ to fill in any attributes that you do not specify, taking the attributes from the existing data set. This is useful if you want to create a new version of a data set with the same attributes as the previous version. If you open a data set for write and the data set does not exist, z/OS C/C++ uses the default attributes specified in fopen() defaults” on page 48. This parameter has no effect when you are opening for read or append, and when you use it for non-DASD files.

recfm++ is identical to recfm=* with the following exceptions:

• If there is no record format for the existing DASD data set, the defaults are assigned as if the data set did not exist.

• When append mode is used, the fopen() fails.

lrecl= and blksizex=0

Table 19. Parameters for the fopen() and freopen() functions for z/OS OS I/O (continued)

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<th>Allowed?</th>
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<tr>
<td>OS</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Ignored.</td>
</tr>
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</table>

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The maximum LRECL supported for fixed, undefined, or variable-blocked-spanned format sequential disk files is 32760. For other variable-length format disk files the maximum LRECL is 32756. Sequential disk files for any format have a maximum BLKSIZE of 32760. The record length can be any size when opening a spanned file and specifying lrecl=X. You can now specify lrecl=X on the fopen() or freopen() call for spanned files. If you are updating an existing file, the file must have been originally opened with lrecl=X for the open to succeed. lrecl=X is useful only for text and record I/O.

When you are opening an existing file for read or append (or for write, if you have specified DISP=MOD), any LRECL or BLKSIZE that you specify must match that of the existing file, except when you open an F or FB format file on a disk device without specifying the noseek parameter. In this case, you can specify the S attribute to indicate to z/OS C/C++ that the file has no imbedded short blocks. Files without short blocks improve z/OS C/C++’s performance.

When you are opening an existing PDS or PDSE for write and you specify an LRECL or BLKSIZE, it must be compatible with the LRECL or BLKSIZE of the existing data set. For PDSs, you must use exactly the same values. For PDSEs, the LRECL must be the same, but the BLKSIZE may be different if you have changed the blocking attribute as described under the RECFM parameter above. You can change the blocking attribute, because PDSEs perform their own blocking. The BLKSIZE you choose should be compatible with the RECFM and LRECL. When you open the directory of a PDS or PDSE, do not specify LRECL or BLKSIZE; z/OS C/C++ uses the defaults. See Table 20 on page 114 for more information.

\texttt{space=(units,(primary,secondary,directory))}

This keyword enables you to specify the space parameters for the allocation of a z/OS data set. It applies only to z/OS data sets that you open by filename and do not already exist. If you open a data set by ddname, this parameter has no effect. You cannot specify any whitespace inside the value for the space keyword. You must specify at least one value with this parameter. Any parameter that you specify will be validated for syntax. If that validation fails, then the fopen() or freopen() will fail even if the parameter would have been ignored.

The supported values for \texttt{units} are as follows:
- Any positive integer indicating BLKSIZE
- CYL (mixed case)
- TRK (mixed case)

The primary quantity, the secondary quantity, and the directory quantity all must be positive integers.

If you specify values only for \texttt{units} and \texttt{primary}, you do not have to specify the inside set of parentheses. You can use a comma to indicate a quantity is to take the default value. For example:

\begin{verbatim}
space=(cy1,(100,,10)) - default secondary value
space=(trk,(100,,)) - default secondary and directory value
space=(500,(100,,)) - default secondary, no directory
\end{verbatim}

You can specify only the values indicated on this parameter. If you specify any other values, fopen() or freopen() fails.

Any values not specified are omitted on the allocation. These values are filled by the system during SVC 99 processing.
type=
You can omit this parameter. If you specify it, the only valid value for OS I/O is
type=record, which opens a file for record I/O.

acc=
This parameter is not valid for OS I/O. If you specify it, z/OS C/C++ ignores it.

password=
This parameter is not valid for OS I/O. If you specify it, z/OS C/C++ ignores it.

asis
If you use this parameter, z/OS C/C++ does not convert your file names to
upper case. The use of the asis parameter is strongly discouraged, because
most of the I/O services used by z/OS C/C++ require uppercase file names.

byteseek
When you specify this parameter and open a file in binary mode, all
repositioning functions (such as fseek() and ftell()) use relative byte offsets
from the beginning of the file instead of encoded offsets. In previous releases of
z/OS C/C++, byteseeking was performed only for fixed format binary files. To
have the byteseek parameter set as the default for all your calls to fopen() or
freopen(), you can set the environment variable _EDC_BYTE.Seek to Y. See
Chapter 31, “Using environment variables,” on page 457 for more information.

noseek
Specifying this parameter on the fopen() call disables the repositioning
functions ftell(), fseek(), fgetpos(), and fsetpos() for as long as the file is
open. When you have specified NOSEEK and have opened a disk file for read
only, the only repositioning function allowed on the file is rewind(), if the device
supports rewinding. Otherwise, a call to rewind() sets errno and raises
SIGIOERR, if SIGIOERR is not set to SIG_IGN. Calls to ftell(), fseek(),
 fsetpos(), or fgetpos() return EOF, set errno, and set the stream error flag on.

The use of the nouseek parameter may improve performance when you are
reading and writing data sets.

Note: If you specify the NOSEEK parameter when you open a file for writing, you
must specify NOSEEK on any subsequent fopen() call that simultaneously
opens the file for reading; otherwise, you will get undefined behavior.

OS
If you specify this parameter, z/OS C/C++ ignores it.

Buffering

z/OS C/C++ uses buffers to map C I/O to system-level I/O.

When z/OS C/C++ performs I/O operations, it uses one of the following buffering
modes:
• Line buffering — characters are transmitted to the system when a new-line
character is encountered. Line buffering is meaningless for binary and record I/O
files.
• Full buffering — characters are transmitted to the system when a buffer is filled.

C/C++ provides a third buffering mode, unbuffered I/O, which is not supported for
OS files.

You can use the setvbuf() and setbuf() library functions to set the buffering mode
before you perform any I/O operation to the file. setvbuf() fails if you specify
unbuffered I/O. It also fails if you try to specify line buffering for an FBS data set opened in text mode, where the device does not support repositioning. This failure happens because z/OS C/C++ cannot deliver records at line boundaries without violating FBS format. Do not try to change the buffering mode after you have performed any I/O operation to the file.

For all files except stderr, full buffering is the default, but you can use setvbuf() to specify line buffering. For binary files, record I/O files, and unblocked text files, a block is written out as soon as it is full, regardless of whether you have specified line buffering or full buffering. Line buffering is different from full buffering only for blocked text files.

**Multiple buffering**

Multiple buffering (or asynchronous I/O) is supported for z/OS data sets. Multiple buffering is not supported for a data set opened for read at the same time that another file pointer has it opened for write or append. When you open files for multiple buffering, blocks are read into buffers before they are needed, eliminating the delay caused by waiting for I/O to complete. Multiple buffering may make I/O less efficient if you are seeking within or writing to a file, because seeking or writing may discard blocks that were read into buffers but never used.

To specify multiple buffering, code either the NCP=xx or BUFNO=yy subparameter of the DCB parameter on the JCL DD statement (or allocation), where xx is an integer number between 02 and 99, and yy is an integer number normally between 02 and 255. Whether z/OS C/C++ uses NCP or BUFNO depends on whether you are using BSAM or QSAM, respectively. NCP is supported under BSAM; BUFNO is supported under QSAM. BSAM and QSAM are documented in [z/OS DFSMS: Using Data Sets](https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/SSECG2_7.1.0/ibm_zos_v2r11/zos_dfsms_dss_admin_en.html). If you specify noseek, z/OS C/C++ uses QSAM if possible. If z/OS C/C++ is using BSAM and you specify a value for BUFNO, z/OS C/C++ maps this value to NCP. If z/OS C/C++ is using QSAM and you specify a value for NCP, z/OS C/C++ maps this value to BUFNO.

If you specify both NCP and BUFNO, z/OS C/C++ takes the greater of the two values, up to the maximum for the applicable value. For example, if you specify a BUFNO of 120 and you are using BSAM, which uses NCP instead, z/OS C/C++ will use NCP=99.

If you do not specify either, z/OS C/C++ defaults to single buffering, except in the following cases, where z/OS C/C++ uses the system’s default BUFNO and performs multiple buffering for both reading and writing:

- If you open a device that does not support repositioning, and specify read-only or write-only mode (r, rb, w, wb, a, ab).
- If you specify the NOSEEK parameter on the call to fopen() or freopen(), and specify read-only or write-only mode. When you specify NOSEEK, you get multiple buffering for both reads and writes.

Here is an example of how to specify BUFNO:

```c
//DD5 DD DSNNAME=TORONTO.BLUEJAYS,DISP=SHR,DCB=(BUFNO=5)
```

You may need to update code from previous releases that relies on z/OS C/C++ ignoring NCP or BUFNO parameters.
DCB (Data Control Block) attributes

For OS files, the C run-time library creates a skeleton data control block (DCB) for the file when you open it. File attributes are determined from the following sources in this order:

1. The fopen() or freopen() function call
2. Attributes for a ddname specified previously (if you are opening by ddname)
3. Existing file attributes (if you specify recfm=* or you are opening an existing file for read or append)
4. Defaults from fopen() or freopen() for creating a new file.

If you do not specify RECFM when you are creating a new file, z/OS C/C++ uses the following defaults:

If recfm is not specified in a fopen() call for an output binary file, recfm defaults to:
- recfm=VB for spool (printer) files,
- recfm=FB otherwise.

If recfm is not specified in a fopen() call for an output text file, recfm defaults to:
- recfm=F if _EDC_ANSI_OPEN_DEFAULT is set to Y and no LRECL or BLKSIZE specified. In this case, LRECL and BLKSIZE are both defaulted to 254.
- recfm=VBA for spool (printer) files.
- recfm=U for terminal files
- recfm=V if the LRECL or BLKSIZE is specified
- recfm=VB for all other OS files.

If recfm is not specified for a record I/O file, you will get the default of recfm=VB. The following table shows the defaults for LRECL and BLKSIZE when the z/OS C/C++ compiler creates an OS file.
Table 20. `fopen()` defaults for LRECL and BLKSIZE when creating OS files

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<tr>
<th>irecl specified?</th>
<th>blksize specified?</th>
<th>RECFM</th>
<th>LRECL</th>
<th>BLKSIZE</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>no</td>
<td>no</td>
<td>All F</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>80</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>All FB</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>maximum integral multiple of 80 less than or equal to max</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>All V, VB, VS, or VBS</td>
<td>minimum of 1028 or max–4</td>
<td>max</td>
</tr>
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**Note:** All includes the standard (S) specifier for fixed formats, the ASA (A) specifier, and the machine control character (M) specifier.

In Table 20, the value max represents the maximum reasonable block size for the device. These are the current default maximum block sizes for several devices that z/OS C/C++ supports:
<table>
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<th>Device</th>
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<td>DASD</td>
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<td>3211 Printer</td>
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<td>2501 Reader</td>
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For more information about specific default block sizes as returned by the DEVTYPE macro, refer to [z/OS DFSMS: Using Data Sets](#).

You can perform multiple buffering under z/OS. See “Multiple buffering” on page 112 for details.

### Reading from files

You can use the following library functions to read from a file:

- fread()
- fgetc()
- fgets()
- fscanf()
- getc()
- gets()
- getchar()
- scanf()

fread() is the only interface allowed for reading record I/O files. A read operation directly after a write operation without an intervening call to fflush(), fsetpos(), fseek(), or rewind() fails. z/OS C/C++ treats the following as read operations:

- Calls to read functions that request 0 bytes
- Read requests that fail because of a system error
- Calls to the ungetc() function

z/OS C/C++ does not consider a read to be at EOF until you try to read past the last byte visible in the file. For example, in a file containing three bytes, thefeof() function returns FALSE after three calls to fgetc(). Calling fgetc() one more time causes feof() to return TRUE.

You can set up a SIGIOERR handler to catch read or write system errors. See the debugging section in this book for more details.

### Reading from binary files

z/OS C/C++ reads binary records in the order that they were written to the file. Any null padding is visible and treated as data. Record boundaries are meaningless.
Reading from text files

For non-ASA variable text files, the default for z/OS C/C++ is to ignore any empty physical records in the file. If a physical record contains a single blank, z/OS C/C++ reads in a logical record containing only a new-line. However, if the environment variable _EDC_ZERO_RECLEN was set to Y, z/OS C/C++ reads an empty physical record as a logical record containing a new-line, and a physical record containing a single blank as a logical record containing a blank and a new-line. z/OS C/C++ differentiates between empty records and records containing single blanks, and does not ignore either of them. For more information about how z/OS C/C++ treats empty records in variable format, see “Mapping C types to variable format” on page 31.

For ASA variable text files, if a file was created without a control character as its first byte, the first byte defaults to the ' ' character. When the file is read back, the first character is read as a new-line.

On input, ASA characters are translated to the corresponding sequence of control characters. For more information about using ASA files, refer to Chapter 7, “Using ASA text files,” on page 63.

For undefined format text files, reading a file causes a new-line character to be inserted at the end of each record. On input, a record containing a single blank character is considered an empty record and is translated to a new-line character. Trailing blanks are preserved for each record.

For files opened in fixed text format, rightmost blanks are stripped off a record at input, and a new-line character is placed in the logical record. This means that a record consisting of a single new-line character is represented by a fixed-length record made entirely of blanks.

Reading from record I/O files

For files opened in record format, fread() is the only interface that supports reading. Each time you call fread() for a record I/O file, fread() reads one record. If you call fread() with a request for less than a complete record, the requested bytes are copied to your buffer, and the file position is set to the start of the next record. If the request is for more bytes than are in the record, one record is read and the position is set to the start of the next record. z/OS C/C++ does not strip any blank characters or interpret any data.

fread() returns the number of items read successfully, so if you pass a size argument equal to 1 and a count argument equal to the maximum expected length of the record, fread() returns the length, in bytes, of the record read. If you pass a size argument equal to the maximum expected length of the record, and a count argument equal to 1, fread() returns either 0 or 1, indicating whether a record of length size read. If a record is read successfully but is less than size bytes long, fread() returns 0.

A failed read operation may lead to undefined behavior until you reposition successfully.
Writing to files

You can use the following library functions to write to a file:

- fwrite()
- printf()
- fprintf()
- vprintf()
- vfprintf()
- puts()
- fputc()
- fputs()
- putchar()

fwrite() is the only interface allowed for writing to record I/O files. See z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference for more information on these library functions.

A write operation directly after a read operation without an intervening call to fflush(), fsetpos(), fseek(), or rewind() fails unless the read operation has reached EOF. The file pointer does not reach EOF until after you have tried to read past the last byte of the file.

z/OS C/C++ counts a call to a write function writing 0 bytes or a write request that fails because of a system error as a write operation.

If you are updating a file and a system failure occurs, z/OS C/C++ tries to set the file position to the end of the last record updated successfully. For a fully-buffered file, this is at the end of the last record in a block. For a line-buffered file, this may be any record in the current block. If you are writing new data at the time of a system failure, z/OS C/C++ puts the file position at the end of the last block of the file. In files opened for blocked output, you may lose data written by other writes to that block before the system failure. The contents of a file after a system write failure are indeterminate.

If one user opens a file for writing, and another later opens the same file for reading, the user who is reading the file can check for records that may have been written past the end of the file by the other user. If the file is a spanned variable text file, the reader can read part of a spanned record and reach the end of the file before reading in the last segment of the spanned record.

Writing to binary files

Data flows over record boundaries in binary files. Writes or updates past the end of a record go to the next record. When you are writing to files and not making any intervening calls to fflush(), blocks are written to the system as they are filled. If a fixed record is incomplete when you close the file, z/OS C/C++ completes it with nulls. You cannot change the length of existing records in a file by updating them.

If you are using variable binary files, note the following:

- On input and on update, records that have no length are ignored; you will not be notified. On output, zero-length records are not written. However, in spanned files, if the first segment of a record has been written to the system, and the user flushes or closes the file, a zero-length last segment may be written to the file.
• If you are writing new data in a recfm=VB file, z/OS C/C++ may add a short record at the end of a block, to fill the block out to the full block size.
• If your file is spanned, records are written up to length LRECL, spanning multiple blocks if necessary. You can create a spanned file by specifying a RECFM containing V and S on the fopen() call.

Writing to text files
z/OS C/C++ treats the control characters as follows when you are writing to a non-ASA text file:
\a Alarm. Placed directly into the file; z/OS C/C++ does not interpret it.
\b Backspace. Placed directly into the file; z/OS C/C++ does not interpret it.
\f Form feed. Placed directly into the file; z/OS C/C++ does not interpret it.
\n New-line. Defines a record boundary; z/OS C/C++ does not place it in the file.
\r Carriage return. Defines a record boundary; z/OS C/C++ does not place it in the file. Treated like a new-line character.
\t Horizontal tab character. Placed directly into the file; z/OS C/C++ does not interpret it.
\v Vertical tab character. Placed directly into the file; z/OS C/C++ does not interpret it.
\x0E DBCS shift-out character. Indicates the beginning of a DBCS string, if MB_CUR_MAX > 1. Placed into the file.
\x0F DBCS shift-in character. Indicates the end of a DBCS string, if MB_CUR_MAX > 1. Placed into the file. See Chapter 8, “z/OS C Support for the double-byte character set,” on page 67 for more information about MB_CUR_MAX.

The way z/OS C/C++ treats text files depends on whether they are in fixed, variable, or undefined format, and whether they use ASA.

As with ASA files in other environments, the first character of each record is reserved for the ASA control character that represents a new-line, a carriage return, or a form feed.

Table 21. C control to ASA characters

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<th>C Control Character Sequence</th>
<th>ASA Character</th>
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<td>\n\n\n</td>
<td>'-'</td>
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Writing to fixed-format text files
Records in fixed-format files are all the same length. You complete each record with a new-line or carriage return character. For fixed text files, the new-line character is
not written to the file. Blank padding is inserted to the LRECL of each record of the block, and the block, when full, is written. For a more complete description of the way fixed-format files are handled, see “Fixed-format records” on page 26.

A logical record can be shortened to be an empty record (containing just a new-line) or extended to a record containing LRECL bytes of data plus a new-line. Because the physical record represents the new-line position by using padding blanks, the new-line position can be changed on an update as long as it is within the physical record.

**Note:** Using fseek() or fgetpos() values for positions that do not exist after you have shortened records results in undefined behavior.

When you are updating a file, writing new data into an existing record replaces the old data and, if the new data is longer or shorter than the old data, changes the size of the logical record by changing the number of blank characters in the physical record. When you extend a record, thereby writing over the old new-line, a new-line character is implied after the last character of the update. Calling fflush() flushes the data out to the file and inserts blank padding between the last data character and the end of the record. Once you have called fflush(), you can call any of the read functions, which begin reading at the new-line. Once the new-line is read, reading continues at the beginning of the next record.

**Writing to variable-format text files**

In a file with variable-length records, each record may be a different length. The variable length formats permit both variable-length records and variable-length blocks. The first 4 bytes of each block are reserved for the Block Descriptor Word (BDW); the first 4 bytes of each record are reserved for the Record Descriptor Word (RDW).

For ASA and non-ASA, the '\' (new-line) character implies a record boundary. On output, the new-line is not written to the physical file; instead, it is assumed to follow the data of the record.

If you have not set _EDC ZERO RECLEN, z/OS C/C++ writes out a record containing a single blank character to represent a single new-line. On input, a record containing a single blank character is considered an empty record and is translated to a new-line character. Note that a single blank followed by a new-line is written out as a single blank, and is treated as just a new-line on input. When _EDC ZERO RECLEN is set, writing a record containing only a new-line results in a zero-length variable record.

For more information about environment variables, refer to Chapter 31, “Using environment variables,” on page 457. For more information about how z/OS C/C++ treats empty records in variable format, see “Mapping C types to variable format” on page 31.

Attempting to shorten a record on update by specifying less data before the new-line causes the record to be padded with blanks to the original record size. For spanned records, updating a record to a shorter length results in the same blank padding to the original record length, over multiple blocks, if applicable.

Attempts to lengthen a record on update generally result in truncation. The exception to this rule is extending an empty record to a 1-byte record when the environment variable _EDC ZERO RECLEN is not set. Because the physical representation for an empty record is a record containing one blank character, it is
possible to extend the logical record to a single non-blank character followed by a new-line character. For standard streams, truncation in text files does not occur; data is wrapped automatically to the next record as if you had added a new-line.

When you are writing data to a non-blocked file without intervening flush or reposition requests, each record is written to the system when a new-line or carriage return character is written or when the file is closed.

When you are writing data to a blocked file without intervening flush or reposition requests, if the file is opened in full buffering mode, the block is written to the system on completion of the record that fills the block. If the blocked file is line buffered, each record is written to the system when it is completed. If you are using full buffering for a V8 format file, a write may not fill a block completely. The data does not go to the system unless a block is full; you can complete the block with another write. If the subsequent write contains more data than is needed to fill the block, it flushes the current block to the system and starts writing your data to a new block.

When you are writing data to a spanned file without intervening flush or reposition requests, if the record spans multiple blocks, each block is written to the system once it is full and the user writes an additional byte of data.

For ASA variable text files, if a file was created without a control character as its first byte or record (after the RDW and BDW), the first byte defaults to the ‘ ‘ character. When the file is read back, the first character is read as a new-line.

**Writing to undefined-format text files**

In an undefined-format file, there is only one record per block. Each record may be a different length, up to a maximum length of BLKSIZE. Each record is completed with a new-line or carriage return character. The new-line character is not written to the physical file; it is assumed to follow the data of the record. However, if a record contains only a new-line character, z/OS C/C++ writes a record containing a single blank to the file to represent an empty record. On input, the blank is read in as a new-line.

Once a record has been written, you cannot change its length. If you try to shorten a logical record by updating it with a shorter record, z/OS C/C++ completes the record with blank padding. If you try to lengthen a record by updating it with more data than it can hold, z/OS C/C++ truncates the new data. The only instance in which this does not happen is when you extend an empty record so that it contains a single byte. Any data beyond the single byte is truncated.

**Truncation versus splitting**

If you try to write more data to a record than z/OS C/C++ allows, and the file you are writing to is not one of the standard streams (the defaults, or those redirected by freopen() or command-level redirection), output is cut off at the record boundary and the remaining bytes are discarded. z/OS C/C++ does not count the discarded characters as characters that have been written out successfully.

In all truncation cases, the SIGIOERR signal is raised if the action for SIGIOERR is not SIG_IGN. The user error flag is set so that ferror() will return TRUE. For more information about SIGIOERR, ferror(), and other I/O-related debugging tools, see Chapter 17, "Debugging I/O programs," on page 225. z/OS C/C++ continues to discard new output until you complete the current record by writing a new-line or carriage return character, close the file, or change the file position.
If you are writing to one of the standard streams, attempting to write more data than a record can hold results in the data being split across multiple records.

**Writing to record I/O files**

`fwrite()` is the only interface allowed for writing to a file opened for record I/O. Only one record is written at a time. If you attempt to write more new data than a full record can hold or you try to update a record with more data than it currently has, z/OS C/C++ truncates your output at the record boundary. When z/OS C/C++ performs a truncation, it sets `errno` and raises SIGIOERR, if SIGIOERR is not set to SIG_IGN.

When you update a record, you can update less than the full record. The remaining data that you do not update is left untouched in the file.

When you are writing new records to a fixed-record I/O file, if you try to write a short record, z/OS C/C++ pads the record with nulls out to LRECL.

At the completion of an `fwrite()`, the file position is at the start of the next record. For new data, the block is flushed out to the system as soon as it is full.

**Flushing buffers**

You can use the library function `fflush()` to flush streams to the system. For more information about `fflush()`, see [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference](https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/en/SS7636_8.4.0/cxxr/cxxr_fflush.htm).

The action taken by the `fflush()` library function depends on the buffering mode associated with the stream and the type of streams. If you call one z/OS C/C++ program from another z/OS C/C++ program by using the ANSI `system()` function, all open streams are flushed before control is passed to the callee, and again before control is returned to the caller. If you are running with POSIX(ON), a call to the POSIX `system()` function does not flush any streams to the system.

**Updating existing records**

Calling `fflush()` while you are updating flushes the updates out to the system. If you call `fflush()` when you are in the middle of updating a record, z/OS C/C++ writes the partially updated record out to the system. A subsequent write continues to update the current record.

**Reading updated records**

If you have a file open for read at the same time that the file is open for write in the same application, you will be able to see the new data if you call `fflush()` to refresh the contents of the input buffer, as in the following example:
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/* this example demonstrates how updated records are read */

#include <stdio.h>
int main(void)
{
    FILE * fp, * fp2;
    int rc, rc2, rc3, rc4;
    fp = fopen("a.b","w+");

    fprintf(fp,"first record");
    fp2 = fopen("a.b","r"); /* Simultaneous Reader */

    /* following gets EOF since fp has not completed first line */
    /* of output so nothing will be flushed to file yet */
    rc = fgetc(fp2);
    printf("return code is %i\n", rc);
    fputc(\'\n\', fp); /* this will complete first line */
    fflush(fp); /* ensures data is flushed to file */

    rc2 = fgetc(fp2); /* this gets 'f' from first record */
    printf("value is now %c\n", rc2);

    rewind(fp);

    fprintf(fp, "some updates\n");
    rc3 = fgetc(fp2); /* gets 'i' .doesn't know about update */
    printf("value is now %c\n", rc3);

    fflush(fp); /* ensure update makes it to file */
    fflush(fp2); /* this updates reader's buffer */
    rc4 = fgetc(fp2); /* gets 'm', 3rd char of updated record */
    printf("value is now %c\n", rc4);

    return(0);
}

Figure 14. Example of reading updated records

Writing new records

Writing new records is handled differently for:
- Binary streams
- Text streams
- Record I/O

Binary streams

z/OS C/C++ treats line buffering and full buffering the same way for binary files.

If the file has a variable length or undefined record format, fflush() writes the current record out. This may result in short records. In blocked files, this means that the block is written to disk, and subsequent writes are to a new block. For fixed files, no incomplete records are flushed.

For single-volume disk files in FBS format, fflush() flushes complete records in an incomplete block out to the file. For all other types of FBS files, fflush() does not flush an incomplete block out to the file.
For files in FB format, fflush() always flushes out all complete records in the current block. For sequential DASD files, new completed records are added to the end of the flushed block if it is short. For non-DASD or non-sequential files, any new record will start a new block.

Text streams
- Line-Buffered Streams
  fflush() has no effect on line-buffered text files, because z/OS C/C++ writes all records to the system as they are completed. All incomplete new records remain in the buffer.
- Fully Buffered Streams
  Calling fflush() flushes all completed records in the buffer, that is, all records ending with a new-line or carriage return (or form feed character, if you are using ASA), to the system. z/OS C/C++ holds any incomplete record in the buffer until you complete the record or close the file.

For ASA text files, if a flush occurs while an ASA character that indicates more than one new-line is being updated, the remaining new-lines will be discarded and a read will continue at the first data character. For example, if '\n\n\n' is updated to be '\n\n' and a flush occurs, then a '0' will be written out in the ASA character position.

Record I/O
z/OS C/C++ treats line buffering and full buffering the same way for record I/O. For files in FB format, calling fflush() writes all records in the buffer to the system. For single-volume disk files in FBS format, fflush() will flush complete records in an incomplete block out to the file. For all other types of FBS files, fflush() will not flush an incomplete block out to the file. For all other formats, calling fflush() has no effect, because fwrite() has already written the records to disk.

ungetc() considerations
ungetc() pushes characters back onto the input stream for binary and text files. ungetc() handles only single-byte characters. You can use it to push back as many as four characters onto the ungetc() buffer. For every character pushed back with ungetc(), fflush() backs up the file position by one character and clears all the pushed-back characters from the stream. Backing up the file position may end up going across a record boundary. Remember that for text files, z/OS C/C++ counts the new-lines added to the records as single-byte characters when it calculates the file position.

For example, given the stream you can run the following code fragment:

```c
fgetc(fp);  /* Returns A and puts the file position at */
           /* the beginning of the character B */
ungetc('Z',fp);  /* Logically inserts Z ahead of B */
fflush(fp);  /* Moves the file position back by one to A, */
             /* removes Z from the logical stream */
```
If you want fflush() to ignore ungetc() characters, you can set the _EDC_COMPAT environment variable. See Chapter 31, “Using environment variables,” on page 457 for more information.

Repositioning within files

You can use the following library functions to help you position within an OS file:

- `fseek()`
- `fseeko()`
- `ftell()`
- `ftello()`
- `fgetpos()`
- `fsetpos()`
- `rewind()`

See z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference for more information on these library functions.

Opening a file with fopen() and specifying the NOSEEK parameter disables all of these library functions except rewind(). A call to rewind() causes the file to be reopened, unless the file is a non-disk file opened for write-only. In this case, rewind() sets errno and raises SIGIOERR (if SIGIOERR is not set to SIG_IGN, which is its default).

Calling any of these functions flushes all complete and updated records out to the system. If a repositioning operation fails, z/OS C/C++ attempts to restore the original file position and treats the operation as a call to fflush(), except that it does not account for the presence of ungetc() or ungetwc() characters, which are lost. After a successful repositioning operation, feof() always returns 0, even if the position is just after the last byte of data in the file.

The fsetpos() and fgetpos() library functions are generally more efficient than ftell() and fseek(). The fgetpos() function can encode the current position into a structure that provides enough room to hold the system position as well as position data specific to C or C++. The ftell() function must encode the position into a single word of storage, which it returns. This compaction forces fseek() to calculate certain position information specific to C or C++ at the time of repositioning. For variable-format binary files, you can choose to have ftell() return relative byte offsets. In previous releases, ftell() returned only encoded offsets, which contained the relative block number. Since you cannot calculate the block number from a relative byte offset in a variable-format file, fseek() may have to read through the file to get to the new position. fsetpos() has system position information available within the the fpos_t structure and can generally reposition directly to the desired location.

You can use the ftell() and fseek() functions to set the current position within all types of files except for the following:

- Files on non-seekable devices (for example, printers)
- Files on tapes opened for write
- Partitioned data sets opened in w or wb mode.

ungetc() considerations

For binary and text files, the library functions fgetpos() and ftell() take into account the number of characters you have pushed back onto the input stream with ungetc(), and adjust the file position accordingly. ungetc() backs up the file position
by a single byte each time you call it. For text files, z/OS C/C++ counts the new-lines added to the records as single-byte characters when it calculates the file position.

If you make so many calls to ungetc() that the logical file position is before the beginning of the file, the next call to ftell() or fgetpos() fails.

When you are using fseek() with a whence value of SEEK_CUR, the starting point for the reposition also accounts for the presence of ungetc() characters and compensates as ftell() and fgetpos() do.

If you want fgetpos() and fseek() to ignore ungetc() characters, you can set the _EDC_COMPAT environment variable. See Chapter 31, “Using environment variables,” on page 457 for details. ftell() is not affected by the setting of _EDC_COMPAT.

How long fgetpos() and ftell() values last
As long as you do not re-create a file or shorten logical records, you can rely on the values returned by ftell() and fgetpos(), even across program boundaries and calls to fclose(). (Calling fopen() or freopen() with any of the w modes re-creates a file.) Using ftell() and fgetpos() values that point to information deleted or re-created results in undefined behavior. For more information about shortening records, see “Writing to variable-format text files” on page 119.

Using fseek() and ftell() in binary files
With binary files, ftell() returns two types of positions:

- Relative byte offsets
- Encoded offsets

Relative byte offsets
You get byte offsets by default when you are seeking or positioning in fixed-format binary files. You can also use byte offsets on a variable or undefined format file opened in binary mode with the BYTESEEK parameter specified on the fopen() or freopen() function call. You can specify BYTESEEK to be the default for fopen() calls by setting the environment variable _EDC_BYTESEEK to Y. See Chapter 31, “Using environment variables,” on page 457 for information on how to set environment variables.

You do not need to acquire an offset from ftell() to seek to a relative position; you may specify a relative offset to fseek() with a whence value of SEEK_SET. However, you cannot specify a negative offset to fseek() when you have specified SEEK_SET, because a negative offset would indicate a position before the beginning of the file. Also, you cannot specify a negative offset with whence values of SEEK_CUR or SEEK_END such that the resulting file position would be before the beginning of the file. If you specify such an offset, fseek() fails.

If your file is not opened read-only, you can specify a position that is beyond the current EOF. In such cases, a new end-of-file position is created; null characters are automatically added between the old EOF and the new EOF.

fseek() support of byte offsets in variable-format files generally requires reading all records from the whence value to the new position. The impact on performance is greatest if you open an existing file for append in BYTESEEK mode and then call ftell(). In this case, ftell() has to read from the beginning of the file to the current position to calculate the required byte offset. Support for byte-seeking is
intended to ease portability from other platforms. If you need better performance, consider using ftell()-encoded offsets, discussed in the next section.

Encoded offsets
If you do not specify the BYTESEEK parameter and you set the _EDC_BYTESEEK variable to N, any variable- or undefined-format binary file gets encoded offsets from ftell(). This keeps this release of z/OS C/C++ compatible with code generated by old releases of C/370.

Encoded offsets are values representing the block number and the relative byte within that block, all within one long int. Because z/OS C/C++ does not document its encoding scheme, you cannot rely on any encoded offset not returned by ftell(), except 0, which is the beginning of the file. This includes encoded offsets that you adjust yourself (for example, with addition or subtraction). When you call fseek() with the whence value SEEK_SET, you must use either 0 or an encoded offset returned from ftell(). For whence values of SEEK_CUR and SEEK_END, however, you specify relative byte offsets. If you want to seek to a certain relative byte offset, you can use SEEK_SET with an offset of 0 to rewind the file to the beginning, and then you can use SEEK_CUR to specify the desired relative byte offset.

In earlier releases, ftell() could determine position only for files with no more than 131,071 blocks. In the new design, this number increases depending on the block size. From a maximum block size of 32,760, every time this number decreases by half, the number of blocks that can be represented doubles.

If your file is not opened read-only, you can use SEEK_CUR or SEEK_END to specify a position that is beyond the current EOF. In such cases, a new end-of-file position is created; null characters are automatically added between the old EOF and the new EOF. This does not apply to PDS members, as they cannot be extended. For SEEK_SET, because you are restricted to using offsets returned by ftell(), any offset that indicates a position outside the current file is invalid and causes fseek() to fail.

Using fseek() and ftell() in text files (ASA and Non-ASA)
In text files, ftell() produces only encoded offsets. It returns a long int, in which the block number and the byte offset within the block are encoded. You cannot rely on any encoded offset not returned by ftell() except 0. This includes encoded offsets that you adjust yourself (for example, with addition or subtraction).

When you call fseek() with the whence value SEEK_SET, you must use an encoded offset returned from ftell(). For whence values of SEEK_CUR and SEEK_END, however, you specify relative byte offsets. If you want to seek to a certain relative byte offset, you can use SEEK_SET with an offset of 0 to rewind the file to the beginning, and then you can use SEEK_CUR to specify the desired relative byte offset. z/OS C/C++ counts new-line characters and skips to the next record each time it reads one.

Unlike binary files you cannot specify offsets for SEEK_CUR and SEEK_END that set the file position past the end of the file. Any offset that indicates a position outside the current file is invalid and causes fseek() to fail.

In earlier releases, ftell() could determine position only for files with no more than 131071 blocks. In the new design, this number increases depending on the block size. From a maximum block size of 32760, every time this number decreases by half, the number of blocks that can be represented doubles.
Repositioning flushes all updates before changing position. An invalid call to \texttt{fseek()} is now always treated as a flush. It flushes all updated records or all complete new records in the block, and leaves the file position unchanged. If the flush fails, any characters in the \texttt{ungetc()} buffer are lost. If a block contains an incomplete new record, the block is saved and will be completed by another write or by closing the file.

### Using \texttt{fseek()} and \texttt{ftell()} in record files

For files opened with type=record, \texttt{ftell()} returns relative record numbers. The behavior of \texttt{fseek()} and \texttt{ftell()} is similar to that when you use relative byte offsets for binary files, except that the unit is a record rather than a byte. For example,
\begin{verbatim}
fseek(fp,-2,SEEK_CUR);
\end{verbatim}

seeks backward two records from the current position.
\begin{verbatim}
fseek(fp,6,SEEK_SET);
\end{verbatim}

seeks to relative record 6. You do not need to get an offset from \texttt{ftell()}.

You cannot seek past the end or before the beginning of a file.

The first record of a file is relative record 0.

### Porting old C code that uses \texttt{fseek()} or \texttt{ftell()}

The encoding scheme used by \texttt{ftell()} in non-BYTESEEK mode in the z/OS C/C++ RTL is different from that used in the C/C++ run-time library prior to C/370 Release 2.2 and Language Environment prior to release 1.3.

- If your code obtains \texttt{ftell()} values and passes them to \texttt{fseek()}, the change to the encoding scheme should not affect your application. On the other hand, your application may not work if you have saved encoded \texttt{ftell()} values in a file and your application reads in these encoded values to pass to \texttt{fseek()}. For non-record I/O files, you can set the environment variable \_EDC_COMPAT with the \texttt{ftell()} encoding set to tell z/OS C/C++ that you have old \texttt{ftell()} values. Files opened for record I/O do not support old \texttt{ftell()} values saved across the program boundary.

- In previous versions, the \texttt{fseek()} support for the \texttt{ftell()} encoding scheme inadvertently supported seeking from SEEK_SET with a byte offset up to 32K. This is no longer be supported. Users of this support must change to BYTESEEK mode. You can do this without changing your source code; just use the \_EDC_BYTESEEK environment variable.

### Closing files

Use the \texttt{fclose()} library function to close a file. z/OS C/C++ automatically closes files on normal program termination and attempts to do so under abnormal program termination or abend. See \texttt{z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference} for more information on this library function.

For files opened in fixed binary mode, incomplete records will be padded with null characters when you close the file.

For files opened in variable binary mode, incomplete records are flushed to the system. In a spanned file, closing a file can cause a zero-length segment to be written. This segment will still be part of the non-zero-length record. For files opened in undefined binary mode, any incomplete output is flushed on close.
Closing files opened in text mode causes any incomplete new record to be completed with a new-line character. All records not yet flushed to the file are written out when the file is closed.

For files opened for record I/O, closing causes all records not yet flushed to the file to be written out.

When fclose() is used to close a stream associated with a z/OS data set, some failures may be unrecoverable, and will result in an ABEND. These ABENDs may include I/O ABENDs of the form x14 and x37. Control will not be returned to the caller of fclose() to report the error. To process these types of errors, applications need to use z/OS Language Environment condition handling to receive control (see z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide), or register a signal handler for SIGABND (see Chapter 27, “Handling error conditions exceptions, and signals,” on page 397).

If an application fails during fclose() with a x37 abend, and the application would like to recover and use the same file again, the following technique can be used:

1. Register a signal handler for SIGABND and SIGIOERR.
2. fopen() the file. The NOSEEK option cannot be specified.
3. Manipulate the file as needed by the application.
4. When the application is done with the file, fflush() the file, before any fclose() is issued. This will ensure, if an x37 is going to occur during fflush() or fclose() processing, that the x37 occurs in the fflush(), before the fclose() occurs.
5. An x37 abend occurs during fflush().
6. The signal handler will receive control.
7. Once inside the signal handler, fclose() the file.
8. The application can now continue and manipulate the file again if desired.

For example:
/ * example of signal handler */

#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <dynit.h>
#include <signal.h>
#include <setjmp.h>

void sighandler();
jmp_buf env;
FILE *f;

int main()
{
    int rc;
    int s=80;
    int w;
    char buff 80 ="data";
    __dyn_t ip;

    redo:
    dyninit(&ip);
    ip.__dsname="MY.DATASET";
    ip.__status= DISP_OLD;
    ip.__ddname="NAMEDD";
    ip.__conddisp= DISP_CATLG;
    rc=dynalloc(&ip);

    f=fopen("DD:NAMEDD","wb");
    if (f==0)
    { perror("open error");
        return 12;
    }

    signal(SIGABND,sighandler);
    signal(SIGIOERR,sighandler);

    while (1)
    {
        if (setjmp(env))
        {
            dyninit(&ip);
            ip.__ddname="NAMEDD"
            ip.__conddisp= DISP_CATLG;
            rc= dynfree(&ip);
            goto redo;

            w fwrite(buff,1,s,f);
        }

        fflush(f);
        fclose(f);
        goto redo;
    }

    void sighandler() {
        fclose(f);
        longjmp(env,1);
    }

Figure 15. Example of signal handler
Note: When an abend condition occurs, a write-to-programmer message about the abend is issued and your DCB abend exit is given control, provided there is an active DCB abend exit routine address in the exit list contained in the DCB being processed. If STOW called the end-of-volume routines to get secondary space to write an end-of-file mark for a PDS, or if the DCB being processed is for an indexed sequential data set, the DCB abend exit routine is not given control if an abend condition occurs. If the situation described above is encountered, the Language Environment DCB abend exit will not receive control, and therefore the signal handler routine in an application will not receive control for the x37 abend.

Renaming and removing files

You can remove or rename a z/OS data set that has an uppercase filename by using the remove() or rename() library functions, respectively. rename() and remove() both accept data set names. rename() does not accept ddnames, but remove() does. You can use remove() or rename() on individual members or entire PDSs or PDSEs. If you use rename() for a member, you can change only the name of the member, not the name of the entire data set. To rename both the member and the data set, make two calls to rename(), one for the member and one for the whole PDS or PDSE.

fldata() behavior

The format of the fldata() function is as follows:

```c
int fldata(FILE *file, char *filename,
 fldata_t *info);
```

The fldata() function is returned to retrieve information about an open stream. The name of the file is returned in `filename` and other information is returned in the fldata_t structure, shown in the figure below. Values specific to this category of I/O are shown in the comment beside the structure element. Additional notes pertaining to this category of I/O follow the figure.

For more information on the fldata() function, refer to [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference](https://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg21283684)
struct __fileData {
    unsigned int  __recfmF : 1, /* */
    __recfmV : 1, /* */
    __recfmU : 1, /* */
    __recfmS : 1, /* */
    __recfmBlk : 1, /* */
    __recfmASA : 1, /* */
    __recfmM : 1, /* */
    __dsorgP0 : 1, /* */
    __dsorgPDSmem : 1, /* */
    __dsorgPDSdir : 1, /* */
    __dsorgPS : 1, /* */
    __dsorgConcat : 1, /* */
    __dsorgMen : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
    __dsorgHiper : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
    __dsorgTemp: 1, /* */
    __dsorgVSAM: 1, /* N/A -- always off */
    __dsorgHFS : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
    __openmode : 2, /* one of: */
    /* __TEXT */
    /* __BINARY */
    /* __RECORD */
    __modeflag : 4, /* combination of: */
    /* __READ */
    /* __WRITE */
    /* __APPEND */
    /* __UPDATE */
    __dsorgPDSE: 1, /* */
    __reserve2 : 8; /* */
    __device_t  __device; /* one of: */
    /* __DISK */
    /* __TAPE */
    /* __PRINTER */
    /* __DUMMY */
    /* __OTHER */
    unsigned long __blksize, /* */
                 __maxreclen; /* */
    unsigned short __vsamtype; /* N/A */
    unsigned long __vsamkeylen; /* N/A */
    unsigned long __vsamRKP; /* N/A */
    __device_t  __dsname; /* */
    unsigned int __reserve4; /* */
};
typedef struct __fileData fldata_t;

Figure 16. fldata() Structure

Notes:

1. If you have opened the file by its data set name, filename is fully qualified, including quotation marks. If you have opened the file by ddname, filename is dd:ddname, without any quotation marks. The ddname is uppercase. If you specified a member on the fopen() or freopen() function call, the member is returned as part of filename.

2. Any of the __recfm bits may be set on for OS files.

3. The __dsorgP0 bit will be set on only if you are reading a directory or member of a partitioned data set, either regular or extended, regardless of whether the member is specified on a DD statement or on the fopen() or freopen() function call. The __dsorgPS bit will be set on for all other OS files.

4. The __dsorgPDSE bit will be set when processing an extended partitioned data set (PDSE).
5. The __dsorgConcat bit will be set on for a concatenation of sequential data sets, but not for a concatenation of partitioned data sets.

6. The __dsorgTemp bit will be set on only if the file was created using the tmpfile() function.

7. The __blksize value may include BDW and RDWs.

8. The __maxreclen value may include the ASA character.

9. The __reclen bits and the __blksize and __maxreclen values correspond to the attributes of the open stream. They do not necessarily reflect the attributes of the existing data set.

10. The __dsname field is filled in for __DISK files with the data set name. The member name is added if the file is a member of a partitioned data set, either regular or extended. The __dsname value is uppercase unless the asis option was specified on the fopen() or freopen() function call. The __dsname field is set to NULL for all other OS files.
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You can create the following HFS file types:

- Regular
- Link
- Directory
- Character special
- FIFO

The Single UNIX Specification defines another type of file called STREAMS. Even though the system interfaces are provided, it is impossible to have a valid STREAMS file descriptor. These interfaces will always return a return code of -1 with errno set to indicate an error such as, EBADF, EINVAL, or ENOTTY.

HFS streams follow the binary model, regardless of whether they are opened for text, binary, or record I/O. You can simulate record I/O by using new-line characters as record boundaries.

For information on the hierarchical file system and access to files within it from other than the C or C++ language, see [z/OS UNIX System Services User’s Guide]. For an introduction to and description of the behavior of a POSIX-defined file system, see Zlotnick, Fred, The POSIX.1 Standard: A Programmer’s Guide, Redwood City, CA: The Benjamin/Cummings Publishing Company, Inc., 1991.

This chapter describes C I/O stream functions as they can be used within C++ programs. If you want to use the C++ I/O stream classes instead, see Chapter 4, "Using the Standard C++ Library I/O Stream Classes," on page 37. For more detailed information, see [Standard C++ Library Reference]. For information about using wide-character I/O with z/OS C/C++, see Chapter 8, “z/OS C Support for the double-byte character set,” on page 67.

Creating files

You can use library functions to create the following types of HFS files.

- Regular Files
- Link and Symbolic Link Files
- Directory Files
- Character Special Files
- FIFO Files

Regular files

Use any of the following C functions to create HFS regular files:

- creat()
- fopen()
- freopen()
- open()

For a description of these and other I/O functions, see [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference].
Link and symbolic link files
Use either of the following C functions to create HFS link or symbolic link files:
- link()
- symlink()

Directory files
Use the following C function to create an HFS directory file:
- mkdir()

Character special files
Use the following C function to create an HFS character special file:
- mknod()

You must have superuser authority to create a character special file.

Other functions used for character special files are:
- ptsname()
- grantpt()
- unlockpt()
- tcgetsid()
- ttyname()
- isatty()

FIFO files
Use the following C function to create an HFS FIFO file (named pipe):
- mkfifo()

To create an unnamed pipe, use the following C function:
- pipe()

Opening files
This section discusses the use of the fopen() or freopen() library functions to open Hierarchical File System (HFS) I/O files. You can also access HFS files using low-level I/O open() function. See "Low-level z/OS UNIX System Services I/O" on page 146 for information about low-level I/O, and z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference for information about any of the functions listed above.

The name of an HFS file can include characters chosen from the complete set of character values, except for null characters. If you want a portable filename, then choose characters from the POSIX .1 portable filename character set.

The complete pathname can begin with a slash and be followed by zero, one, or more filenames, each separated by a slash. If a directory is included within the pathname, it may have one or more trailing slashes. Multiple slashes following one another are interpreted as one slash.

If your program is running under POSIX(ON), all valid POSIX names are passed as is to the POSIX open function.
You can access either HFS files or MVS data sets from programs. Programs accessing files or data sets can be executed with either the POSIX(OFF) or POSIX(ON) run-time options. There are basic file naming rules that apply for HFS files and MVS data sets. However, there are also special z/OS C/C++ naming considerations that depend on how you execute your program.

The POSIX run-time option determines the type of z/OS C/C++ services and I/O available to your program. (See z/OS C/C++ User’s Guide for a discussion of the z/OS UNIX System Services programming environment and overview of binding z/OS UNIX System Services C/C++ applications.)

Both the basic and special z/OS C/C++ file naming rules for HFS files are described in the sections that follow. Examples are provided. All examples must be run with the POSIX(ON) option. For information about MVS data sets, see Chapter 10, “Performing OS I/O operations,” on page 95.

Using fopen() or freopen()

When you open a file with fopen() or freopen(), you must specify the file name (a data-set name) or a ddname.

File naming considerations
Files are opened with a call to fopen() or freopen() in the format fopen("filename", "mode").

HFS Files: The following is the format for the pathname argument on the fopen() or freopen() function:

```
"------------------------
| /                     |
| ddmember               |
|                      /|
------------------------
```

The POSIX.1 standard defines pathname as the information that identifies a file. For the z/OS UNIX System Services implementation of the POSIX.1 standard, a pathname can be up to 1024 characters—including the null-terminating character. Optionally, it can begin with a slash character (/) followed by directory names separated by slash characters and a filename. For the pathname, each directory name or the filename can be up to 255 characters long.

Note: Regardless of whether your program is run under z/OS UNIX System Services or as a traditional MVS application, if the pathname that you attempt to open using fopen() or freopen() contains a slash character but does not begin with exactly two slashes, an HFS file is opened. For example, if you code:

```
fopen("tradnsell/parts.order", "w+")
```

the HFS file tradnsell/parts.order from the working directory is opened.

If you begin the pathname value with ./, the specified HFS file in the working directory is opened:

```
fopen("./parts.order", "w+")
```

Likewise, if you begin the pathname value with /, the specified HFS file in the root directory is opened:
fopen("/parts.order", "w+")

If you specify more than two consecutive slash characters anywhere in a pathname, all but the first slash character is ignored, as in the following examples:

"///a.b"  MVS data set prefix.a.b
"///a.b"  HFS file /a.b
"///a.b"  HFS file /a.b
"a///b.c"  HFS file a/b.c
"/a.b"    HFS file /a.b
"a///b.c"  HFS file /a/b.c

If you specify /dd:pathname or ./dd:pathname, a file named dd:pathname is opened in the file system root directory or your working directory, respectively. For example, if you code:

fopen("/dd:parder", "w+")

the file dd:parder is opened in the HFS root directory.

For HFS files, leading and trailing white spaces are significant.

**Opening a file by name**

Which type of file (HFS or MVS data set) you open may depend on whether the z/OS C/C++ application program is running under POSIX(ON).

For an application program that is to be run under POSIX(ON), you can include in your program statements similar to the following to open the HFS file parts.instock for reading in the working directory:

```c
FILE *stream;
stream = fopen("parts.instock", "r");
```

To open the MVS data set user-prefix.PARTS.INSTOCK for reading, include statements similar to the following in your program:

```c
FILE *stream;
stream = fopen("//parts.instock", "r");
```

For an application program that is to be run as a traditional z/OS C/C++ application program, with POSIX(OFF), to open the MVS data set user-prefix.PARTS.INSTOCK for reading, include statements similar to the following in your program:

```c
FILE *stream;
stream = fopen("//parts.instock", "r");
```

To open the HFS file parts.instock in the working directory for reading, include statements similar to the following in your program:

```c
FILE *stream;
stream = fopen("./parts.instock", "r");
```

**Opening a file by DDName**

The DD statement enables you to write z/OS C/C++ source programs that are independent of the files and I/O devices they will use. You can modify the parameters of a file or process different files without recompiling your program.
When `dd:ddname` is specified to `fopen()` or `freopen()`, the z/OS C/C++ library looks to find and resolve the data definition information for the filename to open. If the data definition information points to an MVS data set, MVS data set naming rules are followed. If an HFS file is indicated using the `PATH` parameter, a `ddname` is resolved to the associated pathname.

**Note:** Use of the z/OS C/C++ `fork()` library function from an application program under z/OS UNIX System Services does not replicate the data definition information of the parent process for the child process. Use of any of the `exec()` library functions deallocates the data definition information for the application process.

For the declaration just shown for the HFS file `parts.instock`, you should write a JCL DD statement similar to the following:

```
/PSTOCK DD PATH='/u/parts.instock',...
```

For more information on writing DD statements, you should refer to the job control language (JCL) manual [z/OS MVS JCL Reference](#).

To open the file by DD name under TSO/E, you must write an `ALLOCATE` command.

For the declaration of an HFS file `parts.instock`, you should write a TSO/E `ALLOCATE` command similar to the following:

```
ALLOCATE DDNAME(PSTOCK) PATH('/u/parts.instock')...
```

See [z/OS TSO/E Command Reference](#) for more information on TSO `ALLOCATE`.

### `fopen()` and `freopen()` parameters

The following table lists the parameters that are available on the `fopen()` and `freopen()` functions, tells you which ones are useful for HFS I/O, and lists the values that are valid for the applicable ones.

**Table 22. Parameters for the `fopen()` and `freopen()` functions for HFS I/O**

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<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>Allowed?</th>
<th>Applicable?</th>
<th>Notes</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td><code>recfm=</code></td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>HFS I/O uses a continuous stream of data as its file format.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>lrecl=</code></td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>HFS I/O uses a continuous stream of data as its file format.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>blksize=</code></td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>HFS I/O uses a continuous stream of data as its file format.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>space=</code></td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Not used for HFS I/O.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>type=</code></td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>May be omitted. If you do specify it, <code>type=record</code> is the only valid value.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>acc=</code></td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Not used for HFS I/O.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>password=</code></td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Not used for HFS I/O.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>asis</code></td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Not used for HFS I/O.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>bytesseek</code></td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Not used for HFS I/O.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>noseek</code></td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Not used for HFS I/O.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><code>OS</code></td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Not used for HFS I/O.</td>
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</table>

`recfm=`

Ignored for HFS I/O.
lrecl= and blksize=
Ignored for HFS I/O, except that lrecl affects the value returned in the __maxreclen field of fldata() as described below.

acc= Ignored for HFS I/O.

password
Ignored for HFS I/O.

space= Ignored for HFS I/O.

type=
The only valid value for this parameter under HFS is type=record. If you specify this, your file follows the HFS record I/O rules:

1. One record is defined to be the data up to the next new-line character.
2. When an fread() is done the data will be copied into the user buffer as if an fgets(buf, size_item*num_items, stream) were issued. Data is read into the user buffer up to the number of bytes specified on the fread(), or until a new-line character or EOF is found. The new-line character is not included.

3. When an fwrite() is done the data will be written from the user buffer with a new-line character added by the RTL code. Data is written up to the number of bytes specified on the fwrite(); the new-line is added by the RTL and is not included in the return value from fwrite().

4. If you have specified an lrecl and type=record, fldata() of this stream will return the lrecl you specified, in the __maxreclen field of the __fileData return structure of stdio.h. If you specified type=record but no lrecl, the __maxreclen field will contain 1024.

   If type=record is not in effect, fldata() of this stream will return 0 in the __maxreclen field of the __fileData return structure of stdio.h.

asis
Ignored for HFS I/O.

bytesseek
Ignored for HFS I/O.

noseek
Ignored for HFS I/O.

OS Ignored for HFS I/O.

Reading from HFS files

You can use the following library functions to read in information from HFS files:

- fread()
- fgets()
- gets()
- fgetc()
- getc()
- getchar()
- scanf()
- fscanf()
- read()
Opening and reading from HFS directory files

To open an HFS directory, you can use the opendir() function.

You can use the following library functions to read from and position within HFS directories:

- readdir()
- seekdir()
- telldir()

To close a directory, use the closedir() function.

Writing to HFS files

You can use the following library functions to write to HFS files:

- fwrite()
- printf()
- fprintf()
- vprintf()
- vfprintf()
- puts()
- fputs()
- fputc()
- putchar()
- write()
- pwrite()

fwrite() is the only interface allowed for writing to record I/O files. See z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference for more information on all of the above library functions. For z/OS UNIX System Services low-level I/O, you can use the write() and writev() function.

Flushing records

You can use the library function fflush() to flush streams to the system. For more information about fflush(), see z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.

The action taken by the fflush() library function depends on the buffering mode associated with the stream and the type of streams. If you call one z/OS C/C++ program from another z/OS C/C++ program by using the ANSI system() function,
all open streams are flushed before control is passed to the callee, and again before control is returned to the caller. A call to the POSIX \texttt{system()} function does not flush any streams.

For HFS files, the \texttt{fflush()} function copies the data from the run-time buffer to the file system. The \texttt{fsync()} function copies the data from the file system buffer to the storage device.

### Setting positions within files

You can use the following library functions to help you reposition within a regular file:

- \texttt{fseek()}
- \texttt{fseeko()}
- \texttt{ftell()}
- \texttt{ftello()}
- \texttt{fgetpos()}
- \texttt{fsetpos()}
- \texttt{rewind()}
- \texttt{lseek()}

With Large Files support in 31-bit applications, you can use the following library functions for 64-bit offset and file sizes.

- \texttt{fseeko()}
- \texttt{ftello()}
- \texttt{lseek()}

In AMODE 64 applications, large file offsets and sizes are automatically available through the LP64 programming model. All of the above functions can be used with 64-bit offsets and file sizes.

See \textit{z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference} for more information on these library functions.

### Closing files

You can use \texttt{fclose()}, \texttt{freopen()}, or \texttt{close()} to close a file. \texttt{z/OS C/C++} automatically closes files on normal program termination, and attempts to do so under abnormal program termination or abend. See \textit{z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference} for more information on these library functions. For \texttt{z/OS UNIX System Services} low-level I/O, you can use the \texttt{close()} function. When you use any \texttt{exec()} or \texttt{fork()} function, files defined as “marked to be closed” are closed before control is returned.

### Deleting files

Use the \texttt{unlink()} or \texttt{remove()} \texttt{z/OS C/C++} function to delete the following types of HFS files:

- Regular
- Character special
- FIFO
- Link files
Use the `rmdir()` z/OS C/C++ function to delete an HFS directory file. See z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference for more information about these functions.

Pipe I/O

POSIX.1 pipes represent an I/O channel that processes can use to communicate with other processes. Pipes are conceptually like HFS files. One process can write data into a pipe, and another process can read data from the pipe.

z/OS UNIX System Services C/C++ supports two types of POSIX.1-defined pipes: unnamed pipes and named pipes (FIFO files).

An unnamed pipe is accessible only by the process that created the pipe and its child processes. An unnamed pipe does not have to be opened before it can be used. It is a temporary file that lasts only until the last file descriptor that references it is closed. You can create an unnamed pipe by calling the `pipe()` function.

A named pipe can be used by independent processes and must be explicitly opened and closed. Named pipes are also referred to as first-in, first-out (FIFO) files, or FIFOs. You can create a named pipe by calling the `mkfifo()` function. If you want to stream I/O after a `pipe()` function, call the `fdopen()` function to build a stream on one of the file descriptors returned by `pipe()`. If you want to stream I/O on a FIFO file, open the file with `fdopen()` together with one of `fopen()`, `freopen()`, or `open()`. When the stream is built, you can then use Standard C I/O functions, such as `fgets()` or `printf()`, to carry out input and output.

Using unnamed pipes

If your z/OS UNIX System Services C/C++ application program forks processes that need to communicate among themselves for work to be done, you can take advantage of POSIX.1-defined unnamed pipes. If your application program's processes need to communicate with other processes that it did not fork, you should use the POSIX.1-defined named pipe (FIFO special file) support. See “Using named pipes” on page 142 for more information.

When you code the `pipe()` function to create a pipe, you pass a pointer to a two-element integer array where `pipe()` puts the file descriptors it creates. One descriptor is for the input end of the pipe, and the other is for the output end of the pipe. You can code your application so that one process writes data to the input end of the pipe and another process reads from the output end on a first-in-first-out basis. You can also build a stream on the pipe by using `fdopen()`, and use buffered I/O functions. The result is that you can communicate data between a parent process and any of its child processes.

The opened pipe is assigned the two lowest-numbered file descriptors available.

z/OS UNIX System Services provide no security checks for unnamed pipes, because such a pipe is accessible only by the parent process that creates the pipe and any of the parent process’s descendent processes. When the parent process ends, an unnamed pipe created by the process can still be used, if needed, by any existing descendant process that has an open file descriptor for the pipe.

Consider the following example, where you open a pipe, do a write operation, and later do a read operation from the pipe.
For more information on the pipe() function and the file I/O functions, see z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.

Using named pipes

If the z/OS UNIX System Services C/C++ application program you are developing requires its active processes to communicate with other processes that are active but may not be from the same program, code your application program to create a named pipe (FIFO file). Named pipes allow transfer of data between processes in a FIFO manner and synchronization of process execution. Use of a named pipe allows processes to communicate even though they do not know what processes are on the other end of the pipe. Named pipes differ from standard unnamed pipes, created using the pipe() function, in that they involve the creation of a real file that is available for I/O operations to properly authorized processes.

Within the application program, you create a named pipe by coding a mkfifo() or mknod() function. You give the FIFO a name and an access mode when you create...
it. If the access mode allows all users read and write access to the named pipe, any process that knows its name can use it to send or receive data.

Processes can use the `open()` function to access named pipes and then use the regular I/O functions for files, such as `read()`, `write()`, and `close()`, when manipulating named pipes. Buffered I/O functions can also be used to access and manipulate named pipes. For more information on the `mkfifo()` and `mknod()` functions and the file I/O functions, see z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.

z/OS UNIX System Services does security checks on named pipes.

The following steps outline how to use a named pipe from z/OS UNIX System Services C/C++ application programs:

1. Create a named pipe using the `mkfifo()` function. Only one of the processes that use the named pipe needs to do this.
2. Access the named pipe using the appropriate I/O method.
3. Communicate through the pipe with another process using file I/O functions:
   a. Write data to the named pipe.
   b. Read data from the named pipe.
4. Close the named pipe.
5. If the process created the named pipe and the named pipe is no longer needed, remove that named pipe using the `unlink()` function.

A process running the following simple example program creates a new named pipe with the file pathname pointed to by the `path` value coded in the `mkfifo()` function. The access mode of the new named pipe is initialized from the `mode` value coded in the `mkfifo()` function. The file permission bits of the `mode` argument are modified by the process file creation mask.

As an example, a process running the following program code creates a child process and then creates a named pipe called `fifo.test`. The child process then writes a data string to the pipe file. The parent process reads from the pipe file and verifies that the data string it reads is the expected one.

**Note:** The two processes are related and have agreed to communicate through the named pipe. They need not be related, however. Other authorized users can run the same program and participate in (or interfere with) the process communication.
/* this example shows how named pipes may be used */
#define _OPEN_SYS
#include <stdio.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <errno.h>
#include <fcntl.h>
#include <wait.h>

/* Sample use of mkfifo() */

main()
{
    /* start of program */

    int flags, ret_value, c_status;
    pid_t pid;
    size_t n_elements;
    char char_ptr[32];
    char str[] = "string for fifo ";
    char fifoname[] = "temp.fifo";
    FILE *rd_stream,*wr_stream;

    if ((mkfifo(fifoname,S_IRWXU)) != 0) {
        printf("Unable to create a fifo; errno=%d\n",errno);
        exit(1);
    }

    if ((pid = fork()) < 0) {
        perror("fork failed");
        exit(2);
    }

    if (pid == (pid_t)0) { /* CHILD process */
        /* issue fopen for write end of the fifo */
        wr_stream = fopen(fifoname,"w");
        if (wr_stream == (FILE *) NULL) {
            printf("In child process\n");
            printf("fopen returned a NULL, expected valid stream\n");
            exit(100);
        }

        /* perform a write */
        n_elements = fwrite(str,1,strlen(str),wr_stream);
        if (n_elements != (size_t) strlen(str)) {
            printf("fwrite returned %d, expected %d\n",
                (int)n_elements,strlen(str));
            exit(101);
        }
        exit(0); /* return success to parent */
    }
}

Figure 18. Named pipes example (Part 1 of 3)
else { /* PARENT process */
  /* issue fopen for read */
  rd_stream = fopen(fifoname,"r");
  if (rd_stream == (FILE *) NULL) {
    printf("In parent process\n");
    printf("fopen returned a NULL, expected valid pointer\n");
    exit(2);
  }

  /* get current flag settings of file */
  if ((flags =fcntl(fileno(rd_stream),F_GETFL)) == -1) {
    printf("fcntl returned -1 for \%s",fifoname);
    exit(3);
  }

  /* clear O_NONBLOCK and reset file flags */
  flags &= (O_NONBLOCK);
  if ((fcntl(fileno(rd_stream),F_SETFL,flags)) == -1) {
    printf("fcntl returned -1 for \%s",fifoname);
    exit(4);
  }

  /* try to read the string */
  ret_value = fread(char_ptr,sizeof(char),strlen(str),rd_stream);
  if (ret_value != strlen(str)) {
    printf("\nFread did not read \%d elements as expected ",
          strlen(str));
    printf("\nret_value is \%d ",ret_value);
    exit(6);
  }

  if (strncmp(char_ptr,str,strlen(str))) {
    printf("\ncontents of char_ptr are \%s ",
           char_ptr);
    printf("\ncontents of str are \%s ",
           str);
    printf("\nThese should be equal\n");
    exit(7);
  }

  ret_value = fclose(rd_stream);
  if (ret_value != 0) {
    printf("\nfclose failed for \%s",fifoname);
    printf("\nerrno is \%d",errno);
    exit(8);
  }
}

Figure 18. Named pipes example (Part 2 of 3)
A named pipe (FIFO file) is a type of character special file. Therefore, it obeys the I/O rules for character special files rather than the rules for regular files:

- It cannot be opened in read/write mode. A process must open a named pipe in either write-only or read-only mode.
- It must be opened in read mode by a process before it can be opened in write mode by another process. Otherwise, the file is blocked from use for I/O by processes. Blocked processes can cause an application program to hang.

A single process intending to access a named pipe can use an open() function with O_NONBLOCK to open the read end of the named pipe. It can then open the named pipe in write mode.

Note: The fopen() function cannot be used to accomplish this.

Low-level z/OS UNIX System Services I/O

Low-level z/OS UNIX System Services I/O is the POSIX.1-defined I/O method. All input and output is processed using the defined read(), readv(), write(), and writev() functions.

For application programmers used to a UNIX environment, z/OS UNIX System Services behaves in familiar and predictable ways. Standard UNIX programming practices for shared resources, along with designing applications to respect locks put on files by multiple threads running in a process, will ensure that data is handled predictably.

Example of HFS I/O functions

The following example demonstrates the use of z/OS UNIX System Services stream input/output by writing streams to a file, reading the input lines, and replacing a line.

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/* this example uses HFS stream I/O */

#define _OPEN_SYS
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <fcntl.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#undef _OPEN_SYS

FILE *stream;
char string1[] = "A line of text."; /* NOTE: There are actually 16 */
char string2[] = "Find this line."; /* characters in each line of */
char string3[] = "Another stream."; /* text. The 16th is a null */
char string4[16]; /* terminator on each string. */
long position, strpos; /* Since the null character */
int i, result, fd; /* is not being written to */
int rc; /* the file, 15 is used as */
/* the data stream length. */

ssize_t x;
char buffer[16];

int main(void)
{

    /* Write continuous streams to file */

    if ((stream = fopen("./myfile.data","wb"))==NULL) {
        perror("Error opening file");
        exit(0);
    }

    for(i=0; i<12;i++) {
        int len1 = strlen(string1);
        rc = fwrite(string1, 1, len1, stream);
        if (rc != len1) {
            perror("fwrite failed");
            printf("i = %d\n", i);
            exit(99);
        }
    }

Figure 19. Example of HFS stream input and output functions (Part 1 of 3)
rc = fwrite(string2,1,sizeof(string2)-1,stream);

if (rc != sizeof(string2)-1) {
    perror("fwrite failed");
    exit(99);
}

for(i=0;i<12;i++) {
    rc = fwrite(string1,1,sizeof(string1)-1,stream);
    if (rc != sizeof(string1)-1) {
        perror("fwrite failed");
        printf("i = %d\n", i);
        exit(99);
    }
}

fclose(stream);
/* Read data stream and search for location of string2. */
/* EOF is not set until an attempt is made to read past the */
/* end-of-file, thus the fread is at the end of the while loop */
stream = fopen("./myfile.data", "rb");

if ((position = ftell(stream)) == -1L)
    perror("Error saving file position.");

rc = fread(string4, 1, sizeof(string2)-1, stream);

while(!feof(stream)) {
    if (rc != sizeof(string2)-1) {
        perror("fread failed");
        exit(99);
    }

    if (strstr(string4,string2) != NULL) /* If string2 is found */
        strpos = position; /* then save position. */

    if ((position=ftell(stream)) == -1L)
        perror("Error saving file position.");

    rc = fread(string4, 1, sizeof(string2)-1, stream);
}

Figure 19. Example of HFS stream input and output functions (Part 2 of 3)
To use 64-bit offsets and file sizes, you must make the following changes in your code:

1. Change any variables used for offsets in fseek() or ftell() that are int or long to the off_t data type.

2. Define the _LARGE_FILES 1 feature test macro.

3. Replace fseek() / ftell() with fseeko() / ftello(). See [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference](https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/SSLTBW_7.2.0/com.ibm.zos.v2r12.ceht/ceht_libref.htm) for descriptions of these functions.

4. Compile with the LANGLVL(LONGLONG) compiler option.

**Notes:**

1. These changes are compatible with your older files.

2. Large Files support (64–bit offset and file sizes) is automatic in the LP64 programming model that is used in 64–bit. The long data type is widened to 64–bits. This enables fseek() and ftell() to work with the larger offsets with no code change. The fseeko() and ftello() functions also work with 64–bit offsets since off_t is typedef’d as a long int.

The following example provides the same function as CCNGHF3, but it uses 64-bit offsets. The changed lines are marked in a bold font.

```c
fclose(stream);
/* Replace line containing string2 with string3 */

fd = open("test.data",O_RDWR);
if (fd < 0){
    perror("open failed\n");
}

x = write(fd,"a record",8);
if (x < 8){
    perror("write failed\n");
}

rc = lseek(fd,0,SEEK_SET);
x = read(fd,buffer,8);
if (x < 8){
    perror("read failed\n");
}

printf("data read is %.8s\n",buffer);

close(fd);
```

*Figure 19. Example of HFS stream input and output functions (Part 3 of 3)*

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The following example provides the same function as CCNGHF3, but it uses 64-bit offsets. The changed lines are marked in a bold font.
/* this example uses HFS stream I/O and 64-bit offsets*/

#define _OPEN_SYS
#define _LARGE_FILES 1
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <fcntl.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#undef _OPEN_SYS

FILE *stream;
char string1[] = "A line of text."; /* NOTE: There are actually 16 */
char string2[] = "Find this line."; /* characters in each line of */
char string3[] = "Another stream."; /* text. The 16th is a null */
char string4[16]; /* terminator on each string. */
off_t position,strpos; /* Since the null character */
int i, result, fd; /* is not being written to */
int rc; /* the file, 15 is used as */
/* the data stream length. */

ssize_t x;
char buffer[16];

int main(void)
{
  /* Write continuous streams to file */

  if ((stream = fopen("./myfile.data","wb")) == NULL) {
    perror("Error opening file");
    exit(0);
  }

  for(i=0; i<12; i++) {
    int len1 = strlen(string1);
    rc = fwrite(string1, 1, len1, stream);
    if (rc != len1) {
      perror("fwrite failed");
      printf("i = %d\n", i);
      exit(99);
    }
  }

  Figure 20. Example of HFS stream input and output functions (Part 1 of 3)
rc = fwrite(string2,1,sizeof(string2)-1,stream);

if (rc != sizeof(string2)-1) {
    perror("fwrite failed");
    exit(99);
}

for(i=0;i<12;i++) {
    rc = fwrite(string1,1,sizeof(string1)-1,stream);
    if (rc != sizeof(string1)-1) {
        perror("fwrite failed");
        printf("i = %d\n", i);
        exit(99);
    }
}

fclose(stream);
/* Read data stream and search for location of string2. */
/* EOF is not set until an attempt is made to read past the */
/* end-of-file, thus the fread is at the end of the while loop */

stream = fopen("./myfile.data", "rb");

if ((position=ftello(stream)) == -1LL)
    perror("Error saving file position.");

rc = fread(string4, 1, sizeof(string2)-1, stream);

while(!feof(stream)) {
    if (rc != sizeof(string2)-1) {
        perror("fread failed");
        exit(99);
    }

    if (strstr(string4,string2) != NULL) /* If string2 is found */
        strpos = position; /* then save position. */

    if ((position=ftello(stream)) == -1LL)
        perror("Error saving file position.");

    rc = fread(string4, 1, sizeof(string2)-1, stream);
}

Figure 20. Example of HFS stream input and output functions (Part 2 of 3)
The format of the `fldata()` function is as follows:

```c
int fldata(FILE *file, char *filename,
           fldata_t *info);
```

The `fldata()` function is used to retrieve information about an open stream. The name of the file is returned in `filename` and other information is returned in the `fldata_t` structure, shown in the figure below. Values specific to this category of I/O are shown in the comment beside the structure element. Additional notes pertaining to this category of I/O follow the figure.

For more information on the `fldata()` function, refer to z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.
struct __fileData {
    unsigned int __recfmF : 1, /* always off */
    __recfmV : 1, /* always off */
    __recfmU : 1, /* always on */
    __recfmS : 1, /* always off */
    __recfmBlk : 1, /* always off */
    __recfmASA : 1, /* always off */
    __recfmM : 1, /* always off */
    __dsorgPO : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
    __dsorgPDSmem : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
    __dsorgPDSdir : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
    __dsorgPS : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
    __dsorgConcat : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
    __dsorgMem : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
    __dsorgHiper : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
    __dsorgTemp : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
    __dsorgVSAM : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
    __dsorgHFS : 1, /* always on */
    __openmode : 2, /* one of:
                    * __BINARY *
                    * __RECORD */
    __modeflag : 4, /* combination of:
                    * __READ
                    * __WRITE
                    * __APPEND
                    * __UPDATE */
    __dsorgPDSE : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
    __reserve2 : 8; /* */
    __device_t __device; /* __HFS */
    unsigned long __blksize, /* 0 */
    __maxreclen; /* */
    unsigned short __vsamtype; /* N/A */
    unsigned long __vsamkeylen; /* N/A */
    unsigned long __vsamRKP; /* N/A */
    char * __dsname; /* */
    unsigned int __reserve4; /* */
};
typedef struct __fileData fldata_t;

Figure 21. fldata() structure

Notes:
1. The filename is the same as specified on the fopen() or freopen() function call.
2. The __maxreclen value is 0 for regular I/O (binary). For record I/O the value is lrecl or the default of 1024 when lrecl is not specified.
3. The __dsname value is the real POSIX pathname.

File tagging and conversion

In general, the file system knows the contents of a file only as a set of bytes. Applications which create and process bytes in a file know whether these bytes represent binary data, text (character) data, or a mixture of both. File tags are file metadata fields which describe the contents of a file. Enhanced ASCII includes the following file tag fields:

**txtflag** A flag indicating whether or not a file consists solely of character data encoded by a single coded character set ID (CCSID).

**file ccsid** A 16 bit field specifying the CCSID of characters in the file.
Applications can explicitly tag files via new open() or fcntl() options, or applications can allow the logical file system (LFS) to tag new files on first write, fopen(). A new environment variable, _BPXK_CCSID, is used to assign a program CCSID to an application, which LFS will use to tag new files on first write. LFS also uses the program CCSID derived from _BPXK_CCSID to set up auto-conversion of pure text datastreams. LFS attempts to set up auto-conversion when:

- Auto-conversion is enabled for an application by the _BPXK_AUTOCVT environment variable
- The file txtflag flag is set indicating a pure text file
- The file and program CCSIDs do not match.

Automatic file conversion and file tagging include the following facilities:

- __chattr() and __fchattr() functions; F_SETTAG and F_CONTROL_CVT arguments for the fcntl() function; options for the fopen(), popen(), stat(), fstat(), and lstat() functions. For more information, see [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference](https://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?rs=18&url=/en_US/ibm/support/doc/ibmzoss16c0chz).

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**Access Control Lists (ACLs)**

Access control lists (ACLs) enable you to control access to files and directories by individual user (UID) and group (GID). ACLs are used in conjunction with permission bits. You can create, modify, and delete ACLs using the following functions:

- acl_create_entry()
- acl_delete_entry()
- acl_delete_fd()
- acl_delete_file()
- acl_first_entry()
- acl_free()
- acl_from_text()
- acl_get_entry()
- acl_get_fd()
- acl_get_file()
- acl_init()
- acl_set_fd()
- acl_set_file()
- acl_sort()
- acl_to_text()
- acl_update_entry()
- acl_valid()
For descriptions of these functions see z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.
For more information on using ACLs to protect file system resources see z/OS UNIX System Services Planning and z/OS Security Server RACF Security Administrator’s Guide.
Chapter 12. Performing VSAM I/O operations

This chapter outlines the use of Virtual Storage Access Method (VSAM) data sets in z/OS C/C++. Three I/O processing modes for VSAM data sets are available in z/OS C/C++:

- Record
- Text Stream
- Binary Stream

Because VSAM is a record-based access method, record mode is the logical processing mode and is specified by coding the `type=record` keyword parameter on the `fopen()` function call. z/OS C/C++ also provides limited support for VSAM text streams and binary streams. Because of the record-based nature of VSAM, this chapter is organized differently from the other chapters in this section. The focus of this chapter is on record I/O, and only those aspects of text and binary I/O that are specific to VSAM are also discussed.

For more information about the facilities of VSAM, see the list of "DFSMS" on page 973.


**Notes:**
1. This chapter describes C I/O as it can be used within C++ programs.
2. The C++ I/O stream libraries cannot be used for VSAM I/O because these do not support the record processing mode (where `type=record` is specified).

**VSAM types (data set organization)**

There are three types of VSAM data sets supported by z/OS C/C++, all of which are held on direct-access storage devices.

- Key-Sequenced Data Set (KSDS) is used when a record is accessed through a key field within the record (for example, an employee directory file where the employee number can be used to access the record). KSDS also supports sequential access. Each record in a KSDS must have a unique key value.
- Entry-Sequenced Data Set (ESDS) is used for data that is primarily accessed in the order it was created (or the reverse order). It supports direct access by Relative Byte Address (RBA), and sequential access.
- Relative Record Data Set (RRDS) is used for data in which each item has a particular number, and the relevant record is accessed by that number (for example, a telephone system with a record associated with each number). It supports direct access by Relative Record Number (RRN), and sequential access.

In addition to the primary VSAM access described above, for KSDS and ESDS, there is also direct access by one or more additional key fields within each record. These additional keys can be unique or nonunique; they are called an alternate index (AIX).

**Notes:**
1. VSAM Linear Data Sets are not supported in z/OS C/C++ I/O.
2. VSAM Data Sets with Extended Addressability (>=4GB) are not supported in z/OS C/C++ I/O.

Access method services

Access Method Services are generally known by the name IDCAMS on MVS. For more information, see [z/OS DFSMS Access Method Services for Catalogs](#).

Before a VSAM data set is used for the first time, its structure is defined to the system by the Access Method Services DEFINE CLUSTER command. This command defines the type of VSAM data set, its structure, and the space it requires.

Before a VSAM alternate index is used for the first time, its structure is defined to the system by the Access Method Services DEFINE ALTERNATEINDEX command. To enable access to the base cluster records through the alternate index, use the DEFINE PATH command. Finally, to build the alternate index, use the BLDINDEX command.

When you have built the alternate index, you call fopen() and specify the PATH in order to access the base cluster through the alternate index. Do not use fopen() to access the alternate index itself.

**Note:** You cannot use the BLDINDEX command on an empty base cluster.

Choosing VSAM data set types

When you plan your program, you must first decide the type of data set to use. Figure 22 on page 159 shows you the possibilities available with the types of VSAM data sets.
When choosing the VSAM data set type, you should base your choice on the most common sequence in which you require data. You should follow a procedure similar to the one suggested below to help ensure a combination of data sets and indexes that provide the function you require.

The diagrams show how the information contained in the family tree below could be held in VSAM data sets of different types.

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**Key-Sequenced Data Set**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Prime Index</th>
<th>Data component</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>ANDY</td>
<td>70 M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>FRED</td>
<td>69 M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>JANE</td>
<td>75 F</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SUZAN</td>
<td>72 F</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Alternate Indexes

By Birthdate (unique)

- 69
- 70
- 72
- 75

By sex (non-unique)

- F
- M

**Entry-Sequenced Data Set**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Data component</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>FRED 69 M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ANDY 70 M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SUZAN 72 F</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>JANE 75 F</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Alternate Indexes

Alphabetically by name (unique)

- ANDY
- FRED
- JANE
- SUZAN

By sex (non-unique)

- F
- M

**Relative Record Data Set**

Relative record numbers can be accessed and used as keys

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Slot</th>
<th>Data component</th>
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<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>FRED 69 M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>ANDY 70 M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>empty space for 71</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>SUZAN 72 F</td>
</tr>
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<td>5</td>
<td>empty space for 73</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>empty space for 74</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>JANE 75 F</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td>empty space for 76</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

No Alternate Indexes

Each slot corresponds to a year

**Figure 22. Types and advantages of VSAM data sets**
1. Determine the type of data and its primary access.
   - sequentially — favors ESDS
   - by key — favors KSDS
   - by number — favors RRDS

2. Determine whether you require access through an alternate index path. These are only supported on KSDS and ESDS. If you do, determine whether the alternate index is to have unique or nonunique keys. You should keep in mind that making an assumption that all future records will have unique keys may not be practical, and an attempt to insert a record with a nonunique key in an index that has been created for unique keys causes an error.

3. When you have determined the data sets and paths that you require, ensure that the operations you have in mind are supported.

**Keys, RBAs and RRNs**

All VSAM data sets have keys associated with their records. For KSDS, KSDS AIX, and ESDS AIX, the key is a defined field within the logical record. For ESDS, the key is the *relative byte address* (RBA) of the record. For RRDS, the key is a *relative record number* (RRN).

**Keys for indexed VSAM data sets**

For KSDS, KSDS AIX, and ESDS AIX, keys are part of the logical records recorded on the data set. For KSDS, the length and location of the keys are defined by the DEFINE CLUSTER command of Access Method Services. For KSDS AIX and ESDS AIX, the keys are defined by the DEFINE ALTERNATEINDEX command.

**Relative byte addresses**

Relative byte addresses enable you to access ESDS files directly. The RBAs are unsigned long int fields, and their values are computed by VSAM.

**Notes:**

1. KSDS can also use RBAs. However, because the RBA of a KSDS record can change if an insert, delete or update operation is performed elsewhere in the file, it is not recommended.

2. You can call flocate() with RBA values in an RRDS cluster, but flocate() with RBA values does not work across control intervals. Therefore, using RBAs with RRDS clusters is not recommended. The RRDS access method does not support RBAs. z/OS C/C++ supports the use of RBAs in an RRDS cluster by translating the RBA value to an RRN. It does this by dividing the RBA value by the LRECL.

3. Alternate indexes do not allow positioning by RBA.

The RBA value is stored in the C structure __amrc, which is defined in the C <stdio.h> header file. The __amrc->RBA field is defined as an unsigned int, and therefore will contain only a 4-byte RBA value. In AMODE 64 applications you can no longer use the address of __amrc-->RBA as the first argument to flocate(). Instead, __amrc-->RBA must be placed into an unsigned long in order to make it 8 bytes wide, since flocate() is updated to indicate that sizeof(unsigned long) must be specified as the key length (2nd argument). You can access the field __amrc-->RBA as shown in the following example.
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/* this example shows how to access the __amrc->_RBA field */
/* it assumes that an ESDS has already been defined, and has been */
/* assigned the ddname ESOSCLUS */

#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

main() {
    FILE *ESDSfile;
    unsigned long myRBA;
    char recbuff[100]="This is record one."
    int w_retcd;
    int l_retcd;
    int r_retcd;

    printf("calling fopen("dd:esdsclus","rb+,type=record");\n")
    ESDSfile = fopen("dd:esdsclus", "rb+,type=record");
    printf("fopen() returned 0X%.8x\n",ESDSfile);
    if (ESDSfile==NULL) exit;

    w_retcd = fwrite(recbuff, 1, sizeof(recbuff), ESDSfile);
    printf("fwrite() returned %d\n",w_retcd);
    if (w_retcd != sizeof(recbuff)) exit;
    myRBA = __amrc->_RBA;

    l_retcd = flocate(ESDSfile, &myRBA, sizeof(myRBA), __RBA_EQ);
    printf("flocate() returned %d\n",l_retcd);
    if (l_retcd !=0) exit;

    r_retcd = fread(recbuff, 1, sizeof(recbuff), ESDSfile);
    printf("fread() returned %d\n",r_retcd);
    if (l_retcd !=0) exit;

    return(0);
}

Figure 23. VSAM example

For more information about the __amrc structure, refer to Chapter 17, “Debugging I/O programs,” on page 225.

Relative record numbers
Records in an RRDS are identified by a relative record number that starts at 1 and is incremented by 1 for each succeeding record position. Only RRDS files support accessing a record by its relative record number.

Summary of VSAM I/O operations

Table 23 summarizes VSAM data set characteristics and the allowable I/O operations on them.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>KSDS</th>
<th>ESDS</th>
<th>RRDS</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Record Length</td>
<td>Variable. Length can be changed by update.</td>
<td>Variable. Length cannot be changed by update.</td>
<td>Fixed.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Alternate index</td>
<td>Allows access using unique or nonunique keys.</td>
<td>Allows access using unique or nonunique keys.</td>
<td>Not supported by VSAM.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

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<tr>
<th></th>
<th>KSDS</th>
<th>ESDS</th>
<th>RRDS</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>Record Read</strong> (Sequential)</td>
<td>The order is determined by the VSAM key</td>
<td>By entry sequence. Reads proceed in key sequence for the key of reference.</td>
<td>By relative record number.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Record Write</strong> (Direct)</td>
<td>Position determined by the value in the field designated as the key.</td>
<td>Record written at the end of the file.</td>
<td>By relative record number.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Positioning for Record Read</strong></td>
<td>By key or by RBA value. Positioning by RBA value is not recommended because changes to the file change the RBA.</td>
<td>By RBA value. Alternate index allows use by key.</td>
<td>By relative record number.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Delete (Record)</strong></td>
<td>If not already in correct position, reposition the file; read the record using fread(); delete the record using fdelrec(). fread() must immediately precede fdelrec().</td>
<td>Not supported by VSAM.</td>
<td>If not already in correct position, position the file; read the record using fread(); delete the record using fdelrec(). fread() must immediately precede fdelrec().</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Update (Record)</strong></td>
<td>If not already in correct position, reposition the file; read the record using fread(); update the record using fupdate(). fread() must immediately precede fupdate().</td>
<td>If not already in correct position, reposition the file; read the record using fread(); update the record using fupdate(). fread() must immediately precede fupdate().</td>
<td>If not already in correct position, reposition the file; read the record using fread(); update the record using fupdate(). fread() must immediately precede fupdate().</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Empty the file</strong></td>
<td>Define the file as reusable using DEFINE CLUSTER definition, and then open the data set in write (&quot;wb,type=record&quot; or &quot;wb+,type=record&quot;) mode. Not supported for alternate indexes.</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Stream Read</strong></td>
<td>Supported by z/OS C/C++.</td>
<td>Supported by z/OS C/C++.</td>
<td>Supported by z/OS C/C++.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Stream Write/Update</strong></td>
<td>Not supported by z/OS C/C++.</td>
<td>Supported by z/OS C/C++.</td>
<td>Supported by z/OS C/C++.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Stream Repositioning</strong></td>
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<td>Supported by z/OS C/C++.</td>
</tr>
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</table>
Opening VSAM data sets

To open a VSAM data set, use the Standard C library functions fopen() and freopen() just as you would for opening non-VSAM data sets. The fopen() and freopen() functions are described in z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.

This section describes considerations for using fopen() and freopen() with VSAM files. Remember that a VSAM file must exist and be defined as a VSAM cluster before you call fopen().

Using fopen() or freopen()

This section covers using file names for MVS data sets, specifying fopen() and freopen() keywords, and buffering.

File names for MVS data sets: Using a data set name

The following diagram shows the syntax for the filename argument on your fopen() or freopen() call:

```
\[//\] qualifier \[/\]
```

The following is a sample construct:

'qualifier1.qualifier2'

- Single quotation marks indicate that you are passing a fully-qualified data set name, that is, one which includes the high-level qualifier. If you pass a data set name without single quotation marks, the z/OS C/C++ compiler prefixes the high-level qualifier (usually the user ID) to the name. See Chapter 10, Performing OS I/O operations, on page 95 for information on fully qualified data set names.

- Specifying these slashes indicates that the file names refer to MVS data sets.

qualification

- Each qualifier is a 1- to 8-character name. These characters may be alphanumeric, national ($, #, @), the hyphen, or the character \xC0. The first character should be either alphabetic or national. Do not use hyphens in names for RACF-protected data sets.

- You can join qualifiers with periods. The maximum length of a data set name is generally 44 characters, including periods.

To open a data set by its name, you can code something like the following in your C or C++ program:

```
infile=fopen("VSAM.CLUSTER1", "ab+, type=record");
```

File names for MVS data sets: Using a DDname

To access a cluster or path by ddname, you can write the required DD statement and call fopen() as shown in the following example.

If your data set is VSAM.CLUSTER1, your C or C++ program refers to this data set by the ddname CFILE, and you want exclusive control of the data set for update, you can write the DD statement:

```
//CFILE DD DSNAME=VSAM.CLUSTER1,DISP=OLD
```
and code the following in your C or C++ source program:

```c
#include <stdio.h>

FILE *infile;
main()
{
    infile=fopen("DD:CFILE", "ab+, type=record");
    ...
}
```

To share your data set, use DISP=SHR on the DD statement. DISP=SHR is the default for `fopen()` calls that use a data set name and specify any of the r, rb, rb+, and r+b open modes.

**Note:** z/OS C/C++ does not check the value of shareoptions at `fopen()` time, and does not provide support for read-integrity and write-integrity, as required to share files under shareoptions 3 and 4.

For more information on shareoptions, see the information on DEFINE CLUSTER in the books listed in "DFSMS" on page 973.

### Specifying `fopen()` and `freopen()` keywords

The **mode** argument is a character string specifying the type of access requested for the file.

The **mode** argument contains one positional parameter (access mode) followed by keyword parameters. A description of these parameters, along with an explanation of how they apply to VSAM data sets is given in the following sections.

**Specifying access mode:** The access mode is specified by the positional parameter of the `fopen()` function call. The possible record I/O and binary modes you can specify are:

- **rb** Open for reading. If the file is empty, `fopen()` fails.
- **wb** Open for writing. If the cluster is defined as reusable, the existing contents of the cluster are destroyed. If the cluster is defined as not reusable (clusters with paths are, by definition, not reusable), `fopen()` fails. However, if the cluster has been defined but not loaded, this mode can be used to do the initial load of both reusable and non reusable clusters.
- **ab** Open for writing.
- **rb+** or **r+b** Open for reading, writing, and/or updating.
- **wb+** or **w+b** Open for reading, writing, and/or updating. If the cluster is defined as reusable, the existing contents of the cluster are destroyed. If the cluster is defined as not reusable (clusters with paths are, by definition, not reusable), the `fopen()` fails. However, if the cluster has been defined but not loaded, this mode can be used to do the initial load of both reusable and non reusable clusters.
- **ab+** or **a+b** Open for reading, writing, and/or updating.

For text files, you can specify the following modes: **r**, **w**, **a**, **r+**, **w+**, and **a+**.

**Note:** For KSDS, KSDS AIX and ESDS AIX in text and binary I/O, the only valid modes are **r** and **rb**, respectively.
fopen() and freopen() keywords
The following table lists the keywords that are available on the fopen() and freopen() functions, tells you which ones are useful for VSAM I/O, and lists the values that are valid for the applicable ones.

Table 24. Keywords for the fopen() and freopen() functions for VSAM data sets

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<th>Keyword</th>
<th>Allowed?</th>
<th>Applicable?</th>
<th>Notes</th>
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<tr>
<td>recfm=</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Ignored.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>lrecl=</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Ignored.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>blksize=</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Ignored.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>space=</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Ignored.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>type=</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>May be omitted. If you do specify it, type=record is the only valid value.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>acc=</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Specifies the access direction for VSAM data sets. Valid values are BWD and FWD.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>password=</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Specifies the password for a VSAM data set.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>asis</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Enables the use of mixed-case file names. Not supported for VSAM.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>byteseek</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Used for binary stream files to specify that the seeking functions should use relative byte offsets instead of encoded offsets. This is the default setting.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>noseek</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Ignored.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0S</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Ignored.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>rls=</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Indicates the VSAM RLS/TVS access mode in which a VSAM file is to be opened.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Keyword descriptions

recfm=
Any values passed into fopen() are ignored.

lrecl= and blksize=
These keywords are set to the maximum record size of the cluster as initialized in the cluster definition. Any values passed into fopen() are ignored.

space=
This keyword is not supported under VSAM.

type=
If you use the type= keyword, the only valid value for VSAM data sets is type=record. This opens a file for record I/O.

acc=
For VSAM files opened with the keyword type=record, you can specify the direction by using the acc=access_type keyword on the fopen() function call. For text and binary files, the access direction is always forward. Attempts to open a VSAM data set with acc=BWD for either binary or text stream I/O will fail.

The access_type can be one of the following:

FWD The acc=FWD keyword specifies that the file be processed in a forward direction. When the file is opened, it will be positioned at the beginning
of the first physical record, and any subsequent read operations sets
the file position indicator to the beginning of the next record.

The default value for the access keyword is acc=FWD.

BWD  The acc=BWD keyword specifies that the file be processed in a backward
direction. When the file is opened, it is positioned at the beginning of
the last physical record and any subsequent read operation sets the file
position indicator to the beginning of the preceding record.

You can change the direction of sequential processing (from forward to
backward or from backward to forward) by using the flocate() library function.
For more information about flocate(), see "Repositioning within record I/O
files" on page 171.

Note: When opening paths, records with duplicate alternate index keys are
processed in order of arrival time (oldest to newest) regardless of the
current processing direction.

password=
VSAM facilities provide password protection for your data sets. You access a
data set that has password protection by specifying the password on the
password keyword parameter of the fopen() function call; the password resides
in the VSAM catalog entry for the named file. There can be more than one
password in the VSAM catalog entry; data sets can have different passwords
for different levels of authorization such as reading, writing, updating, inserting,
or deleting. For a complete description of password protection on VSAM files,
see the list of publications given on "DFSMS" on page 973.

The password keyword has the form:

password=mx

where x is a 1- to 8-character password, and n is the exact number of
characters in the password. The password can contain special characters such
as blanks and commas.

If a required password is not supplied, or if an incorrect password is given,
fopen() fails.

asis
This keyword is not supported for VSAM.

bytesseek
When you specify this keyword and open a file in binary stream mode, fseek()
and ftell() use relative byte offsets from the beginning of the file. This is the
default setting.

noseek
This keyword is ignored for VSAM data sets.

OS
This keyword is ignored for VSAM data sets.

rls=
Indicates the VSAM RLS/TVS access mode in which a VSAM file is to be
opened. This keyword is ignored for non-VSAM files. The following values are
valid:

• nri — No Read Integrity
• cr — Consistent Read
• cre — Consistent Read Explicit
**Note:** When the RLS keyword is specified, DISP is changed to default to SHR when dynamic allocation of the data set is performed. In the rare case when a batch job must use RLS without sharing the data set with other tasks, DISP should be OLD. To set DISP to OLD, the application must specify DISP=OLD in the DD statement and start the application using JCL. You cannot specify DISP in the fopen() mode argument.

**Buffering**

Full buffering is the default. You can specify line buffering, but z/OS C/C++ treats line buffering as full buffering for VSAM data sets. Unbuffered I/O is not supported under VSAM; if you specify it, your setvbuf() call fails.

To find out how to optimize VSAM performance by controlling the number of VSAM buffers used for your data set, refer to [z/OS DFSMS Access Method Services for Catalogs](https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/SSECG2_7.1.0/com.ibm.zos.v2r1.ifs.doc/dfsms/mige_mig_wri0002a.html).

**Record I/O in VSAM**

This section describes how to use record I/O in VSAM. The following topics are covered:

- RRDS Record Structure
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- Reading Record I/O Files
- Writing to Record I/O Files
- Updating Record I/O Files
- Deleting Records
- Repositioning within Record I/O Files
- Flushing Buffers
- Summary of VSAM Record I/O Operations
- Reading from Text and Binary I/O Files
- Writing to and Updating Text and Binary I/O Files
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- Repositioning within Text and Binary I/O Files
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**RRDS record structure**

For RRDS files opened in record mode, z/OS C/C++ defines the following key structure in the C header file `<stdio.h>`:

```c
typedef struct {
   #ifdef _LP64
   unsigned int __fill, /* version: either 0 or 1 */
   __recnum; /* the key, starting at 1 */
   #else
   unsigned long __fill, /* version: either 0 or 1 */
   __recnum; /* the key, starting at 1 */
   #endif /* not _LP64 */
} __rrds_key_type;
```

In your source program, you can define an RRDS record structure as either:
The z/OS C/C++ library recognizes which type of record structures you have used by the value of `rrds_key._fill`. Zero indicates that the data is contiguous with `rrds_key` and 1 indicates that a pointer to the data follows `rrds_key`.

### Reading record I/O files

To read from a VSAM data set opened with `type=record`, use the Standard C `fread()` library function. If you set the `size` argument to 1 and the `count` argument to the maximum record size, `fread()` returns the number of bytes read successfully. For more information on `fread()`, see [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference](https://publib.boulder.ibm.com/infocenter/eserver/v2r13m1/topic/com.ibm.zos.mvsdev.runref.doc/contents/fread.html).

`fread()` reads one record from the system from the current file position. Thus, if you want to read a certain record, you can call `flocate()` to position the file pointer to point to it; the subsequent call to `fread()` reads in that record.

If you use an `fread()` call to request more bytes than the record about to be read contains, `fread()` reads the entire record and returns the number of bytes read. If you use `fread()` to request fewer bytes than the record about to be read contains, `fread()` reads the number of bytes that you specified and returns your request.

z/OS C/C++ VSAM Record I/O does not allow a read operation to immediately follow a write operation without an intervening reposition. z/OS C/C++ treats the following as read operations:

- Calls to read functions that request 0 bytes
- Read requests that fail because of a system error
- Calls to the `ungetc()` function

Calling `fread()` several times in succession, with no other operations on this file in between, reads several records in sequence (sequential processing), which can be forward or backward, depending on the access direction, as described in the following.

- **KSDS, KSDS AIX and ESDS AIX**
  - The records are retrieved according to the sequence of the key of reference, or in reverse key sequence.

  **Note:** Records with duplicate alternate index keys are processed in order of arrival time (oldest to newest) regardless of the current processing direction.

- **ESDS**
  - The records are retrieved according to the sequence they were written to the file (entry sequence), or in reverse entry sequence.

- **RRDS**
  - The records are retrieved according to relative record number sequence or reverse relative record number sequence.
When records are being read, RRNs without an associated record are ignored. For example, if a file has relative records of 1, 2, and 5, the nonexistent records 3 and 4 are ignored.

By default, in record mode, fread() must be called with a pointer to an RRDS record structure. The field __rrds_key_type.__fill must be set to either 0 or 1 indicating the type of the structure, and the count argument must include the length of the __rrds_key_type. fread() returns the RRN number in the __recnum field, and includes the length of the __rrds_key_type in the return value. You can override these operations by setting the _EDC_RRDS_HIDE_KEY environment variable to Y. Once this variable is set, fread() is called with a data buffer and not an RRDS data structure. The return value of fread() is now only the length of the data read. In this case, fread() cannot return the RRN. For information on setting environment variables, see Chapter 31, “Using environment variables,” on page 457.

Writing to record I/O files

To write new records to a VSAM data set opened with type=record, use the Standard C fwrite() library function. If you set size to 1 and count to the desired record size, fwrite() returns the number of bytes written successfully. For more information on fwrite() and the type=record parameter, see z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.

In general, C I/O does not allow a write operation to follow a read operation without an intervening reposition or fflush(). z/OS C/C++ counts a call to a write function writing 0 bytes or a write request that fails because of a system error as a write operation. However, z/OS C/C++ VSAM record I/O allows a write to directly follow a read. This feature has been provided for compatibility with earlier releases.

The process of writing to a data set for the first time is known as initial loading. Using the fwrite() function, you can write to a new VSAM file in initial load mode just as you would to a file not in initial load mode. Writing to a KSDS PATH or an ESDS PATH in initial load mode is not supported.

If your fwrite() call does not try to write more bytes than the maximum record size, fwrite() writes a record of the length you asked for and returns your request. If your fwrite() call asks for more than the maximum record size, fwrite() writes the maximum record size, sets errno, and returns the maximum record size. In either case, the next call to fwrite() writes to the following record.

Note: If an fwrite() fails, you must reposition the file before you try to read or write again.

• KSDS, KSDS AIX
  Records are written to the cluster according to the value stored in the field designated as the prime key.
  You can load a KSDS in any key order but it is most efficient to perform the fwrite() operations in key sequence.

• ESDS, ESDS AIX
  Records are written to the end of the file.

• RRDS
  Records are written according to the value stored in the relative record number field.
  fwrite() is called with the RRDS record structure.
By default, in record mode, fwrite() and fupdate() must be called with a pointer to an RRDS record structure. The __rrds_key_type fields __fill and __recnum must be set. __fill is set to 0 or 1 to indicate the type of the structure. The __recnum field specifies the RRN to write, and is required for fwrite() but not fupdate(). The count argument must include the length of the __rrds_key_type. fwrite() and fupdate() include the length of the __rrds_key_type in the return value.

**Updating record I/O files**

The fupdate() function, a z/OS C/C++ extension to the SAA C library, is used to update records in a VSAM file. For more information on this function, see [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference]

- **KSDS, ESDS, and RRDS**

  To update a record in a VSAM file, you must perform the following operations:

  1. Open the VSAM file in update mode (rb+/r+b, wb+/w+b, or ab+/a+b specified as the required positional parameter of the fopen() function call and type=record).
  2. If the file is not already positioned at the record you want to update, reposition to that record.
  3. Read in the record using fread().
     
    Once the record you want to update has been read in, you must ensure that no reading, writing, or repositioning operations are performed before fupdate().
  4. Make the necessary changes to the copy of the record in your buffer area.
  5. Update the record from your local buffer area using the fupdate() function.
     
    If an fupdate() fails, you must reposition using flocate() before trying to read or write.

**Notes:**

1. If a file is opened in update mode, a read operation can result in the locking of control intervals, depending on shareoptions specification of the VSAM file. If after reading a record, you decide not to update it, you may need to unlock a control interval by performing a file positioning operation to the same record, such as an flocate() using the same key.
2. If fupdate() wrote out a record the file position is the start of the next record. If the fupdate() call did not write out a record, the file position remains the same.

- **KSDS and KSDS PATH**

  You can change the length of the record being updated. If your request does not exceed the maximum record size of the file, fupdate() writes a record of the length requested and returns the request. If your request exceeds the maximum record size of the file, fupdate() writes a record that is the maximum record size, sets errno, and returns the maximum record size.

  You cannot change the prime key field of the record, and in KSDS AIX, you cannot change the key of reference of the record.

- **ESDS**

  You cannot change the length of the record being updated. If the size of the record being updated is less than the current record size, fupdate() updates the amount you specify and does not alter the data remaining in the record. If your request exceeds the length of the record that was read, fupdate() writes a record that is the length of the record that was read, sets errno, and returns the length of the record that was read.
• **ESDS PATH**
  You cannot change the length of the record being updated or the key of reference of the record. If the size of the record being updated is less than the current record size, fupdate() updates the amount you specify and does not alter the data remaining in the record. If your request exceeds the length of the record that was read, fupdate() writes a record that is the length of the record that was read, sets errno, and returns the length of the record that was read.

• **RRDS**
  RRDS files have fixed record length. If you update the record with less than the record size, only those characters specified are updated, and the remaining data is not altered. If your request exceeds the record size of the file, fupdate() writes a record that is the record size, sets errno, and returns the length of the record that was read.

**Deleting records**

To delete records, use the library function fdelrec(), a z/OS C/C++ extension to the SAA C library. For more information on this function, see z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.

• **KSDS, KSDS PATH, and RRDS**
  To delete records, you must perform the following operations:
  1. Open the VSAM file in update mode (rb+/r+b, ab+/a+b, or wb+/w+b specified as the required positional parameter of the fopen() function call and type=record).
  2. If the file is not already positioned at the record you want to delete, reposition to that record.
  3. Read the record using the fread() function.
     Once the record you want to delete has been read in, you must ensure that no reading, writing, or repositioning operations are performed before fdelrec().
  4. Delete the record using the fdelrec() function.

**Note:** If the data set was opened with an access mode of rb+ or r+b, a read operation can result in the locking of control intervals, depending on shareoptions specification of the VSAM file. If after reading a record, you decide not to delete it, you may need to unlock a control interval by performing a file-positioning operation to the same record, such as an flocate() using the same key.

• **ESDS and ESDS PATH**
  VSAM does not support deletion of records in ESDS files.

**Repositioning within record I/O files**

You can use the following functions to locate a record within a VSAM data set:
  • flocate()
  • ftell() and fseek()
  • fgetpos() and fsetpos()
  • rewind()

For complete details on these library functions, see z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.
flocate()
The flocate() C library function can be used to locate a specific record within a VSAM data set given the key, relative byte address, or the relative record number. The flocate() function also sets the access direction.

The following flocate() parameters set the access direction to forward:
- __KEY_FIRST (the key and key_len parameters are ignored)
- __KEY_EQ
- __KEY_GE
- __RBA_EQ

The following flocate() parameters all set the access direction to backward and are only valid for record I/O:
- __KEY_LAST (the key and key_len parameters are ignored)
- __KEY_EQ_BWD
- __RBA_EQ_BWD

Note: The __RBA_EQ and __RBA_EQ_BWD parameters are not valid for paths and are not recommended for KSDS and RRDS data sets.

You can use the rewind() library function instead of calling flocate() with __KEY_FIRST.

- KSDS, KSDS AIX, and ESDS AIX
  The key parameter of flocate() for the options __KEY_EQ, __KEY_GE, and __KEY_EQ_BWD is a pointer to the key of reference of the data set. The key_len parameter is the key length as defined for the data set for a full key search, or less than the defined key length for a generic key search (partial key match).
  For KSDSs, __RBA_EQ and __RBA_EQ_BWD are supported, but are not recommended.
  Alternate indexes do not allow positioning by RBA.

- ESDS
  The key parameter of flocate() is a pointer to an unsigned long integer containing the specified RBA value. The key_len parameter is sizeof(unsigned long).

- RRDS
  For __KEY_EQ, __KEY_GE, and __KEY_EQ_BWD, the key parameter of flocate() is a pointer to an unsigned long integer containing the specified relative record number. For __RBA_EQ and __RBA_EQ_BWD, the key parameter of flocate() is a pointer to an unsigned long integer containing the specified RBA. However, seeking to RBA values is not recommended, because it is not supported across control intervals. The key_len parameter is sizeof(unsigned long).

fgetpos() and fsetpos()

fgetpos() is used to store the current file position and access direction. fsetpos() is used to relocate to a file position stored by fgetpos() and restore the saved access direction.

- KSDS
  fgetpos() stores the RBA value. This RBA value may be invalidated by subsequent insertions, deletions, or updates.

- KSDS AIX and ESDS AIX
  fgetpos() and fsetpos() are not supported for PATHs.
ftell() and fseek()

ftell() is used to store the current file position. fseek() is used to relocate to one of the following:

- A file position stored by ftell()
- A calculated record number (SEEK_SET)
- A position relative to the current position (SEEK_CUR)
- A position relative to the end of the file (SEEK_END).

ftell() and fseek() offsets in record mode I/O are relative record offsets. For example, the following call moves the file position to the start of the previous record:

```c
fseek(fp, -1L, SEEK_CUR);
```

You cannot use fseek() to reposition to a file position before the beginning of the file or to a position beyond the end of the file.

**Note:** In general, the performance of this method is inferior to flocate().

The access direction is unchanged by the repositioning.

- **KSDS and RRDS**
  - There are no special considerations.

- **KSDS AIX and ESDS AIX**
  - ftell() and fseek() are not supported.

- **ESDS**
  - ftell() is not supported.

- **RRDS**
  - fseek() seeks to a relative position in the file, and not to an RRN value. For example, in a file consisting of RRNs 1, 3, 5 and 7, fseek(fp, 3L, SEEK_SET); followed by an fread() would read in RRN 7, which is at offset 3 in the file.

rewind()

The rewind() function repositions the file position to the beginning of the file, and clears the error setting for the file.

rewind() does not reset the file access direction. For example, a call to flocate() with __KEY_LAST sets the file pointer to the end of the file and sets the access direction to backwards. A subsequent call to rewind() sets the file pointer to the beginning of the file, but the access direction remains backwards.

Flushing buffers

You can use the C library function fflush() to flush buffers. However, fflush() writes nothing to the system, because all records have already been written there by fwrite().

fflush() after a read operation does not refresh the contents of the buffer.

For more information on fflush(), see [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference](https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/SSEQJZ_11.1.0/com.ibm.zos.v1r12.doc/library/c00269429.html)
Summary of VSAM record I/O operations

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VSAM record level sharing and transactional VSAM

VSAM Record Level Sharing (RLS) and Transactional VSAM (VSAM RLS/TVS) provide for the sharing of VSAM data at the record level, using the locking and caching functions of the coupling facility hardware. For more information on Record Level Sharing, see [z/OS DFSMS Introduction](https://www.ibm.com/docs/en/zos/2.5.1?topic=afs-rls).

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4. The saved position is based on the relative position of the record within the data set. Subsequent insertions or deletions may invalidate the saved position.

5. The saved position is based on the RBA of the record. Subsequent insertions, deletions or updates may invalidate the saved position.
The C/C++ run-time library provides the following support for VSAM RLS/TVS:

- Specification of RLS/TVS-related keywords in the mode string of `fopen()` and `freopen()`.
- Specification of RLS/TVS-related text unit key values in the `_dyn_t` structure, which is used as input to the `dynalloc()` function.
- Provides the application with VSAM return and reason codes for VSAM I/O errors.
- Performs implicit positioning for files opened for RLS/TVS access.

VSAM RLS/TVS has three read integrity file access modes. These modes tell VSAM the level of locking to perform when records are accessed within a file that has **not been opened in update mode**. The access modes are:

- **nri** No Read Integrity indicates that requests performed by the application are not to be serialized with updates or erases of the records by other calling programs. VSAM accesses the records without obtaining a lock on the record.
- **cr** Consistent Read indicates that requests performed by the application are to be serialized with updates or erases of the records by other calling programs. VSAM obtains a share lock when accessing the record. This lock is released once the record has been returned to the caller.
- **cre** Consistent Read Explicit indicates that requests performed by the application are to be serialized with updates or erases of the records by other requestors. VSAM obtains a share lock when accessing the record. This lock is held until the application commits its changes. This ensures that records read by the application are not changed by other requestors until the application commits or aborts its changes. Consistent Read Explicit is for use only by commit protocol applications.

VSAM RLS locks records to support record integrity. An application may wait for an exclusive record lock if another user has the record locked. The application is also subject to new locking errors such as deadlock or timeout errors.

If the file has been **opened in update mode**, and RLS=CR or RLS=CRCRE is specified, VSAM also serializes access to the records within the file. However, the type of serialization differs from **non-update mode** in the following ways:

- A reposition within the file causes VSAM to obtain a share lock for the record.
- A read of a record causes VSAM to obtain an exclusive lock for the record. The lock is held until the record is updated in the file, or another record is read. If RLS=CRCRE is specified (for commit protocol applications), the lock is held until the application commits or aborts its changes.

**Notes:**

1. When a file is opened, it is implicitly positioned to the first record to be accessed.
2. You can also specify the RLS/TVS keyword on the JCL DD statement. When specified on both the JCL DD statement and in the mode string on `fopen()` or `freopen()`, the read integrity options specified in the mode string override those specified on the JCL DD statement.
3. VSAM RLS/TVS access is supported for the 3 types of VSAM files that the C/C++ run-time library supports: Key-Sequenced (KSDS), Entry-Sequenced (ESDS), and Relative Record (RRDS) data sets.
4. VSAM RLS/TVS functions require the use of a Coupling Facility. For more information on using the Coupling Facility, see \textit{z/OS DFSMS Introduction} and \textit{z/OS Parallel Sysplex Overview}.

5. In an environment where one thread opens and another thread issues record management requests, VSAM RLS/TVS requires that record management requests be issued from a thread whose Task Control Block (TCB) is subordinate to the TCB of the thread which opened the file.

6. VSAM RLS/TVS does not support the following:
   - Key range data sets
   - Direct open of an AIX cluster as a KSDS
   - Access to individual components of a cluster
   - OS Checkpoint and Restart

\textbf{Error reporting}

Errors are reported through the \texttt{__amrc} structure and the SIGIOERR signal. The following are additional considerations for error reporting in a VSAM RLS application:

- VSAM RLS/TVS uses the SMSVSAM server address space. When a file open fails because the server is not available, the C run-time library places the error return code and error value in the \texttt{__amrc} structure, and returns a null file descriptor. Record management requests return specific error return/reason codes, if the SMSVSAM server is not available. The server address space is automatically restarted. To recover from this type of error, an application should first close the file to clean up the file status, and then open the file prior to attempting record management requests. The close for the file returns a return code of 4, and an error code of 170(X'AA'). This is the expected result. It is not an error.

- Opening a recoverable file for output is not supported. If you attempt to do so, the open will fail with error return code 255 in the \texttt{__amrc} structure.

- Some of the VSAM errors, that are reported in the \texttt{__amrc} structure, are situations from which an application can recover. These are problems that can occur unpredictably in a sharing environment. Usually, the application can recover by simply accessing another record. Examples of such errors are the following:
  - RC 8, 21(X'15'): Request cancelled as part of deadlock resolution.
  - RC 8, 22(X'16'): Request cancelled as part of timeout resolution.
  - RC 8, 24(X'18'): Request cancelled because transaction backout is pending on the requested record.
  - RC 8, 29(X'14'): Intra-luwid contention between threads under a given TCB.

The application can intercept errors by registering a condition handler for the SIGIOERR condition. Within the condition handler, the application can examine the information in the \texttt{__amrc} structure and determine how to recover from each specific situation.

Refer to \textit{z/OS DFSMS Macro Instructions for Data Sets} for a complete list of return and reason codes.

\textbf{Text and binary I/O in VSAM}

Because VSAM is primarily record-based, this section only discusses those aspects of text and binary I/O that are specific to VSAM. For general information on text and binary I/O, refer to the respective sections in \textit{Chapter 10, “Performing OS I/O operations,”} on page 95.
Reading from text and binary I/O files

- RRDS
  All the read functions support reading from text and binary RRDS files. fread() is called with a character buffer instead of an RRDS record structure.

Writing to and updating text and binary I/O files

- KSDS, KSDS AIX, and ESDS AIX
  z/OS C/C++ VSAM support for streams does not provide for writing and updating these types of data sets opened for text or binary stream I/O.

- ESDS
  Writes are supported for ESDSs opened as binary or text streams. Updating data in an ESDS stream cannot change the length of the record in the external file. Therefore, in a binary stream:
  - updates for less than the existing record length leave existing data beyond the updated length unchanged;
  - updates for longer than the existing record length move over the record boundary and update the start of the next record.

In text streams:
  - updates that specify records shorter than the original record pad the updated record to the existing record length with blanks;
  - updates for longer than the existing record length result in truncation, unless the original record contained only a new-line character, in which case it may be updated to contain one byte of data plus a new-line character.

- RRDS
  fwrite() is called with a character buffer instead of an RRDS record structure. Records are treated as contiguous. Once the current record is filled, the next record in the file is written to. For example, if the file consisted of only record 1, record 5, and record 28, a write would complete record 1 and then go directly to record 5.

  Writing past the last record in the file is allowed, up to the maximum size of the RRDS data set. For example, if the last record in the file is record 28, the next record to be written is record 29.

  Insertion of records is not supported. For example, in a file of records 1, 5, and 28, you cannot insert record 3 into the file.

Deleting records in text and binary I/O files

fde1rec() is not supported for text and binary I/O in VSAM.

Repositioning within text and binary I/O files

You can use the following functions to locate a record within a VSAM data set:

- flocate()
- ftell() and fseek()
- fgetpos() and fsetpos()
- rewind()

For complete details on these library functions, see z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.
flocate()

The flocate() C library function can be used to reposition to the beginning of a specific record within a VSAM data set given the key, relative byte address, or the relative record number. For more information on this function, see [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference].

The following flocate() parameters set the direction access to forward:
- __KEY_FIRST (the key and key_len parameters are ignored)
- __KEY_EQ
- __KEY_GE
- __RBA_EQ

The following flocate() parameters all set the access direction to backward and are not valid for text and binary I/O, because backwards access is not supported:
- __KEY_LAST (the key and key_len parameters are ignored)
- __KEY_EQ_BWD
- __RBA_EQ_BWD

You can use the rewind() library function instead of calling flocate() with __KEY_FIRST.

- KSDS, KSDS AIX, and ESDS AIX
  The key parameter of flocate() for the options __KEY_EQ and __KEY_GE is a pointer to the key of reference of the data set. The key_len parameter is the key length as defined for the data set for a full key search, or less than the defined key length for a generic key search (a partial key match).
  Alternate indexes do not allow positioning by RBA.

  Note: The __RBA_EQ parameter is not valid for paths and is not recommended.

- ESDS
  The key parameter of flocate() is a pointer to an unsigned long integer containing the specified RBA value. The key_len parameter is sizeof(unsigned long).

- RRDS
  For __KEY_EQ and __KEY_GE, the key parameter of flocate() is a pointer to an unsigned long integer containing the specified relative record number. For __RBA_EQ, the key parameter of flocate() is a pointer to an unsigned long integer containing the specified RBA. However, seeking to RBA values is not recommended, because it is not supported across control intervals. The key_len parameter is sizeof(unsigned long).

fgetpos() and fsetpos()

fgetpos() saves the access direction, an RBA value, and the file position, and fsetpos() restores the saved access direction.

fgetpos() accounts for the presence of characters in the ungetc() buffer unless you have set the _EDC_COMPAT variable. See [Chapter 31, “Using environment variables,” on page 457] for information about _EDC_COMPAT. If ungetc() characters back the file position up to before the start of the file, calls to fgetpos() fail.

- KSDS
  fgetpos() stores the RBA value. This RBA value may be invalidated by subsequent insertions, deletions or updates.

- KSDS PATH and ESDS PATH
fgetpos() and fsetpos() are not supported for PATHs.

- **ESDS and RRDS**
  There are no special considerations.

**ftell() and fseek()**
Using fseek() to seek beyond the current end of file in a writable ESDS or RRDS binary file results in the file being extended with nulls to the new position. An incomplete last record is completed with nulls, records of length lrec1 are added as required, and the current record is filled with the remaining number of nulls and left in the current buffer. This is supported for relative byte offset from SEEK_SET, SEEK_CUR and SEEK_END. Table 26 provides a summary of the fseek() and ftell() parameters in binary and text.

### Table 26. Summary of fseek() and ftell() parameters in text and binary

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**Flushing buffers**
You can use the C library function fflush() to flush data.

For text files, calling fflush() to flush an update to a record causes the new data to be written to the file.

If you call fflush() while you are updating, the updates are flushed out to VSAM.

For more information on fflush(), see [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference](#).

**Summary of VSAM text I/O operations**

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### Summary of VSAM binary I/O operations

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Closing VSAM data sets

To close a VSAM data set, use the Standard C fclose() library function as you would for closing non-VSAM files. See [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference] for more details on the fclose() library function.

For ESDS binary files, if fclose() is called and there is a new record in the buffer that is less than the maximum record size, this record is written to the file at its current size. A new RRDS binary record that is incomplete when the file is closed is filled with null characters to the record size.

A new ESDS or RRDS text record that is incomplete when the file is closed is completed with a new-line.

VSAM return codes

When failing return codes are received from z/OS C/C++ VSAM I/O functions, you can access the __amrc structure to help you diagnose errors. The __amrc_type structure is defined in the header file stdio.h (when the compiler option LANGLVL(LIBEXT) is used).

**Note:** The __amrc struct is global and can be reset by another I/O operation (such as printf()).

The following fields of the structure are important to VSAM users:

- __amrc.__co.de.__feedback.__rc
  - Stores the VSAM R15.
- __amrc.__code.__feedback.__fdbk
  - Stores the VSAM error code or reason code.
- __amrc.__RBA
  - Stores the RBA after some operations. The __amrc.__RBA field is defined as an unsigned int, and will only contain a 4-byte RBA value. In AMODE 64 applications, you can no longer use the address of __amrc.__RBA as the first argument to flocate(). Instead, __amrc.__RBA must be placed into an unsigned long in order to make it 8-bytes wide, since flocate() is updated to indicate that sizeof(unsigned long) must be specified as the key length (2nd argument).
- __amrc.__last_op
  - Stores a code for the last operation. The codes are defined in the header file stdio.h.
- __amrc.__rplfdbwd
  - Stores the feedback code from the IFGRPL control block.

For definitions of these return codes and feedback codes, refer to the publications listed in "DFSMS" on page 973.

You can set up a SIGIOERR handler to catch read or write system errors. See Chapter 17, “Debugging I/O programs,” on page 225 for more information.

VSAM examples

This section provides several examples of using I/O under VSAM.
KSDS example

The example below shows two functions from an employee record entry system with a mainline driver to process selected options (display, display next, update, delete, create).

The update routine is an example of KSDS clusters, and the display routine is an example of both KSDS clusters and alternate indexes.

For these examples, the clusters and alternate indexes should be defined as follows:
- The KSDS cluster has a record size of 150 with a key length of 4 with offset 0.
- The unique KSDS AIX has a key length of 20 with an offset of 10.
- The non-unique KSDS AIX has a key length of 40 with an offset of 30.

The update routine is passed the following:
- `data_ptr`, which points to the information that is to be updated
- `orig_data_ptr`, which points to the information that was originally displayed using the display option
- A file pointer to the KSDS cluster

The display routine is passed the following:
- `data_ptr`, which points to the information that was entered on the screen for the search query
- `orig_data_ptr`, which is returned with the information for the record to be displayed if it exists
- File pointers for the primary cluster, unique alternate index and non-unique alternate index

By definition, the primary key is unique and therefore the employee number was chosen for this key. The `user_id` is also a unique key; therefore, it was chosen as the unique alternate index key. The name field may not be unique; therefore, it was chosen as the non-unique alternate index key.
/* this example demonstrates the use of a KSDS file */
/* part 1 of 2-other file is CCNGVS3 */

#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>

/* global definitions */

struct data_struct {
    char emp_number[4];
    char user_id[8];
    char name[20];
    char pers_info[37];
};

#define REC_SIZE 69
#define CLUS_KEY_SIZE 4
#define AIX_UNIQUE_KEY_SIZE 8
#define AIX_NONUNIQUE_KEY_SIZE 20

static void print_amrc() {
    __amrc_type currErr = *__amrc; /* copy contents of __amrc */
    /* structure so that values */
    /* don't get jumbled by printf */
    printf("R15 value = %d\n", currErr.__code.__feedback.__rc);
    printf("Reason code = %d\n", currErr.__code.__feedback.__fdbk);
    printf("RBA = %d\n", currErr.__RBA);
    printf("Last op = %d\n", currErr.__last_op);
    return;
}

Figure 24. KSDS example (Part 1 of 6)
/ update_emp_rec() function definition
int update_emp_rec(struct data_struct *data_ptr,
     struct data_struct *orig_data_ptr,
     FILE *fp)
{
    int rc;
    char buffer[REC_SIZE+1];

    /* Check to see if update will change primary key (emp_number) */
    if (memcmp(data_ptr->emp_number,orig_data_ptr->emp_number,4) != 0) {
        /* Check to see if changed primary key exists */
        rc = flocate(fp,&(data_ptr->emp_number),CLUS_KEY_SIZE,__KEY_EQ);
        if (rc == 0) {
            print_amrc();
            printf("Error: new employee number already exists\n");
            return 10;
        }
        clearerr(fp);
        /* Write out new record */
        rc = fwrite(data_ptr,1,REC_SIZE,fp);
        if (rc != REC_SIZE || ferror(fp)) {
            print_amrc();
            printf("Error: write with new employee number failed\n");
            return 20;
        }
    }
    /* Locate to old employee record so it can be deleted */
    rc = flocate(fp,&(orig_data_ptr->emp_number),CLUS_KEY_SIZE,__KEY_EQ);
    if (rc != 0) {
        print_amrc();
        printf("Error: flocate to original employee number failed\n");
        return 30;
    }
    rc = fread(buffer,1,REC_SIZE,fp);
    if (rc != REC_SIZE || ferror(fp)) {
        print_amrc();
        printf("Error: reading old employee record failed\n");
        return 40;
    }
    rc = fdelrec(fp);
    if (rc != 0) {
        print_amrc();
        printf("Error: deleting old employee record failed\n");
        return 50;
    }
}

Figure 24. KSDS example (Part 2 of 6)
} /* end of checking for change in primary key */
else { /* Locate to current employee record */
  rc = flocate(fp,&(data_ptr->emp_number),CLUS_KEY_SIZE,____KEY_EQ);
  if (rc == 0) {
    /* record exists, so update it */
    rc = fread(buffer,1,REC_SIZE,fp);
    if (rc != REC_SIZE || ferror(fp)) {
      print_amrc();
      printf("Error: reading old employee record failed\n");
      return 60;
    }
    rc = fupdate(data_ptr,REC_SIZE,fp);
    if (rc == 0) {
      print_amrc();
      printf("Error: updating new employee record failed\n");
      return 70;
    }
  } else { /* record doesn't exist so write out new record */
    clearerr(fp);
    printf("Warning: record previously displayed no longer\n");
    printf(" exists, new record being created\n");
    rc = fwrite(data_ptr,1,REC_SIZE,fp);
    if (rc != REC_SIZE || ferror(fp)) {
      print_amrc();
      printf("Error: write with new employee number failed\n");
      return 80;
    }
  }
  return 0;
}

/* display_emp_rec() function definition */
int display_emp_rec (struct data_struct *data_ptr,
                      struct data_struct *orig_data_ptr,
                      FILE *clus_fp, FILE *aix_unique_fp,
                      FILE *aix_non_unique_fp)
{
  int rc = 0;
  char buffer[REC_SIZE+1];

  /* Primary Key Search */
  if (memcmp(data_ptr->emp_number, "\0\0\0\0", 4) != 0) {
    rc = flocate(clus_fp,&(data_ptr->emp_number),CLUS_KEY_SIZE,____KEY_EQ);
    if (rc != 0) {
      printf("Error: flocate with primary key failed\n");
      return 10;
    }
  }

  /* Read record for display */
  rc = fread(orig_data_ptr,1,REC_SIZE,clus_fp);
  if (rc != REC_SIZE || ferror(clus_fp)) {
    printf("Error: reading employee record failed\n");
    return 15;
  }
}

Figure 24. KSDS example (Part 3 of 6)
/* Unique Alternate Index Search */
else if (data_ptr->user_id[0] != '\0') {
    rc = flocate(aix_unique_fp, data_ptr->user_id, AIX_UNIQUE_KEY_SIZE, _KEY_EQ);
    if (rc != 0) {
        printf("Error: flocate with user id failed\n");
        return 20;
    }

    /* Read record for display */
    rc = fread(orig_data_ptr, 1, REC_SIZE, aix_unique_fp);
    if (rc != REC_SIZE || ferror(aix_unique_fp)) {
        printf("Error: reading employee record failed\n");
        return 25;
    }

    /* Non-unique Alternate Index Search */
else if (data_ptr->name[0] != '\0') {
    rc = flocate(aix_non_unique_fp, data_ptr->name, AIX_NONUNIQUE_KEY_SIZE, _KEY_GE);
    if (rc != 0) {
        printf("Error: flocate with name failed\n");
        return 30;
    }

    /* Read record for display */
    rc = fread(orig_data_ptr, 1, REC_SIZE, aix_non_unique_fp);
    if (rc != REC_SIZE || ferror(aix_non_unique_fp)) {
        printf("Error: reading employee record failed\n");
        return 35;
    }
}
else {
    printf("Error: invalid search argument; valid search arguments\n"
        " : are either employee number, user id, or name\n");
    return 40;
}

/* Display record data */
printf("Employee Number: %.4s\n", orig_data_ptr->emp_number);
printf("Employee Userid: %.8s\n", orig_data_ptr->user_id);
printf("Employee Name: %.20s\n", orig_data_ptr->name);
printf("Employee Info: %.37s\n", orig_data_ptr->pers_info);
return 0;
}

Figure 24. KSDS example (Part 4 of 6)
/main() function definition

int main() {
    FILE* clus_fp;
    FILE* aix_ufp;
    FILE* aix_nufp;
    int i;
    struct data_struct buf1, buf2;

    char data[3][REC_SIZE+1] = {
        "1LARRY LARRY HI, I'M LARRY, ",
        "2DARRYL1 DARRYL AND THIS IS MY BROTHER DARRYL, ",
        "3DARRYL2 DARRYL 
    };

    /* open file three ways */
    clus_fp = fopen("dd:cluster", "rb+,type=record");
    if (clus_fp == NULL) {
        print_amrc();
        printf("Error: fopen("dd:cluster\") failed\n");
        return 5;
    }

    /* assume base cluster was loaded with at least one dummy record */
    /* so aix could be defined */
    aix_ufp = fopen("dd:aixuniq", "rb,type=record");
    if (aix_ufp == NULL) {
        print_amrc();
        printf("Error: fopen("dd:aixuniq") failed\n");
        return 10;
    }

    /* assume base cluster was loaded with at least one dummy record */
    /* so aix could be defined */
    aix_nufp = fopen("dd:aixnuniq", "rb,type=record");
    if (aix_nufp == NULL) {
        print_amrc();
        printf("Error: fopen("dd:aixnuniq") failed\n");
        return 15;
    }

    /* load sample records */
    for (i = 0; i < 3; ++i) {
        if (fwrite(data[i],1,REC_SIZE,clus_fp) != REC_SIZE) {
            print_amrc();
            printf("Error: fwrite(data[%d]) failed\n", i);
            return 66+i;
        }
    }
}

Figure 24. KSDS example (Part 5 of 6)
The following JCL can be used to test the previous example.

**CCNGVS3**

//* this example illustrates the use of a KSDS file
//* part 2 of 2-other file is CCNGVS2
//* Delete cluster, and AIX and PATH
//*DELETEC EXEC PGM=IDCAMS
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=*  
//SYSIN  DD *  
DELETE -
  userid.KSDS.CLUSTER -
  CLUSTER -
  PURGE -
  ERASE
/*
 *------------------------------------------------------------------
//* Define KSDS
 *------------------------------------------------------------------
//DEFINE EXEC PGM=IDCAMS
//VOLUME DD UNIT=SYSDA,DISP=SHR,VOL=SER=(XXXXXX)
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=
//SYSIN DD *
DEFINE CLUSTER -
  (NAME(userid.KSDS.CLUSTER) -
   FILE(VOLUME) -
   VOL(XXXXXX) -
   TRK(4 4) -
   RECSZ(69 100) -
   INDEXED -
   NOREUSE -
   KEYS(4 0) -
   OWNER(userid) ) -
DATA -
  (NAME(userid.KSDS.DA)) -
INDEX -
  (NAME(userid.KSDS.IX))
*
 *------------------------------------------------------------------
//* Repro data into KSDS
 *------------------------------------------------------------------
//REPRO EXEC PGM=IDCAMS
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=
//SYSIN DD *
REPRO INDATASET(userid.DUMMY.DATA) -
  OUTDATASET(userid.KSDS.CLUSTER)
*
 *------------------------------------------------------------------
//* Define unique AIX, define and build PATH
 *------------------------------------------------------------------
//DEFAIX EXEC PGM=IDCAMS
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=
//SYSIN DD *
DEFINE AIX -
  (NAME(userid.KSDS.UAIX) -
   RECORDS(25) -
   KEYS(8,4) -
   VOL(XXXXXX) -
   UNIQUEKEY -
   RELATE(userid.KSDS.CLUSTER)) -
DATA -
  (NAME(userid.KSDS.UAIXDA)) -
INDEX -
  (NAME(userid.KSDS.UAIXIX))
DEFINE PATH -
  (NAME(userid.KSDS.UPATH) -
   PATHENTRY(userid.KSDS.UAIX))
BLDINDEX -
  INDATASET(userid.KSDS.CLUSTER) -
  OUTDATASET(userid.KSDS.UAIX)
*

Figure 25. KSDS example (Part 2 of 3)
The following program illustrates the use of an RRDS file. It performs the following operations:

1. Opens an RRDS file in record mode (the cluster must be defined)
2. Writes three records (RRN 2, RRN 10, and RRN 32)
3. Sets the file position to the first record
4. Reads the first record in the file
5. Deletes it

Figure 25. KSDS example (Part 3 of 3)

**RRDS example**

The following program illustrates the use of an RRDS file. It performs the following operations:

1. Opens an RRDS file in record mode (the cluster must be defined)
2. Writes three records (RRN 2, RRN 10, and RRN 32)
3. Sets the file position to the first record
4. Reads the first record in the file
5. Deletes it
6. Locates the last record in the file and sets the access direction to backwards
7. Reads the record
8. Updates the record
9. Sets the _EDC_RRDS_HIDE_KEY environment variable
10. Reads the next record in sequence (RRN 10) into a character string

**CCNGVS4**

/* this example illustrates the use of an RRDS file */

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <env.h>

struct rrds_struct {
    rrds_key_type rrds_key;
    char *rrds_buf;
};

typedef struct rrds_struct RRDS_STRUCT;

main() {
    FILE *fileptr;
    RRDS_STRUCT RRDSStruct;
    RRDS_STRUCT *rrds_rec = &RRDSStruct;
    char buffer1[80] =
        "THIS IS THE FIRST RECORD IN THE FILE. I"
        "T WILL BE WRITTEN AT RRN POSITION 2. ";
    char buffer2[80] =
        "THIS IS THE SECOND RECORD IN THE FILE. I"
        "T WILL BE WRITTEN AT RRN POSITION 10. ";
    char buffer3[80] =
        "THIS IS THE THIRD RECORD IN THE FILE. I"
        "T WILL BE WRITTEN AT RRN POSITION 32. ";
    char outputbuf[80];
    unsigned long flocate_key = 0;
```

*Figure 26. RRDS example (Part 1 of 3)*
/* select RRDS record structure 2 by setting __fill to 1 */
/* */
/* 1. open an RRDS file record mode (the cluster must be defined) */
/* 2. write three records (RRN 2, RRN 10, RRN 32) */
/* */

rrds_rec->rrds_key.__fill = 1;

fileptr = fopen("DD:RRDSFILE", "wb+,type=record");
if (fileptr == NULL) {
    perror("fopen");
    exit(99);
}
rrds_rec->rrds_key.__recnum = 2;
rrds_rec->rrds_buf = buffer1;
fwrite(rrds_rec,1,88, fileptr);

rrds_rec->rrds_key.__recnum = 10;
rrds_rec->rrds_buf = buffer2;
fwrite(rrds_rec,1,88, fileptr);

rrds_rec->rrds_key.__recnum = 32;
rrds_rec->rrds_buf = buffer3;
fwrite(rrds_rec,1,88, fileptr);

/* */
/* 3. set file position to the first record */
/* 4. read the first record in the file */
/* 5. delete it */
/* */
flocate(fileptr, &flocate_key, sizeof(unsigned long), __KEY_FIRST);
memset(outputbuf,0x00,80);
rrds_rec->rrds_buf = outputbuf;

fread(rrds_rec,1, 88, fileptr);
printf("The first record in the file (this will be deleted):
");
printf("RRN %d: %s\n\n", rrds_rec->rrds_key.__recnum, outputbuf);
fdelrec(fileptr);

Figure 26. RRDS example (Part 2 of 3)
The format of the `fldata()` function is as follows:

```c
int fldata(FILE *file, char *filename, fldata_t *info);
```

The `fldata()` function is used to retrieve information about an open stream. The name of the file is returned in `filename` and other information is returned in the `fldata_t` structure, shown in the figure below. Values specific to this category of I/O are shown in the comment beside the structure element. Additional notes pertaining to this category of I/O follow the figure.

For more information on the `fldata()` function, refer to [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference](#).
struct __fileData {
  unsigned int __recfmF : 1, /* */
  __recfmV : 1, /* */
  __recfmU : 1, /* */
  __recfmS : 1, /* always off */
  __recfmBlk : 1, /* always off */
  __recfmASA : 1, /* always off */
  __recfmM : 1, /* always off */
  __dsorgPO : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
  __dsorgPDSDmem : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
  __dsorgPDSDir : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
  __dsorgPS : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
  __dsorgConcat : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
  __dsorgMen : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
  __dsorgHiper : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
  __dsorgTemp : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
  __dsorgVSAM : 1, /* always on */
  __dsorgHFS : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
  __openmode : 2, /* one of: */
    /* _TEXT */
    /* _BINARY */
    /* _RECORD */
  __modeflag : 4, /* combination of: */
    /* _READ */
    /* _WRITE */
    /* _APPEND */
    /* _UPDATE */
  __dsorgPDSE : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
  __vsamRLS : 3, /* One of: */
    /* _NORLS */
    /* _RLS */
  __reserve2 : 5; /* */
  __device_t __device; /* _DISK */
  unsigned long __blksize, /* */
  __maxreclen; /* */
  unsigned short __vsamtype; /* one of: */
    /* _ESDS */
    /* _KSDS */
    /* _RRDS */
    /* _ESDS_PATH */
    /* _KSDS_PATH */
  __vsamkeylen; /* */
  unsigned long __vsamRKP; /* */
  char *__dsname; /* */
  unsigned int __reserve4; /* */
}

typedef struct __fileData fldata_t;

Figure 27. fldata() structure

Notes:

1. If you have opened the file by its data set name, the filename is fully qualified, including quotation marks. If you have opened the file by ddname, filename is dd:ddname, without any quotation marks. The ddname is uppercase.

2. The __dsname field is filled in with the data set name. The __dsname value is uppercase unless the asis option was specified on the fopen() or freopen() function call.
Chapter 13. Performing terminal I/O operations

This chapter describes how to use input and output interactively with a terminal (using TSO or z/OS UNIX System Services).

Terminal I/O supports text, binary, and record I/O, in undefined, variable and fixed-length formats, except that ASA format is not valid for any text terminal files.

Note: You cannot use the z/OS C/C++ I/O functions for terminal I/O under either IMS or CICS. Terminal I/O under CICS is supported through the CICS command level interface.

This chapter describes C I/O stream functions as they can be used within C++ programs. If you want to use the C++ I/O stream classes instead, see Chapter 4, "Using the Standard C++ Library I/O Stream Classes," on page 37 for general information. For more detailed information, see:

- Standard C++ Library Reference discusses the Standard C++ I/O stream classes

Opening files

You can use the library functions fopen() or freopen() to open a file.

Using fopen() and freopen()

This section covers:

- Opening a file by data set name
- Opening a file by DD name
- fopen() and freopen() keywords
- Opening a terminal file under a shell

Opening a file by data set name

Files are opened with a call to fopen() or freopen() in the format fopen("filename", "mode"). The first character of the filename must be an asterisk (*).

z/OS UNIX System Services Considerations: If you have specified POSIX(ON), fopen("*file.data","r"); does not open a terminal file. Instead, it opens a file called *file.data in the HFS file system. To open a terminal file under POSIX, you must specify two slashes before the asterisk, as follows:

fopen("/\*file.data","r");

Terminal files cannot be opened in update mode.

Terminal files opened in append mode are treated as if they were opened in write mode.

Opening a file by DDname

The data set name that is associated with the DD statement must be an asterisk(*). For example:

TSO ALLOC f(ddname) DA(*)
fopen("dd:ddname", "mode");
fopen() and freopen() keywords

The following table lists the keywords that are available on the fopen() and freopen() functions, tells you which ones are useful for terminal I/O, and lists the values that are valid for the applicable ones.

Table 29. Keywords for the fopen() and freopen() functions for terminal I/O

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<thead>
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<th>Parameter</th>
<th>Allowed?</th>
<th>Applicable?</th>
<th>Notes</th>
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<tr>
<td>recfm=</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>F, V, U and additional keywords A, B, S, M are the valid values. A, B, S, and M are ignored.</td>
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<tr>
<td>lrecl=</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>See below.</td>
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<tr>
<td>blksize=</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>See below.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>space=</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Has no effect for terminal I/O.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>type=</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>May be omitted. If you do specify it, type=record is the only valid value.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>acc=</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Not used for terminal I/O.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>password=</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Not used for terminal I/O.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>asis</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Has no effect for terminal I/O.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>bytesseek</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Has no effect for terminal I/O.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>noseek</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Has no effect for terminal I/O.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OS</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Not used for terminal I/O.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

recfm=

z/OS C/C++ allows you to specify any of the 27 possible RECFM types (listed in “Fixed-format records” on page 26, “Variable-format records” on page 29, and “Undefined-format records” on page 32). The default is recfm=U.

Any specification of ASA for the record format is ignored.

lrecl= and blksize=

The lrecl and blksize parameters allow you to set the record size and block size, respectively.

The maximum limits on lrecl values are as follows:

32771 For input z/OS variable terminals (data length of 32767)
32767 For input z/OS fixed and undefined terminals
32770 For output z/OS variable terminals (data length of 32766)
32766 For output z/OS fixed and undefined terminals

In fixed and undefined terminal files, blksize is always the size of lrecl. In variable terminal files, blksize is always the size of lrecl plus 4 bytes. It is not necessary to specify values for lrecl and blksize. If neither is specified, the default values are used. The default lrecl sizes (not including the extra 4 bytes in the lrecl of variable length types) are as follows:

- Screen width for output terminals
- 1000 for input z/OS text terminals
- 254 for all other input terminals

space=

This parameter is accepted as an option for terminal I/O, but it is ignored. It does not generate an error.
type=record

specifies that the file is to be opened for sequential record I/O. The file must be opened as a binary file.

acc=

This parameter is not valid for terminal I/O. If you specify it, your fopen() call fails.

password=

This parameter is not valid for terminal I/O. If you specify it, your fopen() call fails.

asis

This parameter is accepted as an option for terminal I/O, but it is ignored. It does not generate an error.

byteseek

This parameter is accepted as an option for terminal I/O, but it is ignored. It does not generate an error.

noseek

This parameter is accepted as an option for terminal I/O, but it is ignored. It does not generate an error.

OS

This parameter is not valid for terminal I/O. If you specify it, your fopen() call fails.

When you perform input and output in an interactive mode with the terminal, all standard streams and all files with * as the first character of their names are associated with the terminal. Output goes to the screen; input comes from the keyboard.

An input E0F can be generated by a /* if you open a stream in text mode. If you open the stream in binary or record mode, you can generate an E0F by entering a null string.

ASA characters are not interpreted in terminal I/O.

**Opening a terminal file under a shell**

Files are opened with a call to fopen() in the format fopen("/dev/tty", "mode").

**Buffering**

z/OS C/C++ uses buffers to map byte-level I/O (data stored in records and blocks) to system-level C I/O.

In terminal I/O, line buffering is always in effect.

The setvbuf() and setbuf() functions can be used to control buffering before any read or write operation to the file. If you want to reset the buffering mode, you must call setvbuf() or setbuf() before any other operation occurs on a file, because you cannot change the buffering mode after an I/O operation to the file.
Reading from files

You can use the following library functions to read in information from terminal files:

- fread()
- fgets()
- gets()
- fgetc()
- getchar()
- scanf()
- fscanf()
- fgets()
- fread()
- getc()
- gets()

See [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference](#) for more information on these library functions.

You can set up a SIGIOERR handler to catch read or write system errors. See [Chapter 17, “Debugging I/O programs,” on page 225](#) for more information.

A call to the rewind() function clears unread input data in the terminal buffer so that on the next read request, the system waits for more user input.

With z/OS Language Environment, an empty record is considered EOF in binary mode or record mode. This remains in effect until a rewind() or clearerr() is issued. When the rewind() is issued, the buffer is cleared and reading can continue.

Under TSO, the virtual line size of the terminal is used to determine the line length.

When reading from the terminal and the RECFM has been set to be F (for example, by an ALLOCATE under TSO) in binary or record mode, the input is padded with blanks to the record length.

On input, all terminal files opened for output flush their output, no matter what type of file they are and whether a record is complete or not. This includes fixed terminal files that would normally withhold output until a record is completed, as well as text records that normally wait until a new-line or carriage return. In all cases, the data is placed into one line with a blank added to separate output from different terminal files. Fixed terminal files do not pad the output with blanks when flushing this way.

**Note:** This flush is not the same as a call to fflush(), because fixed terminal files do not have incomplete records and text terminal files do not output until the new-line or carriage return. This flush occurs only when actual input is required from the terminal. When data is still in the buffer, that data is read without flushing output terminal files.

Reading from binary files

This discussion includes reading from fixed binary files and from variable or undefined binary files.

**Reading from fixed binary files**

- Any input that is smaller than the record length is padded with blanks to the record length. The default record length is 254.
- The carriage return or new-line is not included as part of the data.
- An input line longer than the record length is returned to the calling program on subsequent system reads.

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For example, suppose a program requests 30 bytes of user input from an input fixed binary terminal with record length 25. The full 30 bytes of user input returns to satisfy the request, so that you do not need to enter a second line of input.

- An empty input line indicates EOF.

**Reading from variable or undefined binary files**
These files behave like fixed-length binary files, except that no padding is performed if the input is smaller than the record length.

**Reading from text files**
This discussion includes reading from fixed text files and from variable or undefined text files.

**Reading from fixed text files**
- The carriage return indicates the end of the record.
- A new-line character is added as part of the data to indicate the end of an input line.
- If the input is larger than the record length, it is truncated to the record length. The truncation causes SIGIOERR to be raised, if the default action for SIGIOERR is not SIG_IGN.
- When an input line is smaller than the record length, it is not padded with blanks.
- The character sequence /* indicates that the end of the file has been reached.

**Reading from variable or undefined text files**
These files behave like fixed-length text files.

**Reading from record I/O files**
This discussion includes reading from fixed record I/O files and from variable or undefined record I/O files.

**Reading from fixed record I/O files**
- Records smaller than the record length are padded with blanks up to the record length. The default record length is 254.
- Input record terminal records have an implicit logical record boundary at the record length if the input size exceeds the record length.
  - If you enter input data larger than the record length, each subsequent block of record-length bytes from the user input satisfies successive read requests.
- The carriage return or new-line is not included as part of the data.
- An empty line indicates an EOF.

**Reading from variable or undefined record I/O files**
These files behave like fixed-length record files, except that no padding is performed.

**Writing to files**
You can use the following library functions to write to a terminal file:
- fwrite()
- printf()
- fprintf()
- vprintf()
- vfprintf()
- puts()
• fputs()
• fputc()
• putc()
• putchar()

See z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference for more information on these library functions.

If no record length is specified for the output terminal file, it defaults to the virtual line size of the terminal.

On output, records are written one line at a time up to the record length. For all output terminal files, records are not truncated. If you are printing a long string, it wraps around to another line.

Writing to binary files
This discussion includes writing to fixed binary files and to variable or undefined binary files.

Writing to fixed binary files
• Output data is sent to the terminal when the last character of a record is written.
• When closing an output terminal, any unwritten data is padded to the record length with blanks before it is flushed.

Writing to variable or undefined binary files
These files behave the same as fixed-length binary files, except that no padding occurs for output that is smaller than the record length.

Writing to text files
The following control characters are supported:
\a Alarm. Causes the terminal to generate an audible beep.
\b Backspace. Backs up the output position by one byte. If you are at the start of the record, you cannot back up to previous record, and backspace is ignored.
\f Form feed. Sends any unwritten data to the terminal and clears the screen if the environment variable _EDC_CLEAR_SCREEN is set. If the variable is not set, the \f character is written to the screen.
\n New-line. Sends the preceding unwritten character to the terminal. If no preceding data exists, it sends a single blank character.
\t Horizontal tab. Pads the output record with blanks up to the next tab tab stop (set at eight characters).
\v Vertical tab. Placed in the output as is.
\r Carriage return. Treated as a new-line, sends preceding unwritten data to the terminal.

Writing to fixed text files
• Lines that are longer than the record length are not truncated. They are split across multiple lines, each LRECL bytes long. Subsequent writes begin on a new line.
• Output data is sent to the terminal when one character more than the record length is written, or when a \r, \n, or \f character is written. In the case of \f, output is displayed only if the _EDC_CLEAR_SCREEN environment variable is set.
• No padding occurs on output when a record is smaller than the record length.

**Writing to variable or undefined text files**
These terminal files behave like fixed-length terminal files.

**Writing to record I/O files**
This discussion includes writing to fixed record I/O files and to variable or undefined record I/O files.

**Writing to fixed record I/O files**
• Any output record that is smaller than the record length is padded to the record length with blanks, and trailing blanks are displayed.
• If a record is longer than the record length, all data is written to the terminal, wrapping at the record length.
• Output data is sent to the terminal with every record write.

**Writing to variable or undefined record I/O files**
These files behave like fixed-length record files except that no padding occurs when the output record is smaller than the record length.

**Flushing records**
The action taken by the fflush() library function depends on the file mode. The fflush() function only flushes buffers in binary files with Variable or Undefined record format.

If you call one z/OS C/C++ program from another z/OS C/C++ program by using the ANSI system() function, all open streams are flushed before control is passed to the callee, and again before control is returned to the caller. If you are running with POSIX(ON), a call to the POSIX system() function does not flush any streams to the system.

**Text streams**
• Writing a new record:
  Because a new-line character has not been encountered to indicate the end-of-line, fflush() takes no action. The record is written as a new record when one of the following takes place:
  – A new-line character is written.
  – The file is closed.
• Reading a record:
  fflush() clears a previous ungetc() character.

**Binary streams**
• Writing a new record:
  If the file is variable or undefined length in record format, fflush() causes the current record to be written out, which in turn causes a new record to be created for subsequent writes. If the file is of fixed record length, no action is taken.
• Reading a record:
  fflush() clears a previous ungetc() character.
Record I/O

- Writing a new record: fflush() takes no action.
- Reading a record: fflush() takes no action.

Repositioning within files

In terminal I/O, rewind() is the only positioning library function available. Using the library functions fseek(), fgetpos(), fsetpos(), and ftell() generates an error.

See [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference](#) for more information on these library functions.

When an input terminal reaches an EOF, the rewind() function:
1. Clears the EOF condition.
2. Enables the terminal to read again.

You can also use rewind() when reading from the terminal to flush out your record buffer for that stream.

Closing files

Use the fclose() library function to close a file. z/OS C/C++ automatically closes files on normal program termination and attempts to do so under abnormal program termination or abend. When closing a fixed binary terminal, z/OS C/C++ pads the last record with blanks if it is incomplete.

See [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference](#) for more information on this library function.

fldata() behavior

The format of the fldata() function is as follows:

```c
int fldata(FILE *file, char *filename, fldata_t *info);
```

The fldata() function is used to retrieve information about an open stream. The name of the file is returned in filename and other information is returned in the fldata_t structure, shown in the figure below. Values specific to this category of I/O are shown in the comment beside the structure element. Additional notes pertaining to this category of I/O follow the figure.

For more information on the fldata() function, refer to [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference](#)
struct __fileData {
    unsigned int __recfmF : 1,/* */
    __recfmV : 1,/* */
    __recfmU : 1,/* */
    __recfmS : 1,/* always off */
    __recfmBlk : 1,/* always off */
    __recfmASA : 1,/* always off */
    __recfmM : 1,/* always off */
    __dsorgPO : 1,/* N/A -- always off */
    __dsorgPDSmem : 1,/* N/A -- always off */
    __dsorgPDSdir : 1,/* N/A -- always off */
    __dsorgPS : 1,/* N/A -- always off */
    __dsorgConcat : 1,/* N/A -- always off */
    __dsorgMem : 1,/* N/A -- always off */
    __dsorgVHiper : 1,/* N/A -- always off */
    __dsorgTemp : 1,/* N/A -- always off */
    __dsorgVSAM : 1,/* N/A -- always off */
    __dsorgHFS : 1,/* N/A -- always off */
    __openmode : 2,/* one of: */
    /* __TEXT */
    /* __BINARY */
    /* __RECORD */
    __modeflag : 4,/* combination of: */
    /* __READ */
    /* __WRITE */
    /* __APPEND */
    __dsorgPDSE : 1,/* N/A -- always off */
    __reserve2 : 8; /* */
    __device_t __device; /* __TERMINAL */
    unsigned long __blksize,/* */
    __maxreclen; /* */
    unsigned short __vsamtype; /* N/A */
    unsigned long __vsamkeylen; /* N/A */
    unsigned long __vsamRKP; /* N/A */
    char * __dsname; /* N/A -- always NULL */
    unsigned int __reserve4; /* */
};

typedef struct __fileData fldata_t;

Figure 28. fldata() structure

Notes:

1. The filename value is dd:ddname if the file is opened by ddname; otherwise, the value is *. The ddname is uppercase.

2. Either __recfmF, __recfmV, or __recfmU will be set according to the recfm parameter specified on the fopen() or freopen() function call.
Chapter 14. Performing memory file and hiperspace I/O operations

This chapter describes how to perform memory file and hiperspace I/O operations.

z/OS C/C++ supports files known as memory files. Memory files are temporary work files that are stored in main memory rather than in external storage.

There are two types of memory files:

- Regular memory files, which exist in your virtual storage
- Hiperspace memory files, which use special storage areas called hiperspaces.

Restriction: Hiperspace memory files are not supported in AMODE 64 applications. In AMODE 64 applications, regular memory files can be extremely large as they will reside in 64-bit addressable storage. Attempts to open a memory file with type=memory(hiperspace) will be converted to a regular memory file. All behaviors for regular memory files, identified throughout this chapter, will apply.

Memory files can be written to, read from, and repositioned within like any other type of file. Memory files exist for the life of your root program, unless you explicitly delete them by using the remove() or c1rmemf() functions. The root program is the first main() to be invoked. Any main() program called by a system() call is known as a child program. When the root program terminates, z/OS C/C++ removes memory files automatically. Memory files may give you better performance than other types of files.

Note: There may not be a one-to-one correspondence between the bytes in a memory file and the bytes in some other external representation of the file, such as a disk file. Applications that mix open modes on a file (for example, writing a file as text file and reading it back as binary) may not port readily from external I/O to memory file I/O.

This chapter describes C I/O streams as they can be used within C++ programs. If you want to use the C++ I/O stream classes instead, see Chapter 4, “Using the Standard C++ Library I/O Stream Classes,” on page 37 for general information. For more detailed information, see:

- Standard C++ Library Reference discusses the Standard C++ I/O stream classes

Using hiperspace operations

Restriction: Hiperspace memory files are not supported in AMODE 64 applications. In AMODE 64 applications, regular memory files can be extremely large as they will reside in 64-bit addressable storage. Attempts to open a memory file with type=memory(hiperspace) will be converted to a regular memory file. All behaviors for regular memory files, identified throughout this chapter, will apply.

On MVS/ESA systems that support hiperspaces, large memory files can be placed in hiperspaces to reduce memory requirements within your address space.

If your installation is MVS/ESA and supports hiperspaces, and you are not using CICS, you can use hiperspace memory files (see the appropriate book as listed in
Opening files

Use the Standard C fopen() or freopen() library functions to open a memory file. Details about these functions that apply to all z/OS C/C++ I/O operations are discussed in Chapter 5, “Opening files,” on page 41.

Using fopen() or freopen()

This section describes considerations for using fopen() and freopen() with memory files. Memory files are always treated as binary streams of bytes, regardless of the parameters you specify on the function call that opens them.

File-naming considerations

When you open a file using fopen() or freopen(), you must specify the filename (a data set name) or the ddname.

Using a data set name: Files are opened with a call to fopen() or freopen() in the format fopen("filename", "mode"). The following diagram shows the syntax for the filename argument on your fopen() or freopen() call:

```
   /qualifier
   |     
   |      
   | (member) 
   |      
   |     
   `/'
```

The following is a sample construct:

```
'qualifier1.qualifier2(member)'
```

// Ignored for memory files.

qualifier

There is no restriction on the length of each qualifier. All characters are considered valid. The total number of characters for all of the qualifiers, including periods and a TSO prefix, cannot exceed 44 characters when running POSIX(OFF). Under POSIX(ON), the TSO prefix is not added, and the total number of characters is not limited, except that the full file name, including the member, cannot exceed the limit for a POSIX pathname, currently 1024 characters.

(member)

If you specify a member, the data set you are opening is considered to be a simulated PDS or a PDSE. For more information about PDSs and PDSEs, see
Simulating partitioned data sets on page 212. For members, the member name (including trailing blanks) can be up to 8 characters long. A member name cannot begin with leading blanks.

When you enclose a name in single quotation marks, the name is fully qualified. The file opened is the one specified by the name inside the quotation marks. If the name is not fully qualified, z/OS C/C++ does one of the following:

- If your system does not use RACF, z/OS C/C++ does not add a high-level qualifier to the name you specified.
- If you are running under TSO (batch or interactive), z/OS C/C++ appends the TSO user prefix to the front of the name. For example, the statement `fopen("a.b","w");` opens a data set `tsopref.A.B`, where `tsopref` is the user prefix. You can set the user prefix by using the TSO PROFILE command with the PREFIX parameter.

Note: The TSO prefix is not added when running POSIX(ON).

- If you are running under MVS batch or IMS (batch or online), z/OS C/C++ appends the RACF user ID to the front of the name.

Using a DDname: You can specify names that begin with dd:, but z/OS C/C++ treats the dd: as part of the file name.

z/OS UNIX System Services Considerations: Using the fork() library function from z/OS UNIX System Services application programs causes the memory file to be copied into the child process. The memory file data in the child is identical to that of the parent at the time of the fork(). The memory file can be used in either the child or the parent, but the data is not visible in the other process.

fopen() and freopen() keywords

The following table lists the keywords that are available on the fopen() and freopen() functions, tells you which ones are useful for memory file I/O, and lists the values that are valid for the applicable ones.

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<th>Keyword</th>
<th>Allowed?</th>
<th>Applicable?</th>
<th>Notes</th>
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<tr>
<td>recfm=</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>This parameter is ignored for memory file and hiperspace I/O. If you specify a RECFM, it must have correct syntax. Otherwise the fopen() call fails.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>lrecl=</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>This parameter is ignored for memory file and hiperspace I/O. If you specify an LRECL, it must have correct syntax. Otherwise fopen() call fails.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>blksize=</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>This parameter is ignored for memory file and hiperspace I/O. If you specify a BLKSIZE, it must have correct syntax. Otherwise fopen() call fails.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>acc=</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>This parameter is ignored for memory file and hiperspace I/O. If you specify an ACC, it must have correct syntax. Otherwise fopen() fails.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

password= No No Ignored for memory files.
Table 30. Keywords for the fopen() and freopen() functions for memory file I/O (continued)

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<th>Allowed?</th>
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<tr>
<td>space=</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>This parameter is ignored for memory file and hiperspace I/O. If you specify a SPACE, it must have correct syntax. Otherwise, fopen() call fails.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>type=</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Valid values are memory and memory(hiperspace). See the parameter list below.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>asis</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Enables the use of mixed-case file names.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>byteseek</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Ignored for memory files, as they use byteseeking by default.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>noseek</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>This parameter is ignored for memory file and hiperspace I/O.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OS</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>This parameter is not valid for memory file and hiperspace I/O. If you specify OS, your fopen() call fails.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

recfm=

z/OS C/C++ parses your specification for these values. If they do not have the correct syntax, your function call fails. If they do, z/OS C/C++ ignores their values and continues.

lrecl and blksize=

z/OS C/C++ parses your specification for these values. If they do not have the correct syntax, your function call fails. If they do, z/OS C/C++ ignores their values and continues.

acc=

z/OS C/C++ parses your specification for these values. If they do not have the correct syntax, your function call fails. If they do, z/OS C/C++ ignores their values and continues.

password=

This parameter is not valid for memory file and hiperspace I/O. If you specify PASSWORD, your fopen() call fails.

space=

z/OS C/C++ parses your specification for these values. If they do not have the correct syntax, your function call fails. If they do, z/OS C/C++ ignores their values and continues.

type=

To create a memory file, you must specify type=memory. You cannot specify type=record; if you do, fopen() or freopen() fails.

To create a hiperspace memory file, you must specify type=memory(hiperspace).

asis

If you use this parameter, you can specify mixed-case filenames such as JaMeS dAtA or pErCy.FILE. If you are running with POSIX(ON), asis is the default.

byteseek

This parameter is ignored for memory file and hiperspace I/O.

noseek

This parameter is ignored for memory file and hiperspace I/O.
OS

This parameter is not allowed for memory file and hiperspace I/O. If you specify OS, your fopen() call fails.

Once a memory file has been created, it can be accessed by the module that created it as well as by any function or module that is subsequently invoked (including modules that are called using the system() library function), and by any modules in the current chain of system() calls, if you are running with POSIX(0FF). If you are running with POSIX(ON), the system() function is the POSIX one, not the ANSI one, and it does not propagate memory files to a child program. Once the file has been created, you can open it with the same name, without specifying the type=memory parameter. You cannot specify type=record for a memory file.

This is how z/OS C/C++ searches for memory files:

1. fopen("my.file","w.....,type=memory"); z/OS C/C++ checks the open files to see whether a file with that name is already open. If not, it creates a memory file.

2. fopen("my.file","w....."); z/OS C/C++ checks the open files to see whether a file with that name is already open. If not, it then checks to see whether a memory file exists with that name. If so, it opens the memory file; if not, it creates a disk file.

3. fopen("my.file","a.....,type=memory"); z/OS C/C++ checks the open files to see whether a file with that name is already open. If not, it searches the existing memory files to see whether a memory file exists with that name. If so, z/OS C/C++ opens it; if not, it creates a new memory file.

4. fopen("my.file","a....."); z/OS C/C++ checks the open files to see whether a file with that name is already open. If not, z/OS C/C++ searches existing files (both disk and memory) according to file mode, and opens the first file that has that name. If there is no such file, z/OS C/C++ creates a disk file.

5. fopen("my.file","r.....,type=memory"); z/OS C/C++ searches the memory files to see whether a file with that name exists. If one does, z/OS C/C++ opens it. Otherwise, the fopen() call fails.

6. fopen("my.file","r....."); z/OS C/C++ searches first through memory files. If it does not find the specified one, it then tries to open a disk file.

If you specify a memory file name that has an asterisk (*) as the first character, a name is created for that file. (You can acquire this name by using fldata().) For example, you can specify fopen("*","type=memory"); Opening a memory file this way is faster than using the tmpnam() function.

You cannot have any blanks or periods in the member name of a memory file. Otherwise, all valid data set names are accepted for memory files. Note that if invalid disk file names are used for memory files, difficulties could occur when you try to port memory file applications to disk-file applications.

Memory files are always opened in fixed binary mode regardless of the open mode. There is no blank padding, and control characters such as the new line are written directly into the file (even if the fopen() specifies text mode).

Opening hiperspace files

To create a memory file in hiperspace, specify type=memory(hiperspace) on the fopen() call that creates the file. If hiperspace is not available, you get a regular memory file. Under systems that do not support hiperspaces, as well as when you
are running with POSIX(ON) and TRAP(OFF), a specification of
type=memory(hiperspace) is treated as type=memory. Use of TRAP(OFF) is not
recommended.

You must decide whether a file is to be a hiperspace memory file before you create
it. You cannot change a memory file to a hiperspace memory file by specifying
type=memory(hiperspace) on a subsequent call to fopen() or freopen(). If the
hiperspace to store the file cannot be created, the fopen() or freopen() call fails.

Once you have created a hiperspace memory file, you do not have to specify
type=memory(hiperspace) on subsequent function calls that open the file.

If you open a hiperspace memory file for read at the same time that it is opened for
write, you can attempt to read extensions made by the writer, even after the EOF
flag has been set on by a previous read. If such a read succeeds, the EOF flag is
set off until the new EOF is reached. If you have opened a file once for write and
one or more times for read, a reader can now read past the original EOF.

Simulating partitioned data sets
You can create memory files that are conceptually grouped as a partitioned data set
(PDS). Grouping the files in this way offers the following advantages:

• You can remove all the members of a PDS by stating the data set name.
• You can rename the qualifiers of a PDS without renaming each member
  individually.

Once you have established that a memory file has members, you can rename and
remove all the members by specifying the file name and no members, just as with a
PDS or PDSE. None of the members can be open for you to perform this action.
Once a memory file is created with or without a member, another memory file with
the same name (with or without a member) cannot be created as well. For example,
if you open memory file a.b and write to it, z/OS C/C++ does not allow a memory
file named a.b(c) until you close and remove a.b. Also, if you create a memory file
named a.b(mbr1), you cannot open a file named a.b until you close and remove
a.b(mbr1).

The following example demonstrates the removal of all the members of the data set
a.b. After the call to remove(), neither a.b(mbr1) nor a.b(mbr2) exists.
The following example demonstrates the renaming of a PDS from a.b to c.d.

/* this example shows how to remove members of a PDS */

#include <stdio.h>

int main(void)
{
    FILE *fp1, *fp2;
    fp1=fopen("a.b(mbr1)","w,type=memory");
    fp2=fopen("a.b(mbr2)","w,type=memory");
    fwrite("hello, world\n", 1, 13, fp1);
    fwrite("hello, world\n", 1, 13, fp2);
    fclose(fp1);
    fclose(fp2);
    remove("a.b");
    fp1=fopen("a.b(mbr1)","r,type=memory");
    if (fp1 == NULL) {
        perror("fopen()");
        printf("fopen("a.b(mbr1)"") failed as expected: "
        "the file has been removed\n");
    }
    else {
        printf("fopen() should have failed\n");
    }
    return(0);
}

Figure 29. Removing members of a PDS
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/* this example shows how to rename a PDS */

#include <stdio.h>

int main(void)
{
  FILE *fp1, *fp2;

  fp1=fopen("a.b(mbr1)","w,type=memory");
  fp2=fopen("a.b(mbr2)","w,type=memory");
  fclose(fp1);
  fclose(fp2);
  rename("a.b","c.d");

  /* after renaming, you cannot access members of PDS a.b */

  fp1=fopen("a.b(mbr1)","r,type=memory");
  if (fp1 == NULL) {
    perror("fopen():");
    printf("fopen("a.b(mbr1)") failed as expected: 
          "the file has been renamed\n");
  } else {
    printf("fopen() should have failed\n");
  }

  fp2=fopen("c.d(mbr2)","r,type=memory");
  if (fp2 != NULL) {
    printf("fopen("c.d(mbr2)") worked as expected: 
          "the file has been renamed\n");
  } else {
    perror("fopen():");
    printf("fopen() should have worked\n");
  }

  return(0);
}

Figure 30. Renaming members of a PDS

Note: If you are using simulated PDSs, you can change either the name of the PDS, or the member name. You cannot rename a.b(mbr1) to either c.d(mbr2) or c.d, but you can rename a.b(mbr1) to a.b(mbr2), and a.b to c.d.

Memory files that are open as a sequential data set cannot be opened again with a member name specified. Also, if a data set is already open with a member name, the sequential data set version with only the data set name cannot be opened. These operations result in fopen() returning NULL. For example, fopen() returns NULL in the second line of the following:

  fp = fopen("a.b","w,type=memory");
  fp1 = fopen("a.b(mbr)","w,type=memory");

You cannot use the rename() or remove() functions on open files.

Buffering

Regular memory files are not buffered. Any parameters passed to setvbuf() are ignored. Each character that you write is written directly to the memory file.
Hiperspace memory files are fully buffered. The default size of the I/O buffer in your own address space is 16KB. You can override this buffer size by using the `setvbuf()` function (see z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference for more information).

If you call `setvbuf()` for a hiperspace memory file:

- If the size value is greater than or equal to 4K, it will be rounded down to the nearest multiple of 4K and this buffer size will be used. Otherwise, the size value is ignored.
- If a pointer to a buffer is passed, the buffer size is greater than or equal to 4K, and the buffer is aligned on a 4K boundary, the buffer may be used. Otherwise, z/OS C/C++ will allocate a buffer.

### Reading from files

You can use the following library functions to read information from memory files:

- `fread()`
- `fgets()`
- `fgets()`
- `fgetc()`
- `getc()`
- `getchar()`
- `scanf()`
- `fscanf()`

See z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference for more information on these library functions.

The `gets()`, `getchar()`, and `scanf()` functions read from `stdin`, which can be redirected to a memory or hiperspace memory file.

You can open an existing file for read one or more times, even if it is already open for write. You cannot open a file for write if it is already open (for either read or write). If you want to update or truncate a file or append to a file that is already open for reading, you must first close all the other streams that refer to that file.

For memory files, a read operation directly after a write operation without an intervening call to `fflush()`, `fsetpos()`, `fseek()`, or `rewind()` fails. z/OS C/C++ treats the following as read operations:

- Calls to read functions that request 0 bytes
- Read requests that fail because of a system error
- Calls to the `ungetc()` function

You can set up a SIGIOERR handler to catch read or write system errors that happen when you are using hiperspace memory files. See Chapter 17, “Debugging I/O programs,” on page 225 for more information.
Writing to files

You can use the following library functions to write to a file:

- fwrite()
- printf()
- fprintf()
- vprintf()
- vfprintf()
- puts()
- fputs()
- fputc()
-putc()
- putchar()

See [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference](#) for more information on these library functions.

The printf(), puts(), putchar(), and vprintf() functions write to stdout, which can be redirected to a memory or hiperspace memory file.

In hiperspace memory files, each library function causes your data to be moved into the buffer in your address space. The buffer is written to hiperspace each time it is filled, or each time you call the fflush() library function.

z/OS C/C++ counts a call to a write function writing 0 bytes or a write request that fails because of a system error as a write operation. For regular memory files, the only possible system error that can occur is an error in acquiring storage.

Flushing records

fflush() does not move data from an internal buffer to a memory file, because the data is written to the memory file as it is generated. However, fflush() does make the data visible to readers who have a regular or hiperspace memory file open for reading while a user has it open for writing.

Hiperspace memory files are fully buffered. The fflush() function writes data from the internal buffer to the hiperspace.

Any repositioning operation writes data to the hiperspace.

The fclose() function also invokes fflush() when it detects an incomplete buffer for a file that is open for writing or appending.

ungetc() considerations

ungetc() pushes characters back onto the input stream for memory files. ungetc() handles only single-byte characters. You can use it to push back as many as four characters onto the ungetc() buffer. For every character pushed back with ungetc(), fflush() backs up the file position by one character and clears all the pushed-back characters from the stream. Backing up the file position may end up going across a record boundary.
If you want fflush() to ignore ungetc() characters, you can set the _EDC_COMPAT environment variable. See Chapter 31, “Using environment variables,” on page 457 for more information.

Repositioning within files

You can use the following library functions to help you position within a memory or hiperspace memory file:

- fgetpos()
- fsetpos()
- fseek()
- ftell()
- rewind()

See z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference for more information on these library functions.

Using fseek() to seek past the end of a memory file extends the file using null characters. This may cause z/OS C/C++ to attempt to allocate more storage than is available as it tries to extend the memory file.

When you use the fseek() function with memory files, it supports byte offsets from SEEK_SET, SEEK_CUR, and SEEK_END.

All file positions from ftell() are relative byte offsets from the beginning of the file. fseek() supports these values as offsets from SEEK_SET.

fgetpos(), fseek() with an offset of SEEK_CUR, and and ftell() handle ungetc() characters unless you have set the _EDC_COMPAT environment variable, in which case fgetpos() and fseek() do not. See Chapter 31, “Using environment variables,” on page 457 for more information about _EDC_COMPAT. If in handling these characters, if the current position goes beyond the start of the file, fgetpos() returns the EOF value, and ftell() returns -1.

fgetpos() values generated by code from previous releases of the z/OS C/C++ compiler are not supported by fsetpos().

Closing files

Use the fclose() library function to close a regular or hiperspace memory file. See z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference for more information on this library function. z/OS C/C++ automatically closes memory files at the termination of the C root main environment.

Performance tips

You should use hiperspace memory files instead of regular memory files when they will be large (1MB or greater).

Regular memory files perform more efficiently if large amounts of data (10K or more) are written in one request (that is, if you pass 10K or more of data to the fwrite() function). You should use fopen("x", "type=memory") both to generate a name for a memory file and to open the file instead of calling fopen() with a name returned by tmpnam(). You can acquire the file's generated name by using fldata().
Removing memory files

The memory file remains accessible until the file is removed by the `remove()` or `clrmemf()` library functions or until the root program has terminated. You cannot remove an open memory file, except when you use `clrmemf()`. See `z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference` for more information on these library functions.

fldata() behavior

The format of the `fldata()` function is as follows:

```c
int fldata(FILE *file, char *filename, fldata_t *info);
```

The `fldata()` function is used to retrieve information about an open stream. The name of the file is returned in `filename` and other information is returned in the `fldata_t` structure, shown in the figure below. Values specific to this category of I/O are shown in the comment beside the structure element. Additional notes pertaining to this category of I/O follow the figure. For more information on the `fldata()` function, refer to `z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference`.

```c
struct __fileData {
    unsigned int __recfmF : 1, /* always on */
    __recfmV : 1, /* always off */
    __recfmU : 1, /* always off */
    __recfmS : 1, /* always off */
    __recfmBlk : 1, /* always off */
    __recfmASA : 1, /* always off */
    __recfmM : 1, /* always off */
    __dsorgPO : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
    __dsorgPDSmem : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
    __dsorgPDSdir : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
    __dsorgPS : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
    __dsorgConcat : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
    __dsorgMem : 1, /* */
    __dsorgHiper : 1, /* */
    __dsorgTemp : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
    __dsorgVSAM : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
    __dsorgHFS : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
    __openmode : 2, /* _BINARY */
    __modeflag : 4, /* combination of: */
    /* _READ */
    /* _WRITE */
    /* _APPEND */
    /* _UPDATE */
    __dsorgPDSE : 1, /* N/A -- always off */
    __reserve2 : 8; /* */
    __device_t __device; /* one of: */
    /* _MEMORY */
    /* _HIPERSPACE */
    unsigned long __blksize, /* */
    __maxreclen; /* */
    unsigned short __vsmtype; /* N/A */
    unsigned long __vsmkeylen; /* N/A */
    unsigned long __vsmRKP; /* N/A */
    char *__dsname; /* */
    unsigned int __reserve4; /* */
};
```

typedef struct __fileData fldata_t;

`Figure 31. fldata() structure`
Notes:
1. The filename is the fully qualified version of the filename specified on the fopen() or freopen() function call. There are no quotation marks. However, if the filename specified on the fopen() or freopen() function call begins with an *, a unique filename is generated in the format ((n)), where n is an integer.
2. The __dsorgMem bit will be set on only for regular memory files.
3. The __dsorgHiper bit will be set on only for hiperspace memory files.
4. The __dsname is identical to the filename value.

Example program
The following example shows the use of a memory file. The program PROGA creates a memory file, calls program PROGB, and redirects the output of the called program to the memory file. When control returns to the first program, the program reads and prints the string in the memory file.

For more information on the system() library function, see z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.

CCNGMF3

/* this example demonstrates the use of a memory file */
/* part 1 of 2-other file is CCNGMF4 */
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
int main(void)
{
    FILE *fp;
    char buffer[20];
    char *rc;

    /* Open the memory file to create it */
    if ((fp = fopen("PROG.DAT","wb+,type=memory")) != NULL) {
        /* Close the memory file so that it can be used as stdout */
        fclose(fp);

        /* Call CCNGMF4 and redirect its output to memory file */
        /* CCNGMF4 must be an executable MODULE */
        system("CCNGMF4 >PROG.DAT");

        /* Now print the string contained in the file */
        fp = fopen("PROG.DAT","rb");
        rc = fgets(buffer,sizeof(buffer),fp);
        if (rc == NULL) {
            perror(" Error reading from file ");
            exit(99);
        }
        printf("%s", buffer);
    }
    return(0);
}
/* this example demonstrates the use of a memory file */
/* part 2 of 2-other file is CCNGMF3 */

#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

int main(void)
{
    char item1[] = "Hello World\n";
    int rc;

    /* Write the data to the stdout which, at this point, has been redirected to the memory file */
    rc = fputs(item1,stdout);
    if (rc == 0) {
        perror("Error putting to file ");
        exit(99);
    }

    return(0);
}

Figure 33. Memory file example
Chapter 15. Performing CICS I/O operations

Restriction: This chapter does not apply to AMODE 64.

z/OS C/C++ under CICS supports only three kinds of I/O:

CICS I/O

z/OS C/C++ applications can access the CICS I/O commands through the CICS command level interface. [CICS Application Programming Guide, SC34-5993] and [CICS Application Programming Reference, SC34-5994] discuss this interface in detail.

Files

Memory files are the only type of file that z/OS C/C++ supports under CICS. Hiperspace files are not supported.

VSAM files can be accessed through the CICS command level interface.

CICS data queues

Under CICS, z/OS C/C++ implements the standard output (stdout) and standard error (stderr) streams as CICS transient data queues. These data queues must be defined in the CICS Destination Control table (DCT) by the CICS system administrator before the CICS cold start. Output from all users’ transactions that use stdout (or stderr) is written to the queue in the order of occurrence. To help differentiate the output, place a user’s terminal name, the CICS transaction identifier, and the time at the beginning of each line printed to the queue.

The queues are as follows:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Stream</th>
<th>Queue</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>stdout</td>
<td>CESO</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>stderr</td>
<td>CESE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>stdin</td>
<td>Not supported</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

To access any other queues, you must use the command level interface.

Note: If you are using the C++ I/O stream classes, the standard stream cout maps to stdout, which maps to CESO. The standard stream cerr and clog both map to stderr, which maps to CESE. The standard stream cin is not supported under CICS.

For more general information about C++ I/O streaming, see Chapter 4, “Using the Standard C++ Library I/O Stream Classes,” on page 37. For more detailed information, see:

- [Standard C++ Library Reference](#) discusses the Standard C++ I/O stream classes

For complete information about using z/OS C/C++ and z/OS C/C++ under CICS, see Chapter 41, “Using the Customer Information Control System (CICS),” on page 623.

For information on using wide characters in the CICS environment, see Chapter 8, “z/OS C Support for the double-byte character set,” on page 67.
Chapter 16. Language Environment Message file operations

This chapter describes input and output with the z/OS Language Environment message file. This file is write-only. That is, it is nonreadable and nonseekable.

**Restriction:** This chapter does not apply to AMODE 64. There is no MSGFILE run-time option in AMODE 64. In AMODE 64, the stderr stream does not get directed to the Language Environment message file. Anything that would normally go to the Language Environment message file is now directed to the C stderr stream, including when stderr is directed to stdout. For more information on AMODE 64 see Chapter 22, “Programming for a z/OS 64-bit environment,” on page 325.

The default open mode for the z/OS Language Environment message file is text. Binary and record I/O modes are not supported.

This chapter also describes C I/O streams as they can be used within C++ programs. If you want to use the C++ I/O stream classes instead, see Chapter 4, “Using the Standard C++ Library I/O Stream Classes,” on page 37 for general information. For more detailed information, see:

- **Standard C++ Library Reference** discusses the Standard C++ I/O stream classes
- **C/C++ Legacy Class Libraries Reference** discusses the Unix Systems Laboratories C++ Language System Release (USL) I/O Stream Library.

The standard stream stderr defaults to using the z/OS Language Environment message file. stderr will be directed to file descriptor 2, which is typically your terminal if you are running under one of the z/OS UNIX System Services shells. There are some exceptions, however:

- If the application has allocated the ddname in the MSGFILE(ddname) run-time parameter, your output will go there. The default is MSGFILE(SYSOUT).
- If the application has issued one of the POSIX exec() functions, or is running in an address space created by the POSIX fork() function and the application has not dynamically allocated a ddname for MSGFILE, then the default is to use file descriptor 2, if one exists. If it doesn’t, then the default is to create a message file in the user’s current working directory. The message file will have the name that is specified on the message file run-time option, the default being SYSOUT.

### Opening files

The default is for stderr to go to the message file automatically. The message file is available only as stderr; you cannot use the fopen() or freopen() library function to open it.

- freopen() with the null string (“”) as filename string will fail.
- Record format (RECFM) is always treated as undefined (U). Logical record length (LRECL) is always treated as 255 (the maximum length defined by z/OS Language Environment message file system write interface).

### Reading from files

The z/OS Language Environment message file is non-readable.
Writing to files

- Data written to the z/OS Language Environment message file is always appended to the end of the file.
- When the data written is longer than 255 bytes, it is written to the z/OS Language Environment message file 255 bytes at a time, with the last write possibly less than 255 bytes. No truncation will occur.
- When the output data is shorter than the actual LRECL of the z/OS Language Environment message file, it is padded with blank characters by the z/OS Language Environment system write interface.
- When the output data is longer than the actual LRECL of the z/OS Language Environment message file, it is split into multiple records by the z/OS Language Environment system write interface. The z/OS Language Environment system write interface splits the output data at the last blank before the LRECL-th byte, and begins writing the next record with the first non-blank character. Note that if there are no blanks in the first LRECL bytes (DBCS for instance), the z/OS Language Environment system write interface splits the output data at the LRECL-th byte. It also closes off any DBCS string on the first record with a X’0F’ character, and begins the DBCS string on the next record with a X’0E’ character.
- The hex characters X’0E’ and X’0F’ have special meaning to the z/OS Language Environment system write interface. The z/OS Language Environment system write interface removes adjacent pairs of these characters (normalization).
- You can set up a SIGIOERR handler to catch system write errors. See Chapter 17, “Debugging I/O programs,” on page 225 for more information.

Flushing buffers

The fflush() function has no effect on the z/OS Language Environment message file.

Repositioning within files

The ftell(), fgetpos(), fseek(), and fsetpos() functions are not allowed, because z/OS Language Environment message file is a non-seekable file. The rewind() function only resets error flags.

You cannot call fseek() on stderr when it is mapped to MSGFILE (the default routing of stderr).

Closing files

Do not use the fclose() library function to close the z/OS Language Environment message file. z/OS C/C++ automatically closes files on normal program termination and attempts to do so under abnormal program termination or abend.
Chapter 17. Debugging I/O programs

This chapter will help you locate and diagnose problems in programs that use input and output. It discusses several diagnostic methods specific to I/O. Diagnostic methods for I/O errors include:

- Using return codes from I/O functions
- Using errno values and the associated perror() message
- Using the __amrc structure
- Using the __amrc2 structure

The information provided with the return code of I/O functions and with the perror() message associated with errno values may help you locate the source of errors and the reason for program failure. Because return codes and errno values do not exist for every possible system I/O failure, return codes and errno values are not useful for diagnosing all I/O errors. This chapter discusses the use of the __amrc structure and the __amrc2 structure. For information on return codes from I/O functions see z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference. For information on errno values and the associated perror() message see z/OS Language Environment Debugging Guide.

Using the __amrc structure

__amrc is a structure defined in stdio.h (when the compile-time option LANGLVL(LIBEXT) is in effect) to help you determine errors resulting from an I/O operation. This structure is changed during system I/O and some C specific error situations.

Note: __amrc is not used to record I/O errors in HFS files.

When looking at __amrc, be sure to copy the structure into a temporary structure of __amrctype since any I/O function calls will change the value of __amrc.

Figure 34 on page 226 shows the __amrc structure as it appears in stdio.h.
typedef struct __amrctype {
    union {
        int __error;  // 1
        struct {
            unsigned short __syscode,
            __rc;      // 2
        } __abend;  // 3
        struct {
            unsigned char __fdbk_fill,
            __rc,
            __ftncd,
            __fdbk;
        } __feedback;  // 4
        struct {
            unsigned short __svc99_info,
            __svc99_error;
        } __alloc;  // 5
    } __code;
    unsigned int __RBA;  // 6
    unsigned int __last_op;  // 7
    struct {
        unsigned int __len_fill;
        unsigned int __len;
        char __str[120];
        unsigned int __parm0;
        unsigned int __parm1;
        unsigned int __fill2[2];
        char __str2[64];
    } __msg;  // 8
    unsigned char __rplfdbwd[4];  // 9
} __amrc_type;

Figure 34. __amrc structure

1 union {...} __code
   The error or warning value from an I/O operation is in either __error,
   __abend, __feedback, or __alloc. You must look at __last_op to determine
   how to interpret the __code union.
   
2 __error
   __error contains the return code from the system macro or utility. Refer to
   Table 31 on page 229 for further information.
   
3 __abend
   This struct contains the abend code when errno is set to indicate a
   recoverable I/O abend. __syscode is the system abend code and __rc is
   the return code. For more information on the abend codes, see the System
   Codes manual as listed in [z/OS Information Roadmap]. The macros
   __abendcode() and __rsncode() may be set to the abend code and reason
   code of a TSO CLIST or command when invoked with system().
   
4 __feedback
   This struct is used for VSAM only. The __rc stores the VSAM register 15,
   __fdbk stores the VSAM error code or reason code, and __RBA stores the
   RBA after some operations.
   
5 __alloc
   This struct contains errors during fopen() or freopen() calls when defining
   files to the system using SVC 99. See the Systems Macros manual, as listed
   in [z/OS Information Roadmap] for more information on these fields as set
   by SVC 99.
6 __RBA
This is the RBA value returned by VSAM after an ESDS or KSDS record is
written out. For a RRDS, it is the calculated value from the record number.
It may be used in subsequent calls to flocate(). The __amrc.__RBA field is
defined as an unsigned int, and will only contain a 4-byte RBA value. In
AMODE 64 applications, you can no longer use the address of
__amrc.__RBA as the first argument to flocate(). Instead, __amrc.__RBA
must be placed into an unsigned long in order to make it 8-bytes wide,
since flocate() is updated to indicate that sizeof(unsigned long) must be
specified as the key length (2nd argument).

7 __last_op
This field contains a value that indicates the last I/O operation being
performed by z/OS C/C++ at the time the error occurred. These values are shown in Table 31 on page 229.

8 __msg
This may contain the system error messages from read or write operations
emitted from the BSAM SYNADAF macro instruction. This field will not always
be filled. If you print this field using the %s format, you should print the string starting at the sixth position because of possible null characters found in the
first 6 characters. Special messages for PDSEs are contained in the
positions 136 through 184. See the Data Administration manual as listed in
z/OS Information Roadmap for more information.

This field is used by the SIGIOERR handler.

9 __rplfdbwd
This field contains feedback information related to a VSAM RLS failure. This
is the feedback code from the IFGRPL control block.

Figure 35 demonstrates how to print the __amrc structure after an error has
occurred to get information that may help you to diagnose an I/O error.

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/* this example demonstrates how to print the __amrc structure */
#include <stdio.h>
#include <errno.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>

int main(void) {

 FILE *fp;
 __amrc_type save_amrc;
 char buffer[80];
 int i = 0;

 /* open an MVS binary file */

 fp = fopen("testfull.file","wb, recfm=F, lrec=80");
 if (fp == NULL) exit(99);

 memset(buffer, 'A', 80);

 Figure 35. Example of printing the __amrc structure (Part 1 of 2)
The program writes to a file until it is full. When the file is full, the program fails. Following the I/O failure the program makes a copy of the __amrc structure, and prints the number of successful writes to the file, the errno, the __last_op code, the abend system code and the return code.

### Using the __amrc2 structure

The __amrc2 structure is an extension of __amrc. Only 2 fields are defined for __amrc2. Like the __amrc structure, __amrc2 is changed during system I/O and some C specific error situations.

**Note:** See “Using the SIGIOERR signal” on page 232 for information on restrictions that exist when comparing file pointers if you are using the __amrc2 structure.

Figure 36 shows the __amrc2 structure as it appears in stdio.h.

```c
struct {
    int __error2;  /*
        FILE *__fileptr;  /*
    int __reserved[6];
} __amrc2;
```

1. This field is a secondary error code that is used to store the reason code from specific macros. The __last_op codes that can be returned to __amrc2 are __BSAM_STOW, __BSAM_BLDL, __IO_LOCATE, __IO_RENAME, __IO_CATALOG and __IO_UNCATALOG. For information on the macros associated with these codes see Table 31 on page 229.

For further information about the macros see `z/OS DFSMSdfp Diagnosis Reference`

2. This field, __fileptr, of the __amrc2 structure is used by the signal SIGIOERR to pass back a FILE pointer that can then be passed to fldata() to get the name of the file causing the error. The __amrc2__fileptr will be NULL if a SIGIOERR is raised before the file has been successfully opened.

```c
/ * write to MVS file until it runs out of extents */

while (fwrite(buffer, 1, 80, fp) == 80) ++i;

save_amrc = *__amrc; /* need copy of __amrc structure */

printf("number of successful fwrites of 80 bytes = %d\n", i);

printf("last fwrite errno=%d lastop=%d syscode=%X rc=%d\n",
    errno,
    save_amrc.__last_op,
    save_amrc.__code.__abend.__syscode,
    save_amrc.__code.__abend.__rc);

return 0;
}
```

*Figure 35. Example of printing the __amrc structure (Part 2 of 2)*
Using __last_op codes

The __last_op field is the most important of the __amrc fields. It defines the last I/O operation z/OS C/C++ was performing at the time of the I/O error. You should note that the structure is neither cleared nor set by non-I/O operations so querying this field outside of a SIGIOERR handler should only be done immediately after I/O operations. [Table 31] lists __last_op codes you may receive and where to look for further information.

<table>
<thead>
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<th>Code</th>
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<tr>
<td>__BSAM_BLDL</td>
<td>Sets __error with return code from OS BLDL macro.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__BSAM_CLOSE</td>
<td>Sets __error with return code from OS CLOSE macro.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__BSAM_CLOSE_T</td>
<td>Sets __error with return code from OS CLOSE TYPE=T.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__BSAM_NOTE</td>
<td>NOTE returned 0 unexpectedly, no return code.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__BSAM_OPEN</td>
<td>Sets __error with return code from OS OPEN macro.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__BSAM_POINT</td>
<td>This will not appear as an error __lastop.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__BSAM_READ</td>
<td>No return code (either __abend (errno == 92) or __msg (errno == 66) filled in).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__BSAM_STOW</td>
<td>Sets __error with return code from OS STOW macro.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__BSAM_WRITE</td>
<td>No return code (either __abend (errno == 92) or __msg (errno == 65) filled in).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__C_CANNOT_EXTEND</td>
<td>This occurs when an attempt is made to extend a file that allows writing, but cannot be extended. Typically this is a member of a partitioned data set being opened for update.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__C_DBCS_SI_TRUNCATE</td>
<td>This occurs only when there was not enough room to start a DBCS string and data was written anyway, with an SI to end it. Cannot happen if MB_CUR_MAX is 1.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__C_DBCS_SO_TRUNCATE</td>
<td>This occurs when there is not enough room in a record to start any DBCS string or else when a redundant SO is written to the file before an SI. Cannot happen if MB_CUR_MAX is 1.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__C_DBCS_TRUNCATE</td>
<td>This occurs when writing DBCS data to a text file and there is no room left in a physical record for anymore double byte characters. A new-line is not acceptable at this point. Truncation will continue to occur until an SI is written or the file position is moved. Cannot happen if MB_CUR_MAX is 1.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__C_DBCS_UNEVEN</td>
<td>This occurs when an SI is written before the last double byte character is completed, thereby forcing z/OS C/C++ to fill in the last byte of the DBCS string with a padding byte X’FE’. Cannot happen if MB_CUR_MAX is 1.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__C_FCBCHECK</td>
<td>Set when z/OS C/C++ FCB is corrupted. This is due to a pointer corruption somewhere. File cannot be used after this.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__CICS_WRITEQ_TD</td>
<td>Sets __error with error code from EXEC CICS WRITEQ TD.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__C_TRUNCATE</td>
<td>Set when z/OS C/C++ truncates output data. Usually this is data written to a text file with no newline such that the record fills up to capacity and subsequent characters cannot be written. For a record I/O file this refers to an fwrite() writing more data than the record can hold. Truncation is always of rightmost data. There is no return code.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Code</td>
<td>Further Information</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>__LFS_CLOSE</td>
<td>Indicates last op was a DSPSERV CREATE to create a hiperspace for a hiperspace memory file. If CREATE fails, stores abend code in __amrc.__code.__abend.__syscode, reason code in __amrc.__code.__abend.__rc.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__LFS_DELETE</td>
<td>Indicates last op was a DSPSERV DELETE to delete a hiperspace for a hiperspace memory file during termination. If DELETE fails, stores abend code in __amrc.__code.__abend.__syscode, reason code in __amrc.__code.__abend.__rc.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__LFS_EXTEND</td>
<td>Indicates last op was a HSPSERV EXTEND during a write to a hiperspace. If EXTEND fails, stores abend code in __amrc.__code.__abend.__syscode, reason code in __amrc.__code.__abend.__rc.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__LFS_READ</td>
<td>Indicates last op was a HSPSERV READ from a hiperspace. If READ fails, stores abend code in __amrc.__code.__abend.__syscode, reason code in __amrc.__code.__abend.__rc.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__LFS_WRITE</td>
<td>Indicates last op was a HSPSERV WRITE to a hiperspace. If WRITE fails, stores abend code in __amrc.__code.__abend.__syscode, reason code in __amrc.__code.__abend.__rc.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__IO_CATALOG</td>
<td>Sets __error with return code from I/O CAMLST CAT. The associated macro is CATALOG.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__IO_DEVTYPE</td>
<td>Sets __error with return code from I/O DEVTYPE macro.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__IO_INIT</td>
<td>Will never be seen by SIGIOERR exit value given at initialization.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__IO_LOCATE</td>
<td>Sets __error with return code from I/O CAMLST LOCATE.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__IO_OBTAIN</td>
<td>Sets __error with return code from I/O CAMLST OBTAIN.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__IO_RDJFCB</td>
<td>Sets __error with return code from I/O RDJFCB macro.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__IO_RENAME</td>
<td>Sets __error with return code from I/O CAMLST RENAME.</td>
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<tr>
<td>__IO_TRKCALC</td>
<td>Sets __error with return code from I/O TRKCALC macro.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__IO_UNCATALOG</td>
<td>Sets __error with return code from I/O CAMLST UNCAT. The associated macro is CATALOG.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__LFS_CLOSE</td>
<td>Sets __error with reason code from HFS services. Reason code from HFS services must be broken up. The low order 2 bytes can be looked up in <a href="https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/SSTSHU_9.1.0/com.ibm.zos.v9r1.doc/assembly/callable.html">z/OS UNIX System Services</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__LFS_FSTAT</td>
<td>Sets __error with reason code from HFS services. Reason code from HFS services must be broken up. The low order 2 bytes can be looked up in <a href="https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/SSTSHU_9.1.0/com.ibm.zos.v9r1.doc/assembly/callable.html">z/OS UNIX System Services</a></td>
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<td>__LFS_LSEEK</td>
<td>Sets __error with reason code from HFS services. Reason code from HFS services must be broken up. The low order 2 bytes can be looked up in <a href="https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/SSTSHU_9.1.0/com.ibm.zos.v9r1.doc/assembly/callable.html">z/OS UNIX System Services</a></td>
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<tr>
<td>__LFS_OPEN</td>
<td>Sets __error with reason code from HFS services. Reason code from HFS services must be broken up. The low order 2 bytes can be looked up in <a href="https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/SSTSHU_9.1.0/com.ibm.zos.v9r1.doc/assembly/callable.html">z/OS UNIX System Services</a></td>
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<td>Sets _error with reason code from HFS services. Reason code from HFS services must be broken up. The low order 2 bytes can be looked up in [Z/OS UNIX System Services Programming: Assembler Callable Services Reference](<a href="https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/en/SSECG2_1.12.0/com.ibm.zos.v2r11.svc">https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/en/SSECG2_1.12.0/com.ibm.zos.v2r11.svc</a> ref/r2220488.html)</td>
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<tr>
<td>__LFS_STAT</td>
<td>Sets _error with reason code from HFS services. Reason code from HFS services must be broken up. The low order 2 bytes can be looked up in [Z/OS UNIX System Services Programming: Assembler Callable Services Reference](<a href="https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/en/SSECG2_1.12.0/com.ibm.zos.v2r11.svc">https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/en/SSECG2_1.12.0/com.ibm.zos.v2r11.svc</a> ref/r2220488.html)</td>
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<tr>
<td>__LFS_WRITE</td>
<td>Sets _error with reason code from HFS services. Reason code from HFS services must be broken up. The low order 2 bytes can be looked up in [Z/OS UNIX System Services Programming: Assembler Callable Services Reference](<a href="https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/en/SSECG2_1.12.0/com.ibm.zos.v2r11.svc">https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/en/SSECG2_1.12.0/com.ibm.zos.v2r11.svc</a> ref/r2220488.html)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__OS_CLOSE</td>
<td>Sets _error to result of OS CLOSE macro.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__OS_OPEN</td>
<td>Sets _error to result of OS OPEN macro.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__QSAM_FREEPool</td>
<td>This is an intermediate operation. You will only see this if an I/O abend occurred.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__QSAM_GET</td>
<td>_error is not set if abend (errno == 92), _abend is set, otherwise if read error (errno == 66), look at _msg.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__QSAM_PUT</td>
<td>_error is not set if abend (errno == 92), _abend is set, otherwise if write error (errno == 65), look at _msg.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__QSAM_TRUNC</td>
<td>This is an intermediate operation. You will only see this if an I/O abend occurred.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__SVC99_ALLOC</td>
<td>Sets _alloc structure with info and error codes from SVC 99 allocation.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__SVC99_ALLOC_NEW</td>
<td>Sets _alloc structure with info and error codes from SVC 99 allocation of NEW file.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__SVC99_UNALLOC</td>
<td>Sets _alloc structure with info and error codes from SVC 99 unallocation. The __QSAM_CLOSE and __QSAM_OPEN codes do not exist. They should be __OS_CLOSE and __OS_OPEN instead.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__TGET_READ</td>
<td>Sets _error with return code from TSO TGET macro.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__TPUT_WRITE</td>
<td>Sets _error with return code from TSO TPUT macro.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__VSAM_CLOSE</td>
<td>Set when the last op was a low level VSAM CLOSE; if the CLOSE fails, sets __rc and __fdbg in the _amrc struct.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__VSAM_ENDREQ</td>
<td>Set when the last op was a low level VSAM ENDTREQ; if the ENDTREQ fails, sets __rc and __fdbg in the _amrc struct.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__VSAM_ERASE</td>
<td>Set when the last op was a low level VSAM ERASE; if the ERASE fails, sets __rc and __fdbg in the _amrc struct.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__VSAM_GENCB</td>
<td>Set when a low level VSAM GENCB macro fails, sets __rc and __fdbg fields in the _amrc struct.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__VSAM_GET</td>
<td>Set when the last op was a low level VSAM GET; if the GET fails, sets __rc and __fdbg in the _amrc struct.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__VSAM_MODCB</td>
<td>Set when a low level VSAM MODCB macro fails, sets __rc and __fdbg fields in the _amrc struct.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__VSAM_OPEN_ESDS</td>
<td>Does not indicate an error; set when the low level VSAM OPEN succeeds, and the file type is ESDS.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__VSAM_OPEN_ESDS_PATH</td>
<td>Does not indicate an error; set when the low level VSAM OPEN succeeds, and the file type is ESDS.</td>
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<td>__VSAM_OPEN_FAIL</td>
<td>Set when a low level VSAM OPEN fails, sets __rc and __fdbk fields in the __amrc struct.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__VSAM_OPEN_KSDS</td>
<td>Does not indicate an error; set when the low level VSAM OPEN succeeds, and the file type is ESDS.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__VSAM_OPEN_KSDS_PATH</td>
<td>Does not indicate an error; set when the low level VSAM OPEN succeeds, and the file type is ESDS.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__VSAM_OPEN_RRDS</td>
<td>Does not indicate an error; set when the low level VSAM OPEN succeeds, and the file type is ESDS.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__VSAM_POINT</td>
<td>Set when the last op was a low level VSAM POINT; if the POINT fails, sets __rc and __fdbk in the __amrc struct.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__VSAM_PUT</td>
<td>Set when the last op was a low level VSAM PUT; if the PUT fails, sets __rc and __fdbk in the __amrc struct.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__VSAM_SHOWCB</td>
<td>Set when a low level VSAM SHOWCB macro fails, sets __rc and __fdbk fields in the __amrc struct.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>__VSAM_TESTCB</td>
<td>Set when a low level VSAM TESTCB macro fails, sets __rc and __fdbk fields in the __amrc struct.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Using the SIGIOERR signal**

SIGIOERR is a signal used by the library to pass control to an error handler when an I/O error occurs. The default action for this signal is SIG_IGN. Setting up a SIGIOERR handler is like setting up any other error handler. The example in Figure 37 adds a SIGIOERR handler to the example shown in Figure 35 on page 227. Note the way `fldata()` and the __amrc2 field __fileptr are used to get the name of the file that caused the error.

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```c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <signal.h>
#include <errno.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>

#ifdef __cplusplus
extern "C" {
#endif

Figure 37. Example of using SIGIOERR (Part 1 of 2)
When control is given to a SIGIOERR handler, the __amrc2Structure field __fileptr will be filled in with a file pointer. The __amrc2__fileptr will be NULL if a SIGIOERR is raised before the file has been successfully opened. The only operation permitted on the file pointer is fldata(). This operation can be used to extract information about the file that caused the error. Other than freopen() and fclose(), all I/O operations will fail since the file pointer is marked invalid. Do not issue freopen() or fclose() in a SIGIOERR handler that returns control. This will result in unpredictable behavior, likely an abend.

Figure 37. Example of using SIGIOERR (Part 2 of 2)
If you choose not to return from the handler, the file is still locked from all operations except fldata(), freopen(), or fclose(). The file is considered open and can prevent other incorrect access, such as an MVS sequential file opened more than once for a write. Like all other files, the file is closed automatically at program termination if it has not been closed explicitly already.

When you exit a SIGIOERR handler and do not return, the state of the file at closing is indeterminate. The state of the file is indeterminate because certain control block fields are not set correctly at the point of error and they do not get corrected unless you return from the handler.

For example, if your handler were invoked due to a truncation error and you performed a longjmp() out of your SIGIOERR handler, the file in error would remain open, yet inaccessible to all I/O functions other than fldata(), fclose(), and freopen(). If you were to close the file or it was closed at termination of the program, it is still likely that the record that was truncated will not appear in the final file.

You should be aware that for a standard stream passed across a system() call, the state of the file will be indeterminate even after you return to the parent program. For this reason, you should not jump out of a SIGIOERR handler. For further information on system() calls and standard streams, see Chapter 9, “Using C and C++ standard streams and redirection,” on page 75.

I/O with files other than the file causing the error is perfectly valid within a SIGIOERR handler. For example, it is valid to call printf() in your SIGIOERR handler if the file causing the error is not stdout. Comparing the incoming file pointer to the standard streams is not a reliable mechanism of detecting whether any of the standard streams are in error. This is because the file pointer in some cases is only a pointer to a file structure that points to the same __file as the stream supplied by you. The FILE pointers will not be equal if compared, but a comparison of the __file fields of the corresponding FILE pointers will be. See the stdio.h header file for details of type FILE.

If stdout or stderr are the originating files of a SIGIOERR, you should open a special log file in your handler to issue messages about the error.
Part 3. Interlanguage Calls with z/OS C/C++

This part describes z/OS C/C++ considerations about interlanguage calls in the z/OS Language Environment. For complete information about interlanguage calls (ILC) with z/OS C/C++ and z/OS Language Environment, refer to z/OS Language Environment Writing Interlanguage Communication Applications.

- Chapter 18, “Using Linkage Specifications in C or C++,” on page 237
- Chapter 19, “Combining C or C++ and Assembler,” on page 243
Chapter 18. Using Linkage Specifications in C or C++

This section describes how you can make calls between C or C++ programs and assembler, COBOL, PL/I, or FORTRAN programs, or other C or C++ programs. For complete information on making interlanguage calls to and from C or C++, see z/OS Language Environment Writing Interlanguage Communication Applications.

With XPLINK compilation, the linkage and parameter passing mechanisms for C and C++ are identical. If you link to a C function from a C++ program, you should still specify extern "C" to avoid name mangling. For more information about XPLINK, see z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide.

Syntax for Linkage in C or C++

You can specify one of the following linkage types:

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<tr>
<td>C</td>
<td>C linkage (C++ only)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C++</td>
<td>C++ linkage (C++ only, the default for C++)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>COBOL</td>
<td>Previously used for linkage to COBOL routines. Maintained for compatibility with COBOL/370 and VS COBOL II. With newer COBOL products, use the REFERENCE, OS, or C linkage type instead.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>FORTRAN</td>
<td>FORTRAN linkage</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OS</td>
<td>Operating System linkage</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OS_DOWNSTACK</td>
<td>XPLINK-enabled operating system linkage</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OS_NOSTACK</td>
<td>Minimal operating system linkage (for use with XPLINK)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OS_UPSTACK</td>
<td>Complete operating system linkage (for use with XPLINK)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OS31_NOSTACK</td>
<td>Same as OS_NOSTACK</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PLI</td>
<td>Maintained for compatibility with PL/I products prior to the VisualAge PL/I product. With newer PL/I products use the C linkage type instead.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>REFERENCE</td>
<td>A Language Environment reference linkage that has the same syntax and semantics with and without XPLINK. Unlike OS linkage, REFERENCE linkage is not affected by the OSCALL suboption of XPLINK. It is equivalent to OS_DOWNSTACK in XPLINK mode and OS_UPSTACK in non-XPLINK mode.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Syntax for Linkage in C

You can create linkages between C and other languages by using linkage specifications with the following #pragma linkage directive:

```c
#pragma linkage(identifier,linkage)
```

where `identifier` specifies the name of the function and `linkage` specifies the linkage associated with the function.
**Syntax for Linkage in C++**

You can create linkages between C++ and other languages by using linkage specifications with the following syntax:

```cpp
extern "linkage" { [declaration-list] }
extern "linkage" declaration
```

where *linkage* specifies the linkage associated with the function. If z/OS C++ does not recognize the linkage type, it uses C linkage.

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### Kinds of Linkage used by C or C++ Interlanguage Programs

The following table describes the kinds of linkage used by C++ interlanguage programs.

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<tr>
<td>GDDM, ISPF, or non-Language Environment conforming assembler</td>
<td>OS</td>
<td>Basic linkage defined by the operating system. OS Linkage allows integer, pointer, and floating point return types. Use of OS linkage with assembler is detailed in <a href="#">Specifying linkage for C or C++ to Assembler</a> on page 244.</td>
<td>extern &quot;OS&quot; { ... }</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Language Environment conforming assembler, NOXPLINK-compiled C or C++ declared with OS linkage (or C linkage, passing each parameter as a pointer) is to be called from XPLINK-compiled C or C++. Cannot be used on a function definition in XPLINK-compiled code.</td>
<td>OS_UPSTACK</td>
<td>This is the same as OS linkage in NOXPLINK-compiled programs. It is declared this way by the caller when the caller is XPLINK-compiled. The compiler will call glue code to transition from the XPLINK caller to the non-XPLINK callee. Also see the OSCALL suboption of the XPLINK option in <a href="#">z/OS C/C++ User's Guide</a>.</td>
<td>extern &quot;OS_UPSTACK&quot; { ... }</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Assembler which does not follow Language Environment conventions.</td>
<td>OS_NOSTACK, OS31_NOSTACK</td>
<td>The compiler does not generate any glue code for this call. It provides the called program with a 72-byte save area pointed to by Register 13, as does OS_UPSTACK, but the save area may not be initialized. In particular, the Language Environment Next Available Byte (NAB) field may not be present. On entry to the called function, Register 15 contains the entry point address and Register 14 contains the return address. Register 1 points to an OS-style argument list. Typically a program would declare an operating system or subsystem assembler routine with this linkage, where such a routine was not Language Environment enabled.</td>
<td>extern &quot;OS31_NOSTACK&quot; { ... }</td>
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| XPLINK-compiled C or C++ using OS_DOWNSTACK linkage, or XPLINK-enabled assembler. | OS_DOWNSTACK | As with OS linkage in NOXPLINK-compiled C or C++, the parameters are passed by reference rather than by value. However, parameter and stack management use XPLINK conventions. Also see the OSCALL suboption of the XPLINK option in z/OS C/C++ User's Guide. | extern "OS_DOWNSTACK" {
  ... } |
| The following programs, using by-reference parameter passing:  
  • XPLINK-compiled C/C++ programs calling XPLINK functions (C, C++, or Language Environment conforming assembler)  
  • NOXPLINK-compiled C/C++ programs calling NOXPLINK functions (C, C++, or Language Environment conforming assembler)  
  A Language Environment conforming stack frame is always provided. This is not affected by the OSCALL suboption of XPLINK. | REFERENCE | This is the same as OS_DOWNSTACK linkage in XPLINK-compiled programs and OS_UPSTACK in NOXPLINK-compiled programs. Use this for Language Environment-conforming assembler linkage. | extern "REFERENCE" {
  ... } |
| PL/I | PLI | Modification of OS linkage. It forces the compiler to read and write parameter lists using PL/I linkage conventions. This linkage type extends OS linkage by allowing structures as return types. (When the return type is a structure, the caller allocates a buffer large enough to receive the returned structure and passes it, by reference, as a hidden final argument.)  
  This linkage type is maintained for compatibility with PL/I products prior to the VisualAge PL/I product. With newer PL/I products use the C linkage type instead. | extern "PLI" { ... } |
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<tr>
<td>COBOL</td>
<td>COBOL</td>
<td>Forces the compiler to read and write parameter lists using COBOL linkage conventions. All calls from C++ to COBOL must be void functions. This linkage type is maintained for compatibility with COBOL/370 and VS COBOL II. With newer COBOL products, you can call COBOL functions with the REFERENCE and OS linkage types, which allow integer return types. If the COBOL routine receives parameters by value (a pragmaless call), you can use the C linkage type.</td>
<td>extern &quot;COBOL&quot; { ... }</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>FORTRAN</td>
<td>FORTRAN</td>
<td>Forces the compiler to read and write parameter lists using FORTRAN linkage conventions.</td>
<td>extern &quot;FORTRAN&quot; { ... }</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C</td>
<td>C</td>
<td>Use in C++ to force the compiler to read and write parameter lists using C linkage conventions. C code and the Data Window Services (DWS) product both use C linkage. With XPLINK, C and C++ use the same linkage conventions. When this linkage is specified in C++ code, the specified function is known by its function name alone rather than its name and argument types. It cannot be overloaded.</td>
<td>extern &quot;C&quot; { ... }</td>
</tr>
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</table>

Using Linkage Specifications in C++

In the following example, a function is prototyped in a piece of C++ code and uses, by default, C++ linkage.

```cpp
void CXX_FUNC (int); // C++ linkage
```

Note that C++ is case-sensitive, but PL/I, COBOL, assembler, and FORTRAN are not. In these languages, external names are mapped to uppercase. To ensure that external names match across interlanguage calls, code the names in uppercase in the C++ program, supply an appropriate `#pragma map` specification, or use the `NOLONGNAME` compiler option. This will truncate and uppercase names for functions without C++ linkage.

To reference functions defined in other languages, you should use a linkage specification with a literal string that is one of the following:

- `C`
- `COBOL`
- `FORTRAN`
- `OS`
- `OS_DOWNSTACK`
- `OS_NOSTACK`
For example:

```c
extern "OS" {
    int ASMFUNC1(void);
    int ASMFUNC2(int);
}
```

This specification declares the two functions ASMFUNC1 and ASMFUNC2 to have operating system linkage. The function names are case-sensitive and must match the definition exactly. You should also limit identifiers to 8 or fewer characters.

Use the reference type parameter (`type&`) in C++ prototypes if the called language does not support pass-by-value parameters or if the called routine expects a parameter to be passed by reference.

**Note:** To have your program be callable by any of these other languages, include an `extern` declaration for the function that the other language will call.
Chapter 19. Combining C or C++ and Assembler

This chapter describes how to communicate between z/OS C/C++ and assembler programs.

To write assembler code that can be called from z/OS C/C++, use the prolog and epilog macros described in this chapter. For more information on how the z/OS Language Environment works with assembler, see [z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide](#) and [z/OS Language Environment Writing Interlanguage Communication Applications](#).

**z/OS Language Environment** provides a set of assembler macros for use with 64-bit assembler programs. For information on writing 64-bit assembler programs, see [z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide for 64-bit Virtual Addressing Mode](#).

Access to z/OS UNIX System Services is intended to be through the z/OS UNIX System Services C/C++ run–time library only. The z/OS C/C++ compiler does not support the direct use of z/OS UNIX System Services callable services such as the assembler interfaces. You should not directly use z/OS UNIX System Services callable services from your z/OS C/C++ application programs, because problems can occur with the processing of the following:

- Signals
- Library transfers
- fork()
- exec()
- Threads

There are comparable z/OS C/C++ run–time library functions for most z/OS UNIX System Services callable services, and you should use those instead. Do not call assembler programs that access z/OS UNIX System Services callable services.

### Establishing the z/OS C/C++ environment

Before you can call a C or C++ function from assembler, you must establish a suitable environment. To establish the environment, do one of the following:

- Call the assembler program from within the C or C++ program (from `main()` or another function). Since the assembler call is from within the C or C++ program, the environment has already been established. It is often simplest to call the assembler using OS linkage conventions.

**Note:** In this chapter, "OS linkages" and "OS linkage" conventions refer to the following group of specifications: OS, OS_UPSTACK, OS_DOWNSTACK, OS_NOSTACK, OS31_NOSTACK and REFERENCE. "OS" is used in syntax diagrams and examples as a representative specification. These specifications use different stack conventions. For more information on these specifications, see Chapter 18, "Using Linkage Specifications in C or C++," on page 237.

- Use preinitialization to set up the z/OS Language Environment. See "Retaining the C environment using preinitialization" on page 257 for information.
- Use the Language Environment CEEENTRY prolog macro with `MAIN=YES` specified so that z/OS Language Environment is initialized.
Specifying linkage for C or C++ to Assembler

The process for specifying the linkage to assembler differs for C and for C++. In C, a \#pragma linkage directive is used, while in C++ a linkage specifier is used.

- Under C, a \#pragma linkage directive enables the compiler to generate and accept parameter lists, using a linkage convention known as OS linkage. Although functionally different, both calling an assembler routine and being called by one are handled by the same \#pragma. Its format is:

```
#pragma linkage(identifier, OS)
```

where identifier is the name of the assembler function to be called from C or the C function to be called from assembler. The \#pragma linkage directive must occur before the call to the entry point.

- Under C++, a linkage specifier enables the compiler to generate and accept parameter lists, using a linkage convention known as OS linkage. Although functionally different, both calling an assembler routine and being called by one are handled by the same linkage specifier. The format of the linkage specifier is:

```c
extern "OS" {
    fn1 desc;
    fn2 desc;
    ...
}
```

where fnx desc is the name of the OS entry point.

For C and C++: In XPLINK compiled code, the OS_UPSTACK and OS_NOSTACK (or OS31_NOSTACK) linkages are used for declaring the linkage convention of a routine that the C or C++ code is calling. You cannot define C or C++ entry points as having OS_NOSTACK linkage. You define C or C++ entry points with OS_UPSTACK linkage by compiling the translation units containing them with the NOXPLINK compiler option. In NOXPLINK compiled code, the OS_DOWNSTACK linkage is used to declare the linkage convention for a routine that the C or C++ code is calling. You define C or C++ entry points with OS_DOWNSTACK linkage by compiling the translation units containing them with the XPLINK compiler option.

Just as C (or C++) linkage programs can call OS linkage programs, OS linkage programs can call C linkage programs. An example of C linkage calling OS linkage, which in turn calls C linkage (in this case, one of the z/OS C/C++ library functions) is shown in Figure 42 on page 253.

In general, any type that can be passed between C and assembler can also be passed between C++ and assembler. However, if a C++ class that uses features not available to assembler (such as virtual functions, virtual base classes, private and protected data, or static data members) is passed to assembler, the results will be undefined.

Note: In C++, a structure is just a class declared with the keyword struct. Its members and base classes are public by default. A union is a class declared with the keyword union its members are public by default, and it holds only one member at a time.
Parameter lists for OS linkage

A parameter list for OS linkage is a list of pointers. The most significant bit of the last parameter in the parameter list is turned on by the compiler when the list is created.

If a parameter is an address-type parameter, the address itself is directly stored into the parameter list. Otherwise, a copy is created for a value parameter and the address of this copy is stored into the parameter list.

The type of a parameter is specified by the prototype of a function. In the absence of a prototype, the creation of a parameter list is determined by the types of the actual parameters passed to the function. Figure 38 shows an example of the parameter list for OS linkage.

In the list, the first and third parameters are value parameters, and the second is an address parameter.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>R1</th>
<th></th>
<th></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>ptr of P1 copy</td>
<td>P2</td>
<td>ptr of P3 copy</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>copy of P1</td>
<td></td>
<td>copy of P3</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Figure 38. Example of parameter lists for OS linkage

XPLINK Assembler

The XPLINK support provided by the assembler macros EDCXPRLG and EDCXEPGLG allows XPLINK C and C++ code to call routines that can be coded for performance, or to perform a function that can not be readily done in C/C++. The EDCXCALL macro allows XPLINK assembler to call routines in the same program object, or in a DLL. The following z/OS Language Environment books provide more information on XPLINK that may be useful to assembler programmers:

- z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide — provides an overview of XPLINK and what it means to the application programmer. It also describes the Language Environment assembler support, including the CEEPDDA and CEEPLDA macros, which can be used to define and reference data from assembler.
- z/OS Language Environment Writing Interlanguage Communication Applications — provides information on how assembler routines interact with routines coded in other high level languages.
- z/OS Language Environment Debugging Guide — provides details on XPLINK, including information on building parameter lists for calling other XPLINK routines.

Coding XPLINK assembler routines differs from traditional non-XPLINK assembler in the following ways:
• You use the EDCXPRLG and EDCXEPLG macros for entry/exit code, and the EDCXCALL macro to call other routines. These are documented in the section “Using standard macros” on page 247.

• You use the following XPLINK register conventions within the XPLINK assembler routine:
  – XPLINK parameter passing conventions: Registers 1, 2, and 3 are used to pass up to the first 3 integral values, and floating point registers will be used to pass floating point parameters.
  – XPLINK DSA format: Note that the stack register (reg 4) is “biased”. This means that you must add 2K (2048) to the stack register to get the actual start of the current routine’s DSA. The z/OS Language Environment mapping macro CEEDSA contains a mapping of the XPLINK DSA, including the 2K bias (CEEDSAHP_BIAS). The caller’s registers are saved in the DSA obtained by the callee. The callee’s parameters (other than those passed in registers, if any), are built in the argument list in the callers DSA, and addressed there directly by the callee. There is no indirect access to the parameters via Register 1 as in OS linkage.

• While EDCXPRLG and EDCXEPLG allow Language Environment conforming XPLINK assembler routines to be written, another alternative for XPLINK C/C++ callers is to designate the linkage as OS31_NOSTACK. For more information on OS31_NOSTACK see Chapter 18, “Using Linkage Specifications in C or C++,” on page 237. When the C/C++ caller designates the assembler routine as OS31_NOSTACK linkage, the assembler code can be written without using EDCXPRLG or EDCXEPLG (or any other Language Environment prolog or epilog macros). This can only be done when the assembler code has no dynamic stack storage requirements. With OS31_NOSTACK, standard OS linkage rules apply:
  – Register 1 will be used to point to the parameter list.
  – Register 13 will point to an 18 word savearea, provided to the callee for saving and restoring registers.
  – Register 14 will be the return address for branching back to the caller.
  – Register 15 will contain the address of the callee.

Table 32 shows the layout of the XPLINK interface.

Table 32. Comparison of non-XPLINK and XPLINK register conventions

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Stack Pointer</th>
<th>Non-XPLINK</th>
<th>XPLINK</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Return Address</td>
<td>Reg 14</td>
<td>Reg 7</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Entry point on entry</td>
<td>Reg 15</td>
<td>Reg 6 (not guaranteed; a routine may be called via branch relative)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Environment</td>
<td>Reg 0 (writeable static)</td>
<td>Reg 5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CAA Address</td>
<td>Reg 12</td>
<td>Reg 12</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Input Parameter List</td>
<td>address in R1</td>
<td>Located at fixed offset 64 (‘40′x) into the callee’s stack frame (remember the 2K bias on R4). Additionally, any of General Registers 1, 2, and 3, and Floating Point Registers 0, 2, 4, and 6, may be used to pass parameters instead of the caller’s stack frame.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Return code</td>
<td>Reg 15</td>
<td>R3 (extended return value in R1,R2)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Start address of callee’s stack frame</td>
<td>Caller’s NAB value</td>
<td>Caller’s Reg 4 - DSA size</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Table 32. Comparison of non-XPLINK and XPLINK register conventions (continued)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>End address of callee's stack frame</th>
<th>Non-XPLINK</th>
<th>XPLINK</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Caller's NAB value + DSA size</td>
<td>Caller's Reg 4</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Where caller's registers are saved</td>
<td>R0-R12 saved in caller's stack frame R13 saved in callee's stack frame R14-R15 saved in caller's stack frame</td>
<td>R0 not saved, not preserved R1-R3 not saved, not preserved R4 not saved, recalculated (or saved, restored) R5 not saved, not preserved R6 saved in callee's stack frame, not restored R7-R15 saved in callee's stack frame (R7 is the return register and is not guaranteed to be restored)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

See [z/OS Language Environment Vendor Interfaces](http://www.ibm.com/software/ad/debugtool/library/) for additional information about register usage and conventions, especially for details about passing parameters with XPLINK. For information on the registers which are saved in the register savearea of the XPLINK stack frame see [z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide](http://www.ibm.com/software/ad/debugtool/library/).

### Using standard macros

To communicate properly, assembler routines must preserve the use of certain registers and particular storage areas, in a way that is consistent with code from the C or C++ compiler. z/OS C/C++ provides macros for use with assembler routines. These macros are in CEE.SCEEMAC. The High-Level Assembler for MVS & VM & VSE must be used when assembling with these macros. The macros are:

- **EDCPRLG** Generates the prolog for non-XPLINK assembler code
- **EDCEPIL** Generates the epilog for non-XPLINK assembler code
- **EDCXPRLG** Generates the prolog for XPLINK assembler code
- **EDCXCALL** Generates a call from XPLINK assembler code
- **EDCXEPLG** Generates the epilog for XPLINK assembler code
- **EDCDSAD** Accesses automatic memory in the non-XPLINK stack. For the XPLINK stack, use the CEEDSA macro, described in [z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide](http://www.ibm.com/software/ad/debugtool/library/)

EDCPROL, the old version of EDCPRLG, is shipped for compatibility with Version 1 of C/370 and is unchanged. However, you should use EDCPRLG if you can.

The advantage of writing assembler code using these macros is that the assembler routine will then participate fully in the z/OS C/C++ environment, enabling the assembler routine to call z/OS C/C++ functions. The macros also manage automatic storage, and make the assembler code easier to debug because the z/OS Language Environment control blocks for the assembler function will be displayed in a formatted traceback or dump. See the Debug Tool documentation, which is available at http://www.ibm.com/software/ad/debugtool/library/, for further information on z/OS Language Environment tracebacks and dumps.
Non-XPLINK assembler prolog

Use the EDCPRLG macro to generate non-XPLINK assembler prolog code at the start of assembler routines.

```
name EDCPRLG
   USRDSAL=ulen
   BASEREG=register
   DSALEN=dlen
```

- **name** is inserted in the prolog. It is used in the processing of certain exception conditions and is useful in debugging and in reading memory dumps. If **name** is absent, the name of the current CSECT is used.
- **USRDSAL=ulen** is used only when automatic storage (in bytes) is needed. To address this storage, see the EDCDSAD macro description. The **ulen** value is the requested length of the user space in the DSA.
- **BASEREG=register** designates the required base register. The macro generates code needed for setting the value of the register and for establishing addressability. The default is Register 3. If **register** equals **NONE**, no code is generated for establishing addressability.
- **DSALEN=dlen** is the total requested length of the DSA. The default is 120. If fewer than 120 bytes are requested, 120 bytes are allocated. If both **dlen** and **ulen** are specified, then the greater of **dlen** or **ulen**+120 is allocated. If **DSALEN=NONE** is specified, no code is generated for DSA storage allocation, and R13 will still point to the caller's DSA. Therefore, you should not use the EDCEPIL macro to terminate the assembler routine. Instead, you have to restore the registers yourself from the current DSA. To do this, you can use an assembler instruction such as:

```
LM 14,12,12(R13)
BR 14
```

You should not use EDCDSAD to access automatic memory if you have specified **DSALEN=NONE**, since DSECT is addressable using R13.

Non-XPLINK assembler epilog

Use the EDCEPIL macro to generate non-XPLINK assembler epilog code at the end of assembler routines. Do not use this macro in conjunction with an EDCPRLG macro that specifies **DSALEN=NONE**.

```
name EDCEPIL
```

- **name** is the optional name operand, which then becomes the label on the exit from this code. The name does not have to match the prolog.

XPLINK Assembler prolog

Use the EDCXPRLG macro to generate XPLINK assembler prolog code at the start of assembler routines.
name

If EN TNAME=epname is specified then name is used as the name of the XPLINK entry marker, else name is the name of the entry point and name#C is used as the name of the XPLINK entry marker.

DSASIZE=len

Specifies automatic storage requirements (in bytes). Specify a len of 0 if the XPLINK assembler routine is a leaf routine with no automatic storage requirements. XPLINK leaf routines must preserve registers 4, 6, and 7 throughout their execution. This is a required parameter, the minimum size of an XPLINK DSA (80 bytes) or more must be specified if DSASIZE is not zero. The length will be rounded up, if necessary, to a multiple of 32-bytes.

PARMWRDS=numwrds

Specifies the number of 4-byte words in the input parameter list. If this is omitted, then the routine will be treated as vararg, and it will adversely affect performance if the call to this routine results in a stack overflow. This parameter is required if mixing XPLINK and non-XPLINK routines so that the glue code that switches between linkage conventions on a call can correctly pass the parameters. If this is omitted, then a call from a non-XPLINK caller to an XPLINK Assembler routine will abend with message CEE3584E.

ENTNAME=epname

Is the optional name of the XPLINK assembler routine entry point.

BASEREG=register

Designates the required base register. The macro generates code needed for setting the value of the register and for establishing addressability. The default is register 8. If register equals NONE, no code is generated for establishing addressability.

PSECT=pname

Is the name to be assigned to the XPLINK assembler routine PSECT area. For more information about the PSECT area see [HLASM Language Reference].

GT2KSTK=YES

If GT2KSTK=YES is specified, then an unconditional “large stack frame” prolog will be used that checks for the XPLINK stack floor in the CAA, instead of depending on the write-protected guard page. This parameter must be specified if the len on the DSASIZE parameter is greater than 2048 (ie. 2K).

EXPORT=NO

If EXPORT=NO is specified, then this function is not exported. In this case, this function can be called only from other functions that are link-edited in the same program object with this function.

If EXPORT=YES is specified, then this function is to be exported when link-edited into a DLL. With this function exported from the DLL, it can be called from functions outside of the containing program object. If you want the exported name to be a long name and/or mixed case, follow the EDCXPRLG macro with an ALIAS statement. For example:
EDCXPRLG macro with an ALIAS statement
ASMDLLEP EDCXPRLG DSASIZE=0,BASEREG=2,EXPORT=YES
ASMDLLEP ALIAS 'dllfunx'

* Symbolic Register Definitions and Usage
R3 EQU 3  Return value
* WTO 'ADLLXEFI: Exported function dllfunx entered', ROUTCDE=11
*
RETURN DS OH
SR R3,R3
EDCXEPLG
END ASMDLLEP

Figure 39. EDCXPRLG macro with an ALIAS statement

Note: If you specify EXPORT=YES, then you must use the GOFF assembler option. For the entry point to be available as an exported DLL function, you must specify the DYNAM(DLL) binder option, and the resulting program object must reside in a PDSE or the HFS.

XPLINK Call

Use the EDCXCALL macro to pass control from an XPLINK assembler program to a control section at a specified entry point. It is meant to be used in conjunction with the EDCXPRLG and EDCXEPLG macros. The target of EDCXCALL can be resolved either statically (link-edited with the same program object) or dynamically (imported from a DLL).

The EDCXCALL macro does not generate any return codes. Return information may be placed in GPR 3 (and possibly GPRs 2 and 1, or the Floating Point Registers) by the called program, as specified by XPLINK linkage conventions. The EDCXCALL macro does not support extended return types. For more information, refer to [z/OS Language Environment Vendor Interfaces].

GPRs 0, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, and 7 are not preserved by this macro.

```
EDCXCALL—entry-name—[, (parm1, ...)]—WORKREG=reg
```

name Optional label beginning in column 1.

entry-name= Specifies the entry name of the program to be given control. This entry name can reside in the same program object, or can be an exported DLL function.

[, (parm1, ...)] One or more parameters to be passed to the called program. The parameters are copied to the argument area in the calling program's DSA, and then GPRs 1, 2, and 3 are loaded with the first three words of this argument area. Sufficient space must be reserved in the caller's argument area to contain the largest possible parameter list. A minimum of 4 words (16 bytes) must always be allocated for the argument area. Use the DSASIZE= parameter on the EDCXPRLG prolog macro to ensure that the calling program's DSA is large enough. At this time, the EDCXCALL macro only supports passing parameters by reference.

WORKREG= A numeric value representing a general purpose register between 8
and 15, inclusive, that can be used as a work register by this macro. Its contents will not be preserved.

**Notes:**
1. This macro requires that the calling routine’s XPLINK environment address is in register 5 (as it was when the routine was first invoked).
2. This macro requires that a PSECT was defined by the EDCXPRLG prolog macro.
3. This macro requires the GOFF assembler option.
4. This macro requires the binder to link-edit, and the RENT and DYNAM(DLL) binder options. You will also need the CASE(MIXED) binder option if the entry-name is mixed case.
5. The output from the binder must be a PM3 (or higher) format program object, and therefore must reside in either a PDSE or the HFS.

The following XPLINK assembler example shows a call to an XPLINK routine named Xif1 where no parameters are passed.

**CCNGCA9**

* Call to an XPLINK routine with no parameters
ADLAXIF1 EDCXPRLG DSASIZE=DSASZ,PSECT=ADLAXIFP
* R3 EQU 3 RETURN VALUE
* WTO 'ADLAXIF1: Calling imported XPLINK function Xif1', X ROUTCDE=11
* EDCXCALL Xif1,WORKREG=10
* SR R3,R3 RETURN DS 0H EDCXEPLG
* LTORG CEEDSAHP CEEDSA SECTYPE=XPLINK MINARGA DS 4F DSASZ EQU *CEEDSAHP_FIXED END ADLAXIF1

*Figure 40. Call to an XPLINK routine with no parameters*

The following XPLINK assembler example calls a function with 5 parameters.
* Call to an XPLINK routine with 5 parameters
ADLAXIF7 EDCXPRLG DSASIZE=DSASZ,PSECT=ADLAXIFP
* R3 EQU 3 RETURN VALUE
* WTO 'ADLAXIF7: Calling imported XPLINK function Xif7 passing parameters (15,33,"Hello world",45.2,9)', ROUTCDE=11
* EDCXCALL Xif7,(PARM1,PARM2,PARM3,PARM4,PARM5),WORKREG=10
* SR R3,R3
RETURN DS 0H EDCXEPPLG
*
LTORG
PARM1 DC FL4'15'
PARM2 DC FL2'33'
PARM3 DC C'Hello world'
DC X'00'
PARM4 DC D'45.2'
PARM5 DC FL4'9'
CEEDSAHP CEEDSA SECTYPE=XPLINK
ARGAREA DS 5F
DSASZ EQU *-CEEDSAHP_FIXED
END ADLAXIF7

Figure 41. Call to an XPLINK routine with 5 parameters

XPLINK Assembler epilog

Use the EDCXEPPLG macro to generate XPLINK assembler epilog code at the end of assembler routines. This macro must always be used with a matching EDCXPRLG macro, even if the EDCXPRLG macro specified DSASIZE=0.

name Is the optional name operand, which then becomes the label on the exit from this code. The name does not have to match the prolog.

Accessing automatic memory in the non-XPLINK stack

Use the EDCDSAD macro to access automatic memory in the non-XPLINK stack.

Automatic memory is reserved using the USRDAL, or the DSALLEN operand of the EDCPRLG macro. The length of the allocated area is derived from the ulen and/or dlen values specified on the EDCPRLG macro. EDCDSAD generates a DSECT, which reserves space for the stack frame needed for the C or C++ environment.

name Is the optional name operand, which then becomes the name of the generated DSECT.

The DSECT is addressable using Register 13. Register 13 is initialized by the prolog code. If you have specified DSALLEN=NONE with EDCPRLG you should not use EDCDSAD.
The Language Environment mapping macro CEEDSA can be used to map a DSA, either non-XPLINK or XPLINK or both.

CEEDSA—SECTYPE=XPLINK

There are other SECTYPE operands. SECTYPE=XPLINK will only produce an XPLINK DSA mapping. For more information on CEEDSA see z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide.

Calling C code from Assembler — C example

The following C example shows how to call C code from assembler. There are three parts to this example. The first part, shown in Figure 42 is a trivial C routine that establishes the C run-time environment.

CCNGCA4

/* this example demonstrates C/Assembler ILC */
/* part 1 of 3 (other files are CCNGCA2, CCNGCA5) */
/* in this example, the code in CCNGCA4 invokes CCNGCA2, */
/* which in turn invokes CCNGCA5 */
/* you can use EDCCBG to do the compile and bind, but */
/* you must include the objects from CCNGCA2 and CCNGCA5 */

#pragma linkage(CALLPRTF, OS)

int main(void) {
    CALLPRTF();
    return(0);
}

Figure 42. Establishing the C run-time environment

The second part of the example, shown in Figure 43 on page 254 is the assembler routine. It calls an intermediate C function that invokes a run-time library function.
Finally in this example, the intermediate C routine calls a run-time library function as shown in Figure 44.

Figure 44. Calling an intermediate C function from Assembler OS linkage

Finally in this example, the intermediate C routine calls a run-time library function as shown in Figure 44.

Figure 44. Intermediate C routine calling a run-time library function
Calling run-time library routines from Assembler — C++ example

The following C++ example shows how to call library routines from assembler. There are three parts to this example. The first part shown in Figure 45 is a trivial C/C++ routine that establishes the C/C++ run-time environment. It uses extern OS to indicate the OS linkage and calls the assembler routine.

CCNGCA1

```cpp
// this example demonstrates C++/Assembler ILC
// part 1 of 3 (other files are CCNGCA2, CCNGCA3)

extern "OS" int CALLPRTF(void);

int main(void) {
    CALLPRTF();
}
```

Figure 45. Establishing the C/C++ run-time environment

The second part of this example, shown in Figure 46 is the assembler routine. It calls an intermediate C/C++ routine that invokes a run-time library function.

CCNGCA2

```assembly
* this example demonstrates ILC with Assembler (part 2 of 3)
CALLPRTF CSECT
EDCPRLG
   LA 1,ADDR_BLK        parameter address block in r1
   L 15,=V(@PRINTF4)   address of routine
   BALR 14,15           call it
EDCEPIL

ADDR_BLK DC A(FMTSTR)    parameter address block with..
   DC A('80000000'+INTVAL) .high bit on the last address
FMTSTR DC C'Sample formatting string'
   DC C' which includes an int -- %d --'
   DC AL1(NEWLINE,NEWLINE)
   DC C'and two newline characters'
   DC AL1(NULL)

* INTVAL DC F'222'     The integer value displayed
*
* NULL EQU X'00'   C NULL character
NEWLINE EQU X'15'  C \n character
END
```

Figure 46. Calling an intermediate C/C++ function from Assembler using OS linkage

The third part of the example, shown in Figure 47 on page 256 is an intermediate C/C++ routine that calls a run-time library function.
Register content at entry to a non-XPLINK ASM routine using OS linkage

When control is passed to an assembler routine that uses OS linkage, the contents of the registers are as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Register</th>
<th>Contents</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>R0</td>
<td>Undefined.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>R1</td>
<td>Points to the parameter list. The parameter list consists of a vector of addresses, each of which points to an actual parameter. The address of the last parameter has its high-order bit set on, to indicate the end of the list.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>R2 to R11</td>
<td>Undefined.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>R12</td>
<td>Points to an internal control block. It can be used by the called routine but must be restored to its entry value if it calls a routine that expects z/OS Language Environment.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>R13</td>
<td>Points to the caller’s DSA. Part of the DSA is used by EDCPRLG and EDCEPIL to save and restore registers. EDCPRLG can change R13 so that it points to the called routine’s DSA from the caller’s DSA.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>R14</td>
<td>The return address.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>R15</td>
<td>The address of the entry point being called.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Register content at exit from a non-XPLINK ASM routine to z/OS C/C++

Registers have the following content when control returns to the point of call:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Register</th>
<th>Contents</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>R0</td>
<td>Undefined.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>R1</td>
<td>Undefined.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>R2 to R13</td>
<td>Must be restored to entry values. This is done by EDCEPIL and EDCPRLG.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
### Retaining the C environment using preinitialization

If an assembler routine called the same C or C++ program repeatedly, the creation and termination of the C/C++ environment for each call would be inefficient. The solution is to create the C/C++ environment only once by preinitializing the C or C++ program. The Language Environment preinitialization (CEEIPI) services are the strategic form of preinitialization. For information on the Language Environment preinitialization (CEEIPI) services, see z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide. This section discusses the z/OS C preinitialization interface only for reasons of compatibility.

#### Notes:
1. This information pertains only to users of C programs.
2. XPLINK applications are not supported under Preinitialized Compatibility Interface (PICI) environments.
3. POSIX(ON) is not supported under PICI environments.
4. AMODE 64 applications are not supported under PICI environments.

If you are calling a C program multiple times from an assembler program, you can establish the C environment and then repeatedly invoke the C program using the already established C environment. You incur the overhead of initializing and terminating the C environment only once instead of every time you invoke the C program.

Because C detects programs that can be preinitialized dynamically during initialization, you do not have to recompile the program or link-edit it again.

To maintain the C environment, you start the program with the C entry CEESTART, and pass a special Extended Parameter List that indicates that the program is to be preinitialized.

When you use preinitialization, you are initializing the library yourself with the INIT call and terminating it yourself with the TERM call. In a non-preinitialized program, the library closes any files you left open and releases storage. It does not do this in a preinitialized program. Therefore, for every invocation of your preinitialized program, you must release all allocated resources as follows:

- Close all files that were opened
- Free all allocated storage
- Release all fetched modules

If you do not release all allocated resources, you will waste memory.

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| **R14** | Return address. |
| **R15** | Return value for integer types (long int, short int, char) and pointer types. Otherwise set to 0. |
| **FP0** | Returns value for float or double parameters. |
| **FP0** | Returns value if long double is passed. |
| **FP2** | Returns value if long double is passed. |

**Note:** When in FLOAT(AFP) mode the callee must save and restore FPR's 8 through 15.

All other floating point registers are undefined.
Setting up the interface for preinitializable programs

The interface for preinitializing programs is shown in Figure 48.

The LL field is a halfword containing the value of 16. The halfword that follows must contain 0 (zero).

The Request field is 8 characters that can contain:
'INIT'
    Initializes the C environment and, returns two tokens that represent the
    environment, but does not run the program. Token 1 and token 2 must both
    have the value of zero on an INIT call; otherwise, preinitialization fails.
    
    You can initialize only one C environment at a time. However, you can make
    the sequence of calls to INIT, CALL, and TERM more than once.

'CALL'
    Runs the C program using the environment established by the INIT request,
    and exits from the environment when the program completes. The CALL request
    uses the two tokens that were returned by the INIT request so that C can
    recognize the proper environment.
    
    You can also initialize and call a C program by passing the CALL parameter with
    two zero tokens. The C program processes this request as an INIT followed by
    a CALL. You can still call the program repeatedly, but you should pass the two
    zero tokens only on the first call. Once the C environment is initialized, the
    values of the tokens are changed, and must not be modified on any subsequent
    calls.
    
    Calling a C program other than the one used to initialize the C environment is
    not supported, especially if write-able static is needed by the program being
    called. This is because write-able static was allocated and initialized based
    upon the program used to initialize the C environment.

'TERM'
    Terminates the C environment but does not run the program.
    
    The program used to terminate the C environment should be the same as the
    program used to initialize the C environment. Usage of a different program to
    terminate the C environment is unsupported.

'EXECUTE'
    Performs INIT, CALL, and TERM in succession.

No other value is valid.

The Extended PLIST address field is a pointer to the Extended Parameter List
(EPL). The EPL is a vector of fullwords that consists of:

Length of extended parameter list
    The length includes the 4 bytes for the length field. Valid decimal values are
    20, 28, and 32.

First and second C environment tokens
    These tokens are automatically returned during initialization; or, you can
    use zeros for them when requesting a preinitialized CALL, and the effect is
    that both an INIT and a CALL are performed.

Pointer to your program parameters
    The layout of the parameters is shown in Figure 48 on page 258 Interface
    for Preinitialization Programs. If no parameter is specified, use a fullword of
    zeros.

Pointer to your run-time options
    To point to the character string of run-time options, refer to Figure 48. The
    character string consists of a halfword LL field that contains the length of
    the list of run-time options, followed by the actual list of run-time options.
**Pointer to an alternative main**

This field is not supported in C. However, if you want to use the seventh or eighth fields, use a full word of zeros as a place holder.

**Pointer to the service vector**

If you want certain services (such as load and delete) to be carried out by other code supplied by you (instead of, for example, by the LOAD and DELETE macros), use this field to point to the service vector. See Figure 48 on page 258.

**Request modifier code**

When your request is INIT, CALL, or EXECUTE, you can specify any of the following request modifier codes:

0  Does not change the request.
1  Loads all common library modules as part of the preinitialized environment.
2  Loads all common and C library modules as part of the preinitialized environment.
3  Reinitializes the environment. If the environment is already established, frees all HEAP storage and any ISA overflow segments. Do not use this code if subsequent calls depend on storage that is still being allocated by previous calls.
4  Allows you to create more than one environment. The new environment is chained with existing request modifier 4 environments or a batch environment, where possible, so that C memory file sharing among the environments is possible. Details on chaining and C memory file sharing support are covered in “Multiple preinitialization compatibility interface C environments” on page 268. The user-supplied service routine vector is not supported when you use request modifier value 4 in the extended parameter list. Do not code this if you are using the service routine vector. If you do, an abnormal end will occur.
5  Allows you to create more than one environment. The new environment is separated from other environments which may already exist. This environment does not support sharing of C memory files with other preinitialization compatibility interface environments.

When your request is TERM, you can specify either of the following request modifier codes:

0  Does not change the request.
1  Forces termination. Ends the C environment without any of the usual checks.

Code this field only when you cannot request normal termination. You must ensure that the environment you are forcing to end is not in use.

The length you specify in the first field of the extended parameter list makes it known whether you have specified a request modifier code or not.
Run-Time options are applied only at initialization and remain until termination. You must code PLIST(MVS) in the called C program in order for the preinitialization to work.

The options ARGPARSE|NOARGPARSE have no effect on preinitialized programs. The assembler program has to provide parameters in the form expected by the C program. Thus, if the C program is coded for the NOARGPARSE option, the argc should be set to 2, and parameters passed as a single string.

**Preinitializing a C program**

A preinitialized C program is displayed in Figure 49 on page 262 which shows how to:

- Establish the C environment using an INIT request
- Pass run-time parameters to the C initialization routine
- Set up a parameter to the C program
- Repeatedly call a C program using the CALL request
- Communicate from the C program to the driving program using a return code
- End the C program using the TERM request

The example C program is very simple. The parameters it expects are the file name in argv[1] and the return code in argv[2]. The C program printf()s the value of the return code, writes a record to the file name, and decrements the value in return code.

The assembler program that drives the C program establishes the C environment and repeatedly invokes the C program, initially passing a value of 5 in the return code. When the return code set by the C program is zero, the assembler program terminates the C environment and exits.

The program in Figure 49 on page 262 does not include the logic that would verify the correctness of any of the invocations. Such logic is imperative for proper operations.
This example shows how to preinitialize a C program part 1 of 3 (other files are CCNGCA7 and CCNGCA8)

Function: Demonstrate the use of Preinitialized C programs

Requests used: INIT, CALL, TERM

Parameters to C program: FILE_NAME, RUN_INDEX

Return from C Program: RUN_INDEX

***-------------------------------------------------------------

CCNGCA6 CSECT
CCNGCA6 RMODE ANY
CCNGCA6 AMODE ANY
EXTRN CEESTART C Program Entry
STM R14,R12,,12(R13) Save registers
BALR R3,0 Set base register
USING *,R3 Establish addressability
ST R13,SVAR+4 Set back chain
LA R13,SVAR Set this module's save area

***-------------------------------------------------------------

*** Initialize

P_INIT DS 0H
MVC P_RQ,INIT Set INIT as the request
LA RI,PALIPT Load Parameter pointer
L R15,CEP Load C Entry Point
BALR R14,R15 Invoke C Program

***-------------------------------------------------------------

The C environment has been established.

Parameters include RUN_INDEX which will be counted down by the C program. When the RUN_INDEX is zero, termination will be requested.

The following code will set up C program parameters and CALL request, invoke the C program and test for termination.

***-------------------------------------------------------------

LA R1,PGPAPT Pointer to C program parameters
ST R1,EP_PGPA ... to extended parameter list

DO_CALL DS 0H
MVC P_RQ,CALL set up CALL request
LA RI,PALIPT set parameter pointer
L R15,CEP set entry point
BALR R14,R15 invoke C program
L R0,RN_INDEX Test Return Code
LTR R0,R0
BNZ DO_CALL Repeat CALL

Figure 49. Preinitializing a C program (CCNGCA6) (Part 1 of 3)
C requested termination.

Set up TERM request and terminate the environment

```
DO_TERM DS 0H
  MVC P_RQ,TERM  set up TERM request
  SR R1,R1      mark no parameters
  ST R1,EP_PGPA
  LA R1,PALIPT  set parameter pointer
  L R15,CEP     set entry point
  BALR R14,R15  invoke termination
```

Return to system

```
XIT DS 0H
  L R13,4(13)
  LM R14,R12,12(13)
  BR R14
```

Constants and work areas

```
VARCON DS 0D
PALIPT DC A('80000000'+PALI) Address of Parameter list
CEP DC A(CEESTART)  Entry point address

PALI DS 0F Parameter list
P_LG DC H'16' Length of the list
  DC H'0' Must be zero
P_RQ DC CLB ' ' Request - INIT,CALL,TERM,EXECUTE
P_EP_PT DC A(EPALI) Address of extended plist

EPALI DS 0F Extended Parameter list
  DC A(EP_LG) Length of this list
EP_TCA DC A(0) First token
EP_PRV DC A(0) Second token
EP_PGPA DC A(PGAPPT) Address of C program plist
EP_XOPT DC A(XOPTPT) Address of run-time options
EP_LG EQU =-EPALI Length of this list

C program plist in argc, argv format

```
PGPAPT DC F'3' Number of parameters (argc)
  DC A(PGVPTP) parameter vector pter (argv)
PGVPTP DS 0A Parameter Vector
  DC A(PGMN) Program name pointer (argv1)
  DC A(FILE_NAME) File name pointer (argv2)
  DC A(RUN_INDEX) Run index pointer (argv3)
  DC XL4'00000000' NULL pointer
```

Figure 49. Preinitializing a C program (CCNGCA6) (Part 2 of 3)
**Figure 49. Preinitializing a C program (CCNGCA6) (Part 3 of 3)**

The program shown in Figure 50 on page 265 shows how to use the preinitializable program.
CCNGCA7

/* this example shows how to use a preinitializable program */
/* part 2 of 3 (other files are CCNGCA6 and CCNGCA8) */

#pragma runopts(PLIST(MVS))
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

#define MAX_MSG 50
#define MAX_FNAME 8

typedef int (*f_ptr)(int, char*); /* pointer to function returning int*/

int main(int argc, char **argv)
{
  FILE *fp; /* File to be written to */
  int *ptr_run; /* Pointer to the "run index" */
  char *ffmsg; /* a pointer to the "fetched function msg"*/
  char fname[MAX_FNAME+1]; /* name of the function to be fetched */
  int fetch_rc; /* Return value of function invocation */
  f_ptr fetch_ptr; /* Function pointer to fetched function */

  /* Get the pointer to the "run index" */
  ptr_run = (int *)argv[2];

  if ((fp = fopen(argv[1],"a")) == NULL)
    {
      printf("Cannot open file %s\n",argv[1]);
      ptr_run = 0; /* Set to zero so it won't be called again */
      return(0); /* Return to Assembler program */
    }

  /* Write the record to the file */
  fprintf(fp,"Run index was %d.\n",*ptr_run);

  /* Allocate the message returned from the fetched function */
  if (((ffmsg=(char *)malloc(MAX_MSG + 1)) == NULL )
    printf("ERROR -- malloc returned NULL\n");

  /* fetch the function */
  fetch_ptr = (f_ptr)fetch("MYFUNC");
  if (fetch_ptr == NULL)
    printf("ERROR - Fetch returned a null pointer\n");

  /* execute the function */
  fetch_rc = fetch_ptr(*ptr_run, ffmsg);

  Figure 50. Using the preinitializable program (CCNGCA7) (Part 1 of 2)
/* Write the function msg to file */
fprintf(fp,"\%s\n",ffmsg);

/* Tell the user the value of the "run index" */
printf("Run index was %d.\n",*ptr_run);

/* Decrement the "run index" */
(*ptr_run)--;

/* Remember to close all opened files */
fclose(fp);

/* Remember to free all allocated storage */
free( fname );

/* Remember to release all fetched modules */
release((void(*)())fetch_ptr);

/* Return to Assembler program */
return(0);

Figure 50. Using the preinitializable program (CCNGCA7) (Part 2 of 2)

CCNGCA8

/* this example shows how to use a preinitializable program */
/* part 3 of 3 (other files are CCNGCA6 & CCNGCA7) */

#include <string.h>

#pragma linkage(fetched, fetchable)

int fetched(int run_index, char *ffmsg) {
    sprintf(ffmsg,"Welcome to myfunc: Run index was %d.\n",run_index);
    return(0);
}

Figure 51. Using the preinitializable program (CCNGCA8)

Return codes
Preinitialized programs do not put their return codes in R15. If the address of the return code is required, specify a parameter. Figure 49 on page 262 shows how you can use the RUN_INDEX parameter to evaluate the address of a return code.

User exits in preinitializable programs
C invokes user exits when initialization and termination are actually performed. That is, the initialization user exit is invoked during the INIT request or the CALL with the zero token request. Similarly, the termination user exit is called only during the TERM request.

Run-time options
If run-time options are specified in the assembler program, the C program must be compiled with EXECOPS in effect. EXECOPS is the default.

Calling a preinitializable program
Figure 52 on page 267 shows sample JCL to run a preinitializable program in the z/OS environment.
Figure 52. JCL for running a preinitializable C program (Part 1 of 2)
Multiple preinitialization compatibility interface C environments

To establish multiple Preinitialized Compatibility Interface (PICI) environments, you must specify either request modifier 4 or request modifier 5 in the extended parameter list (EPL) at environment initialization.

Request modifier 4 environment characteristics

Use request modifier 4 to establish an environment which is tolerant of an existing environment. When a request modifier 4 environment is dormant, it is immune to creation or termination of other environments.

Environments created using request modifier 4 normally intend to share C memory files, but it is not required for the application to take advantage of this support. A new environment of this type is chained to the currently active environment that supports chaining, or it will set up a dummy environment which supports chaining. This allows for C memory files to be shared.

The sharing of C memory files across request modifier 4 environments is only supported within the boundary of the application. There are really only two types of applications where request modifier 4 environments are involved. The first type is a set of pure request modifier 4 environments; there are no batch environments. The second type allows a single batch environment. In the second type, the batch environment must be the first initialized and the last terminated.

If starting with non z/OS Language Environment enabled assembler, the first request modifier 4 environment creates a dummy environment (z/OS Language Environment region-level control blocks) in addition to its own. The dummy
environment remains pointed to by the TCB when the initialization is complete. The
next initialization using request modifier 4 recognizes an existing environment that
supports chaining and the new environment will be chained. This permits the two
environments to share C memory files. Request modifier 4 environments in this
model can be initialized and terminated in any order.

If starting with a batch environment (for example, COBOL, PL/I or C), which
supports chaining by default, and during execution within that environment a call is
made to an assembler routine which initializes a request modifier 4 environment,
the z/OS Language Environment batch environment is recognized and the new
environment will be chained. This allows an initial batch environment to share C
memory files with the request modifier 4 environment. Request modifier 4
environments in this model can be initialized and terminated in any order, but all
request modifier environments must be terminated before the batch environment is
terminated.

Notes:
1. When a batch environment is chained with request modifier 4 environments, the
   z/OS Language Environment batch environment must be the first environment
   that is initialized and the last environment that is terminated. All request modifier
   4 environments initialized within the scope of a batch environment must be
   terminated prior to exiting the batch environment. Failure to do so will leave the
   request modifier 4 environments in a state such that attempted call or
   termination requests will result in unpredictable behavior.
2. Initialization of a request modifier 4 environment while running in a non-sharable
   environment, such as a request modifier 5 environment, causes the new request
   modifier 4 environment to be non-sharable.

Sharing C memory files with request modifier 4 environments: You can use
request modifier 4 to create multiple Preinitialized Compatibility Interface (PICI) C
environments. When you create a new request modifier 4 environment, it is chained
under certain circumstances to the current environment.

The following list identifies the specific features that are or are not supported in the
multiple PICI C environment scenario:
• C memory files will be shared across all C environments (as long as at least one
  C environment exists) that are on the chain. This includes all PICI C
  environments that are initialized and possibly an initial batch C environment.
• Because the PICI C environments are chained, initialization and termination of
  these PICI C environments can be performed in any order. The chaining also
  requires that the C run-time library treat each PICI C environment as equal. In C
  run-time library terms, each PICI C environment is considered a root enclave
  (depth=0).
• Because there can be multiple C root enclaves, sharing of C standard streams
  across the C root enclaves exhibits a special behavior. When a C standard
  stream is referenced for the first time, its definition is made available to each of
  the C root enclaves.
• C standard streams are inherited across the system() call boundary. When a
  PICI C environment is initialized from a nested enclave, it does not inherit the
  standard streams of the nested enclave. Instead, it shares the C standard stream
  definitions at the root level.
• C regular (nonmemory, nonstandard stream) files are also shared across the
  PICI C environments.
• Nested C enclaves are created using the system() call. The depth is relative to
  the root enclave that owns the system() call chain. You can have two C
enclaves, other than the C root enclaves, with the same depth. You can do this by calling one of the PICI C environments from a nested enclave and then using \texttt{system()} in the PICI C environment.

- C regular (nonmemory, nonstandard stream) files opened in a \texttt{system()} call enclave are closed automatically when the enclave ends.
- C regular (nonmemory, nonstandard stream) files that are opened in a PICI C environment root enclave are not closed automatically until the PICI C environment ends. Before returning to the caller, you should close streams that are opened by the PICI C environment. If you do not, undefined behavior can occur.
- C memory files are not removed until the last PICI C environment is ended.
- The \texttt{clrmemf()} function will only remove C memory files created within the scope of the C root enclave from which the function is called.
- When a PICI C environment is called, flushing of open streams is not performed automatically as it is when you use the \texttt{system()} call.
- This function is not supported under CICS.
- This function is not supported under System Programming C (SP C).
- Use of \texttt{POSIX(ON)} is not supported with this feature.

**Request modifier 5 environment characteristics**

Use request modifier 5 to establish an environment which is tolerant of an existing environment. When a request modifier 5 environment is dormant, it is immune to creation or termination of other environments.

Request modifier 5 environments cannot share C memory files with other environments. Each environment of this type is created as a separate entity, not connected to any other environment. Request modifier 5 environments can be initialized and terminated in any order.

**Restrictions on using batch environments with preinitialization compatibility interface C environments**

If a batch environment is to participate in C memory file sharing, such as with a request modifier 4 environment, then the batch environment must be the first environment created and the last one terminated. All PICI environments initialized within the scope of the batch environment must be terminated before the batch environment is terminated. This is required because the PICI environment shares control blocks that belong to the batch environment. If the batch environment is terminated, storage for those control blocks is released. Attempts to use or terminate a PICI environment after the batch environment has terminated will result in unpredictable behavior.

**Behaviors when mixing request modifier 4 and request modifier 5**

While running in a request modifier 5 environment, initializing another environment with request modifier 4 creates a new environment that is separated from the rest. The new environment will not be able to share C memory files with any other request modifier 4 environment that may already exist.

While running in a request modifier 4 environment, initialization of a request modifier 5 environment creates a new environment that is separated from the rest. If the new request modifier 5 environment is within the scope of a batch environment, this new environment does not need to be terminated before the batch environment is terminated.
Using the service vector and associated routines

The service vector is a list of addresses of user-supplied service routines. The interface requirements for each of the service routines that you can supply, including sample routines for some of the services, are provided in the following sections.

Using the service vector

If you want certain services like load and delete to be carried out by other programs supplied by you (instead of, for example, by the LOAD and DELETE macros), you must place the address of your service vector in the seventh fullword field of the extended parameter list. Define the service vector according to the pattern shown in the following example:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Service</th>
<th>Address</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>SRV_COUNT</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Count of fields defined</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SRV_USER_WORD</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>User-defined word</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SRV_WORKAREA</td>
<td>DS A</td>
<td>Addr of work area for DSAs etc</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SRV_LOAD</td>
<td>DS A</td>
<td>Addr of load routine</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SRV_DELETE</td>
<td>DS A</td>
<td>Addr of delete routine</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SRV_GETSTOR</td>
<td>DS A</td>
<td>Addr of get-storage routine</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SRV_FREESTOR</td>
<td>DS A</td>
<td>Addr of free-storage routine</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SRV_EXCEP_RTR</td>
<td>DS A</td>
<td>Addr of exception router</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SRV_ATTN_RTR</td>
<td>DS A</td>
<td>Addr of attention router</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SRV_MSG_RTR</td>
<td>DS A</td>
<td>Addr of message router</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Although you need not use labels identical to those above, you must use the same order. The address of your load routine is “fourth”, and the address of your free-storage routine is “seventh”.

Some other constraints apply:

- You cannot omit any fields on the template that precede the last one you specify from your definition of the service vector. You can supply zeros for the ones you want ignored.
- The field count does not count itself. The maximum value is therefore 9.
- You must specify an address in the work area field if you specify addresses in any of the subsequent fields.
- This work area must begin on a doubleword boundary and start with a fullword that specifies its length. This length must be at least 256 bytes.
- For the load and delete routines, you cannot specify one of the pair without the other; if one of these two fields contains a value of zero, the other is automatically ignored. The same is true for the get-storage and free-storage pair.
- If you specify the get-storage and free-storage services, you must also specify the load and delete services.

You must supply any service routines pointed to in your service vector. When called, these service routines require the following:

- Register 13 points to a standard 18–fullword save area.
- Register 1 points to a list of addresses of parameters available to the routine.
- The third parameter in the list must be the address of the user word you specified in the second field of the service vector.

The parameters available to each routine, and the return and reason codes that each routine uses, are shown in the following section. The parameter addresses are passed in the same order in which the parameters are listed.
Load service routine
The load routine loads named modules. The LOAD macro usually provides this service.

The parameters passed to the load routine are shown in Table 33.

Table 33. Load service routine parameters

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>ASM Attributes</th>
<th>Type</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Address of module name</td>
<td>DS A</td>
<td>Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Length of name</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>User word</td>
<td>DS A</td>
<td>Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>(Reserved field)</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Address of load point</td>
<td>DS A</td>
<td>Output</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Size of module</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Output</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Return code</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Output</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Reason code</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Output</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The name length must not be zero. You can ignore the reserved field. It will contain zeros.

The load routine can set the following return/reason codes:

0/0 successful
4/4 unsuccessful — module loaded above line when in AMODE 24
8/4 unsuccessful — load failed
16/4 unrecoverable error occurred

Delete service routine
The delete routine deletes named modules. The DELETE macro usually provides this service.

The parameters passed to the delete routine are shown in Table 34.

Table 34. Delete service routine parameters

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>ASM Attributes</th>
<th>Type</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Address of module name</td>
<td>DS A</td>
<td>Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Length of name</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>User word</td>
<td>DS A</td>
<td>Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>(Reserved field)</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Return code</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Output</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Reason code</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Output</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The name length must not be zero. You can ignore the reserved field. It will contain zeros. Every delete action must have a corresponding load action, and the task that does the load must also do the delete. Counts of deletes and loads performed must be maintained by the service routines.

The delete routine can set the following return/reason codes:
Get-storage service routine
The get-storage routine obtains storage. The GETMAIN macro usually provides this service.

The parameters passed to the get-storage routine are shown in Table 35.

Table 35. Get-storage service routine parameters
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>ASM Attributes</th>
<th>Type</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Amount desired</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Subpool number</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>User word</td>
<td>DS A</td>
<td>Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Flags</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Address of obtained storage</td>
<td>DS A</td>
<td>Output</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Amount obtained</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Output</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Return code</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Output</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Reason code</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Output</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The get-storage routine can set the following return/reason codes:

0/0 successful
4/4 unsuccessful — the storage could not be obtained
16/4 unrecoverable error occurred.

Free-storage service routine
The free-storage routine frees storage. The FREEMAIN macro usually provides this service.

The parameters passed to the free-storage routine are shown in Table 36.

Table 36. Free-storage service routine parameters
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>ASM Attributes</th>
<th>Type</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Amount to be freed</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Subpool number</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>User word</td>
<td>DS A</td>
<td>Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Address of storage</td>
<td>DS A</td>
<td>Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Return code</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Output</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Reason code</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Output</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The free-storage routine can set the following return/reason codes:

0/0 successful
16/4 unrecoverable error occurred
Exception router service routine

The exception router traps and routes exceptions. The ESTAE and ESPIE macros usually provide this service.

The parameters passed to the exception router are shown in Table 37.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>ASM Attributes</th>
<th>Type</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Address of exception handler</td>
<td>DS A</td>
<td>Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Environment token</td>
<td>DS A</td>
<td>Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>User word</td>
<td>DS A</td>
<td>Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Abend flags</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Check flags</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Return code</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Output</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Reason code</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Output</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

During initialization, if the ESTAE and/or ESPIE options are in effect, the common library puts the address of the common library exception handler in the first field of the above parameter list, and sets the environment token field to a value that is passed on to the exception handler. It also sets abend and check flags as appropriate, and then calls your exception router to establish an exception handler.

The meaning of the bits in the abend flags are given by the following structure:

```c
struct {
    struct {
        unsigned short abends : 1, /*control for system abends*/
        reserved : 15;
    } system;
    struct {
        unsigned short abends : 1, /*control for user abends*/
        reserved : 15;
    } user;
} abendflags;
```

The meaning of the bits in the check flags are given by the following structure:

```c
struct {
    struct {
        unsigned short reserved : 1,
        operation : 1,
        privileged_operation : 1,
        execute : 1,
        protection : 1,
        addressing : 1,
        specification : 1,
        data : 1,
        fixed_overflow : 1,
        fixed_divide : 1,
        decimal_overflow : 1,
        decimal_divide : 1,
        exponent_overflow : 1,
        exponent_divide : 1,
        significance : 1,
        float_divide : 1;
    } type;
    unsigned short reserved;
} checkflags;
```
The exception router service routine can set the following return/reason codes:

- **0/0** successful
- **4/4** unsuccessful — the exit could not be (de)-established
- **16/4** unrecoverable error occurred

**Attention router service routine**

The attention router traps and routes attention interrupts. The STAX macro usually provides this service.

The parameters passed to the attention router are shown in **Table 38**.

**Table 38. Attention router service routine parameters**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>ASM Attributes</th>
<th>Type</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Address of attention router</td>
<td>DS A</td>
<td>Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Environmental token</td>
<td>DS A</td>
<td>Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>User word</td>
<td>DS A</td>
<td>Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Return code</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Output</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Reason code</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Output</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The attention router routine can set the following return/reason codes:

- **0/0** successful
- **4/4** unsuccessful — the exit could not be (de)-established
- **16/4** unrecoverable error occurred

When an attention interrupt occurs, your attention router must invoke the attention handler. Use the address in the attention handler field passing the parameters shown in **Table 39**.

**Table 39. Attention handler parameters**

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<tr>
<td>Environment token</td>
<td>DS A</td>
<td>Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Return code</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Output</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Reason code</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Output</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The return/reason codes upon return from the attention handler are:

- **0/0** The attention interrupt has been or will be handled

If an attention interrupt occurs in the attention handler or when an attention handler is not started, your attention router should ignore the attention interrupt.

**Message router service routine**

The message router routes messages written by the run-time library. These messages are normally written to the Language Environment Message File.
The parameters passed to the message router are shown in Table 40.

Table 40. Message router service routine parameters

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>ASM Attributes</th>
<th>Type</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Address of message</td>
<td>DS A</td>
<td>Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Message length in bytes</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>User word</td>
<td>DS A</td>
<td>Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Line length</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Return code</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Output</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Reason code</td>
<td>DS F</td>
<td>Output</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

If the address of the message is zero, your message router is expected to return the size of the line to which messages are written (in the length field). The length field allows messages to be formatted correctly, for example, broken at blanks.

The message routine must use the following return/reason codes:

0/0 successful
16/4 unrecoverable error occurred
Part 4. Coding: Advanced Topics

This part contains the following coding topics:

- Chapter 20, “Building and using Dynamic Link Libraries (DLLs),” on page 279
- Chapter 21, “Building complex DLLs,” on page 299
- Chapter 22, “Programming for a z/OS 64-bit environment,” on page 325
- Chapter 23, “Using threads in z/OS UNIX System Services applications,” on page 351
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- Chapter 25, “Using the decimal data type in C,” on page 373
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- Chapter 30, “Using templates in C++ programs,” on page 451
- Chapter 31, “Using environment variables,” on page 457
A dynamic link library (DLL) is a collection of one or more functions or variables in an executable module that is executable or accessible from a separate application module. In an application without DLLs, all external function and variable references are resolved statically at bind time. In a DLL application, external function and variable references are resolved dynamically at run-time.

This chapter defines DLL concepts and shows how to build simple DLLs. Chapter 21, “Building complex DLLs,” on page 299 shows how to build complex DLLs and discusses some of the compatibility issues of DLLs.

There are two types of DLLs: simple and complex. A simple DLL contains only DLL code in which special code sequences are generated by the compiler for referencing functions and external variables, and using function pointers. With these code sequences, a DLL application can reference imported functions and imported variables from a DLL as easily as it can non-imported ones.

A complex DLL contains mixed code, that is, some DLL code and some non-DLL code. A typical complex DLL would contain some C++ code, which is always DLL code, and some C object modules compiled with the NODLL compiler option bound together.

The object code generated by the z/OS C++ compiler is always DLL code. Also, the object code generated by the z/OS C compiler with either the DLL compiler option or the XPLINK compiler option is DLL code. Other types of object code are non-DLL code. For more information about compiler options for DLLs, see the z/OS C/C++ User's Guide

XPLINK compiled code and non-XPLINK compiled code cannot be statically mixed (with the exception of OS_UPSTACK and OS_NOSTACK (or OS31_NOSTACK) linkages). The XPLINK compiled code can only be bound together with other XPLINK-compiled code. You can mix non-XPLINK compiled DLLs with XPLINK compiled DLLs (the same is true for routines which you load with fetch()). The z/OS C++ run-time library manages the transitions between the two different linkage styles across the DLL and fetch() boundaries.

Note: There is inherent performance degradation when the z/OS C++ run-time library transitions across these boundaries. In order for your application to perform well, these transitions should be made infrequently. When using XPLINK, recompile all parts of the application with the XPLINK compiler option wherever possible.

Notes:

1. As of OS/390 Version 2, the C/C++ IBM Open Class Library is licensed with the base operating system and enables access to the C/C++ Class Library by applications that require the library at execution time. This eliminates the need to license the C/C++ Compiler features or to use the DLL Rename Utility. Provided you use the base operating system, the DLL Rename Utility discussed in this chapter is not applicable.
Support for DLLs

DLL support is available for applications running under the following systems:
- z/OS batch
- CICS
- IMS
- TSO
- z/OS UNIX System Services

It is not available for applications running under SPC, CSP or MTF.

Note: All potential DLL executable modules are registered in the CICS PPT control table in the CICS environment and are invoked at run time.

DLL concepts and terms

**Application**
All the code executed from the time an executable program module is invoked until that program, and any programs it directly or indirectly calls, is terminated.

**DLL**
An executable module that exports functions, variable definitions, or both, to other DLLs or DLL applications.

**DLL application**
An application that references imported functions, imported variables, or both, from other DLLs.

**DLL code**
Object code resulting when C source code is compiled with the DLL or XPLINK compiler options. C++ code is always DLL code.

**Executable program (or executable module)**
A file which can be loaded and executed on the computer. z/OS supports two types:

**Load module**
An executable residing in a PDS.

**Program object**
An executable residing in a PDSE or in the HFS.

**Exported functions or variables**
Functions or variables that are defined in one executable module and can be referenced from another executable module. When an exported function or variable is referenced within the executable module that defines it, the exported function or variable is also non-imported.

**Function descriptor**
An internal control block containing information needed by compiled code to call a function.

**Imported functions and variables**
Functions and variables that are not defined in the executable module where the reference is made, but are defined in a referenced DLL.

**Non-imported functions and variables**
Functions and variables that are defined in the same executable module where a reference to them is made.
Object code (or object module)
A file output from a compiler after processing a source code module, which can subsequently be used to build an executable program module.

Source code (or source module)
A file containing a program written in a programming language.

Variable descriptor
An internal control block containing information about the variable needed by compiled code.

Writable Static Area (WSA)
An area of memory that is modifiable during program execution. Typically, this area contains global variables and function and variable descriptors for DLLs.

XPLINK application
An application that is made up of C and/or C++ object modules that were compiled with the XPLINK compiler option. XPLINK applications are always DLL applications. Since the C/C++ run-time library for XPLINK is packaged as a DLL, any XPLINK executable module that calls a C/C++ run-time library is also importing from a DLL.

XPLINK code
Object code resulting when C or C++ source code is compiled with the XPLINK compiler option. XPLINK code is always DLL code.

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**Loading a DLL**

A DLL is loaded implicitly when an application references an imported variable or calls an imported function. DLLs can be explicitly loaded by calling d11load() or d1open(). Due to optimizations performed, the DLL implicit load point may be moved and the DLL will be loaded only if the actual reference occurs.

**Loading a DLL implicitly**

When an application uses functions or variables defined in a DLL, the compiled code loads the DLL. This implicit load is transparent to the application. The load establishes the required references to functions and variables in the DLL by updating the control information contained in function and variable descriptors.

If the DLL contains static classes, constructors are run when the DLL is loaded. This loading may occur before main(); in this case, the corresponding destructors are run once when main() returns.

To implicitly load a DLL, do one of the following:
1. Statically initialize a variable pointer to the address of an exported DLL variable.
2. Reference a function pointer that points to an exported function.
3. Call an exported function.
4. Reference (use, modify, or take the address of) an exported variable.
5. Call through a function pointer that points to an exported function.

In the first situation, the DLL is loaded before main() is invoked, and if the DLL contains C++ code, constructors are run before main() is invoked. In the other situations, the DLL loading may be delayed until the time of the implicit call, although optimization may move this load earlier.
If the DLL application references (imports) an exported DLL variable, that DLL may be implicitly loaded before that DLL application is invoked (not necessarily before main() is invoked). With XPLINK, the DLL will always be implicitly loaded before invoking the DLL application that references (imports) a DLL variable or takes the address of a DLL function.

**Note:** When a DLL is loaded, its writable static is initialized. If the DLL load module contains C++ code, static constructors are run once at initial load time, and static destructors are run once at program termination. Static destructors are run in the reverse order of the static constructors.

### Loading a DLL explicitly

The use of DLLs can also be explicitly controlled by the application code at the source level. The application uses explicit source-level calls to one or more run-time services to connect the reference to the definition. The connections for the reference and the definition are made at run-time.

The DLL application writer can explicitly call the following run-time services:

- **d11load()** which loads the DLL and returns a handle to be used in future references to this DLL
- **d11queryfn()** which obtains a pointer to a DLL function
- **d11queryvar()** which obtains a pointer to a DLL variable
- **d11free()** which frees a DLL loaded with d11load()

The following run-time services are also available as part of the Single UNIX Specification, Version 3:

- **dlopen()**, which loads the DLL and returns a handle to be used in future references to this DLL
- **dlsym()**, which obtains a pointer to an exported function or exported variable
- **dlclose()**, which frees a DLL that was loaded with dlopen()
- **dlerror()**, which returns information about the last DLL failure on this thread that occurred in one of the dlopen() family of functions

While you can use both families of explicit DLL services in a single application, you cannot mix usage across those families. So a handle returned by d11load() can only be used with d11queryfn(), d11queryvar(), or d11free(). And a handle returned by dlopen() can only be used with dlsym() and dlclose().

Because the dlopen() family of functions is part of the Single UNIX Specification, Version 3, it should be used in new applications whenever cross-platform portability is a concern.

For more information about the run-time services, see [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference](https://www.ibm.com/z/os/zos/bkserv/zosruntimereference.html).

To explicitly call a DLL in your application:

- Determine the names of the exported functions and variables that you want to use. You can get this information from the DLL provider’s documentation or by looking at the definition side-deck file that came with the DLL. A definition side-deck is a directive file that contains an IMPORT control statement for each function and variable exported by that DLL.
• If you are using the `dllload()` family of functions, include the DLL header file `<dll.h>` in your application. If you are using the `dlopen()` family of functions, include the DLL header file `<dlfcn.h>` in your application.

• Compile your source as usual.

• Bind your object with the binder using the same AMODE value as the DLL.

**Note:** You do not need to bind with the definition side-deck if you are calling the DLL explicitly with the run-time services, since there are no references from the source code to function or variable names in the DLL, for the binder to resolve. Therefore the DLL will not be loaded until you explicitly load it with the `dllload()` or `dlopen()` run-time service.

**Examples of explicit use of a DLL in an application**
The following examples show explicit use of a DLL in an application. The first example uses the `dllload()` family of functions.

```c
#include <dll.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>

#ifdef __cplusplus
extern "C" {
#endif

typedef int (DLL_FN)(void);

#ifdef __cplusplus
}
#endif

#define FUNCTION "FUNCTION"
#define VARIABLE "VARIABLE"

static void Syntax(const char* progName) {
    fprintf(stderr, "Syntax: %s <DLL-name> <type> <identifier>
    " where\n"
    " <DLL-name> is the DLL to load,\n"
    " <type> can be one of FUNCTION or VARIABLE\n"
    " and <identifier> is the function or variable\n"
    " to reference\n", progName);

    return;
}

main(int argc, char* argv[]) {
    int value;
    int* varPtr;
    char* dll;
    char* type;
    char* id;
    dllhandle* dllHandle;

    if (argc != 4) {
        Syntax(argv[0]);
        return(4);
    }

    Figure 53. Explicit use of a DLL in an application using the `dllload()` family of functions (Part 1 of 2)
dll = argv[1];
type = argv[2];
id = argv[3];

dllHandle = dllload(dll);
if (dllHandle == NULL) {
    perror("DLL-Load");
    fprintf(stderr, "Load of DLL %s failed\n", dll);
    return(8);
}

if (strcmp(type, FUNCTION)) {
    if (strcmp(type, VARIABLE)) {
        fprintf(stderr, "Type specified was not " FUNCTION " or " VARIABLE "\n");
        Syntax(argv[0]);
        return(8);
    }
    /* variable request, so get address of variable */
    varPtr = (int*)(dllqueryvar(dllHandle, id));
    if (varPtr == NULL) {
        perror("DLL-Query-Var");
        fprintf(stderr, "Variable %s not exported from %s\n", id, dll);
        return(8);
    }
    value = *varPtr;
    printf("Variable %s has a value of %d\n", id, value);
} else {
    /* function request, so get function descriptor and call it */
    DLL_FN* fn = (DLL_FN*) dllqueryfn(dllHandle, id);
    if (fn == NULL) {
        perror("DLL-Query-Fn");
        fprintf(stderr, "Function %s() not exported from %s\n", id, dll);
        return(8);
    }
    value = fn();
    printf("Result of call to %s() is %d\n", id, value);
}
dllfree(dllHandle);
return(0);

Figure 53. Explicit use of a DLL in an application using the dllload() family of functions (Part 2 of 2)

The following example uses the dlopen() family of functions.
```c
#define _UNIX03_SOURCE
#include <dlfcn.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>

#ifdef __cplusplus
    extern "C" {
#endif

typedef int (DLL_FN)(void);
#ifdef __cplusplus
}
#endif

#define FUNCTION "FUNCTION"
#define VARIABLE "VARIABLE"

static void Syntax(const char* progName) {
    fprintf(stderr, "Syntax: %s <DLL-name> <type> <identifier>
    where
    " <DLL-name> is the DLL to open,
    " <type> can be one of FUNCTION or VARIABLE,
    " and <identifier> is the symbol to reference
    " (either a function or variable, as determined by
    " <type>)\n", progName);
    return;
}

main(int argc, char* argv[]) {
    int value;
    void* symPtr;
    char* dll;
    char* type;
    char* id;
    void* dllHandle;

    // Figure 54. Explicit use of a DLL in an application using the dlopen() family of functions (Part 1 of 2)
```
Managing the use of DLLs when running DLL applications

This section describes how z/OS C/C++ manages loading, sharing and freeing DLLs when you run a DLL application.

Figure 54. Explicit use of a DLL in an application using the dlopen() family of functions (Part 2 of 2)
Loading DLLs

When you load a DLL for the first time, either implicitly or via an explicit d11load() or dopen(), writable static is initialized. If the DLL is written in C++ and contains static objects, then their constructors are run.

You can load DLLs from an HFS as well as from conventional data sets. The following list specifies the order of a search for unambiguous and ambiguous file names.

- **Unambiguous file names**
  - If the file has an unambiguous z/OS UNIX System Services HFS name (it starts with a ./ or contains a /), the file is searched for only in the HFS.
  - If the file has an unambiguous MVS name, and starts with two slashes (/), the file is only searched for in MVS.

- **Ambiguous file names**
  For ambiguous cases, the settings for POSIX are checked.
  - When specifying the POSIX(ON) run-time option, the run-time library attempts to load the DLL as follows:

    1. An attempt is made to load the DLL from the HFS. This is done using the system service BPX1LOD. For more information on this service, see z/OS UNIX System Services Programming: Assembler Callable Services Reference.

       If the environment variable LIBPATH is set, each directory listed will be searched for the DLL. See Chapter 31, “Using environment variables,” on page 457 for information on LIBPATH. Otherwise the current directory will be searched for the DLL. Note that a search for the DLL in the HFS is case-sensitive.

       - If the DLL is found and contains an external link name of eight characters or less, the uppercase external link name is used to attempt a LOAD from the caller’s MVS load library search order. If the DLL is not found or the external link name is more than eight characters, then the load fails.

       - If the DLL is found and its sticky bit is on, any suffix is stripped off. Next, the name is converted to uppercase, and the base DLL name is used to attempt a LOAD from the caller’s MVS load library search order. If the DLL is not found or the base DLL name is more than eight characters, the version of the DLL in the HFS is loaded.

       - If the DLL is found and does not fall into one of the previous two cases, a load from the HFS is attempted.

    2. If the DLL could not be loaded from the HFS, an attempt is made to load the DLL from the caller’s MVS load library search order. This is done by calling the LOAD service with the DLL name, which must be eight characters or less (it will be converted to uppercase). LOAD searches for it in the following sequence:

       a. Run-time library services (if active)

       b. Job Pack Area (JPA)

       c. TASKLIB

       d. STEPLIB or JOBLIB. If both are allocated, the system searches STEPLIB and ignores JOBLIB.

       e. LPA

       f. Libraries in the linklist

       For more information, see z/OS MVS Initialization and Tuning Guide.
• When POSIX(ON) is specified the sequence is reversed.
  – An attempt to load the DLL is made from the caller’s MVS load library search order.
  – If the DLL could not be loaded from the caller’s MVS load library then an attempt is made to load the DLL from the HFS.

**Recommendation:** All DLLs used by an application should be referred to by unique names, whether ambiguous or not. Using multiple names for the same DLL (eg. aliases or symlinks) may result in a decrease in DLL load performance. The use of HFS symbolic links by themselves will not degrade performance, as long as the application refers to the DLL solely through the symbolic link name. To help ensure this, when building an application with implicit DLL references always use the same side deck for each DLL. Also, make sure that explicit DLL references with d11load() or d1open() specify the same DLL name (case matters for HFS loads).

Changing the search order for DLLs while the application is running (eg. changing LIBPATH) may result in errors if ambiguous file names are used.

**Sharing DLLs**

DLLs are shared at the enclave level (as defined by the z/OS Language Environment). A referenced DLL is loaded only once per enclave and only one copy of the writable static is created or maintained per DLL per enclave. Thus, one copy of a DLL serves all modules in an enclave regardless of whether the DLL is loaded implicitly or explicitly. You can access the same DLL within an enclave both implicitly and by explicit run-time services.

All accesses to a variable in a DLL in an enclave refer to the only copy of that variable. All accesses to a function in a DLL in an enclave refer to the only copy of that function.

Although only one copy of a DLL is maintained per enclave, multiple logical loads are counted and used to determine when the DLL can be deleted. For a given DLL in a given enclave, there is one logical load for each explicit d11load() or d1open() request. DLLs that are referenced implicitly may be logically loaded at application initialization time if the application references any data exported by the DLL, or the logical load may occur during the first implicit call to a function exported by the DLL.

DLLs are not shared in a nested enclave environment. Only the enclave that loaded the DLL can access functions and variables.

**Freeing DLLs**

You can free explicitly loaded DLLs with a d11free() or d1close() request. This request is optional because the DLLs are automatically deleted by the run-time library when the enclave is terminated.

Implicitly loaded DLLs cannot be deleted from the DLL application code. They are deleted by the run-time library at enclave termination. Therefore, if a DLL has been both explicitly and implicitly loaded, the DLL can only be deleted by the run-time when the enclave is terminated.
Creating a DLL or a DLL application

Building a DLL or a DLL application is similar to creating a C or C++ application. It involves the following steps:

1. Writing your source code
2. Compiling your source code
3. Binding your object modules

Building a simple DLL

This section shows how to build a simple DLL in C and C++, using techniques that export externally-linked functions and variables to DLL users.

These techniques include:

- The #pragma export directive
- The _Export keyword
- The EXPORTALL compiler option

Both the _Export keyword and the export directive are used to specify functions and variables.

The EXPORTALL compiler option is used to export all defined functions and variables. Using the EXPORTALL compiler option means that all defined functions and variables are accessible by all users of the given DLL.

Notes:

1. If the EXPORTALL compiler option is used, then neither #pragma export nor _Export is required in your code.
2. Exporting all functions and variables has a performance penalty, especially when the IPA compiler option is used to build the DLL.

For more information, see:

- The EXPORTALL compiler option in z/OS C/C++ User’s Guide
- The _Export keyword in z/OS C/C++ Language Reference
- The export directive in z/OS C/C++ User’s Guide

Example of building a simple C DLL

To build a simple C DLL, use the #pragma export directive to export specific external functions and variables as shown in Figure 55 on page 290.
This example exports the functions bopen(), bclose(), bread(), bwrite(), and the variable berror. The variable buffer is not exported.

Compiling with the EXPORTALL compiler option would export all the functions and the buffer variable.

**Example of building a simple C++ DLL**

To build a simple C++ DLL, use the _Export keyword or the #pragma export directive to export specific external functions and variables. Ensure that classes and class members are exported correctly, especially if they use templates.

For example, Figure 56 shows how to create a DLL executable module named triangle using the #pragma export directive:

```c++
class triangle
{
    public:
        static int objectCount;
        getarea();
        getperim();
        triangle(void);
    
    #pragma export(triangle::objectCount)
    #pragma export(triangle::getarea())
    #pragma export(triangle::getperim())
    #pragma export(triangle::triangle(void))
};
```

**Figure 56. Using #pragma export to create the triangle DLL executable module**

This example exports the functions getarea(), getperim(), the static member objectCount, and the constructor for class triangle.

Similarly, Figure 57 on page 291 shows how to create a DLL executable module named triangle using the _Export keyword:

```c++
#pragma export(bopen)
#pragma export(bclose)
#pragma export(bread)
#pragma export(bwrite)
int bopen(const char* file, const char* mode) {
    ...
} int bclose(int) {
    ...
} int bread(int bytes) {
    ...
} int bwrite(int bytes) {
    ...
}
#pragma export(berror)
int berror;
char buffer[1024];
...
```

**Figure 55. Using #pragma export to create a DLL executable module named BASICIO**
{  
    public:  
        static int _Export objectCount;  
        double _Export getarea();  
        double _Export getperim();  
        _Export triangle::triangle(void);  
};  

Figure 57. Using _Export to create the triangle DLL executable module

There are some restrictions when using the _Export keyword.

- Do not inline the function if you apply the _Export keyword to the function declaration, as in Figure 57.
- Always export constructors and destructors.

If you apply the _Export keyword to a class, then it automatically exports the static members, defined functions, constructors, and destructors of that class, as in the following example:

```c++
class triangle  
{
    public:
        static int objectCount;
        double getarea();
        double getperim();
        triangle(void);  
};
```

This behavior is the same as using the EXPORTALL compiler option.

Compiling your code

For C source code compiled without using the DLL or XPLINK compiler options, that code cannot reference (import) functions or variables that are exported by a DLL. NODLL is the default when compiling C source code, and the XPLINK compiler option is not used. C source code compiled with the DLL or XPLINK compiler options, and all C++ source code, can reference exported functions and variables. Source code that can reference exported functions and variables is called DLL application code. It need not itself be a DLL, in that it may not itself export any functions or variables.

When compiling DLL application source code, the compiler generates object code in such a way that references to external functions and variables can be resolved statically or dynamically (that is, resolved to a DLL). If you are uncertain whether non-XPLINK C source code references a DLL, you should specify the DLL or XPLINK compiler options. Compiling source code as DLL application code eliminates the potential compatibility problems that may occur when binding DLL application code with non-DLL application code. See Chapter 21, “Building complex DLLs,” on page 299 for more information on compatibility issues.

The decision to use XPLINK needs to be made independently from the decision to build a DLL application. While XPLINK compiled code is always DLL application code, the XPLINK and non-XPLINK function call linkages are different. There is DLL compatibility for XPLINK and non-XPLINK at the DLL boundary, but XPLINK and non-XPLINK object modules cannot be mixed in the same DLL. Also, there is a performance penalty when transitioning between XPLINK and non-XPLINK DLLs (and vice versa). It is best to have a DLL application made up of all XPLINK or all non-XPLINK executable modules to the extent that is possible. For more information on XPLINK, see “Using the XPLINK option” on page 509.
Binding your code

When creating a DLL, the binder automatically creates a definition side-deck that describes the functions and the variables that can be imported by DLL applications. You must provide the generated definition side-deck to all users of the DLL. Any DLL application that implicitly loads the DLL must include the definition side-deck when they bind.

**Note:** You can choose to store your DLL in a PDS load library, but only if it is non-XPLINK. Otherwise, it must be stored in a PDSE load library or in the HFS. To target a PDS load library, prelink and link your code rather than using the binder. For information on prelinking and linking, see the [appendix on the Prelinker in z/OS C/C++ User's Guide](#).

When binding the C object module as shown in [Figure 55 on page 290](#), the binder generates the following definition side-deck:

```plaintext
IMPORT CODE,BASICIO,'bopen'
IMPORT DATA,BASICIO,'bclose'
IMPORT DATA,BASICIO,'bread'
IMPORT DATA,BASICIO,'bwrite'
IMPORT DATA,BASICIO,'berror'
```

**Note:** You should also provide a header file containing the prototypes for exported functions and external variable declarations for exported variables.

When binding the C++ object modules shown in [Figure 56 on page 290](#), the binder generates the following definition side-deck:

```plaintext
IMPORT CODE,TRIANGLE,'getarea__8triangleFv'
IMPORT CODE,TRIANGLE,'getperim__8triangleFv'
IMPORT CODE,TRIANGLE,'__ct__8triangleFv'
```

You can edit the definition side-deck to remove any functions and variables that you do not want to export. You must maintain the file as a binary file with fixed format and a record length of 80 bytes. Also, use proper binder continuation rules if the IMPORT statement spans multiple lines, and you change the length of the statement. In the above example, if you do not want to expose getperim(), remove the control statement IMPORT CODE ,TRIANGLE, getperim__8triangleFv from the definition side-deck.

**Notes:**
1. Removing functions and variables from the definition side-deck does not minimize the performance impact caused by specifying the EXPORTALL compiler option.
2. Editing the side-deck is not recommended. If the DLL name needs to be changed, you should bind using the appropriate name. Instead of using the EXPORTALL compiler option, you should remove unnecessary IMPORT statements by using explicit #pragma export statements or _Export directives.

The definition side-deck contains mangled names of exported C++ functions, such as `getarea__8triangleFv`. To find the original function or variable name in your source module, review the compiler listing, the binder map, or use the CXXFILT utility, if you do not have access to the listings. This will permit you to see both the mangled and demangled names. For more information, see the [filter utility in z/OS C/C++ User's Guide](#).
Building a simple DLL application

A simple DLL application contains object modules that are made up of only DLL-code. The application may consist of multiple source modules. Some of the source modules may contain references to imported functions, imported variables, or both.

Steps for using an implicitly loaded DLL in your simple DLL application

Perform the following steps to use an implicitly loaded DLL (sometimes called a load-on-call DLL) in your simple DLL application:

1. Write your code as you would if the functions were statically bound.

2. Compile as follows:
   - Compile your non-XPLINK application C source files with the following compiler options:
     - DLL
     - RENT
     - LONGNAME
   - Compile your C++ source files normally. A C++ application is always DLL code.
   - For XPLINK, compile your C and C++ source files with the XPLINK compiler option. XPLINK compiled C and C++ source is always DLL code.

3. Bind your object modules as follows.
   - If you are using z/OS Batch, use the IBM-supplied procedure when you bind your object modules. You must chose the appropriate procedures for XPLINK or non-XPLINK.
   - If you are not using the IBM-supplied procedure, specify the RENT, DYNAM(DLL), and CASE(MIXED) binder options when you bind your object modules.

   **Note:** XPLINK and non-XPLINK use different z/OS Language Environment libraries, and XPLINK requires the C run-time library side-deck for resolution of C run-time library function calls. For more information, see “Planning to Link-Edit and Run” in the z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide.

   - If you are using z/OS UNIX System Services specify the following option for the bind step for c89 or c++.
     - c89 -W 1,DLL
   - If you are using XPLINK, also add the XPLINK option, so that c89 will use the correct z/OS Language Environment libraries and side-decks:
     - c89 -W 1,DLL,XPLINK ...
   - Include the definition side-deck from the DLL provider in the set of object modules to bind. The binder uses the definition side-deck to resolve...
references to functions and variables defined in the DLL. If you are referencing multiple DLLs, you must include multiple definition side-decks.

Note: Definition side-decks cannot be resolved by automatic library call (autocall) processing, so you must specify an INCLUDE statement to explicitly include a definition side-deck for each referenced DLL.

The following is a code fragment illustrating how an application can use the DLL described previously. Compile normally and bind with the definition side-deck provided with the TRIANGLE DLL.

```c
extern int getarea(); /* function prototype */
main () {
    ...
    getarea(); /* imported function reference */
    ...
}
```

See Figure 58 on page 295 for a summary of the processing steps required for the application (and related DLLs).

Creating and using DLLs

Figure 58 on page 295 summarizes the use of DLLs for both the DLL provider and for the writer of applications that use them. In this example, application ABC is referencing functions and variables from two DLLs, XYZ and PQR. The connection between DLL preparation and application preparation is shown. Each DLL shown contains a single compilation unit. The same general scheme applies for DLLs composed of multiple compilation units, except that they have multiple compiles and a single bind for each DLL. For simplicity, this example assumes the following:

- ABC does not export variables or functions.
- XYZ and PQR do not use other DLLs.
- The application is completely non-XPLINK and written in C.
Consider the following restrictions when creating DLLs and DLL applications:

- The entry point for a DLL must be either z/OS C/C++ or Language Environment conforming. An entry point is considered Language Environment conforming if it includes CEESTART or if it was compiled using a Language Environment conforming compiler.
Note: If the entry point for a DLL does not meet either of the above conditions, Language Environment issues an error and terminates the application.

- In a DLL application that contains `main()`, `main()` cannot be exported.
- The AMODE of a DLL application must be the same as the AMODE of the DLL that it calls.
- DLL facilities are not available:
  - Under MTF, CSP or SPC
  - To application programs with `main()` written in PL/I that dynamically call z/OS C functions
- You cannot implicitly or explicitly perform a physical load of a DLL while running C++ static destructors. However, a logical load of a DLL (meaning that the DLL has previously been loaded into the enclave) is allowed from a static destructor. In this case, references from the load module containing the static destructor to the previously-loaded DLL are resolved.
- If a DLL contains static objects, the constructors are called during DLL load. ISO C++ requires that the global objects must be defined within the same compilation unit, but does not specify any order for these to be called; hence the objects are constructed in the order that they are defined. z/OS C/C++ enhances the standard behavior by providing `#pragma priority` to control the construction order for all global objects within the same execution load module. For more information, see the `#pragma priority` in [z/OS C/C++ Language Reference](https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/en/POWER7zOSPPC670Ī1/POWER7zOSPPC670Ī1LangRef.html) for the details of this pragma. A DLL is one execution load module and the `#pragma priority` allows you to control global object construction within a single DLL. On the other hand, you still have no control over the initialization order across different DLLs, or across a DLL application and the DLLs it references. If such order is important, the DLL provider has to define a protocol for applications to follow so that the interaction between the DLL and the applications happens in the required manner. The protocol must be part of the DLL interface design. Take note of the restriction in the previous bullet when defining such a protocol. A simple example would be requiring an application to call a `setup()` function, which is exported by a DLL, before any other references to the same DLL are made. More elaborate designs are possible. The techniques for controlling static initialization are well-discussed in C++ literature; you can reference, for example, Item 47 of Scott Meyers’s Effective C++, 50 Specific Ways to Improve Your Programs and Designs.
- You cannot use the functions `set_new_handler()` or `set_unexpected()` in a DLL if the DLL application is expected to invoke the new handler or unexpected function routines.
- When using the explicit DLL functions in a multithreaded environment, avoid any situation where one thread frees a DLL while another thread calls any of the DLL functions. For example, this situation occurs when a `main()` function uses `d11load()` or `d1open()` to load a DLL, and then creates a thread that uses the `ftw()` function. The `ftw()` target function routine is in the DLL. If the `main()` function uses `d11free()` or `d1close()` to free the DLL, but the created thread uses `ftw()` at any point, you will get an abend.

To avoid a situation where one thread frees a DLL while another thread calls a DLL function, do either of the following:
- Do not free any DLLs by using `d11free()` or `d1close()` (the z/OS Language Environment will free them when the enclave is terminated).
- Have the `main()` function call `d11free()` or `d1close()` only after all threads have been terminated.
- For DLLs to be processed by IPA, they must contain at least one function or method. Data-only DLLs will result in a compilation error.
• Use of circular DLLs may result in unpredictable behavior related to the initialization of non-local static objects. For example, if a static constructor (being run as part of loading DLL "A") causes another DLL "B" to be loaded, then DLL "B" (or any other DLLs that "B" causes to be loaded before static constructors for DLL "A" have completed) cannot expect non-local static objects in "A" to be initialized (that is what static constructors do). You should ensure that non-local static objects are initialized before they are used, by coding techniques such as counters or by placing the static objects inside functions.

Improving performance

This section contains some hints on using DLLs efficiently. Effective use of DLLs may improve the performance of your application. Following are some suggestions that may improve performance:

• If you are using a particular DLL frequently across multiple address spaces, the DLL can be installed in the LPA or ELPA. When the DLL resides in a PDSE, the dynamic LPA services should be used (this will always be the case for XPLINK applications). Installing in the LPA/ELPA may give you the performance benefits of a single rather than multiple load of the DLL.

• When writing XPLINK applications, avoid frequent calls from XPLINK to non-XPLINK DLLs, and vice-versa. These transitions are expensive, so you should build as much of the application as possible as either XPLINK or non-XPLINK. When there is a relatively large amount of function calls compared to the rest of the code, the performance of an XPLINK application can be significantly better than non-XPLINK. It is acceptable to make calls between XPLINK and non-XPLINK, when a relatively large amount of processing will be done once the call is made.

• Be sure to specify the RENT option when you bind your code. Otherwise, each load of a DLL results in a separately loaded DLL with its own writable static. Besides the performance implications of this, you are likely to get incorrect results if the DLL exports variables (data).

• Group external variables into one external structure.

• When using z/OS UNIX System Services avoid unnecessary load attempts. z/OS Language Environment supports loading a DLL residing in the HFS or a data set. However, the location from which it tries to load the DLL first varies depending whether your application runs with the run-time option POSIX(ON) or POSIX(OFF).

If your application runs with POSIX(ON), z/OS Language Environment tries to load the DLL from the HFS first. If your DLL is a data set member, you can avoid searching the HFS directories. To direct a DLL search to a data set, prefix the DLL name with two slashes (//) as is in the following example.

//MYDLL

If your application runs with POSIX(OFF), z/OS Language Environment tries to load your DLL from a data set. If your DLL is an HFS file, you can avoid searching a data set. To direct a DLL search to the HFS, prefix the DLL name with a period and slash (./) as is done in the following example.

./mydll

Note: DLL names are case sensitive in the HFS. If you specify the wrong case for your DLL that resides in the HFS, it will not be found in the HFS.

• For IPA, you should only export subprograms (functions and C++ methods) or variables that you need for the interface to the final DLL. If you export subprograms or variables unnecessarily (for example, by using the EXPORTALL option), you severely limit IPA optimization. In this case, global variable
coalescing and pruning of unreachable or 100% inlined code does not occur. To be processed by IPA, DLLs must contain at least one subprogram. Attempts to process a data-only DLL will result in a compilation error.

- The suboption NOCALLBACKANY of the compiler option DLL is more efficient than the CALLBACKANY suboption. The CALLBACKANY option calls z/OS Language Environment at run-time. This run-time service enables direct function calls. Direct function calls are function calls through function pointers that point to actual function entry points rather than function descriptors. The use of CALLBACKANY will result in extra overhead at every occurrence of a call through a function pointer. This is unnecessary if the calls are not direct function calls.
Chapter 21. Building complex DLLs

Before you attempt to build complex DLLs, it is important to understand the differences between the terms DLL, DLL code, and DLL application.

A DLL (Dynamic Link Library) is a file containing executable code and data bound to a program at run time. The code and data in a DLL can be shared by several applications simultaneously. It is important to note that compiling code with the DLL option does not mean that the produced executable will be a DLL. To create a DLL, you must use the #pragma export or EXPORTALL compiler option.

**DLL code** is code that can use a DLL. The following are DLL code:

- C++ code
- C code compiled using the DLL or XPLINK option

Code written in languages other than C++ and compiled without the DLL or XPLINK option is non-DLL code.

A DLL application is an application that can use exported functions or variables that are bound with DLL code. All of the source files that make up a DLL application do not need to be compiled with the DLL or XPLINK option, only the source files that reference exported functions and exported global variables.

If you link DLL code with non-DLL code, the resulting DLL or DLL application is called complex. You might compile your code as non-DLL for the following reasons:

- Source modules do not use C or C++.
- To prevent problems which occur when a non-DLL function pointer call uses DLL code. This problem takes place when a function makes a call through a function pointer that points to a function entry rather than a function descriptor.

For complex DLLs and DLL applications that you compile without XPLINK, you can use the CBA suboption of the DLL|NODLL compiler option. With this suboption, a call is made, through a function pointer, to the z/OS Language Environment, for each function call, at run time. This call eliminates the error that would occur when a non-DLL function pointer passes a value to DLL code.

**Note:** In this book, unless otherwise specified, all references to the DLL|NODLL compiler option assume suboption NOCBA. For more information, see the [DLL compiler option in z/OS C/C++ User’s Guide](https://www.ibm.com). If you specify the XPLINK compiler option, the CBA and NOCBA suboptions of DLL|NODLL are ignored.

There are two ways to combine XPLINK and non-XPLINK code in the same application:

- Compile each entire DLL with XPLINK or without XPLINK. The only interaction between XPLINK and non-XPLINK code occurs at a DLL or fetch() boundary.
- Use the OS_UPSTACK, OS_NOSTACK, and OS31_NOSTACK linkage directive. For more information, see the description of the linkage pragma in [z/OS C/C++ Language Reference](https://www.ibm.com).

The steps for creating a complex DLL or DLL application are:

1. Determining how to compile your source modules.
2. Modifying the source modules that do not meet all the DLL rules.
3. Compiling the source modules to produce DLL code and non-DLL code as determined in the previous steps.
4. Binding your DLL or DLL application.

The focus of this chapter is step 1 and step 2. You perform step 3 the same way you would for any other C or C++ application. "Binding your code" on page 292 explains step 4.

Rules for compiling source code with XPLINK

This section provides guidelines for compiling with the XPLINK and NOXPLINK compiler options. See XPLINK in z/OS C/C++ User’s Guide for the details of this option.

XPLINK applications

XPLINK provides compatibility with non-XPLINK functions when calls are made across executable modules, using either the DLL or fetch() call mechanism. You should make a reference from XPLINK code into non-XPLINK code only if the reference is by an imported function or variable, or the function pointer is a parameter into the XPLINK code. This prevents incompatible references to a non-XPLINK function entry point.

If the non-XPLINK code exposes a function entry point directly to the XPLINK code (as a global variable, as part of a structure that is passed as a parameter, or by passing an explicit return value), the XPLINK code will not be able to correctly use it.

These are the only factors that you need to consider when building non-XPLINK DLLs that will be used by XPLINK applications.

There is also a restriction in passing a function pointer from a non-XPLINK application into an XPLINK function. By default, a function pointer that is used as a callback must be passed explicitly as an argument into the XPLINK function. That is, you cannot pass a function pointer as a member of a structure that is itself an argument to the XPLINK function. This restriction does not apply if you use the compiler option XPLINK(CALLBACK).

Modifying noncompliant source

For each function pointer, make sure that one of the following is true:
- The function pointer is passed as a parameter to the XPLINK code.
- The indirectly-referenced function pointer was imported by this DLL.
- The indirectly-referenced function pointer was imported by another XPLINK or non-XPLINK DLL.

Non-XPLINK applications

To create a complex DLL or DLL application, you must comply with the following rules that dictate how you compile source modules. The first decision you must make is how you should compile your code. You determine whether to compile with either the DLL or NODLL compiler option based on whether or not your code references any other DLLs. Even if your code is a DLL, it is safe to compile your code with the NODLL compiler option if your code does not reference other DLLs.

The second decision you must make is whether to compile with the default compiler suboption for DLL|NODLL, which is NOCBA, or use the alternative suboption CBA. This
decision is based upon your knowledge of the code you reference. If you are sure that you do not reference any function calls through function pointers that point to a function entry rather than a function descriptor, use the N0CBA suboption. Otherwise, you should use the CBA suboption.

As of V2R4 of OS/390 C/C++, use the following options to ensure that you do not have undefined results as a result of the function pointer pointing to a function entry rather than a function descriptor:

1. Compile your source module with the CBA suboption of DLL|N0DLL. This option inserts extra code whenever you have a function call through a function pointer. The inserted code invokes a run-time service of z/OS Language Environment which enables direct function calls through C/C++ function pointers. Direct function calls are function calls through function pointers that point to actual function entry points rather than function descriptors. The drawback of this method is that your code will run slower. This occurs because whenever you have function calls through function pointers z/OS Language Environment is called at run time to enable direct function calls. See Figure 69 on page 311 for an example of the CBA suboption and an explanation of what the called z/OS Language Environment routine does at run-time when using the CBA suboption.

2. Compile your C source module with the N0CBA suboption of DLL|N0DLL. This option has the benefit of faster running but with more restrictions placed on your coding style. If you do not follow the restrictions, your code may behave unpredictably. See "DLL restrictions" on page 295 for more information.

Compile your C source modules as DLL when:

1. Your source module calls imported functions or imported variables by name.
2. Your source module contains a comparison of function pointers that may be DLL function pointers.
   The comparisons shown in "Function pointer comparison in non-DLL code" on page 313 are undefined. To obtain valid comparisons, compile the source modules as DLL code.
3. Your source module may pass a function pointer to DLL code through a parameter or a return value.
   If the sort() routine in Figure 68 on page 310 is compiled as DLL code instead of non-DLL code, non-DLL applications can no longer call it. To be able to call the DLL code version of sort(), the original non-DLL application must be recompiled as DLL code.
4. Your source module may define a global function pointer and another source module changes it.
   Consider Figure 59 on page 302 and Figure 60 on page 302. You have the following two options when compiling them.
   a. If source module 1 is compiled as DLL code, source module 2 must also be compiled as DLL code.
   b. Alternately, you can compile source module 1 as DLL and source module 2 as NODLL(CBA).

Example: Source module 1
The following table summarizes some of the ways that you could compile the two source modules and lists the results. Both modules are linked into a single executable.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>How Modules Were Compiled</th>
<th>Result</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Source module 1 NODLL(NOCBA) source module 2 DLL(NOCBA)</td>
<td>fp contains a function descriptor. Execution of fp will succeed because it is valid to the address of a function descriptor.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Source module 1 DLL(NOCBA) source module 2 NODLL(NOCBA)</td>
<td>fp contains the address of hello. The execution of fp would abend because source module 1 expects fp to contain a function descriptor for hello.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Source module 1 DLL(CBA) source module 2 DLL(NOCBA)</td>
<td>fp contains a function descriptor. The generated code will function correctly. It will run slower than if the source modules were compiled as DLL(NOCBA) because it will use Language Environment to make the function call.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Source module 1 NODLL(CBA) source module 2 DLL(NOCBA)</td>
<td>A call to Language Environment made by the function call through the function pointer prevents a problem that would have occurred had a direct function call been made.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

If you do not use the DLL compiler option, and your source module calls imported functions or imported variables by name, there will be unresolved references to these variables and functions at bind time. A DLL or DLL application that does not comply with these rules may produce undefined run-time behavior. For a detailed explanation of incompatibilities between DLL and non-DLL code, see “Compatibility issues between DLL and non-DLL code” on page 303.

Modifying noncompliant source
Sometimes source modules of a complex DLL or DLL application do not simultaneously meet all the DLL rules. These rules are documented in the section “Rules for compiling source code with XPLINK” on page 300. When these situations occur, you can use the following methods to solve the problem:

- Use the CBA suboption.
• Rewrite the source in C. Only C source can be compiled as either DLL or non-DLL code. C++ source code is always DLL code.
• Split a C source module in two so that one of the new files is compiled as DLL code and the other is compiled as non-DLL code.

    Note: In rare cases, you may have to split a function into two functions before you can successfully split the file.

An example of noncompliant source is a C++ source module that contains a function call through a pointer that may be either a DLL pointer to a function descriptor or a direct function pointer. Convert it to C code and compile as non-DLL code or, preferably, as DLL(CBA) and recompile.

**Compatibility issues between DLL and non-DLL code**

This section describes the differences between DLL code and non-DLL code, and discusses the related compatibility issues for linking them to create complex DLLs.

    Note: This section does not apply to XPLINK applications. XPLINK code is always DLL code.

The following table and [Figure 61 on page 304](#) illustrate DLL code referencing functions and variables.
Figure 61. Referencing functions and external variables in DLL code

Table 41. Referencing functions and external variables

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>DLL Application</th>
<th>DLL</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>DLL Code</td>
<td>Data</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
| ```
extern int f(void);
int g(void);
extern int x;
int y;
``` | Func Des | ```
... addr(f)
...```
| ```
f(); 1
...``` | Var Des | ```
... addr(x)
...```
| ```
x = 1; 2
...``` | Func Des | ```
... addr(g)
...```
| ```
g(); 3
...``` | ```
int g(void) {
  ... 
}
``` | ```
... addr(g)
...```
| ```
y = 2; 4
...``` |

<table>
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<th>DLL</th>
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<tr>
<td>Imported Functions</td>
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<td>Nonimported Functions</td>
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<tr>
<td>Imported Variables</td>
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<tr>
<td>Nonimported Variables</td>
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</table>
**Pointer assignment**

In DLL code and non-DLL code, the actual address of a variable is assigned to a variable pointer. A valid variable pointer always points to the variable itself and causes no compatibility problems.

**Function pointers**

In non-DLL code, the actual address of a nonimported function is assigned to a function pointer. In DLL code, the address of a function descriptor is assigned to a function pointer.

If you assign the address of an imported function to a pointer in non-DLL code, the link step will fail with an unresolved reference. In a complex DLL or DLL application, a pointer to a function descriptor may be passed to non-DLL code. A direct function pointer (pointer to a function entry point) may be passed to DLL code. 6

In a complex DLL or DLL application, a function pointer may point either to a function descriptor or to a function entry, depending on the origin of the code. The different ways of dereferencing a function pointer causes the compatibility problem in linking DLL code with non-DLL code.

In Figure 62 on page 306, ![Figure 62](#) assigns the address of the descriptor for the imported function f to fp. 2 assigns the address of the imported variable x to xp. 3 assigns the address of the descriptor for the nonimported function g to gp. 4 assigns the address of the non-imported variable y to yp.

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6. A parameter, a return value, or an external variable can pass a function pointer or an external variable.
In Figure 63 on page 307, 1 causes a bind error because the assignment to fp is undefined. 2 causes a binder error because the assignment to xp is undefined. 3 assigns gp to the address of the nonimported function, g. 4 assigns the address of the nonimported variable y to yp.
DLL function pointer call in non-DLL code

Because z/OS C/C++ supports a DLL function pointer call in non-DLL code, you are able to create a DLL to support both DLL and non-DLL applications. The z/OS C/C++ compiler inserts glue code at the beginning of a function descriptor to allow branching to a function descriptor. Glue code is special code that enables function pointer calls from non-DLL code to DLL code, including XPLINK code.

A function pointer in non-DLL code points to the function entry and a function pointer call branches to the function address. However, a DLL function pointer points to a function descriptor. A call made through this pointer in non-DLL code results in branching to the descriptor.

z/OS C/C++ executes a DLL function pointer call in non-DLL code by branching to the descriptor and executing the glue code that invokes the actual function.
The following examples and Figure 68 on page 310 show a DLL function pointer call in non-DLL code, where a simplified sort() routine is used. Note that the sort() routine compiled as non-DLL code can be called from both a DLL application and a non-DLL application.

C example

File 1 and File 2 are bound together to create application A. File 1 is compiled with the NODLL option. File 2 is compiled with the DLL option (so that it can call the DLL function sort()). File 3 is compiled as DLL to create application B. Application A and B can both call the imported function sort() from the DLL in file 4.

Example: The following example shows how a file (File 1) of a complex DLL application is compiled with the NODLL option.

```c
typedef int CmpFP(int, int);
void sort(int* arr, int size, CmpFP*); /* sort routine in DLL */
void callsort(int* arr, int size, CmpFP* fp); /* routine compiled as DLL */
/* which can call DLL */
/* routine sort() */
int comp(int e1, int e2) {
    if (e1 == e2) {
        return(0);
    }
    else if (e1 < e2) {
        return(-1);
    }
    else {
        return(1);
    }
}
main() {
    CmpFP* fp = comp;
    int a[2] = {2,1};
    callsort(a, 2, fp);
    return(0);
}
```

Figure 64. File 1. Application A.

Example: The following example shows how a file (File 2) of a complex DLL application is compiled with the DLL option.

```c
typedef int CmpFP(int, int);
void sort(int* arr, int size, CmpFP*); /* sort routine in DLL */
void callsort(int* arr, int size, CmpFP* fp) {
    sort(arr, size, fp);
}
```

Figure 65. File 2. Application A
**Example:** The following example shows how a simple DLL application is compiled with the DLL option.

```c
int comp(int e1, int e2) {
    if (e1 == e2)
        return(0);
    else if (e1 < e2)
        return(-1);
    else
        return(1);
}
int (*fp)(int e1, int e2);
main()
{
    int a[2] = { 2, 1 };
    fp = comp; /* assign function address */
    sort(a, 2, fp); /* call sort */
}
```

*Figure 66. File 3. Application B*

File 4 is compiled as NODLL and bound into a DLL. The function `sort()` will be exported to users of the DLL.

**Example:** The following example shows how a DLL is compiled with the NODLL option.

```c
typedef int CmpFP(int, int);
int sort(int* arr, int size, CmpFP* fp) {
    int i, j, temp, rc;
    for (i=0; i<size; ++i)
        for (j=1; j<size-1; ++j)
            rc = fp(arr[j-1], arr[j]); /* call 'fp' which may be DLL or no-DLL code */
            if (rc > 0)
                temp = arr[j];
                    arr[j] = arr[j-1];
                    arr[j-1] = temp;
    }
    return(0);
}
#pragma export(sort)
```

*Figure 67. File 4. DLL*

**Note:** Non-DLL function pointers can only safely be passed to a DLL if the function referenced is naturally reentrant, that is, it is C code compiled with the NORENT compiler option, or is C code with no global or static variables. See the discussion on the CBA option to see how to make a DLL that can be called by applications that pass constructed reentrant function pointers.
Non-DLL function pointer call in DLL(CBA) code

The following figure illustrates one situation where you could use the CBA suboption. In the example, the DLL provider provides stub routines which the application programmer can bind with their applications. These stub routines allow an application programmer to use a DLL without recompiling the application with the DLL option. This is an important consideration for library providers that want to move from a static version of a library to a dynamic one. Stub routines are not mandatory, however if they are provided, the application programmer only needs to rebind, but not recompile the application. If stub routines are not provided by the DLL provider, the application programmer must recompile the application.
In the previous example, the DLL provider:

- Compiles the DLL parts as either DLL(CBA) or NODLL(CBA).
- Exports function dllsort() for use by other applications.
- Binds the DLL to produce a DLL executable module and a DLL definition side-deck.
- Creates a stub function for every function exported from the DLL. The stub function calls a corresponding function in the DLL. This routine is compiled with the DLL option. The stub functions are provided to the application programmer in a static library to be bound with the application.

The Application Programmer:

- Codes the program using any of the following compiler options;
  - DLL
  - NODLL
  - RENT
  - NORENT
- Calls the stub routines, not the exported functions.

**Note:** The stub routines must be called because the application programmer may have compiled his code with the N0DLL compiler option. Otherwise, references to the DLL functions will be unresolved at bind time. Providing the stub routines allows an application programmer to use a DLL without recompiling the application with the DLL option. This is an important consideration for library providers that want to move from a static version.

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Figure 69. DLL function pointer call in non-DLL code

In the previous example, the DLL provider:

- Compiles the DLL parts as either DLL(CBA) or NODLL(CBA).
- Exports function dllsort() for use by other applications.
- Binds the DLL to produce a DLL executable module and a DLL definition side-deck.
- Creates a stub function for every function exported from the DLL. The stub function calls a corresponding function in the DLL. This routine is compiled with the DLL option. The stub functions are provided to the application programmer in a static library to be bound with the application.

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of a library to a dynamic one. Providing stub routines requires the application programmer to rebind but not recompile the application.

- Statically binds the definition side-deck, provided by the DLL provider, and the stub routines with their program.
- Binds the DLL to produce a DLL executable module and a DLL definition side-deck
- Creates a stub function for every function exported from the DLL. The stub function calls the DLL directly

The reference keys in Figure 69 on page 311 illustrate the sequence of events. Note that in 3, the user does not explicitly make a call to Language Environment. The generated code for the fp function call makes the call to z/OS Language Environment. z/OS Language Environment does the following at point 4 in the figure:

- Saves the DLL environment
- Establishes the application environment
- Branches to the user’s function
- Reestablishes the DLL environment after execution of the function
- Returns control to the DLL.

Non-DLL function pointer call in DLL code

In DLL code, it is assumed that a function pointer points to a function descriptor. A function pointer call is made by first obtaining the function address through dereferencing the pointer; and then, branching to the function entry. When a non-DLL function pointer is passed to DLL code, it points directly to the function entry. An attempt to dereference through such a pointer produces an undefined function address. The subsequent branching to the undefined address may result in an exception. The following is an example of passing a non-DLL function pointer to DLL code via an external variable. Its behavior is undefined as shown in the following example:

**Example of passing a non-DLL function point to DLL code using C and C++**

```c
#include <stdio.h>
extern void (*fp)(void);
void hello(void) {  
  printf("hello\n");
}
void goo(void) {
  fp = hello; /* assign address of hello, to fp */  
  /* (refer to Figure 63 on page 307) */
}
```

*Figure 70. C non-DLL code*

**Example:** The following example shows how dereferencing through a pointer produces an undefined function address in C.
extern void goo(void);
void (*fp)(void);
void main (void) {
  goo();
  (*fp)(); /* Expect a descriptor, but get a function address, */
  /* so it dereferences to an undefined address and */
  /* call fails */
}

Figure 71. C DLL code

Example: The following example shows how dereferencing through a pointer produces an undefined function address in C++.

extern "C" void goo(void);
void (*fp)(void);
void main (void) {
  goo();
  (*fp)(); /* Expect a descriptor, but get a function address, */
  /* so it dereferences to an undefined address and */
  /* call fails */
}

Figure 72. C++ DLL code

Example: In the following example, a non-DLL function pointer call to an assembler function is resolved.

/*
 * This function must be compiled as DLL(CBA)
 */
extern "OS" {
  typedef void OS_FP(char *, int *);
}
extern "OS" OS_FP* ASMFN(char*);
int CXXFN(char* p1, int* p2) {
  OS_FP* fp;
  fp = ASMFN("ASM FN"); /* returns pointer to address of function */
  if (fp) {
    fp(p1, p2); /* call asm function through fn pointer */
  }
  return(0);
}

Figure 73. C++ DLL code calling an Assembler function

Function pointer comparison in non-DLL code

In non-DLL code, the results of the following function pointer comparisons are undefined:

- Comparing a DLL function pointer to a non-DLL function pointer
- Comparing a DLL function pointer to another DLL function pointer
- Comparing a DLL function pointer to a constant function address
Comparing a DLL function pointer to a non-DLL function pointer

In Figure 76 both the DLL function pointer and the non-DLL function pointer point to the same function, but the pointers when compared are unequal.

Example of comparing a DLL function pointer to a non-DLL function pointer using C

```
#include <stdio.h>
extern int foo(int (*fp1)(const char *, ...));
main ()
{
  int (*fp)(const char *, ...);
  fp = printf; /* assign address of a descriptor that */
  /* points to printf. */
  if (foo(fp))
    printf("Test result is undefined\n");
}
```

Figure 74. C DLL code

```
int foo(int (*fp1)(const char *, ...))
{
  int (*fp2)(const char *, ...);
  fp2 = printf; /* assign the address of printf. */
  if (fp1 == fp2) /* comparing address of descriptor to */
    /* address of printf results in unequal. */
    return(0);
  else
    return(1);
}
```

Figure 75. C non-DLL code

In the preceding examples, DLL code and non-DLL code can reside either in the same executable file or in different executable files.

Comparing a DLL function pointer to another DLL function pointer

The example in Figure 80 on page 316 compares addresses of function descriptors. In the following examples, both of the DLL function pointers point to the same function, but they compare unequal.

Comparison of two DLL function pointers in non-DLL code

The following example shows a comparison of two DLL function pointers in non-DLL code. In this example, File 1 and file 2 reside in different executable modules. File 3...
can reside in the same executable module as file 1 or file 2 or it can reside in a
different executable module. In all cases, the addresses of the function descriptors
will not compare equally.

**Example of comparison of two DLL function pointers in non-DLL code using C:**

```c
#include <stdio.h>
extern int goo(int (*fp1)(const char *, ...));
main ()
{
    int (*fp)(const char *, ...);
    fp = printf; /* assign address of a descriptor that */
    /* points to printf. */
    if (goo(fp))
        printf("Test result is undefined\n");
}
```

*Figure 77. File 1 C DLL code*

```c
#include <stdio.h>
extern int goo(int (*fp1)(const char *, ...),
                int (*fp2)(const char *, ...));
int goo(int (*fp1)(const char *, ...))
{
    int (*fp2)(const char *, ...);
    fp2 = printf; /* assign address of a different */
    /* descriptor that points to printf. */
    return (foo(fp1, fp2));
}
```

*Figure 78. File 2 C DLL code*

```c
int foo(int (*fp1)(const char *, ...),
        int (*fp2)(const char *, ...))
{
    if (fp1 == fp2) /* comparing the addresses of two */
        /* descriptors results in unequal. */
        return(0);
    else
        return(1);
}
```

*Figure 79. File 3 C non-DLL code*
Comparing a DLL function pointer to a constant function address other than NULL

Here, you are comparing the constant function address to an address of a function descriptor.

Note: Comparing a DLL function pointer to NULL is well defined, because when a pointer variable is initialized to NULL in DLL code, it has a value zero.

Function pointer comparison in DLL code

In XPLINK code, function pointers are compared using the address of the descriptor. No special considerations, such as dereferencing, are required to initialize the function pointer prior to comparison. Function descriptors are guaranteed to be unique throughout the XPLINK application for a particular function, so this comparison of function descriptor addresses will yield the correct results even if the function pointer is passed between executable modules within the XPLINK application. The remainder of this section does not apply to XPLINK applications.

In non-XPLINK DLL code, a function pointer must be NULL before it is compared. For a non-NULL pointer, the pointer is further dereferenced to obtain the function address that is used for the comparison. For an uninitialized function pointer that has a non-zero value, the dereference can cause an exception to occur. This happens if the storage that the uninitialized pointer points to is read-protected.

Usually, comparing uninitialized function pointers results in undefined behavior. You must initialize a function pointer to NULL or the function address (from source view). Two examples follow.

Example: The following example shows undefined comparison in DLL code (C or C++).
Figure 81. Undefined comparison in DLL code (C or C++)

Figure 82 shows that, when fp1 points to a read-protected memory block, an exception occurs.

Example: Following is an example of valid comparisons in DLL code:
Using DLLs that call each other

An application can use DLLs that call each other. There are two methods for building these applications, as illustrated in the examples that follow:

- In the first method, the loop is broken by manually creating IMPORT statements for the referenced DLLs, when binding one of the DLLs (APPL2D3).
- In the second method, an initial bind is done on APPL2D3 using the binder NCAL parameter, which will be done again after the referenced DLLs are built.

In both cases, the result is that the side-deck is produced for APPL2D3, so that the DLLs that reference APPL2D3 can be built.

Example: The APPL2 application (Figure 84 on page 319) imports functions and variables from three DLLs: Figure 85 on page 319, Figure 86 on page 320, and Figure 87 on page 320. It is an example of an application that uses DLLs that call each other.

```c
#include <stdio.h>
int (*fp1)(const char *, ...); /* An extern variable is implicitly*/
/* initialized to zero */
/* if it has not been explicitly */
/* initialized in source. */
int (*fp2)(const char *, ...); /* Initialize to point to the */
/* printf; */
int foo(void) {
  if (fp1 != fp2)
    return (0);
  else
    return (1);
}
```

Figure 83. Valid comparisons in DLL code (C or C++)
```c
#include <stdlib.h>

extern int var1_d1;    /* imported from APPL2D1 */
extern int func1_d1(int);    /* imported from APPL2D1 */
extern int var1_d2;    /* imported from APPL2D2 */
extern int func1_d2(int);    /* imported from APPL2D2 */
extern int var1_d3;    /* imported from APPL2D3 */
extern int func1_d3(int);    /* imported from APPL2D3 */

int main() {
    int rc = 0;

    printf("+-APPL2::main() starting \n");
    /* ref DLL1 */
    if (var1_d1 == 100) {
        printf("| var1_d1=<%d>,%d\n",var1_d1++);
        func1_d1(var1_d1);
    }
    /* ref DLL2 */
    if (var1_d2 == 200) {
        printf("| var1_d2=<%d>,%d\n",var1_d2++);
        func1_d2(var1_d2);
    }
    /* ref DLL3 */
    if (var1_d3 == 300) {
        printf("| var1_d3=<%d>,%d\n",var1_d3++);
        func1_d3(var1_d3);
    }

    printf("+-APPL2::main() Ending \n");
}
```

**Figure 84. Application APPL2**

**Example:** The following application APPL2D1 imports functions from [Figure 86 on page 320](#) and [Figure 87 on page 320](#)

```c
#include <stdio.h>

int func1_d1();    /* A function to be externalized */
int var1_d1 = 100;    /* export this variable */
extern int func1_d2(int);    /* imported from APPL2D2 */
extern int func1_d3(int);    /* imported from APPL2D3 */

int func1_d1 (int input)
{
    int rc2 = 0;
    int rc3 = 0;
    printf("| +-APPL2D1() func1_d1() starting. Input is %d,\n", input);
    rc2 = func1_d2(200);
    rc3 = func1_d3(300);
    printf("| | func1_d1() dll1 - rc2=<%d> rc3=<%d>\n", rc2, rc3);
    printf("| +-APPL2D1() func1_d1() ending. \n");
}
```

**Figure 85. Application APPL2D1**
Example: The following application APPL2D2 imports a function from Figure 87.

```c
#include <stdio.h>
int func1_d2(); /* A function to be externalized */
int var1_d2 = 200;

extern int func1_d3(int); /* import this function */

int func1_d2 (int input)
{
  int rc3 = 0;
  printf("| +-APPL2D2() func1_d2() starting. Input is %d\n", input);
  rc3 = func1_d3(300);
  printf("| | func1_d2() dll2 - rc3=<%d>\n", rc3);
  printf("| | +-APPL2D2() func1_d2() ending\n");
}
```

Figure 86. Application APPL2D2

Example: The following application APPL2D3 imports variables from Figure 85 on page 319 and Figure 86.

```c
#include <stdio.h>
int func1_d3(); /* A function to be externalized */
int var1_d3 = 300;

extern int var1_d1; /* imported variable from appl2D1 */
extern int var1_d2; /* imported variable from appl2D2 */

int func1_d3 (int input)
{
  printf("| | | +-APPL2D3()-func1_d3() starting. Input is %d\n", input);
  printf("| | | value of var1_d1=%d var1_d2=%d\n", var1_d1, var1_d2);
  printf("| | | +-APPL2D3()-func1_d3() ending\n");
}
```

Figure 87. Application APPL2D3

Example: The first method uses the JCL in Figure 88 on page 321. The following processing occurs:

1. APPL2D3 is compiled and bound to create a DLL. The binder uses the control cards supplied through SYSIN to import variables from APPL2D1 and APPL2D2. The binder also generates a side-deck APPL2D3 that is used in the following steps.

2. APPL2D2 is compiled and bound to create a DLL. The binder uses the control cards supplied through SYSIN to include the side-deck from APPL2D3. The following steps use the binder which generates the side-deck APPL2D2.

3. APPL2D1 is compiled and bound to create a DLL. The binder uses the control cards supplied through SYSIN to include the side-decks from APPL2D2 and APPL2D3. The following steps show the binder generating the side-deck APPL2D1.

4. APPL2 is compiled, bound, and run. The binder uses the control statements supplied through SYSIN to include the side-decks from APPL2D1, APPL2D2, and APPL2D3.
//jobcard information...
/*
*/
*/CBDLL3: -Compile and bind APPL2D3
*/ -Explicit import of variables from APPL2D1 and APPL2D2
*/ -Generate the side-deck APPL2D3
*/
*/CBDLL3 EXEC EDCCB,INFILE='myid.SOURCE(APPL2D3)',
  // CPARM='SO,LIST,DLL,EXPO,RENT,LONG',
  // OUTFILE='myid.LOAD,DISP=SHR'
*/BIND.SYSIN DD *
IMPORT DATA APPL2D1 var1_d1
IMPORT DATA APPL2D2 var1_d2
NAME APPL2D3(R)
*/
*/BIND.SYSDEFSD DD DSN=myid.IMPORT(APPL2D3),DISP=SHR
*/
*/CBDLL2: -Compile and bind APPL2D2
*/ -Generate the side-deck APPL2D2
*/
*/CBDLL2 EXEC EDCCB,INFILE='myid.SOURCE(APPL2D2)',
  // CPARM='SO,LIST,DLL,EXPO,RENT,LONG',
  // OUTFILE='myid.LOAD,DISP=SHR'
*/BIND.SYSIN DD *
INCLUDE DSD(APPL2D3)
NAME APPL2D2(R)
*/
*/BIND.SYSDEFSD DD DSN=myid.IMPORT(APPL2D2),DISP=SHR
*/BIND.DSD DD DSN=myid.IMPORT,DISP=SHR
*/
*/CBDLL1: -Compile and bind APPL2D1
*/ -Include the side-deck APPL2D2 and APPL2D3
*/ -Generate the side-deck APPL2D1
*/
*/CBDLL1 EXEC EDCCB,INFILE='myid.SOURCE(APPL2D1)',
  // CPARM='SO,LIST,DLL,EXPO,RENT,LONG',
  // OUTFILE='myid.LOAD,DISP=SHR'
*/BIND.SYSIN DD *
INCLUDE DSD(APPL2D2)
INCLUDE DSD(APPL2D3)
NAME APPL2D1(R)
*/
*/BIND.SYSDEFSD DD DSN=myid.IMPORT(APPL2D1),DISP=SHR
*/BIND.DSD DD DSN=myid.IMPORT,DISP=SHR
*/
*/CBAPP2: -Compile, bind and run APPL2
*/ -Include the side-deck APPL2D1, APPL2D2 and APPL2D3
*/
*/CBAPP2 EXEC EDCCBG,INFILE='myid.SOURCE(APPL2)',
  // CPARM='SO,LIST,DLL,RENT,LONG',
  // OUTFILE='myid.LOAD(APPL2),DISP=SHR'
*/BIND.SYSIN DD *
INCLUDE DSD(APPL2D1)
INCLUDE DSD(APPL2D2)
INCLUDE DSD(APPL2D3)
NAME APPL2(R)
*/
*/BIND.DSD DD DSN=myid.IMPORT,DISP=SHR
//GO.STEPLIB DD
// DD DSN=myid.LOAD,DISP=SHR

Figure 88. Method 1 JCL
Example: The second method uses the JCL in Figure 89. The following processing occurs:

1. Once compiled, the object module APPL2D2 is saved for the following steps.
2. APPL2D1 is compiled, the object module is saved for the following steps.
3. APPL2D3 is compiled and bound to generate the side-deck and the object module is not used in the following steps. The load module for this step is not saved, as it is not being used. The load module for APPL2D3 is generated at a later step.
4. APPL2D2 is bound to create a DLL. The binder takes as input the object module APPL2D2 and the side-deck APPL2D3. It also generates the side-deck APPL2D2 that is used in the following steps.
5. APPL2D1 is bound to create a DLL. The binder takes as input the object module APPL2D1 and the side-decks APPL2D3 and APPL2D2. It also generates the side-deck APPL2D1 that is used in the following steps.
6. APPL2D3 is bound to create a DLL. The binder takes as input the object module APPL2D3 and the side-decks APPL2D1 and APPL2D2. It also generates the side-deck APPL2D3 that is used in the following step.
7. APPL2 is compiled, bound, and run. The binder takes as input the object module APPL2 and the side-decks APPL2D1, APPL2D2, and APPL2D3.

//jobcard information...
//* CDLL2: -Compile APPL2D2
//*
//CDLL2 EXEC EDCC,INFILE='myid.SOURCE(APPL2D2)',
// OUTFILE='myid.OBJ(APPL2D2),DISP=SHR',
// CPARM='SO,LIST,DLL,EXPO,RENT,LONG'
//*
//* CDLL1: -Compile APPL2D1
//*
//CDLL1 EXEC EDCC,INFILE='myid.SOURCE(APPL2D1)',
// OUTFILE='myid.OBJ(APPL2D1),DISP=SHR',
// CPARM='SO,LIST,DLL,EXPO,RENT,LONG'
//*
//* CBDLL3: -Compile and bind APPL2D3 with NCAL
//* -Generate the side-deck APPL2D3
//* -The load module will not be kept, as it will not be
//* used
//*
//CBDLL3 EXEC EDCCB,INFILE='myid.SOURCE(APPL2D3)',
// CPARM='SO,LIST,DLL,EXPO,RENT,LONG',
// BPARM='NCAL'
//COMPILE.SYSLIN DD DSN=myid.OBJ(APPL2D3),DISP=SHR
//BIND.SYSLIN DD DSN=myid.OBJ(APPL2D3),DISP=SHR
//BIND.OBJ DD *
INCLUDE OBJ(APPL2D2)
INCLUDE OBJ(APPL2D1)
NAME APPL2D3(R)
/
//BIND.SYSEDEFSD DD DSN=myid.IMPORT(APPL2D3),DISP=SHR
//BIND.OBJ DD DSN=myid.OBJ,DISP=SHR
//*

Figure 89. Method 2 JCL (Part 1 of 2)
BDLL2: -Bind APPL2D2
/* -Generate the the side-deck APPL2D2
/*
/*
/*BDLL2 EXEC CBCB,INFILE='myid.OBJ(APPL2D2)',
BPARM='CALL',
OUTFILE='myid.LOAD(APPL2D2),DISP=SHR'
BIND.SYSIN DD DSN=myid.IMPORT(APPL2D2),DISP=SHR
BIND.SYSDEFSD DD DSN=myid.IMPORT(APPL2D2),DISP=SHR
/*
/*
/* BDLL1: -Bind APPL2D1
/* -Generate the side-deck APPL2D1
/*
/*BDLL1 EXEC CBCB,INFILE='myid.OBJ(APPL2D1)',
BPARM='CALL',
OUTFILE='myid.LOAD(APPL2D1),DISP=SHR'
BIND.SYSIN DD *
INCLUDE DSD(APPL2D2)
INCLUDE DSD(APPL2D3)
/*
/*BIND.SYSDEFSD DD DSN=myid.IMPORT(APPL2D1),DISP=SHR
/*BIND.DSD DD DSN=myid.IMPORT,DISP=SHR
/*
/* BDLL3: -Bind APPL2D3
/* -Generate the side-deck APPL2D3
/*
/*BDLL3 EXEC CBCB,INFILE='myid.OBJ(APPL2D3)',
BPARM='CALL',
OUTFILE='myid.LOAD(APPL2D3),DISP=SHR'
BIND.SYSIN DD *
INCLUDE DSD(APPL2D1)
INCLUDE DSD(APPL2D2)
NAME APPL2D3(R)
/*
/*BIND.SYSDEFSD DD DSN=myid.IMPORT(APPL2D3),DISP=SHR
/*BIND.DSD DD DSN=myid.IMPORT,DISP=SHR
/*
/* CBAPP2: -Compile, bind and run APPL2
/* -Input the side-decks APPL2D1, APPL2D2 and APPL2D3
/*
/*CBAPP2 EXEC EDCCBG,INFILE='myid.SOURCE(APPL2)',
CPARM='SO LIST DLL RENT LONG',
OUTFILE='myid.LOAD(APPL2),DISP=SHR'
BIND.SYSIN DD *
INCLUDE DSD(APPL2D1)
INCLUDE DSD(APPL2D2)
INCLUDE DSD(APPL2D3)
NAME APPL2(R)
/*
/*BIND.DSD DD DSN=myid.IMPORT,DISP=SHR
/*GO STEPLIB DD
/* DD DSN=myid.LOAD,DISP=SHR

Figure 89. Method 2 JCL (Part 2 of 2)
Chapter 22. Programming for a z/OS 64-bit environment

Overview

This chapter discusses technical and programming issues that affect the design of applications that will be executed in a 64-bit environment, with emphasis on migrating from a 32-bit environment or writing code for parallel compilations.

A major advantage of using a 64-bit environment is the increase in the virtual addressing space. A 64-bit program can handle large tables as arrays without using temporary files in secondary storage.

The two environments are differentiated only by their address space sizes and data model sizes (ILP32 versus LP64). The following table shows those differences, as well as a comparison of the compiler and run-time options that are available to you in each environment. For example, if you are developing a program to run in either a 32–bit or a 64–bit environment, you must code it to ensure that the high-performance linkage (XPLINK) option is in effect whenever the program is running under ILP32.

Table 42. Comparison of two programming environments

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<th>ILP32 (32-bit environment)</th>
<th>LP64 (64-bit environment)</th>
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<td>1 million TB address space</td>
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<td>31-bit execution mode</td>
<td>64-bit execution mode</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Data model ILP32 (32-bit pointer)</td>
<td>Data model LP64 (64-bit pointer)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>XPLINK or non-XPLINK</td>
<td>XPLINK only</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>32-bit dynamic linked libraries (DLLs)</td>
<td>64-bit DLLs</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

int, long, ptr, and off_t are all 32 bits (4 bytes) in size. int is 32 bits in size. long, ptr, and off_t are all 64 bits (8 bytes) in size.

When to port programs to a 64-bit environment

Typically, a 32-bit application should be ported only if either of the following is true:

• It is required by a DLL or a supporting utility
• It must have 64-bit addressability

This is because:

• Porting programs to a 64-bit environment presents a modest technical effort where good coding practices are used. Poor coding practices greatly increase the programming effort.
• There is no clear performance advantage to recompiling an existing 32-bit program in 64-bit mode. In fact, a small slowdown is possible. This is due to:
  – An increase in module size because instructions are larger
  – An increase in size of the Writable Static Area (WSA) and the stack because pointers and longs are larger
  – Issues related to run-time requirements (for example, when you port a program that is compiled with NORENT and NODLL to a 64-bit environment, you must code the program to use the RENT and DLL options, which are required in the 64-bit environment)
31-bit versus 32-bit terminology

31-bit refers to the addressing mode, or AMODE. In z/OS C/C++, pointer sizes in this mode are always 4 bytes. In AMODE 31, 31 bits of the pointer are used to form the address, which is defined by the term "31-bit addressing mode".

Occasionally, we also use the term "32-bit mode". Strictly speaking, 31-bit is an architectural characteristic referring to the addressing capability, while 32-bit is a programming language aspect referring to the data model. The latter is also referred to as ILP32 (int-long-pointer 32). When there is no ambiguity, we will use the term "32-bit mode".

Using prototypes to avoid debugging problems

You can avoid complex debugging problems by ensuring that all functions are prototyped.

The C language provides a default prototype. If a function is not prototyped, it defaults to a function which returns an integer and has no information about the arguments.

The C++ language does not provide a default and always requires a prototype. However, C++ has an implicit integer return type extension for legacy code.

A common problem is that the default return type of int might not remain the same size as an associated pointer. For example, the function malloc() can cause truncation when an unprototyped function returns a pointer. This is because an unprototyped function is assumed to return an int (4 bytes).

The LP64 data model

LP64 is the 64-bit data model chosen by the Aspen working group (formed by X/OPEN and a consortium of hardware vendors). LP64 is short for long-pointer 64. It is commonly referred to as the 4/8/8 model, signifying the integer/long/pointer type sizes, measured in bytes.

A migration issue can exist if the program assumes that int, long and pointer type are all the same size. The number of cases where program logic relies on this assumption varies from application to application, depending on the coding style and functionality of the application.

The LP64 strategy is to strike a balance between maximizing the robustness of 64-bit capabilities while minimizing the effort of migrating many programs.

LP64 provides:

- 64-bit addressing with 8-byte pointers
- Large object support (8-byte longs)
- Backward compatibility (4-byte int)

Note: Integers are the same size in both the ILP32 and LP64 data models.

Most of the other unexpected behaviors occur at the limits of a type's value range.

LP64 restrictions

The following restrictions apply under LP64:
• The ILP32 statement `type=memory(hiperspace)` is treated as `type=memory` under LP64. Hiperspace memory files are treated as regular memory files in a 64-bit environment. All behavior is the same as for regular memory files.
• The ANSI `system()` function is not supported under LP64. From an I/O perspective in a 64-bit environment, there is only the root program; there are no child programs. This restriction affects at least the following types of information such as inheritance of standard streams and sharing of memory files across enclaves.
• The IMS and CICS environments are not supported under LP64. References to these environments are valid under ILP32 only.
• User-supplied buffers are ignored for all but HFS files under LP64. References to user-supplied buffers are valid under ILP32 only.

ILP32 and LP64 type sizes

Currently, the 32-bit data model for z/OS C/C++ compilers is ILP32 plus long long. This data model uses the 4/4/4 model and includes a `long long` type. The following table compares the type sizes for the different models.

Table 43. Size comparisons for signed and unsigned data types

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Data Type</th>
<th>32 bit sizes (in bytes)</th>
<th>64 bit sizes (in bytes)</th>
<th>Remarks</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>char</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>short</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>2</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>int</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>4</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>long</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>8</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>long long</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>8</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>float</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>4</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>double</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>8</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>long double</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>16</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pointer</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>8</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>wchar_t</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>Other UNIX platforms usually have wchar_t 4 bytes for both 32-bit and 64-bit mode.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>size_t</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>This is an unsigned type.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ptrdiff_t</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>This is a signed type.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

z/OS C/C++ compiler behavior under ILP32 and LP64

Implementation of the 64-bit environment has not changed the default behavior of the compiler; the default compilation is 32-bit, which is specified by the ILP32 compiler option.

The compiler changes the behavior of code only when compiling for 64-bit mode, which is specified by the LP64 compiler option.
Impact of data model on structure alignment

The LP64 specification changes the size and alignment of certain structure elements, which affects the size of the structure itself. In general, all structures that use long integers and pointers must be checked for size and alignment dependencies.

It is not possible to share a data structure between 32-bit and 64-bit processes, unless the structure is devoid of pointer and long types. Unions that attempt to share long and int types (or overlay pointers onto int types) will be aligned differently or will be corrupted. For example, the virtual function table pointer, inherent in many C++ objects, is a pointer and will change the size and alignment of many C++ objects. In addition, the size and composition of the compiler-generated virtual function table will change.

Note: The issue of changing structure size and alignment should not be a problem unless the program makes assumptions about the size and/or composition of structures.

z/OS basic rule of alignment

The basic rule of alignment in z/OS is that a data structure is aligned in accordance with its size and the strictest alignment requirement for its largest member. An 8-byte alignment is more stringent than a 4-byte alignment. In other words, members that can be placed on a 4-byte boundary can also be placed on an 8-byte boundary, but not vice versa.

Note: The only exception is a long double, which is always aligned on an 8-byte boundary.

You can satisfy the rule of alignment by inserting pad members both between members and at the end of a structure, so that the overall size of the structure is a multiple of the structure’s alignment.

Examples of structure alignments under ILP32 and LP64

This section provides examples of three structures that illustrate the impact of the ILP32 and LP64 programming environments on structure size and alignment.

In accordance with the z/OS rule of alignment (see “z/OS basic rule of alignment”), the length of each data member produced by the source code depends on the run-time environment, as shown in the following table:
Table 44. Comparison of data structure member lengths produced from the same code

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Source:</th>
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</table>
| ```c
#include <stdio.h>

int main(void) {
    struct li{
        long la;
        int ia;
    } li;
    struct lii{
        long la;
        int ia;
        int ib;
    } lii;
    struct liii{
        int ia;
        long la;
        int ib;
    } liii;
    printf("length li = %d\n",sizeof(li));
    printf("length lii = %d\n",sizeof(lii));
    printf("length liii = %d\n",sizeof(liii));
}
``` |

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>ILP32 member lengths:</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>length li = 8</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>length lii = 12</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>length liii = 12</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>LP64 member lengths:</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>length li = 16</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>length lii = 16</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>length liii = 24</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Notes:

1. In a 32-bit environment, both int and long int have 4-byte alignments, so each of these members is aligned on 4-byte boundary. In accordance with the z/OS rule of alignment, the structure as a whole has a 4-byte alignment. The size of struct lii is 8 bytes. See Figure 90 on page 330.

2. In a 64-bit environment, int has a 4-byte alignment and long int has an 8-byte alignment. In accordance with the z/OS rule of alignment, the structure as a whole has an 8-byte alignment. See Figure 90 on page 330.

3. The struct lii and the struct liii have the same members, but in a different member order. See Figure 91 on page 331 and Figure 92 on page 332. Because of the padding differences in each environment:
   - Under ILP32:
     - The size of struct lii is 12 bytes (4-byte long + 4-byte int + 4-byte int)
     - The size of struct liii is 12 bytes (4-byte int + 4-byte long + 4-byte int)
   - Under LP64:
     - The size of struct lii is 16 bytes (8-byte long + 4-byte int + 4-byte int)
     - The size of struct liii is 24 bytes (4-byte int + 4-byte pad + 8-byte long + 4-byte int + 4-byte pad)

The ILP32 and LP64 alignments for the structs defined by the code shown in Table 44 are compared in Figure 90 on page 330, Figure 91 on page 331, and Figure 92 on page 332.

Figure 90 on page 330 compares how struct lii is aligned under ILP32 and LP64. The structure has two members:
   - The first (member la) is of type long
   - The second (member ia) is of type int
Under ILP32, each member is 4 bytes long and is aligned on a 4-byte boundary, making the structure 8 bytes long. Under LP64, member la is 8 bytes long and is aligned on an 8-byte boundary. Member ia is 4 bytes long, so the compiler inserts 4 padding bytes to ensure that the structure is aligned to the strictest alignment requirement for its largest member. Then, the structure can be used as part of an array under LP64.

**ILP32**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Struct lii</th>
<th>Boundary</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Member la</td>
<td>00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Member ia</td>
<td>04</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**LP64**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Struct lii</th>
<th>Boundary</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Member la</td>
<td>00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Member ia</td>
<td>08</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Compiler inserted padding</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

![Diagram showing alignments under ILP32 and LP64](image)

Figure 90. Comparison of struct lii, alignments under ILP32 and LP64

Figure 91 on page 331 and Figure 92 on page 332 show structures that have the same members, but in a different order. Compare these figures to see how the order of the members impacts the size of the structures in each environment.

Figure 91 on page 331 compares how struct lii is aligned under ILP32 versus LP64.

struct lii has three members:
- The first (member la) is of type long
- The second (member ia) and third (member ib) are of type int

Under ILP32, each member is 4 bytes long and is aligned on a 4-byte boundary, making the structure 12 bytes long. Under LP64, member la is 8 bytes long and is aligned on an 8-byte boundary. Member ia and member ib are each 4 bytes long, so the structure is 16 bytes long and can align on an 8-byte boundary without padding.
Figure 91. Comparison of struct ili alignments under ILP32 and LP64

Figure 92 on page 332 compares how struct ili is aligned under ILP32 and LP64. struct ili has three members:

- The first (member ia) is of type int
- The second (member la) is of type long
- The third (member ib) is of type int

Under ILP32, each member is 4 bytes long and is aligned on a 4-byte boundary, making the structure 12 bytes long. Under LP64, the compiler inserts paddings after both member ia and member ib, so that each member is 8 bytes long (member la is already 8 bytes long) and are aligned on 8-byte boundaries. The structure is 24 bytes long.
Impact of data model on pointer size

In 64-bit data models, pointer sizes are always 64 bits. The C Standard does not provide a mechanism for specifying mixed pointer size. However, it might be necessary to specify the size of a pointer type to help migrate a 32-bit application (for example, when libraries share a common header between 32-bit and 64-bit applications).

The z/OS C/C++ compiler reserves two pointer size qualifiers:

- __ptr32
- __ptr64

The size qualifier __ptr64 is not currently used; it is reserved so that a program cannot use it. The size qualifier __ptr32 declares a pointer to be 32 bits in size. This is ignored under ILP32.

Table 45. Examples of pointer declarations that can be made under LP64

```c
int * __ptr32 p; /* 32-bit pointer */

1, 3

int * r;       /* 64-bit pointer, default to the model's size */

4

int * __ptr32 const q; /* 32-bit const pointer */

1, 2, 3
```
Notes:
1. The qualifier qualifies the '*' before it.
2. q is a 32-bit constant-type pointer to a 32-bit pointer to an integer.
3. When _ptr32 is used, the program expects that the address of the pointer variable is less than or equal to 31 bits. You might need to ensure this by calling a special run-time function, such as the Language Environment (LE) run-time function __malloc31. You can call __malloc31 whenever you use your own assembler routine to get storage, and want to keep the addresses in structures and unions to a length of four bytes.
4. If a pointer declaration does not have the size qualifier, it defaults to the size of the data model.

Impact of data model on a printf subroutine

The printf subroutine format string for a 64-bit integer is different than the string used for a 32-bit integer. Programs that do these conversions must use the proper format specifier.

You must also consider the maximum number of digits of the long and unsigned long types. The ULONG_MAX is twenty digits long, and the LONG_MAX is nineteen digits.

In the following example, the code assumes that the long type is the same size as the int type (as it would be under ILP32). That is, %d is used instead of %ld.

Table 46. Example of using LONG_MAX macros in a printf subroutine

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Source:</th>
<th>#include &lt;stdio.h&gt;</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>int main(void) {</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>printf(&quot;LONG_MAX(d) = %ld\n&quot;,LONG_MAX);</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>printf(&quot;LONG_MAX(x) = %lx\n&quot;,LONG_MAX);</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>printf(&quot;LONG_MAX(lu) = %lu\n&quot;,LONG_MAX);</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>printf(&quot;LONG_MAX(lx) = %lx\n&quot;,LONG_MAX);</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>}</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

| LONG_MAX value: | 9,223,372,036,854,775,807 |

| Output: | LONG_MAX(d) = -1 |
|         | LONG_MAX(x) = ffffffff |
|         | LONG_MAX(lu) = 9223372036854775807 |
|         | LONG_MAX(lx) = 7fffffffffffffff |

Notes:
1. Under LP64:
   - %ld must be used
   - %x will give incorrect results and must be replaced by %p or %lx
2. A similar example would produce the same results for an unsigned long with a ULONG_MAX value of 18,446,744,073,709,551,615.

Preprocessor macro selection

When the compiler is invoked with the LP64 option, the preprocessor macro _LP64 is defined. When the compiler is invoked with the ILP32 option, the macro _ILP32 is defined.

You can use a conditional compiler directive such as #if defined _LP64 or #ifdef _LP64 to select lines of code (such as printf statements) that are appropriate for the data model that is invoked.
Potential pointer corruption

When porting a program from ILP32 to LP64, be aware of the following potential problems:

- An invalid address might be the result of either of the following actions:
  - Assigning an integer (4 bytes) or a 4-byte hexadecimal constant to a pointer type variable (8 bytes)
  - Casting a pointer to an integer type

An invalid address would cause errors when the pointer is dereferenced.

- If you compare an integer to a pointer, you might get unexpected results.
- Data truncation might result if you convert pointers to signed or unsigned integers with the expectation that the pointer value will be preserved.
- If return values of functions that return pointers are assigned to an integer type, those return values will be truncated.
- If code assumes that pointers and integers are the same size (in an arithmetic context), there will be problems. Pointer arithmetic is often a source of problems when migrating code. The ISO C and C++ standards dictate that incrementing a pointer adds the size of the data type to which it points to the pointer value. For example, if the variable p is a pointer to long, the operation (p+1) increments the value of p by 4 bytes (in 32-bit mode) or by 8 bytes (in 64-bit mode). Therefore, casts between long* and int* are problematic because of the size differences between pointer objects (32 bits versus 64 bits).

Incorrect pointer-to-int and int-to-pointer conversions

Before porting code, it is important to test the ILP32 code to determine if any code paths would have incorrect results under LP64.

For example:

- When a pointer is explicitly converted to an integer, truncation of the high-order word occurs.
- When an integer is explicitly converted to a pointer, the pointer might not be correct, which could result in invalid memory access when the pointer is dereferenced.

Table 47. Example of source code that explicitly converts an integer to a pointer

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Source:</th>
<th>Compiler options:</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>c89 -Wc,&quot;flag(i),warn64&quot; -c warn7.c</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Table 47. Example of source code that explicitly converts an integer to a pointer (continued)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Output:</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>INFORMATIONAL CCN3744 ./warn7.c:7 64-bit portability: possible truncation of pointer through conversion of pointer type into int type.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>INFORMATIONAL CCN3745 ./warn7.c:8 64-bit portability: possible incorrect pointer through conversion of int type into pointer.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Notes:

1. Under ILP32, the pointers p and q are pointing to the same memory location.
2. Under LP64, the pointer q is likely pointing to an invalid address, which could result in a segmentation fault when q is dereferenced.
3. Warning messages are generated for invalid conversions.

Potential loss of data in constant expressions

A loss of data can occur in some constant expressions because of lack of precision. These types of problems are very hard to find and might be unnoticed. It is possible to write data-neutral code that can be compiled under both ILP32 and LP64.

When coding constant expressions, you must be very explicit about specifying types and use the constant suffixes ({u,U,l,L,ll,LL}) to specify types, as shown in Table 48. You could also use casts to specify the type of a constant expression.

It is especially important to code constant expressions carefully when you are porting programs to a 64-bit environment because integer constants might have different types when compiled in 64-bit mode. The ISO C and C++ standards state that the type of an integer constant, depending on its format and suffix, is the first (that is, smallest) type in the corresponding list that will hold the value. The number of leading zeros does not influence the type selection.

The following table describes the type of an integer constant according to the ISO standards.

Table 48. Type of an integer constant

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Suffix</th>
<th>Decimal constant</th>
<th>Octal or hexadecimal constant</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>unsuffixed</td>
<td>int long unsigned long</td>
<td>int unsigned int long unsigned long</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>u or U</td>
<td>unsigned int long</td>
<td>unsigned int long</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>l or L</td>
<td>long unsigned long</td>
<td>long unsigned long</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Both u or U and l or L</td>
<td>unsigned long</td>
<td>unsigned long</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ll or LL</td>
<td>long long</td>
<td>long long unsigned long</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Both u or U and ll or LL</td>
<td>unsigned long long</td>
<td>unsigned long long</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Note: Under LP64, a change in the type of a constant in an expression might cause unexpected results because long is equal to long long. For example,
Example of potential data alignment problems

Modern processor designs usually require data in memory to be aligned to their natural boundaries, in order to gain the best possible performance. The compiler in most cases guarantees data objects to be properly aligned by inserting padding bytes immediately before the misaligned data. Although the padding bytes do not affect the integrity of the data, they might result in an unexpected layout, which affects the size of structures and unions.

Because both pointer size and long size are doubled in 64-bit mode, structures and unions containing them as members are larger than they are in 32-bit mode.

Note: The following example is for illustrative purposes only. Sharing pointers between 32-bit and 64-bit processes is not recommended and will likely yield incorrect results.

Table 49. An attempt to share pointers between 32-bit and 64-bit processes

| Source: | #include <stdio.h>
#include <stddef.h>
int main()
|
|        | {
|        |     struct T {
|        |         char c;
|        |         int *p;
|        |         short s;
|        |     } t;
|        |     printf("offsetof(t, c) = %d\n", offsetof(t, c));
|        |     printf("offsetof(t, s) = %d\n", offsetof(t, s));
|        | }
| ILP32 output: | sizeof(t) = 12
offsetof(t, c) = 0 sizeof(c) = 1
offsetof(t, p) = 4 sizeof(p) = 4
offsetof(t, s) = 8 sizeof(s) = 2
| LP64 output: | sizeof(t) = 24
offsetof(t, c) = 0 sizeof(c) = 1
offsetof(t, p) = 8 sizeof(p) = 8
offsetof(t, s) = 16 sizeof(s) = 2

Notes:
1. When the source is compiled and executed under ILP32, the result indicates that paddings have been inserted before the member p, and after the member s. Three padding bytes have been inserted before the member p to ensure that p is aligned to its natural 4-byte boundary. The alignment of the structure itself is the alignment of its strictest member. In this example, it is a 4-byte alignment because the member p has the strictest alignment. Two padding bytes are inserted at the end of the structure to make the total size of the structure a multiple of 4 bytes. This is required so that if you declare an array of this structure, each element of the array will be aligned properly.

2. When the source is compiled and executed under LP64, the size of the structure doubles because additional padding is required to force the member p to fall on a natural alignment boundary of 8-bytes.
Figure 93 illustrates how the compiler treats the source code shown in Table 49 on page 336 under ILP32 and LP64. Because the pointer is a different size in each environment, they are aligned on different boundaries. This means that if the code is compiled under both ILP32 and LP64, there are likely to be alignment problems. Figure 94 on page 339 illustrates the solution, which is to define pad members of type character that prevent the possibility of data misalignment. Table 50 on page 338 shows the necessary modifications to the code in Table 49 on page 336.

If the structure in Table 49 on page 336 is shared or exchanged among 32-bit and 64-bit processes, the data fields (and padding) of one environment will not match the expectations of the other, as shown in the following figure:

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**Figure 93. Example of potential alignment problems when a struct is shared or exchanged among 32-bit and 64-bit processes.**

**Defining pad members to avoid data alignment problems**

If you want to allow the structure to be shared, you might be able to reorder the fields in the data structure to get the alignments in both 32-bit and 64-bit environments to match (as shown in Table 44 on page 329), depending on the data types used in the structure and the way in which the structure as a whole is used (for example, whether the structure is used as a member of another structure or as an array).

If you are unable to reorder the members of a structure, or if reordering alone cannot provide correct alignment, you can define paddings that force the members of the structure to fall on their natural boundaries regardless of whether it is compiled under ILP32 or LP64. A conditional compilation section is required whenever a structure uses data types that have different sizes in 32-bit and 64-bit environments.
The following example shows how the source code in Table 49 on page 336 can be modified to avoid the data alignment problem.

**Table 50. Example of source code that successfully shares pointers between ILP32 and LP64 programs**

| Source: | struct T {  
|         | char c;  
|         | short s;  
|         | #if !defined(_LP64)  
|         |     char pad1[4];  
|         | #endif  
|         | int *p;  
|         | #if !defined(_LP64)  
|         |     char pad2[4];  
|         | #endif  
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>} t;</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>
| ILP32/ LP64 size and member layout: | sizeof(t) = 16  
| | offset(t, c) = 0 sizeof(c) = 1  
| | offset(t, s) = 2 sizeof(s) = 2  
| | offset(t, p) = 8 sizeof(p) = 4 |

The following figure shows the member layout of the structure with user-defined padding.
**Note:** When inserting paddings into structures, use an array of characters. The natural alignment of a character is 1-byte, which means that it can reside anywhere in memory.

### Mixing object files during binding

The only object file format supported under LP64 bit is GOFF, and the only linkage convention is XPLINK. You cannot mix 32-bit and 64-bit object files during binding.

### LP64 application performance and program size

The 64-bit address space can be used to dramatically improve the performance of applications that manipulate large amounts of data. This data can either be created within the application or obtained from files. Generally, the performance gain comes from the fact that the 64-bit application can contain the data in its address space (either created in data structures or mapped into memory), where the data would not fit into a 32-bit address space. The data would need to be multiple GBs in size or larger to show this benefit.

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*Figure 94. Example of user-defined data padding for a structure that is shared or exchanged among 32-bit and 64-bit processes.*
If the same source code is used to create a 32-bit and a 64-bit application, the
64-bit application will usually be larger than the 32-bit application. The 64-bit
application is unlikely to run faster than the 32-bit application unless it makes use of
the larger 64-bit addressability. Because most C programs are pointer-intensive, a
64-bit application can be close to twice as large, depending on how many global
pointers and longs are declared. A C++ program’s data usage is almost always
twice the size, due to the large number of pointers it uses under the covers to
implement virtual function tables, objects, templates, and so on. Generally, the
appropriate choice is to create a 32-bit application, unless 64-bit addressability is
required by the application or can be used to dramatically improve its performance.

Even though the address space is increased significantly, the amount of hardware
physical memory is still limited by your installation. Data that is not immediately
required by the program is subject to system paging. Programs using large data
tables therefore require a large amount of paging space. For example, if a program
requires 3 GB of address space, the system must have 3 GB of paging space.
64-bit applications might require paging I/O tuning to accommodate the large data
handling benefit.

### Migrating applications from ILP32 to LP64

When migrating a program from ILP32 to LP64, the data model differences might
result in unexpected behavior at execution time. Under LP64, the size of pointers
and long data type are 8 bytes long, and can lead to conversion or truncation
problems. The `WARN64` option can be used to help detect these portability errors.
See "Using the WARN64 option" on page 349.

Before migrating applications, consider the following:

- 32-bit applications that rely implicitly on internal data representations and encode
  such knowledge directly into the program logic can be difficult to migrate. For
  example, casting a float pointer to an integer pointer and then manipulating the
  bit patterns directly. In this case, certain assumptions are made about the internal
  structure of a float representation and the size of int.

- Code must be checked to ensure that any shifting and masking operations that
  manipulate long integers still work properly with a 64-bit long.

- Input and output file dependencies are relevant when you migrate an application
  that is in the middle of a pipeline of applications, where each application reads
  the previous application’s output as input, and then passes its output to the next
  application in the pipe. Before migrating one of these applications to a 64-bit
  environment, you must verify that the output will not produce values outside of
  the 32-bit range. Typically, once an application is ported to a 64-bit environment,
  all downstream applications (that is, any application that depends on output from
  the ported application) must be ported to a 64-bit environment.

This procedure does not include tuning the application or extending functions.
(Extending functions is sometimes included as part of the migration project to
exploit the benefit and to justify the cost of migrating to a 64-bit environment). You
might have to change code for using expanded limits after this procedure.

### Checklist

Use the following checklist when migrating an application from a ILP32 to LP64:

1. Verify that all functions are properly prototyped.
The compiler assumes that an unprototyped function returns the int type. This could cause undesirable behavior under LP64 while remaining undetectable under ILP32.

2. Examine all types to determine whether the types should be 4-byte or 8-byte.
   - For system types, the type will be the appropriate size for use with library/system calls.
   - For user-defined types:
     - 4-byte types should be defined based upon int or unsigned int or some system type that is 4 bytes long under LP64.
     - 8-byte types should be defined based upon long or unsigned long or some system type that is 8 bytes long.

3. Change all types to the chosen type.
   When doing so, examine all arithmetic calculations to make sure that expansion and truncation of data values is done appropriately. Make sure that no assumption is made that pointer values will fit into integer types.

4. Verify that all output produced is contained in the 4-byte range.
   If this is not possible, then any other application using this data needs to be ported to LP64 or, at least, be made 8-byte-aware.

5. Test and debug
   Test the code and confirm that its behavior is the same in under LP64 as it was under ILP32. If you see any difference, debug the code and use this checklist again.

Using header files to provide type definitions
The header file inttypes.h provides type definitions for integer types that are guaranteed to have a specific size (for example, int32_t and int64_t, and their unsigned variations). Consider using those type definitions if your program code relies on types with specific sizes.

There are many ways to use headers to handle code that is portable between ILP32 and LP64. You can minimize the amount of conditional compilation code and avoid having totally different sections of code for a ILP32 and LP64 structure definitions if you adopt a coding convention that suits your environment.

If you provide a library to your application users and ship header files that define the application programming interface of the library, consider shipping a single set of headers that can support both 32-bit and 64-bit versions of your library. You can use the type definitions in inttypes.h. For example, if you are currently shipping 32-bit versions of your header files, you could:
   - Replace all fields of type long with type int32_t (or another 32-bit type)
   - Similarly replace all fields for the unsigned variation
   - If you cannot let a 64-bit application use a 64-bit pointer for a field, use the __ptr32 qualifier.

Aligning data mode and data types
The sizes of the long, pointer and wchar_t types are different under LP64 than they are under ILP32. You must check application behavior, especially if the logic depends on data size.

Using types long and int
Under LP64, types long and int are not interchangeable. The C long type (and types derived from it) is 64 bits in size.
You should consider all types related to the long and unsigned long types. For example, size_t, used in many subroutines, is defined under LP64 as unsigned long.

**Example of potential truncation problems with long-to-int conversions**

Truncation problems can occur when converting between 64-bit and 32-bit data objects. Because int and long are both 32 bits under ILP32, a mixed assignment or conversion between these data types did not represent any problem. However, under LP64, a mixed assignment or conversion does present problems because long is larger in size than int.

**Table 51. Example of truncation problem with a pointer cast conversion**

| Source: | void foo(long l) |
| Compiler options: | cc -Wc,"flag(i),warn64" -c warn1.c |
| Output: | WARNING CCN3742 ./warn1.c:3 64-bit portability: possible loss of digits through conversion of long int type into int type. |

Without an explicit cast, the compiler is unable to determine whether the narrowing assignment is intended. If the value l is always within the range representable by an int, or if the truncation is intended by design, use a cast to silent the WARN64 message that you will receive for this code.

**Examples of unexpected results with int-to-long conversions**

Because of the difference in size for int and long under LP64, conversions to long from other integral types might be executed differently that it was under ILP32.

**Example of unexpected result after conversion from signed number to unsigned long:** When a signed char, signed short, or signed int is converted to unsigned long, sign extension might result in a different unsigned value in 64-bit mode.

This example will yield 4294967295 (0xffffffff) under ILP32 but 18446744073709551615 (0xffffffffffffffff) under LP64, because of sign extension.

**Table 52. Example of unexpected result after conversion from signed number to unsigned long**

| Source: | #include<stdio.h> void foo(int i) |
| Compiler options: | cc -Wc,"flag(i),warn64" -c warn2.c |
| Output: | INFORMATIONAL CCN3743 ./warn2.c:4 64-bit portability: possible change of result through conversion of int type into unsigned long int type. |
Example of unexpected result after conversion from unsigned int variable to signed long: When an unsigned int variable with values greater than INT_MAX is converted to signed long, the results depend on whether the application is executed under ILP32 or under LP64.

In the following example:

- Under ILP32, the value INT_MAX+1 will wrap around and yield -2147483648 (0x80000000)
- Under LP64, the value INT_MAX+1 can be represented by an 8-byte signed long and will result in the correct value 2147483648 (0x80000000)

Table 53. Example of unexpected result after conversion from unsigned int variable to signed long

| Source: | #include<stdio.h>  
#include<limits.h>  
void foo(unsigned int i)  
{  
  long l = 1;  
  printf("%ld (0x%lx)\n", l, l);  
}  
void main()  
{  
  foo(INT_MAX + 1);  
} |
| Compiler options: | cc -Wc,"flag(i),warn64" -c warn3.c |
| Output: | INFORMATIONAL CCN3743 ./warn3.c:5 64-bit portability: possible change of result through conversion of unsigned int type into long int type. |

Example of unexpected result after conversion from signed long long variable to signed long: When a signed long long variable with values either greater than UINT_MAX or less than 0 is converted to unsigned long, truncation will not occur under LP64.

This example will yield:

- 4294967295 (0xffffffff) 0 (0x0) under ILP32
- 18446744073709551615 (0xffffffffffffffff) 4294967296 (0x100000000) under LP64

Table 54. Example of unexpected result after conversion from signed long long variable to signed long

| Source: | #include<stdio.h>  
#include<limits.h>  
void foo(signed long long ll)  
{  
  unsigned long l = ll;  
  printf("%lu (0x%lx)\n", l, l);  
}  
void main()  
{  
  foo(-1);  
  foo(UINT_MAX+1ll);  
} |
<p>| Compiler options: | cc -Wc,&quot;flag(i),warn64&quot; -c warn4.c |</p>
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<td><strong>Output:</strong> INFORMATIONAL CCN3743 ./warn4.c:564-bit portability: possible change of result through conversion of long long int type into unsigned long int type.</td>
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**Example of potential change of result after conversion from unsigned long long variable to unsigned long:** Under LP64, when an unsigned long long variable with values greater than UINT_MAX is converted to unsigned long, truncation will not occur.

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<tr>
<td>#include&lt;limits.h&gt;</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>void foo(unsigned long long ll)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>{</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>unsigned long l = ll;</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>printf(&quot;%ld (0x%lx)\n&quot;, l, l);</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>}</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>void main()</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>{</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>foo(UINT_MAX + 1ull);</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>}</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>ILP32 output:</strong> 0 (0x0)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Note:</strong> The higher order word is truncated.</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>LP64 output:</strong> 4294967296 (0x100000000)</td>
</tr>
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<td><strong>Note:</strong> There is no truncation.</td>
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</table>

**Example of potential change of result after conversion from signed long long variable to signed long:** Under LP64, when a signed long long variable with values less than INT_MIN or greater than INT_MAX is converted to signed long, truncation does not occur.

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<td>signed long l = ll;</td>
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<tr>
<td>printf(&quot;%ld (0x%lx)\n&quot;, l, l);</td>
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<tr>
<td>}</td>
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<tr>
<td>void main()</td>
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<tr>
<td>{</td>
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<tr>
<td>foo(INT_MIN - 1ll);</td>
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<tr>
<td>foo(INT_MAX + 1ll);</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>}</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Compiler options:</strong> cc -Wc,&quot;flag(i),warn64&quot; -c warn5.c</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>ILP32 output:</strong> INFORMATIONAL CCN3743 ./warn5.c:5 64-bit portability: possible change of result through conversion of long long int type into long int type. 2147483647 (0x7fffffff) -2147483648 (0x80000000)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Note:</strong> The higher order word is truncated.</td>
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</tbody>
</table>
Table 56. Example of potential change of result after conversion from signed long long variable to signed long (continued)

| LP64 output: | INFORMATIONAL CCN3743 ./warn5.c:5 64-bit portability: possible change of result through conversion of long int type into long int type. |
| | -2147483649 (0xffffffff7fffffff) |
| | 2147483648 (0x80000000) |
| Note: | There is no truncation. |

Example of potential change of result after conversion from unsigned long long variable to signed long:

Under LP64, when an unsigned long long variable with values greater than INT_MAX is converted to signed long, truncation does not occur.

Table 57. Example of potential change of result after conversion from unsigned long long variable to signed long

| Source: | #include<stdio.h> |
| | #include<limits.h> |
| | void foo(unsigned long long ll) |
| | { |
| | | signed long l = ll; |
| | | printf("%ld (0x%lx)\n", l, ll); |
| | } |
| | void main() |
| | { |
| | | foo(INT_MAX + 1ull); |
| | } |

| Compiler options: | cc -Wc,"flag(i),warn64" -c warn6.c |

| ILP32 output: | INFORMATIONAL CCN3743 ./warn6.c:5 64-bit portability: possible change of result through conversion of unsigned long int type into long int type. |
| | -2147483648 (0x80000000) |
| | Note: | The value INT_MAX+1ull will wrap around. |

| LP64 output: | INFORMATIONAL CCN3743 ./warn6.c:5 64-bit portability: possible change of result through conversion of unsigned long long int type into long int type. |
| | 2147483648 (0x80000000) |
| | Note: | The value INT_MAX+1ull can be represented by an 8-byte signed long and will result in the correct value. |

Using unsuffixed numbers

When porting code, be aware that:

- Unsuffixed constants are more likely to become 8 bytes long if they are in hexadecimal.
- All constants that have the potential of impacting constant assignment must be explicitly suffixed.

Example: A number like 4294967295 (UINT_MAX), when parsed by the compiler, will be

- An unsigned long under ILP32
- A signed long under LP64
This causes some operations, such as one that compares `sizeof(4294967295)` to another value, to return 8. If you add the suffix `U` to the number `(4294967295U)`, the compiler can parse it as unsigned int.

**Using suffixes and explicit types to prevent unexpected behavior**

The C language limit (in `limits.h`) is different under LP64 than it is under ILP32. You can prevent unexpected behavior by an application by using suffixes and explicit types with all numbers.

**Examples:**

```c
#ifdef _LP64
#define LONG_MAX (9223372036854775807L)
#define LONG_MIN (-LONG_MAX - 1)
#define ULONG_MAX (18446744073709551615U)
#else
#define LONG_MAX INT_MAX
#define LONG_MIN INT_MIN
#define ULONG_MAX (UINT_MAX)
#endif /* _LP64 */
```

**Table 58. Example of unexpected behavior resulting from use of unsuffixed numbers**

**Source:**
```c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <limits.h>
void main(void) {
    long l = LONG_MAX;
    printf("size(2147483647) = %d\n", sizeof(2147483647));
    printf("size(2147483648) = %d\n", sizeof(2147483648));
    printf("size(4294967295U) = %d\n", sizeof(4294967295U));
    printf("size(-1) = %d\n", sizeof(-1));
    printf("size(-1L) = %d\n", sizeof(-1L));
    printf("LONG_MAX = %d\n", l);
}
```

**ILP32 output:**
```
size(2147483647) = 4
size(2147483648) = 4
size(4294967295U) = 4
size(-1) = 4
size(-1L) = 4
LONG_MAX = 2147483647
```

**LP64 output:**
```
size(2147483647) = 4
size(2147483648) = 8
size(4294967295U) = 4
size(-1) = 4
size(-1L) = 8
LONG_MAX = -1
```

**Notes:**

1. The output for `LONG_MAX` is not really -1. The reason for the -1 is that:
   - The printf subroutine handles it as an integer
   - `(LONG_MAX == (int)LONG_MAX)` returns a negative value

**Assigning types int, long and pointer**

Under ILP32, int, long and pointer types have the same size and can be freely assigned to one another.

Under LP64, all pointer types are 8 bytes in size. Assigning pointers to int types and back again can result in a bad address, and passing pointers to a function that expects an int type will result in truncation.

**Example:** Incorrect assignment
int i;
int *p;
i = (int)p;

**Note:** The problem is harder to detect when casts are used. Although there is no warning message, the problem still exists.

Avoid making any of the following assumptions:

- A pointer type or a C long type can fit into a C integer type.
- A type or a long type derived from a pointer can fit into a type derived from an integer.
- The number of bits in a C long type object is assumed, especially when shifting bits or doing bitwise operations.
- A C integer can be passed to an unprototyped long or pointer parameter.
- A function that is not a prototype can return a pointer or long.

### Using locales under different data modes

The locale objects that are shipped with z/OS V1R6 allow existing applications to work at a basic level. You might need to build customized objects.

#### Rebuilding 64-bit locales

64-bit locales created by the user must be rebuilt using localedef with the new `-6` compiler option. They must have a CEQ prefix if they are dataset members, or a `.1p64` suffix if they are HFS resident. User-provided methods (which are only allowed with ASCII locales) are DLLs, and therefore they would also have to be rebuilt for 64-bit. Finally, there is no batch or TSO LOCALDEF support for 64-bit locales. Only the localedef USS utility can be used.

**Note:** Old SAA locales (such as EDC$FRAN) are not supported by the LP64 model.

#### Impacts from the increase in size of 64-bit wchar_t

The wchar_t change is just one of possibly many changes an application would have to make in consideration of the LP64 model. Note that this change is not part of the LP64 model. The new environment was an opportunity to increase the size for future development. Because it is a typedef, a carefully-written application should not require changes due to the underlying size change. User-provided methods might be a likely problem area with the wchar_t change.

### Using converters under different data modes

It is not necessary to rebuild converters. Both table-driven converters (such as EDCGNXLT proc) and indirect UCS-2 converters (such as the uconvdef USS utility) will function the same in both 32-bit and 64-bit environments.

The naming convention requires that dataset member names must begin with CEQ.

**Notes:**

1. GENXLT converters are shipped only in datasets.
2. The converter objects that are shipped with z/OS V1R6 allow existing applications to work at a basic level. You might need to build customized objects.
Searching source code for migration issues

Before migrating a program, you might have to change the source code to make it 64-bit compatible. The following patterns might indicate a possible migration hit:

- printf specifiers that involves long data type
- 0xffffffff
- 2147483647

Using diagnostics to identify potential problems

Using the CHECKOUT or INFO option

The CHECKOUT in C option and the INFO C++ option provide general diagnostics about program code and are not specific to migration from ILP32 to LP64.

Before migrating, use the appropriate option to check for the following items:

- Functions not prototyped - Function prototypes allow the compiler to check for mismatched parameters.
- Functions not prototyped - Return parameter mis-matched, especially when the code expects a pointer. (For example, malloc and family)
- Assignment of a long or a pointer to an int - This type of assignment could cause truncation. Even assignments with an explicit cast will be flagged.
- Assignment of an int to a pointer - If the pointer is referenced it might be invalid.

Table 59. Example of unexpected behavior resulting from use of unsuffixed numbers

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<td>void main(void) {</td>
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<tr>
<td>int foo_i;</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>long foo_l;</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>int *foo_pt;</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>foo_l = boo(1);</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>foo_l = foo_l &lt;&lt; 1;</td>
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<tr>
<td>foo_l = 0xffffffff;</td>
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<td>foo_l = (foo_l &amp; 0xffffffff);</td>
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<td>foo_l = LONG_MAX;</td>
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<td>foo_l = (long)foo_i;</td>
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<td>foo_i = (int) &amp;foo_l;</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>foo_pt = (int *)foo_i;</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>}</td>
</tr>
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<td>long boo(long boo_l) {</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>return(boo_l);</td>
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<td>}</td>
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Table 59. Example of unexpected behavior resulting from use of unsuffixed numbers (continued)

<table>
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<td>INFORMATIONAL CCN3438 sample.c:14 The value of the variable foo_i may be used before being set.</td>
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<td>INFORMATIONAL CCN3491 sample.c:17 The automatic variable foo_pt is set but never referenced.</td>
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<td>WARNING CCN3343 sample.c:19 Redeclaration of boo differs from the declaration on line 9 of /home/ts43218/sample2.c.</td>
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<td>INFORMATIONAL CCN3050 sample.c:19 Return type long in the redeclaration is not compatible with the previous return type int.</td>
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<td>INFORMATIONAL CCN3470 sample.c:21 Function main should return int, not void.</td>
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Note: Lines 9, 11 and 14 are affected by porting the code to LP64.

Using the WARN64 option

Under ILP32, both int and long data types are 32 bits in size. Because of this coincidence, these types might have been used interchangeably. As shown in Table 43 on page 327 the data type long is 8 bytes in length under LP64.

A general guideline is to review the existing use of long data types throughout the source code. If the values to be held in such variables, fields, and parameters will fit in the range of \([-2^{31}...2^{31}]\) or \([0...2^{32}-1]\), then it is probably best to use int or unsigned int instead. Also, review the use of the size_t type (used in many subroutines), since its type is defined as unsigned long.

When you migrate a program from ILP32 to LP64, the data model differences might result in unexpected behavior at execution time. Under LP64, the size of pointers and long data types are 8 bytes, which can lead to conversion or truncation problems. The WARN64 option can be used to detect these portability errors.

The WARN64 option provides general diagnostics about program code that might behave differently under ILP32 and LP64. However the checking is not exhaustive. Use it to look for potential migration problems, such as the following common problems:

- Truncation due to explicit or implicit conversion of long types into int types
- Unexpected results due to explicit or implicit conversion of int types into long types
- Invalid memory references due to explicit conversion by cast operations of pointer types into int types
- Invalid memory references due to explicit conversion by cast operations of int types into pointer types
- Problems due to explicit or implicit conversion of constants into long types
- Problems due to explicit or implicit conversion by cast operations of constants into pointer types

There are a few problems that WARN64 cannot find:
- Unions that use longs or pointers that work under ILP32 might not work under LP64.

**Example 1:**

```c
union {
    int *p; /* 32 bits / 64 bits */
    int i; /* 32 bits / 32 bits */
};
```

**Example 2:**

```c
union {
    double d; /* 64 bits / 64 bits */
    long l[2]; /* 64 bits / 128 bits */
};
```
Chapter 23. Using threads in z/OS UNIX System Services applications

A thread is a single flow of control within a process. The following section describes some of the advantages of using multiple threads within a single process, and functions that can be used to maintain this environment.

Models and requirements

Threads are efficient in applications that allow them to take advantage of any underlying parallelism available in the host environment. This underlying parallelism in the host can be exploited either by forking a process and creating a new address space, or by using multiple threads within a single process. There are advantages and disadvantages to both techniques, but it primarily comes down to a compromise between the efficiency of using multiple threads versus the security of working in separate address spaces. The POSIX(ON) run-time option must be specified to use threads.

Functions

The following table lists the functions provided to implement a multi-threaded application:

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<td>pthread_exit()</td>
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<td>pthread_detach()</td>
<td>Detach a thread</td>
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<td>pthread_self()</td>
<td>Get your thread ID</td>
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<tr>
<td>pthread_equal()</td>
<td>Compare thread IDs</td>
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<tr>
<td>pthread_once()</td>
<td>Run a function once per process</td>
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<tr>
<td>pthread_yield()</td>
<td>Yield the processor</td>
</tr>
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</table>

Creating a thread

To use a thread you must first create a thread attribute object with the pthread_attr_init() function. A thread attribute object defines the modifiable characteristics that a thread may have. Refer to the description of pthread_attr_init() in z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference for a list of the attributes and their default values. When the thread attribute object has been created, you may use the following functions to change the default attributes.

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<td>pthread_attr_init()</td>
<td>Initialize a thread attribute object</td>
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<tr>
<td>pthread_attr_destroy()</td>
<td>Delete a thread attribute object</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_attr_getstacksize()</td>
<td>Gets the stacksize for thread attribute object</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_attr_setstacksize()</td>
<td>Sets the stacksize for thread attribute object</td>
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<tr>
<td>pthread_attr_getdetachstate()</td>
<td>Returns current value of detachstate for thread attribute object</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_attr_setdetachstate()</td>
<td>Alters the current detachstate of thread attribute object</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_attr_getweight_np()</td>
<td>Obtains the current weight of thread setting</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_attr_setweight_np()</td>
<td>Alters the current weight of thread setting</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_attr_getsynctype_np()</td>
<td>Returns the current synctype setting of thread attribute object</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_attr_setsynctype_np()</td>
<td>Alters the synctype setting of thread attribute object</td>
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The attribute object is only used when the thread is created. You can reuse it to create other threads with the same attributes, or you can modify it to create threads with other attributes. You can delete the attribute object with the `pthread_attr_destroy()` function.

After you create the thread attribute object, you can then create the thread with the `pthread_create()` function.

When a daughter thread is created, the function specified on the `pthread_create()` as the start routine begins to execute concurrently with the thread that issued the `pthread_create()`. It may use the `pthread_self()` function to determine its thread ID. The daughter thread will continue to execute until a `pthread_exit()` is issued, or the start routine ends. The function that issued the `pthread_create()` resumes as soon as the daughter thread is created. The daughter thread ID is returned on a successful `pthread_create()`. This thread ID, for example, can be used to send a signal to the daughter thread using `pthread_kill()` or it can be used in `pthread_join()` to cause the initiating thread to wait for the daughter thread to end.

The following functions can be used to control the behavior of the individual threads in a multi-threaded application.

Table 62. Functions used to control individual threads in a multi-threaded environment

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<td>pthread_equal()</td>
<td>Compares two thread IDs</td>
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<tr>
<td>pthread_yield()</td>
<td>Allows threads to give up control</td>
</tr>
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Refer to [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference](#) for more information on these functions.

**Synchronization primitives**

This section covers the control of multiple threads that may share resources. In order to maintain the integrity of these resources, a method must exist for the threads to communicate their use of, or need to use, a resource. The threads can be within a common process or in different processes.
Models
Mutexes, condition variables, and read-write locks are used to communicate between threads. These constructs may be used to synchronize the threads themselves, or they can also be used to serialize access to common data objects shared by the threads.

- The mutex, which is the simple type of lock, is exclusive. If a thread has a mutex locked, the next thread that tries to acquire the same mutex is put in a wait state. This is beneficial when you want to serialize access to a resource. This might cause contention however if several threads are waiting for a thread to unlock a mutex. Therefore, this form of locking is used more for short durations. If the mutex is a shared mutex, it must be obtained in shared memory accessible among the cooperating processes.

A thread in mutex wait will not be interrupted by a signal.

- A condition variable provides a mechanism by which a thread can suspend execution when it finds some condition untrue, and wait until another thread makes the condition true. For example, threads could use a condition variable to insure that only one thread at a time had write access to a data set.

Threads in condition wait can be interrupted by signals.

- A read-write lock can allow many threads to have simultaneous read-only access to data while allowing only one thread at a time to have write access. The read-write lock must be allocated in memory that is writable. If the read-write lock is a shared read-write lock, it must be obtained in shared memory accessible among the cooperating processes.

Functions
The following functions allow for synchronization between threads:

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<tr>
<td>pthread_mutex_init()</td>
<td>Initialize a Mutex</td>
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<td>pthread_mutex_destroy()</td>
<td>Destroy a Mutex</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_mutexattr_init()</td>
<td>Initialize Default Attribute Object for a Mutex</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_mutexattr_destroy()</td>
<td>Destroy Attribute Object for a Mutex</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_mutexattr_getkind_np()</td>
<td>Get Kind Attribute for a Mutex</td>
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<tr>
<td>pthread_mutexattr_setkind_np()</td>
<td>Set Kind Attribute for a Mutex</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_mutexattr_gettype()</td>
<td>Get Type Attribute for a Mutex</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_mutexattr_settype()</td>
<td>Set Type Attribute for a Mutex</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_mutexattr_getpshared()</td>
<td>Get Process-shared Attribute for a Mutex</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_mutexattr_setpshared()</td>
<td>Set Process-shared Attribute for a Mutex</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_mutex_lock()</td>
<td>Acquire a Mutex Lock</td>
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<tr>
<td>pthread_mutex_unlock()</td>
<td>Release a Mutex Lock</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_mutex_trylock()</td>
<td>Allows lock to be tested</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_cond_init()</td>
<td>Initialize a Condition Variable</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_cond_destroy()</td>
<td>Destroy a Condition Variable</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_condattr_init()</td>
<td>Initialize Default Attribute Object for a Condition Variable</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_condattr_destroy()</td>
<td>Destroy Attributes Object for a Condition Variable</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_condattr_getkind_np()</td>
<td>Get Attribute for Condition Variable object</td>
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<td>Set Attribute for Condition Variable object</td>
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<tr>
<td>pthread_condattr_getpshared()</td>
<td>Get the Process-shared Condition Variable Attribute</td>
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<tr>
<td>pthread_condattr_setpshared()</td>
<td>Set the Process-shared Condition Variable Attribute</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_cond_wait()</td>
<td>Wait for a Condition Variable</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_cond_timedwait()</td>
<td>Timed wait for a Condition Variable</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_cond_signal()</td>
<td>Signal a Condition Variable</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_cond_broadcast()</td>
<td>Broadcast a Condition Variable</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_rwlock_init()</td>
<td>Initialize a Read-Write Lock</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_rwlock_destroy()</td>
<td>Destroy a Read-Write Lock</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_rwlock_rdlock()</td>
<td>Wait for a Read Lock</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_rwlock_tryrdlock()</td>
<td>Allows Read Lock to be Tested</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_rwlock_trywrlock()</td>
<td>Allows Read-Write Lock to be Tested</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_rwlock_unlock()</td>
<td>Release a Read-Write Lock</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_rwlock_wrlock()</td>
<td>Wait for a Read-Write Lock</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_rwlockattr_init()</td>
<td>Initialize Default Attribute Object for a Read-Write Lock</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_rwlockattr_destroy()</td>
<td>Destroy Attribute Object for a Read-Write Lock</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_rwlockattr_getpshared()</td>
<td>Get Process-shared Attribute for a Read-Write Lock</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_rwlockattr_setpshared()</td>
<td>Set Process-shared Attribute for a Read-Write Lock</td>
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Creating a mutex
To use the mutex lock you must first create a mutex attribute object with the pthread_mutexattr_init() function. A mutex attribute object defines the modifiable characteristics that a mutex may have. Refer to the description of pthread_mutexattr_init() in z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference for a list of these attributes and their defaults.

After the mutex attribute object has been created, you can use the following functions to change the default attributes.

- pthread_mutexattr_getkind_np()
- pthread_mutexattr_setkind_np()
- pthread_mutexattr_gettype()
- pthread_mutexattr_settype()
- pthread_mutexattr_getpshared()
- pthread_mutexattr_setpshared()

The mutex attribute object is used only when creating the mutex. It can be used to create other mutexes with the same attributes or modified to create mutexes with different attributes. You can delete a mutex attribute object with the pthread_mutexattr_destroy() function.

After the mutex attribute object has been created, the mutex can be created with the pthread_mutex_init() function.

While using mutexes as the locking device, the following functions can be used:
pthread_mutex_lock()
pthread_mutex_unlock()
pthread_mutex_trylock()

To remove the mutex, use the pthread_mutex_destroy() function.

Creating a condition variable
Before creating a condition variable, you need to create a mutex (as shown above), then you must use the pthread_condattr_init() function to create a condition variable attribute object. This attribute object, like the mutex attribute object, defines the modifiable characteristics that a condition variable may have. Refer to the description of pthread_condattr_init() in z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference for a list of these attributes and their defaults.

After the condition variable attribute object has been created, you may use the following functions to change the default attributes:

- pthread_condattr_getkind_np()
- pthread_condattr_setkind_np()
- pthread_condattr_getpshared()
- pthread_condattr_setpshared()

The condition variable attribute object is used only when creating the condition variable. It can be used to create other condition variables with the same attributes or modified to create condition variables with different attributes. You can delete a condition variable attribute object with the pthread_condattr_destroy() function.

After a condition variable attribute object has been created, the condition variable itself can be created with the pthread_cond_init() function.

Condition variables can then be used as a synchronization primitive using the following functions:

- pthread_cond_wait()
- pthread_cond_timedwait()
- pthread_cond_signal()
- pthread_cond_broadcast()

The condition variable can be removed with the pthread_cond_destroy() function.

Creating a read-write lock
To use a read-write lock you must first create a read-write attribute object with the pthread_rwlockattr_init() function. A read-write attribute object defines the modifiable characteristics that a read-write lock may have. Refer to the description of pthread_rwlockattr_init() in z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference for a list of these attributes and their defaults.

After the read-write lock attribute object has been created, you can use the following functions to change the default attributes.

- pthread_rwlockattr_getpshared()
- pthread_rwlockattr_setpshared()

The read-write lock attribute object is used only when creating the read-write lock. It can be used to create other read-write locks with the same attributes or modified to
create read-write locks with different attributes. You can delete a read-write attribute object with the pthread_rwlockattr_destroy() function.

After the read-write attribute has been created, the read-write lock can be created with the pthread_rwlock_init() function.

While using read-write locks as the locking device, the following functions can be used:
- pthread_rwlock_rdlock()
- pthread_rwlock_tryrdlock()
- pthread_rwlock_wrlock()
- pthread_rwlock_trywrlock()
- pthread_rwlock_unlock()

To remove the read-write lock, use the pthread_rwlock_destroy() function.

**Thread-specific data**

While all threads can access the same memory, it is sometimes desirable to have data that is (logically) local to a specific thread. The key/value mechanism provides for global (process-wide) keys with value bindings that are unique to a thread.

You can also use the pthread_tag_np() function to set and query 65 bytes of thread tag data associated with the caller’s thread.

**Model**

The key/value mechanism associates a data key with each data item. When the association is made, the key identifies the data item with a particular thread. This data key is a transparent data object of type pthread_key_t. The contents of this key are not exposed to the user.

The user gets a key by issuing the pthread_key_create() function. One of the arguments on the pthread_key_create() function is a pointer to a local variable of type pthread_key_t. This variable is then used with the pthread_setspecific() function to establish a unique key value.

pthread_key_create() creates a unique identifier (a key) that is visible to all of the threads in a process. This data key is returned to the caller of pthread_key_create(). Threads can associate a thread unique data item with this key using the pthread_setspecific() call. A thread can get its unique data value for a key using the pthread_getspecific() call. In addition, a key can have an optional “destructor” routine associated with it. This routine is executed during thread termination and is passed the value of the key for the thread being terminated. A typical use of a key and destructor is to have storage obtained by a thread using malloc() and returned within the destructor at thread termination by using free().

**Functions**

The following functions are used with thread-specific data:

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<tr>
<td>pthread_key_create()</td>
<td>Create a thread-specific data key</td>
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Table 64. Functions used with thread-specific data (continued)

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<tr>
<th>Function</th>
<th>Purpose</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>pthread_getspecific()</td>
<td>Retrieve the value associated with a thread-specific key</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_setspecific()</td>
<td>Associate a value with a thread-specific key</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_tag_np()</td>
<td>Set and query the contents of the calling thread's tag data</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Creating thread-specific data

The following example uses thread-specific data to insure that storage acquired by a specific thread is freed when the thread ends.

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```c
#define _OPEN_THREADS
#include <stdio.h>
#include <pthread.h>

pthread_key_t mykey;       /* A place to get the key */
void mydestruct(void *value); /* My destructor routine */

main()
{
    char *thddataptr;
    /* Create a key, getting back the key from pthread_key_create(),
     * and associate a function to be executed at thread termination
     * for this key */
    (void)pthread_key_create(&mykey,&mydestruct);

    /* Obtain some storage which this thread will manage (remember,
     * the main is also a thread), which we want freed by our
     * destructor upon thread termination. Associate the storage
     * pointer with the key using pthread_setspecific. */
    thddataptr = (char *)malloc(100);
    (void)pthread_setspecific(mykey,thddataptr);

    /* the body of the function */
    /* now, the thread exits, causing the thread termination
     * key data destructor to be executed. */
    pthread_exit((void *)0);
}

/* The key data destructor function */
void mydestruct(void *value) {
    /* value is the value in the key/value binding that is unique
     * to the thread being terminated. Thus, in the example,
     * it represents the pointer to the storage needing freed. */
    free(value);
}

Figure 95. Referring to thread-specific data
Signals

Each thread has an associated signal mask. The signal mask contains a flag for each signal defined by the system. The flag determines which signals are to be blocked from being delivered to a particular thread.

Unlike the signal mask, there is one signal action per signal for all of the threads in the process. Some signal functions work on the process level, having an impact on multiple threads, while others work on the thread level, and only affect one particular thread. For example, the function kill() operates at the process level, whereas the functions pthread_kill() and sigwait() operate at the thread level.

The following are some other signal functions that operate on the process level and can influence multiple threads:

- alarm()
- bsd_signal()
- kill()
- killpg()
- raise()
- sigaction()
- siginterrupt()
- signal()
- sigset()

Generating a signal

A signal can be generated explicitly with the raise(), kill(), killpg(), or pthread_kill() functions or implicitly with functions such as alarm() or by the system when certain events occur. In all cases, the signal will be directed to a specific thread running in a process.

The two primary functions for controlling signals are sigaction() and sigprocmask(). sigaction() also includes bsd_signal(), signal(), and sigset().

**sigaction()**

sigaction() specifies the action when a signal is processed by the system. This function is process-scoped instead of thread-specific. When a signal is generated for a process, the state of each thread within that process determines which thread is affected.

The three types of signal actions are:

**catcher**

Specifies the address of a function that will get control when the signal is delivered

**SIG_DFL**

 Specifies that the system should perform default processing when this signal type is generated

**SIG_IGN**

Specifies that the system should ignore all signals of this type.

**Attention:** If a signal whose default action is to terminate is delivered to a thread running in a process where there are multiple threads running, and no signal catcher is designated for the signal, the entire process is...
terminated. You can avoid this by blocking each of the terminating signals, or by establishing a signal catcher for each of them.

In a multi-threaded application, when a signal is generated by a function or action that is not thread specific, and the process has some threads set up for signals and some threads that are not set up for signals, then the kernel’s signal processing determines which thread has the most interest in the signal.

The following is a list of signal interest rules in their order of priority:
1. When threads are found in a sigwait() for this signal type, the signal is delivered to the first thread found in a sigwait().
2. When all threads are blocking this signal type, the signal is left pending in the kernel at the process level. The sigpending function moves blocked pending signals at the process level to the thread level.
3. When all of the following are true:
   • One or more threads are set up for signals
   • All threads set up for signals have the signal blocked
   • A thread not set up for signals has not blocked the signal
   The signal is left pending in the kernel on the first thread set up for signals. The signal remains pending on that thread until the thread unblocks the signal.
4. When the signal action is to catch, the signal is delivered to one of the threads that has the signal unblocked.

**sigprocmask()**

sigprocmask() specifies a way to control which set of signals interrupt a specific thread. Because sigprocmask() is thread-scoped, it blocks the signal for only the thread that issues the function.

**Thread cancellation**

When multiple threads are running in a process, thread cancellation permits one thread to cancel another thread in that process. This is done with the pthread_cancel() function, which causes the system to generate a cancel interrupt and direct it to the thread specified on the pthread_cancel(). Each thread can control how the system generates this cancel interrupt by altering the interrupt state and type.

A thread may have the following interrupt states, in descending order of control:

**disabled**

For short code sequences, the entire code sequence can be disabled to prevent cancel interrupts. The pthread_setintr() function enables or disables cancel interrupts in this manner.

**controlled**

For larger code sequences where you want some control over the interrupts but cannot be entirely disabled, set the interrupt type to controlled and the interrupt state to enabled. The pthread_setintrtype() function allows for this type of managed interrupt delivery by introducing the concept of cancellation points.

Cancellation points consist of calls to a limited set of library functions. Refer to the description of pthread_setintrtype() in [Z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference](#) for a list of these cancellation points. The user program can implicitly or explicitly solicit interrupts by invoking one of the library functions in the set of cancellation points, thus allowing the user to control the points within their application where a cancel may occur.
asynchronous

For code sequences where you do not need any control over the interrupt, set pthread_setintr() to enable and pthread_setintrtype() to asynchronous. This will allow cancel interrupts to occur at any point within your program.

For example, if you have a critical code section (a sequence of code that needs to complete), you would turn cancel off or prevent the sequence from being interrupted. If the code is relatively long, consider running using the control interrupt and as long as the critical code section doesn’t contain any of the functions that are considered cancellation points, it will not be unexpectedly canceled.

For C++, destructors for automatic objects on the stack are run when a thread is cancelled. The stack is unwound and the destructors are run in reverse order.

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Table 65. Functions used to control cancellability

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<td>pthread_cancel()</td>
<td>Cancel a thread</td>
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<tr>
<td>pthread_setintr()</td>
<td>Set thread cancellability</td>
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<tr>
<td>pthread_setintrtype()</td>
<td>Set thread cancellability</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_testintr()</td>
<td>Establish a cancellability</td>
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Cancelling a thread

Three possible scenarios may cancel a thread, one for each of the interrupt states of the thread being canceled.

- One thread issues pthread_cancel() to another thread whose cancellability state is enabled and controlled. In this case the thread being canceled continues to run until it reaches an appropriate cancellation point. When the thread is eventually cancelled, just prior to termination of the thread, any cleanup handlers which have been pushed and not yet popped will be executed. Then if the thread has any thread-specific data, the destructor functions associated with this data will be executed.

- One thread issues pthread_cancel() to another thread whose interruption state is enabled and asynchronous. In this case the thread being canceled is terminated immediately, after any cleanup handlers and thread-specific data destructor functions are executed, as in the first scenario.

- One thread issues pthread_cancel() to another thread whose interruption state is disabled. In this case the cancel request is ignored and the thread being canceled continues to run normally.

In the first two interrupt states above, the caller of pthread_cancel() may get control back before the thread is actually canceled.

Cleanup for threads

Cleanup handlers are routines written by the user that include any special processing the user finds necessary for termination of a thread. As the user’s routine executes, it pushes cleanup handlers on to a stack. As the thread continues to run and the routine progresses, these cleanup handlers can be taken off of the stack by the user’s routine.
A list or stack of cleanup handlers is maintained for each thread. When the thread ends, all pushed but not yet popped cleanup routines are popped from the cleanup stack and executed in last-in-first-out (LIFO) order. This occurs when the thread:

- Calls `pthread_exit()`
- Does a return from or reaches the end of the start routine (that gets controls as a result of a `pthread_create()`)
- Is canceled because of a `pthread_cancel()`.

The first thread in a process to call `pthread_create()` becomes the initial `pthread-creating task (IPT)`. When exiting back to the operating system from the IPT, the caller may receive an A03 abend if any `pthread_created` tasks are still running. These tasks may still be running even if the IPT has called `pthread_join()` for all the threads that it created. To avoid the A03 abend, the IPT should call `_exit()` when it is ready to return to the operating system. `_exit()` ends the IPT and all of its `pthread_created` subtasks without causing an A03 abend to occur.

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<td><code>pthread_cleanup_push()</code></td>
<td>Establish a cleanup handler</td>
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<td><code>pthread_cleanup_pop()</code></td>
<td>Remove a cleanup handler</td>
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### Behaviors and restrictions in z/OS UNIX System Services applications

The following are implementation-specified behaviors and restrictions that apply to the C/C++ library functions when running a multi-threaded z/OS UNIX System Services application.

#### Using threads with MVS files

MVS files that are opened by data-set names or ddnames are thread-specific in the following ways:

**Note:** These restrictions specifically do not apply to Hierarchical File System (HFS) files.

All opens and closes by the C library that result in calls to an underlying access method for a given MVS file must occur on the same thread. Apart from this requirement, file pointers can be freely used for any type of file access (reading, writing, repositioning, and so forth) from any thread. Therefore, the following specific functions are prohibited from any thread except the owning thread (the one that does the initial `fopen()` of the file):

- `fclose()`
- `freopen()`
- `rewind()`

Multivolume data sets and files that are part of a concatenated ddname are further restricted in multithreaded applications. All I/O operations are restricted to the thread on which the file is opened.

The above thread affinity restrictions on the use of MVS files apply to hiperspace memory files but not to regular memory files.
When standard streams are directed to MVS files, they are governed by the above restrictions. Standard streams are directed to MVS files in one of two ways:

- By default when a `main()` program is run from the TSO ready prompt or by a JCL EXEC `PGM=` statement, that is, whenever it is not initiated by the `exec()` function. This is regardless of whether you are running with `POSIX(ON)` or `POSIX(OFF)`. In these cases, the owning thread is the initial processing thread (IPT), the thread on which `main()` is executed.

- By explicit action when the user redirects the streams by using command line redirection, `fopen()`, or `freopen()`. The thread that is redirected (the IPT, if you are using command line redirection) becomes the owning thread of the particular standard stream. The usual MVS file thread affinity restrictions outlined above apply until the end of program or until the stream is redirected to the HFS.

Any operation that violates these restrictions causes SIGIOERR to be raised and `errno` to be set with the following associated message:

EDC5024I: An attempt was made to close a file that had been opened on another thread.

All MVS files opened from a given thread and still open when the thread is terminated are closed automatically by the library during thread termination.

The `getc()`, `getchar()`, `putc()`, and `putchar()` functions have two versions, one that is defined in the header file, `stdio.h`, which is a macro and the other which is an actual library routine. The macros have better performance than their respective function versions, but these macros are not thread safe, so in a multithreaded application where `_OPEN_THREADS` feature test macro is defined, the macro version of these functions are not exposed. Instead, the library functions are used. This is done to ensure thread safety while multiple threads are executing.

Having more than one writer use separate file pointers to a single data set or `ddname` is prohibited as always, regardless of whether the file pointers are used from multiple threads or a single thread.

### Thread-scoped functions

Thread-scoped functions are functions that execute independently on each thread without sharing intermediate state information across threads. For example, `strtok()` preserves pointers to tokens independently on each thread, regardless of the fact that multiple threads may be examining the same string in a `strtok()` operation. Some examples of thread-scoped functions are:

- `strtok()`
- `rand()`, `srand()`
- `mblen()`, `mbtowc()`
- `strerror()`
- `asctime()`, `ctime()`, `gmtime()`, `localtime()`
- `clock()`

The following are examples of process-scoped functions, which means that a call to these functions on one thread influences the results of calls to the same function on another thread. For example, `tmpnam()` is required to return a unique name for every invocation during the life of the process, regardless of which thread issues the call.

- `tmpnam()`
- `getenv()`
- `setenv()`
- `clearenv()`
• putenv()

Unsafe thread functions
The following functions are not thread-safe. In a multithreaded application, therefore, they should only be used before the first invocation of pthread_create().
• setlocale() - (returns NULL if issued after pthread_create())
• tzset()
• fork()

Fetched functions and writable statics
Fetched functions are recorded globally at the process level. Therefore a function fetched from one thread can be executed from any thread.

Module boundary crossings are thread-scoped. Writable statics have a scope between process and thread. They are process-scoped except that module crossings are thread-scoped. This means that:
• All threads initially inherit the writable statics of the creating thread at the time of the creation.
• When any thread executes a function pointer supplied by the fetch() function and crosses a module boundary, only that thread has access to the writable statics of the fetched module.

MTF and z/OS UNIX System Services threading
MTF is not supported from applications running under POSIX(ON). A return value of EWRONGOS is issued when running in a POSIX(ON) environment. An application that requires multithreading must either use MTF with POSIX(OFF) or pthread_create() with POSIX(ON).

Thread queuing function
The thread queuing function allows you to control whether or not threads should be queued up while waiting for TCBs to become available. You can accomplish this by switching the synctype attribute of a thread between synchronous and asynchronous mode. With synchronous mode for example, if a process can only have 50 TCBs active at any one time, then only 50 threads can be created. The 51st thread create results in an error. With asynchronous mode, however, you can set the synctype attribute for a thread such that the 51st thread is created. This thread will not start until one of the other threads finishes and releases a TCB.

Functions that relate to the ability to control thread queuing are:
• pthread_set_limit_np()
• pthread_attr_setsynctype_np()

Thread scheduling
You can use the pthread_attr_setweight_np() and pthread_attr_setsynctype_np() functions to establish priorities for threads. The pthread_attr_setweight_np() threadweight variable can be set to the following:

__MEDIUM_WEIGHT
Each thread runs on a task. When the current thread exits, the task waits for another thread to do a pthread_create(). The new thread runs on that task.
The task is attached on pthread_create() and terminates when the thread exits. When the thread exits, the associated task can no longer request threads to process, and full MVS EOT resource manager cleanup occurs.

You can use the pthread_addt_setsynctype_np() function to set the __PTATASYNCHRONOUS value. This enables you to create more threads than there are TCBs available. For example, you could run 50 TCBs and create hundreds of threads. The kernel queues the threads until a task is available. This frees your application from managing the work. While a thread is queued and not executing on an MVS task, you can still interact with the thread via pthread functions, such as pthread_join() and pthread_kill().

**iconv() family of functions**

The conversion descriptor returned from a successful iconv_open() may be used safely within a single thread for conversion purposes. It may, however, be opened on one thread (iconv_open()), closed on another thread (iconv_close()), and used on a third thread (iconv()). However, it is the user's responsibility to ensure operations are synchronized if they are used across multiple threads.
Chapter 24. Reentrancy in z/OS C/C++

This chapter describes the concept of reentrancy. It tells you how to use reentrancy in C programs to help make your programs more efficient, and how C++ achieves constructed reentrancy.

Reentrant programs are structured to allow multiple users to share a single copy of an executable module or to use an executable module repeatedly without reloading. C and C++ achieve reentrancy by splitting your program into two parts, which are maintained in separate areas of memory until the program terminates:

- The first part, which consists of executable code and constant data, does not change during program execution.
- The second part contains persistent data that can be altered. This part includes the dynamic storage area (DSA) and a piece of storage known as the writable static area.

For XPLINK, the writable static area is further logically subdivided into areas called environments. Environments are optional, and each function can have its own environment. When an XPLINK function is called, the caller must load general purpose register 5 with the address of the environment of the called function before control is given to the entry point of the called function.

If the program is installed in the Link Pack Area (LPA) or Extended Link Pack Area (ELPA) of your operating system, only a single copy of the first (constant or reentrant) part exists within a single address space. This occurs regardless of the number of users that are running the program simultaneously. This reentrant part may be shared across address spaces or across sessions. In this case, the executable module is loaded only once. Separate concurrent invocations of the program share or reenter the same copy of the write-protected executable module.

If the program is not installed in the LPA or ELPA area, each invocation receives a private copy of the code part, but this copy may not be write-protected.

The modifiable writable static part of the program contains:
- All program variables with the static storage class
- All program variables receiving the extern storage class
- All writable strings
- All function linkage descriptors for all referenced DLL functions
- Function linkage descriptors for all referenced DLL functions that are used by multiple compilation units in the program, but are not imported (XLINK, RENT)
- All variable pointers for imported variables (non-XPLINK)
- All function pointers for imported functions (XPLINK, RENT)
- All variable linkage descriptors to reference imported variables (non-XPLINK)

Each user running the program receives a private copy of the second (data or non-reentrant) part. This part, the data area, is modifiable by each user.

The code part of the program contains:
- Executable instructions
- Read-only constants
- Global objects compiled with the pragma variable(identifier, NORENT)
Note: The ROCONST compiler option implicitly inserts a #pragma
variable(identifier, NORENT) for const qualified variables.

Natural or constructed reentrancy

Natural reentrancy
C programs that contain no references to the writable static objects listed in
the previous section have natural reentrancy. You do not need to compile
naturally reentrant C programs with the RENT compiler option or bind them
with the binder.

Constructed reentrancy
C++ programs, and C programs that contain references to writable static
objects, can have constructed reentrancy. You must bind these programs
with the binder. For C programs, you must use the RENT compiler option.

If you use the XPLINK option, RENT is the default. If you override this default by
specifying NORENT, any parts of the program that are normally stored in the writable
static area go instead into a static area. If this static area is write-protected, you will
get a run-time failure because the function pointers for imported functions cannot be
modified to point to the function when the DLL containing the function is loaded and
the function address determined. For programs that are both XPLINK and NORENT,
all functions must be statically bound or explicitly loaded (dllload(), or fetch()).

Limitations of constructed reentrancy for C programs
Even if a C program is large and will have more than one user at the same time,
there are also these limitations to consider:

• The binder is required for code that you compile with XPLINK.
• If the prelinker, rather than the binder, will process code that is compiled with
NOXPLINK, RENT:
  – The resultant load module referring to the writable area cannot be
    reprocessed.
  – The resultant program may reside in a PDS.
• If the binder is used, and not the prelinker, the resultant program must reside in a
  PDSE or HFS. If a PDSE member should be installed into LPA or ELPA, it can
  only be installed into dynamic LPA.
• A system programmer can install only the shared portion of your program in the
  LPA or ELPA of your operating system.

Controlling external static in C programs
Certain program variables with the extern storage class may be constant and never
written. If this is the case, every user does not need to have a separate copy of
these variables. In addition, there may be a need to share constant program
variables between C and another language.

Example: You can force an external variable to be the part of the program that
includes executable code and constant data by using the #pragma
variable(varname, NORENT) directive. The following program fragment illustrates
how this is accomplished:
In this example, the source file is compiled with the RENT option. The external variable rates are included in the executable code because \#pragma variable(rates, NORENT) is specified. The variable totals are included with the writable static. Each user has a copy of the array totals, and the array rates are shared among all users of the program.

The \#pragma variable(varname, NORENT) does not apply to, and has no effect on, program variables with the static storage class. Program variables with the static storage class are always included in the writable static. An informational message will appear if you do try to write to a non-reentrant variable when you specify the CHECKOUT compiler option.

When specifying \#pragma variable(varname, NORENT), ensure that this variable is never written; if it is written, program exceptions or unpredictable program behavior may result. In addition, you must include \#pragma variable(varname, NORENT) in every source file where the variable is referenced or defined. It is good practice to put these pragmas in a common header file.

Note: You can also use the keyword const to ensure that a variable is not written. See the const type qualifier in \textit{z/OS C/C++ Language Reference} for more information.

The ROCONST compiler option has the same effect as specifying the \#pragma variable\(\text{(var}\_\text{name, NORENT)}\) for all constant variables (i.e. const qualified variables). The option gives the compiler the choice of allocating const variables outside of the Writable Static Area (WSA). For more information, see ROCONST and NORCONST in \textit{z/OS C/C++ User's Guide}.

**Controlling writable strings**

In a large number of C programs, character strings may be constant and never written to. If this is the case, every user does not need a separate copy of these strings.

You can force all strings in a given source file to be the part of the program that includes executable code and constant data by using \#pragma strings(readonly) or the ROSTRING compiler option. [Example of making strings constant (CCNGRE1)] on page 368 illustrates one way to make the strings constant.
Example of making strings constant (CCNGRE1)

/* this example demonstrates how to make strings constant */

#pragma strings(readonly)
#include <stdio.h>

int main(void)
{
    printf("hello world\n");
    return(0);
}

Figure 97. Making strings constant

In this example, the string "hello world\n" is included with the executable code because #pragma strings(readonly) is specified. This can yield a performance and storage benefit.

Ensure that you do not write to read-only strings. The following code tries to overwrite the literal string "abcd" because 'chrs' is just a pointer:

char chrs[] = "abcd";
memcpy(chrs,"ABCD",4);

Program exceptions or unpredictable program behavior may result if you attempt to write to a string constant.

The ROSTRING compiler option has the same effect as #pragma string(readonly) in the program source. For more information, see ROSTRING | NOROSTRING in z/OS C/C++ User's Guide

Controlling the memory area in C++

In C++, some objects may be constant and never modified. If your program is reentrant, having such objects exist in the code part is a storage and performance benefit.

As a programmer, you control where objects with global names and string literals exist. You can use the #pragma variable(objname, NORENT) directive to specify that the memory for an object with a global name is to be in the code area. You can use the ROCONST compiler option to specify that all const variables go into the code area.

Example: In the following example, the variable RATES exists in the executable code area because #pragma variable(RATES, NORENT) has been specified. The variable totals exists in writable static area. All users have their own copies of the array totals, but the array RATES is shared among all users of the program.

/*************************************************************************/
/* RATES is constant and in code area */
#pragma variable(RATES, NORENT)
const float RATES[5] = { 1.0, 1.5, 2.25, 3.375, 5.0625 };
float totals[5];
/*************************************************************************/

When you specify #pragma variable(objname, NORENT) for an object, and the program is to be reentrant, you must ensure that this object is never modified, even by constructors or destructors. Program exceptions or unpredictable behavior may result. Also, you must include #pragma variable(objname, NORENT) in every source
file where the object is referenced or defined. Otherwise, the compiler will generate inconsistent addressing for the object, sometimes in the code area and sometimes in the writable static area.

**Controlling where string literals exist in C++ code**

In z/OS C/C++, the string literals exist in the code part by default, and are not modifiable if the code is reentrant. In a large number of programs, string literals may be constant. In this case, every user does not need a separate copy of these strings.

By using the `#pragma strings(writable)` directive, you can ensure that the string literals for that compilation unit will exist in the writable static area and be modifiable.

"Example of how to make string literals modifiable (CCNGRE2)" illustrates how to make the string literals modifiable.

**Example of how to make string literals modifiable (CCNGRE2)**

```cpp
/* this example demonstrates how to make string literals modifiable */

#pragma strings(writable)
#include <iostream.h>
int main(void)
{
  char * s;
  s = "wall\n";     // point to string literal
  *(s+3) = 'k';    // modify string literal
  cout << s;       // output "walk\n"
}
```

*Figure 98. How to Make String Literals Modifiable*

In this example, the string "wall\n" will exist in the writable static area because `#pragma strings(writable)` is specified. This modifies the fourth character.

**Using writable static in Assembler code**

Programming in C or C++ can eliminate most of the need to code in assembler. However, in cases where you must code in assembler, you may have a need to modify data in the writable static area of a C or C++ program, from within an assembler program.

**Notes:**

1. To call assembler from C++, you must use `extern "C"` as documented in [Chapter 18, “Using Linkage Specifications in C or C++,” on page 237.](#)
2. The following macros, and access to writable static data from assembler are not supported for XPLINK programs.

One way to modify data in the writable static area is to pass the address of the writable static data item as a parameter to the assembler program. This may be difficult in some cases. The following assembler macros makes this easier:

- `ECDXD`
- `EDCLA`
- `EDCDPLNK`
These are in CEE.SCEEMAC(EDCDXD,EDCLA,EDCDPLNK). The restriction on the names of writable static objects accessible in assembler code is that they are S-names. This means that they may be at most 8 characters long and may contain only characters allowed in external names by the assembler code.

The macro EDCDXD declares a writable static data item. EDCLA loads the address of the writable static data item into a register. Using the EDCLA macro in assembler code necessitates coding EDCDXD as well.

The EDCDPLNK macro defines reference writable static data with the z/OS binder. This macro must appear before the first executable control section is initiated in the assembler source module. If there is more than one assembler source program in the input file, EDCDPLNK must precede every assembler source program in any input file that defines or references writable static data.

Example: Example of referencing objects in the writeable static-area, Part 1 (CCNGRE3)

Example of referencing objects in the writeable static-area, Part 1 (CCNGRE3)

********************************************************************************
* this example shows how to reference objects in the writable static-area, Part 1 *
* static area, from assembler code, Part 1 of 2 (other file is CCNGRE4) *
* parameters: none *
* return: none *
* action: store contents of register 13 (callers dynamic storage area) in variable DSA which exists in the writable static area *
* Macros: EDCPRG, EDCPEIL, EDCDXD, EDCLA in CEE.SCEEMAC *
********************************************************************************
XOBJHDR EDCDXD EDCDPLNK ;generate an XOBJ header
GETDSA CSECT
GETDSA AMODE ANY
GETDSA RMODE ANY
EDCPRLG ;prolog (save registers etc.)
EDCLA 1,DSA ;load register 1 with address of DSA
ST 13,0,(1) ;store contents of reg 13 in DSA
EDCEPIL ;epilog (restore registers etc.)
DSA EDCDXD 0F ;declaration of DSA in writable static
TBLSA EDCDXD 20F ;definition of TBLSA in writable static
END

Figure 99. Referencing objects in the writable static area, Part 1

In this example, the external variable TBLSA is declared using the EDCDXD macro. The size value of 0F (zero fullwords) indicates that DSA will be treated as an extern declaration in C or C++. Because TBLSA is an extern declaration and not a definition, DSA must be defined in another C, C++, or assembler program. The EDCLA macro loads the general purpose register 1 with the address of DSA, which exists in the writable static area.

The external variable TBLSA is declared using the EDCDXD macro. It is defined because its size is 20F (20 fullwords or 80 bytes) and corresponds to an external
data definition in C or C++. When the program starts, TBDLSA is initialized to zero. Because TBDLSA is an external data definition, there should not be another definition of it in a C++, C, or assembler program.

When these macros are used, these pseudo-registers cannot be used within the same assembler program.

There are no assembler macros for static initialization of a variable with a nonzero value. You can do this by defining and initializing the variable in C or C++ and making an extern declaration for it in the assembler program. In the example assembler program, DSA is declared this way.

"Example of referencing objects in the writeable static-area, Part 2 (CCNGRE4)" illustrates how to call the above assembler program.

Example of referencing objects in the writeable static-area, Part 2 (CCNGRE4)

```c
#include <stdio.h>

#ifdef __cplusplus
    extern "OS" {
#endif

void GETDSA(void); /* assembler routine modifies DSA */
#ifdef __cplusplus
}
#endif

const int sz = 20; /* maximum call depth */
extern void *TBLDSA[sz]; /* defined in assembler program */
void *DSA; /* define it here, source name */
    /* same as assembler name */

/* call yourself deeper and deeper */
/* save DSA pointers as you go */
void deeper(int i) {
    if (i >= sz) /* if deep enough just return */
        return;
    GETDSA(); /* assign value to DSA */
    TBLDSA[i] = DSA; /* save value in table */
    deeper(i+1); /* go deeper in call chain */
}

int main(void) {
    int i;
    deeper(0);
    for(i=0; i<sz; i++)
        printf("depth %3d, DSA was at %p\n", i, TBLDSA[i]);
    return 0;
}
```

*Figure 100. Referencing objects in the writable static area, Part 2*
Chapter 25. Using the decimal data type in C

This chapter refers to fixed-point decimal data types as “decimal types”. The decimal type is an extension of the ANSI C language definition. You can use decimal types to represent large numbers accurately, especially in business and commercial applications for financial calculations. Decimal types are available only if the LANGLVL is EXTENDED by specifying the LANGLVL(EXTENDED) compiler option. For more information, see [LANGLVL](z/OS C/C++ User's Guide) in z/OS C/C++ User's Guide.

The decimal types allow expressions of up to DEC_DIG significant digits including integral and fractional parts. The header file <decimal.h> specifies the value of DEC_DIG.

You can pass decimal arguments in function calls and define macros. You can also declare decimal variables, typedefs, arrays, structures, and unions having decimal members. The following operators apply on decimal variables:

- Arithmetic
- Relational
- Assignment
- Comma
- Conditional
- Equality
- Logical
- Primary
- Unary

When using the decimal types, you must include the decimal.h header file in your source code.

Declaring decimal types

Use the type specifier decimal\(n,p\) to declare decimal variables and to initialize them with fixed-point decimal constants. The decimal() macro is defined in <decimal.h>.

The decimal\(n,p\) type specifier designates a decimal number with \(n\) digits and \(p\) decimal places. In this specifier, \(n\) is the total number of digits for the integral and decimal parts combined and \(p\) is the number of digits for the decimal part only. For example, decimal\(5,2\) represents a number, such as 123.45, where \(n=5\) and \(p=2\). Specifying the value for \(p\) is optional. If omitted, \(p\) has a default value of 0.

\(n\) and \(p\) have a range of allowed values according to the following rules:

\[
\begin{align*}
p & \leq n \\
1 & \leq n \leq \text{DEC_DIG} \\
0 & \leq p \leq \text{DEC_PRECISION}
\end{align*}
\]

**Note:** The header file <decimal.h> defines DEC_DIG (the maximum number of digits \(n\)) and DEC_PRECISION (the maximum precision \(p\)). Currently, there is a limit of a maximum of 31 digits.
Declaring fixed-point decimal constants

The syntax for fixed-point decimal constants is:

fixed-point-decimal-constant:
  fractional-constant fixed-point-decimal-suffix

fractional-constant (use any one of the following formats):
  digit-sequence . digit-sequence
  . digit-sequence
  digit-sequence .
  digit-sequence

digit-sequence (use any one of the following formats):
  digit
  digit-sequence digit

fixed-point-decimal-suffix (use any one of the following formats):
  D
  d

A fixed-point decimal constant has a numeric part and a suffix that specifies its type. The components of the numeric part may include a digit sequence representing the integral part, followed by a decimal point (.), followed by a digit sequence representing the fractional part. Either the integral part, the fractional part, or both are present.

Each fixed-point decimal constant has the attributes number of digits (digits) and number of decimal places (precision). Leading or trailing zeros are not discarded when the digits and the precision are determined.

Examples: The following table gives examples of fixed-point decimal constants and their corresponding attributes:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Fixed-Point Decimal Constant</th>
<th>(digits, precision)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1234567890123456D</td>
<td>(16, 0)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12345678.12345678D</td>
<td>(16, 8)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12345678.d</td>
<td>(8, 0)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>.1234567890d</td>
<td>(10, 10)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12345.99d</td>
<td>(7, 2)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>000123.990d</td>
<td>(9, 3)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0.00D</td>
<td>(3, 2)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Declaring decimal variables

Example: The following example shows how you can declare a variable as a decimal type:

decimal(10,2)  x;
decimal(5,0)  y;
decimal(5)  z;
decimal(18,10)  *ptr;
decimal(8,2)  arr[100];

In the previous example:
• $x$ can have values between -99999999.99D and +99999999.99D.
• $y$ and $z$ can have values between -9999D and +9999D.
• $ptr$ is a pointer to type `decimal(18,10)`.
• $arr$ is an array of 100 elements, where each element is of type `decimal(8,2)`.

The syntax for the decimal type specifier is as follows:

```
>>> decimal(—constant-expression,—constant-expression—)
```

The constant-expression is evaluated as a positive integral constant expression. Specifying a second constant-expression is optional. If left out, the default value is 0. Decimal variables `decimal(n,0)` and `decimal(n)` are type compatible.

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### Defining decimal-related constants

Use the following numerical limits to define the decimal value in assignments and expressions. `<decimal.h>` contains these predefined values.

- The smallest number in a decimal type
  
  `DEC_MIN`  
  -9999999999999999999999999999999D

- The largest positive number in a decimal type
  
  `DEC_MAX`  
  +9999999999999999999999999999999D

- The smallest number greater than zero in a decimal type
  
  `DEC_EPSILON`  
  .00000000000000000000000000000000001D

- Maximum number of significant digits that decimal types can hold
  
  `DEC_DIG`  
  31

- Maximum number of decimal places that decimal types can hold
  
  `DEC_PRECISION`  
  31

---

### Using operators

You can use arithmetic, relational, assignment, comma, conditional, equality, logical, primary, and unary cast operators on a decimal data type. Conversions follow these arithmetic conversion rules:

- First, if the type of either operand is long double, the other operand becomes long double.
  
- Otherwise, if the type of either operand is double, the other operand becomes double.
  
- Otherwise, if the type of either operand is float, the other operand becomes float.
  
- Otherwise, if the type of either operand is decimal, the other operand becomes decimal.
  
- Otherwise, the integral promotions are performed on both operands. Then the following rules are applied:
– If the type of either operand is unsigned long int, the other operand becomes unsigned long int.
– Otherwise, if the type of one operand is long int and the other is unsigned int, the operand of type unsigned int is converted to long int, if the long int can represent all values of an unsigned int. If a long int cannot represent all the values of an unsigned int, both operands become unsigned long int.
– Otherwise, if the type of either operand is long int, the other operand becomes long int.
– Otherwise, if the type of either operand is unsigned int, the other operand becomes unsigned int.
– Otherwise, the type of both operands is int.

**Arithmetic operators**

Figure 101 shows how to use arithmetic operators, and then describes certain arithmetic, assignment, unary, and cast operators in more detail. It summarizes how to add, subtract, multiply and divide decimal variables.

**Example of arithmetic operators (CCNGDC1)**

/*this example demonstrates arithmetic operations on decimal variables*/
#include <decimal.h>  /* decimal header file */
#include <stdio.h>

int main(void)
{

decimal(10,2) op_1 = 12d;
decimal(5,5) op_2 = -.12345d;
decimal(24,12) op_3 = 12.34d;
decimal(20,5) op_4 = 11.01d;
decimal(14,5) res_add;
decimal(25,2) res_sub;
decimal(15,7) res_mul;
decimal(31,14) res_div;

res_add = op_1 + op_2;
res_sub = op_3 - op_1;
res_mul = op_2 * op_1;
res_div = op_3 / op_4;

printf("res_add =%D(*,*)\n",digitsof(res_add),
        precisionof(res_add),res_add);
printf("res_sub =%D(*,*)\n",digitsof(res_sub),
        precisionof(res_sub),res_sub);
printf("res_mul =%D(*,*)\n",digitsof(res_mul),
        precisionof(res_mul),res_mul);
printf("res_div =%D(*,*)\n",digitsof(res_div),
        precisionof(res_div),res_div);

return(0);
}

Figure 101. Arithmetic operators example

**Additive operators**

Additive and multiplicative operators follow the arithmetic conversion rules defined in "Using operators" on page 375.
**Note:** For performance reasons, generating negative zero is possible.

Refer to "Intermediate results" on page 378 for details on how to get the conversion type during alignment of the decimal point.

### Relational operators
Relational operators follow the arithmetic conversion rules defined in "Using operators" on page 375.

Figure 102 shows you how to use a relational expression less than (<) for decimals. In this example, decimal types are compared with other arithmetic types (integer, float, double, long double). In addition, the implicit conversion of the decimal types is performed using the arithmetic conversion rules in "Converting decimal types" on page 380. Leading zeros in the example are shown to indicate the number of digits in the decimal type. You do not need to enter leading zeros in your decimal type variable initialization.

**Example of relational operators (CCNGDC2)**

```c
#include <decimal.h>

decimal(10,3) pdval = 0000023.423d; /* Decimal declaration*/
int ival = 1233; /* Integer declaration*/
float fval = 1234.34; /* Float declaration*/
double dval = 251.5832; /* Double declaration*/
long double lval = 37486.234; /* Long double declaration*/

int main(void) {
    decimal(15,6) value = 000485860.085999d;
    /*Perform relational operation between other data types and decimal*/
    if (pdval < ival) printf("pdval is the smallest !\n");
    if (pdval < fval) printf("pdval is the smallest !\n");
    if (pdval < dval) printf("pdval is the smallest !\n");
    if (pdval < lval) printf("pdval is the smallest !\n");
    if (pdval < value) printf("pdval is the smallest !\n");
    return(0);
}
```

**Figure 102. Relational operators example**

Refer to "Intermediate results" on page 378 for details on how to get the conversion type during alignment of the decimal point.

### Equality operators
Equality operators follow the arithmetic conversions defined in "Using operators" on page 375. Where the operands have types and values suitable for the relational operators, the semantics for relational operators applies.

**Note:** Positive zero and negative zero compare equal. In the following example, the expression always evaluates to TRUE:

```c
(-0.00d == +0.00000d)
```

Refer to "Intermediate results" on page 378 for details on how to get the convert type during alignment of the decimal point.
Conditional operators
Conditional operators follow the arithmetic conversions defined in "Using operators" on page 375. If both the second and third operands have an arithmetic type, the usual arithmetic conversions are performed to bring them to a common type. If both operands are decimal types, the operands are converted to the convert type and the result has that type.

Refer to "Intermediate results" for details on how to get the convert type during alignment of the decimal point.

Intermediate results
Use one of the following tables to calculate the size of the result. The tables summarize the intermediate expression results with the four basic arithmetic operators and conditional operators when applied to the decimal types. Most of the time, you can use Table 68 to calculate the size of the result. It assumes no overflow. If overflow occurs, use Table 69 to determine the resulting type.

Both tables assume the following:
• x has type decimal(n₁, p₁)
• y has type decimal(n₂, p₂)
• decimal(n, p) is the resulting type

Table 68. Intermediate results (without overflow in n or p)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Expression</th>
<th>(n, p)</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>x*y</td>
<td>n = n₁ + n₂, p = p₁ + p₂</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>x/y</td>
<td>n = DEC_DIG, p = DEC_DIG - ((n₁ - p₁) + p₂)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>x+y</td>
<td>p = max(p₁, p₂), n = max(n₁ - p₁, n₂ - p₂) + p + 1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>x-y</td>
<td>same rule as addition</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>z ? x : y</td>
<td>p = max(p₁, p₂), n = max(n₁ - p₁, n₂ - p₂) + p</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

You can use Table 69 to calculate the size of the result, whether there is an overflow or not.

Table 69. Intermediate results (in the general form)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Expression</th>
<th>(n, p)</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>x*y</td>
<td>n = min(n₁ + n₂, DEC_DIG), p = min(p₁ + p₂, DEC_DIG - min(n₁ - p₁), n₂ - p₂), DEC_DIG)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>x/y</td>
<td>n = DEC_DIG, p = max(DEC_DIG - ((n₁ - p₁) + p₂), 0)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>x+y</td>
<td>ir = min(max(n₁ - p₁, n₂ - p₂) + 1, DEC_DIG), p = min(max(p₁, p₂), DEC_DIG - ir), n = ir + p</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>x-y</td>
<td>same rule as addition</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>z ? x : y</td>
<td>ir = max(n₁ - p₁, n₂ - p₂), p = min(max(p₁, p₂), DEC_DIG - ir), n = ir + p</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

If overflow occurs in n or p, a compile-time warning message is issued and the decimal places are truncated. As much of the integral part is reserved as possible. If the integral part is truncated as an expression in the static or extern initialization,
an error message is issued. If the integral part is truncated inside the block scope, a warning is issued. On each operation, the complete result is calculated before truncation occurs.

Assignment operators
Assignment operators follow the arithmetic conversion rules defined in “Using operators” on page 375.

When values are assigned, an SIGFPE exception may be raised if the operands contain values that are not valid.

Unary operators
Use the following unary operators to determine the digits in a decimal type:

- `sizeof` Determines the total number of bytes occupied by the decimal type
- `digitsof` Determines the number of digits \((n)\)
- `precisionof` Determines the number of decimal digits \((p)\)

**sizeof operator**
When you use the `sizeof` operator with `decimal(n, p)`, the result is an integer constant. The `sizeof` operator returns the total number of bytes occupied by the decimal type.

Each decimal digit occupies a halfbyte. In addition, a halfbyte represents the sign. The number of bytes used by `decimal(n, p)` is the smallest whole number greater than or equal to \((n + 1)/2\), that is, `sizeof(decimal(n, p)) = ceil((n + 1)/2)`. The `sizeof` result is calculated using this method because the z/OS C compiler uses packed decimal to implement decimal types.

**Example:** The following example shows you how to determine the total number of bytes occupied by the decimal type:

```c
int y;
decimal (5, 2) x;
y = sizeof x; /* This would be calculated to be 3 bytes*/
    /* (5+1)/2 = 3. */
```

**digitsof operator**
When you use the `digitsof` operator with a decimal type, the result is an integer constant. The `digitsof` operator returns the number of significant digits \((n)\) in a decimal type.

**Example:** This example gives you the number of digits \((n)\) in a decimal type.

```c
decimal (5, 2) x;
int n;
n = digitsof x; /* the result is n=5 */
```

**Note:** Apply `digitsof` only to a decimal type.

**precisionof operator**
When you use the `precisionof` operator with a decimal type, the result is an integer constant. The `precisionof` operator tells you the number of decimal digits \((p)\) of the decimal type.

**Example:** This example gives you the number of decimal digits \((p)\) of the decimal type.
decimal (5, 2) x;
int p;
p = precisionof x; /* the result is p=2 */

Note: Apply precisionof only to a decimal type.

Cast operator

You can convert the following types explicitly:
- Decimal types to decimal types
- Decimal types to and from floating types
- Decimal types to and from integer types

Notes:
1. When you are explicitly casting to a decimal type, the discarding of the leading nonzero digits does not cause an exception at run-time. For more information about suppressing compiler messages and run-time exceptions, refer to “Converting decimal types” on page 380.
2. An implicit conversion to a decimal type with an even number of digits may not clear the pad digit, but an explicit cast will clear the pad digit.

Summary of operators used with decimal types

Table 70 summarizes all of the operators to be used with decimal types.

Table 70. Operators used with decimal types

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Operator Name</th>
<th>Associativity</th>
<th>Operators</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Primary</td>
<td>left to right</td>
<td>()</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Unary</td>
<td>right to left</td>
<td>++, --, +, -, !, &amp; (typename)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>sizeof, digitsof, precisionof</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Multiplicative</td>
<td>left to right</td>
<td>* /</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Additive</td>
<td>left to right</td>
<td>+ -</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Relational</td>
<td>left to right</td>
<td>&lt; &gt;, &lt;=, &gt;=</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Equality</td>
<td>left to right</td>
<td>==, !=</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Conditional</td>
<td>right to left</td>
<td>? :</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Assignment</td>
<td>right to left</td>
<td>+=, -=, *= /=</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Comma</td>
<td>left to right</td>
<td>,</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Converting decimal types

The z/OS C compiler implicitly converts the following types:
- Decimal types to decimal types
- Decimal types to and from floating types
- Decimal types to and from integer types

Converting decimal types to decimal types

If the value of the decimal type to be converted is within the range of values that can be represented exactly, the value of the decimal type is not changed.

If the value of the decimal type to be converted is outside the range of values that can be represented, the value of the decimal type is truncated. Truncation may occur on either the integral part or the fractional part or both.
When truncation occurs on the fraction part, no compile-time message or a run-time exception occurs.

When truncation occurs on the integral part, a compile-time message, a run-time exception or both are generated as follows:

- In the initialization of static or external variables
  - Compile-time error if nonzero digits are truncated in the integral part
- In the initialization of automatic variables, an assignment or function call with prototype
  - Checkout warning at compile time
  - Run-time exception SIGFPE may occur if nonzero digits are truncated in the integral part at run time.

**Note:** An explicit cast is used to suppress compile-time messages and run-time exceptions. A run-time exception may occur if any leading nonzero digits are discarded and the operation is not an explicit cast operation.

**Examples**

In the following examples, `message` represents a compile-time message and `exception` represents a run-time exception (that is, SIGFPE is raised).

**Example of fractional part that cannot be represented:** Conversion of one decimal object to another decimal object with smaller precision involves truncation on the right of the decimal point.

```c
#include <decimal.h>

void func(void)
{
    void dec_func(decimal( 7, 1 ));
    decimal(7, 4) x = 123.4567D;
    decimal(7, 1) y;
    decimal( 7, 1 ) z = 123.4567D; /* z = 000123.4D <--- No message, */
    /* No exception */
    void func(void) {
        decimal( 7, 1 ) a = 123.4567D; /* a = 000123.4D <--- No message, */
        /* No exception */
        y = x; /* y = 000123.4D <--- No message, No exception */
        y = 123.4567D; /* y = 000123.4D <--- No message, No exception */
        dec_func(x); /* <--- No message, No exception */
    }
}
```

**Figure 103. Fractional part cannot be represented**

**Example of integral part that cannot be represented:** Conversion of one decimal object to another decimal object with fewer digits involves truncation on the left of the decimal point.
void func(void);  
void dec_func(decimal( 5, 2 ));  
decimal( 8, 2 ) w = 000456.78D;  
decimal( 8, 2 ) x = 123456.78D;  
decimal( 5, 2 ) y;  
decimal( 5, 2 ) z = 123456.78D;  
    /* <--- Compile-time error */  
decimal( 5, 2 ) z1 = (decimal( 5, 2 )) 123456.78D;  
    /* z1 = 456.78D <--- No message, */  
    /* No exception */  
}{  
  void func(void) {  
    decimal( 5, 2 ) a = 123456.78D;  
        /* <--- Checkout warning */  
    decimal( 5, 2 ) a1 = (decimal( 5, 2 )) 123456.78D;  
        /* a1 = 456.78D <--- No message, */  
    y = w;  
        /* y = 456.78D <--- Checkout warning, No exception */  
    y = x;  
        /* <--- Checkout warning and exception */  
    y = 123456.78D;  
        /* <--- Checkout warning and exception */  
    dec_func(x);  
        /* <--- Checkout warning and exception */  
    y = (decimal( 5, 2 )) w;  
        /* y = 456.78D <--- No message, No exception */  
    y = (decimal( 5, 2 )) x;  
        /* y = 456.78D <--- No message, No exception */  
    y = (decimal( 5, 2 )) 123456.78D;  
        /* y = 456.78D <--- No message, No exception */  
    dec_func((decimal( 5, 2 )) x);  
        /* <--- No message, No exception */  
  }
}

Figure 104. Integral part cannot be represented

Converting decimal types to and from integer types

Conversion to integer types

When a value of decimal type is converted to integer type, the fractional part is discarded. If the value of the integral part cannot be represented by the integer type, the behavior is undefined.

When a negative decimal type is converted to an unsigned integer type, the conversion proceeds as though these steps are followed:
1. The decimal type is converted to a signed integer type with the same size as the unsigned integer type.
2. The signed integer type is converted to the unsigned integer type.

Example of conversion to integer type

```
int i = 1234.5678d;  // i = 1234 */
int j = -789d;  // j = -789 */
int k = 9876543210d;  // k is undefined */
```

Figure 105. Conversion to integer type

Conversion from integer types

When a value of integer type is implicitly converted to decimal type, the integer type is converted to type decimal(10,0).
When a value of integer type is explicitly converted to decimal type, the conversion proceeds as though these two steps are followed:
1. The integer type is converted to type decimal(10,0). A run-time exception can never occur in this step.
2. Type decimal(10,0) is then converted to decimal(n,p). All rules for decimal type to decimal type conversion apply in this step.

An unsigned integer type is converted to a positive decimal value.

If the value of the integral part cannot be represented by the decimal type, the behavior is undefined.

**Example of conversion from integer type**

```c
#include <decimal.h>
decimal(10,2) pd01 = 1234;    /* pd01 = 00001234.00d */
decimal(5,0) pd02 = 987654;   /* compile-time error */
int main(void) {
  decimal(5,0) pd03 = 987654; /* run-time exception */
decimal(13,4) pd04;

  /* The number 321 is converted to decimal(10,0) before the */
  /* addition is performed. */
  pd04 = 1234.56d + 321;       /* pd04 = 000001555.5600d */
}
```

*Figure 106. Conversion from integral type*

## Converting decimal types to and from floating types

### Conversion to floating types

The result of the conversion might not be exact due to:
- The limitations of significant digits in different floating types
- The degree to which a value can be stored exactly in a floating type
- The loss of precision during conversion

**Example:** In the following example, the content of each floating type variable depends on their limitation of significant digits that are specified in `<float.h>`.

```c
float a = 12345678901234567890.1234567890d;
double b = 12345678901234567890.1234567890d;
long double c = 12345678901234567890.1234567890d;
```

*Figure 107. Conversion to floating type*

### Conversion from floating types

When a value of floating type is converted to decimal type and the value being converted cannot be represented by the decimal type, the result is rounded towards zero. If the value of the floating type to be converted is within the range of values that can be represented, but cannot be represented exactly, the result is also rounded towards zero. The result retains as much value as possible. When any leading nonzero digits are suppressed and the operation is not an explicit cast operation, a decimal overflow exception occurs at run time and an SIGFPE exception is raised.
When a conversion from a floating type is made with static or external variable initialization, a compile-time error message is issued.

The result of the conversion may not be exact because the internal representation of System/370 floating-point instructions is hexadecimal based if FLOAT(HEX) mode is used. The mapping between the two representations is not one-to-one, even when the value of a float type is within the range of the decimal type.

**Example of conversion from floating type**

```c
#include <decimal.h>

decimal(10,2) pd11 = 1234.0; /* pd11 = 00001234.00 */
decimal(5,0) pd12 = 987654.0; /* compile-time error */
int main(void) {
    decimal(5,0) pd13 = 987654.0; /* run-time exception */
    decimal(13,4) pd14 = 12.34567890; /* fractional part is truncated */
}
```

*Figure 108. Conversion from floating type*

**Calling functions**

There are no default argument promotions on arguments that have type decimal when the called function does not include a prototype. If the expression for the called function has a type that includes a prototype, the behavior is as documented in ANSI, with the exception of prototype with an ellipsis (...). If the prototype ends with an ellipsis (...), default argument promotions are not performed on arguments with decimal types.

A function may change the values of its parameters, but these changes cannot affect the values of the arguments. However, it is possible to pass a pointer to a decimal object, and the function may change the value of the decimal object to which it points.

**Using library functions**

You can use variable arguments and I/O operations with decimals.

**Using variable arguments with decimal types**

You can use the va_arg macro with a decimal type decimal(n,p).

```
var_type va_arg( va_list arg_ptr, var_type );
```

Each invocation of va_arg modifies arg_ptr so that the values of successive arguments are returned in turn.

**Formatting input and output operations**

Use the following functions to print the value of a decimal type:

- fprintf()
- printf()
- sprintf()
- vfprintf()
- vprintf()
vsprintf()

Use the following functions to read the value of a decimal type:

- fscanf()
- scanf()
- sscanf()

The conversion specifier for decimal types is one of the following:

\%D(n,p)
\%D(n)

For more information about these functions and their keywords, see the z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.

Validating values

It is possible to have nonvalid representation of decimal value stored in memory, such as input from file or overlay memory. If the nonvalid decimal value is used in an operation or assignment, the result may not be as expected. A built-in function can be used to report whether the decimal representation is valid or not. The function call can be in the following form:

```
status = decchk ( x );
```

The built-in function `decchk()` accepts a decimal-type expression as argument and returns a status value of type `int`.

The status can be interpreted as follows:

- 0: Valid decimal representation value (including nonpreferred but valid sign, A-F)
- 1: Leftmost halfbyte is not zero in a decimal-type number that has an even number of digits (for example, 123 is stored in decimal(2,0))
- 2: Incorrect digits (not 0-9)
- 4: Incorrect sign (not A-F)

Macro define names for function return status (in `<decimal.h>`):

```
#define DEC_VALUE_OK 0
#define DEC_BAD_NIBBLE 1
#define DEC_BAD_DIGIT 2
#define DEC_BAD_SIGN 4
```

The function return status is the OR of all errors that were detected.

Fix sign

A built-in function can be used to fix nonpreferred sign variables. The function call can be in the following form:

```
x = decfix ( x );
```

The built-in function `decfix()` accepts a decimal-type expression as argument and returns a decimal value that has the same size (that is, same decimal types) and same value as the argument, but with the correct preferred sign. The function does not change the content of the argument.
Decimal absolute value

The built-in function `decabs()` accepts a decimal-type expression as argument and returns the absolute value of the decimal argument (the same decimal type as the argument, and the same magnitude, but positive). The function does not change the content of the argument. The function call can be in the following form:

\[ y = \text{decabs}(x); \]

See the [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference](z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference) for more information on the `decabs()`, `decchk()`, and `decfix()` library functions.
Programming example

Example 1 of use of decimal type (CCNGDC3)

/* this example demonstrates the use of the decimal type */
/* always include decimal.h when decimal type is used */

#include <decimal.h>

/* Declares a decimal(10,2) variable */
decimal(10,2) pd01;

/* Declares a decimal(15,4) variable and initializes it with the */
/* value 1234.56d */
decimal(15,4) pd02 = 1234.56d;

/* Structure that has decimal-related members */
struct pdec
{
    /* members' data types */
    int m; /* - integer */
    decimal(23,10) pd03; /* - decimal(23,10) */
    decimal(10,2) pd04[3]; /* - array of decimal(10,2) */
    decimal(10,2) *pd05; /* - pointer to decimal(10,2) */
} pd06,
   *pd07 = &pd06; /* pd07 points to pd06 */

/* Array of decimal(31,30) */
decimal(31,30) pd08[2];

/* Prototype for function that accepts decimal(10,2) and int as */
/* arguments and has return type decimal(25,5) */
decimal(25,5) product(decimal(10,2), int);

decimal(5,2) PdCnt; /* decimal loop counter */
int i;

int main(void)
{
    pd01 = -789.45d; /* simple assignment */
    pd06.m = digitsof(pd06.pd03) + precisionof(pd02); /* 23 + 4 */
    pd06.pd03 = sizeof(pd01);
    pd06.pd04[0] = pd02 + pd01; /* decimal addition */
    *pd06.pd04 + 1 = (decimal(10,2)) product(pd07->pd04[0], pd07->m);
    pd07->pd04[2] = product(pd07->pd04[0], pd07->pd04[1]);
    pd07->pd05 = &pd01; /* taking the address of a */
    /* decimal variable */
    /* These two statements are different */
    pd08[0] = 1 / 3d;
    pd08[1] = 1d / 3d;

    printf("pd01 = %D(10,2)\n", pd01);
    printf("pd02 = %+.5D(+,-)\n",
    20, 5, digitsof(pd02), precisionof(pd02), pd02);
    printf("pd06.m = %d, pd07->m = %d\n", pd06.m, pd07->m);
    printf("pd06.pd03 = %D(23,10), pd07->pd03 = %D(23,10)\n",
    pd06.pd03, pd07->pd03);
}

Figure 109. Decimal type — Example 1 (Part 1 of 2)
You will get an infinite loop if floating type is used instead of the decimal types. for (PdCnt = 0.0d; PdCnt != 3.6d; PdCnt += 1.2d) {
    i = PdCnt / 1.2d;
    printf("pd06.pd04[%d] = %D(10,2),\n         pd07->pd04[%d] = %D(10,2)\n", i, pd06.pd04[i], i, pd07->pd04[i]);
}

printf("*(pd06.pd05) = %D(10,2), *(pd07->pd05) = %D(10,2)\n", *(pd06.pd05), *(pd07->pd05));

printf("pd08[0] = %D(31,30)\n", pd08[0]);
printf("pd08[1] = %D(31,30)\n", pd08[1]);
return(0);

/* Function definition for product() */
decimal(25,5) product(decimal(10,2) v1, int v2) {
   /* The following happens in the return statement */
   /* - v2 is converted to decimal(10,0) */
   /* - after the multiplication, the expression has resulting */
   /* type decimal(20,2) (i.e. (10,2) * (10,0) == (20,2)) */
   /* - the result is then converted implicitly to decimal(25,5) */
   /* before it is returned */
   return( v1 * v2 );
}

Figure 109. Decimal type — Example 1 (Part 2 of 2)

Example 1 of output from programming

pd01 = -789.45
pd02 = 1234.56000
pd06.m = 27, pd07->m = 27
pd06.pd03 = 6.0000000000, pd07->pd03 = 6.0000000000
pd06.pd04[0] = 445.11, pd07->pd04[0] = 445.11
pd06.pd04[1] = 12017.97, pd07->pd04[1] = 12017.97
*(pd06.pd05) = -789.45, *(pd07->pd05) = -789.45
pd08[0] = 0.3333333333333333333330000000
pd08[1] = 0.333333333333333333333333333333
Example 2 of use of decimal type (CCNGDC4)

/* this example demonstrates the use of the decimal type */

#include <decimal.h>

decimal(31,4) pd01 = 1234.5678d;
decimal(29,4) pd02 = 1234.5678d;

int main(void)
{
   /* The results are different in the next two statements */
   pd01 = pd01 + 1d;
pd02 = pd02 + 1d;

   printf("pd01 = %D(31,4)\n", pd01);
   printf("pd02 = %D(29,4)\n", pd02);

   /* Warning: The decimal variable with size 31 should not be */
   /*    used in arithmetic operation. */
   /*
   /*   In the above example: (31,4) + (1,0) ==> (31,3)
   /*   (29,4) + (1,0) ==> (30,4)
   */

   return(0);
}

Figure 110. Decimal type — example 2

Note: See "Intermediate results" on page 378 to understand the output from this
example and to see why decimal variables with size 31 should be used with
cautions in arithmetic operations.

Example 2 of output from programming

pd01 = 1235.5670
pd02 = 1235.5678

Decimal exception handling

z/OS C decimal instructions produce the following exceptions that are unique to
decimal operations:

• Data exception (interrupt code hex '7')
  This may be caused by nonvalid sign or digit codes in a packed decimal number
  operated on by packed decimal instructions, for example, ADD DECIMAL or COMARE
  DECIMAL.
  When an operation is performed on decimal operands and the assignment is not
  through an explicit cast operation, the following situations cause run-time
  exceptions at execution time and SIGFPE is raised.

• Decimal-overflow exception (interrupt code hex 'A')
  This exception may be caused when nonzero digits are lost because the
  destination field in a decimal operation is too short to contain the result.

Note: The following unhandled decimal overflow message is the same for both
decimal overflow and fixed overflow conditions:

  CEE3210S The system detected a Decimal-overflow exception.
However, because the fixed overflow condition is normally disabled (masked) and is ignored at run time, fixed overflow conditions should not occur.

- Decimal-divide exception (interrupt code hex 'B')
  This exception may be caused when, in decimal division, the divisor is zero, or the quotient exceeds the specified data-field size. The decimal divide is indicated if the sign codes of both the divisor and dividend are valid, and if the digit or digits used in establishing the exception are valid.

  **Note:** The following unhandled divide message does not distinguish between a decimal-divide condition and a fixed divide-by-zero condition:
  CEE3211S The system detected a Decimal-divide exception.

  Both are mapped into the same error message.

- A decimal exception may be produced by the printf() family when processing an nonvalid decimal operand. This may result in abnormal termination of your program with the run-time message: Under z/OS:
  CEE3207S The system detected a Data exception.

  Under CICS:
  EDCK007 ABEND=8097 Data Exception
  Other exceptions indicated by the decimal instruction set are not unique.

**System programming calls restrictions**
Decimal overflow conditions are supported for System Programming Calls only with the run-time library.

**printf() and scanf() restrictions**
You must ensure that valid packed decimal data is present when attempting to use it with run-time library decimal routines. No additional validation is performed on decimal to ensure format correctness. Use the decchk() routine to validate decimal data operands in such circumstances.

**Additional considerations**
- When the operands of a decimal operation contain nonvalid digits, the result is undefined, and a run-time exception can occur. To validate a decimal number, call the decchk() built-in function in your code.
- Code should be written in a manner that does not depend on the ability of the run-time library to recover from a decimal overflow exception.
- In a multiprocessor configuration, decimal operations cannot be used safely to update a shared storage location when the possibility exists that another processor may also be updating that location. This possibility arises because the bytes of a decimal operand are not necessarily accessed concurrently.
- If a decimal exception occurs in user code or library routines, the expected results of the instruction causing the exception or the library routine where the exception occurred are undefined. The results produced by the library routine's execution are also undefined.
- If a SIGFPE handler is coded to handle decimal exceptions, it should reenable itself before resuming normal execution or recovery from the error. This reestablishes the exception environment and is consistent with good programming practice.
Error messages

If an overflow occurs at run time, the exception handler issues the following run-time error messages:

IBM482I 'ONCODE'=0310 'FIXEDOVERFLOW' CONDITION RAISED

Unhandled exception. This result may be produced in a C-only environment only for decimal overflow conditions. Fixed-point overflow exception is not allowed in the Program Mask.

**Note:** The Program Mask in the Program Status Word (PSW) is enabled for decimal overflow exceptions.

IBM301I 'ONCODE'=0320 'ZERODIVIDE' CONDITION RAISED

Unhandled decimal or fixed overflow. Fixed overflow is normally masked and ignored at C run time, but it may occur in interlanguage calls.

IBM537I 'ONCODE'=8097 DATA EXCEPTION

Unhandled data exception

The error messages for FIXEDOVERFLOW and ZERODIVIDE mean that either the fixed-point overflow condition or the decimal overflow condition has caused the condition reported.

**Under CICS**

Decimal overflow condition exceptions are supported in CICS with C and the following run-time message is produced:

EDCK017 ABEND=0320 Fixed or Decimal Overflow

**Decimal exceptions and Assembler interlanguage calls**

Calls to an assembler language procedure or function assume that the called routine will save and restore the value of the Program Mask if the routine alters it. Ensure that the Program Mask is preserved across an assembler language interface. If it is not preserved, the recognition of subsequent decimal overflow exceptions in C code will be unpredictable.
Chapter 26. IEEE Floating-Point

Starting with OS/390 V2R6 (including the Language Environment and C/C++ components), support was added for IEEE binary floating-point (IEEE floating-point) as defined by the ANSI/IEEE Standard 754-1985, IEEE Standard for Binary Floating-Point Arithmetic.

For more information on floating-point support see:

- z/Architecture Principles of Operation
- z/OS C/C++ User's Guide
- z/OS C/C++ Language Reference
- z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference
- z/OS Language Environment Vendor Interfaces

Floating-point numbers

The format of floating-point numbers can be either base 16 S/390 hexadecimal format, or base 2 IEEE-754 binary format. The formats are also based on three operand lengths: short (32 bits), long (64 bits), and extended (128 bits).

A floating-point operand may be numeric or, for binary floating-point only, nonnumeric (a not-a-number, or NaN). A floating-point number, has three components: a sign bit, a signed binary exponent, and a significand. The significand consists of an implicit unit digit to the left of an implied radix point, and an explicit fraction field to the right. The significand digits are based on the radix, 2 (for binary floating-point ) or 16 (for hexadecimal floating-point). The magnitude (an unsigned value) of the number is the product of the significand and the radix raised to the power of the exponent. The number is positive or negative depending on whether the sign bit is zero or one, respectively. A nonnumeric binary floating-point operand also has a sign bit, signed exponent, and fraction field.

Hexadecimal floating-point operands have formats which provide for exponents that specify powers of the radix 16 and significands that are hexadecimal numbers. The exponent range is the same for the short, long, and extended formats. The results of most operations on hexadecimal floating-point data are truncated to fit into the target format, but there are instructions available to round the result when converting to a narrower format. For hexadecimal floating-point operands, the implicit unit digit of the significand is always zero. Since the value if the significand and fraction are the same, hexadecimal floating-point operations are described in terms of the fraction, and the term significand is not used.

Binary floating-point operands have formats which provide for exponents that specify powers of the radix 2 and significands that are binary numbers. The exponent range differs for different formats, the range being greater for the longer formats. In the long and extended formats, the exponent range is significantly greater for binary floating-point data than for hexadecimal floating-point data. The results of operations performed on binary floating-point data are rounded automatically to fit into the target format; the manner of rounding is determined by a program-settable rounding mode.
C/C++ compiler support

The C/C++ compiler provides a FLOAT option to select the format of floating-point numbers produced in a compile unit. The FLOAT option allows you to select either IEEE floating-point or hexadecimal floating-point format. For details on the z/OS C/C++ support, see the description of the FLOAT option in the z/OS C/C++ User's Guide. In addition, two related sub-options, ARCH(3) and TUNE(3), support IEEE binary floating-point data. Refer to the ARCHITECTURE and TUNE compiler options in the z/OS C/C++ User's Guide for details.

The z/OS C/C++ Language Reference contains additional information on floating-point in the following sections:

- Floating Point Literals
- Floating-Point Variables
- Floating-Point Conversions
- Floating-Point Standards

Notes:

1. You must have OS/390 Release 6 or higher to use the IEEE floating-point instructions. In Release 6, the base control program (BCP) is enhanced to support the new IEEE floating-point hardware in the IBM S/390 Generation 5 Server. This enables programs running on OS/390 Release 6 to use the IEEE floating-point instructions and 16 floating-point registers. In addition, the BCP provides simulation support for all the new floating-point hardware instructions. This enables applications that make light use of IEEE floating-point, and can tolerate the overhead of software simulation, to execute on OS/390 V2R6 without requiring an IBM S/390 Generation 5 Server.

2. The terms binary floating-point and IEEE floating-point are used interchangeably. The abbreviations BFP and HFP, which are used in some function names, refer to binary floating-point and hexadecimal floating-point respectively.

3. Under hexadecimal floating-point format, the rounding mode is set to round toward 0. Under IEEE floating-point format, the rounding mode is to round toward the nearest integer.

Using IEEE floating-point

IEEE floating-point is provided on IBM zSeries 900 primarily to enhance interoperability and portability between IBM zSeries 900 and other platforms. It is anticipated that IEEE floating-point will be most commonly used for new and ported applications. Customers should not migrate existing applications that use hexadecimal floating-point to IEEE floating-point, unless there is a specific reason (such as a need to interoperate with a non-IBM zSeries 900 platform).

IBM does not recommend mixing floating-point formats in an application. However, for applications which must handle both formats, the C/C++ run-time library does offer some support. Reference information for IEEE floating-point can also be found in the z/OS C/C++ Language Reference.

You should use IEEE floating-point in the following situations:

- You deal with data that are already in IEEE floating-point format
- You need the increased exponent range (see z/OS C/C++ Language Reference for information on exponent ranges with IEEE-754 floating-point)
• You want the changes in programming paradigm provided by infinities and NaN (not a number)

For more information about the IEEE format, refer to the IEEE 754-1985 IEEE Standard for Binary Floating-Point Arithmetic.

When you use IEEE floating-point, make sure that you are in the same rounding mode at compile time (specified by the ROUND(mode) option), as at run time. Entire compilation units will be compiled with the same rounding mode throughout the compilation. If you switch run-time rounding modes inside a function, your results may vary depending upon the optimization level used and other characteristics of your code; switch rounding mode inside functions with caution.

If you have existing data in hexadecimal floating-point (the original base 16 S/390 hexadecimal floating-point format), and have no need to communicate these data to platforms that do not support this format, there is no reason for you to change to IEEE floating-point format.

Applications that mix the two formats are not supported.

For information on the C/C++ functions that support floating-point, see the following:
• z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference provides information on the following functions:
  - acos()
  - acosh()
  - asin()
  - asinh()
  - atan()
  - atanh()
  - atan2()
  - cbrt()
  - ceil()
  - copysign()
  - cos()
  - cosh()
  - erf()
  - erfc()
  - exp()
  - expm1()
  - fabs()
  - finite()
  - floor()
  - fmod()
  - frexp()
  - gamma()
  - gamma_r()
  - hypot()
  - ilogb()
  - isnan()
  - jn()
  - j0()
  - ldexp()
  - lgamma()
  - lgamma_r()
  - log()
  - log1p()
  - log10()
  - matherr()
  - modf()
  - nextafter()
  - pow()
  - remainder()
  - rint()
  - scalb()
  - scalbn()
  - significand()
  - sin()
  - sinh()
  - sqrt()
  - tan()
  - tanh()
  - y0()
  - y1()

• z/OS Language Environment Vendor Interfaces, the chapter on C/C++ Special Purpose Interfaces for IEEE Floating-Point provides information on the following functions:
  - _chkbfp()
  - _fp_btoh()
  - _fp_cast()
  - _fp_htob()
  - _fp_level()
  - _fp_read_rnd()
  - _fp_setmode()
  - _fp_swapmod()
  - _fp_swap_rnd()
  - __fpc_rd()
  - __fpc_rs()
  - __fpc_rw()
  - __fpc_sm()
  - __isBFP()
Chapter 27. Handling error conditions exceptions, and signals

This chapter discusses how to handle error conditions, exceptions, and signals with z/OS C/C++. It describes how to establish, enable and raise a signal, and provides a list of signals supported by z/OS C/C++.

In 31-bit applications, there are two basic ways to handle program checks and ABENDs:

- POSIX or ANSI signals (SIGABND, SIGFPE, SIGILL, SIGSEGV)
- User condition handlers registered using CEEHDLR interface or the USRHDLR runtime option.

In 31-bit applications, z/OS Language Environment uses a stack-based model to handle error conditions. This environment establishes a last-in, first-out (LIFO) queue of 0 or more user condition handlers for each stack frame. The z/OS Language Environment condition handler calls the user condition handler at each stack frame to handle error conditions when they are detected. For more information about the callable services in z/OS Language Environment, refer to “Handling signals using Language Environment callable services” on page 404.

In AMODE 64 applications, user condition handlers are not available. The basic ways to handle program checks and ABENDs in AMODE 64 applications are:

- POSIX or ANSI signals (SIGABND, SIGFPE, SIGILL, SIGSEGV)
- Exception handlers registered using the __set_exception_handler() C runtime library function. See “AMODE 64 exception handlers” on page 402 for more information.

The C error handling approach using signals is supported in a z/OS C++ program, but there are some restrictions (refer to “Handling C software exceptions under C++”). See “Signal handlers” on page 403 for more information.

C++ exception handling is supported in all z/OS environments that are supported by C++ (including CICS and IMS); you must run your application with the TRAP(ON) run-time option. To turn off C++ exception handling, use the compiler option NOEXH. For more information on this compiler option, see z/OS C/C++ User’s Guide.

Note: If C++ exception handling is turned off you will get code which runs faster but is not ANSI conformant.

This chapter also describes some aspects of C++ object-oriented exception handling. The object-oriented approach uses the try, throw, and catch mechanism. Refer to z/OS C/C++ Language Reference for a complete description. Some library functions (abort(), atexit(), exit(), setjmp() and longjmp()) are affected by C++ exception handling; refer to z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference for more information.

Handling C software exceptions under C++

Using the C and C++ condition handling schemes together in a C++ program may result in undefined behavior. This applies to the use of try, throw and catch with signal() and raise(), with z/OS Language Environment condition handlers such as CEEHDLR, or with CICS HANDLE ABEND under CICS in 31-bit mode. The behavior with respect to running destructors for automatic objects is undefined, due to control being transferred to non-C++ exception handlers (such as signal handlers) and
stacks being collapsed. If a C software exception is not handled and results in program termination, the behavior for destructors for static non-local objects will also be undefined.

With z/OS UNIX System Services, in a multithreaded environment, z/OS C++ exception stacks are managed on a per-thread basis. This means an exception thrown on one thread cannot be caught on another thread, including the IPT where main() was started. If the exception is not handled by the thread from which it was thrown, then the terminate() function is called.

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**Handling hardware exceptions under C++**

You cannot use try, throw, and catch to handle hardware exceptions.

If a hardware exception resulting in abnormal termination occurs in a z/OS C++ program, destructors for static and automatic objects are not run. If a hardware exception occurs, and a handler was registered for the exception using signal(), the behavior of destructors for automatic objects is undefined.

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**Tracebacks under C++**

A traceback is not produced if a thrown object was caught and handled.

If an object is thrown, and no catch clauses exist that will handle the thrown object, the program will call terminate(). By default, terminate() calls abort(), and the traceback produced will show that this has occurred. The traceback will not show the point from which the object was originally thrown. Instead, it will show that the object was thrown from the last encountered catch clause.

In the following example, sub1() throws object a. Because sub1() does not have any catch clauses to handle a, C++ attempts to find a suitable catch clause in the calling sub function, and then in the main function. Because no catch clauses can be found to handle object a, the traceback will show that object a was thrown from main().
If an object is thrown and a catch clause catches but then rethrows that object, or throws another object, and no catch clauses exist for the rethrown or subsequently thrown object, the traceback starts at the point from which the rethrow or subsequent throw occurred. The first object thrown is considered to have been caught and handled.
In the following example, the traceback would show that the testeh function rethrows an integer. Because there is no catch clause to handle the rethrown integer, the traceback will also show that terminate() and then abort() were called.
/* example of C++ exception handling */

#include <iostream.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

int testeh(void);

class A {
int i;
public:
A(int j) { i = j; cout << "A ctor: i= " << i << '
'; }
A() { cout << "A dtor: i= " << i << '
'; }
};

class B {
char c;
public:
B(char d) { c = d; cout << "B ctor: c= " << c << '
'; }
B() { cout << "B dtor: c= " << c << '
'; }
};

A staticA(333);
B staticB('z');

void sub();

main() {
sub();
return(55);
}

void sub()
{
A c(3001);
try {
    cout << "calling testeh" << '
';
    testeh(); // int will be rethrown from testeh()
}
// no catch clauses for the rethrown int
    catch(char c) { cout << "caught char" << '
'; }
    catch(short s) { cout << "caught short s = " << s << '
'; }
    cout << "this line should not be printed" << '
';
    return;
}  
testeh()
{
    A a(2001),a1(1001);
B b('k');
    short k=12;
    int j=0,l=0;

    try {
        cout << "testeh running" << '
';
        throw (6);  // first throw: an int
    }
    catch(char c) { cout << "testeh caught char" << '
';}
    catch(int j) { cout << "testeh caught int j = " << j << '
';
        try { // int should be caught here
            cout << "testeh again rethrowing" << '
';
            throw; // rethrow the int
        }
    }
    catch(char d) { cout << "char d caught" << '
'; }
    }
    cout << "this line should not be printed" << '
';
    return(0);
}

Figure 112. Example illustrating C++ exception handling/traceback
AMODE 64 exception handlers

In AMODE 64 applications, exception handlers are registered using the __set_exception_handler() C runtime library function. When no exception handler is registered, program checks and ABENDs cause POSIX/ANSI signals to be raised. These signals can be caught by user-written signal catchers, where suitable recovery can be done. When an exception handler is registered, no signal is generated when a program check or ABEND occurs. Instead, the active exception handler is invoked. Since program checks and ABENDs do not generate signals, the blocked/unblocked/ignored/caught settings for SIGABND, SIGFPE, SIGILL, and SIGSEGV make no difference. When an exception handler is active, all non-program-check and non-ABEND signal processing still occurs as described by POSIX or ANSI. Only signals normally generated by program checks or ABENDs are suppressed.

Scope and nesting of exception handlers

Exceptions handlers apply only to the thread they are registered on. In a multi-threaded application, it is possible to have a mixture of threads, some with exception handlers registered, and some without. Program checks and ABENDs occurring on threads without active exception handlers cause the usual ANSI/POSIX signal generation. Program checks and ABENDs occurring on threads with active exception handlers will bypass signal generation and will cause the active exception handler to be invoked.

Exception handlers are are also stack-frame based, much like 31-bit user condition handlers. If function a() registers an exception handler, future program checks and ABENDs will drive that handler, until the handler is de-registered. This includes program checks occurring in a() (after the registration), and in any called functions. Function a() can deregister the handler using __reset_exception_handler(). After this is done, program checks and ABENDs once again cause signals to be raised. If function a() returns without calling __reset_exception_handler() to deregister its handler, the handler will be automatically removed when a() returns.

If function a() registers handler ah(), and calls function b(), program checks and ABENDs in b() will also go to ah(). However, b() can register its own handler, bh(), in which case any program checks and ABENDs in b() or any functions it calls will go to bh(). Exception handlers can be nested in this way as deep as required. If they are not explicitly deregistered by calling __reset_exception_handler(), they are automatically removed when the registering function returns. They are also removed, whenever a longjump-type function (longjmp(), _longjmp(), siglongjmp(), setcontext(), or C++ throw) causes control to jump back past the function that registered the handler. (Example: a() registers handler ah(), and calls b(), which registers handler bh(), and calls c(). Function c() longjumps back into a(). In this case, bh() will be removed, but ah() will remain.)

Note: Whenever a program check or ABEND occurs, no more than one exception handler will ever be driven, even when several nested handlers have been registered. The active handler is the one that was most recently registered, and not de-registered/removed. It will usually be the handler registered by the most deeply-nested routine at the time of the program check or ABEND.

During C++ throw processing, as the Language Environment stack is unwound and destructors for automatic C++ object are invoked, handlers registered by more-deeply nested functions are temporarily bypassed, in case program checks or ABENDs occur in the destructors. Example: a() registers handler ah(), and calls b().
Function b() has a dynamic object with destructor bd(). Function b() calls c(), which has a dynamic object with destructor cd(), and it registers handler ch(). Function c() then calls d(), which registers handler dh(), and then throws a C++ exception that will eventually get caught back in a(). As the C++ destructors are run, program checks/ABENDs in cd() go to handler ch(), and program checks/ABENDs in bd() go to ah(). By the time control resumes in the catch clause in a(), dh() and ch() are gone, and ah() is the active exception handler. This same type of exception handler scoping occurs after pthread_exit() is called and all outstanding C++ dynamic destructors still left on the stack are run.

If a program does pthread_exit() while an exception handler is active, that exception handler remains active while any pthread_keycreate() destructor routines and any pthread_cleanup_push() routines are invoked. These routines can register their own exception handlers, too, if required.

When atexit() routines or C++ static destructors are run, any active exception handlers at the time of the exit() or pthread_exit() have already been removed. If these routines need recovery, they can register their own exception handlers.

Handling exceptions

When the active exception handler is called after a program check or ABEND, it receives a pointer to the CIB (Condition Information Block) for the error. It can examine the CIB and associated MCH (Machine Check Handler record) to determine what the error is. The handler can fix up whatever is required or take dumps, etc. When it is finished, the only valid things it can do are:

- Long jump back to some earlier pre-defined recovery point (any of the several longjump-type functions may be used -- longjmp(), _longjmp(), siglongjmp(), setcontext(), or C++ throw.)
- Issue exit() or _exit()
- Issue pthread_exit()
- Issue __cabend(), abort(), etc

What it cannot do is return. If it returns, the system will automatically do pthread_exit(-1) if POSIX(ON) is in effect, or exit(-1) if not.

When the active exception handler is given control, the handler is suspended, along with all other handlers already registered. This means that any future program checks/ABENDs will cause the usual signal processing to occur. The active handler is re-enabled once it longjumps back. If it exits or returns, it is not re-activated, and termination starts with no active exception handler. If an exception handler needs exception handling recovery for its own program checks or ABENDs, it must register its own exception handler. As usual, this new handler will become active, and will get control for any program checks/ABENDs occurring in the outer exception handler or any routines it calls.

Signal handlers

The basis for error handling in z/OS UNIX System Services C/C++ application programs is the generation, delivery, and handling of signals. Signals can be generated and delivered as a result of system events or application programming. You can code your application program to generate and send signals and to handle and respond to signals delivered to it.

Two types of signal handling are supported for catching signals: ANSI C and POSIX.1. Each of these has standard signal delivery rules, which are discussed in

Handling signals with POSIX(OFF) using signal() and raise()
The z/OS C environment provides two functions that alter the signal handling capabilities available in the run-time environment: signal() and raise(). The signal() function registers a condition handler and the raise() function raises the condition.

In general, for C++ programs you are encouraged to use try, throw, and catch to perform exception handling. However, you can also use the z/OS C signal() and raise() functions.

You can use the signal() function to perform one of the following actions:

- Ignore the condition. For example, use the SIG_IGN condition to specify `signal(SIGFPE,SIG_IGN)`.
- Reset the Global Error Table for default handling. For example, use the SIG_DFL condition to specify `signal(SIGSEGV,SIG_DFL)`.
- Register a function to handle the specific condition. For example, pass a pointer to a function for the specific condition with `signal(SIGILL,cfunc1)`. The function registered for signal() must be declared with C linkage.

Handling signals using Language Environment callable services
In 31-bit mode, you can set up user signal handlers with the z/OS Language Environment condition handling services. Some of the z/OS Language Environment callable services available for condition handling are:

- **CEEHDLR**
  - Register a user-written condition handler.
- **CEEHDLU**
  - Remove a registered user-written condition handler.
- **CEESGL**
  - Raise z/OS Language Environment condition.

In addition, with z/OS Language Environment, when an exception occurs after an interlanguage call, the exception may be handled where it occurs, or percolated to its caller (written in any z/OS Language Environment-conforming language), or promoted. For more information on how to handle exceptions under the z/OS Language Environment condition handling model, refer to [z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide](#).

Specific considerations for C and C++ under z/OS Language Environment:
1. The TRAP run-time option (equivalent to the former C/370 run-time options SPIE and STAE) determines how the z/OS Language Environment condition manager is to act upon error conditions and program interrupts. If the TRAP(OFF) run-time option is in effect, conditions detected by the operating system, often due to machine interrupts, will not be handled by the z/OS Language Environment environment and thus cannot be handled by a z/OS C/C++ program.

   **Note:** TRAP(OFF) only blocks the handling of hardware (program checks) and operating system (abend) conditions. It does not block software conditions such as those that are associated with a raise or CEESGL (31-bit...
mode). Any conditions that are blocked because of TRAP(OFF) are not presented to any handlers (whether registered by a signal or by CEEHDLR).

In particular, even for TRAP(OFF), conditions that are initiated by a signal or by CEESGL (31-bit mode) are presented to handlers registered by either signal() or CEEHDLR.

The use of the TRAP(OFF) option is not recommended; refer to [z/OS Language Environment Programming Reference](#) for more information.

2. You can use the ERRCOUNT run-time option to specify how many errors are to be tolerated during the execution of your program before an abend occurs. The counter is incremented by one for every severity 2, 3, or 4 condition that occurs. Both hardware-generated and software-generated signals increment the counter.

If your C++ program uses try, throw, and catch, it is recommended that you specify either ERRCOUNT(0) (31-bit mode), which allows an unlimited number of errors, or ERRCOUNT(n) (31-bit mode), where n is a fairly high number. This is because z/OS C++ generates a severity 3 condition for each thrown object. In addition, each catch clause has the potential to rethrow an object or to throw a new object. In a large C++ program, many conditions can be generated as a result of objects being thrown, and thus the ERRCOUNT can be exceeded if the value used for it is too low. The installation default used for ERRCOUNT is usually a low number.

**Note:** The z/OS C/C++ registered condition handlers (those registered by signal() and raise()), are activated after the z/OS Language Environment registered condition handlers for the current stack frame are activated. This means that if there are condition handlers for both z/OS C/C++ and z/OS Language Environment, the z/OS Language Environment handlers are activated first.

Combining C++ condition handling (using try, throw, and catch), with z/OS Language Environment condition handling may result in undefined behavior.

**Handling signals using z/OS UNIX System Services with POSIX(ON)**

z/OS UNIX System Services signal processing allows flags to control the behavior of signal processing. Using these flags, you can simulate these signals and a wide variety of other signals such as ANSI, POSIX.1, and BSD.

ANSI C has the following standard signal delivery rules:

- Traditionally, signal actions are established only through the signal().
- During signal delivery, the signal action is reset to SIG_DFL before the user signal action catcher function receives control.
- During signal delivery to a user signal catcher function, the signal mask is not changed.

POSIX.1 has the following standard signal delivery rules:

- Signal actions are typically established through the sigaction() function. With the addition of XPG4 support, there are a number of new flags that have been defined for sigaction() that extend its flexibility.
- During signal delivery, the signal action is not changed.
- During signal delivery to a user signal catcher function, the signal mask is changed to the union of:
  - The signal mask at the time of the interruption
  - A signal mask that blocks the signal type being delivered

The signal mask is restored when the signal catcher function returns.
BSD signals for the most part are consistent with the POSIX rules above except for the following:

- BSD signal mask is a 31-bit mask whereas the z/OS UNIX System Services signal mask is an AMODE 64 mask. The relationship of the bits to specific signals is not the same. Therefore, we recommend you change to use the sigset manipulation functions, such as, sigadd(), sigdelete(), sigempty().
- Traditionally, for BSD to generate a signal action, the signal() function was used. However, because the signal() function is used in ANSI, BSD applications should be changed to use the bsd_signal() function.
- During signal delivery, the signal action is not changed.
- During signal delivery to a user signal catcher function, the signal mask is changed to the union of:
  - The signal mask at the time of the interruption
  - The signal mask specified in the sa_mask field of the sigaction() function
  The signal mask is restored once the signal catcher function returns.

For compatibility, z/OS C/C++ supports the three standards listed above, and additional functions provided by XPG4.

Under z/OS C/C++, the primary function for establishing signal action is the sigaction() function. However, there are a number of other functions that you can use to effect signal processing. All signal types are accessible regardless of the function used to establish the signal action.

The following list includes functions that will establish a signal handler for a signal action:

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<th>BSD Function</th>
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<td>bsd_signal()</td>
<td>BSD version of signal()</td>
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<tr>
<td>sigaction()</td>
<td>Examine and/or change a signal action</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>sigignore()</td>
<td>Set disposition to ignore a signal</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>sigset()</td>
<td>Change a signal action and/or a thread's signal mask</td>
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<tr>
<td>signal()</td>
<td>Specify signal handling</td>
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The following is a list of other signal related functions:

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<td>abort()</td>
<td>Stop a program</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>kill()</td>
<td>Send a signal to a process</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>pthread_kill()</td>
<td>Send a signal to a thread</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>raise()</td>
<td>Send a signal to yourself</td>
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<tr>
<td>sigaddset()</td>
<td>Add a signal to a signal set</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>sigdelset()</td>
<td>Delete a signal from a signal set</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>sigemptyset()</td>
<td>Initialize a signal set to exclude all signals</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>sigfillset()</td>
<td>Initialize a signal set to include all signals</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>sighold()</td>
<td>Add a signal to a thread’s signal mask</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>siginterrupt()</td>
<td>Allow signals to interrupt functions</td>
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<td>sigismember()</td>
<td>Test if a signal is in a signal set</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>sigpause()</td>
<td>Unblock a signal and wait for a signal</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>sigprocmask()</td>
<td>Examine and/or change a thread’s signal mask</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>sigqueue()</td>
<td>Queue a signal to a process</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>sigrelnest()</td>
<td>Remove a signal from a thread’s signal mask</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>sigstack()</td>
<td>Set and/or get signal stack context</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>sigaltstack()</td>
<td>Set and/or get signal alternate stack context</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>sigsuspend()</td>
<td>Change mask and suspend the thread</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>sigwait()</td>
<td>Wait for asynchronous signal</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>sigpending()</td>
<td>Examine pending signals</td>
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<tr>
<td>sigtimedwait()</td>
<td>Wait for queued signals</td>
</tr>
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<td>sigwaitinfo()</td>
<td>Wait for queued signals</td>
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### Asynchronous signal delivery under z/OS UNIX System Services

Your z/OS UNIX System Services application program might require its active processes to be able to react and respond to events occurring in the system or resulting from the actions of other processes communicating with its processes. One way of accomplishing such interprocess communication is for you to code your application program to identify signal conditions and determine how to react or respond when a signal condition is received from another application process.

Before you attempt to code your z/OS UNIX System Services C/C++ application program to deliver and handle signals, you should identify all the processes that might cause signal conditions to be received by your application program’s processes. You also need to know which signal condition codes are valid for your z/OS UNIX System Services C/C++ application program and where the `signal.h` header file will be located and available to your application program. Your system programmer or the application program’s designer should provide this information.

**Note:** Signal condition codes are defined in the `signal.h` include file.

A *signal* is a mechanism by which a process can be notified of, or affected by, an event occurring in the system. Examples of such events include hardware exceptions and specific actions by processes. The term *signal* also refers to an event itself.

The POSIX.1-defined `sigaction()` function allows a calling application process to examine a specific signal condition and specify the processing action to be associated with it.

You can code your application program to use the `sigaction()` function in different ways. Two simplistic examples of using signals within z/OS UNIX System Services C/C++ application programs follow:

1. A process is forked but the process is *aborted* if the signal handler receives an incorrect value.
2. A request is received from a *client* process to provide information from a database. The *server* process is a single point of access to the database.
If coded properly for handling and delivering interprocess signals, your application program can receive signals from other processes and interpret those signals such that the appropriate processing procedure occurs for each specific signal condition received. Your application program also can send signals and wait for responses to signal handling events from other application processes. Note that signals are not the best method of interprocess communication, because they can easily be lost if more than one is delivered at the same time. You may want to use other methods of interprocess communication, such as pipes, message queues, shared memory, or semaphores.

For descriptions of the supported z/OS C/C++ signal handling functions, see [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference](#).

**Note:** If your z/OS UNIX System Services C/C++ application program calls a program written in a high-level language other than z/OS UNIX System Services C/C++, you need to disable signal handling to block all signals from the z/OS UNIX System Services C/C++ application program. If the called program encounters a program interrupt check situation, the results are unpredictable.

### C signal handling features under z/OS C/C++

The terms used to describe implementation features and concepts are:

- Establishing a signal handler
- Enabling a signal
- Interrupting a program
- Raising a signal

#### Establishing a signal handler

A signal handler for a signal, `sig_num`, becomes established when `signal(sig_num, sig_handler)` is executed. (Two values of `sig_handler` are reserved: `SIG_IGN` and `SIG_DFL`. They are special values that establish the action taken.) `sig_handler` is a pointer to a function to be called when the signal is raised. This function is also known as a *signal handler*. Under C++, the signal handler function must have C linkage, by declaring it as `extern "C"`. Under C, the function must be written in C with the default linkage in effect. That is, `sig_handler` cannot have OS, PLI, C++, or COBOL linkage. The signal handler for the signal ceases to be established when:

- The signal is explicitly reset to the system default by using `signal(sig_num, SIG_DFL)`.
- You indicate that a signal is to be ignored by using `signal(sig_num, SIG_IGN)`.
- The signal is implicitly reset to the system default when the signal is raised.
  When `sig_handler` is called, signal handling is reset to the default as if an implicit `signal(sig_num, SIG_DFL)` had been executed. Depending on the purpose of the signal handler, you may want to reestablish the signal from within the signal handler.
- Under C, a loaded executable is deleted using the `release()` function and a signal handler for the signal resides in the executable. In this case, default handling will be reset for all the affected signals.
- A DLL module is explicitly loaded using `d11load()`, a function pointer in that module is obtained using `dl1queryfn()`, a signal handler is establishing using that function, and the DLL module is then explicitly deleted using `d11free()`. Default handling will be reset for the affected signal.
Note: A C signal handler can be written in C, or can be written in C++ and declared as extern "C" so that it has C linkage.

Enabling a signal
A signal is enabled when the occurrence of the condition will result in either the execution of an established signal handler or the default system response. The signal is disabled when the occurrence is to be ignored, such as, when the signal action is SIG_IGN. This can be done by making the call signal(sig_num, SIG_IGN).

Using z/OS UNIX System Services with POSIX(ON), SIG_IGN may be set with several other functions, such as, sigaction(). In addition to changing the signal action to SIG_IGN, the signal can be enabled or disabled (blocked) using the sigprocmask() function.

Interrupting a program
Program interrupts or errors detected by the hardware and identified to the program by operating system mechanisms are known as hardware signals. For example, the hardware can detect a divide by zero and this result can be raised to the program.

Raising a signal
Signals that are explicitly raised by the user, by using the raise() function or using z/OS UNIX System Services with POSIX(ON) using the kill(), killpg(), or pthread_kill() functions, are known as software signals.

Identifying hardware and software signals
The following is a list of signals supported with z/OS C/C++ with POSIX(OFF):

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<td>System abend.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGABRT</td>
<td>Abnormal termination (software only).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGDANGER</td>
<td>Shutdown imminent.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGDUMP</td>
<td>Take a SYSMDUMP.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGFPE</td>
<td>Erroneous arithmetic operation (hardware and software).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGILL</td>
<td>Invalid object module (hardware and software).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGINT</td>
<td>Interactive attention interrupt by raise() (software only).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGIOERR</td>
<td>Serious software error such as a system read or write. You can assign a signal handler to determine the file in which the error occurs or whether the condition is an abort or abend. This minimizes the time required to locate the source of a serious error.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGSEGV</td>
<td>Invalid access to memory (hardware and software).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGTERM</td>
<td>Termination request sent to program (software only).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGUSR1</td>
<td>Reserved for user (software only).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGUSR2</td>
<td>Reserved for user (software only).</td>
</tr>
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The following is a list of the z/OS C/C++ supported signals (when running on z/OS UNIX System Services with POSIX(ON)):

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<td>Abnormal termination (software only).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGALRM</td>
<td>Asynchronous timeout signal generated as a result of an alarm().</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGBUS</td>
<td>Bus error.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGCHLD</td>
<td>Child process terminated or stopped.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Signal</td>
<td>Description</td>
</tr>
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<td>-----------------------------------------------------------------------------</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGCONT</td>
<td>Continue execution, if stopped.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGDANGER</td>
<td>Shutdown imminent.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGDCE</td>
<td>DCE event.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGDUMP</td>
<td>Take a SYSMDUMP.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGFPE</td>
<td>Erroneous arithmetic operation (hardware and software).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGHUP</td>
<td>Hangup, when a controlling terminal is suspended or the controlling process ended.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGILL</td>
<td>Invalid object module (hardware and software).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGINT</td>
<td>Asynchronous CNTL-C from one of the z/OS UNIX System Services shells or a software generated signal.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGIO</td>
<td>Completion of input or output.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGIOERR</td>
<td>Serious software error such as a system read or write. Assign a signal handler to determine the file in which the error occurs or whether the condition is an abort or abend. Minimize the time required to locate the source of a system error.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGKILL</td>
<td>An unconditional terminating signal.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGPIPE</td>
<td>Write on a pipe with no one to read it.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGPOLL</td>
<td>Pollable event.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGPROF</td>
<td>Profiling timer expired.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGQUIT</td>
<td>Terminal quit signal.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGSEGV</td>
<td>Invalid access to memory (hardware and software).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGSTOP</td>
<td>The process is stopped.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGSYS</td>
<td>Bad system call.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGTERM</td>
<td>Termination request sent to program (software only).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGTHCONT</td>
<td>The specific thread is resumed.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGTHSTOP</td>
<td>The specific thread is stopped.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGTRAP</td>
<td>Debugger event.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGTSTP</td>
<td>Terminal stop signal.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGTIN</td>
<td>Background process attempting read.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGTTOU</td>
<td>Background process attempting write.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGURG</td>
<td>High bandwidth is available at a socket.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGUSR1</td>
<td>Reserved for user (software only).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGUSR2</td>
<td>Reserved for user (software only).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGVTALRM</td>
<td>Virtual timer expired.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGXCPU</td>
<td>CPU time limit exceeded.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGXFSZ</td>
<td>File size limit exceeded.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The applicable hardware signals or exceptions are listed in Table 71 on page 411. It also lists those hardware exceptions that are not supported (for example, fixed-point overflow) and are masked.
The applicable software signals or exceptions that are supported with POSIX(OFF) are listed in Table 72 (see Table 73 on page 413 for the POSIX(ON) signals).

### Table 71. Hardware exceptions - Default run-time messages and system actions

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<th>Hardware Exception</th>
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<th>Default System Action with z/OS Language Environment Library</th>
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<tr>
<td>SIGILL</td>
<td>Operation exception</td>
<td>CEE3201</td>
<td>Abnormal termination MVS rc=3000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Privileged operation exception</td>
<td>CEE3202</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Execute exception</td>
<td>CEE3203</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGSEGV</td>
<td>Protection exception</td>
<td>CEE3204</td>
<td>Abnormal termination MVS rc=3000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Addressing exception</td>
<td>CEE3205</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Specification exception</td>
<td>CEE3206</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGFPE</td>
<td>Data exception</td>
<td>CEE3207</td>
<td>Abnormal termination MVS rc=3000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Fixed-point divide</td>
<td>CEE3209</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Decimal overflow (for C only)</td>
<td>CEE3210</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Exponent overflow</td>
<td>CEE3211</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Floating point divide</td>
<td>CEE3215</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Note:** Under TSO, SIGINT will not be raised if you press the attention key. It must be raised using raise().

The default run-time program mask is enabled for decimal overflow exceptions.

### Table 72 shows software signals with POSIX(OFF) or exceptions, their origin, default run-time messages and default system actions.

### Table 72. Software exceptions - Default run-time messages and system actions with POSIX(OFF)

<table>
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<th>C Signal</th>
<th>Software Exception</th>
<th>Default Run-Time Message with z/OS Language Environment</th>
<th>Default System Action with z/OS Language Environment Library</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>SIGILL</td>
<td>raise(SIGILL)</td>
<td>EDC6001</td>
<td>Abnormal Termination MVS rc=3000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGSEGV</td>
<td>raise(SIGSEGV)</td>
<td>EDC6002</td>
<td>Abnormal Termination MVS rc=3000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGFPE</td>
<td>raise(SIGFPE)</td>
<td>EDC6002</td>
<td>Abnormal Termination MVS rc=3000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGABND</td>
<td>raise(SIGABND)</td>
<td>EDC6003</td>
<td>Abnormal Termination MVS rc=3000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGTERM</td>
<td>raise(SIGTERM)</td>
<td>EDC6004</td>
<td>Abnormal Termination MVS rc=3000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGINT</td>
<td>raise(SIGINT)</td>
<td>EDC6005</td>
<td>Abnormal Termination MVS rc=3000</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
**Table 72. Software exceptions - Default run-time messages and system actions with POSIX(OFF) (continued)**

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<th>Default Run-Time Message with z/OS Language Environment</th>
<th>Default System Action with z/OS Language Environment Library</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>SIGABRT</td>
<td>raise(SIGABRT)</td>
<td>EDC6006</td>
<td>Abnormal Termination MVS rc=2000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGUSR1</td>
<td>raise(SIGUSR1)</td>
<td>EDC6007</td>
<td>Abnormal Termination MVS rc=3000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGUSR2</td>
<td>raise(SIGUSR2)</td>
<td>EDC6008</td>
<td>Abnormal Termination MVS rc=3000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGIOERR</td>
<td>raise(SIGIOERR)</td>
<td>EDC6009</td>
<td>Signal is ignored</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**SIGABND considerations**
When the SIGABND signal is registered with an address of a C handler using the `signal()` function, control cannot resume at the instruction following the abend or the invocation of `raise()` with SIGABND. If the C signal handler is returned, the abend is percolated and the default behavior occurs. The `longjmp()` or `exit()` function can be invoked from the handler to control the behavior.

If SIG_IGN is the specified action for SIGABND and an abend occurs (or SIGABND was raised), the abend will not be ignored because a resume cannot occur. The abend will percolate and the default action will occur.

Two macros are available in `signal.h` header file that provide information about an abend. The `__abendcode()` macro returns the abend that occurred and `__rsncode()` returns the corresponding reason code for the abend. These values are available in a C signal handler that has been registered with the SIGABND signal. If you are looking for the abend and reason codes, using these macros, they should only be checked when in a signal handler. The values returned by the `__abendcode()` and `__rsncode()` macros are undefined if the macros are used outside a registered signal handler.

**SIGIOERR considerations**
When the SIGIOERR signal is raised, codes for the last operation will be set in the `__amrc` structure to aid you in error diagnosis.

**Default handling of signals**
The run-time environment will perform default handling of a given signal unless the signal is established (`signal(sig_num, sig_handler)`) or the signal is disabled (`signal(sig_num, SIG_IGN)`). A user can also set or reset default handling by coding:

```c
signal(sig_num, SIG_DFL);
```

The default handling depends upon the signal that was raised. Refer to the two preceding tables for information on the default handling of a given signal.

**Note:** When using the `atexit()` library function, the atexit list will not be run if the application is abnormally terminated.

**Using z/OS UNIX System Services:** The following table describes the default actions for signals that may be delivered to z/OS UNIX System Services C/C++ application programs:
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<tr>
<th>Signal</th>
<th>Default Action</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>SIGABND</td>
<td>Clean up the z/OS C/C++ run-time library, issue message CEE5204, and end the process. The signal exit status is returned to the parent process if it is waiting for a child process to end. If the program is not running in a forked process, so that no parent process exists to return the signal status to, the return code 3000 is returned to the system. If the signal is generated as a result of an abend condition, as opposed to being software generated by a <code>raise()</code>, <code>kill()</code>, or <code>pthread_kill()</code> function, the CEE5204 message is issued along with a trace-back message indicating a user function was in control when the abend occurred.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGABRT</td>
<td>Clean up the z/OS C/C++ run-time library, issue message CEE5207 and end the process. The signal exit status is returned to the parent process if it is waiting for a child process to end. If the program is not running in a forked process, so that no parent process exists to return the signal status to, the return code 3000 is returned to the system.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGALRM</td>
<td>Clean up the z/OS C/C++ run-time library, issue message CEE5214 and end the process. The signal exit status is returned to the parent process if it is waiting for a child process to end. If the program is not running in a forked process, so that no parent process exists to return the signal status to, the return code 3000 is returned to the system.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGCHLD</td>
<td>The signal is ignored.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGCONT</td>
<td>The process is continued if it was stopped. Otherwise, the signal is ignored.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGDCE</td>
<td>The signal is ignored.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGFPE</td>
<td>Clean up the z/OS C/C++ run-time library, issue message CEE5201, and end the process. The signal exit status is returned to the parent process if it is waiting for a child process to end. If the program is not running in a forked process, so that no parent process exists to return the signal status to, the return code 3000 is returned to the system. If the signal is generated as a result of an abend condition, as opposed to being software generated by a <code>raise()</code>, <code>kill()</code>, or <code>pthread_kill()</code> function, the CEE5201 message is issued along with a trace-back message indicating a user function was in control when the abend occurred.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGHUP</td>
<td>Clean up the z/OS C/C++ run-time library, issue message CEE5210 and end the process. The signal exit status is returned to the parent process if it is waiting for a child process to end. If the program is not running in a forked process, so that no parent process exists to return the signal status to, the return code 3000 is returned to the system.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGILL</td>
<td>Clean up the z/OS C/C++ run-time library, issue message CEE5202, and end the process. The signal exit status is returned to the parent process if it is waiting for a child process to end. If the program is not running in a forked process, so that no parent process exists to return the signal status to, the return code 3000 is returned to the system. If the signal is generated as a result of an abend condition, as opposed to being software generated by a <code>raise()</code>, <code>kill()</code>, or <code>pthread_kill()</code> function, the CEE5202 message is issued along with a trace-back message indicating a user function was in control when the abend occurred.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGINT</td>
<td>Clean up the z/OS C/C++ run-time library, issue message CEE5206 and end the process. The signal exit status is returned to the parent process if it is waiting for a child process to end. If the program is not running in a forked process, so that no parent process exists to return the signal status to, the return code 3000 is returned to the system. In past releases, the default action for this signal was to ignore the signal.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGIO</td>
<td>The signal is ignored.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGIOERR</td>
<td>The signal is ignored. In a POSIX application running on z/OS UNIX System Services SIGIOERR is not supported directly by the kernel. Instead, z/OS C/C++ maps SIGIOERR to SIGIO. Any application using SIGIOERR should not also use SIGIO.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGKILL</td>
<td>End the process with no z/OS C/C++ run-time cleanup.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGPIPE</td>
<td>Clean up the z/OS C/C++ run-time library, issue message CEE5213 and end the process. The signal exit status is returned to the parent process if it is waiting for a child process to end. If the program is not running in a forked process, so that no parent process exists to return the signal status to, the return code 3000 is returned to the system.</td>
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<td>Signal</td>
<td>Default Action</td>
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<td>SIGQUIT</td>
<td>Clean up the z/OS C/C++ run-time library, issue message CEE5220 and end the process. The signal exit status is returned to the parent process if it is waiting for a child process to end. If the program is not running in a forked process, so that no parent process exists to return the signal status to, the return code 3000 is returned to the system.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIGSEGV</td>
<td>Clean up the z/OS C/C++ run-time library, issue message CEE5203 and end the process. The signal exit status is returned to the parent process if it is waiting for a child process to end. If the program is not running in a forked process, so that no parent process exists to return the signal status to, the return code 3000 is returned to the system.</td>
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<tr>
<td>SIGSTOP</td>
<td>The process is stopped.</td>
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<tr>
<td>SIGTERM</td>
<td>Clean up the z/OS C/C++ run-time library, issue message CEE5205 and end the process. The signal exit status is returned to the parent process if it is waiting for a child process to end. If the program is not running in a forked process, so that no parent process exists to return the signal status to, the return code 3000 is returned to the system.</td>
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<tr>
<td>SIGTSTP</td>
<td>The process is stopped.</td>
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<tr>
<td>SIGTIN</td>
<td>The process is stopped.</td>
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<tr>
<td>SIGTTOU</td>
<td>The process is stopped.</td>
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<tr>
<td>SIGUSR1</td>
<td>Clean up the z/OS C/C++ run-time library, issue message CEE5208 and end the process. The signal exit status is returned to the parent process if it is waiting for a child process to end. If the program is not running in a forked process, so that no parent process exists to return the signal status to, the return code 3000 is returned to the system. In past releases, the default action for this signal was to ignore the signal.</td>
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<td>SIGUSR2</td>
<td>Clean up the z/OS C/C++ run-time library, issue message CEE5209 and end the process. The signal exit status is returned to the parent process if it is waiting for a child process to end. If the program is not running in a forked process, so that no parent process exists to return the signal status to, the return code 3000 is returned to the system. In past releases, the default action for this signal was to ignore the signal.</td>
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<td>SIGPOLL</td>
<td>Clean up the z/OS C/C++ run-time library, issue message CEE5225 and end the process. The signal exit status is returned to the parent process if it is waiting for a child process to end. If the program is not running in a forked process, so that no parent process exists to return the signal status to, the return code 3000 is returned to the system.</td>
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<tr>
<td>SIGURG</td>
<td>The signal is ignored.</td>
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<tr>
<td>SIGBUS</td>
<td>Clean up the z/OS C/C++ run-time library, issue message CEE5227 and end the process. The signal exit status is returned to the parent process if it is waiting for a child process to end. If the program is not running in a forked process, so that no parent process exists to return the signal status to, the return code 3000 is returned to the system.</td>
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<td>SIGSYS</td>
<td>Clean up the z/OS C/C++ run-time library, issue message CEE5228 and end the process. The signal exit status is returned to the parent process if it is waiting for a child process to end. If the program is not running in a forked process, so that no parent process exists to return the signal status to, the return code 3000 is returned to the system.</td>
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<td>SIGWINCH</td>
<td>The signal is ignored.</td>
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<td>SIGXCPU</td>
<td>Clean up the z/OS C/C++ run-time library, issue message CEE5230 and end the process. The signal exit status is returned to the parent process if it is waiting for a child process to end. If the program is not running in a forked process, so that no parent process exists to return the signal status to, the return code 3000 is returned to the system.</td>
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Table 73. Default signal processing with POSIX(ON) (continued)

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<th>Signal</th>
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<td>SIGXFSZ</td>
<td>Clean up the z/OS C/C++ run-time library, issue message CEE5231 and end the process. The signal exit status is returned to the parent process if it is waiting for a child process to end. If the program is not running in a forked process, so that no parent process exists to return the signal status to, the return code 3000 is returned to the system.</td>
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<td>SIGVTALRM</td>
<td>Clean up the z/OS C/C++ run-time library, issue message CEE5232 and end the process. The signal exit status is returned to the parent process if it is waiting for a child process to end. If the program is not running in a forked process, so that no parent process exists to return the signal status to, the return code 3000 is returned to the system.</td>
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<tr>
<td>SIGPROF</td>
<td>Clean up the z/OS C/C++ run-time library, issue message CEE5233 and end the process. The signal exit status is returned to the parent process if it is waiting for a child process to end. If the program is not running in a forked process, so that no parent process exists to return the signal status to, the return code 3000 is returned to the system.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dubbed Process:</td>
<td>A process that is not from a call to a fork() function or to a program main() function through an exec() function.</td>
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</table>

The following chart shows how the C and z/OS Language Environment error handling approaches interact.
MAP 0040: Summary of C error handling

001

Signal is raised. Is SIG_IGN set for the signal? Or is the signal blocked?
Yes  No

002
Continue at Step 006

003

Is the signal for a SIGABND?
Yes  No

004
Resume at the next instruction.

005
Condition is percolated for default behavior.

006

Is the signal asynchronous (or previously blocked)?
Yes  No

007

Is z/OS Language Environment user handler registered?
Yes  No

008

Is a C handler established for the signal by signal() or sigaction() with the SA_OLD_STYLE or SA_RESETHAND flag set?
Yes  No

009
Continue at Step 017 on page 417

010
Run C handler using ANSI rules and resume at the next instruction.

011
Run z/OS Language Environment user handler. The handler can resume, percolate or promote the signal. See z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide for more details.
Is a C handler established for the signal?  
Yes  No  

Perform default processing.

Was the C handler established by `signal()` or `sigaction()` with the `SA_OLD_STYLE` or `SA_RESETHAND` flag set?  
Yes  No  

Run C handler using POSIX rules and transfer control to the next instruction following the asynchronous interrupt.

Run C handler using ANSI rules and transfer control to the next instruction following asynchronous interrupt.

At stack frame 0?  
Yes  No  

Default handling for the signal and percolate to next stack frame.

Was a C handler established?  
Yes  No  

Perform default processing.

Run C handler using POSIX signal delivery rules and resume at next instruction.

**Signal considerations using z/OS UNIX System Services:** The following restrictions and inconsistencies exist for z/OS UNIX System Services C/C++ application program signal handling:

- Signal processing is blocked by the kernel when an application program is running on a request block (RB) other than the one the `main()` routine was started on.

- An application program should not use the `longjmp()` function to exit from a signal catcher established through the use of `sigaction()`. The `sigsetjmp()` and `siglongjmp()` functions should be used instead of `setjmp()` and `longjmp()`. The `longjmp()` function can be used if the `signal()` function was used to established the signal catcher.
• An application program must not use the macro versions of the `getc()`, `putc()`, `getchar()`, and `putchar()` functions to perform I/O to the same file from an asynchronous signal catcher function.

• Floating point registers are saved before a call to the signal catcher function and restored when the signal catcher returns. This is done for all signals.

• For z/OS UNIX System Services C/C++ application programs, the `errno` value is saved before a call to the signal catcher function and restored when the signal catcher returns.

Example of C signal handling under z/OS C or z/OS C++
In the following example, the call to `signal()` in `main()` establishes the function `handler` to process the interrupt signal when it occurs. An error value returned from this call to `signal()` causes the program to end with a printed error message. The `signal` handler function asks you to enter a `y` or `Y` from the keyboard if you want to halt the program. Entering any other character causes the program to resume operation.

**CCNGEC1:**

/* this example demonstrates signal handling */

```c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <signal.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

#ifdef __cplusplus
   extern "C" { /* the program is compiled with the z/OS C++ */
#else /* compiler */
#endif

void handler(int);

#ifdef __cplusplus
}
#endif

int main(void)
{
   if (signal(SIGINT,handler) == SIG_ERR) {
      perror("Could not set SIGINT");
      abort();
   }
   /* add code here if desired */
   raise(SIGINT);
   /* add code here if desired */
   return(0);
}

void handler(int sig_num) {
   char ch;

   signal(SIGINT, handler);
   printf("End processing?\n");
   ch = getchar();
   if (ch == 'y' || ch == 'Y')
      exit(0);
}
```

`Figure 113. Example illustrating signal handling`
Chapter 28. Network communications under UNIX System Services

This chapter discusses interprocess communication, including MVS Sockets for z/OS UNIX System Services and the X/Open Transport Interface (XTI) for z/OS UNIX System Services and the internetworking involved.

Many products today supply a socket interface. The three types of Application Programmer’s Interfaces(API) for the sockets which will be covered in this chapter are:

- **X/Open Socket**
- **Berkeley Socket**

If you are running with some other socket API, this material will not necessarily apply.

Your z/OS UNIX System Services C/C++ application program can take advantage of sockets or XTI to communicate with a related application (server or client).

The X/Open Transport Interface (XTI) defines an independent transport service interface that allows multiple users to communicate at the transport level of the OSI reference model. More information can be found at the end of this chapter.

Understanding z/OS UNIX System Services sockets and internetworking

z/OS UNIX System Services provides support for an enhanced version of an industry-accepted protocol for client/server communication known as sockets. The three types of Application Programmer’s Interfaces(API), for the sockets which will be covered in this chapter are:

- **X/Open Socket**: The API type of socket as defined by X/Open in XPG4.2.
- **Berkeley Socket**: The socket API that represents a migration path for programs coded under the HOT1120 and HOT1130 elements. It allows use of the BSD4.3 interface and function in the X/Open environment. Its purpose is to expedite the porting of existing BSD4.3 applications.

The z/OS UNIX System Services socket API provides support for both UNIX domain sockets and Internet domain sockets. UNIX domain sockets, or local sockets, allow interprocess communication within MVS independent of TCP/IP. Local sockets behave like traditional UNIX-domain sockets and allow processes to communicate with one another on a single system. Internet sockets allow application programs to communicate with others in the network using TCP/IP.

This chapter provides some background information about z/OS UNIX System Services sockets and about network communication in general. It is intended to provide an overview of the programming concepts associated with using z/OS UNIX System Services sockets and network communication.

For information about using the socket API, see [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference](#)
The basics of network communication

This section takes a look at network communication from a very high level and defines some terms used throughout the book. For more detailed information on z/OS network communication and TCP/IP sockets, see z/OS Communications Server: IP Configuration Guide and z/OS Communications Server: IP Programmer’s Reference. For more detailed information on IPv6 network communication and AF_INET6 sockets, see z/OS Communications Server: IPv6 Network and Application Design Guide.

Network communication, or internetworking, defines a set of protocols (that is, rules and standards) that allow application programs to talk with each other without regard to the hardware and operating systems where they are run. Internetworking allows application programs to communicate independently of their physical network connections.

The internetworking technology called TCP/IP is named after its two main protocols: Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) and Internet Protocol (IP). To understand TCP/IP, you should be familiar with the following terms:

- **client** — A process that requests services on the network.
- **server** — A process that responds to a request for service from a client.
- **datagram** — The basic unit of information, consisting of one or more data packets, which are passed across an Internet at the transport level.
- **packet** — The unit or block of a data transaction between a computer and its network. A packet usually contains a network header, at least one high-level protocol header, and data blocks. Generally, the format of data blocks does not affect how packets are handled. Packets are the exchange medium used at the Internet layer to send data through the network.

Transport protocols for sockets

A **protocol** is a set of rules or standards that each host must follow to allow other hosts to receive and interpret messages sent to them. There are two general types of transport protocols:

- A **connectionless protocol** is a protocol that treats each datagram as independent from all others. Each datagram must contain all the information required for its delivery.

  An example of such a protocol is **User Datagram Protocol (UDP)**. UDP is a datagram-level protocol built directly on the IP layer and used for application-to-application programs on a TCP/IP host. UDP does not guarantee data delivery, and is therefore considered unreliable. Application programs that require reliable delivery of streams of data should use TCP.

- A **connection-oriented protocol** requires that hosts establish a logical connection with each other before communication can take place. This connection is sometimes called a **virtual circuit**, although the actual data flow uses a packet-switching network. A connection-oriented exchange includes three phases:
  1. Start the connection
  2. Transfer data
  3. End the connection

  An example of such a protocol is **Transmission Control Protocol (TCP)**. TCP provides a reliable vehicle for delivering packets between hosts on an Internet. TCP breaks a stream of data into datagrams, sends each one individually using
IP, and reassembles the datagrams at the destination node. If any datagrams are lost or damaged during transmission, TCP detects this and retransmits the missing datagrams. The data stream that is received is therefore a reliable copy of the original.

These types of protocols are illustrated in Figure 115 on page 430, and in Figure 116 on page 431.

What is a socket?

A socket can be thought of as an endpoint in a two-way communication channel. Socket routines create the communication channel, and the channel is used to send data between application programs either locally or over networks. Each socket within the network has a unique name associated with it called a socket descriptor—a fullword integer that designates a socket and allows application programs to refer to it when needed.

Using an electrical analogy, you can think of the communication channel as the electrical wire with its plug and think of the port, or socket, as the electrical socket or outlet, as shown in Figure 114.

This figure shows many application programs running on a client and many application programs on a server. When the client starts a socket call, a socket connection is made between an application on the client and an application on the server.

Another analogy used to describe socket communication is a telephone conversation. Dialing a phone number from your telephone is similar to starting a socket call. The telephone switching unit knows where to logically make the correct switch to complete the call at the remote location. During your telephone conversation, this connection is present and information is exchanged. After you hang up, the connection is broken and you must start it again. The client uses the socket() function call to start the logical switch mechanism to connect to the server.
As with file access, user processes ask the operating system to create a socket when one is needed. The system returns an integer, the socket descriptor (sd), that the application uses every time it wants to refer to that socket. The main difference between sockets and files is that the operating system binds file descriptors to a file or device when the open() call creates the file descriptor. With sockets, application programs can choose to either specify the destination each time they use the socket—for example, when sending datagrams—or to bind the destination address to the socket.

Sockets behave in some respects like UNIX files or devices, so they can be used with such traditional operations as read() or write(). For example, after two application programs create sockets and open a connection between them, one program can use write() to send a stream of data, and the other can use read() to receive it. Because each file or socket has a unique descriptor, the system knows exactly where to send and to receive the data.

You can wait on a socket using the following asynchronous I/O functions:

- **aio_read()** - Asynchronous read from a socket
- **aio_write()** - Asynchronous write to a socket
- **aio_cancel()** - Cancel an asynchronous I/O request
- **aio_suspend()** - Wait for an asynchronous I/O request
- **aio_error()** - Retrieve error status for an asynchronous I/O operation
- **aio_return()** - Retrieve return status for an asynchronous I/O operation

You can suspend the invoking thread until a specified asynchronous I/O event, timeout, or signal occurs. These functions are described in the z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.

**z/OS UNIX System Services Socket families**

In z/OS UNIX, the following socket families are supported:

- UNIX Domain Sockets, known as *local sockets*, which are part of the UNIX Address Family (AF_UNIX)
- Internet Protocol Sockets, which are part of the Internet Address Family (AF_INET for IPv4 and AF_INET6 for IPv6)

AF_UNIX sockets provide communication between processes on a single system. This socket family supports two types of sockets—stream and datagram sockets. These socket types are described in the next section.

AF_INET and AF_INET6 sockets provide a means of communicating between application programs that are on different systems using the Transport Control Protocol provided by a TCP/IP product. This socket family supports both stream and datagram sockets. Each of these socket types is described in the next section.

**z/OS UNIX System Services Socket types**

The z/OS UNIX System Services socket API provides application programs with a network interface that hides the details of the physical network. The socket API supports both *stream sockets* and *datagram sockets*, each providing different services for application programs. Stream and datagram sockets interface to the transport layer protocols, UDP and TCP. You choose the appropriate interface for an application.
Stream sockets
Stream sockets act like streams of information. There are no boundaries between
data, so communicating processes must agree on their own mechanism to
distinguish information. Usually, the process sending information sends the length of
the data, followed by the data itself. The process receiving information reads the
length and then loops, accepting data until all of it has been transferred. Stream
sockets guarantee delivery of the data in the order it was sent and without
duplication. The stream socket interface defines a reliable connection-oriented
service. Data is sent without errors or duplication and is received in the same order
as it is sent. Flow control is built in, to avoid data overruns. No boundaries are
imposed on the data; the data is considered to be a stream of bytes.

Stream sockets are more common, because the burden of transferring the data
reliably is handled by the system rather than by the application.

Datagram sockets
The datagram socket interface defines a connectionless service. Datagrams are
sent as independent packets. The service provides no guarantees; data can be lost
or duplicated, and datagrams can arrive out of order. The size of a datagram is
limited to the size that can be sent in a single transaction. No disassembly and
reassembly of packets is performed.

Guidelines for using socket types
This section describes criteria to help you choose the appropriate socket type for an
application program.

If you are communicating with an existing application program, you must use the
same protocols as the existing application program. For example, if you
communicate with an application that uses TCP, you must use stream sockets. For
other application programs, you should consider the following factors:

- Reliability. Stream sockets provide the most reliable connection. Datagram
  sockets are unreliable, because packets can be discarded, corrupted, or
duplicated during transmission. This may be acceptable if the application
  program does not require reliability, or if the application program implements the
  reliability on top of the sockets interface. The trade-off is the increased
  performance available with datagram sockets.

- Performance. The overhead associated with reliability, flow control, packet
  reassembly, and connection maintenance degrade the performance of stream
  sockets in comparison with datagram sockets.

- Data transfer. Datagram sockets impose a limit on the amount of data
  transferred in a single transaction. If you send less than 2048 bytes at a time,
  use datagram sockets. As the amount of data in a single transaction increases,
  use stream sockets.

Addressing within sockets
The following sections describe the different ways to address within the socket API.

Address families
Address families define different styles of addressing. All hosts in the same address
family use the same scheme for addressing socket endpoints. z/OS UNIX System
Services supports three address families—AF_INET, AF_INET6, and AF_UNIX. The
AF_INET and AF_INET6 address families define addressing in the IP domain. The
AF_UNIX address family defines addressing in the z/OS UNIX System Services
domain. In the z/OS UNIX System Services domain, address spaces can use the socket interface to communicate with other address spaces on the same host.

**Note:** In this case, the z/OS UNIX System Services domain is used in much the same way as the UNIX domain on other UNIX-type systems.

**Socket address**

A socket address is defined by the `sockaddr` structure in the `sys/socket.h` include file. The structure has three fields, as shown in the following example:

```c
struct sockaddr {
    unsigned char sa_len;
    unsigned char sa_family;
    char sa_data[14];  /* variable length data */
};
```

The `sa_len` field contains the length of the `sa_data` field. The `sa_family` field contains the address family. It is `AF_INET` or `AF_INET6` for the Internet domain and `AF_UNIX` for the UNIX domain. The `sa_data` field is different for each address family. Each address family defines its own structure, which can be overlaid on the `sockaddr` structure. See “Addressing within the `AF_INET` domain” on page 425 and “Addressing within the `AF_INET6` domain” on page 425 for more information about the Internet domain, and “Addressing within the `AF_UNIX` domain” on page 426 for more information about the UNIX domain.

**Internet addresses**

Internet addresses represent a network interface. Every Internet address within an administered `AF_INET` domain must be unique. On the other hand, it is not necessary that every host have a unique Internet address; in fact, a host has as many Internet addresses as it has network interfaces.

**Ports**

A port is used to distinguish between different application programs using the same network interface. It is an additional qualifier used by the system software to get data to the correct application program. Physically, a port is a 16-bit integer. Some ports are reserved for particular application programs or protocols and are called well-known ports.

**Network byte order**

Ports and addresses are usually specified to calls using the network byte ordering convention. This convention is a method of sorting bytes under specific machine architectures. There are two common methods:

- **Big-endian** byte ordering places the most significant byte first. This method is used in IBM mainframe processors and Motorola microprocessors.
- **Little-endian** byte ordering places the least significant byte first. This method is used in Intel microprocessors.

Using network byte ordering for data exchanged between hosts allows hosts using different architectures to exchange address information. See references in figures Figure 118 on page 432, Figure 119 on page 433, and Figure 121 on page 433 for examples of using the `htons()` call to put ports into network byte order. For more information about network byte order, see `z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference`
Note: The socket interface does not handle application program data byte ordering differences. Application program writers must handle byte order differences themselves.

Addressing within the AF_INET domain

A socket address in the Internet address family comprises the following fields: the address family (AF_INET), an Internet address, the length of that Internet address, a port, and a character array. The structure of the Internet socket address is defined by the following sockaddr_in structure, which is found in the netinet/in.h include file:

```c
struct in_addr {
    ip_addr_t s_addr;
};

struct sockaddr_in {
    unsigned char sin_len;
    unsigned char sin_family;
    unsigned short sin_port;
    struct in_addr sin_addr;
    unsigned char sin_zero[8];
};
```

The `sin_len` field is set to the length of the `sockaddr_in` structure.

The `sin_family` field is set to AF_INET. The `sin_port` field is the port used by the application program, in network byte order. The `sin_zero` field should be set to all zeros.

Addressing within the AF_INET6 domain

A socket address in the Internet address family comprises the following fields: the address family (AF_INET6), an Internet address, the length of that Internet address, a port, flow information, and scope information. The structure of the Internet socket address is defined by the following sockaddr_in6 structure, which is found in the netinet/in.h include file:

```c
struct in6_addr {
    union {
        uint8_t _S6_u8[16];
        uint32_t _S6_u32[4];
    } _S6_un;
};
#define s6_addr _S6_un._S6_u8

struct sockaddr_in6 {
    uint8_t sin6_len;
    sa_family_t sin6_family;
    in_port_t sin6_port;
    uint32_t sin6_flowinfo;
    struct in6_addr sin6_addr;
    uint32_t sin6_scope_id;
};
```

The `sin6_len` field is set to the length of the `sockaddr_in6` structure.

The `sin6_family` field is set to AF_INET.

The `sin6_port` field is the port used by the application program, in network byte order.

The `sin6_flowinfo` field is a 32–bit field that contains the traffic class and the flow label.
The `sin6_addr` field is a single `in6_addr` structure. This field holds one 128-bit IPv6 address stored in network byte order.

The `sin6_scope_id` field is a 32 bit integer that identifies a set of interfaces as appropriate for the scope of the address carried in the `sin6_addr` field.

**Note:** IPv6 structures are exposed by defining the `_OPEN_SYS_SOCK_IPV6` feature test macro.

### Addressing within the AF_UNIX domain

A socket address in the AF_UNIX address family is comprised of three fields: the length of the following pathname, the address family (AF_UNIX), and the pathname itself. The structure of an AF_UNIX socket address is defined as follows:

```c
struct sockaddr_un {
    unsigned char sun_len;
    unsigned char sun_family;
    char sun_path[108];    /* pathname */
};
```

This structure is defined in the `sockaddr_un` structure found in `sys/un.h` include file. The `sun_len` contains the length of the pathname in `sun_path`; `sun_family` field is set to `AF_UNIX`; and `sun_path` contains the null-terminated pathname.

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### The conversation

The client and server exchange data using a number of functions. They can send data using `send()`, `sendto()`, `sendmsg()`, `write()`, or `writev()`. They can receive data using `recv()`, `recvfrom()`, `recvmsg()`, `read()`, or `readv()`. The following is an example of the `send()` and `recv()` call:

```c
send(s, addr_of_data, len_of_data, 0);
recv(s, addr_of_buffer, len_of_buffer, 0);
```

The `send()` and `recv()` function calls specify the sockets on which to communicate, the address in memory of the buffer that contains, or will contain, the data (`addr_of_data`, `addr_of_buffer`), the size of this buffer (`len_of_data`, `len_of_buffer`), and a flag that tells how the data is to be sent. Using the flag 0 tells TCP/IP to transfer the data normally. The server uses the socket that is returned from the `accept()` call.

These functions return the amount of data that was either sent or received. Because stream sockets send and receive information in streams of data, it can take more than one call to `send()` or `recv()` to transfer all the data. It is up to the client and server to agree on some mechanism of signaling that all the data has been transferred.

When the conversation is over, both the client and server call the `close()` function to end the connection. The `close()` function also deallocates the socket, freeing its space in the table of connections. To end a connection with a specific client, the server closes the socket returned by `accept()`. If the server closes its original socket, it can no longer accept new connections, but it can still converse with the clients it is connected to. The following is an example of the `close()` call:

```c
close(s);
```

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### The server perspective

Before the server can accept any connections with clients, it must register itself with TCP/IP and “listen” for client requests on a specific port.
Allocation with socket()
The server must first allocate a socket. This socket provides an endpoint that clients connect to.

A socket is actually an index into a table of connections, so socket numbers are usually assigned in ascending order. In the C language, the programmer calls the socket() function to allocate a new socket, as shown in the following example:

```c
s = socket(AF_INET, SOCK_STREAM, 0);
```

The socket() function requires the address family (AF_INET), the type of socket (SOCK_STREAM), and the particular networking protocol to use (when 0 is specified, the system automatically uses the appropriate protocol for the specified socket type). A new socket is allocated and returned.

bind()
At this point, an entry in the table of communications has been reserved for your application program. However, the socket has no port or IP address associated with it until you use the bind() function, which requires the following:

- The socket the server was just given
- The number of the port on which the server wishes to provide its service
- The IP address of the network connection on which the server is listening (to understand what is meant by "listening", see `listen()`)

In C language, the server puts the port number and IP address into a sockaddr_in structure, passing it and the socket to the bind() function. For example:

```c
bind(s, (struct sockaddr *)&server, sizeof(struct sockaddr_in));
```

listen()
After the bind, the server has specified a particular IP address and port. Now it must notify the system that it intends to listen for connections on this socket. In C, the listen() function puts the socket into passive open mode and allocates a backlog queue of pending connections. In passive open mode, the socket is open for clients to contact. For example:

```c
listen(s, backlog_number);
```

The server gives the socket on which it will be listening and the number of requests that can be queued (known as the `backlog_number`). If a connection request arrives before the server can process it, the request is queued until the server is ready.

accept()
Up to this point, the server has allocated a socket, bound the socket to an IP address and port, and issued a passive open. The next step is for the server actually to establish a connection with a client. The accept() call blocks the server until a connection request arrives, or, if there are connection requests in the backlog queue, until a connection is established with the first client in the queue. The following is an example of the accept() call:

```c
client_sock = accept(s, &clientaddr, &addrlen);
```

The server passes its socket to the accept() call. When the connection is established, the accept() call returns a new socket representing the connection with the client. When the server wishes to communicate with the client or end the connection, it uses this new socket, client_sock. The original socket s is now ready to accept connections with other clients. The original socket is still allocated, bound,
and opened passively. To accept another connection, the server calls accept() again. By repeatedly calling accept(), the server can establish almost any number of connections at once.

**select()**
The server is now ready to start handling requests on this port from any client with the server's IP address and port number. Up to this point, it has been assumed that the server will be handling only one socket. However, an application program is not limited to one socket. Typically, a server listens for clients on a particular socket but allocates a new socket for each client it handles. For maximum performance, a server should operate only on those sockets that are ready for communication. The select() call allows an application program to test for activity on a group of sockets.

**Note:** The select() function can also be used with other descriptors, such as file descriptors, pipes, or character special files.

To allow you to test any number of sockets with just a single call to select(), place the sockets to test into a bit set, passing the bit set to the select() call. A **bit set** is a string of bits where each possible member of the set is represented by a 0 or a 1. If the member's bit is 0, the member is not in the set. If the member's bit is 1, the member is in the set. Sockets are actually small integers. If socket 3 is a member of a bit set, then the bit that represents it is set to 1 (on).

In C, the functions to manipulate the bit sets are the following:

- **FD_SET**  
  Sets the bit corresponding to a socket
- **FD_ISSET**  
  Tests whether the bit corresponding to a socket is set or cleared
- **FD_ZERO**  
  Clears the whole bit set
- **FD_CLR**  
  Clears a bit within the bit set

To be active, a socket is ready for reading data or for writing data, or an exceptional condition may have occurred. Therefore, the server can specify three bit sets of sockets in its call to the select() function: one bit set for sockets on which to receive data; another for sockets on which to write data; and any sockets with exception conditions. The select() call tests each socket in each bit set for activity and returns only those sockets that are active.

A server that processes many clients at the same time can easily be written so that it processes only those clients that are ready for activity.

**The client perspective**

The client first issues the socket() function call to allocate a socket on which to communicate:

```c
s = socket(AF_INET, SOCK_STREAM, 0);
```

To connect to the server, the client places the port number and the IP address of the server into a sockaddr_in structure. If the client does not know the server's IP address, but does know the server's host name, the gethostbyname() function or the getaddrinfo() function is called to translate the host name into its IP address. The client then calls connect(). The following is an example of the connect() call:

```c
connect(s, (struct sockaddr *)&server, sizeof(struct sockaddr_in));
```
When the connection is established, the client uses its socket to communicate with the server.

**A typical TCP socket session**

You can use TCP sockets for both passive (server) and active (client) processes. Whereas some functions are necessary for both types, some are role-specific. After you make a connection, it exists until one of the following has occurred:

- The socket is closed by client or server
- A shutdown is performed by client or server for both read and write
- The socket is *unconnected* using a blank sockaddr structure with another connect() call to the socket

During the connection, data is either delivered or an error code is returned by TCP/IP.

See [Figure 115 on page 430](#) for the general sequence of calls to be followed for most socket routines using TCP, or stream sockets.
A typical UDP socket session

User Datagram Protocol (UDP) socket processes, unlike TCP socket processes, are not clearly distinguished by server and client roles. The distinction is between connected and unconnected sockets. An unconnected socket can be used to communicate with any host; but a connected socket, because it has a dedicated destination, can send data to, and receive data from, only one host.

Both connected and unconnected sockets send their data over the network without verification. Consequently, after a packet has been accepted by the UDP interface, the arrival and integrity of the packet cannot be guaranteed.

See Figure 116 for the general sequence of calls to be followed for most socket routines using UDP, or datagram, sockets.
A typical datagram socket session

Locating the server’s port

In the client/server model, the server provides a resource by listening for clients on a particular port. Such application programs as FTP, SMTP, and Telnet listen on a well-known port—a port assigned for use to a specific application program or protocol. However, for your own client/server application programs, you need a method of assigning port numbers to represent the services you intend to provide. An easy method of defining services and their ports is to enter them into the /etc/services file or the tcpip.ETC.SERVICES data set. In C, the programmer uses the getservbyname() function or getaddrinfo() function to determine the port for a particular service. If the port number for a particular service changes, only the /etc/services file or the tcpip.ETC.SERVICES data set must be modified.

Note: TCP/IP is shipped with a tcpip.ETC.SERVICES file containing such well-known services as FTP, SMTP, and Telnet.

Network application example

The following example illustrates using socket functions in a network application program. The steps are written using many of the basic socket functions, C socket syntax, and conventions described in this book.
1. First, an application program must get a socket descriptor using the `socket()` call, as in the example listed in Figure 117. For a complete description, see z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.

```c
#include <sys/socket.h>
... int s;
... s = socket(AF_INET, SOCK_STREAM, 0);
```

**Figure 117. An application using socket()**

The code fragment in Figure 117 allocates a socket descriptor `s` in the Internet address family. The `domain` parameter is a constant that specifies the domain where the communication is taking place. A domain is the collection of application programs using the same addressing convention. z/OS UNIX System Services supports three domains: AF_INET, AF_INET6, and AF_UNIX. The `type` parameter is a constant that specifies the type of socket, which can be `SOCK_STREAM`, or `SOCK_DGRAM`. The `protocol` parameter is a constant that specifies the protocol to use. For AF_INET, it can be set to IPPROTO_UDP for SOCK_DGRAM and IPPROTO_TCP for SOCK_STREAM. Passing 0 chooses the default protocol. If successful, the `socket()` call returns a positive integer socket descriptor.

2. After an application program has a socket descriptor, it can explicitly bind a unique address to the socket, as in the example listed in Figure 118. For a complete description, see z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.

```c
int bind(int s, struct sockaddr *name, int namelen);
... int rc;
int s;
struct sockaddr_in myname;
    /* clear the structure to be sure that the sin_zero field is clear */
    memset(&myname, 0, sizeof(myname));
    myname.sin_family = AF_INET;
    myname.sin_addr = inet_addr("129.5.24.1");
    /* specific interface */
    myname.sin_port = htons(1024);
... rc = bind(s, (struct sockaddr *) &myname, sizeof(myname));
```

**Figure 118. An application using bind()**

This example binds socket descriptor `s` to the address 129.5.24.1 and port 1024 in the Internet domain. Servers must bind to an address and port to become accessible to the network. The example in Figure 118 shows two useful utility routines:

- `inet_addr()` takes an IPv4 Internet address in dotted-decimal form and returns it in network byte order. Note that the `inet_aton()` function can take either an IPv4 or IPv6 Internet address in its standard text presentation form and return it in its numeric binary form. For a complete description, see z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.
• htons() takes a port number in host byte order and returns the port in network byte order. For a complete description, see z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.

Figure 119 shows another example of the bind() call. It uses the utility routine gethostbyname() to find the Internet address of the host, rather than using inet_addr() with a specific address.

```c
int bind(int s, struct sockaddr_in name, int namelen);
...
int rc;
int s;
char *hostname = "myhost";
struct sockaddr_in myname;
struct hostent *hp;

hp = gethostbyname(hostname);
/*clear the structure to be sure that
the sin_zero field is clear*/
memset(&myname,0,sizeof(myname));
myname.sin_family = AF_INET;
myname.sin_addr.s_addr = *((ip_addr_t *)hp->h_addr);
myname.sin_port = htons(1024);
...
rc = bind(s,(struct sockaddr *)&myname, sizeof(myname));
```

Figure 119. A bind() function using gethostbyname()

3. After binding to a socket, a server that uses stream sockets must indicate its readiness to accept connections from clients. The server does this with the listen() call, as illustrated in the example in Figure 120.

```c
int listen(int s, int backlog);
...
int s;
int rc;
...
rc = listen(s, 5);
```

Figure 120. An application using listen()

The listen() call tells the TCP/IP address space that the server is ready to begin accepting connections, and that a maximum of five connection requests can be queued for the server. Additional requests are ignored. For a complete description, see z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.

4. Clients using stream sockets begin a connection request by calling connect(), as shown in the following example.
int connect(int s, struct sockaddr *name, int namelen);

int s;
struct sockaddr_in servername;
int rc;

memset(&servername, 0, sizeof(servername));
servername.sin_family = AF_INET;
servername.sin_addr = inet_addr("129.5.24.1");
servername.sin_port = htons(1024);

rc = connect(s, (struct sockaddr *) &servername, sizeof(servername));

Figure 121. An application using connect()

The connect() call attempts to connect socket descriptor s to the server with
an address servername. This could be the server that was used in the previous
bind() example. The caller optionally blocks, until the connection is accepted
by the server. After a successful return, the socket descriptor s is associated
with the connection to the server. For a complete description, see [z/OS C/C++
Run-Time Library Reference]

5. Servers using stream sockets accept a connection request with the accept() call, as shown in the example listed in Figure 122.

int accept(int s, struct sockaddr *addr, int *addrlen);

int clientsocket;
int s;
struct sockaddr clientaddress;
int addrlen;

addrlen = sizeof(clientaddress);

clientsocket = accept(s, &clientaddress, &addrlen);

Figure 122. An application using accept()

If connection requests are not pending on socket descriptor s, the accept() call optionally blocks the server. When a connection request is accepted on
socket descriptor s, the name of the client and length of the client name are
returned, along with a new socket descriptor. The new socket descriptor is associated with the client that began the connection, and s is again available
to accept new connections. For a complete description, see [z/OS C/C++
Run-Time Library Reference]

6. Clients and servers have many calls from which to choose for data transfer.
The read() and write(), readv() and writev(), and send() and recv() calls can be used only on sockets that are in the connected state. The sendto() and recvfrom(), and sendmsg() and recvmsg() calls can be used at any time
on datagram sockets. The example listed in Figure 123 on page 435 illustrates
the use of send() and recv().
int send(int socket, char *buf, int buflen, int flags);
int recv(int socket, char *buf, int buflen, int flags);

int bytes_sent;
int bytes_received;
char data_sent[256];
char data_received[256];
int s;

bytes_sent = send(s, data_sent, sizeof(data_sent), 0);

bytes_received = recv(s, data_received, sizeof(data_received), 0);

Figure 123. An application using send() and recv()

The example in Figure 123 shows an application program sending data on a connected socket and receiving data in response. The flags field can be used to specify additional options to send() or recv(), such as sending out-of-band data. For more information see z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.

7. If the socket is not in a connected state, additional address information must be passed to sendto() and can be optionally returned from recvfrom(). An example of the use of the sendto() and recvfrom() calls is listed in Figure 124.

int sendto(int socket, char *buf, int buflen, int flags, struct sockaddr *addr, int *addrlen);
int recvfrom(int socket, char *buf, int buflen, int flags, struct sockaddr *addr, int *addrlen);

int bytes_sent;
int bytes_received;
char data_sent[256];
char data_received[256];
struct sockaddr_in to;
struct sockaddr_in from;
int addrlen;
int s;

memset(&to, 0, sizeof(to));
to.sin_family = AF_INET;
to.sin_addr = inet_addr("129.5.24.1");
to.sin_port = htons(1024);

bytes_sent = sendto(s, data_sent, sizeof(data_sent), 0, &to, sizeof(to));

addrlen = sizeof(from); /* must be initialized */
bytes_received = recvfrom(s, data_received, sizeof(data_received), 0, &from, &addrlen);

Figure 124. An application using sendto() and recvfrom()

The sendto() and recvfrom() calls take additional parameters that allow the caller to specify the recipient of the data or to be notified of the sender of the data. For more information see z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.

Usually, sendto() and recvfrom() are used for datagram sockets, and send() and recv() are used for stream sockets.

8. The writev(), readv(), sendmsg(), and recvmsg() calls provide the additional features of scatter and gather data—two related operations where data is
received and stored in multiple buffers (scatter data), and then taken from multiple buffers and transmitted (gather data). Scattered data can reside in multiple data buffers. The writev() and sendmsg() calls gather the scattered data and send it. The readv() and recvmsg() calls receive data and scatter it into multiple buffers.

9. Applications can handle multiple descriptors. In such situations, use the select() call to determine the descriptors that have data to be read, those that are ready for data to be written, and those that have pending exceptional conditions. An example of how the select() call is used is listed in Figure 125.

```c
fd_set readsocks;
fd_set writesocks;
fd_set exceptsocks;
struct timeval timeout;
int number_of_sockets;
int number_found;
...
/* number_of_sockets previously set to the socket number of largest
  * integer value.
  * Clear masks out.
  */
FD_ZERO(&readsocks); FD_ZERO(&writesocks); FD_ZERO(&exceptsocks);
/* Set masks for socket s only */
FD_SET(s, &readsocks)
FD_SET(s, &writesocks)
FD_SET(s, &exceptsocks)
...
/* go into select wait for 5 minutes waiting for socket s to become
ready or the timer has popped*/
rc = select(number_of_sockets+1,
    &readsocks, &writesocks, &exceptsocks, &timeout);
...
/* Check rc for condition set upon exiting select */
number_found = select(number_of_sockets,
    &readsocks, &writesocks, &exceptsocks, &timeout);
```

Figure 125. An application using select()

In this example, the application program uses bit sets to indicate that the sockets are being tested for certain conditions and also indicates a timeout. If the timeout parameter is NULL, the select() call blocks until a socket becomes ready. If the timeout parameter is nonzero, select() waits up to this amount of time for at least one socket to become ready on the indicated conditions. This is useful for application programs servicing multiple connections that cannot afford to block, waiting for data on one connection. For a complete description, see z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.

10. In addition to select(), application programs can use the ioctl() or fcntl() calls to help perform asynchronous (nonblocking) socket operations. An example of the use of the ioctl() call is listed in Figure 126 on page 437.
This example causes the socket descriptor s to be placed into nonblocking mode. When this socket is passed as a parameter to calls that would block, such as recv() when data is not present, it causes the call to return with an error code, and the global errno value is set to EWOULDBLOCK. Setting the mode of the socket to be nonblocking allows an application program to continue processing without becoming blocked. For a complete description, see z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.

11. A socket descriptor, s, is deallocated with the close() call. (For a complete description, see z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.) An example of close() is shown next.

```
int close(int s);
...
int rc;
int s;
rc = close(s);
```

**Figure 127. An application using close()**

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### Using common INET

With Common INET (CINET), you have the capability to define up to 32 AF_INET or dual AF_INET/AF_INET6 transport providers or stacks. The stacks can all be active at the same time. The information for modifying BPXPRMxx and bringing up Common INET is in z/OS UNIX System Services Planning.

For a server that you want to be able to listen to all of the available stacks at the same time, specify INADDR_ANY and it will be listening to all at once. Note that for an IPv6 server, IN6ADDR_ANY can be specified allowing the server to listen for IPv4 and IPv6 connections from all stacks.

The z/OS UNIX System Services Common INET layer performs a multiplexing/demultiplexing function when more than one stack is activated under z/OS UNIX System Services. Each stack has its own home IP addresses and when a program binds to a specific IP address that socket becomes associated with the one stack that is that IP address. When a program binds to NADDR_ANY (0.0.0.0) or IN6ADDR_ANY (::), the socket remains available to all the stacks.
There are three ways that an INADDR_ANY or IN6ADDR_ANY program can associate itself with a single stack:

- **Call setibmopt(IBMTCP_IMAGE)** - This sets a process so all future socket() calls create sockets with only the one specified stack.
- The **_BPXK_SETIBMOPT_TRANSPORT** environment variable can be used in the PARM= parameter of an MVS started proc to effectively issue a SETIBMOPT outside of the program.
- **Call ioctl(SIOCSETRTTD)** - This associates an existing socket with the one specified stack, removing the others.

Also, you should be able to set up things so gethostbyname() or getaddrinfo() returns the home IP address of the local TCP/IP you are interested. With that, you can issue a specific bind() to that IP address. This may not be useful though, if that stack has multiple IP addresses and you really want to use INADDR_ANY to service all of them. Applications can bind to IN6ADDR_ANY to service both Ipv4 and IPv6 clients when TCP/IP is enabled for IPv6.

### Compiling and binding

This section describes how to bind, load, and run z/OS C programs containing z/OS UNIX System Services sockets. This information is specific to the z/OS UNIX System Services application program interface and assumes that you are familiar with the information on compiling and binding z/OS UNIX System Services application programs in [z/OS C/C++ Programming Guide](#) and [z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide](#). C++ programs can also use z/OS UNIX System Services sockets, but C++ programs cannot use Berkley Sockets, they must always use X/Open Sockets.

You compile and bind your sockets application program in the same way as for any other C language program. The process is shown conceptually in Figure 128 on page 439. You must make sure that the z/OS UNIX System Services socket application programs have access to the files they need to compile and bind.
As shown, whether an application program’s I/O request is targeted at the network (TCP/IP) or at a file, the z/OS UNIX System Services logical file system (LFS) will route the request to the appropriate physical file system (PFS).

If your C language statements contain information, such as sequence numbers, which are not part of the input for the z/OS C compiler, you must include the following pragma directive in your program:

```
#pragma margins(1,72)
```

**Note:** In order to use AF_INET sockets, you must have release 3.1 or a later level of TCP/IP installed on your system. In order to use AF_INET6 sockets, you must have release z/OS V1R4 or later of TCP/IP installed on your system.

### Using TCP/IP APIs

If you will be using the TCP/IP socket API, also called non-Berkeley sockets, you will need to read and understand this section.

When a C/C++ application program running under z/OS UNIX System Services needs to communicate with another program that is running simultaneously, it
needs to exploit, from within itself, both z/OS UNIX System Services POSIX.1 and one or more of the following application programming interfaces (APIs) provided with the IBM product TCP/IP:

- Socket APIs
  - C sockets
  - Inter-User Communication Vehicle (IUCV) sockets
- X Window System \(^8\) interface
- remote procedure call (RPC)

With the exception of described restrictions, you can code z/OS UNIX System Services C/C++ application programs to take advantage of the documented APIs available as part of the Communications Server IP.

z/OS UNIX System Services application programs can use socket API calls from the TCP/IP product to access HFS files or MVS data sets, communicate with other systems running TCP/IP, or establish communication with and request services from a workstation system acting as an X Windows server.

**Note:** For HFS file access to TCP/IP, the TCP/IP socket API calls must be used instead of the POSIX file access functions to preserve the uniqueness of file descriptors in the hierarchical file system (HFS).

Before you attempt to code your application program to use TCP/IP APIs, you should understand the X Windows protocol running on the workstations that will be used as application clients. You will also need to know how to invoke X Windows to create a connection to the server on the workstation or z/OS system.

### Restrictions for using z/OS TCP/IP API with z/OS UNIX System Services

The restrictions can be grouped into categories:

- **Header Files**
  - *Header file conflicts between TCP/IP and z/OS C/C++.* z/OS C/C++ and TCP/IP have header files with the same name and overlapping function. For example, both have a *types.h* file. If you use TCP/IP API functions in your application but the z/OS C/C++ header file is searched for and used, the TCP/IP function does not work as intended.
  
  You can circumvent this problem by developing your application program with separate compilation source files for TCP/IP function and normal z/OS C/C++ function. You can then compile the TCP/IP source files separately from the normal z/OS C/C++ source files. Use the \(c89 -l\) option to point to the MVS data sets to search for the TCP/IP header files. Finally, you can bind all the application object files together to produce the application executable file. For the bind step, use the \(c89 -l\) option to point to the correct TCP/IP libraries on MVS. For example:

  \(c89 -I '/tcpip.sezacmac'\) \(pgm.c -l '/tcpip.sezarnt1'\) ...

- **TCP/IP socket API.** Both z/OS UNIX System Services POSIX.1-defined support and the TCP/IP for z/OS socket API use a small subset of common function calls that cannot be resolved correctly between them:
  - \(close()\)
  - \(fcntl()\)

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8. X Windows is a trademark of Massachusetts Institute of Technology.
– read()
– write()

Use of these calls should be reserved for one or the other, but not both, of these programming interfaces. For example, if an application program is written to use the open(), close(), read(), and write() functions for z/OS TCP/IP socket communication, it cannot use them for HFS file access. z/OS C/C++ stream I/O functions (fopen(), fclose(), fread(), and fwrite()) must be used for HFS file access. See z/OS Communications Server: IP Application Programming Interface Guide for more information.

• Creating child processes. Generally speaking, an application program cannot have a parent process open resources—in this case sockets—and then support those resources for a child process created through a fork() function or in a process following use of an exec function. The new child process does not inherit sockets from the parent process if forked. If the child process needs sockets, it must request TCP/IP for z/OS socket support independently of the parent process. In fact, if a child process is to be forked by an application program using TCP/IP sockets under z/OS UNIX System Services, all MVS resources to be opened should be opened by the child process rather than by the parent process.

• TCP/IP configuration file access. An application executable file that uses TCP/IP APIs and was bound with the c89 utility cannot locate the necessary TCP/IP configuration files, because they reside in MVS sequential data sets rather than in HFS files.

To circumvent this problem, have the system programmer copy the TCP/IP configuration data sets into the HFS root directory exactly as shown:

    OPUT 'tcpip.tcpip.data' 'etc/resolv.conf' text

Copy the address of the name server, the name, and the domain name from tcpip.HOST.LOCAL to /etc/hosts. You should not copy the entire file directly because you only need the address and name. The entry in the /etc/hosts file follows the BSD format. The case of the filenames and the use of the quote characters as part of the name are significant. Use the TSO/E OPUT command to copy the MVS sequential data sets to the HFS root directory. (Placing files in the root file system requires superuser authority.)

• Program reentrancy. The TCP/IP sockets and X Windows reentrant libraries must have a special C370LIB-directory member created for them before an application program using TCP/IP functions can be bound. The system administrator must run the C370LIB DIR function against the reentrant libraries to create it. The system administrator must do this once per library for an MVS system.

Specify the TCP/IP libraries to search on the c89 utility when binding the application program. For example:

c89 -I"/tcpip.sezacmac" pgm.c -I"/tcpip.sezarnt1" ...  

For information on C370LIB, see z/OS C/C++ User’s Guide

Using z/OS UNIX System Services sockets

The following list describes the files that each z/OS UNIX System Services socket application program must have access to in order to compile:

• List of z/OS C include files:
  In an MVS PDS or in the HFS directory
  CEE.SCEEH.H     /usr/include
  CEE.SCEEH.ARPA.H /usr/include/arpa
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Note:
The data set prefix for each of the previous files must match the name used at your installation. CEE is the default for z/OS Language Environment.

For Berkeley SOCKETS or X/OPEN SOCKETS, all you need are the z/OS C include files.

Note: The data set prefix for each of these files must match the name used at your installation. CEE is the default for the z/OS C library.

You must compile your application program using all include files in order to access the entire z/OS UNIX System Services socket API. To compile a program written using a particular API, you must include certain files specific to that API even though your program may not require all of them.

See [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference](#). It lists the header files that must be included for each type API. They may be different for Berkeley Sockets and X/Open sockets.

The following list describes the files that each z/OS UNIX System Services socket application program must have access to in order to bind:

- CEE.SCEELKED contains stub routines in the link library that are used to resolve external references to z/OS C and z/OS UNIX System Services socket APIs.
- CEE.SCEELKEX contains LONGNAME stub routine object modules for a large portion of the Language Environment function library, including the z/OS C and z/OS UNIX System Services socket APIs. When you IPA Link your application program, place the SCEELKEX library ahead of the SCEELKED Load Module library in the search order. This preserves long run-time function names in the object module and listings generated by IPA Link. When you bind your application program, place the SCEELKEX library ahead of the SCEELKED Load Module library in the search order. This preserves long run-time function names in the executable module and listings generated by the binder.
- CEE.SCEERUN contains the z/OS C and z/OS UNIX System Services socket run-time libraries.

### Compiling under MVS batch for Berkeley sockets

You can use several methods to compile, bind, and run your sockets program. This section describes one way to compile and bind your C source program, under MVS batch, using the IBM-supplied EDCCB cataloged procedure.

Note: If you are planning on developing your application as a C++ application and use sockets, you must use X/Open Sockets for your application. See section “Compiling under MVS batch for X/Open sockets” on page 444 for more information.
Sample cataloged procedure additions and changes
The following steps describe how to compile, and bind your program. For more information about the z/OS C/C++ cataloged procedures refer to the z/OS C/C++ User's Guide.

You must make changes to the cataloged procedure, which is supplied with z/OS C/C++ Compiler. After you select the procedure you want to use from those available in the C/C++ supplied data set, CBC.SCCNPRC, you modify it. For example, if you choose EDCC then you modify it as follows:

1. Change the CPARM parameters to:
   ```
   CPARM='DEF(MVS,_OE_SOCKETS,_POSIX1_SOURCE=1),RENT,L0',
   ```
   RENT is the reentrant option and L0 is the long name option. You must specify these options to use POSIX functions read(), write(), fcntl(), and close() that are all included in z/OS C.
   You must specify the feature test macro, _POSIX1_SOURCE=1 to access the read(), write(), fcntl(), and close() functions in the z/OS C include files. Or, if you choose to access all z/OS UNIX System Services POSIX functions supported by z/OS C, you can specify the _OPEN_SYS feature test macro. The _OE_Sockets feature test macro exposes the socket-related definitions in all of the include files. For information on binding C code compiled with the RENT and LONGNAME options, see z/OS C/C++ User's Guide.

2. To run your program under TSO/E, type the following:
   ```
   CALL 'USER.MYPKG.LOAD(PROGRAM1)' 'POSIX(ON)/'
   ```
   This loads the run-time library from CEE.SCEERUN and/or SCEERUN2.
   To use the POSIX z/OS C functions, you **must** either specify the run-time option POSIX(ON), or include the following statement in your C source program:
   ```
   #pragma runopts(POSIX(ON))
   ```

   The z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference identifies the POSIX z/OS C functions, in the standards information at the beginning of each function description.

Compiling under MVS batch with X windows for Berkeley sockets
If you are using z/OS UNIX System Services sockets with the latest announced release level of TCP/IP X Windows, and compiling and binding under MVS batch, you **must** do the following:

- Bind your application program with the latest announced release level of TCP/IP X Windows libraries that are enabled for use with z/OS UNIX System Services sockets.

For a complete discussion of compiling and binding z/OS UNIX System Services sockets with TCP/IP, see z/OS Communications Server: IP Programmer's Reference.

Compiling using the c89 utility for Berkeley sockets
If you want to use the c89 utility to compile and bind your program, you must use the following define options on the c89 command:

- `-D MVS`
- `-D _OE_SOCKETS`

For more information about compiling and binding, see z/OS C/C++ User's Guide.
Compiling using c89 with X Windows
See z/OS Communications Server: IP Programmer’s Reference for a complete discussion of compiling and binding with X Windows.

Compiling under MVS batch for X/Open sockets
You can use several methods to compile, bind, and run your sockets program. This section describes one way to compile and link-edit your C source program, under MVS batch, using the IBM-supplied EDCCB cataloged procedure.

Sample cataloged procedure additions and changes
The following steps describe how to compile, bind, and run your program. For more information about the z/OS C/C++ cataloged procedures refer to the z/OS C/C++ User's Guide

You must make changes to the cataloged procedure, which is supplied with z/OS C/C++ Compiler. After you select the procedure you want to use from those available in the C/C++ supplied data set, CBC.SCCNPRC, you modify it. For example, if you choose EDCCB then you modify it as follows:

1. Change the CPARM parameters to:
   
   CPARM='DEF(MVS,_XOPEN_SOURCE_EXTENDED=1, _POSIX1_SOURCE=1), RENT,L0',
   
   RENT is the reentrant option and L0 is the long name option. You must specify these options to use POSIX functions read(), write(), fcntl(), and close() that are all included in z/OS C.

   You must specify the feature test macro, _POSIX1_SOURCE=1 to access the read(), write(), fcntl(), and close() functions in the z/OS C include files. Or, if you choose to access all z/OS UNIX System Services POSIX functions supported by z/OS C, you can specify the _OPEN_SYS feature test macro. The _XOPEN_SOURCE_EXTENDED feature test macro exposes the socket-related definitions in all of the include files.

   Note: Because you are now required to compile with the RENT and LONGLONG options, you must bind your sockets application with the z/OS binder.

2. To run your program under TSO/E, type the following:
   
   CALL 'USER.MYPROG.LOAD(PROGRAM1)' 'POSIX(ON)/'

   To use the POSIX z/OS C functions, you must either specify the run-time option POSIX(ON), or include the following statement in your C source program:
   
   #pragma runopts(POSIX(ON))

Using API data sets and files for sockets
- CEE.SCEELKED contains stub routines in the link library that are used to resolve external references to z/OS C and z/OS UNIX System Services socket APIs.
- CEE.SCEELKEX contains LONGNAME stub routine object modules for a large portion of the Language Environment function library, including the z/OS C and z/OS UNIX System Services socket APIs. When you IPA Link or bind your application program, place the SCEELKEX library ahead of the SCEELKED Load Module library in the search order. This preserves long run-time function names in the object module and listings generated by IPA Link or the binder.
- CEE.SCEERUN contains the z/OS C and z/OS UNIX System Services socket run-time libraries.
Notes:
1. The data set prefix for each the previous files must match the name used at your installation. CEE is the default for z/OS Language Environment.
2. Applications developed for Open Sockets can continue to use the linkage editor but cannot be compiled.

Understanding the X/Open Transport Interface (XTI)

The X/Open Transport Interface (XTI) specification defines an independent transport-service interface that allows multiple users to communicate at the transport level of the OSI reference model. Transport-layer protocols support the following characteristics:
- connection establishment
- state change support
- event handling
- data transfer
- option manipulation

Although all transport-layer protocols support these characteristics, they vary in their level of support and their interpretation of format.

In the next section we will discuss the TCP transport provider, since it is the only one currently supported.

Transport endpoints

A transport endpoint specifies a communication path between a transport user and a specific transport provider, which is identified by a local file descriptor (fd). When a user opens a transport endpoint, a local file descriptor fd is returned which identifies the endpoint. A transport provider is defined to be the transport protocol that provides the services of the transport layer. All requests to the transport provider must pass through a transport endpoint. The file descriptor fd is returned by the function t_open() and is used as an argument to the subsequent functions to identify the transport endpoint. A transport endpoint can support only one established transport connection at a time.

To be active, a transport endpoint must have a transport address associated with it by the t_bind() function. A transport connection is characterized by the association of two active endpoints, made by using the transport connection establishment functions t_listen(), t_accept(), t_connect(), and t_rcvconnect().

Transport providers for X/Open Transport Interface

The transport layer may comprise one or more transport providers at the same time. The identifier parameter of the transport provider passed to the t_open() function determines the required transport provider. To keep the applications portable, the identifier parameter of the transport provider should not be hard-coded into the application source code.

Currently, the only valid value for the identifier parameter for the t_open() function is /dev/tcp, indicating the TCP transport provider. Even though no device with this pathname actually exists, the library uses this value to determine which transport provider to use.
General restrictions for z/OS UNIX System Services

The following restrictions apply when you use XTI under z/OS UNIX System Services.

- The file descriptor number must not exceed the limit of 65535 for XTI endpoints.
- If an endpoint is being shared among multiple processes, events such as, T_LISTEN, T_DATA, and T_EXDATA, can be consumed by another process in the time between calls to t_look() and t_rcv() or t_accept(). In order to avoid processes not being aware of events occurring on endpoints, you should provide explicit synchronization mechanisms between processes.
- If an endpoint is shared:
  - The process that issues the t_listen() should also issue for the pending connection t_accept().
  - If any other process accesses the endpoint in the time between the listen and the accept, the behavior is undefined. In order to avoid this, you should provide explicit synchronization between processes.
- If a process dies while an endpoint it was accessing is in T_INCON state, it is impossible for any other sharing endpoints to bring it out of that state.
- If access to endpoints is shared, the participating processes are responsible for serialization of access to the endpoints. If no synchronization is performed, the behavior is undefined.
- Functions are thread-safed; therefore, no two threads in a process can manipulate an endpoint at the same time. Serialization of access to endpoints beyond this level is the responsibility of the threads sharing the endpoint.
Chapter 29. Interprocess communication using z/OS UNIX System Services

z/OS UNIX System Services offers software vendors and customers several ways for programming processes to communicate:

- Message queues
- Semaphores
- Shared memory
- Memory mapping
- Issuing TSO commands from a shell

These forms of interprocess communication extend the possibilities provided by the simpler forms of communication: pipes, named pipes or FIFOs, signals, and sockets. Like these forms, message queues, semaphores, and shared memory are used for communication between processes. (Sockets are the most common form of interprocess communication across different systems.) For more information on these communication forms, see Z/OS UNIX System Services Planning

Message queues

XPG4 provides a set of C functions that allow processes to communicate through one or more message queues in an operating system's kernel. A process can create, read from, or write to a message queue. Each message is identified with a "type" number, a length value, and data (if the length is greater than 0).

A message can be read from a queue based on its type rather than on its order of arrival. Multiple processes can share the same queue. For example, a server process can handle messages from a number of client processes and associate a particular message type with a particular client process. Or the message type can be used to assign a priority in which a message should be dequeued and handled.

A common client/server implementation on the same system uses two message queues for communication between client and server. An inbound message queue allows group write access and limits read access to the server. An outbound message queue allows universal read access and limits write access to the server. This implementation allows users to place invalid messages on the inbound queue or remove messages belonging to another process from the outbound queue. To solve this problem, you can use two new z/OS message queue types, ipc_SndTypePID and ipc_RcvTypePID to enforce source and destination process identification.

Create the inbound queue to the server with ipc_SndTypePID and the outbound queue from the server with ipc_RcvTypePID. This arrangement guarantees that the server knows the process ID of the client, and that the client is the only process that can receive the server's returned message. The server can also issue msgrcv() with TYPE=0 to see if any messages belong to process IDs that have gone away. Security checks on clients are not needed, since clients are unable to receive messages intended for another process.

The ipc_PL0 constants provide possible message queue performance improvements based on workload. For information on the ipc_PL0 constants, see the msgget() function in the Z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference
Semaphores

Semaphores, unlike message queues and pipes, are not used for exchanging data, but as a means of synchronizing operations among processes. A semaphore value is stored in the kernel and then set, read, and reset by sharing processes according to some defined scheme. A semaphore is created or an existing one is located with the semget() function. Typical uses include resource counting, file locking, and the serialization of shared memory.

A semaphore can have a single value or a set of values; each value can be binary (0 or 1) or a larger value, depending on the implementation. For each value in a set, the kernel keeps track of the process ID that did the last operation on that value, the number of processes waiting for the value to increase, and the number of processes waiting for the value to become 0.

If you define a semaphore set without any special flags, semop() processing obtains a kernel latch to serialize the semaphore set for each semop() or semctl() call. The more semaphores you define in the semaphore set, the higher the probability that you will experience contention on the semaphore latch. One alternative is to define multiple semaphore sets with fewer semaphores in each set. To get the least amount of latch contention, define a single semaphore in each semaphore set.

z/OS has added the __IPC_BINSEM option to semget(). The __IPC_BINSEM option provides significant performance improvement on semop() processing. __IPC_BINSEM can only be specified if you use the semaphore as a binary semaphore and do not specify UNDO on any semop() calls. __IPC_BINSEM also allows semop() to use special hardware instructions to further reduce contention. With __IPC_BINSEM, you can define many semaphores in a semaphore set without impacting performance.

Shared memory

Shared memory provides an efficient way for multiple processes to share data (for example, control information that all processes require access to). Commonly, the processes use semaphores to take turns getting access to the shared memory. For example, a server process can use a semaphore to lock a shared memory area, then update the area with new control information, use a semaphore to unlock the shared memory area, and then notify sharing processes. Each client process sharing the information can then use a semaphore to lock the area, read it, and then unlock it again for access by other sharing processes.

Processes can also use shared mutexes and shared read-write locks to communicate. For more information on mutexes and read-write locks see “Synchronization primitives” on page 352.

Memory mapping

In z/OS, a programmer can arrange to transparently map into a hierarchical file system (HFS) file process storage.

The use of memory mapping can reduce the number of disk accesses required when randomly accessing a file.

The related mmap(), mprotect(), msync(), and munmap() functions that provide memory mapping are part of the X/OPEN CAE Specification.
TSO commands from a shell

In z/OS UNIX System Services, users of the z/OS UNIX System Services shells can issue TSO/E commands. The user simply enters the shell command `tso`, followed by a TSO command string. The user can specify whether the TSO command is to be run through the shell (in which case the output will be displayed on the screen) or through a TSO environment (in which case the command output will be written to the defined standard output). For more information about running the command through the shell or through a TSO environment, see [z/OS UNIX System Services Command Reference](z/OS UNIX System Services Command Reference).
Chapter 30. Using templates in C++ programs

In C++, you can use a template to declare and define a set of related:
- Classes (including structs)
- Functions
- Static data members of template classes

Within an application, you can instantiate the same template multiple times with the same arguments or with different arguments. If you use the same arguments, the repeated instantiations are redundant. These redundant instantiations increase compilation time, increase the size of the executable, and deliver no benefit.

There are four basic approaches to the problem of redundant instantiations:

**Code for unique instantiations**
Organize your source code so that the object file contains only one instance of each required instantiation and no unused instantiations.

This is the least usable approach, because you must know where each template is defined and where each template instantiation is required.

**Instantiate at every occurrence**
Use the NOTEMPINC and NOTEMPLATEREGISTRY compiler options. The compiler generates code for every instantiation that it encounters.

With this approach, you accept the disadvantages of redundant instantiations.

**Store instantiations in an include directory**
Use the TEMPINC compiler option. If the template header and the template definition file have the required structure (described in "Using the TEMPINC compiler option"), each template instantiation is stored in a template include directory. If the compiler is asked to instantiate the same template again with the same arguments, it uses the stored version instead.

This is the default.

**Store instantiation information in a registry**
Use the TEMPLATEREGISTRY compiler option. Information about each template instantiation is stored in a template registry. If the compiler is asked to instantiate the same template again with the same arguments, it points to the instantiation in the first object file instead.

The TEMPLATEREGISTRY compiler option provides the benefits of the TEMPINC compiler option but does not require a specific structure for the template header and the template definition file.

**Note:** The NOTEMPINC and TEMPLATEREGISTRY compiler options are mutually exclusive.

**Using the TEMPINC compiler option**
To use TEMPINC, you must structure your application as follows:
- Declare your class templates and function templates in template declaration files. In the following example, the template declaration file is named stack.h.

You can identify a template declaration file in either of the following ways:
- In the HFS: /usr/src/stack.h
- In a PDS: MYUSERID.USER.H(STACK)
For each template declaration file, create a template definition file. This file must have the same file name as the template declaration file and an extension of .c. For a class template, this file defines all of the member functions and static data members. For a function template, this file defines the function.

You can identify a template definition file in either of the following ways:
- In the HFS: /usr/src/stack.c
- In a PDS: MYUSERID.USER.C(STACK)

In your source program, specify an #include statement for each template declaration file.

In each template declaration file, conditionally include the corresponding template definition file if the __TEMPINC__ macro is not defined.

This produces the following results:
- Whenever you compile with NOTEMPINC, the template definition file is included.
- Whenever you compile with TEMPINC, the compiler does not include the template definition file. Instead, the compiler looks for a file with the same name as the template declaration file and extension .c the first time it needs a particular instantiation. If the compiler subsequently needs the same instantiation, it uses the copy stored in the template include directory.

**TEMPINC example**

This example includes the following source files:
- Two source files: stackadd.cpp and stackops.cpp
- A template declaration file: stack.h
- The corresponding template definition file: stack.c
- A function prototype: stackops.h

In this example:
1. Both source files include the template declaration file stack.h
2. Both source files include the function prototype stackops.h
3. The template declaration file conditionally includes the template definition file stack.c if it is compiled with NOTEMPINC.

**Source file stackadd.cpp**

```cpp
#include <iostream.h>
#include "stack.h"    // 1
#include "stackops.h" // 2

main() {  
  Stack<int, 50> s;  // create a stack of ints
  int left=10, right=20;
  int sum;

  s.push(left);       // push 10 on the stack
  s.push(right);     // push 20 on the stack
  add(s);            // pop the 2 numbers off the stack
  sum = s.pop();     // and push the sum onto the stack

  cout << "The sum of: " << left << " and: " << right << " is: " << sum << endl;
  return(0);
}
```

Figure 129. stackadd.cpp file (ccntmp3.cpp)
Source file stackops.cpp

```cpp
#include "stack.h" // 1
#include "stackops.h" // 2

void add(Stack<int, 50>& s) {
    int tot = s.pop() + s.pop();
    s.push(tot);
    return;
}
```

Figure 130. stackops.cpp file (ccntmp4.cpp)

Template declaration file stack.h

```cpp
#ifndef STACK_H
#define STACK_H

template <class Item, int size>
class Stack {
public:
    void push(Item item); // Push operator
    Item pop(); // Pop operator
    int isEmpty() { // Returns true if empty, otherwise false
        return (top==0);
    }
    Stack() { top = 0; } // Constructor defined inline
private:
    Item stack[size]; // The stack of items
    int top; // Index to top of stack
};
#endif
```

Figure 131. stack.h file (ccntmp2.h)

Template definition file stack.c

```cpp
//stack.c
template <class Item, int size>
void Stack<Item,size>::push(Item item) {
    if (top >= size) throw size;
    stack[top++] = item;
}
template <class Item, int size>
Item Stack<Item,size>::pop() {
    if (top <= 0) throw size;
    Item item = stack[--top];
    return(item);
}
```

Figure 132. stack.c file (ccntmp1.c)

Function prototype stackops.h

The stackops.h file contains the prototype for the add function, which is used in both stackadd.cpp and stackops.cpp.
void add(Stack<int, 50>& s);

Figure 133. stackops.h File (ccntmp5.h)

**JCL to compile the source files**

Figure 134 contains the JCL that does the following:

1. Compiles both compilation units and creates the TEMPINC destination, which is a sequential file with the following data set name:
   
   MYUSERID.TEMPINC

2. Compiles the template instantiation file in the TEMPINC destination.

```c
//CC EXEC CBCC,
// INFILE='MYUSERID.USER.CPP(STACKADD)',
// OUTFILE='MYUSERID.USER.OBJ(STACKADD),DISP=SHR',
// CPARM='LSEARCH(USER.+)'  /*-------------------------------------------------------------------*/
//CC EXEC CBCC,
// INFILE='MYUSERID.USER.CPP(STACKOPS)',
// OUTFILE='MYUSERID.USER.OBJ(STACKOPS),DISP=SHR',
// CPARM='LSEARCH(USER.+)'  /*-------------------------------------------------------------------*/
//CC EXEC CBCC,
// INFILE='MYUSERID.TEMPINC',
// OUTFILE='MYUSERID.USER.OBJ,DISP=SHR',
// CPARM='LSEARCH(USER.+)'  /*-------------------------------------------------------------------*/
//BIND EXEC CBCBG,
// INFILE='MYUSERID.USER.OBJ(STACKADD)',
// OUTFILE='MYUSERID.USER.LOAD(STACKADD),DISP=SHR'
//BIND.OBJ DD DSN=MYUSERID.USER.OBJ,DISP=SHR
//BIND.SYSIN DD *
   INCLUDE OBJ(STACKOPS)
   INCLUDE OBJ(STACK) /*
```

Figure 134. JCL to compile source Files and TEMPINC destination

**Syntax to compile under the z/OS shell**

Here is the syntax you would use to compile the program within the z/OS shell.

```bash
export _CXX_CXXSUFFIX=cpp
c++ stackadd.cpp stackops.cpp
```

Figure 135. z/OS UNIX System Services Syntax

**Regenerating the template instantiation file**

The compiler builds a template instantiation file, in the HFS tempinc directory or the TEMPINC PDS, corresponding to each template declaration file. With each compilation, the compiler may add information to the file but it never removes information from the file.

As you develop your program, you may remove template function references or reorganize your program so that the template instantiation files become obsolete. You can periodically delete the TEMPINC destination and recompile your program.
TEMPINC considerations for shared libraries

In a traditional application development environment, different applications can share both source files and compiled files. When you use templates, applications can share source files but cannot share compiled files.

If you use TEMPINC:

- Each application must have its own tempinc destination.
- You must compile all of the files for the application, even if some of the files have already been compiled for another application.

Under MVS or z/OS UNIX System Services, you can easily assign a separate tempinc PDS or directory for each application.

Using the TEMPLATEREGISTRY compiler option

Unlike TEMPINC, the TEMPLATEREGISTRY compiler option does not impose specific requirements on the organization of your source code. Any program that compiles successfully with NOTEMPINC will compile with TEMPLATEREGISTRY.

The template registry uses “first come first served” algorithm:

- When a program references a new instantiation for the first time, it is instantiated in the compilation unit in which it occurs.
- When another compilation unit references the same instantiation, it is not instantiated. Thus, only one copy is generated for the entire program.

The instantiation information is stored in a template registry file. You must use the same template registry file for the entire program. Two programs cannot share a template registry file.

The default file name for the template registry file is templreg in the HFS and TEMPLREG in batch (a sequential file), but you can specify any other valid file name to override this default. When cleaning your program build environment before starting a fresh or scratch build, you must delete the registry file along with the old object files.

Recompiling related compilation units

If two compilation units, A and B, reference the same instantiation, the TEMPLATEREGISTRY compiler option has the following effect:

- If you compile A first, the object file A contains the code for the instantiation.
- When you later compile B, the object file for B contains a reference to the object file A.
- If you later change A so that it no longer references this instantiation, the reference in object B would produce an unresolved symbol error. When you recompile A, the compiler detects this problem and handles it as follows:
  - If the TEMPLATERECOMPILE compiler option is in effect, the compiler automatically recompiles B using the same compiler options that were specified for A.
  - If the NOTEMPLATERECOMPILE compiler option is in effect, the compiler issues a warning and you must manually recompile B.
Switching from TEMPINC to TEMPLATEREGISTRY

Because the TEMPLATEREGISTRY compiler option does not impose any restrictions on the file structure of your application, it has less administrative overhead than TEMPINC. You can make the switch as follows:

- If your application compiles successfully with both TEMPINC and NOTEMPINC, you do not need to make any changes.
- If your application compiles successfully with TEMPINC but not with NOTEMPINC, you must change it so that it will compile successfully with NOTEMPINC. In each template declaration file, conditionally include the corresponding template definition file if the __TEMPINC__ macro is not defined. This is illustrated in “TEMPINC example” on page 452.
Chapter 31. Using environment variables

This chapter describes environment variables that affect the z/OS C/C++ environment. You can use environment variables to define the characteristics of a specific environment. They may be set, retrieved, and used during the execution of a z/OS C/C++ program.

The following environment variables affect the z/OS C/C++ environment if they are on when an application program runs. The variables that begin with _EDC_ and _CEE_ are described in detail in "Environment variables specific to the z/OS C/C++ library" on page 465. See "Locale source files" on page 714 for more information on the locale-related environment variables.

**Note:** The settings of these variables affect your environment even if you are using the C++ I/O stream classes. For more detailed information on I/O streaming, see:

- **Standard C++ Library Reference** discusses the Standard C++ I/O stream classes
- **C/C++ Legacy Class Libraries Reference** discusses the Unix Systems Laboratories C++ Language System Release (USL) I/O Stream Library

For information on environment variables used in z/OS UNIX System Services see [z/OS UNIX System Services Command Reference](#) and [z/OS UNIX System Services User's Guide](#).

**_BIDIATTR_**

Used to specify the attributes which will determine the way the bidirectional layout transformation takes place. For example:

```bash
export _BIDIATTR="@ls typeoftext=visual:implicit, orientation=ltr:ltr, numerals=nominal:national"
```

If _BIDIATTR_ is not specified or contains erroneous values, the default values will be used. For a detailed description of the bidirectional layout transformation, see **Chapter 56, "Bidirectional language support," on page 825.**

**_BIDION_**

Used to specify whether iconv will perform bidirectional layout transformation beside the basic main function (code page conversion), or not. The value of this variable is either set to TRUE to activate the bidirectional layout transformation, or FALSE to prevent the bidirectional layout transformation. If this variable is not defined in the environment it defaults to FALSE.

**_BPXK_AUTOCVT_**

Activates or deactivates automatic text conversion of tagged HFS files.

The value of this environment variable is interrogated during initialization of the C main(), and at each pthread initialization in order to set the autoconversion state for the thread. The autoconversion state for the thread is looked at by the logical file system (LFS) when determining if automatic text conversion should be performed during read/write operations to tagged HFS files.

**Note:** The default autoconversion state is unset, meaning that the LFS must look to the BPXPRMxx AUTOCVT parameter, which is either
ON or OFF. When set to a valid value, this environment variable overrides the BPXPRMxx AUTOCVT parameter.

During main() initialization, the following behavior is defined for this environment variable:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Setting</th>
<th>Autoconversion State for the Thread</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>ON</td>
<td>Activated</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OFF</td>
<td>Deactivated</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>&lt;other&gt;</td>
<td>Treated as unset. Autoconversion defers to BPXPRMxx AUTOCVT parameter</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Changing the value of this environment variable using setenv(), putenv(), or clearenv() during execution of the application will behave in the following manner:

- Ignored after the first pthread create, although getenv() might show otherwise. The autoconversion state will remain unchanged.
- Deleting or clearing the environment variable, or setting the value to an invalid value before the first pthread create will change the autoconversion state to unset.
- Has no effect on initially untagged HFS files that have already been opened using fopen() or freopen() on the current thread and FILETAG(AUTOCVT,) is in effect. These files were specifically marked, or not marked, for automatic text conversion, at the file descriptor level, at the time they were opened. The text conversion state for the already opened file descriptors depended on whether or not autoconversion for the thread was activated or deactivated at the time of the open.
- The standard streams may have already been setup for automatic text conversion, before the main() begins execution, using EBCDIC CCSID 1047 as the File CCSID. Therefore, changing the autoconversion state using one of these methods will not affect the standard streams. Specifically, an application running with ASCII CCSID 819 as the Program CCSID will continue to have text conversion with the standard streams.

**Note:** Changing the value of this environment variable using any other mechanism is ignored, although getenv() might show otherwise. You can use setenv() with a value of NULL to delete an environment variable.

**_BPXK_CCSIDS**

Defines the EBCDIC<->ASCII pair of coded character set IDs (CCSIDS) to be used when converting text data, and for automatic tagging new or empty HFS files. The syntax of the environment variable value is as follows:

```
_BPXK_CCSIDS=(e,a)
```

where e is the EBCDIC CCSID and a is the ASCII CCSID.

Language Environment C/C++ applications will initialize with the default IBM-1047<->ISO8859-1 pair. This is equivalent to specifying:

```
_BPXK_CCSIDS=(1047,819)
```

The value of this environment variable is interrogated during initialization of the C main(), and at each pthread initialization in order to set the Program
CCSID for the thread. For the main(), the Program CCSID is set to the
ASCII value of the pair when the main() is part of an ASCII compile unit,
otherwise it is set to the EBCDIC value of the pair. The Program CCSID for
a thread is set based on the compiled codeset of the thread start routine.
When ASCII, the ASCII value of the CCSID pair is used, else the EBCDIC
value.

Changing the value of this environment variable using setenv(), putenv(), or
clearenv() during execution of the application will behave in the following
manner:
• Ignored after the first pthread create, although getenv() might show
  otherwise. The current CCSID pair used for conversion & tagging
  purposes will remain unchanged.
• Deleting or clearing the environment variable before the first pthread
  create will result in the default CCSID pair (1047,819) being used for
  conversion and tagging purposes.
• Using improper syntax before the first pthread create will result in the
  CCSID pair being set to (0,0). This will prevent any further conversion.
• Has no effect on initially untagged new or empty HFS files that have
  already been opened using fopen(), freopen(), or popen() on the current
  thread and FILETAG(AUTOTAG) is in effect. These files were setup for
  tagging upon first write at the time they were opened. The File CCSID
  was set to what the Program CCSID was at the time of the open.
• The standard streams may have already been setup for automatic text
  conversion, before the main() begins execution, using EBCDIC CCSID
  1047 as the File CCSID, therefore changing the CCSID pair using one of
  these methods will not affect the standard streams.

Note: Changing the value of this environment variable using any other
mechanism is ignored, although getenv() might show otherwise. You
can use setenv() with a value of NULL to delete an environment
variable.

_BPXK_SIGDANGER

Set to either YES or NO, this variable modifies the process termination
mechanism used during UNIX System Services Shutdown. During
Shutdown the kernel sends a signal to each non-permanent non-blocking
process. If _BPXK_SIGDANGER is not in the environment, or if its value is
not YES, then SIGTERM is sent to these processes. If
_BPXK_SIGDANGER is present in the environment and has the value YES
then signal SIGDANGER will be sent instead of SIGTERM. The default
action for SIGTERM is to terminate the process, but the default action for
SIGDANGER is to ignore the signal. The application may register a
SIGDANGER signal catcher function to handle shutdowns. If the process
does not end in a short while after being sent the first signal, the kernel will
send SIGKILL to the process. If the process does not end in a short while
after the second signal is sent, the process will be brought down using
CALLRTM ABTERM=YES.

Note: The program should not use the environ external variable to put this
or any other "_BPXK_" environment variable into its own
environment. The Kernel will not be told about the environment
variable setting when it is added to the environment this way.
The program should use an environ pointer to put this variable into the environment of a new process created with spawn() or exec(). In this case the kernel will notice _BPXK_ environment variables being created for a new program image. In addition, the kernel will correctly detect _BPXK_ environment variables generated into child processes created via fork() and spawn.

_CEE_DMPTARG
Used to specify the directory in which Language Environment dumps (CEEDUMPs) are written for applications that are running as the result of a fork, exec, or spawn. This environment variable is ignored if the application is not run as a result of a fork, exec, or spawn.

_CEE_ENVFILE
Used to specify a file from which to read environment variables.

_CEE_HEAP_MANAGER
Used to specify the DLL name for the Vendor Heap Manager to be used during execution of the application.

_CEE_RUNOPTS
Used to specify Language Environment run-time options to a program invoked by using one of the exec functions, such as a program which is invoked from one of the z/OS UNIX System Services shells.

_EDC_ADD_ERRNO2
Appends errno2 information to the output of perror() and strerror().

_EDC_ANSI_OPEN_DEFAULT
Affects the characteristics of MVS text files opened with the default attributes.

_EDC_BYTE_SEEK
Specifies that fseek() and ftell() should use relative byte offsets.

_EDC_CLEAR_SCREEN
Affects the behavior of output text terminal files.

_EDC_COMPAT
Specifies that C/C++ should use specific functional behavior from previous releases of C/370.

_EDC_ERRNO_DIAG
Indicates if additional diagnostic information should be generated, when the perror() or strerror() functions are called to produce an error message.

_EDC_GLOBAL_STREAMS
Allows the C standard streams stdin, stdout and stderr to have global behavior. _EDC_GLOBAL_STREAMS is not supported in AMODE 64.

_EDC_POPEN
Specifies that popen() uses spawn() instead of fork().

_EDC_PUTENV_COPY
Copies the putenv() string into storage owned by Language Environment.

_EDC_RRDS_HIDE_KEY
Relevant for VSAM RRDS files opened in record mode. Enables calls to fread() that specify a pointer to a character string and do not append the Relative Record Number to the beginning of the string.

_EDC_STOR_INCREMENT
Sets the size of increments to the internal library storage subpool acquired
above the 16M line. _EDC_STOR_INCREMENT is not supported in AMODE 64 applications. In AMODE 64 applications, this environment variable is replaced by the IOHEAP64 run-time option.

_EDC_STOR_INCREMENT_B
Sets the size of increments to the internal library storage subpool acquired below the 16M line. _EDC_STOR_INCREMENT_B is not supported in AMODE 64 applications. In AMODE 64 applications, this environment variable is replaced by the IOHEAP64 run-time option.

_EDC_STOR_INITIAL
Sets the initial size of the internal library storage subpool acquired above the 16M line. _EDC_STOR_INITIAL is not supported in AMODE 64 applications. In AMODE 64 applications, this environment variable is replaced by the IOHEAP64 run-time option.

_EDC_STOR_INITIAL_B
Sets the initial size of the internal library storage subpool acquired below the 16M line. _EDC_STOR_INITIAL_B is not supported in AMODE 64 applications. In AMODE 64 applications, this environment variable is replaced by the IOHEAP64 run-time option.

_EDC_UMASK_DFLT
Allows the user to control how the C library sets the default umask used when the program runs. If z/OS UNIX System Services services are available, the possible values of the _EDC_UMASK_DFLT environment variable are:
• NO - the library will not change the value
• a valid octal value - the library sets this as the default
• any other value - the library uses 022 octal as the value.

_EDC_ZERO_RECLEN
Enables processing of zero-length records in an MVS data set opened in variable format.

LANG Determines the locale to use for the locale categories when neither the LC_ALL environment variable nor the individual locale environment variables specify locale information. This environment variable does not interact with the language setting for messages.

LC_ALL Determine the locale to be used to override any values for locale categories specified by the settings of the LANG environment variable or any individual locale environment variables.

LC_COLLATE Determines the behavior of ranges, equivalence classes, and multicharacter collating elements.

LC_CTYPE Determines the locale for the interpretation of byte sequences of text data as characters (for example, single-byte versus multibyte characters in arguments and input files).

LC_MESSAGES Determines the language in which messages are to be written.

LC_MONETARY Determines the locale category for monetary-related numeric formatting information.
**LC_NUMERIC**
Determines the locale category for numeric formatting (for example, thousands separator and radix character) information.

**LC_TIME**
Determines the locale category for date and time formatting information.

**LC_TOD**
Determines the locale category for time of day and Daylight Savings Time formatting information.

**LIBPATH**
Allows an absolute or relative pathname to be searched when loading a DLL. If the input filename contains a slash (/), it is used as is to locate the DLL. If the input filename does not contain a slash, then LIBPATH is used to determine the pathname to load. LIBPATH specifies a list of directories separated by colons. If the LIBPATH begins or ends with a colon, then the working directory is also searched first or last, depending on the position of the stand-alone colon. The “::” specification can only occur at the beginning or end of the list of directories. If you are running POSIX(ON), then HFS is searched first followed by MVS. If you are running POSIX(OFF), then MVS is searched first followed by HFS. This double search can be avoided by using unambiguous DLL names.

**LOCPATH**
Tells the setlocale() function the name of the directory in the HFS from which to load the locale object files. It specifies a colon separated list of HFS directories.

If LOCPATH is defined, setlocale() searches HFS directories in the order specified by LOCPATH for locale object files it requires. Locale object files in the HFS are produced by the locales utility running under z/OS UNIX System Services.

If LOCPATH is not defined and setlocale() is called by a POSIX program, setlocale() looks in the default HFS locale directory, /usr/lib/nls/locale, for locale object files it requires. If setlocale() does not find a locale object it requires in the HFS, it converts the locale name to a PDS member name and searches locale PDS load libraries associated with the program calling setlocale().

**Note:** XPLINK locales have an .xlink suffix added to the end of the locale name. For more information about XPLINK locale names, see “Locale naming conventions” on page 743

**PATH**
The set of HFS directories that some z/OS C/C++ functions, such as EXECVP, use in trying to locate an executable. The directories are separated by a colon (:) delimiter. If the pathname contains a slash, the PATH environment variable will not be used.

**__POSIX_SYSTEM**
Determines the behavior of the system() function when the POSIX(ON) run-time option has been specified. If __POSIX_SYSTEM=NO, then system() behaves as in Language Environment/370 1.2: it creates a nested enclave within the same process as the invoker (allowing such things as sharing of memory files). Otherwise, system() performs a fork() and exec(), and the target program runs in a separate process (preventing such things as sharing of memory files).

**Restriction:** __POSIX_SYSTEM=NO is not supported in AMODE 64 applications.
STEPLIB

Determines the STEPLIB environment that is created for an executable file. It can be a sequence of MVS data set names separated by a colon (:) or can contain the value CURRENT or NONE. If you do not want a STEPLIB environment propagated to the environment of the executable file, specify NONE. The STEPLIB environment variable defaults to the value CURRENT, which will propagate your current environment to that of the executable file.

See z/OS UNIX System Services Command Reference for more information on the use of the STEPLIB variable and changing the search order for z/OS programs.

TZ or _TZ

Time zone information. The TZ and _TZ environment variables are typically set when you start a shell session, either through /etc/profile or .profile in your home directory. For more information on TZ and _TZ see Chapter 52, “Customizing a time zone,” on page 761.

Working with environment variables

The following library functions affect environment variables:

- setenv()
- clearenv()
- getenv()
- __getenv()
- putenv()

The setenv() function adds, changes, and deletes environment variables in the Environment Variable Table. The getenv() function retrieves the values from the table. If it does not find an environment variable, getenv() returns NULL. The clearenv() function clears the environment variable table, and resets to default behavior the actions affected by z/OS C/C++-specific environment variables.

The __getenv() function behaves almost the same as getenv() except getenv() returns the address of the environment variable value string that has been copied into a buffer, whereas __getenv() returns the address of the actual value string in the environment variable array. Because the value is not buffered, __getenv() cannot be used in a multithreaded application or in a single threaded application where the function setenv() changes the value of the variables.

The putenv() function provides a subset of the function setenv() and is provided for convenience in porting UNIX applications. putenv(env_var) is the same as setenv(var_name, var_value, i) where env_var represents the string var_name=var_value.

For a complete description of these functions, refer to z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.

Environment variables may be set any time in an application program or user exit. You can use the exit routine CEEBINT to set environment variables through calls to setenv(). For more information on the z/OS Language Environment user exit CEEBINT, refer to “Using run-time user exits in z/OS Language Environment” on page 579. You can also set environment variables by using the ENVAR run-time option. The syntax for this option is

ENVAR("1st_var=1st_value", "2nd_var=2nd_value")
For more information on this run-time option, refer to [z/OS Language Environment Programming Reference](#).

Specifying the `_CEE_ENVFILE` environment variable with a filename on the ENVAR option enables you to read more environment variables from that file. See "Environment variables specific to the z/OS C/C++ library" on page 465 for more information about `_CEE_ENVFILE`.

Environment variables set with the `setenv()` function exist only for the life of the program, and are not saved before program termination. Child programs are initialized with the environment variables of the parent. However, environment variables set by a child program are not propagated back to the parent upon termination of the child program.

**Note:** If you are running with POSIX(ON), environment variables are copied from a parent process to a child process when a `fork()` function is called, and are inherited by the new process image when an EXEC function is called.

When a parent process invokes a child process by using `system()`, using the ANSI form of the system function, the child receives its environment variables from the value of the ENVAR run-time option specified on the invocation of `system()`. For example:

```c
system("PGM=CHILD,PARM='ENVAR(ABC=5)/'");
```

**Naming conventions**

Avoid the following when creating names for environment variables:

- `=` This is invalid and will generate an error message.
- `_CBC_` This is reserved for z/OS C/C++ specific environment variables.
- `_CCN_` This is reserved for z/OS C/C++ specific environment variables.
- `_EDC_` This is reserved for z/OS C/C++ specific environment variables.
- `_CEE_` This is reserved for z/OS C/C++ specific environment variables used with z/OS Language Environment. See "Environment variables specific to the z/OS C/C++ library" on page 465 for more information.
- `_BPX_` This is reserved for z/OS C/C++ specific environment variables used in the kernel. See the `spawn` callable service in [z/OS UNIX System Services Programming: Assembler Callable Services Reference](#) for more information.

**DBCS characters**

Multibyte and DBCS characters should not be used in environment variable names. Their use can result in unpredictable behavior.

Multibyte and DBCS characters are allowed in environment variable values; however, the values are not validated, and redundant shifts are not removed.

**white space**

Blank spaces are valid characters and should be used carefully in environment variable names and values.
For example, `setenv("my name", "David", 1)` sets the environment variable `my name` to `David`. A call to `getenv("my name")` returns `NULL` indicating that the variable was not found. You must specifically query `getenv("my name")` to retrieve the value of "David".

The environment variable names are case-sensitive.

The empty string is a valid environment variable name.

**Note:** In general, it is a good idea to avoid special characters, and to use portable names containing just upper and lower case alphabets, numerics, and underscore characters. Environment variable names containing certain special characters, such as slash (/), are not propagated by the z/OS UNIX System Services shells. Therefore, these variable names are not available to a program called using the POSIX `system()` function.

**Environment variables specific to the z/OS C/C++ library**

The following z/OS C/C++ specific environment variables are supported to provide various functions. z/OS C/C++ variables have the prefix `_CEE_` or `_EDC_`. You should not use these prefixes to name your own variables.

- `_CEE_DMPTARG`
- `_CEE_ENVFILE`
- `_CEE_HEAP_MANAGER`
- `_CEE_RUNOPTS`
- `_EDC_ADD_ERRNO2`
- `_EDC_ANSI_OPEN_DEFAULT`
- `_EDC_BYTE_SEEK`
- `_EDC_CLEAR_SCREEN`
- `_EDC_COMPAT`
- `_EDC_ERRNO_DIAG`
- `_EDC_GLOBAL_STREAMS`
- `_EDC_POPEN`
- `_EDC_PUTENV_COPY`
- `_EDC_RRDS_HIDE_KEY`
- `_EDC_STOR_INCREMENT`
- `_EDC_STOR_INCREMENT_B`
- `_EDC_STOR_INITIAL`
- `_EDC_STOR_INITIAL_B`
- `_EDC_UMASK_DFLT`
- `_EDC_ZERO_RECLEN`

There are no default settings for the environment variables that begin with `_EDC_`. There are, however, default actions that occur if these environment variables are undefined or are set to invalid values. See the descriptions of each variable below.

The z/OS C/C++ specific environment variables may be set with the `setenv()` function.
CEE_DMPTARG

Specifies the directory in which Language Environment dumps (CEEDUMPs) are written for applications that are running as the result of a fork, exec, or spawn. This environment variable is ignored if the application is not run as a result of a fork, exec, or spawn. When _CEE_DMPTARG is set in one of these environments, its value is used as the directory name in which to place CEEDUMPs. For example, if in a shell, you set the environment variable as follows:

```
export _CEE_DMPTARG=/u/userid/dmpdir
```

Language Environment dumps will be written to directory /u/userid/dmpdir. If in a shell, you set the environment variable as follows:

```
export _CEE_DMPTARG=dmpdir
```

Language Environment dumps will be written to directory "cwd"/dmpdir where "cwd" is the current working directory

CEE_ENVFILE

Enables a list of environment variables to be set from a specified file. This environment variable only takes effect when it is set through the run-time option ENVAR on initialization of a parent program.

When _CEE_ENVFILE is defined under these conditions, its value is taken as the name of the file to be used. For example, to read the DDfile MYVARS, you would call your program with the ENVAR run-time option as follows:

```
ENVAR("_CEE_ENVFILE=DD:MYVARS")
```

The specified file is opened as a variable length record file. For an MVS data set, the data set must be allocated with RECFM=V. RECFM=F is not recommended, since RECFM=F enables padding with blanks, and the blanks are counted when calculating the size of the line. Each record consists of NAME=VALUE. For example, a file with the following two records:

```
_EDC_RRDS_HIDE_KEY=Y
World_Champions=New_York_Yankees
```

would set the environment variable _EDC_RRDS_HIDE_KEY to the value Y, and the environment variable World_Champions to the value New_York_Yankees.

Notes:
1. Using _CEE_ENVFILE to set environment variables through a file is not supported under CICS.
2. z/OS Language Environment searches for an equal sign to delimit the environment variable from its value. If an equal sign is not found, the environment variable is skipped and the rest of the text is treated as comments.
3. Each record of the file is processed independently from any other record in the file. Data within a record is used exactly as input with no substitution. A file containing:

```
FRED=WILMA
FRED=$FRED:BAMBAM
```

will result in the environment variable FRED being set to $FRED:BAMBAM, rather than to WILMA:BAMBAM as would be the case if the same statements were processed by a UNIX shell.
_CEE_HEAP_MANAGER

Specifies the name of the Vendor Heap Manager (VHM) DLL that will be used to manage the user heap. You set the environment variable as follows:

_CEE_HEAP_MANAGER=dllname

This environment variable must be set using one of the following mechanisms:

- ENVAR run-time option
- inside the file specified by the _CEE_ENVFILE environment variable.

Either of these mechanisms is before any user code gets control. This means prior to the HLL user exit, static constructors, and/or main getting control. Setting of this environment variable once the user code has begun execution will not activate the VHM, but the value of the environment variable will be updated.

See [z/OS Language Environment Vendor Interfaces](https://www.ibm.com) for more information on the Vendor Heap Manager support.

_CEE_RUNOPTS

Used to specify invocation Language Environment run-time options for programs invoked using one of the exec family of functions. Mechanisms for setting the value of the _CEE_RUNOPTS environment variable include using the export command within the z/OS UNIX System Services shell, or using the setenv() or putenv() functions within a C/C++ application. The run-time options set from the _CEE_RUNOPTS environment variable value that become active in the invoked program are known as invocation command run-time options.

**Note:** For this description, the exec family of functions includes the spawn family of functions.

The format of the environment variable is:

_CEE_RUNOPTS=value

where value is a null-terminated character string of Language Environment run-time options. For example, you could specify the following:

```bash
export _CEE_RUNOPTS="stack(,,any,) termthdact(dump)"
```

to set the value of the environment variable within the z/OS UNIX shell.

The _CEE_RUNOPTS environment variable has a unique behavior. It can be unset, or modified, but will be re-created or added to across an exec to effect the propagation of invocation Language Environment run-time options. This behavior is designed specifically to allow run-time options such as TRACE to take effect for parts of an application which are not invoked directly by the user. Without this behavior, the external TRACE option could not be propagated to parts of an application that are executed using one of the exec family of functions.

At the time of the exec, any active invocation command run-time option settings, not already explicitly part of the _CEE_RUNOPTS environment variable, are added to its value. This new value for the _CEE_RUNOPTS environment variable is passed to the exec target to be used as invocation Language Environment run-time options for the invoked program. Thus, all invocation run-time options, those specified with the _CEE_RUNOPTS environment variable and those already active, are propagated across the exec.
When the _CEE_RUNOPTS environment variable is not defined at the time of the exec, but there are other active invocation command run-time options, it will be re-created with its value set to represent the active invocation command run-time option settings. This unique behavior, where the _CEE_RUNOPTS environment variable is added to, or re-created, across an exec, can cause unexpected results when the user attempts to unset (clear) the environment variable, or modify its value.

The following example demonstrates this behavior. We enter the z/OS UNIX shell through OMVS, and a sub-shell is created using one of the exec family of functions. The propagation of the _CEE_RUNOPTS environment variable takes place across creation of the sub-shell.

```
/u/carbone>echo $_CEE_RUNOPTS
POSIX(ON)
/u/carbone>/bin/sh
/u/carbone>echo $_CEE_RUNOPTS
POSIX(ON)
/u/carbone>unset _CEE_RUNOPTS
/u/carbone>echo $_CEE_RUNOPTS
/u/carbone>/bin/sh
/u/carbone>echo $_CEE_RUNOPTS
/u/carbone>export _CEE_RUNOPTS="ABTERMENC(RETCODE)"
/u/carbone>echo $_CEE_RUNOPTS
ABTERMENC(RETCODE)
/u/carbone>/bin/sh
/u/carbone>echo $_CEE_RUNOPTS
ABTERMENC(RETCODE) POS(ON)
/u/carbone>env | grep _CEE_RUN
_CEE_RUNOPTS=POS(ON)
/u/carbone>echo $_CEE_RUNOPTS
/u/carbone>export _CEE_RUNOPTS="ABTERMENC(RETCODE)" €
/u/carbone>/bin/sh
/u/carbone>echo $_CEE_RUNOPTS
ABTERMENC(RETCODE)
/u/carbone>env | grep _CEE_RUN
_CEE_RUNOPTS=ABTERMENC(RETCODE) POS(ON)
/u/carbone>/bin/sh
/u/carbone>echo $_CEE_RUNOPTS
ABTERMENC(RETCODE) POS(ON)
/u/carbone>unset _CEE_RUNOPTS
/u/carbone>echo $_CEE_RUNOPTS
/u/carbone>/bin/sh
/u/carbone>echo $_CEE_RUNOPTS
/u/carbone>export _CEE_RUNOPTS="POS(ON)"
/u/carbone>echo $_CEE_RUNOPTS
POS(ON)
/u/carbone>
```

1. The current value of the _CEE_RUNOPTS environment variable happens to be POSIX(ON).
2. Using /bin/sh to create a sub-shell will go through the process where the _CEE_RUNOPTS environment variable is added to, or re-created, across the exec.
3. Displaying the value of the _CEE_RUNOPTS environment variable using echo in the sub-shell shows that no other invocation command run-time options were in effect at the time of the exec, since the value of the environment variable is unchanged (there were no run-time options to add).
4. Using unset to clear the _CEE_RUNOPTS environment variable does remove it from the sub-shell environment, as shown with the echo command, but it does not change the fact that POSIX(ON) is the active invocation command run-time option in the sub-shell.
5. To see this, we use the env | grep _CEE_RUNOPTS command. The env is the target of an exec. We know that the _CEE_RUNOPTS environment variable is re-created across the exec from the active invocation command run-time options. And as you can see, the value shows as POS(ON). During re-creation, Language Environment uses the minimum abbreviations for the run-time options when re-creating or adding to the _CEE_RUNOPTS environment variable.
6. When the env returns, the _CEE_RUNOPTS environment variable is still unset in the sub-shell as seen using the echo command.

7. We now use export to set a different value for the _CEE_RUNOPTS environment variable in the sub-shell. We see the value using the echo command.

8. Using the env | grep _CEE_RUNOPTS command again, we see the behavior where the active invocation command run-time options are added to the current value of the _CEE_RUNOPTS environment variable.

9. The rest of the example creates a second sub-shell and shows that the _CEE_RUNOPTS environment variable in the sub-shell was added to across the exec of the sub-shell. And again, using unset does not change the active invocation command run-time options.

_EDC_ADD_ERRNO2

Appends errno2 information to the output of perror() and strerror(). For example, for perror() if errno was 121, then the output would be "EDC5121I Invalid argument." If _EDC_ADD_ERRNO2 was defined, the ouput would be "EDC5121I Invalid argument. (errno2=0x0C0F8402)."

_EDC_ADD_ERRNO2 is set with the command:

```
setenv("_EDC_ADD_ERRNO2","1",1);
```

**Note:** errno2 is a residual error field. It contains the errno2 from the last kernel failure. This errno2 value may or may not be related to the errno error message.

_EDC_ANSI_OPEN_DEFAULT

Affects the characteristics of MVS text files opened with the default attributes.

Issuing the following command causes text files opened with the default characteristics to be opened with a record format of FIXED and a logical record length of 254 in accordance with the ANSI standard for C.

```
setenv("_EDC Ansi_OPEN_DEFAULT","Y",1);
```

When this environment variable is not specified and a text file is created without its record format or LRECL defined, then the default is a variable record format.

_EDC_BYTE SEEK

Indicates to z/OS C/C++ that, for all binary files, ftell() should return relative byte offsets, and fseek() should use relative byte offsets as input. The default behavior is for only binary files with a fixed record format to support relative byte offsets.

_EDC_BYTE SEEK is set with the command:

```
setenv("_EDC_BYTE SEEK","Y",1);
```

_EDC_CLEAR_SCREEN

Applies to output text terminal files.

_EDC_CLEAR_SCREEN is set with the command:

```
setenv("_EDC_CLEAR_SCREEN","Y",1);
```
When _EDC_CLEAR_SCREEN is set, writing a \f (form feed) character to a text terminal sends all preceding unwritten data in the terminal buffer to the screen, and then clears the screen.

When _EDC_CLEAR_SCREEN in not set, writing a \f (form feed) character to a text terminal results in the character being treated as a non-control character. The character is written to the terminal buffer as \f.

_EDC_COMPAT

Indicates to z/OS C/C++ that it should use old functional behavior for various items in code ported from old releases of C/370. These functional items are specified by the value of the environment variable. _EDC_COMPAT is set with the command:

```
setenv("_EDC_COMPAT","x",1);
```

where x is an integer. z/OS C/C++ converts the string "x" into its decimal integer equivalent, and treats this value as a bit mask to determine which functions to use in compatibility mode. The following table interprets the least significant bit as bit zero.

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<th>Bit</th>
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<td>ftell()</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>fclose()</td>
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<td>3 through 31</td>
<td>Unused</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

For this release, calls to fseek() with an offset of SEEK_CUR, ftellpos(), and fflush() take into account characters pushed back with the ungetc() library function. You must set the _EDC_COMPAT environment variable for ungetc() if you want these functions to ignore ungetc() characters as they did in old C/370 code.

For ftell(), z/OS C/C++ uses an encoding scheme that varies according to the attributes of the underlying data set. You must set the _EDC_COMPAT environment variable for ftell() if you want to use encoded ftell() values generated in old C/370 code.

You can set _EDC_COMPAT to indicate that fclose() should not unallocate the SYSOUT=* data set when it is closing "*" data sets created under batch. This is to ensure that such data sets can be concatenated with the Job Log, if their attributes are compatible.

Here are some examples of how you can set _EDC_COMPAT:

- `setenv("_EDC_COMPAT","1",1);` invokes old ungetc() behavior.
- `setenv("_EDC_COMPAT","2",1);` invokes old ftell() behavior.
- `setenv("_EDC_COMPAT","3",1);` invokes both old ungetc() behavior and old ftell() behavior.
- `setenv("_EDC_COMPAT","4",1);` invokes old behavior for spool data sets created by opening "*" in MVS or IMS batch.

_EDC_ERRNO_DIAG

Indicates if additional diagnostic information should be generated, when the perror() or strerror() functions are called to produce an error message. This
Environment variable also controls how much additional information is produced. 
_EDC_ERRNO_DIAG is set with the command

```
setenv("_EDC_ERRNO_DIAG","x,y",1);
```

where x is an integer and y is a list of integer errno values, for which additional diagnostic information is desired. The list of errno values must be separated by commas. If the y value is omitted, then additional diagnostic information is generated for all errno values. If a non-numeric errno value is found in y, it is treated as 0. Acceptable values for x are as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Value</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0</td>
<td>No additional diagnostic information is generated (This is the default if _EDC_ERRNO_DIAG is not set).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>The ctrace() function is called to generate additional diagnostic information.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>The csnap() function is called to generate additional diagnostic information.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>The cdump() function is called to generate additional diagnostic information.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

See |OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference for details on the level of diagnostic information provided by the above functions.

Examples:
- `setenv("_EDC_ERRNO_DIAG","0",1);` No additional diagnostic information is produced.
- `setenv("_EDC_ERRNO_DIAG","1",1);` The ctrace() function is called for any errno when perror() or strerror() are called.
- `setenv("_EDC_ERRNO_DIAG","2,121",1);` The csnap() function is called only when errno equals 121 when perror() or strerror() are called.
- `setenv("_EDC_ERRNO_DIAG","3,121,129",1);` The cdump() function is called only when errno equals either 121 or 129 when perror() or strerror() are called.

_EDC_GLOBAL_STREAMS

Used during initialization of the first C main in the environment to allow the C standard streams stdin, stdout, and stderr to have global behavior. The environment variable settings and standard streams using the global behavior, are as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Setting</th>
<th>Standard streams using global behavior</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0</td>
<td>none</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>stderr</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>stdout</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>stderr,stdout</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>stdin</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>stderr,stdin</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>stdout,stdin</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>stderr,stdout,stdin</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Note:** The first C main would include any Pre-Init Compatibility Interface initialization.
You can use one of the following methods to set the environment variable
_EDC_GLOBAL_STREAMS:

- CEEBXITA assembler user exit
  You can modify the sample CSECT and assemble and link with the application.
  The run-time options specified in the CEEBXITA assembler user exit override all
  other sources of run-time options except those that are specified as NONOVR in
  the installation default run-time options. These options are honored only during
  initialization of the first enclave.

- ENVAR_EDC_GLOBAL_STREAMS=<setting>)
  You can call your program with the ENVAR run-time option. This overrides the
  application defaults specified using CEEUOPT or the #pragma runopts directive.

- #pragma runopts(ENVAR_EDC_GLOBAL_STREAMS=<setting>)
  Use the #pragma runopts directive in your application source code.

- CEEUOPT application defaults
  Modify the sample CSECT and assemble and link with the application. This
  overrides corresponding overrideable CEEDOPT options.

- CEEDOPT installation defaults
  This is not recommended. Do not use this method.

Notes:
1. _EDC_GLOBAL_STREAMS is not supported in AMODE 64.
2. Attempts to set this environment variable in the file specified by the
   _CEE_ENVFILE environment variable are ignored. The standard streams are
   initialized before that file is read.
3. You cannot use the CEEINT user exit to set this environment variable. The
   CEEINT user exit gets control after the standard streams have been initialized.

_EDC_POPEN
Sets the behavior of the popen() function. When the value of _EDC_POPEN is set to
FORK, popen() uses fork() to create the child process. When the value of
_EDC_POPEN is set to SPAWN, popen() uses spawn() to create the child process. If the
value of _EDC_POPEN is not set, the default behavior is for popen() to use fork() to
create the child process.

The _EDC_POPEN environment variable can be set with the function
setenv("_EDC_POPEN","SPAWN", 1);

_EDC_PUTENV_COPY
Sets the behavior of the putenv() function. When the value of EDC.PUTENV_COPY is
set to YES, the putenv() string is copied into storage owned by Language
Environment. When the value of _EDC_PUTENV_COPY is not set, or set to a value
other than YES, then the putenv() string is placed directly into the environment, so
altering the string will change the environment.

The _EDC_PUTENV_COPY environment variable can be set with the function
setenv("_EDC_PUTENV_COPY","YES", 1);

Notes:
1. Changes to z/OS specific environment variables beginning with _BPXK_, _CEE_
or _EDC_ may not be processed if the environment variable is updated directly
rather than by using setenv() or putenv(). Results are unpredictable if these
type of environment variables are updated directly.
2. For ASCII applications, the users string will be placed into the environment. However, updates should only be made with setenv() or putenv(). Results are unpredictable if the environment variable is updated directly.

3. If the user manually changes the environment, storage associated with the original environment may never be freed.

4. The _putenv() function will always make a copy of the user string and perform as though _EDC_PUTENV_COPY=YES were specified.

5. _EDC_PUTENV_COPY may be updated during the life of the application by setenv(), putenv() or clearenv(). This will affect the behavior of any subsequent call to putenv(), however it will not change the state of existing environment variables. putenv() may be used to update _EDC_PUTENV_COPY. The behavior requested will not take effect until the next putenv() call.

_EDC_RRDS_HIDE_KEY

Applies to VSAM RRDS files opened in record mode. When this environment variable is set, you can call fread() with a pointer to a character string, and the Relative Record Number is not appended to the beginning of the record.

The _EDC_RRDS_HIDE_KEY environment variable is set with the command

setenv("_EDC_RRDS_HIDE_KEY","Y",1);

By default, when you open a VSAM record in record mode, the fread() function is called with the RRDS record structure, and the record is preceded by the Relative Record Number.

_EDC_STOR_INCREMENT

Sets the size of increments to the internal library storage subpool acquired above the 16M line. By default, when the storage subpool is filled, its size is incremented by 8K. When _EDC_STOR_INCREMENT is set, its value string is translated to its decimal integer equivalent. This integer is then the new setting of the subpool storage increment size. The setting of this environment variable is only effective if it is done before the first I/O in the enclave.

The _EDC_STOR_INCREMENT value must be greater than zero, and must be a multiple of 4K. If the value is less than zero, the default setting of 8K is used. If the value is not a multiple of 4K, then it is rounded up to the next 4K interval. If _EDC_STOR_INCREMENT is set to an invalid value that must be modified internally to be divisible by 4K, this modification is not reflected in the character string that appears in the environment variable table.

Consider the case where setenv() is called as follows:

setenv("_EDC_STOR_INCREMENT","9000",1);

Internally, the storage subpool increment value is set to 12288 (that is, 12K). However, the subsequent call

getenv("_EDC_STOR_INCREMENT");

returns "9000", as set by the call to setenv().

**Note:** _EDC_STOR_INCREMENT is not supported in AMODE 64. In AMODE 64 this environment variable is replaced by the IOHEAP64 run-time option.
**_EDC_STOR_INCREMENT_B**

Sets the increment size of an internal library storage subpool acquired below the 16M line. By default, when the below the line storage subpool is filled, its size is incremented by 4K. When _EDC_STOR_INCREMENT_B is set, its value string is translated to the decimal equivalent. These integers are then used as the new settings of the below subpool storage increment sizes. The setting of this environment variable is only effective if it is done before the first I/O in the enclave.

Consider the case where setenv() is called from CEEBINT as follows:

```c
setenv("_EDC_STOR_INCREMENT_B","1000",1);
```

with the CEEBINT user exit linked to the application.

Internally, the storage subpool acquired from 24-bit storage will be 4096 (or 4K). However, the subsequent call

```c
getenv("_EDC_STOR_INCREMENT_B");
```

returns "1000", as set by the setenv() call.

**Note:** _EDC_STOR_INCREMENT_B is not supported in AMODE 64. In AMODE 64, this environment variable is replaced by the IOHEAP64 run-time option.

**_EDC_STOR_INITIAL**

Sets the initial size of the internal library storage subpool acquired above the line. The default subpool storage size is 12K. When _EDC_STORE_INITIAL is set, its value string is translated to its decimal integer equivalent. This integer is then the new setting of the subpool storage increment size. The setting of this environment variable is only effective if it is done before the first I/O in the enclave.

The _EDC_STORE_INITIAL value must be greater than zero, and must be a multiple of 4K. If the value is less than zero, the default setting of 12K is used. If the value is not a multiple of 4K, then it is rounded up to the next 4K interval. If _EDC_STORE_INITIAL is set to an invalid value that must be modified internally to be divisible by 4K, this modification is not reflected in the character string that appears in the environment variable table.

Consider the case where setenv() is called from CEEBINT as follows:

```c
setenv("_EDC_STORE_INITIAL","16000",1);
```

with the CEEBINT user exit linked to the application.

Internally, the storage subpool is initialized to 16384 (that is, 16K). However, the subsequent call

```c
getenv("_EDC_STORE_INITIAL");
```

returns "16000" as set by the setenv() call.

**Note:** _EDC_STORE_INITIAL is not supported in AMODE 64. In AMODE 64, this environment variable is replaced by the IOHEAP64 run-time option.

**_EDC_STOR_INITIAL_B**

Sets the initial size of an internal library storage subpool acquired below the 16M line. The default below the line subpool storage size is 4K. When _EDC_STOR_INITIAL_B is set, its value string is translated to the decimal integer.
equivalent. This integer is then used as the new setting of the above line subpool storage initial size. The setting of this environment variable is only effective if it is done before the first I/O in the enclave.

Consider the case where setenv() is called from CEEBINT as follows:

```
setenv("_EDC_STOR_INITIAL_B","1000",1);
```

with the CEEBINT user exit linked to the application.

Internally, the storage subpool acquired from 24-bit storage will be set to 4096 (that is, 4K). However, the subsequent call

```
getenv("_EDC_STOR_INITIAL_B");
```

returns "1000" as set by the setenv() call.

**Note:** _EDC_STOR_INITIAL_B is not supported in AMODE 64. In AMODE 64, this environment variable is replaced by the IOHEAP64 run-time option.

**_EDC_ZERO_RECLEN**

Allows processing of zero-length records in an MVS Variable file opened in either record or text mode.

**Note:** This environment variable has no effect on streams based on HFS files. You can always read and write zero-byte records in HFS files.

_EDC_ZERO_RECLEN is set with the command:

```
setenv("_EDC_ZERO_RECLEN","Y",1);
```

For details on the behavior of this environment variable, refer to Chapter 10, "Performing OS I/O operations," on page 95.

**Example**

The following example sets the environment variable _EDC_ANSI_OPEN_DEFAULT. A child program is then initiated by a system call. This example illustrates that environment variables are propagated forward, but not backward.
/* this example shows how environment variables are propagated */
/* part 1 of 2-other file is CCNGEV2 */

#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

int main(void) {

    char *x;

    /* set the environment variable _EDC_ANSI_OPEN_DEFAULT */
    setenv("_EDC_ANSI_OPEN_DEFAULT","Y",1);

    /* set x to the current value of _EDC_ANSI_OPEN_DEFAULT */
    x = getenv("_EDC_ANSI_OPEN_DEFAULT");

    printf("ccngev1 _EDC_ANSI_OPEN_DEFAULT = %s\n",
            (x != NULL) ? x : "undefined");

    /* call the child program */
    system("ccngev2");

    /* set x to the current value of _EDC_ANSI_OPEN_DEFAULT */
    x = getenv("_EDC_ANSI_OPEN_DEFAULT");

    printf("ccngev1 _EDC_ANSI_OPEN_DEFAULT = %s\n",
            (x != NULL) ? x : "undefined");

    return(0);
}

Figure 136. Environment variables example-Part 1
The preceding program produces the following output:

cbcgev1 _EDC_ANSI_OPEN_DEFAULT = Y
ccngev2 _EDC_ANSI_OPEN_DEFAULT = Y
ccngev2 _EDC_ANSI_OPEN_DEFAULT = undefined
ccngev1 _EDC_ANSI_OPEN_DEFAULT = Y
Part 5. Performance optimization

This part describes guidelines for improving the performance of your C/C++ application. Performance improvement can be achieved through coding, compiling, and the run-time environment. The following chapters discuss guidelines for these three areas:

- Chapter 32, “Improving program performance,” on page 481
- Chapter 33, “I/O Performance considerations,” on page 497
- Chapter 34, “Improving performance with compiler options,” on page 501
- Chapter 35, “Optimizing the system and Language Environment,” on page 519
- Chapter 36, “Balancing compilation time and application performance,” on page 523

You may also find useful information in the IBM Redbook *Tuning Large C/C++ Applications on z/OS UNIX System Services*. This Redbook is available on the web at:

Chapter 32. Improving program performance

This chapter discusses coding guidelines that improve the performance of a C or C++ application. While they are most effective when creating new code, these guidelines can also provide a gradual performance improvement when they are consistently used when porting or fixing areas of the code. The guidelines cover the following topics:

- "Writing code for performance"
- "Using C++ constructs in performance-critical code"
- "ANSI aliasing rules" on page 483
- "Using ANSI aliasing rules" on page 486
- "Using variables" on page 487
- "Passing function arguments" on page 488
- "Coding expressions" on page 488
- "Coding conversions" on page 489
- "Arithmetical considerations" on page 489
- "Using loops and control constructs" on page 489
- "Choosing a data type" on page 490
- "Using built-in library functions and macros" on page 491
- "Using library extensions" on page 493
- "Using pragmas" on page 494

Writing code for performance

When you write code, it is a good practice to write it so that you can understand it when you simply read it on a printed page or on a screen, without having to refer to anything else. If the code is simple and concise, both the programmer and the compiler can understand it easily. Code that is easy for the compiler to understand is also easy for it to optimize. If you follow this practice you might not only create code that performs well on execution, you might also create code that compiles more quickly.

If you follow the guidelines in this chapter, you will create code that performs well on execution and can be compiled efficiently.

Using C++ constructs in performance-critical code

Note: The discussion in this section applies to high-level language constructs that might seriously degrade the performance of C++ programs. All other coding discussions in this chapter apply to both C and C++ programs.

Be aware that in C++, more than in C, certain coding constructs can lead to n-to-1, m-to-1 or even z-to-1 code expansion. You can create well-performing code with these constructs, but you must use them carefully and appropriately, especially when you are writing critical-path or high-frequency code.

When writing performance-critical C++ programs, ensure that you understand why problems might occur and what you can do about them if you use any of the following high-level language constructs:
Virtual

The virtual construct is an important part of object-oriented coding and can be very useful in removing the if and switch logic from an application. Programmers often use virtual and neglect to remove the switch logic.

Note the following:
- The use of a virtual construct (like the use of a pointer and unlike the use of if statements) prevents the compiler from knowing how that construct is defined, which would provide the compiler with an optimization opportunity. In other words, when you use a virtual construct instead of if or switch statements, you limit optimization opportunities.
- In a non-XPLINK module, because of function overhead, virtual functions are costlier to execute than straight-line code with if or switch statements.

Exception handling

When exception handling is available (that is, when you are using the EXH compiler option), opportunities for both normal optimizations and for inlining are limited. This is because the compiler must generate extra code to keep track of execution events and to ensure that the all required objects are caught by the correct routines.

When you use the C++ try and catch blocks, the compiler creates obstacles to optimization. The compiler cannot pull common code out of a try block because it might trigger an exception that would need to be caught. Similarly, code cannot be pulled out of a catch block because:
- The code in a catch block is triggered far down the call chain, after the exception has occurred
- After a catch has occurred, the compiler must ensure that all requested tasks have been executed

You might improve compiler performance by:
- Removing dependencies on C++ exception handling from your code
- Compiling with the NOEXH compiler option

Dynamic casts/Run-time type identification (RTTI)

A dynamic cast (also known as RTTI) is a coding construct that delays, until run time, the determination of which code is to be executed. This limits the potential for optimization. In addition, the process of actually doing the dynamic cast involves multiple function calls and large amounts of code.

Note: We strongly recommend that RTTI/dynamic casts not be used in performance-critical code. You can often avoid the use of RTTI through careful application design.

iostream

As discussed in Chapter 4, "Using the Standard C++ Library I/O Stream Classes," on page 37 and Chapter 9, "Using C and C++ standard streams and redirection," on page 75, istream is often built upon the standard C I/O library (fprintf, fopen, fclose, fread, fwrite). For I/O performance-critical portions of your application, it is often faster to use the C I/O functions explicitly instead of istream.

Note: You must be careful if you are mixing the C++ stream classes with the C library. For more information, see Chapter 4, "Using the Standard C++ Library I/O Stream Classes," on page 37.
Standard Template Library and other class libraries

These libraries are very convenient and are often well coded, but the user must remember that each use of a class can involve one or more function calls. If you keep this in mind when coding, you can design applications that use these libraries efficiently. For example, you would not initialize all local string variables to the NULL string and then re-define the string on first reference.

new/delete

New C++ applications on z/OS often depend heavily on new and delete operators because they are commonly one of the first things taught in a C++ introductory course, and many courses never explicitly teach that classes can also be automatic (default for local) or global variables.

You should be aware that the new and delete operators are costlier to use than variables.

Before using new, you should carefully consider:

- The scope/usage pattern of the variable
- Whether an automatic (local) or global variable is more appropriate

Note: You can ensure that all memory and storage requests are properly optimized by following the instructions given in Chapter 34, “Improving performance with compiler options,” on page 501.

ANSI aliasing rules

You must indicate whether your source code conforms to the ANSI aliasing rules when you use the IPA or the OPT(2) (or above) z/OS C/C++ compiler options. If the code does not conform to the rules, it must be compiled with NOANSIALIAS. Incorrect use of these options might generate bad code.

Note: The compiler expects that the source code conforms to the ANSI aliasing rules when the ANSIALIAS option is used. This option is on by default.

The ANSI aliasing rules are part of the ISO C Standard, and state that a pointer can be dereferenced only to an object of the same type or compatible type. Because the z/OS C/C++ compiler follows these rules during optimization, the developer must create code that conforms to the rules.

Note: The common coding practice of casting a pointer to an incompatible type and then dereferencing it violates ANSI aliasing rules.

When you are using ANSI aliasing, you can cast an integer pointer only to the types described in the following table:

Table 74. Examples of acceptable alias types

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Type</th>
<th>Reason for acceptance</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>int</td>
<td>This is the declared type of the object.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>const int</td>
<td>These types are the qualified version of the declared type of the object.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>or volatile int</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>unsigned int</td>
<td>This is a signed or unsigned type corresponding to the declared type of the object.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Table 74. Examples of acceptable alias types (continued)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Type</th>
<th>Reason for acceptance</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>const unsigned int</td>
<td>These types are the signed or unsigned types corresponding to a qualified version of the declared type of the object.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>or</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>volatile unsigned int</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>struct foo {</td>
<td>This is an aggregate or union type that includes one of the aforementioned types among its members. This can include, recursively, a member of a subaggregator-contained union.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>unsigned int bar;</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>};</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>char or unsigned char</td>
<td>The char pointers are an exception to the rules, as any pointer can be used to point to a char variable.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Conversely, your code breaks the aliasing rules if it casts a float to an int then assigns it to the int pointer.

Note: For more information, see type-based aliasing in z/OS C/C++ Language Reference and ANSIALIAS in z/OS C/C++ User’s Guide.

You can cast and mix data types as long as you are careful how you intermix values and their pointers in your code. The compiler follows the ANSI aliasing rules to determine:

- Which variables must be stored into memory before you read a value through a pointer
- Which variables must be updated from memory after you have updated a value through a pointer

When you use the NOANSIALIAS option, the compiler generates code to accommodate worst-case assumptions (for example, that any variable could have been updated by the store through a pointer). This means that every variable (local and global) must be stored in memory to ensure that any value can be read through a pointer. This severely limits the potential for optimization.

Example:

```c
int ei1;
float ef1;
int *eip1;
float *efp1;

float exmpl ()
{
    ef1 = 3.0;
ei1=5;
    *efp1 = ef1;
    *eip1 = ei1;
    return *efp1;
}
```

The following table shows the difference between code generated with, and without, ANSI aliasing.
Table 75. Comparison of code generated with the ANSIALIAS and NOANSIALIAS options

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>ANSIALIAS RENT and OPT(2)</th>
<th>NOANSIALIAS RENT and OPT(2)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>* {</td>
<td>* {</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>* ef1 = 3.0;</td>
<td>* ef1 = 3.0;</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>L r4,=A(CONSTANT_AREA)(,r3,94)</td>
<td>L r2,=A(CONSTANT_AREA)(,r3,94)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>L r2,=Q(EF1)(,r3,98)</td>
<td>L r4,=Q(EF1)(,r3,110)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LD f0,CONSTANT_AREA(,r4,0)</td>
<td>LD r14,CEECAA_(,r12,520)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>L r15,=Q(EFP1)(,r3,102)</td>
<td>L r15,=Q(EFP1)(,r3,114)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>L r4,=Q(EIP1)(,r3,106)</td>
<td>LD r0,=Q(EIP1)(,r3,118)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>L r1,#retvalptr_1(,r1,0)</td>
<td>L r1,#retvalptr_1(,r1,0)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>STE f0,ef1(r2,r14,0)</td>
<td>STE f0,ef1(r4,r14,0)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>L r15,efp1(r15,r14,0)</td>
<td>L r4,efp1(r15,r14,0)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>* ei1 = 5;</td>
<td>* ei1 = 5;</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>L r2,=Q(EI1)(,r3,110)</td>
<td>L r2,=Q(EI1)(,r3,122)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LA r0,</td>
<td>STE f0,ef1(r4,r14,0)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>L r4,ei1(r4,r14,0)</td>
<td>L r4,ei1(r5,r14,0)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>* efp1 = ef1;</td>
<td>* efp1 = ef1;</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>STE f0,(*)float(r15,0)</td>
<td>L r4,efp1(r15,r14,0)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ST r0,ei1(r2,r14,0)</td>
<td>L r4,ei1(r5,r14,0)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>* ei1 = ei1;</td>
<td>* ei1 = ei1;</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ST r0,(*)int(r4,0)</td>
<td>ST r0,(*)int(r4,0)</td>
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<tr>
<td>* return *efp1;</td>
<td>* return *efp1;</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>STD f0,#retvalptr_1(,r1,0)</td>
<td>L r1,#retvalptr_1(,r1,0)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>* }</td>
<td>* }</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

Notes on the example:

- In the ANSIALIAS case:
  - f0, loaded with 3.0, is used whenever referring to ef1 or efp1
  - r0 is loaded with the value of 5, which is used for ei and eip
- In the NOANSIALIAS case, the loads and stores are always done. This removes opportunities for optimizations. For example, if a + b + c were used instead of 3.0 and efp1, saving through the pointer might have updated a, b, or c, and therefore you cannot common at all, and many more reloads.
- ANSIALIAS would not help if all the floats were also integers
- There is a group of problems that occurs when the ANSIALIAS option is used to compile code that does not conform to ANSI-aliasing rules (for example, when it casts a variable to a non-ANSI-aliasing type and then assigns the address of the value to a pointer for later use). If the ANSIALIAS option is in effect (it is the default) when a value is used through a pointer, the compiler might not reload the pointer value when the original value is updated, and the value might be stale when it is read.
Using ANSI aliasing rules

Your programs are likely to perform better if you follow these guidelines:

- Use ANSI aliasing whenever possible.
- Declare constant variables with const. This is particularly helpful when using the C++ compiler because if something is qualified as const, the compiler will not be forced to perform unnecessary reloads to see if the value has changed. This can generate significantly faster code.

**Example:**

```c
ggPoint3 operator*(const ggHMatrix3 &m,
                     const ggPoint3 &p)
{   return ggPoint3{
    m.e[0][0] * p.x() + m.e[0][1] * p.y() + m.e[0][2] * p.z() + m.e[0][3],
    m.e[1][0] * p.x() + m.e[1][1] * p.y() + m.e[1][2] * p.z() + m.e[1][3],
    m.e[2][0] * p.x() + m.e[2][1] * p.y() + m.e[2][2] * p.z() + m.e[2][3]  
};
```

- Whenever their values cannot change, qualify pointers and their targets as constants, ensuring that you mark the appropriate part as const.
  - If only the pointer is constant, you can use a statement that is similar to the following:
    ```c
    int * const i = p /* a constant pointer to an integer that may vary */;
    ```
  - If only the target is constant, use a statement similar to either of the following:
    ```c
    int const * i = p /* a variable pointer to a constant integer */;
    const int * const i = p /* a variable pointer to a constant integer */;
    ```
  - If both the target integer and the pointer are constants, use a statement similar to either of the following:
    ```c
    const int * const i = &p; /* a constant pointer to a constant integer */;
    int const * const i = &p; /* a constant pointer to a constant integer */;
    ```

- Use the `ROCONST` compiler option. The `ROCONST` option works with C and C++. This option causes the compiler to treat variables that are defined const as if they are read-only. In some cases these variables will be stored in read-only memory. For more information, see the `ROCONST` on page 505.

- **For global variables initialized to large read-only arrays or strings:** Use a #pragma variable to ensure they are implemented as read-only csects. This prevents them from being initialized at load time.

  **Example:** For large initialized arrays

  ```c
  # pragma variable (arrayname, norent)
  ```

- **In a read-only situation:** If you are using the value through a pointer, use a temporary automatic variable. The difference in the source code is significant, as shown in the following table:

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<th>ANSI ALIAS</th>
<th>RENT and OPT(2)</th>
<th>NO ANSI ALIAS</th>
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<tr>
<td>...</td>
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<tr>
<td>while (hot_loop &lt; hot_loop_end) {</td>
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<tr>
<td>hot_loop = hot_loop + foo-&gt;increment;</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>fun[x] = hot_loop*foo-&gt;expansion;</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>}</td>
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</table>

```c
{   ...
    increment = foo->increment;
    expansion = foo->expansion;
    while (hot_loop < hot_loop_end) {
        hot_loop = hot_loop + increment;
        fun[x] = hot_loop*expansion;
    }
}
Using variables

When choosing the variables and data structures for your application, keep the following guidelines in mind:

- Use local variables, preferably automatic variables, as often as possible.

  The compiler can accurately analyze the use of local variables, while it has to make several worst-case assumptions about global variables, which hinders optimizations. For example, if you code a function that uses external variables, and calls several external functions, the compiler assumes that every call to an external function could change the value of every external variable.

- If none of the function calls affect the global variables being used and you have to read them frequently with function calls interspersed, copy the global variables to local variables and use these local variables to help the compiler perform optimizations that otherwise would not be done.

**Note:** Using IPA can improve the performance of code written using global variables, because it coalesces global variables. IPA puts global variables into one or more structures and accesses them using offsets from the beginning of the structures. For more information, see "Using the IPA option" on page 510.

- If you need to share variables only between functions within the same compilation unit, use static variables instead of external variables. Because static variables are visible only in the current source file, they might not have to be reloaded if a call is made to a function in another source file.

  Organize your source code so references to a given set of externally defined variables occur only in one source file, and then use static variables instead of external variables.

  In a file with several related functions and static variables, the compiler can group the variables and functions together to improve locality of reference.

  Use a local static variable instead of an external variable or a variable defined outside the scope of a function.

  The `#pragma isolated_call` preprocessor directive can improve the run-time performance of optimized code by allowing the compiler to make fewer assumptions about the references to external and static variables. For more information, see [isolated_call](https://www.ibm.com/docs/en/zos) in the [z/OS C/C++ Language Reference](https://www.ibm.com/docs/en/zos). Coalescing global variables causes variables that are frequently used together to be mapped close together in memory. This strategy improves performance in the same way that changing external variables to static variables does.

- Group external data into structures (all elements of an external structure use the same base address) or arrays wherever it makes sense to do so.

  Before it can access an external variable, the compiler has to make an extra memory access to obtain the variable’s address. The compiler removes extraneous address loads, but this means that the compiler has to use a register to keep the address.

  Using many external variables simultaneously requires many registers, thereby causing spilling of registers to storage. If you group variables into structures then it can use a single variable to keep the base address of the structure and use offsets to access individual items. This reduces register pressure and improves overall performance, especially in programs compiled with the RENT option.

  The compiler treats register variables the same way it treats automatic variables that do not have their addresses taken.

- Minimize the use of pointers.
Use of pointers inhibits most memory optimizations such as dead store elimination in C and C++.
You can improve the run-time performance of optimized code by using the z/OS C\#pragma disjoint directive to list identifiers that do not share the same physical storage. For more information, see disjoint in z/OS C/C++ Language Reference.

Passing function arguments

When writing code for optimization, it is usually better to pass a value as an argument to a function than to let the function take the value from a global variable. Global variables might have to be stored before a value is read from a pointer or before a function call is made. Global variables might have to be reloaded after function calls, or stores through a pointer. For more information, see "Using ANSI aliasing rules" on page 486 and "Using variables" on page 487.

The #pragma isolated_call preprocessor directive lists functions that do not modify global storage. You can use it to improve the run-time performance of optimized code. For more information, see isolated_call in z/OS C/C++ Language Reference.

Coding expressions

When coding expressions, consider the following recommendations:

- When components of an expression are duplicate expressions, code them either at the left end of the expression or within parentheses. For example:

  a = b\*(x*y*z); /* Duplicates recognized */
  c = x*y*z*d;
  e = f + (x + y);
  g = x + y + h;

  a = b\*x*y*z; /* No duplicates recognized */
  c = x*y*z*d;
  e = f + x + y;
  g = x + y + h;

  The compiler can recognize x*y*z and x + y as duplicate expressions when they are coded in parentheses or coded at the left end of the expression.

  It is the best practice to avoid using pointers as much as possible within high-usage or other performance-critical code.

  **Note:** The compiler might not be able to optimize duplicate expressions if either of the following are true:
  - The address of any of the variables is already taken
  - Pointers are involved in the computation

- When components of an expression in a loop are constant, code the constant expressions either at the left end of the expression or within parentheses. :

  **Example:** The difference in evaluation when c, d, and e are constant and v, w, and x are variable

  v*w*x*(c+d+e); /* Constant expressions recognized */
  c + d + e + v + w + x;

  v*w*x*c+d*e; /* Constant expressions not recognized */
  v + w + x + c + d + e;
Coding conversions

Avoid forcing the compiler to convert numbers between integer and floating-point internal representations. Conversions require several instructions, including some double-precision floating-point arithmetic.

Example of numeric conversions (CCNGOP3)

/* this example shows how numeric conversions are done */

int main(void)
{
    int i;
    float array[10]={1.0,2.0,3.0,4.0,5.0,6.0,7.0,8.0,9.0,10.0}
    float x = 1.0;
    for (i = 0; i < 10; i++)
    {  
        array[i] = array[i]*x; /* No conversions needed */
        x = x + 1.0;
    }

    for (i = 1; i <= 9; i++)
        array[i] = array[i]*i; /* Conversions may be needed */

    return(0);
}

Figure 138. Numeric conversions example

When you must use mixed-mode arithmetic, code the integral, floating-point, and decimal arithmetic in separate computations wherever possible.

Arithmetical considerations

- Wherever possible, use multiplication rather than division. For example,

  x=(1.0/3.0); /* 1.0/3.0 is evaluated at compile time */

  produces faster code than:

  x/3.0;

- If you divide many values by the same number in your code: Assign the divisor's reciprocal to a temporary variable and then multiply by that variable.

Using loops and control constructs

For the for-loop index variable:

- Use a long type variable whenever possible. In the current implementation, long and int are equivalent, but long is better for portability to an LP64 environment.

- Use the auto or register storage class over the extern or static storage class.

- If you use an enum variable, expand the variable to be a fullword by using the ENUMSIZE compiler option or by placing a large defined value at the end of your enum variable, as follows:

  Example:

  enum animals {
    ant
    cat,
dog,

robin,

last_animal = INT_MAX;
};

- Do not use the address operator (&) on the index.
- The index should not be a member of a union.

For if statements:
- Order the if conditions efficiently; put the most decisive tests first and the most expensive tests last.

By performing the most common tests first, you increase the efficiency of your code; fewer tests are required to meet the test conditions.

Example:
if (command.is_classg &&
    command.len == 6 &&
    !strcmp (command.str, "LOGON")) /* call to strcmp() most expensive */
logon ();

Choosing a data type

- Use the int data type instead of char when performing arithmetic operations.
  char_var += '0';
  int_var += '0';  /* better */
- A char type variable is efficient when you are:
  - Assigning a literal to a char variable
  - Comparing the variable with a char literal
    char_var = 27;
    if (char_var == 'D')
- The following table lists analogous data types and shows which data types are more expensive to reference:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>More Expensive</th>
<th>Less Expensive</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>unsigned short</td>
<td>signed short (Although unsigned short is less expensive on many systems, the z/OS implementation of signed short is less expensive.)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>signed char</td>
<td>unsigned char</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>long double</td>
<td>double</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Longer decimal</td>
<td>Shorter decimal</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

- For storage efficiency, the compiler packs enumeration variables in 1, 2 or 4 bytes, depending on the largest value of a constant.

When performance is critical, expand the size to a fullword either by adding an enumeration constant with a large value or by specifying the ENUMSIZE compiler option.

Example:
enum byte { land, sea, air, space };

enum word { low, medium, high, expand_to_fullword = INT_MAX };
This is equivalent to using the `ENUMSIZE(INT)` compiler option with the following code:

```
enum word { low, medium, high }
```

Fullword enumeration variables are preferred when used as function parameters.

- For efficient use of external variables:
  - Place scalars ahead of arrays in extern struct.
  - Copy heavily referenced scalars to auto or register variables (especially in a loop).

- When using float:
  - When passing variables of type float to a function, an implicit widening to double occurs (which takes time).
  - On some machines divisions of type float are faster than those of type double.

- When using bit fields, be aware that:
  - Even though the compiler supports a bit field spanning more than 4 bytes, the cost of referencing it is higher.
  - An unsigned bit field is preferred over a signed bit field.
  - A bit field used to store integer values should have a length of 8, 16, or 24 bits and be on a byte boundary.

**Example:**

```
struct { unsigned xval :8, xbool :1, xmany :6, xset :1; }
```

```
if (b.xval == 3) ...
if (b.xmany + 5 == x) /* inefficient because it does not */ /* fall on a byte boundary */
```

**Using built-in library functions and macros**

- You can initialize the use of built-in functions (that is, compiler-generated expansions for the functions), by including the appropriate library header files. For a list of the built-in functions, see [Appendix I, “Using built-in functions,” on page 919.](#)

You can prevent parameter type mismatch and ensure optimal performance by including the proper library header files.

You can call a library function explicitly and avoid using the built-in functions by enclosing the function name in parentheses when you make the call, as follows:

```
(memcpy)(buf1, buf2, len).
```

**Note:** At NOOPT the compiler might not expand all built-in functions.

- You can use the macros listed below (rather than their equivalent functions), by including the `ctype.h` header file:

```
isalpha() islower() isupper()
isalnum() isprint() isxdigit()
isctrl() ispunct() toupper()
isgraph() isspace() tolower()
```

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- If you are using the _cs1 or _cds1 function with arguments other than the ones declared in the prototypes in stdlib.h, the compiler might not be able to generate correct code at OPT. In this case, use the NOANSIALIAS option.

**Note:** As of z/OS V1R2, the new forms for cs() and cds() are _cs1 and _cds1, respectively. For more information, see Appendix I, “Using built-in functions,” on page 919.

- Typically, arrays are compared element-by-element, using a loop. When comparing two arrays for equality, replace the loop with a memcmp(). This could result in the execution of many machine instructions being replaced by the execution of a only a few machine instructions.

**Example:**

<table>
<thead>
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<th>More efficient</th>
<th>Less efficient comparison in a loop</th>
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<tr>
<td>if (!memcmp (a, b, sizeof(a))) /* arrays are equal */</td>
<td>int a[1000], b[1000];</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>for (i = 0; i &lt; 1000; ++i)</td>
<td>for (i = 0; i &lt; 1000; ++i)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>if (a[i] != b[i]) break;</td>
<td>if (a[i] != b[i])</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>if (i == 1000) /* arrays are equal */</td>
<td>if (i == 1000)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

- Neither the C nor the C++ language allows structure comparison, because structures might contain padding bytes with undefined values. In cases where you know that no padding bytes exist, use memcmp() to compare structures. The z/OS AGGREGATE compiler option for C is used to obtain a structure and union map.

- The memset() library function should be used to initialize a character buffer and to initialize an array to a repetitive byte pattern (such as zeros).

- Use memset() to clear structs, unions, arrays or character buffers as follows:
  
  ```
  char c[10];
  for (i = 0; i < 10; i++) /* do not use */
  c[i] = ' ';
  memset (c, ' ', sizeof (c)); /* better */
  ```

- Use the alloca() function to automatically allocate memory from the stack. This function frees memory at the end of a function call when z/OS C/C++ collapses the stack. For more information, see alloca in z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library.

- When using strlen(), do not hide size information. Less code is needed for strlen() when the upper bound is known at compile time.

  ```
  char    small_str_array[100];
  char   *small_str_ptr;
  x = strlen(small_str_ptr); /* unknown upper bound */
  ```

  ```
  x = strlen(small_str_array); /* better */
  ```

- When concatenating strings, use strcat().

- When performing character-to-integer conversions, use atoi() rather than sscanf().

- Whenever possible, replace strcmp() functions with their corresponding memcmp() functions, because memcmp() functions are more efficient. You can minimize the
execution cost of a `strxxx()` function by using fixed-length character buffers to
save the length of incoming strings (including null terminators) for subsequent
calls to `memcpy()` and `memcmp()`.

**Example:**
```
  total_len = strlen(s) + 1;
  ...
  for (i = 0; i < 10; i++)
      if (memcmp(s, t[i], total_len) == 0) /* total_len ≤ sizeof(t) */
          ...
  memcpy(a, s, total_len);
```

**Note:** If you try to replace all `strcmp()` calls with a `memcmp()` call taking a
`strlen()` value of one of the strings, the result might be an attempt to
access protected storage which follows the shorter string. Such an attempt
could cause an exception because `memcmp()` does not stop comparing
strings when it encounters a null in one of the strings.

### Using library extensions

Effective use of DLLs could improve the performance of your application if either of
the following is true:
- The application relies on `fetch()` or `system` to call programs in other modules
- The application is overly large and there are some low-use or special-purpose
  routines that you can move to a DLL

If you are using C, consider calling other C modules with `fetch()` or DLLs instead of
`system()`. A `system()` call does full environment initialization and termination, but a
fetched module and a DLL share the environment of the calling routine. If you are
using C++, consider using DLLs.

Use of DLLs requires more overhead than use of statically-bound function calls. You
can test your code to determine whether you can afford this extra overhead. First,
write the code so that it can be built to implement either a single module or a DLL.
Next build your application both ways, and time both applications to see if you can
handle the difference in execution time. For best DLL performance, structure the
code so that once a function in the DLL is called, it does all it needs to do in the DLL
before it returns control to the caller.

You can also choose how to implement DLLs. If you are using C, you can choose
between:
- The XPLINK compiler option
- The DLL compiler option (which is used with the NOXPLINK option)

**Note:** In C++, DLL is not an option, but a default. When you use the XPLINK
option, the compiler loads and accesses DLLs faster than it would if you
used the DLL option.

The following suggestions could improve the performance of the application:
- If you are using a particular DLL frequently across multiple address spaces, you
can install the DLL in either the LPA/ELPA or the DLPA to avoid load overhead.
  When the DLL resides in a PDSE, the DLPA services should be used.
- When you are binding your code, specify both the RENT and the REUSE options.
  Otherwise, each load of a DLL results in a separately loaded DLL with its own
  writable static.
• Group external variables into one external structure.
• When you are using z/OS UNIX System Services, avoid unnecessary load attempts.

z/OS Language Environment supports loading a DLL that resides in the HFS or in a data set. However, the location from which it first tries to load the DLL varies, depending whether your application runs with the run-time option POSIX(ON) or POSIX(OFF).

− If your application runs with POSIX(ON), z/OS Language Environment tries to load the DLL from the HFS first. If you are doing an explicit DLL load using the d11load() function, you can avoid searching the HFS directories. You can direct a DLL search to a data set by prefixing the DLL name with two slashes (/), as follows:

  //MYDLL

− If your application runs with POSIX(OFF), z/OS Language Environment tries to load your DLL from a data set. Similarly, if you are loading your DLL with the d11load() function and your DLL is loading in HFS, you can avoid the search of the data set by directing a DLL search to the HFS. You can do so by prefixing the DLL name with a period and slash (.), as follows:

  ./mydll

**Note:** DLL names are case sensitive in the HFS.

• When you are using IPA, export only those subprograms (functions and C++ methods) or variables that you need for the interface to the final DLL.

If you export subprograms or variables unnecessarily (for example, by using the EXPORTALL option), you severely limit IPA optimization. In this case, global variable coalescing and pruning of unreachable or 100% inlined code does not occur. Before it can be processed by IPA, DLLs must contain at least one subprogram. Any attempt to process a data-only DLL will result in a compilation error.

• The suboption NOCALLBACKANY of the compiler option DLL is more efficient than the CALLBACKANY suboption.

The CALLBACKANY option calls a Language Environment routine at run time. This run-time service enables a C or C++ NOXPLINK DLL routine to call a C NOXPLINK NODLL routine, which use function pointers that point to actual function entry points rather than function descriptors.

**Note:** Compiling source with the DLL option will often cause a degradation in performance when compared against a statically bound application compiled without that option.

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**Using pragmas**

This section describes pragmas that can affect performance. For information about using each pragma, see [z/OS C/C++ Language Reference](https://www.ibm.com/support/knowledgecenter/SG2477_1.11.0/com.ibm.zos.v1r12.cppc.doc/zos_cplusplus_language_reference.html).

## #pragma disjoint

Lists identifiers that do not share the same physical storage, which provides more opportunities for optimizations.

## #pragma export

Selectively exports functions or variables from a DLL module. The EXPORTALL compiler option exports *all* functions or variables, which often results in larger modules and significantly increased WSA requirements.
#pragma inline (C only)
Together with the INLINE compiler option, ensures that frequently used functions are inlined.

This directive is only supported in C; however, you can use the inline keyword in C++.

#pragma isolated_call
Lists functions that have no side effects (that do not modify global storage). This directive can improve the run-time performance of variables and storage by allowing the compiler to make fewer assumptions about whether external and static variables could be updated.

#pragma leaves
Specifies that a function never returns to the instruction following a call to that function. This directive provides information to the compiler that enables it to explore additional opportunities for optimization.

#pragma noinline
This directive can improve pipeline usage and allow more of the used routines to be inlined.

#pragma option_override
Allows you to specify optimization options on a per-routine basis rather than on only a per-compilation basis. It enables you to specify which functions you do not want to optimize while compiling the rest of the program optimized. This directive helps you to isolate which function is causing problems under optimization.

The option_override pragma can be also used to change the spill size for a function. If the compiler requests that you to increase the spill size for a specific function, you should use the option_override pragma instead of the SPILL compiler option, which increases the spill size for all functions in the compile unit and can have a negative performance impact on the generated code.

Note: The spill size should not be increased unless requested by a compiler message.

#pragma reachable
Declares that the point in the program after the specified function can be the target of a branch from some unknown location. That is, you can reach the instruction after the specified function from a point in your program other than the return statement in the named function.

This directive provides information to the compiler that enables it to explore additional opportunities for optimization.

#pragma strings
Indicates whether strings should be placed in read-only memory or read/write memory.

You can reduce the memory requirements for DLLs by specifying #pragma strings(readonly), so that string literals are not placed in the writable static area.
Alternatively, you can also use the ROSTRING compiler option (the default), which informs the compiler that string literals are read-only.

## `#pragma unroll`

Informs the compiler how to perform loop unrolling on the loop body that immediately follows it. The directive works in conjunction with the UNROLL compiler option to provide you with some control over the application of this optimization technique. The pragma directive overrides the "UNROLL" on page 506 or NOUNROLL compiler option in effect for the designated loop.

## `#pragma variable`

Indicates whether a named external object is used in reentrant or non-reentrant fashion. If an object is qualified as RENT, its references or its definition will be in the writable static area, which is in modifiable storage. If an object is qualified as NORENT, its references or its definition will be in the code area.

You can reduce the memory requirements for DLLs, by specifying `#pragma variable(var_name,NORENT)`, so that constant variables are not placed in the writable static area.

Alternatively, you can also use the ROCONST compiler option to inform the compiler that constant variables are not to be placed in the writable static area.
Chapter 33. I/O Performance considerations

This chapter discusses the most efficient use of the available C/C++ input and output methods. This includes:

- "Accessing MVS data sets"
- "Accessing HFS files" on page 498
- "Using memory files" on page 499
- "Using the C++ I/O stream libraries" on page 499

Accessing MVS data sets

- Consider the use of the file when choosing DCB parameters:
  - Specify largest possible BLKSIZE (blocked files).
  - Use recfm = FBS or F over FB unless dealing with a PDS. The use of standard (S) blocks optimizes the sequential processing of a file on a direct-access device.
  - fseek() on sequential files is most efficient when using recfm = F or recfm = FBS.
  - If you are accessing an existing sequential file created as FB, and you know that there are no short blocks in the file, specify FBS on the call to fopen() or freopen() to enable the library to perform faster repositions.

  The proper choice of file attributes is important for efficient I/O.

- When you do not need to reposition within a file, take advantage of NOSEEK for more efficient reading and writing to a data set. You can also specify NCP or BUFINO on the DD statement for MVS DASD data sets, thereby reducing the clock time of the application. See "Multiple buffering" on page 112 for more information.

- If possible, read or write a block at a time to minimize the I/O overhead and elapsed time.

- Using text I/O for writing can be slower than using binary or record I/O. When you use binary or record I/O, the application must ensure that the data is written to the file in the correct format.

- If you are using FB or FBS files, use binary I/O instead of record I/O. This way, you can read or write more than one record at a time.

- Use fread() instead of fgets(), and fwrite() in place of fputs(), wherever possible.

- Use putchar() instead of fputc(), and getc() instead of fgetc(), if you must read or write a character.

  The fputc() function, as defined by ANSI, puts a single character to the text stream. Special action occurs when writing a control character. On the other hand, the putchar() macro buffers characters in storage and invokes fputc() only when encountering a control character. This reduces call overhead when you are writing one character at a time.

- If you are using hiperspace memory files, you can use setvbuf() to set the buffer size.

  The default buffer size for memory files in hiperspace is 16K. You can override this by calling setvbuf() after fopen(), but before performing any I/O operations on the file. The minimum buffer size is 4K. If you specify a smaller size, it is ignored, and the default is used instead.
If your file will be large, you can improve execution time by increasing the buffer size. This will result in less frequent flushing of the buffer to the hiperspace, but will cost you memory in the user address space for the larger buffers. For example,

```c
rc = setvbuf(fp, NULL, _IOFBF, 32768);
```

Alternatively, if your memory is constrained, you can reduce requirements for memory in the user address space by reducing the buffer size. This will result in more frequent flushing of the buffer to the hiperspace. For example,

```c
rc = setvbuf(fp, NULL, _IOFBF, 4096);
```

For more information on hiperspace memory files, refer to Chapter 14, “Performing memory file and hiperspace I/O operations,” on page 207.

- When writing to text files that do not use DBCS characters, ensure that MB_CUR_MAX is set to 1 for the current locale. This will prevent internal I/O checks for DBCS strings.
- Avoid using fscanf() or fprintf() if you can use other I/O routines instead. For example, use fwrite() rather than fprintf() to write out a format string with no substitution variables.
- When using fflush() beware of NULL file pointers; fflush(NULL) flushes all open streams.
- Specify DCB parameters on fopen() only when you are creating the file. When you are appending, updating or reading a file, these attributes are retrieved from the existing file.

Many file attributes (DCB parameters) are possible when you open a file with z/OS C/C++. DCB parameters specified on fopen() must be compatible with those of the file or the ddname. This checking may cause unwanted overhead.

- Use fgetpos() and fsetpos() instead of ftell() and fseek() when you are saving a position you will return to later. fgetpos() saves more information about the position than ftell().
- Where possible, use striped data sets. These data sets improve overall I/O throughput.
- For temporary files, use memory files rather than files created with tmpfile(). You can use MVS memory files from z/OS UNIX System Services C++ application programs. However, use of the fork() function from the program clears a memory file and removes access from a hiperspace memory file for the child process. Use of an exec function from the program clears a memory file when the process address space is cleared.
- For large memory files (1MB or larger) in which you perform random seeking, use hiperspace memory files, if they are available.
- When your library is below the 16MB line, use hiperspace memory files. The non-hiperspace files use up your storage from below the line. Hiperspace memory files do not reside in user virtual storage. Changing a memory file to a hiperspace memory file saves user virtual storage only if the file is larger than one hiperspace memory file buffer.
- For VSAM I/O use VSAM buffers appropriately and use flocate() instead of ftell() and fseek().

### Accessing HFS files

- Use fread() instead of fgets(), and fwrite() in place of fputs(), wherever possible.
- Use putc() instead of fputc(), and getc() instead of fgetc(), if you must write or read a character.
- When using fflush(), beware of NULL file pointers; fflush(NULL) flushes all open streams.
- Changing the buffer size for access to HFS may provide advantages. You may want to set the buffer size to be the length of the read or write operation that you normally do. Use the setvbuf() function to change the buffer size.

**Note:** When you include the header file stdio.h, macros are defined for getc(), putc(), getchar(), and putchar(). In order to use the function calls instead of the macro calls, use #undef after the stdio.h header file is included. If you are working with a threaded application, these macros are automatically undefined forcing the application to use function calls, which are thread safe. The feature test macro _ALL_SOURCE causes these four macros to be undefined. However, if you require _ALL_SOURCE, and want these macros to be used in a non multi-threaded application, you can use feature test macro _ALL_SOURCE_NOTHREADS.

### Using memory files

Use memory files as efficient temporary files by specifying the type=memory attribute in fopen() before creating the temporary file. Some applications use temporary files to pass data between program modules.

When using one of the z/OS UNIX System Services shells, an MVS memory file may or may not make an efficient temporary file. This depends on whether your z/OS UNIX System Services C/C++ application program uses fork() and exec() functions to call another program to run in a child process. The child process does not inherit MVS memory files after an exec() function. For more information, see "Accessing MVS data sets" on page 497.

### Using the C++ I/O stream libraries

The following information applies to the USL I/O Stream Class Library and to the Standard C++ I/O stream classes.

- Unit-buffering incurs a significant performance penalty. Unit-buffering can be enabled by setting the ios::unitbuf flag. It is enabled for the cerr object by default.
- The sync_with_stdio() function enables unit-buffering of standard streams, to ensure their synchronization with C standard streams. However, a run-time performance penalty is incurred to ensure this synchronization. For more information about sync_with_stdio(), see Chapter 4, “Using the Standard C++ Library I/O Stream Classes,” on page 37.
- In most cases, calls to functions in the USL or ANSI C++ I/O stream libraries are mapped to calls to the I/O functions of the C standard library. For this reason, direct calls to the C I/O functions are recommended for applications that must have the best possible performance. This does not mean that these types of applications cannot or should not contain any iostream.h calls. However, you might want to ensure that iostream.h I/O calls do not appear on the critical path; it is safe to keep them for unused debugging code.

**Note:** If you access the same file with both C and C++ I/O stream classes, undefined results will occur.
Chapter 34. Improving performance with compiler options

This chapter discusses and lists the z/OS C/C++ compiler options that you can use to improve application performance.

The chapter includes the following sections:

- "Using the OPTIMIZE option"
- "Optimizations performed by the compiler"
- "Additional options that affect performance" on page 503
- "Inlining" on page 506
- "Using the XPLINK option" on page 509
- "Using the IPA option" on page 510

Using the OPTIMIZE option

During optimization, the compiler changes the unoptimized code sequences, derived from the source code, into equivalent code sequences that execute faster and usually require less memory space. It is also possible for an expression that would normally cause an exception to be removed by optimization, thus preventing the exception.

Note: You can optimize code by specifying either OPTIMIZE(2) or OPTIMIZE(3). Optimized code takes significantly more time to compile than unoptimized code, but will likely result in faster-running code. There is no guarantee that the compile time at OPTIMIZE(3) will remain similar from release to release.

Because the optimization is achieved by transforming the code using knowledge obtained from a larger program context, the direct correspondence between source and object code is often lost. Optimized code is also more sensitive to subtle coding errors.

One example of a subtle coding error is to type cast a pointer variable incorrectly. The compiler assumes ISO conformance when doing optimization. If your program does not conform, you may receive undefined results. For more information, see "ANSI aliasing rules" on page 483 and "Using ANSI aliasing rules" on page 486.

Optimizations performed by the compiler

The compiler performs several optimizations, including:

Inlining

Inlining replaces certain function calls with the actual code of the function being performed. For more information on inlining, see "Inlining" on page 506.

For z/OS C/C++, automatic inlining is performed by default when you specify OPTIMIZE. You can override this inlining by using the NOINLINE option. For more information, see Inline in z/OS C/C++ User’s Guide.

Value numbering

Value numbering involves local constant propagation, local expression elimination, and folding several instructions into a single instruction.
Straightening

Straightening is rearranging the program code to minimize branching logic and to combine physically separate blocks of code.

Common expression elimination

Common expressions recalculate the same value in a subsequent expression. The duplicate expression can be eliminated by using the previous value. This is done even for intermediate expressions within expressions.

Example: If your program contains the following statements:

\[
\begin{align*}
    a &= c + d; \\
    . & \quad . \\
    . & \quad . \\
    f &= c + d + e;
\end{align*}
\]

the common expression \( c + d \) is saved from its first evaluation and is used in the subsequent statement to determine the value of \( f \).

Code motion

If variables used in a computation within a loop are not altered within the loop, it may be possible to perform the calculation outside of the loop and use the results within the loop.

Strength reduction

Less efficient instructions are replaced with more efficient ones. For example, in array addressing, an add instruction replaces a multiply.

Constant propagation

Constants used in an expression are combined and new ones generated. Some mode conversions are done, and compile-time evaluation of some intrinsic functions takes place.

Instruction scheduling

Instructions are reordered to minimize execution time.

Dead store elimination

The compiler eliminates stores when the value stored is never referred to again. For example, if two stores to the same location have no intervening load, the first store is unnecessary, and is therefore removed.

Dead code elimination

The compiler may eliminate code for calculations that are not required. Other optimization techniques may cause code to become dead.

Graph coloring register allocation

The compiler uses a local register allocation for the whole function, thereby allowing variables to be kept in registers rather than in memory.

These optimization techniques may be performed both locally and globally. Increases in storage and compile time requirements over NOOPT will occur. Higher levels of optimization may perform the same options more rigourously as well as adding additional options.

Aggressive optimizations with OPTIMIZE(3)

The compiler optimizes more aggressively with OPTIMIZE(3) than with OPTIMIZE(2). Code may be moved, and computations may be scheduled, even if this could potentially raise an exception.
OPTIMIZE(3) may place instructions onto execution paths where they will be executed when they may not have been according to the actual semantics of the program. For example, a loop-invariant floating-point computation that is found on some, but not all, paths through a loop will not be moved using OPTIMIZE(2) because the computation may cause an exception. For OPTIMIZE(3), the compiler will move the computation because it is not certain to cause an exception.

The same is true for moving loads. Although a load through a pointer is never moved, loads off the static or stack base register are considered movable using OPTIMIZE(3). Loads in general are not considered to be absolutely safe using OPTIMIZE(2) because a program can contain a declaration of a static array `a` of 10 elements and load `a[60000000003]`, which could cause a segmentation violation.

The same concepts apply to scheduling. In the following example, using OPTIMIZE(2), the computation of `b+c` is not moved out of the loop for two reasons:

- It is considered dangerous because it is a floating-point operation
- It does not occur on every path through the loop

```c
int i;
float a[100], b, c;
for (i=0; i < 100; i++)
{
  if (a[i] < a[i+1])
    a[i] = b + c;
}
```

At OPTIMIZE(3), the computation `b + c` is moved out of the loop.

Additional options that affect performance

The following sections describe compiler options that affect performance. For more information, see [compiler options](z/OS C/C++ User’s Guide) in "ANSIALIAS"

The ANSIALIAS option specifies whether type-based aliasing is to be used during optimization. Type-based aliasing will improve optimization.

For more information about ANSI aliasing, see "ANSI aliasing rules" on page 483 and "Using ANSI aliasing rules" on page 486.

ARCHITECTURE and TUNE

The ARCHITECTURE option specifies the architectural level for which the executable program’s instructions will be generated. The TUNE option specifies for which architectural level the executable program will be optimized.

ARCHITECTURE allows the compiler to take advantage of specific hardware instruction sets. TUNE allows the compiler to take advantage of differences (such as scheduling of instructions) in architectural levels.

COMPRESS

Use the COMPRESS option to suppress the generation of function names in the function control block to reduce the size of your application’s load module. The amount of reduction depends on the average function size in the application, as compared to the length of the function name.
COMPACT

When the COMPACT option is active, the compiler favors optimizations that tend to limit the growth of the code. Depending on your specific program, the object size may increase or decrease and the execution time may increase or decrease.

Any time you change your program, or change the release of the compiler, you should re-evaluate your use of the COMPACT option.

CVFT (C++ only)

Use the NOCVFT option to reduce the size of the writable static area for constructors that call virtual functions within the class hierarchy where virtual inheritance is used.

EXH (C++ only)

You might improve the run time of your C++ code by using NOEXH. The resultant code will run faster, but it will not be ISO-compliant if the program uses exception handling.

EXPORTALL

Use the EXPORTALL option only if you want to export all external functions and variables in the source file so that a DLL application can use them. If you only need to export some externally defined functions and variables, use the #pragma export directive or the _Export C++ keyword instead of EXPORTALL.

If you use EXPORTALL, you can severely limit IPA optimization, and can cause your modules and WSA to be larger than necessary.

IGNERRNO

The IGNERRNO option informs the compiler that the program is not using errno. This allows the compiler more freedom to explore optimization opportunities for certain library functions (for example, sqrt). You need to include the system header files to get the full benefit of the IGNERRNO option.

IPA

The IPA option specifies that the compiler should use interprocedural analysis when optimizing this module. This can lead to significant performance improvements. For more information, see “Using the IPA option” on page 510.

LIBANSI

The LIBANSI option specifies whether or not all functions with the name of an ANSI C library function are in fact the ANSI functions. This allows the compiler to generate code based on existing knowledge concerning the behavior of the function. For example, the compiler will determine whether any side effects are associated with a particular library function. LIBANSI can provide additional benefits when used in conjunction with IGNERRNO.

OBJECTMODEL

Starting with z/OS V1R2, you can compile your programs using two different object models. They differ in the following areas:

- Layout for the virtual function table
- Virtual base class support
- Name mangling scheme
The OBJECTMODEL compiler option sets the type of object model, either COMPAT or IBM.

The OBJECTMODEL compiler option has the following suboptions:
- COMPAT - uses the object model compatible with previous versions of the compiler.

Note: The COMPAT object model is not available when the LP64 compiler option has been specified.
- IBM - uses the new object model and should be selected if you want improved performance. This is especially true for class hierarchies with many virtual base classes. The size of the derived class is considerably smaller and access to the virtual function table is faster.

All classes in the same inheritance hierarchy must have the same object model.

Use the #pragma object_model directive to specify an object model in your source. For more information, see object_model in [Z/OS C/C++ Language Reference](https://www.ibm.com/docs/en/zos?topic=object-model).

**ROCONST**

The ROCONST option specifies that the const qualifier is respected by the program. Variables that are defined with the const keyword are not overridden by a casting operation.

When you use this option in C with the DLL option, you must ensure that no const global variables (static or external) are initialized with the address of an entity from another compile unit.

**ROSTRING**

The ROSTRING option specifies that strings are placed in read-only memory. It has the same effect as the #pragma strings(readonly) directive.

**RTTI**

If you are not using RTTI/dynamic casts in your program, compile with the NORTTI option.

**SPILL**

When you specify a very large spill size, you can force the compiler to generate less than optimal code. For this reason, you might not want to specify the large spill size for an entire application. For example, either you can specify the large spill size for only the specific compilation unit that needs it or you can use the #pragma option_override directive.

**STRICT_INDUCTION**

With strict induction, induction (loop counter) variables are not optimized. This guards against problems that can occur if an optimized induction variable overflows.

If it is certain that the induction variables will not overflow, use the NOSTRICT_INDUCTION option. This option can improve the performance of induction variables that are smaller than the register size on the processor.
**UNROLL**

The **UNROLL** option gives the user the ability to control the amount of loop unrolling done by the compiler. Loop unrolling exposes instruction level parallelism for instruction scheduling and software pipelining and thus can improve a program's performance. It should be used in conjunction with "#pragma unroll" on page 496.

**Inlining**

Inlining replaces certain function calls with the actual code of the function and is performed before all other optimizations. Not only does inlining eliminate the linkage overhead, it also exposes the entire called function to the caller, which enables the compiler to better optimize your code.

**Note:** See “Inlining under IPA” on page 509 for information on differences in inlining under IPA.

The following types of calls are not inlined:
- A call where the number of parameters on the call does not match that on the function definition. An example of this is a variable argument function call.
- A call that is directly recursive; the routine calls itself.
- K&R style var_arg functions.

Consider the C examples CCNGOP1 and CCNGOP2. CCNGOP1 specifies the #pragma inline directive for the function which_group(). If you use the OPTIMIZE option when you compile CCNGOP1, the compiler determines that CCNGOP1 is equivalent to CCNGOP2.
Example of optimization (CCNGOP1)

/* this example demonstrates optimization */

#include <stdio.h>
#pragma inline (which_group)
int which_group (int a) {
    if (a < 0) {
        printf("first group\n");
        return(99);
    }
    else if (a == 0) {
        printf("second group\n");
        return(88);
    }
    else {
        printf("third group\n");
        return(77);
    }
}

int main (void) {
    int j;
    j = which_group (7);
    return(j);
}

Figure 139. Optimization example

Example of optimization (CCNGOP2)

/* this example demonstrates optimization */

#include <stdio.h>

int main(void) {
    printf("third group\n"); /* a lot less code generation */
    return(77);
}

Figure 140. Optimization example

The z/OS C/C++ inliner supports two modes of running: selective and automatic.

Selectively marking code to inline

Selective mode enables you to specify, in your source code, the functions that you do, and do not, want inlined.

If you know which functions are frequently invoked from within a compilation unit, you can mark them for inlining:

- For a C program, add the appropriate #pragma inline directives in your source and compile with INLINE (NOAUTO,REPORT,,).
- For a C++ program, add inline keywords to your source and compile with INLINE (NOAUTO,REPORT,).
If your code contains complex macros, the macros can be made into static routines that are marked to be inlined at no execution-time cost. All static routines that are interfaces to a data object can be placed in a header file.

Automatically choosing functions to inline

Automatic mode assists you with starting to optimize your code. It allows the compiler to choose potential functions to inline. The compiler will inline all routines that are less than the threshold in abstract code units (ACUs) until the function that the functions are inlined into is greater than limit abstract code units. The threshold and limit parameters are defined as follows:

threshold  Maximum relative size of a function to inline. The default value is 100 Abstract Code Units (ACUs), both for C and C++. ACUs are proportional in size to the executable code in the function; your code is translated into ACUs by the compiler. Specifying a threshold of 0 is equivalent to specifying NOAUTO.

Note that the proportion of ACUs to executable code in a function is different under IPA.

limit  Maximum relative size a function can grow before auto-inlining stops. The default is 1000 ACUs for the specific function. Specifying a limit of 0 is equivalent to specifying NOAUTO.

Note: When functions become too large, run-time performance can degrade.

Under the z/OS UNIX System Services shell, to provide assistance in choosing which routines to inline, use the c89 -W option to pass the INLRPT option to the z/OS C/C++ compiler. At NOOPT, you will also need to specify the INLINE option. The default at NOOPT is NOINLINE.

For example, at NOOPT, to get INLINE(AUTO,REPORT,100,1000) for a C program, use one of the following c89 commands:

c89 -W "0,inline(REPORT,,)" example.c

c89 -W "0,inline,inline," example.c

You can get the same value at OPT for a C program passing the INLRPT option to the z/OS C/C++ compiler as follows:

c89 -W "0,inline"

Note: Inlining debugging functions or functions that are rarely invoked can degrade performance. Use the #pragma noinline directive to instruct the automatic inliner to not inline these types of functions. The #pragma inline and the #pragma noinline directives and the inline keyword are honored by automatic inlining regardless of the limit and threshold you have specified. For more information, see inline in z/OS C/C++ Language Reference

Modifying automatic inlining choices

While automatic inlining is the best choice the compiler can make for you, you can further improve your performance. Use #pragma inline and #pragma noinline to reduce the need to modify your inlining choices when you change your application. You may want to wait until you have a stable application before you do the following steps.

1. Compile with the OPTIMIZE option and ask for a report from the inliner by specifying the compiler options INLINE(,REPORT,,) or INLRPT and OPTIMIZE.
2. Look at the report to see if anything was inlined that should not have been; for example, routines for debugging or handling exceptions. Add #pragma noinline to your source to insure that these functions do not get inlined.

3. Add the inline keyword (for C++) or the #pragma inline directive (for C) to any frequently used routines to ensure that it gets inlined.

4. Recompile with OPTIMIZE then, regenerate the inline report and reanalyze for functions that should and should not be inlined.

5. You should also vary the limit and threshold values.
   • The inline report tells you the abstract code units (ACUs) for each function. These should help you determine an appropriate threshold to start from. In general, your initial threshold should be as small as possible, and your initial limit should be in the 1000 to 2000 range.
   • Increase the threshold by an increment small enough to catch a few more routines each time.
   • Change the limit when you wish. Because performance will improve as a function of both the limit and the threshold values, it is not recommended that you change both the limit and threshold at the same time.

6. Repeat the process until you feel that you have found the best performance parameters. You should run your application to determine if the tuning has found the best performance parameters.

7. When you are satisfied with the selection of inlined routines, add the appropriate #pragma inline directives or inline keywords to the source. That is, when the selected routines are forced with these directives, you can then compile the program in selective mode. This way, you do not need to be affected by changes made to the heuristics used in the automatic inliner.

**Overriding inlining defaults**

Automatic and selective inlining are performed when the OPTIMIZE compiler option is specified. You can override this by specifying the NOINLINE option when you specify your optimization level. You can also override this by specifying the #pragma noinline directive for a particular function. For more information, see [inline in z/OS C/C++ Language Reference](#).

**Inlining under IPA**

The IPA Inliner functions differently from the regular inliner:
• It performs inlining across compilation units, rather than within a compilation unit.
• It handles inlining of functions with variable argument lists.
• It inlines calls from recursive cycles (for example, where function A calls function B calls function C calls function A). However, it avoids making the functions too large.

For more information about IPA, see “Using the IPA option” on page 510.

**Using the XPLINK option**

Applications that make many calls to small functions get the most benefit from using XPLINK. Many C++ applications are structured this way, because of the object oriented programming model. C applications that make many function calls may also be suitable for XPLINK.
When you should not use XPLINK

Functions compiled XPLINK and NOXPLINK cannot be combined in the same program object.

XPLINK provides a significant performance enhancement to some applications, but can degrade the performance of applications that are not suitable for XPLINK.

Another way to call an XPLINK function from a non-XPLINK program object is to use the DLL call mechanism. There is an overhead cost associated with calls made from non-XPLINK to XPLINK, and from XPLINK to non-XPLINK. This overhead includes the need to swap from one stack type to another and to convert the passed parameters to the style accepted by the callee. Applications that make a large number of these “cross-linkage” calls may lose any benefit obtained from the parts that have been compiled XPLINK. In fact, performance could degrade from the pure non-XPLINK case. If the number of pure XPLINK function calls is significantly greater than the number of “cross-linkage” calls, the cost saved on XPLINK calls will offset the costs associated with calls that involve stack swapping.

When you introduce an XPLINK program object into your application (for example, an XPLINK version of a vendor-DLL which your application uses), your application must run in an XPLINK environment (this is controlled by the XPLINK run-time option). In an XPLINK environment, an XPLINK version of the C/C++ Run-Time Library (RTL) is used. You cannot have both the non-XPLINK and XPLINK versions of the C/C++ RTL active at the same time, so non-XPLINK callers of the C/C++ RTL will also incur this stack swapping overhead.

The maximum performance improvement can be achieved by recompiling an entire application XPLINK. The further the application gets from pure XPLINK, the less the performance improvement. At some point, you may actually see a performance degradation.

The only compiler that currently supports the XPLINK compiler option is the z/OS C/C++ compiler. All COBOL and PL/I programs are non-XPLINK. Calls between COBOL or PL/I and XPLINK-compiled C/C++ are cross-linkage calls and will incur the stack swapping overhead.

For more information on making ILC calls with XPLINK, refer to z/OS Language Environment Writing Interlanguage Communication Applications.

Applications that use Language Environment facilities that are not supported in an XPLINK environment, or that use products that are not supported in an XPLINK environment (for example, CICS), cannot be recompiled as XPLINK applications.

For more information about XPLINK, see z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide and the IBM Redbook called XPLink: OS/390 Extra Performance Linkage, which is available at: http://www.redbooks.ibm.com/abstracts/sg245991.html.

Using the IPA option

Interprocedural Analysis (IPA), through the IPA compiler option, can also improve the execution time of your z/OS C/C++ application. IPA is a mechanism for performing optimizations across compilation unit boundaries. It also performs optimizations not otherwise available with the z/OS C/C++ compiler, such as:

- Inlining across compilation units
• Program partitioning
• Coalescing of global variables
• Code straightening
• Unreachable code elimination
• Call graph pruning of unreachable functions

IPA also supports Program-directed feedback (PDF). The PDF suboptions allow the
compiler to use information from training runs when optimizing the code. The
compiler can then focus its optimizations on the most executed parts of the code
and move low-priority code out of the critical path.

This section provides an overview of the Interprocedural Analysis (IPA) processing
that is available through the IPA compiler option. For more information, see:

• For the effects of IPA on compiling, compiler options, and compiler listings: IPA
  considerations in z/OS C/C++ User’s Guide
• For the effects of IPA on pragmas: IPA considerations in z/OS C/C++ Language
  Reference

Types of procedural analysis

The z/OS C/C++ compiler performs both intraprocedural and interprocedural
analysis.

Intraprocedural analysis is a mechanism for performing optimization for each
function in a compilation unit, using only the information available for that function
and compilation unit.

Interprocedural analysis is a mechanism for performing optimization across function
boundaries. The C/C++ compiler performs limited interprocedural analysis if inlining
is in effect. But this form of interprocedural analysis only applies within a
compilation unit.

Interprocedural analysis through the IPA compiler option improves upon the limited
interprocedural analysis described above. When you invoke interprocedural analysis
through the IPA option, the compiler performs optimizations across the entire
program. It also performs optimizations not otherwise available with the C/C++
compiler. The types of optimizations performed include:

Inlining across compilation units
   Inlining replaces certain function calls with the actual code of the function.
   Inlining not only eliminates the linkage overhead but also exposes the entire
   function to the caller and thus enables the compiler to better optimize your
code.

Program partitioning
   Program partitioning improves performance by reordering functions to
   exploit locality of reference. Functions that call each other frequently will be
closer together in memory.

Coalescing of global variables
   The compiler puts global variables into one or more structures and
   accesses the variables by calculating the offsets from the beginning of the
   structures. This lowers the cost of variable access and exploits data locality.

Code straightening
   Code straightening streamlines the flow of your program.
Unreachable code elimination
Unreachable code elimination removes unreachable code within a function.

Call graph pruning of unreachable functions
Call graph pruning of unreachable functions removes code that is 100% inlined or never referenced.

Intraprocedural constant and set propagation
IPA propagates floating point and integer constants to their uses and computes constant expressions at compile time. Also, variable uses that are known to be one of several constants can result in the folding of conditionals and switches.

Intraprocedural pointer alias analysis
IPA tracks pointer definitions to their uses, resulting in more refined information about memory locations that a pointer dereference may use or define. This enables other parts of the compiler to better optimize code around such dereferences. IPA tracks data and function pointer definitions. When a pointer dereference can only refer to a single memory location or function, the dereference is rewritten to be an explicit reference to the memory location or function.

Intraprocedural copy propagation
IPA propagates expressions defining some variables to the uses of the variable. This creates additional opportunities for constant expression folding. It also eliminates redundant variable copies.

Intraprocedural unreachable code and store elimination
IPA removes definitions of variables that cannot be reached, along with the computation feeding the definition.

Conversion of reference (address) arguments to value arguments
IPA converts reference (address) arguments to value arguments when the formal parameter is not written in the called procedure.

Conversion of static variables to automatic (stack) variables
IPA converts static variables to automatic (stack) variables when their use is limited to a single procedure invocation.

The execution time for code optimized using IPA (IPA compile and link) is normally faster than for code optimized using interprocedural analysis (IPA compile only) or the OPT compiler option. Please note that not all applications are suited for IPA optimization and the performance gains realized from using IPA will vary.

Program-directed feedback
IPA uses program-directed feedback (PDF) to organize the code and to focus optimization on the frequently-used portions of the code. This can result in significant performance gains. Using PDF is a two-step process, that first gathers training data, then optimizes code during compile time.

Training data is gathered by running an application that was built using the PDF suboption. When the application is run it collects information about itself. This information is the training data. The application should be run in a normal manner with accurate and varied input in order to gather as much valid training data as possible.

The second IPA build uses the training data when optimizing. This training data gives IPA information on:
• The most common paths
• The critical paths
• The least-used parts of the code

Compiler processing flow
IPA changes the flow of compiler processing. This section explains the differences.

Regular compiler execution
If you specify the NOIPA compiler option (the default), the compiler processes source files as shown in Figure 141. The output is an object module for each source file processed. You can then bind the object modules to produce an executable module.

Regular compiler execution
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Invocation parameters

Compiler
Analysis phase

Source file(s)
Listing sections
Messages

Code generation phase

Object module(s)
Listing sections
Messages

Figure 141. Flow of regular compiler processing

Compiler execution with IPA
IPA processing consists of two steps: IPA Compile and IPA Link. You run the IPA Compile step once for each compilation unit, and run the IPA Link step once for the program as a whole. The final output is a single IPA-optimized object module which you must bind with the binder to produce an executable load module.

Note: If you want to get the maximum benefit from IPA, run both the IPA Compile and IPA Link steps.

You can invoke the IPA Compile step in the same environments that you use for a regular compilation. You can invoke the IPA Link step only in MVS batch mode or in one of the z/OS UNIX System Services shell environments through the c89 utility.

This section describes the flow of IPA processing under MVS batch. The flow of processing with the c89 utility is the same, but there are differences in how you invoke IPA.

IPA Compile step processing: You invoke the IPA Compile step by specifying the IPA(NOLINK) compiler option (NOLINK is the default suboption). During the IPA Compile step, the compiler creates optimized objects. These objects contain information that the IPA Link step can use for further optimization.

The following processing takes place for each compilation unit that you specify for the IPA Compile step:

1. The compiler determines the final suboptions for the IPA option, based upon the compiler options and IPA suboptions that you specified. This is necessary
because the compiler does not support some combinations of compiler options and IPA suboptions. The compiler issues a warning message if it finds unsupported combinations.

2. The compiler promotes some IPA suboptions based upon the presence of related compiler options and issues informational messages if it does so. For more information, see [interactions in z/OS C/C++ User’s Guide](#).

3. The compiler generates an IPA object file. This object file contains control information for a compilation unit required for the IPA Link step.

   The IPA object module produced by IPA (NOLINK,N0OBJECT) has the same structure as a regular object module. It should not be used as input to the prelinker, linker, or binder.

   Each IPA object contains a CSECT that includes the ESD name @@IPAOBJ.

4. If you specify the OBJECT suboption of the IPA option, the compiler produces a combined IPA and conventional object file. The IPA object connection occurs through the conventional object through END records. While the conventional object file is not required by the IPA Link step, creating it permits you to bind this file to create an executable module without IPA optimization. It is difficult to debug IPA optimized code. You can use an executable module that is not optimized to debug your program.

During the IPA Compile step, the compiler generates information that allows you to create object libraries with the C370LIB utility or to create z/OS UNIX System Services archives with the ar utility. The information consists of XSD and ESD records for the external symbols that were defined in the compilation units of your program. You can use the object libraries and z/OS UNIX System Services archives for autocall searching in the IPA Link step. During autocall searching, the IPA Link step searches these libraries and archives for external references from your program.

IPA Compile step processing is shown in [Figure 142 on page 515](#).
IPA Link step processing: You invoke the IPA Link step by specifying the IPA(LINK) compiler option. During this step, the compiler links the IPA objects that were produced by the IPA Compile step (along with non-IPA object files and load modules, if specified), does partitioning, performs optimizations, and generates the final object code.

The following processing takes place:

1. The compiler determines the final suboptions for the IPA option, based upon the compiler options and IPA suboptions you specify. This is necessary because some combinations of compiler options and IPA suboptions are unsupported. The compiler issues informational and warning messages for unsupported combinations.

2. The compiler links IPA object files, as well as non-IPA object files and load modules (if specified). The compiler also merges information from the IPA Compile step.

Input for the Link step comes from one of three sources:

- The primary input file (specified by the SYSIN ddname). This can be either:
  - A set of IPA Link control statements that you create
    These may be INCLUDE and LIBRARY IPA Link control statements that explicitly identify secondary input files. IPA uses the same control statement format (with some exceptions) used by the binder.
    - The IPA object file from the compilation unit that contains the main function or fetchable entry point. If you specify this file, the compiler searches for all other IPA files using the SYSLIB ddname.
  - One or more secondary input files

The secondary input file may contain:
- IPA object files or PDS libraries
- Conventional object files or PDS libraries
- Load module libraries
- z/OS UNIX System Services archive libraries
- IPA Link control statements

These secondary input files are to be used for autocall searches. You can specify these files through the SYSLIB dname or explicitly include them through INCLUDE or LIBRARY IPA Link control statements on the IPA Link step. Load module libraries are used to support library interface routines (such as CICS and Language Environment) that are implemented as load module libraries. Since IPA must resolve all parts of your application program before beginning optimization, make all of these libraries as well as your application object modules available to the IPA Link step.

The IPA Link step resolves external references using explicit and autocall resolution. This allows IPA to identify the static and global data and the external references for the whole program.

Ensure that you do not accidentally specify FB, LRECL 80 source files as input to the IPA Link step. The IPA Link step will assume that records from these files contain valid object information, and will retain them in the object file. When the linkage editor processes the object file, it will determine the records to be invalid, and will issue diagnostic messages.

- The IPA Link step control file. This file contains additional IPA control directives. The CONTROL suboption of the IPA compiler option identifies this file. For more information, see IPA Link step control file in z/OS C/C++ User’s Guide

3. As objects are processed, IPA Link Step builds the program call graph, merging the IPA object code according to its place in the call graph. If necessary, IPA Link Step stores non-IPA object code for inclusion in the final object file, and converts load module library members into object format for inclusion in the final object file.

4. The compiler performs optimizations across the call graph. You specify the type and extent of optimizations using the LEVEL suboption of the IPA compiler option.

5. IPA Link Step divides the program call graph into separate units called partitions. Partitioning of the call graph is controlled by:
   - The partition size limit that is specified in the IPA control file.
   - The connectivity of your program. IPA places code that is isolated from the rest of the program into a separate partition.
   - Resolution of conflicting effects between the compiler options and pragmas specified for compilation units processed during the IPA Compile step. These are the compiler options and pragmas that generate information during the analysis phase of the compiler for input to the code-generation phase.

IPA Link Step produces a final single object module for the program from these partitions.

You must bind the IPA single object module to produce the executable module.

Note: IPA Compile and IPA Link as follows:
- An object file produced by an IPA Compile that contains IPA Object or combined IPA and conventional object information can be used as input to the z/OS C/C++ IPA Link of the same or later Version/Release.
• An object file produced by an IPA Compile that contains IPA Object or combined IPA and conventional object information cannot be used as input by the z/OS C/C++ IPA Link of an earlier Version/Release. If this is attempted, the IPA Link will issue an error diagnostic message.

• If the IPA object is recompiled by a later z/OS C/C++ IPA Compile, additional optimizations may be performed and the resulting application program may perform better.

An exception to this is the IPA object files produced by the OS/390 Release 2 C IPA Compile. These must be recompiled from the program source using a compiler that is version OS/390 Release 3 or later before attempting to process them with the current IPA Link.

IPA Link step processing is shown in Figure 143.

Invocation parameters
(IPA(LINK, CONTROL(dsn))
(other IPA suboptions may be specified)

Compiler

IPA object link phase

Primary input file (object)
IPA control file
Secondary input (object, load module)
Listing sections
Messages

Analysis/optimization phase

Listing sections
Messages

Code generation phase

Listing sections
Messages
Final object code

Figure 143. IPA link step processing
Chapter 35. Optimizing the system and Language Environment

This chapter gives some basic tips for tuning Language Environment for optimal C/C++ performance, and some basic system setup tips for efficient program execution.

Improving the performance of the Language Environment

This section discusses how to increase the performance of an application by:

- “Storing libraries and modules in system memory”
- “Optimizing memory and storage”
- “Optimizing run-time options” on page 520

Storing libraries and modules in system memory

One way to boost performance is to load common or reusable modules into memory. For example, placing the Language Environment Library in a link pack area (LPA) can increase the performance of your entire system. This is recommended if your z/OS system contains many applications that use the Language Environment Library, or is a heavy user of USS. LPAs store reentrant routines from system libraries. This saves loading time when a reentrant routine is needed. Individual modules can also be loaded into a single LIBPACK, in order to reduce the time that would otherwise be needed to load the individual load modules.

For instructions for placing Language Environment Modules in Link Pack and LIBPACK, see z/OS Language Environment Customization.

If LPAs or LIBPACKS do not have enough space for the Language Environment Library, then you can place it into a library lookaside (LLA). This reduces library I/O activity by keeping selected directory entries in storage.

Similarly, if your application uses C++ class libraries, then application performance may be increased by placing specific libraries in the LPA or the dynamic link pack area (DLPA). For example:

- If the application is a heavy user of the C++ ANSI Standard Libraries, then place the 31-bit CEE.SCEERUN2(C128) or 64-bit CEE.SCEERUN2(C64) Language Environment run-time library in the DLPA.
- If the application is using the non-XPLINK C++ standard library, then place the CEE.SCEERUN(C128N) Language Environment run-time library in an LPA.
- If the application is a heavy user of the USL IOSTREAM libraries, then place the CBC.SCLBDLL Language Environment run-time library in an LPA (for non-XPLINK applications) or the CBC.SCLBDLL2 Language Environment run-time library in a DLPA (for XPLINK applications).

Optimizing memory and storage

Memory allocations can significantly affect the performance of your application. You can optimize your run-time space requirements by using the following Language Environment run-time options:

ANYHEAP LIBSTACK
Stack extensions can also cause significant performance hits. For this reason:

- The STACK specified should be large enough to ensure that a stack extension never occurs during the execution of the program.
- The HEAP should be large enough for an average application execution run, and the increment size should be a reasonable portion of the difference between the typical heap used and the maximum amount of heap that may be used.
- Use the RPTSTG(ON) run-time compiler option or the __heaprpt() function to determine the storage usage and the option settings for the given run of your application. The generated report will show if the ANYHEAP, BELOWHEAP, LIBSTACK, and THREADSTACK are set to the recommended values. The STACK and HEAP defaults should be as specified above.

The RPTSTG(ON) option should not be used in the final build or run because it is resource-intensive, which adversely affects the performance of the application. The __heaprpt() function, which does not require the RPTSTG(ON) option, obtains a summary heap storage report while your application is running. For more information, see __heaprpt() in z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.

You can also tune I/O storage by using the _EDC_STOR_INITIAL and _EDC_STOR_INCREMENT environment variables. The I/O storage usage is not in the storage report.

See z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide for more information on run-time storage.

### Optimizing run-time options

In addition to the memory options, the ALL31 and HEAPP0OLS run-time options can improve the performance of your application. ALL31 indicates that a Language Environment application has a 31-bit addressing mode. The Language Environment default is ALL31(ON). If your application has some AMODE 24 components, you will need to run the application with ALL31(OFF), but will lose some performance.

The HEAPP0OLS run-time option might increase storage use, but will improve the performance of the application. This option is effective if:

- The application is multi-threaded
- The application often uses:
  - new()
  - delete()
  - new[]()
  - delete[]()
  - malloc()
  - realloc()
  - calloc()
  - free()
HEAPP00LS(ON) is also quite helpful if you use any of those functions and have compiled with the XPLINK compiler option. Use HEAPP00LS64(on) if you are compiling under LP64.

**Note:** If you are not sure which settings of ALL31 and HEAPP00LS are in effect, use the Language Environment run-time option RPTOPTS. RPTOPTS(ON) generates a report of run-time options and their settings that are in use by the currently-running application. Because this option diminishes the performance of the application, it should be used for diagnosis purposes only.

### Tuning the system for efficient execution

This section is a quick overview of a ways to preload modules, DLLs, files, and directories into z/OS. In general, preloading reduces overhead and memory cost. For more detailed information, see the following documents:

- [Tuning Large C/C++ Applications on z/OS UNIX System Services](#)
- [z/OS UNIX System Services Planning](#)
- [z/OS MVS Initialization and Tuning Guide](#)

#### Link pack areas

It is recommended that you preload items that are either critical or frequently used into the link pack area (LPA). For batch and USS tasks, use LPA for modules or dynamic LPA for program objects. If LPA is not an option due to system requirements, then consider putting the module into LLA.

IMS and CICS both have similar methods to allow you to preload a frequently used module.

#### Library lookasides

The library lookaside facility (LLA) reduces the amount of I/O activity necessary to locate and fetch modules and program objects from storage. In addition, LLA can work with virtual lookasides to quickly fetch modules from virtual storage instead of from a direct access storage device (DASD).

#### Virtual lookasides

The virtual lookaside facility (VLF) is used to cache various items to reduce I/O, reduce CPU time, and increase response time. For example, you can cache the user IDs (UIDs) and group IDs (GIDs), which will reduce the DASD I/O overhead for Resource Access Control Facility (RACF) calls.

#### Filecaches

The filecache command allows frequently-accessed, read-only USS files to be cached in the z/OS UNIX kernel. This reduces the overhead used to access the file and increases performance. For example, filecache can be used to store frequently used headerfiles, and thereby reduce the compile-time of an application. For more information, see "System programmer tips" on page 525.
Chapter 36. Balancing compilation time and application performance

Compilation time increases as the level of optimization increases.

An end user requires that an application run as fast as possible, and therefore will compile with the maximum optimization possible. Conversely, a developer rebuilds an application many times while debugging a problem, and therefore will compile with the minimum optimization possible. In addition, a developer might need to implement debugging tools, or activate extra debugging code, both of which would affect the performance of the application.

This chapter discusses how to determine the proper balance between compilation time and application performance.

General tips

The following list contains suggestions to support your efforts to debug programs, and reduce compilation time, and improve application performance.

- All builds for testing or production should be compiled with the optimization level at which you intend to ship the final product.
- Even if you compile with opt (0) and debug on a regular basis, you should also do some testing at higher optimization levels to ensure that no aliasing rules or ANSI rules have been broken, which would cause the code to be optimized incorrectly.
- You can ensure the cleanest possible optimized compilations, as well as reduce the number of bugs that occur only at high optimization levels, by reviewing every warning issued by the compiler.

Note: Warnings are often a sign that the compiler is not sure how to interpret the code. If the compiler is not sure how to interpret code at Opt (0), the code could cause an error at higher optimization levels or contribute to longer compilation times.

- The simpler the code is, the more easily the compiler can understand it and the faster it will compile. For more information, see Chapter 32, “Improving program performance,” on page 481.
- The CHECKOUT (for C) or INFO (for C++) option can be used to look for certain common problems (such as unprototyped functions and uninitialized variables) that can increase both compilation time and execution time.
- Generate production builds each week throughout the project cycle. This makes it easier to determine when problems entered the code base. Waiting until the end of a cycle to generate a build with high optimization can make it more difficult to find errors caused by coding that does not conform to ANSI aliasing rules.
- Set up a build so that you can customize options for any source file, if necessary. For example, use a makefile for a UNIX System Services-based build with a default rule for compilation. You can then customize targets for source files that require different options. Similarly, use the OPTFILE compiler option for a JCL-based build. A build script can then use a project-level option file for all source files in a module or DLL. You can specify either of the following:
  - Both a project-level option file and additional specific options for a source file
  - A source-specific option file in the option list that follows the options file name.
• Set up build scripts so that they can be used for both development and production builds to:
  – Eliminate a common source of errors (because it is necessary to update only one build environment)
  – Make it easier to reproduce and debug problems that occur only in the development build
  – Minimize occurrences of bugs that are reproducible only in the development build

Programmer tips

• You can add code to the beginning and end of a header file to ensure that it is not processed unnecessarily during compilation.

  **Example:** The following example contains code that is included in a header file called myheader.

  ```c
  #ifndef __myheader
    #ifdef __COMPILER_VER
      #pragma filetag ("IBM-1047")
    #endif
    #define __myheader
  ...
  /* header file contents */
  #endif
  ```

  You must ensure that the filetag statement, if used, appears before the first statement or directive (except for any conditional compilation directives). The ifndef statement is the first non-comment statement in the header file (the actual token used after the ifndef statement is your choice). The define statement must follow; it cannot appear before the filetag statement, but it must appear before any other preprocessor statement (other than comments).

  Note that the header can contain comment statements in any location. Using this format of header-file blocking will improve compilation time for programs where a header file is included more than once.

• Use the system header files from HFS instead of partitioned data sets to improve compilation time. Specify the following compiler options to do this:
  – For C++: NOSEARCH SEARCH('/usr/include/', '/usr/lpp/cbclib/include/')
  – For C: NOSEARCH SEARCH('/usr/include/')

• With the MEMORY compiler option (the default), the compiler uses a hiperspace or memory file in place of a work file (if possible). This option increases compilation speed, but you might require additional memory to use it. If the compilation fails because of a storage error, either increase your storage size or recompile your program using the NOMEMORY option.

• If your file has many recursive tempate definitions and you want to use the TEMPINC option, the FASTTEMPINC compiler option might reduce the compilation time.

  **Note:** This option defers generating object code until the final versions of all template definitions have been determined. Then, a single compilation pass generates the final object code. Time is not wasted generating object code that will be discarded and generated again.

  If your application has very few recursive template definitions, NOFASTTEMPINC might be faster than FASTTEMPINC.
• If you want to achieve a good balance of compilation time and small modules that execute quickly, consider using the TEMPLATEREGISTRY option instead of TEMPINC or NOTEMPINC.

• If a source file does not have try/catch blocks or does not throw objects, then the NOEXH C++ compiler option may improve the compilation time. The resultant code will not be ANSI-compliant if the program uses exception handling.

• If you want to improve your OPT compilation time at the expense of run-time performance, you can specify:

  **MAXMEM**  
  Limits the amount of memory used for local tables of specific, memory intensive optimizations. If this amount of memory is insufficient for a particular optimization, the compiler performs somewhat poorer optimization and issues a warning message. Reducing the MAXMEM value from 2G to 10M may disable some optimizations, which may cause some decrease in execution performance.

  **NOINLINE**  
  Disables inlining and may therefore decrease the compilation time. There might also be a corresponding increase in execution time.

**System programmer tips**

• If you do a lot of application development on your machine, put the compiler and run-time library in the LPA. Similarly, if you are working in z/OS UNIX System Services also put the c89/cxx/cc utilities in the dynamic LPA, LPA or linklist.

• Use packs that are cached with DASD fast write.
  If you are working in z/OS UNIX System Services, give each user a separate mountable file system to avoid I/O contention.
  If the compiler is not in LPA, tune your jobs to avoid channel and pack contention when the headers and the compiler are on the same pack and multiple compile jobs are executing.

• You can use the filecache command to store frequently used header files in an HFS file system. If you use the makedepend utility to generate dependency information, use the LIST option to generate a listing from makedepend. The summary section of this listing shows a list of the most frequently called headers and the frequency of these calls. Use this information to determine which headers should be cached.

• You can define /tmp as a RAM disk by specifying:

  FILESTYPE TYPE(TFS) ENTRYPOINT(BPXTFS)

  This is described in more detail in z/OS UNIX System Services Planning.
Part 6. z/OS C/C++ Environments

This part describes the different z/OS C/C++ environments. Note that the MultiTasking Facility and the System Programming C Facilities are not available for z/OS C++. If you attempt to run an SPC application under z/OS C++, it will abend.

- Chapter 37, “Using the system programming C facilities,” on page 529
- Chapter 38, “Library functions for system programming C,” on page 573
- Chapter 39, “Using run-time user exits,” on page 579
- Chapter 40, “Using the z/OS C MultiTasking Facility,” on page 597
Chapter 37. Using the system programming C facilities

This chapter explains how to use the system programming C (SPC) facilities with z/OS C.

Notes:

1. Using the system programming C facilities, by programs which have been compiled with z/OS C++ is not supported.
2. IPA is not supported in an SPC environment unless there is a main() function present.
3. XPLINK is not supported by the SPC facilities.
4. AMODE 64 applications are not supported by the SPC facilities.

When z/OS C applications are compiled, many routines are needed to support the z/OS C environment that are not included in your executable. These routines, which are in z/OS Language Environment, are dynamically loaded at run time. This reduces the size of the program to its practical minimum and provides for the sharing of z/OS C library code by allowing its placement in Extended Link Pack Areas.

z/OS Language Environment provides facilities to set up the environment, handle termination, provide storage management, error handling, interlanguage calls and debugging support. Also, the C library functions are provided with z/OS Language Environment. In situations where not all of these services are needed or available, or more control over the execution environment is required, the system programming C facilities can provide a reduced customizable environment for your application.

System programming facilities enable you to run applications without z/OS Language Environment or with just the z/OS C library functions available. You can:

- Use a subset of the C language to develop specialized applications that do not require z/OS Language Environment on the machines where the application will run.

You can write freestanding applications that:
- Do not use the dynamic run-time library.
- Use only the C-specific library functions without any z/OS Language Environment facilities to manage the execution environment.

For example, a system programming application could use the C-specific library function printf() but not have the common run time initialize the environment. The system programming facilities would handle initialization.

For more information on this type of application, see "Creating freestanding applications" on page 532.

- Use z/OS C as an assembler language alternative, such as for writing exit routines for MVS, TSO, or JES.

For more information on this type of application, see "Creating system exit routines" on page 538.

- Develop applications featuring a persistent C environment, where a z/OS C environment is created once and used repeatedly for C function execution.

For more information on this type of application, see "Creating and using persistent C environments" on page 542.
Develop co-routines using a two-stack model, as used in client-server style applications. In this style, the user application calls upon the applications server to perform services independently of the user and then returns to the user.

For more information on this type of application, see “Developing services in the service routine environment” on page 547.

**Note:** Using the decimal data type and its related functions (decabs(), decchk(), and decfix()) without z/OS Language Environment is not supported.

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### Using functions in the system programming C environment

If you do not want to use the z/OS Language Environment run-time library and the z/OS C run-time component within z/OS Language Environment the following functions are available in the SPC environment:

- The following library functions are available as built-in so that they can be used without the run-time library:
  
  **Mathematical**
  - abs(), fabs()
  
  **Memory manipulation**
  - memchr(), memcmp(), memcpy(), memset(), cds(), cs()
  
  **String operations**
  - strcat(), strchr(), strcmp(), strcpy(), strlen(), strrchr()

  The built-in versions of these functions are available only if the appropriate header file (string.h, math.h, or stdlib.h) is included in the source file. The use of these functions is described in z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.

- The memory management functions, including complete support for:
  - The malloc() function
  - The calloc() function
  - The realloc() function
  - The free() function
  - The HEAP run-time option
- The exit() function
- The sprintf() function.

**Note:** The use of floating point conversion specifiers (e,E,f,g or G) is not supported without the Language Environment run-time.

Additional memory management functions are available in the system programming C environment, as follows:

- _4kmalc_()  
  to allocate page-aligned storage

- _24malc_()  
  to allocate storage below the 16MB line in ESA systems (where MB is 1048576 bytes) even when HEAP(ANYWHERE) is specified.

Storage allocated by these functions is not part of the heap, so freeing it is your responsibility. You can use the free() function to free the storage before the environment is terminated. Storage allocated using these functions is not automatically freed when the environment is terminated.
In this environment, low-level memory management functions and contents supervision (loading and deleting executable code) are supported by low-level routines that you can replace to support non-standard environments. This is described in "Tailoring the system programming C environment" on page 565.

System programming C facility considerations and restrictions

When using any system programming C environment, consider the following:

- The long long data type is not supported for the function `sprintf()` under SPC. If you need to use the long long data type, you must use the C/C++ Run-Time library version of the `sprintf()` function.

- The `fetch()` function is not supported when you are running in a system programming C environment. You can use the EDCXLOAD routine, as described in "EDCXLOAD" on page 569) to simulate some of the functionality of the `fetch()` function.

- The IMS parameter list established by the `#pragma runopts(PLIST(IMS))` directive is not supported in any of the system programming environments. However, this does not preclude the use of IMS within these environments, because the registers upon entry are available using the `__xregs()` function and ctdli() is bound statically. For more information on `__xregs()`, refer to "__xregs() — Get Registers on Entry" on page 575.

- Interlanguage calls to COBOL and PL/I are not supported. However, an SPC program can use the `system()` function to call modules written in other languages.

- SPC is not supported under CICS or MTF.

- Library functions for use with HFS I/O are not supported under SPC. Calling them causes unpredictable results.

- All run-time options are ignored except for:
  - `STACK`
  - `HEAP`
  - `TRAP`

- Redirection of standard streams is not supported.

- The default initial stack size is the minimum size required to start the C program. (This default is different from the non-systems programming C environments.) If a size is specified, that actual value is used, provided it is large enough. If the value specified is smaller than the requirements for the program, the required value is used.

- The default value for the `HEAP` run-time option is `HEAP(12K,4K,ANY,FREE)`.

- When you are running a service routine, you should with `#pragma runopts(TRAP(0FF))`.

- Exception handling is not supported in a persistent environment.

- Invoking the `system()` function from an `atexit()` function results in undefined behavior.

- When using the `atexit()` function from a persistent environment, the `atexit` list will not be run until the persistent environment has been terminated by the `xhott()` library function. For more information about this function, see "__xhott() — Terminate a Persistent C Environment" on page 574.

- Calls to math library functions can be made in a system programming C environment using the dynamic library. For the most efficient use of calls to math library functions, you should enclose the function name in parentheses (). For example, if you make a call to `sin()`, use:
z = (sin)(x);

- You cannot call ctrace(), csnap(), cdump(), or ctest() because they rely on z/OS Language Environment callable services.
- System programming C environments are disjointed from each other; that is, memory files cannot be passed and file control is not maintained across environments. Thus, memory files cannot be passed between a C program and a callee that is written as an assembler exit.

An exception is between environments where the target environment is built with EDCXSTR or EDCXSTRX but does not represent a server. For example, if a C program invokes a freestanding SPC application that is not a server by using system(), a memory file can be passed successfully between the programs.
- When developing an application with an interface with assembler, you can use the DSECT Conversion Utility to build structures mapping to the data types of your DSECTs.
- The POSIX locale features and coded character set conversion routines are supported only for system programming applications that use z/OS Language Environment. They are not available for freestanding applications.

Creating freestanding applications

Freestanding applications are C modules that run either:
- Without z/OS Language Environment and the z/OS C library (using EDCXSTR)
- Without z/OS Language Environment but with the z/OS C library functions (using EDCXSTRL)

Three initialization routines are provided by SPC for building freestanding applications:

EDCXSTR
  For building completely freestanding applications. The applications can use no z/OS C run-time library functions and can have no z/OS Language Environment attachment.

EDCXSTRL
  For building applications that use z/OS C run-time library functions but have no z/OS Language Environment attachment.

EDCXSTRX
  This routine accepts a parameter to choose whether your application should behave as if it was initialized with either EDCXSTR or EDCXSTRL. This parameter is described further in “Setting up a C environment with preallocated stack and heap” on page 534.

Certain restrictions apply to freestanding applications initialized by the routines EDCXSTR, EDCXSTRL, and EDCXSTRX. These restrictions are as follows:
- They cannot perform interlanguage calls, except with assembler language routines that preserve register 12 and use the IBM-supplied macros for entry and exit.
- The parameters received by the main() function (normally argc and argv) are undefined. __xregs() (described in “__xregs() — Get Registers on Entry” on page 575) can be used to examine the parameters passed by the calling environment.
- They cannot do arithmetic using long double variables on pre-XA machines (that is, on machines that do not support the DXR instruction).
Creating modules without CEESTART

In many of the environments described in this chapter, the initialization normally performed by z/OS Language Environment is replaced by special-purpose routines that are tailored to the specific requirements of the type of application. This requires replacing the initialization routine (CEESTART) normally used by z/OS C.

When you do not use the System Programming C Facilities, the compiler generates a CEESTART CSECT (control section) whenever a main() or fetchable function is encountered in the source file. With the NOSTART compiler option, described in the z/OS C/C++ User's Guide, you can suppress the generation of CEESTART for source files that contain a main() function where this is required. In a system programming C environment, you must compile using the NOSTART option. The object modules created will then be suitable for inclusion in applications that use the alternative initialization routines described in this chapter.

Including an alternative initialization routine under z/OS

When NOSTART is used to suppress the generation of CEESTART, an alternative initialization routine must be explicitly included in the executable by the user at Link Edit. Use the Linkage Editor INCLUDE and ENTRY control statements. To include the alternative initialization routines described in this chapter, allocate CEE.SCEESPC to the SYSLIB DD. For example, you can use the following linkage editor statements to specify EDCXSTRT as an alternative initialization routine:

```c
//SYSLIN DD *
  INCLUDE SYSLIB(EDCXSTRT)
  ENTRY EDCXSTRT
  INCLUDE OBJECT(main-function)
/*
```

Figure 144. Specifying alternative initialization at link edit

Another example of specifying alternative initialization under z/OS is shown in Figure 146 on page 536.

Initializing a freestanding application without Language Environment.

EDCXSTRT

This routine is for C applications that do not use any z/OS Language Environment facilities or z/OS C facilities or library functions. It must be explicitly included in the program and specified as the program entry point if it is to be used.

Under this environment, only the following library routines are supported:

- Built-in compiler functions. For a list of these functions, see “Using functions in the system programming C environment” on page 530.
- Memory management routines, including malloc(), calloc(), realloc(), and free().
- The exit() and sprintf() functions.

Note: The use of floating point conversion specifiers (e, E, f, g or G) is not supported without the Language Environment run-time. Since the use of EDCXSTRT allows the application to execute without the use of the Language Environment run-time, the use of the above conversion specifiers with sprintf() in this environment is not supported.

- The __4kmalc() and __24malc() functions.
The value returned to the host system will be the return value from main().

The RENT compiler option is supported in this environment.

**Initializing a freestanding application using C functions**

**EDCXSTRL**

This routine is the analog of CEESTART for C applications that use the z/OS C library functions only. EDCXSTRL supports the full library of C functions except for functions such as cdump(), csnap(), ctest(), or ctrace(). EDCXSTRL must be explicitly included in the program and specified as the program entry point if it is to be used.

The value returned to the host system will be the return value from main().

The RENT compiler option is supported in this environment.

Service routines (described in "Developing services in the service routine environment" on page 547) require this routine (or EDCXSTRT if they do not require z/OS Language Environment) for their initialization.

Applications initialized with this routine will run in any environment supported by z/OS Language Environment.

**Setting up a C environment with preallocated stack and heap**

**EDCXSTRX**

This routine is the analog of CEESTART for an application where you want to have more control over contents supervision and storage management. Unlike EDCXSTRT, EDCXSTRL, and CEESTART, this routine cannot be entered directly from the operating system (that is, from JCL, REXX EXECs, CLISTS, or the TSO command line). It requires a structured parameter list (OS linkage) containing:

**Parameters**

1. The parameter list to be passed to main(). __xregs() can be used to examine the parameters passed by the calling environment. This list cannot be accessed by argc or argv.
2. The address of the initial storage area. This area must be doubleword aligned with its first word containing its total length. It must be large enough to accommodate the entire stack requirements of the application.
3. The address of the complete heap allocation (or NULL if no malloc() family storage is required by the called routines). This area must be doubleword aligned with its first word containing its total length. This area must include sufficient space for the control structures required to manage the heap (currently a minimum of 40 bytes). Applications that use the z/OS C library functions will always require heap space; the amount required depends on the structure of the application and may vary from run to run if external characteristics (file block sizes, for example) change.

Any heap increments that occur because the size of the initial heap is not large enough will not be freed at termination by the system programming environment. If no initial heap allocation is specified, and a heap is required (because the z/OS C library functions are required, for example), it will not be freed by the System Programming C Environment. If this behavior is detected, the program will run to completion, but will abend during EDCXSTRX termination with abend code 2108 and reason code 7207.
Heap increments will be freed if you explicitly free the memory (using the `free()` function) and the run-time option `HEAP(FREE)` has been specified. You should specify a heap value of at least 4K if you are running with the z/OS C library functions.

4. The address of the z/OS C run-time library or NULL. Use CEEV003 (or EDCZV, if you want to maintain compatibility with previous releases of OS/390 Language Environment).

The parameters (`argc` and `argv`) passed to the `main()` function are undefined. There is no argument parsing (`argc` and `argv`) or redirection of standard streams.

If the z/OS C library functions are required, the routine `EDCXABRT` must be explicitly included during the link edit. This routine enables exception handling for `EDCXSTRX`. If it is not explicitly included, abend code 2107 with reason code 7206 will terminate the program.

The RENT compiler option is supported in this environment only if the z/OS C library functions are used.

**Determining ISA requirements**

**EDCXISA**

This entry point is available to the caller of `EDCXSTRX` to determine the stack space overhead for the environment being created. Add stack space required by the application to the value returned by this routine to determine the size of the area to be passed as the second parameter to `EDCXSTRX`. If the routine is called from assembler, the value should be expected in Register 15. The routine should be declared as:

```c
#pragma linkage(__xisa,OS) 
int __xisa(void);
```

**Building freestanding applications to run under z/OS**

When you are building freestanding applications under z/OS, CEE.SCEESPC must be included in the binder SYSLIB concatenation before CEE.SCEELKD.

The routines to support this function (`EDCXSTRT`, `EDCXSTRL`, and `EDCXSTRX`) are `CEESTART` replacements (described in “Creating modules without `CEESTART`” on page 533) in your module. Therefore, the appropriate `EDCXSTRn` routine must be explicitly included ahead of the module at link edit.

A simple freestanding routine that requires the library is shown in Figure 145 on page 536.
This routine is compiled normally and link edited using control statements shown in Figure 146. The CEE.SCEERUN load library must be available at run time because it contains the C library function puts().

INCLUDE SYSLIB(EDCXSTRL)
INCLUDE OBJECT
ENTRY EDCXSTRL

This route is compiled normally and link edited using control statements shown in Figure 146. The CEE.SCEERUN load library must be available at run time because it contains the C library function puts().

INCLUDE SYSLIB(EDCXSTRL)
INCLUDE OBJECT
ENTRY EDCXSTRL

Figure 145. Sample Freestanding z/OS Routine

#include <stdio.h>

int main(void) {
    puts("Hello, World");
    return 3999;
}

Figure 146. Link edit control statements used to build a freestanding z/OS routine

#include <stdio.h>

int main(void) {
    puts("Hello, World");
    return 3999;
}

Figure 147 shows how to compile and link a freestanding program using the cataloged procedure EDCCL.

#include <stdio.h>

int main(void) {
    puts("Hello, World");
    return 3999;
}

Figure 147. Compile and link using EDCCL

Special considerations for reentrant modules

A simple freestanding routine that does not require the library is shown in Figure 148 on page 537. To develop a reentrant module, this routine must be compiled with both the RENT (because the module contains writable static at ) and NOSTART (because this is a system programming environment) compiler options. This routine uses the exit() function, which is normally part of the z/OS Language Environment library. Like sprintf(), it is available to freestanding routines without requiring the dynamic library.
CCNGSP2

/* this is an example of a reentrant freestanding routine */
#include <stdlib.h>
int main() {
    static int i[5]={0,1,2,3,4};  
    exit(320+i[1]);
}

Figure 148. Sample reentrant freestanding z/OS routine

JCL required
The JCL required to build and execute this routine is shown in Figure 149.

//PLKED EXEC PGM=EDCPRLK,PARM='MAP,NCAL'  
//STELIB DD DSN=CEE.SCEERUN,DISP=SHR
//SYSMSGS DD DSN=CEE.SCEEMSGP(EDCPMSGE),DISP=SHR
//SYSLIB DD DUMMY
//SYSLIB DD DNAME=&PLKSET,SPACE=(32000,(30,30)),UNIT=SYSDA,
// DCL=(RECFM=FB,LRECL=80,BLKSIZE=3200),
// DISP=(MOD,PASS)
//SYSIN DD DNAME=userid.TEST.OBJECT(PROG1),DISP=SHR  
//SYSOUT DD SYSOUT**
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT**
/*@ */
/*@ */
//LKED EXEC PGM=HEWL,PARM='MAP,XREF,LIST'  
//SYSLIB DD DNAME=CEE.SCEEPC,DISP=SHR
// DD DNAME=CEE.SCEELKED,DISP=SHR
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT**
//SYSLMOD DD DNAME=&GOSET(GO),SPACE=(512,(50,20,1)),
// DISP=(NEW,PASS),UNIT=SYSDA
//SYSUT1 DD SPACE=(32000,(30,30)),UNIT=SYSDA
//PRELINK DD DNAME=&PLKSET,DISP=(OLD,DELETE)
//SYSLIN DD *
/*
/*-----------------------------------------------
//Go Step
/*-----------------------------------------------
//GO EXEC PGM=.*,LKED.SYSLMOD
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT**

Figure 149. Building and running a reentrant freestanding z/OS routine

1 The z/OS Language Environment prelinker must be used for modules compiled with the RENT compiler option.
2 This is the object module created by compiling the sample module with the RENT and NOSTART compiler options.
3 The output from the prelinker is made available to the linkage editor.
4 The alternative initialization routine (EDCXSTRT in this example) must be included explicitly in the module. If this is not the first CSECT in the module, it must be explicitly named as the module entry point.
5 The prelinked output is included in the load module.
6  EDCXEXIT must be explicitly included if the exit() function is used in the application.

7  The routine EDCRCINT must be explicitly included in the module if the RENT compiler option is used. No error will be detected at load time if this routine is not explicitly included. At execution time, abend 2106, reason code 7205, will result if EDCRCINT is required but not included.

Parts used for freestanding applications

Table 78 lists the parts used for freestanding applications and their function and location. The SYSLIB specified is CEE.SCEESPC.

Table 78. Parts used for freestanding applications

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Part Name</th>
<th>Function</th>
<th>Inclusion in Program</th>
<th>Notes</th>
<th>Location</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>EDCXSTRT</td>
<td>This module is the mainline for applications that do not require the z/OS Language Environment or z/OS C run-time library.</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>This CSECT must be the module entry point.</td>
<td>Member of SCEESPC</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDCXSTRL</td>
<td>This module is the mainline for applications that require only the C-specific library functions.</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>This CSECT must be the module entry point.</td>
<td>Member of SCEESPC</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDCXSTRX</td>
<td>This module is the mainline for applications that receive a structured parameter list that includes preallocated storage management areas.</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>Member of SCEESPC</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDCXISA</td>
<td>Get ISA requirements for EDCXSTRX.</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>Member of SCEESPC</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDCXSPRT</td>
<td>System programming version of sprintf().</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Member of SCEESPC</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDCXEXIT</td>
<td>System programming version of exit().</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Member of SCEESPC</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDCXMEM</td>
<td>System programming version of malloc(), calloc(), realloc(), free(), _4kmalc() and _24malc().</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Member of SCEESPC</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDCRCINT</td>
<td>This must be included if the compiler option RENT is to be used.</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Member of SCEESPC</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDCXABRT</td>
<td>System programming version of exception handling.</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Member of SCEESPC</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Notes:
1. This module must be explicitly included in the program using the binder INCLUDE control statement.
2. This module will normally be included by automatic call.
3. This module must be explicitly included if you want to use the system programming version of the function.

Creating system exit routines

z/OS C allows the creation of routines that have no environmental requirements on entry except:
- Register 13 must point to a 72-byte save area
- Register 14 must contain the return address
- Register 15 must contain the entry address
There is no requirement on the name of the entry point (that is, it does not have to be `main()`), so several different entry points, with names specified by the calling environment, can be combined in the same program.

Routines that do not require the z/OS C environment should specify one of these two pragma forms:

- `#pragma environment(function-name)`, if the library is required, or
- `#pragma environment(function-name,nolib)`, if no library is required.

This pragma causes the compiler to generate a different prolog for the specified function. The prolog contains the instructions at the beginning of the routine that perform the housekeeping necessary for the function to run, including allocation of the function’s automatic storage. This prolog will set up a C environment sufficient for both the function in which it is specified and any function that may be called. Called functions should not specify this pragma, unless they are called elsewhere without a C environment present. This new prolog will load and initialize the module containing the C library functions if this choice is specified.

For more information on the `#pragma environment`, see `z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference`.

The RENT compiler option is not supported in this environment; if you require reentrant system exit routines, the routine must be naturally reentrant. See `z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide` for more information about reentrancy.

System exit routines can be linked with their callers or dynamically loaded and invoked.

**Building system exit routines under z/OS**

The CEE.SCEESPC object library must be available at link-edit time. If the C library is required by the exit routines, CEE.SCEELKED must also be made available after CEE.SCEESPC. You should explicitly name the entry point with an ENTRY statement.

**An example of a system exit**

Table 79 on page 542 lists the parts used by exit. The following C program is a system exit that gains control from the system when an unknown CLIST subroutine is encountered. It checks if the name is recognized as a user-specific subroutine before returning control to the system. For more information on this system exit, see `z/OS TSO/E Customization`.
CCNGSP3

/* this is an example of a system exit */
#pragma environment(IKJCT44B,nolib) 1
/* */
/* IKJCT44B CLIST EXIT */
/* */
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <spc.h>

struct parmentry { int key;
    int len;
    char *pt; 
};

typedef struct parmentry P_ENT;

#define REVERSE 0
#define FLIPCHR 1
/* Valid commands */
static char *cmds[] =
{
    "SYSXTREV", "SYSXTFLIP" 2
};

void revstring( P_ENT *p11, P_ENT *p12 );
void flipstring( P_ENT *p11, P_ENT *p12 );

int IKJCT44B() {
    int **parme;
    struct parmentry *e7, *e10, *e11, *e12, *e13;

    /* Get registers on entry */
    parme = (void *)__xregs(1); 3
    /* Get the parameter entry values for those relevant for CLISTs */
    e7 = (struct parmentry *)parme[ 6 ]; /* exit return */
    e10 = (struct parmentry *)parme[ 9 ]; 4
    e11 = (struct parmentry *)parme[10];
    e12 = (struct parmentry *)parme[11];
    e13 = (struct parmentry *)parme[12];

    /* Figure 150. System exit example (Part 1 of 2) */
/* Is the command supported? */
switch (cmdchk(e10)) { 5
    case REVERSE: /* Reverse string */
        revstring(e11, e12);
        break;
    case FLIPCHR: /* Exchange the first and last chars only */
        flipstring(e11, e12);
        break;
    default: /* Unknown command type. Return with an error. */
        e12->pt[0] = 0x00;
        e12->len = 0;
        /* Set the return code */
        e7->key = 0x01;
        e7->len = 0x04;
        *(int *)&e7->pt = 0x06;
        return 12;
}

/* Return to caller - CLIST is supported. */
e7->key = 0x01;
e7->len = 0x04;
*(int *)&e7->pt = 0x00;
return 0;
}

/* cmdchk(P_ENT *pt) */
/* - is the command in the list of user-specific cmds? */
int cmdchk(P_ENT *pt) {
    int i;
    for (i=0; i<sizeof(cmds)/sizeof(char *); i++) { 1
        if (memcmp(pt->pt, cmds[i], pt->len) == 0) { 2
            return i;
        }
    }
    /* Not found */
    return -1;
}

/* revstring().... */
/* - reverse the string */
void revstring(P_ENT *p11, P_ENT *p12) { 4
    int i;
    for (i=0; i<p11->len; i++) { 4
        p12->pt[i] = p11->pt[p11->len-i-1]; 4
        p12->len = p11->len;
    }
}

/* flipstring() .... */
/* - flip the first and last characters in the string */
void flipstring(P_ENT *p11, P_ENT *p12) { 4
    char t;
    t = p11->pt[p11->len-1];
    memcpy(p12->pt, p11->pt, p11->len);
    p12->pt[p11->len-1] = p12->pt[0];
    p12->pt[0] = t;
    p12->len = p11->len;
}

Figure 150. System exit example (Part 2 of 2)

1 The #pragma environment directive sets up an entry point IKJCT44B other than main().
2 This is the list of user-specific subroutines that are available in this system exit.
The function \_xregs() is used to retrieve the parameters available to the system exit in R1 from the operating system.

The parameters are parameter entries passed from TSO to this system exit and are used for the following reasons:

- **e7**: Exit reason code
- **e10**: Name of subroutine
- **e11**: Arguments
- **e12**: Result

The list of user-specific subroutines is checked and if the unknown CLIST subroutine is recognized, the subroutine is called. Otherwise, the function returns in error.

Table 79 lists the parts used by the routines, and their function and location in MVS. The SYSLIB specified is **CEE.SCEESPC**.

**Table 79. Parts used by exit routines**

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<td>EDCXENV</td>
<td>Extended prolog code for exits that do not require the library.</td>
<td>2</td>
<td></td>
<td>Member of SCEESPC</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDCXENVL</td>
<td>Extended prolog code for exits that require the library.</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Member of SCEESPC</td>
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**Notes:**

1. This module must be explicitly included in the program using the binder INCLUDE control statement.
2. This module will normally be included by automatic call.
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**Creating and using persistent C environments**

Four routines are available to create and use a persistent C environment. These routines are used by an assembler language application that needs a C environment available to support the C functions (not including \texttt{main()}) that it calls.
An initialization routine, EDCXHOTC or EDCXHOTL (depending upon whether the called C subroutines will need the z/OS C library functions), is called to create a C environment. This call returns a handle that can be used (through EDCXHOTU) to call C subroutines. The environment persists until it is explicitly terminated by calling EDCXHOTT.

The four routines are:

- **EDCXHOTC** Sets up a persistent C environment (no library)
- **EDCXHOTL** Sets up a persistent C environment (with library)
- **EDCXHOTU** Runs a function in a persistent C environment
- **EDCXHOTT** Terminates a persistent C environment

The functions that act as entry points for these routines are __xhotc(), __xhotl(), __xhotu(), and __xhott(), respectively. For more information on these four functions, refer to Chapter 38, “Library functions for system programming C,” on page 573.

The RENT compiler option is not supported in the persistent environment described in this chapter.

Exception handling is not supported in persistent C environments.

As an alternative to the persistent environments, you can also create and retain a C environment using the preinitialized programming interface. This interface supports the RENT compiler option, but is less versatile in other respects. z/OS Language Environment provides a callable service for preinitialization called CEEPIPI. This is described in z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide. You may also find information in “Retaining the C environment using preinitialization” on page 257 helpful.

**Building applications that use persistent C environments**

There are no special restrictions for building applications that use persistent C environments. The automatic call facility will cause the correct routines from the SYSLIB to be included.

If any C library function is required by any routine called in this environment, the stub routines library CEE.SCEELKED should be made available at link time after CEE.SCEESPC.

**An example of persistent C environments**

The assembler routine shown in Figure 152 on page 545 illustrates the use of this feature to call a C function shown in Figure 151 on page 544.
CCNGSP4

/* this example uses a persistent C environment */
/* part 1 of 2-other file is CCNGSP5 */

#pragma linkage(crtn, OS)  
#include <string.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#define INSIZE 300 /* the maximum length we'll tolerate */

void crtn(int p1, char *p2) {
    char hold[2+INSIZE];
    char *endptr;
    int i;

    endptr=memchr(p2,'@',INSIZE);
    if (NULL==endptr)
        i=INSIZE; /* no ender? use max */
    else
        i=endptr-p2; /* length of stuff before it */

    memcpy(hold,p2,i); /* copy formatting string */
    hold[i++]='
'; /* add a new-line. */
    hold[i]='0'; /* ...and a null terminator */

    printf(hold,p1); /* print it out */
    return; /* and return */
}

Figure 151. Example of function used in a persistent C environment

This C function accepts two parameters: an integer and a printf()-style formatting string. The formatting string has a maximum length of 300 bytes; it is terminated by an @ if shorter. This routine must use OS linkage (1). The routine scans the formatting string for the terminator, copies it to a local work area, adds a trailing newline and NULL character, and prints the integer according to the formatting string.

The structure of the assembler caller is shown in Figure 152 on page 545.
* this example demonstrates a persistent C environment
* part 2 of 2-other file is CCNGSP4

```
ENVA   CSECT
ENVA   AMODE ANY
ENVA   RMODE ANY
STM    R14,R12,12(R13) 1
LR     R3,R15
USING  ENVA,R3
GETMAIN R,LV=DSALEN
ST     R13,4,(R1)
LR     R13,R1
USING  DSA,R13
LA     R4,HANDLE   2
LA     R5,STKSIZE
LA     R6,STKLOC
STM    R4,R6,PARMLIST
OI     PARMLIST+8,X'80'
LA     R1,PARMLIST
L      R15,=V(EDCXHOTL)
BALR   R14,R15
LA     R8,10   3

LOOP
DS     0H
ST     R8,LOOPCTR 4
LA     R4,HANDLE
LA     R5,USEFN
LA     R6,LOOPCTR
LA     R7,FMTSTR1
STM    R4,R7,PARMLIST
OI     PARMLIST+12,X'80'
LA     R1,PARMLIST
L      R15,=V(EDCXHOTU)
BALR   R14,R15
LA     R7,FMTSTR2 5
STM    R4,R7,PARMLIST
OI     PARMLIST+12,X'80'
L      R15,=V(EDCXHOTU)
BALR   R14,R15
BCT    R8,LOOP
```

Figure 152. Using a persistent C environment (Part 1 of 2)
This routine is entered with standard linkage conventions. It saves the registers in the save area pointed to by register 13, acquires a dynamic storage area for its own use, and chains the save areas together.

A C environment that includes support for the z/OS C library is created by calling EDCXHOTL. The parameter list for this call is the address of the handle (for the persistent C environment created), the address of a word containing the initial stack size, and the address of a word containing the initial stack location (0 for below the 16MB line and 1 for above). This parameter list uses the normal OS linkage format.

The routine loops 10 times calling the C function crtn twice each time through the loop.

The parameter list for the first call is the address of the handle, the address of a word pointing to the function, and the parameters to be received by the function. EDCXHOTU is called. This causes the specified C function, crtn() to be given control with register 1 pointing to the remaining parameters, LOOPCTR and FMTSTR1.

The C function is called again, this time with FMTSTR2 as the second parameter.
When the loop ends, EDCXHOTT is called to terminate the environment created at 2.

The routine terminates by freeing its dynamic storage area and returning to its caller.

Table 80 lists the parts used by persistent environments and their function and location. The SYSLIB is CEE.SCEESSPC.

Table 80. Parts used by persistent environments

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<tr>
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<tr>
<td>EDCXHOTC</td>
<td>This module is called to set up a C environment without z/OS Language Environment.</td>
<td>2</td>
<td></td>
<td>Member of SCEESPC</td>
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<tr>
<td>EDCXHOTL</td>
<td>This module is called to set up a C environment with the z/OS C library functions available.</td>
<td>2</td>
<td></td>
<td>Member of SCEESPC</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDCXHOTT</td>
<td>This module is called to terminate a C environment set up by EDCXHOTC or EDCXHOTL.</td>
<td>2</td>
<td></td>
<td>Member of SCEESPC</td>
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<tr>
<td>EDCXHOTU</td>
<td>This module is called to use a C environment set up by EDCXHOTC or EDCXHOTL.</td>
<td>2</td>
<td></td>
<td>Member of SCEESPC</td>
</tr>
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<td>System programming version of sprintf().</td>
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<td>System programming version of exit().</td>
<td>3</td>
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<td>Member of SCEESPC</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDCXMEM</td>
<td>System programming version of malloc(), calloc(), realloc(), free(), _4kmalc() and _24malc().</td>
<td>3</td>
<td></td>
<td>Member of SCEESPC</td>
</tr>
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</table>

Notes:
1. This module must be explicitly included in the program using the binder INCLUDE control statement.
2. This module will normally be included by automatic call.
3. This module must be explicitly included if you want to use the system programming version of the function.

Developing services in the service routine environment

The purpose of an application service routine environment is to allow the development, using z/OS C, of services that can be developed, tested, and packaged independently of their intended users. You can:

- Isolate the service code from its user
- Specify and enforce a clearly defined Application Programming Interface (API) between the user (another application program) and the service routine
• Share server code among more than one (perhaps different) user applications simultaneously
• Enhance or maintain the service routine code with no disruption to its various user applications

In this environment, a service application is developed as a C main() function together with any functions it may call, and packaged as a complete program. This program, if it is reentrant, can be freely installed in the ELPA and shared by all of its users.

To provide the service to a user application, the developer of the service must offer small assembler language stub routines that are link-edited with the user code. These stub routines use services provided by the System Programming Facilities to load or locate the server code and pass messages to it for execution. Examples of these stub routines are shown in "Constructing user-server stub routines" on page 564.

Using application service routine control flow

In this section examples are based on a service routine that manages a storage queue. This server might be used by languages that do not support dynamic memory allocation, or by applications that do not want to concern themselves with the management of such data structures. The operations supported by this service routine are:
• Initialize
• Terminate
• Add an element to the head of the queue (last in, first out)
• Add an element to the tail of the queue (first in, first out)
• Get the element at the head of the queue

Service routine user perspective

A conversation is initiated when a user routine calls a startup routine supplied by the author of the service to establish a connection between the user and the server. This routine returns a handle to the user that represents the server environment. User routines may establish connections with many different services or many times with the same server as long as the needed resources, principally memory, are available in the system. Each connection has a different handle, and it is the user routine’s responsibility to keep track of them.

Note: Memory files cannot be shared between the user routines and the server.

Once the user has initialized the server, it uses other server-supplied stub routines to send requests (messages) to the server for action. One of the parameters to this routine will be the handle returned by the initialize call. These request stubs would typically return a feedback code to indicate success or failure as well as any other information requested. The server defines the parameter list to be passed and the feedback codes to be given to the user.

When the user is finished with the server, it calls yet another stub routine to terminate the server.

This structure is illustrated in a sample user routine shown in Figure 153 on page 549.
**CCNGSP6:**

```c
PROGRAM MAIN

C Example User-Service Routine application

C Define the variable that will hold the 'handle' for the server
INTEGER*4 HANDLE

C Define the variable that will hold feedback codes
INTEGER*4 FEEDBACK

C Define the variable that we'll use to get the strings back
CHARACTER*100 CH
INTEGER*4 CHLEN

C initialize the server
CALL QMGINIT(HANDLE)

C Feed some strings to the server
CALL QMGLIFO(HANDLE,FEEDBACK,17,'2 Sample string 1')
CALL QMGLIFO(HANDLE,FEEDBACK,23,'1 Another sample string')
CALL QMGFIFO(HANDLE,FEEDBACK,20,'3 Yet another string')

C Get the strings back, print out length and value
DO 1 I=1,3
   CALL QMGGET(HANDLE,FEEDBACK,CHLEN,CH)
   PRINT *,CHLEN,CH(1:CHLEN)
1 CONTINUE

C Terminate the server
CALL QMGTERM(HANDLE)

C Go home
STOP
END
```

*Figure 153. Example of user routine*

1. The user routine sets up a variable that will be used to hold the handle returned by the server. The form taken by this handle is up to the supplier of the service, but a fullword (4 bytes) should be regarded as typical.

2. The user routine calls the initialize routine to set up the connection between the user routine and the server.

3. The user routine adds three strings to the queue. In this example, the first character of the string indicates the order in which the user expects to retrieve the strings.

4. The user enters a loop in which the strings are retrieved from the queue.

5. The user routine prints out the strings passed back by the call to the server. If there is no string remaining in the queue a null string (zero length) is returned.

6. Before ending, the user routine closes down the server.

This routine is linked normally with the server-supplied stub routines (described in "Constructing user-server stub routines" on page 564).
Service routine perspective
A service routine is a complete, stand alone module that runs in its own C environment. Its environment is created on demand by user application routines that call it using stub routines supplied by the server. When this happens, the server code enters at its main() entry point and, typically, goes into a loop that contains a function call to get the next to-do. One possible to-do is terminate; when this command is received the server should exit() or return from its main() function. The environment created when the server was started terminates and all resources held by the server are freed (except storage acquired by 24malc() or 4kmalc(), as described in "24malc() — Allocate Storage below 16MB Line" on page 577 and "4kmalc() — Allocate Page-Aligned Storage" on page 577.

This structure is illustrated in a sample user routine shown in Figure 154:

CCNGSP7:

/* this is an example of an application service routine */

#include <spc.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>

#define LIFO 1
#define FIFO 2
#define GET 3
#define TERM -1

int main(void) {
    int retcode=0;

    /* data structures to manage the queue */
    struct queue_entry {
        struct queue_entry *next;
        int length;
        char val[1];
    };

    struct queue_entry *head;
    struct queue_entry *tail;

Figure 154. Example of application service routine (Part 1 of 3)
struct {
    int code;
    union info *plist;
} *req;

union info {
    struct {
        int *length;
        char *string;
    } lifo;
    struct {
        int *length;
        char *string;
    } fifo;
    struct {
        int *length;
        char *string;
    } get;
};

/* initialize the queue pointers */
head = NULL;
tail = NULL;

/* the main processing loop goes on until a termination signal is sent */
for(;;) {
    union info *info;
    int length;
    char *string;
    struct queue_entry *ent;

    /* get a message from the user routine */
    info = __xsrvc(retcode);  
    info = req->plist;

    switch(req->code) {
        case LIFO:
            length = (*info).lifo.length;
            string = (*info).lifo.string;
            ent = malloc(sizeof *ent - length);
            memcpy((*ent).val, string, length);
            __xsacc(0);
            (*ent).length = length;
            (*ent).next = head;
            head = ent;
            if (NULL == tail) tail = ent;
            break;
    }

Figure 154. Example of application service routine (Part 2 of 3)
The server routine should include the appropriate header files. spc.h contains the function prototypes for the routines that are used to maintain the conversation between the server routine and the user routine. string.h is required if string or memory functions are used in the code and z/OS Language Environment will not be available at run time; this header file contains the directives necessary to use these built-in functions.

These are the command codes of the requests that can be sent to this server.

The server begins with a main() function. This function gets control when the user calls QMGINIT.

This server manages an in-storage queue of unstructured elements. It does this by maintaining a linked list of elements. The structure queue_entry contains an individual entry; head and tail point to the first and last entries in the queue.

Requests come to the server in the form of a pointer to a structure containing a command code (in this case, one of LIFO, FIFO, GET, or TERM) and a pointer to a parameter list associated with the command code. The parameter list is what follows HANDLE and FEEDBACK in the calls to QMGLIFO.
QMGFIFO, and QMGGET. Like the command codes, the structure of this parameter list is established in concert with the stub routines.

In this example, all the commands have exactly the same format. This may not generally be the case, so a union of the various parameter list formats is appropriate. Then the interface can be expanded without disrupting existing code.

Before accepting commands, required initialization is performed.

This server is structured as an endless loop. This loop terminates when a terminate message sends control to a return statement at 27.

At this point, the server is ready for work. The call to __xsrvc() causes the user routine to resume execution at the place it left off when it last called the server. The value passed as the parameter is made available to the stub routines for use as a feedback code. This function will not return until the user application sends a request (using one of the stub routines, in this example QMGLIFO, QMFIFO, QMGGET, or QMGTERM).

Extract the parameters from the structure pointed to by the call to __xsrvc().

Examine the request code sent by the user application.

The LIFO request code is handled here.

These library functions (and many others, the complete list is given in “Using functions in the system programming C environment” on page 530) are normally available in this environment even though z/OS Language Environment is not available at run time.

The amount of storage allocated is the size of the queue entry (defined at 4) minus 1 (because the definition of the entry allowed for 1 character of value) plus the length actually required for the value.

This function should be used to indicate that the server has completed its use of any data structures (parameters and data areas pointed to by the parameters) belonging to the user application. The value passed to this function or the value passed by the next call to __xsrvc()(which ever is greater in magnitude) will be passed to the stub routine for use as a feedback code.

The handling of FIFO and GET is similar.

When a terminate request is received, the server returns. This terminates the loop (at 8) and the environment set up when the server was first called.

If the command code is not recognized the server acknowledges the request and sets a return code that can be analyzed by the stub routine or the user application.

The server returns to the request for another to-do. The value passed as a parameter here or the last value passed to __xsacc(), whichever has the greater magnitude, is passed to the stub routine for use as a feedback code.

The server is built as a freestanding C application as described in “Creating freestanding applications” on page 532.

You must specify EDCXSTRT, QMGSERV, EDCXMEM and EDCXEXIT when you link edit.
Understanding the stub perspective

The stub routines provide the link between the user application and the application service module. They are responsible for:

- Locating or loading the server code
- Providing the Application Programming Interface (API) seen by the user.

Many choices are available in the design of the API and how single calls in the user are mapped. For example, the initialize call could accept parameters governing the behavior of the session being established and pass them to the server as commands once the server has been initialized. In the example the interactions are straight forward, the initialize only starts up the server, and the message calls send single messages, untouched and unexamined, to the server.

There are two kinds of stubs: the initialization stub and the message stubs. Termination is a special case of a message stub. These stubs are most appropriately written in assembler so that they can run in any language environment with minimal performance cost.

The initialization stub is responsible for loading and calling the server. It can use the low-level storage management and contents supervision routines supplied in SCEESPC. These routines are described in "Tailoring the system programming C environment" on page 565. The structure of an initialization stub is shown in Figure 155 on page 555.
Stub routines are presumed to have a save area available at the location pointed to by register 13.

The parameter list passed to stub routines is OS linkage; that is, register 1 points to a list of addresses. In this example, the initialization stub receives only one parameter, the handle, that gets the address of a control block representing the environment.

For efficiency, this routine gets a work area that will be used by all the stub routines. The low level storage management routine EDCXGET, (described in EDCXGET on page 566) is available for this purpose. This area will be the DSA for this and all other stub routines. It begins with an 18-word save area for use by routines called by this stub. It will be freed by the “terminate” stub.

When a save area is available, EDCXLOAD (described in EDCXLOAD on page 569) is called to load the server.
EDCXSRVI is called to initialize the server. When control is returned from this call, the server has built a complete environment and has asked for something to do.

The value returned by EDCXSRSVI is the address of a control block that is used to manage the interface between the user application and the service application module. The first 3 words (12 bytes) of this control block are reserved for the exclusive use of the stub routines. The fields following the first 3 words may not be used by either the stub routines or the user, nor may their values be altered. In this example, an eye-catcher (often useful for debugging) is moved into the first word.

The address of the work area acquired for dynamic storage requirements is moved into the second word. The address of this control block is stored in the user’s handle.

The address of the control block from EDCXSRSVI is placed in the user routine’s handle. The user routine has no knowledge of the contents or format of this field; it is simply a token that is passed to other stub routines to manage the conversation between the user and the service routine.

Having initialized the server, the stub returns to the user at 2 in Figure 153 on page 549.

Message stubs are responsible for passing requests from the user application to the service application. Like the initialization stub, they are free to use the low-level storage management and contents supervision routines supplied with the system programming facilities. Example message stubs are shown in Figure 156 on page 557, Figure 157 on page 558, Figure 158 on page 560, and Figure 159 on page 562.
Like the initialize stub, the QMGLIFO message stub expects a standard save area pointed to by register 13. The parameters are passed with standard OS linkage (register 1 pointing to a list of addresses).

The handle contains the value that was placed there by the initialization stub at 6 in Figure 155 on page 555. This is the address of the control block that is used to manage the interface between the user application and the server.

Recover the address of the stub work area for use as a Dynamic Storage Area (DSA). This value was saved here by the initialization stub at The save area back chain field is set according to usual conventions.

A parameter list consisting of the handle (as returned by EDCXSRVI at 5 in Figure 155 on page 555 in the initialization stub), code for LIFO, and the address of the remaining parameters.

Figure 156. Example of server message stub-LIFO
Call EDCXSRVN to re-awaken the server. This causes the server to resume control at \[9\] in Figure 154 on page 550 in the server. The server has control until it asks for the next to-do, in this example at \[9\].

The value passed to \$_xsrvc()\ appears as the return code from EDCXSRVN. This value is passed back to the user application in the second parameter. This is part of the API defined by this particular server, not something inherent in the user-server relationship.

Control is returned to the user in the usual way.

This routine uses functions supplied in SCEESPC to load or locate the server code and initialize its environment.

**CCNGSPD**

* this is an example of a server message stub
QMGFIFO TITLE 'SERVER supplied stub for feeding strings FIFO'
QMGFIFO CSECT
QMGFIFO AMODE ANY
QMGFIFO RMODE ANY
QMGFIFO ST
R14,R12,12(R13)  
LR R3,R15
USING QMGFIFO,R3
LR R5,R1
USING INPARMS,R5
L R6,HANDLE@
L R6,0,(R6)  
L R1,4,(R6)  
Point to the handle
Point to work area got by QMGINIT
USING WA,R1
ST R13,SA+4
LR R13,R1
WA is new savearea
LA R7,FIFO
LA R8,INPARMS+8
User parms start at 3rd handle, FIFO, Other parms
LA R1,PLIST
L R15,=V(EDCXSRVN)
BALR R14,R15
L R1,FEEDBK@
ST R15,0,(R1)
L R13,4,(R13)
L R14,12(R13)
LM R0,R12,20(R13)
BR R14
INPARMS DSECT
HANDLE@ DS F
FEEDBK@ DS F
LENGTH@ DS F
STRING@ DS F
WA DSECT
SA DS 18F
PLIST DS 4F
WALEN EQU *=WA
LIFO EQU 1
FIFO EQU 2
GET EQU 3
TERM EQU -1
YREGS END

Figure 157. Example of server message stub-FIFO

1 Like the initialize stub, the QMGFIFO message stub expects a standard
save area pointed to by register 13. The parameters are passed with standard OS linkage (register 1 pointing to a list of addresses).

2 The *handle* contains the value that was placed there by the initialization stub at Figure 155 on page 555. This is the address of the control block that is used to manage the interface between the user application and the server.

3 Recover the address of the stub work area for use as a Dynamic Storage Area (DSA). This value was saved here by the initialization stub at Figure 155 on page 555. The save area back chain field is set according to usual conventions.

4 A parameter list consisting of the handle (as returned by EDCXSRVI at Figure 155 on page 555), code for FIFO, and the address of the remaining parameters.

5 Call EDCXSRVN to *re-awaken* the server. This causes the server to resume control at Figure 154 on page 550 in the server. The server has control until it asks for the next to-do, in this example at Figure 154 on page 550 again.

6 The value passed to __xsrvc() appears as the return code from EDCXSRVN. This value is passed back to the user application in the second parameter. *This is part of the API defined by this particular server, not something inherent in the user-server relationship.*

7 Control is returned to the user in the usual way.

This routine uses functions supplied in SCEESPC to load or locate the server code and initialize its environment.
CCNGSPE

* this is an example of a server message stub

QMGGET TITLE 'SERVER supplied stub for feeding strings GET'
QMGGET CSECT
QMGGET AMODE ANY
QMGGET RMODE ANY

1. Like the initialize stub, the QMGGET message stub expects a standard save area pointed to by register 13. The parameters are passed with standard OS linkage (register 1 pointing to a list of addresses).

2. The handle contains the value that was placed there by the initialization stub at 3. This is the address of the control block that is used to manage the interface between the user application and the server.

3. Recover the address of the stub work area for use as a Dynamic Storage Area (DSA). This value was saved here by the initialization stub at 7. The save area back chain field is set according to usual conventions.

Figure 158. Example of server message stub-GET

1. STM R14,R12,12(R13)
2. LR R3,R15
3. R5,R1
4. USING QMGGET,R3
5. R6,HANDLE@ L R6,0(R6)
6. L R14,(R6)
7. USING INPARGS,R5
8. ST R13,SA+4
9. LR R13,R1

INPARGS DSECT
HANDLE@ DS F
FEEDBK@ DS F
LENGTH@ DS F
STRING@ DS F
WA DSECT
SA DS 18F
PLIST DS 4F
WALEN EQU *-WA
LIFO EQU 1
FIFO EQU 2
GET EQU 3
TERM EQU -1
YREGS END
A parameter list consisting of the handle (as returned by EDCXSRI at Figure 155 on page 555 in the initialization stub), code for GET, and the address of the remaining parameters.

Call EDCXSRI to re-awaken the server. This causes the server to resume control at 9 in Figure 154 on page 550 in the server. The server has control until it asks for the next to-do, in this example at 9 in Figure 154 on page 550 again.

The value passed to __xsvc() appears as the return code from EDCXSRI. This value is passed back to the user application in the second parameter. This is part of the API defined by this particular server, not something inherent in the user-server relationship.

Control is returned to the user in the usual way.

This routine uses functions supplied in SCEESPC to load or locate the server code and initialize its environment.
Like the initialize stub, the QMGTERM message stub expects a standard save area pointed to by register 13. The parameters are passed with standard OS linkage (register 1 pointing to a list of addresses).

The handle contains the value that was placed there by the initialization stub at Figure 156 on page 555. This is the address of the control block that is used to manage the interface between the user application and the server.

Recover the address of the stub work area for use as a Dynamic Storage Area (DSA). This value was saved here by the initialization stub at Figure 156 on page 555. The save area back chain field is set according to usual conventions.

A parameter list consisting of the handle (as returned by EDCXSRVI at Figure 156 on page 555), code for TERM, and the address of the remaining parameters.
Call EDCXSRVN to re-awaken the server. This causes the server to resume control at 9 in Figure 154 on page 550 in the server. The server has control until it asks for the next to-do, in this example at 9 in Figure 154 on page 550 again.

Control is returned to the user in the usual way.

The routines in the following section are used to create and use a persistent C environment for a server co-routine, written using z/OS C and EDCXSTRT, or EDCXSTRL and callable by a user application written in any language.

An initialization routine, EDCXSRVI, is called to start up a server. Control returns from the initialization call with the server code started and waiting for work.

As with the persistent C environment, the initialization call returns a handle that is used by EDCXSRVN for further communication with the created environment. EDCXSRVN suspends the execution of the calling routine and sends a message to the waiting server. When the server completes the function called for by the message its execution is suspended and the caller of EDCXSRVN resumes.

The server environment is terminated when a Terminate message is sent to the server.

Establishing a server environment

EDCXSRVI
This routine creates a z/OS C environment for the server part of user-server application. It is intended that this routine be called by a stub routine supplied by the server and statically bound with the user application. The stub routine is responsible for loading the server application code.

Parameters
1. The address of the entry point of the server code. This must be the address of the EDCXSTRT or EDCXSTRL entry point.
2. The value to be in R1 when the server entry point is called. This can be used for communication between the initialization stub and the server mainline; its value can be retrieved in the server code. __xregs(1) will return a pointer to this list of parameters.
3. The address of a low-level get-storage routine (meeting the same interface as EDCXGET, but not necessarily EDCXGET).
4. The address of a low-level free-storage routine (meeting the same interface as EDCXFREE, but not necessarily EDCXFREE).

Return
When this routine returns the server environment is fully established and waiting for a message from the user. R15 points to a handle that is used in subsequent calls to EDCXSRVN to send messages to the server.

Initiating a server request

EDCXSRVN
This routine is used by the stub routines that are linked with user application routines to send a message to an active server in a user-server application.
Parameters
1. The address of the handle returned by EDCXSRVI.
2. The function code for the function to be performed. The value -1 is used to indicate that the server should terminate. This value should not be used for any other purpose.
3. Other parameters, which are passed to the server code.

Return
R15 will contain the return code supplied by the server (as the parameter to EDCXSACC) for this service.

Accepting a request for service

EDCXSACC
This routine operates in the server part of a user-server application. It is used to indicate acceptance or rejection of the last-requested service.

Parameters
1. The return code of the last-requested service 0 indicating that the request was accepted and will be processed.

For more information on EDCXSACC, see "__xsacc() — Accept Request for Service" on page 576.

Returning control from service

EDCXSRCV
This routine operates in the server part of a user-server application. It is used to indicate completion of the last-requested service and to get information required for the next service to be performed.

Parameters
1. The return code for the last-requested service.

For more information on EDCXSRCV, see "__xsrvc() — Return Control from Service" on page 576.

Constructing user-server stub routines
Part of building a server for use in a user-server environment is the construction of stub routines that load and initialize the server, pass messages to the server, and terminate the server. These stub routines are typically written in assembler language to allow them to be freely called from other environments without regard to the characteristics of the calling environment.

Building user-server environments
To build your server application, follow the rules for building a freestanding application as described in "Building freestanding applications to run under z/OS" on page 535.

There are no special considerations for building user applications. The automatic call facility will cause the correct routines from CEE.SCEESPC to be included.
Table 81. Parts used by or with application server routines

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<th>Inclusion in Program</th>
<th>Notes</th>
<th>Location</th>
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<td>EDCXSРVI</td>
<td>This module is used by a server-supplied stub routine to start up a server.</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>in the user module</td>
<td>Member of SCEESPC</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDCXSРVN</td>
<td>This module is used by a server-supplied stub routine to send a service-request message to a server.</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>in the user module</td>
<td>Member of SCEESPC</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDCXSРVC</td>
<td>This module is used by a server to wait for the next message to process.</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>in the user module</td>
<td>Member of SCEESPC</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDCXSАСС</td>
<td>This module is used by a server to accept the last message received.</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>in the user module</td>
<td>Member of SCEESPC</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EDCXSPRT</td>
<td>System programming version of sprintf().</td>
<td>3</td>
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<td>EDCXMЕM</td>
<td>System programming version of malloc(), calloc(), realloc(), free(), _4kmalc() and _24malc().</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>Member of SCEESPC</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Notes:
1. This module must be explicitly included in the program using the binder INCLUDE control statement.
2. This module will normally be included by automatic call.
3. This module must be explicitly included if you want to use the system programming version of the function.

Tailoring the system programming C environment

Depending on the environment under which you want to run your z/OS C routines, you might want to replace some of the following routines for system-specific routines. To work correctly, your routines should match the interface as documented in this section.

The routines as supplied by IBM with z/OS C meet the interface as documented.

Generating abends

EDCXABND
This routine is called to generate an abend if there is an internal error during initialization or termination of a system programming C environment.

Parameter

R1     The address of the abend code and reason code
This routine is not provided with a save area. In addition to the linkage registers, this routine may freely alter registers 2 and 4.

This module must have the entry point name of @@XABND.

**CCNGSPA:**

* this is an example of a routine to generate an abend
@@XABEND TITLE 'Generate an Abend'
EDCXABND CSECT
EDCXABND AMODE ANY
EDCXABND RMODE ANY
@@XABND DS 0H
   ENTRY @@XABND
   BALR R2,0
   USING *,R2
   SPACE 1
   *
   USING PARMS,R1
   L R4,REAS_RC get reason code
   L R2,ERROR_RC get error code
   DROP R1,R2
ABEND ABEND (R2),REASON=(R4)
   *
   LTORG
   EJECT
PARMS DSECT
ERROR_RC DS F
REAS_RC DS F
   *
R1 EQU 1
R2 EQU 2
R3 EQU 3
R4 EQU 4
END

*Figure 160. Example of routine to generate abend*

**Getting storage**

**EDCXGET**

This routine is called to get storage from the operating system.

**Parameter**

R0 The requested length, in bytes. If the high-order bit is zero or if the request was made in 24-bit addressing mode, the storage will be allocated below the 16M line. If the high-order bit is on and the request is made in 31-bit addressing mode, storage will be allocated anywhere with a preference for storage above the 16M line if available.

**Return**

R0 The length of the storage block acquired, in bytes.

R1 The address of the acquired area or NULL.

R15 A system dependent return code, which must be zero on success and non-zero otherwise.

This routine is not provided with a save area. In addition to the linkage registers, this routine may freely alter registers 2 and 4.
The entry point name for this routine must be @@XGET.

If you provide your own EDCXGET routine, it will be used when C library functions explicitly get storage. Whenever the library functions invoke operating system services, there may be implicit requests for storage that cannot be tailored.

**CCNGSPB**

* this is an example of a routine to get storage
@@XGET TITLE 'Obtain memory as specified in R0'
EDCXGET CSECT
EDCXGET AMODE ANY
EDCXGET RMODE ANY
@@XGET DS OH
ENTRY @@XGET
SPACE 1
BALR R2,R0
USING *,R2
LTR R0,R0 Memory above or below?
BNL BELOW
SLL R0,1 Want memory anywhere
SRL R0,1
LTR R2,R2 are we running above the line?
BNL BELOW no, so ignore above request
GETMAIN RC,SP=0,LV=(R0),LOC=ANY
LTR R15,R15 Was it successful?
BZR R14 Yes...
SR R1,R1 No, indicate failure
BR R14

Figure 161. Example of routine to get storage (Part 1 of 2)

BELOW DS OH Get memory below the line
GETMAIN RC,SP=0,LV=(R0),LOC=BETOW
LTR R15,R15 Was it successful?
BZR R14 Yes...
SR R1,R1 No, indicate failure in R1
BR R14

*   
R0   EQU 0
R1   EQU 1
R2   EQU 2
R4   EQU 4
R13  EQU 13
R14  EQU 14
R15  EQU 15

Figure 161. Example of routine to get storage (Part 2 of 2)

**Getting page-aligned storage**

**EDCX4KGT**

This routine is called to get page-aligned storage from the operating system.

**Parameter**

R0 The requested length, in bytes. If the high-order bit of this register is zero or if the request was made in 24-bit addressing mode, the storage is allocated below the 16M line. If the high-order bit is on and the request is made in
31-bit addressing mode, storage is allocated above the 16M line. If this space is not available, storage is allocated elsewhere.

**Return**

R0  The length of the storage block acquired, in bytes. This length may be greater than the size requested.

R1  The address of the acquired area or NULL.

R15 A system-dependent return code, which must be zero on success and nonzero otherwise.

This routine is not provided with a save area. In addition to the linkage registers, this routine may freely alter registers 2 and 4.

Its entry point must be @X4KGET.

### Freeing storage

**EDCXFREE**

This routine is called to return storage to the operating system.

**Parameters**

R0  The length of storage to be freed, in bytes

R1  The address of the area to be freed

**Return**

R15 A system-dependent return code, which must be zero on success and nonzero otherwise

This routine is not provided with a save area. In addition to the linkage registers, this routine may freely alter registers 2 and 4.

Its entry point must be @XFREE.

If you provide your own EDCXFREE routine, it will be used when C library functions explicitly free storage. Whenever the library functions invoke operating-system services, there may be implicit requests to free storage that cannot be tailored.

**CCNGSPC**
Loading a module

**EDCXLOAD**
This routine is called to load a named module into storage.

**Parameter**
R1  Points to the name of the routine to be loaded

**Return**
R1  the address and amode of the routine or 0
R15 A system-dependent return code, which must be zero on success and nonzero otherwise

This routine is provided with a save area. Apart from the linkage registers, it must save and restore all registers used.

Its entry point must be @@XLOAD.

Deleting a module

**EDCXUNLD**
This routine is called to delete a named module from storage.

**Parameter**
R1  Points to the name of the routine to be deleted

**Return**
R15 A system-dependent return code, which must be zero on success and nonzero otherwise

This routine is provided with a save area. Apart from the linkage registers, it must save and restore all registers used.

Its entry point must be @@XUNLD.
Including a run-time message file

When you are running a freestanding environment and run-time messages are required, you must explicitly include a message file at link-edit time. One of the three following modules can be included to produce these messages:

EDCXLANE
Creates run-time error messages in uppercase and lowercase English

EDCXLANU
Creates run-time error messages in uppercase English

EDCXLANK
Creates run-time error messages in Kanji

If one of these message routines is not included and an exception occurs, the program could terminate without displaying a message. These error messages are directed to stderr. Refer to the z/OS Language Environment Debugging Guide for more information.

The following tables contain the abend codes and reason codes specific to the system programming facilities.

Table 82. Abend codes specific to system programming environments

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Abend Code</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>2100</td>
<td>No storage abend code</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2101</td>
<td>Error freeing storage</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2102</td>
<td>Error finding stack seg home</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2103</td>
<td>Error loading library</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2104</td>
<td>Error with heap allocation</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2105</td>
<td>Error with system level command</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2106</td>
<td>Error initializing statics</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2107</td>
<td>Error establishing error handler for EDCXSTRX</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2108</td>
<td>Error cleaning up heap for EDCXSTRX</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4000</td>
<td>Error when handling abend</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

Table 83. Reason codes specific to system programming environments

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Reason Code</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>7201</td>
<td>Error in initialization.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7202</td>
<td>Error in termination.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7203</td>
<td>Error when extending stack.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7204</td>
<td>Error during longjmp/setjmp.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7205</td>
<td>Can not locate static init. The routine EDCRCINT must be included in your module if you use the RENT compiler option.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7206</td>
<td>Module EDCXABRT was not explicitly included at link edit time.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7207</td>
<td>No initial heap allocation is specified and a heap is required.</td>
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</tbody>
</table>
Additional library routines

The following routines provide additional support that is unique to applications running in a system programming C environment. These routines are packaged as part of the link library.

- \_xregs()  
  Get registers on entry

- \_xusr()  
  Get address of User Word

- \_xusr2()  
  Get address of User Word

- \_4kmalc()  
  Allocate page-aligned storage

- \_24malc()  
  Allocate storage below 16mb line

For more information on these routines refer to Chapter 38, “Library functions for system programming C,” on page 573.

Summary of application types

Table 84 shows the summary of application types, how they are called, and the module entry points.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Type of Application</th>
<th>How It Is Called</th>
<th>Module Entry Point</th>
<th>Data Sets Required at Execution Time</th>
<th>Run-Time Options (1) and Other Considerations</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>A mainline function that requires no dynamic library facilities</td>
<td>From the command line, JCL, or an EXEC or CLIST.</td>
<td>EDCXSTRT, which must be explicitly included at bind time</td>
<td>None.</td>
<td>Run-Time options are specified by #pragma runopts in compilation unit for the main() function. The heap and stack options are honored. The stack defaults to be above the line.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A mainline function that requires the z/OS C library functions</td>
<td>From the command line, JCL, or an EXEC or CLIST.</td>
<td>EDCXSTRRL, which must be explicitly included at bind time</td>
<td>CEE.SCEERUN is required</td>
<td>Run-Time options are specified by #pragma runopts in the compile unit for the entry point. The heap and stack options are honored, except that the stack will default to be above the line. The SPIE option is honored if a library is called for.</td>
</tr>
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<tr>
<td>A C subroutine called from assembler language using a pre-established persistent environment</td>
<td>A handle, the address of the subroutine and a parameter list are passed to EDCXHOTU.</td>
<td></td>
<td>CEE.SCEERUN is optional, depending upon the way the handle was set up.</td>
<td>Run-Time options are specified by #pragma runopts in any compile unit. The heap and stack options are honored, except that the stack will default to be above the line. The SPIE option is honored if a library is called for. The runopts in the first object module in the link edit that contains runopts will prevail, even if this compilation unit is part of the calling application. The environment is established by calling EDCXHOTC (or EDCXHOTL if library facilities are required). These functions return a value (the handle) which is used to call functions that use the environment.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A Server</td>
<td>User code includes a stub routine that calls EDCXSRVI. This causes the server to be loaded and control to be passed to its entry point.</td>
<td>EDCXSTRT, or EDCXSTRL, depending upon whether the server needs the C run-time library or not</td>
<td>CEE.SCEERUN if required by the server code.</td>
<td>Run-Time options are the same as for EDCXSTRL or EDCXSTRT. The author of the server must supply stub routines which call EDCXSRVI and EDCXSRVN to initialize and communicate with the server. These are bound with the user application.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A User of an Application Server</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>The server and CEE.SCEERUN if required by the server.</td>
<td>The author of the server must supply stub routines which call EDCXSRVI and EDCXSRVN to initialize and communicate with the server.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Chapter 38. Library functions for system programming C

This chapter describes the library functions specific to the System Programming C environment:

- __xhotc()
- __xhotl()
- __xhott()
- __xhotu()
- __xregs()
- __xsacc()
- __xsrvc()
- __xusr()
- __xusr2()
- __24malc()
- __4kmalc()

__xhotc() — Set Up a Persistent C Environment (No Library)

Format

```c
#include <spc.h>

void *__xhotc(void *handle, int stack, int location);
```

Description

The function creates a persistent C environment that does not require the dynamic library facilities of z/OS Language Environment at run time. The parameters are fullwords (four bytes).

1. `handle` is the field for the token (or handle) which is returned.
2. `stack` is the initial stack allocation required for the environment.
3. `location` is the location of the stack:
   - 0 Below the line
   - 1 Above the line

__xhotc() is specific to SP C. It is part of the group serving the persistent C environment.

The function is also available under the name EDCXHOTC.

Returned value

__xhotc() returns a token (or handle) which is used in subsequent calls to __xhotu() and __xhott() to use or terminate a persistent C environment. This handle is found in both the first parameter passed and R15.

The RENT compiler option is not supported for routines called using this environment.
Example

For an extensive example of the use of _xhotc() see “Creating and using persistent C environments” on page 542.

__xhotl() — Set Up a Persistent C Environment (With Library)

Format
#include <spc.h>

void *__xhotl(void *handle, int stack, int location);

Description
The function creates a persistent C environment that will use the dynamic z/OS C/C++ library functions. All library facilities are available in this environment except:
- The RENT compiler option is not supported in the persistent environment described in this chapter.
- Exception handling is not supported in persistent C environments.

The following parameters are fullwords (four bytes):
1. _xhotl() is specific to SP C. It is part of the group serving the persistent C environment.

__xhotl() is specific to SP C. It is part of the group serving the persistent C environment.

The function is also available under the name EDCXHOTL.

Returned value
This routine returns a token (or handle) which is used in subsequent calls to __xhotu() and __xhott() to use or terminate a persistent C environment. This handle is found in both the first parameter passed and R15.

Example
For an extensive example of the use of __xhotl() see “Creating and using persistent C environments” on page 542.

__xhott() — Terminate a Persistent C Environment

Format
#include <spc.h>

void __xhott(void *handle);

Description
This function terminates a persistent C environment created by __xhotc() or __xhotl().

The parameter of __xhott() is a handle returned by __xhotc() or __xhotl().

__xhott() is specific to SP C. It is part of the group serving the persistent C environment.
The function is also available under the name EDCXHOTT.

**Example**
For an extensive example of the use of __xhot() see "Creating and using persistent C environments" on page 542.

__xhotu() — Run a Function in a Persistent C Environment

**Format**
```c
#include <spc.h>

void *__xhotu(void *handle, void *function, ...);
```

**Description**
This function is used to run a function in a persistent C environment. The parameters are fullwords (four bytes):
1. `handle` is a handle—returned by __xhotc() or __xhotl()
2. `function` is a function pointer, which points to the desired C function
3. First parameter to pass to the function
4. Second parameter to pass to the function
   :
   :
   :

This routine, and the C function being called, must use OS linkage. As a result, you cannot make direct use of z/OS C/C++ Library functions with this function. C functions being invoked using __xhotu() must be compiled with #pragma linkage(`func_name,OS`).

__xhotu() is specific to SP C. It is part of the group serving the persistent C environment.

The function is also available under the name EDCXHOTU.

**Returned value**
The returned value from __xhotu() is the returned value from the function run in the persistent C environment.

**Example**
For an extensive example of the use of __xhotu() see "Creating and using persistent C environments" on page 542.

__xregs() — Get Registers on Entry

**Format**
```c
#include <spc.h>

int __xregs(int register);
```

**Description**
This routine finds the value a specified register had on entry to EDCXSTRT, EDCXSTRL, EDCXSTRX, or the main routine of an exit routine compiled with #pragma environment(...).
__xregs() is available in these environments only. For more information about EDCXSTRT, EDXSTRL, or EDCXSTRX, see "Creating freestanding applications" on page 532.

__xregs() is specific to SP C. It is part of the client-server group of functions.

The function is also available under the name EDCXREGS.

Returned value
__xregs() returned the value found.

__xsacc() — Accept Request for Service

Format
#include <spc.h>

void __xsacc( int message );

Description
This routine operates in the server part of a user-server application. It is used to indicate acceptance or rejection of the last-requested service.

Calls to __xsacc are optional but, if made, should be when the request is validated and all server references to user-owned storage are complete. __xsacc does not cause a return of control to the user; its sole purpose is to indicate that user-owned storage is no longer required by the application server.

In the case of a request that cannot be processed, possibly because the user’s command is not recognized by the server or the parameter format is invalid, the call to __xsacc should be omitted.

__xsacc() is specific to SP C. It is part of the client-server group of functions.

The function is also available under the name EDCXSACC.

Returned value
The return code for the last-requested service, zero indicating that the request was accepted and will be processed.

__xsrvc() — Return Control from Service

Format
#include <spc.h>

void *__xsrvc(int message);

Description
This routine operates in the server part of a user-server application. It is used to indicate completion of the last-requested service and to get the information required for the next service to be performed.

message is the return code for the last-requested service.

__xsrvc() is specific to SP C. It is part of the client-server group of functions.

The function is also available under the name EDCXSRV C.
__xusr() - __xusr2() — Get Address of User Word

Format
#include <spc.h>

void *__xusr(void);
void *__xusr2(void);

Description
Two words in an internal control block are available for customer use. These words have an initial value of zero (that is, all bits are 0), but are otherwise ignored by compiled code, and by the z/OS C/C++-specific Library. The values in these words may be freely queried or set by application code using the pointers returned by these functions.

__xusr() and __xusr2() are specific to SP C.

The __xusr() and __xusr2() functions are also available under the names EDCXUSR and EDCXUSR2, respectively.

Returned value
__xusr() and __xusr2() return the addresses of these user words. The words, and indeed __xusr() and __xusr2() themselves, are available in any environment, not only the system programming environments.

__24malc() — Allocate Storage below 16MB Line

Format
#include <spc.h>

void *__24malc(size_t size);

Description
This function performs in the same manner as malloc except that it allocates storage below the 16MB line in XA or ESA systems even when the run-time option HEAP(ANYWHERE) is specified.

Storage allocated by this function is not part of the heap, so you must free this storage explicitly using the free() function before this environment is terminated. Storage allocated using __24malc() is not automatically freed when the environment is terminated.

The function is available under the System Programming Environment.

__4kmalc() — Allocate Page-Aligned Storage

Format
#include <spc.h>

void *__4kmalc(size_t size);

Description
This function performs in the same manner as malloc() except that it allocates page-aligned storage.
Storage allocated by this function is not part of the heap, so you must free this storage explicitly using the free() function before this environment is terminated. Storage allocated using __4kma1c() is not automatically freed when the environment is terminated.

The function is available under the System Programming Environment.
Chapter 39. Using run-time user exits

This chapter shows how to use run-time user exits with the z/OS Language Environment run-time library. This is general-use programming interface information and associated guidance information for using the library.

This section is provided here for your convenience. For further information on using run-time user exits in the z/OS Language Environment environment, refer to the z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide.

Note: Run-time user exits are not supported in AMODE 64 applications.

Using run-time user exits in z/OS Language Environment

z/OS Language Environment provides user exits that you can use for functions at your installation. You can use the assembler user exit (CEEBXITA) or the HLL user exit (CEEBINT). This section provides information about using these run-time user exits.

Note: You cannot code either the CEEBXITA user exit or the CEEBINT user exit as an XPLINK application.

Understanding the basics

User exits are invoked under z/OS Language Environment to perform enclave initialization functions and both normal and abnormal termination functions. User exits offer you a chance to perform certain functions at a point where you would not otherwise have a chance to do so. In an assembler initialization user exit, for example, you can specify a list of run-time options that establish characteristics of the environment. This is done before the actual execution of any of your application code. Another example is using an assembler termination user exit to request a dump after your application has terminated with an abend.

In most cases, you do not need to modify any user exit to run your application. Instead, you can accept the IBM-supplied default versions of the exits, or the defaults as defined by your installation. To do so, run your application normally and the default versions of the exits are invoked. You may also want to read the sections "User exits supported under z/OS Language Environment" on page 580 and "Order of processing of user exits" on page 580, which provide an overview of the user exits and describe when they are invoked.

If you plan to modify either of the user exits to perform some specific function, you must link the modified exit to your application before running, as described in "Using installation-wide or application-specific user exits" on page 581. In addition, the sections "Using the Assembler user exit" on page 582 and "High level language user exit interface" on page 593 describe the respective user exit interfaces to which you must adhere to change an assembler or HLL user exit.

PL/I and C/370 compatibility

For more information on compatibility support for the IBMXITA and IBMFXTA assembler user exits, see "PL/I and C/370 compatibility" on page 592. Refer to IBM C/370 Library Version 2 Release 2 Programming Guide or to PL/I for MVS & VM Compiler and Run-Time Migration Guide for information about the IBMIBINT HLL user exit. IBMBINT is not available under C++. 
User exits supported under z/OS Language Environment

z/OS Language Environment provides two user exit routines, one written in assembler and the other in an HLL. You can find sample jobs containing these user exits in the SCEESAMP sample library.

The user exits supported by z/OS Language Environment are shown in Table 85.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Type of User Exit</th>
<th>When Invoked</th>
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<tr>
<td>CEEBXITA</td>
<td>Assembler user exit</td>
<td>Enclave initialization</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Enclave termination</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Process termination</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CEEBINT</td>
<td>HLL user exit. CEEBINT can be written in z/OS C, PL/I, z/OS Language Environment-conforming assembler, or in C++ (see restrictions in Order of processing)</td>
<td>Enclave initialization</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Order of processing of user exits

The location and order in which user exits are driven for your application are summarized in Figure 163.

In Figure 163 run-time user exits are invoked in the following sequence:

1. Assembler user exit is invoked for enclave initialization.
   The assembler user exit (CEEBXITA) is invoked very early during the initialization process, before the enclave initialization is complete. Early invocation of the assembler exit allows the enclave initialization code to benefit from any changes that might be contained in the exit. If run-time options are provided in the assembler exit, the enclave initialization code is aware of the new options.
2. Environment is established.

3. HLL user exit is invoked.

   The HLL initialization exit (CEEINT) is invoked just before the invocation of the application code. In z/OS Language Environment, this exit can be written in z/OS C, PL/I, z/OS Language Environment-conforming assembler, or z/OS C++. However, you can only write CEEINT in z/OS C++ if the following conditions are met:
   - CEEINT must be declared with C linkage, i.e., it must be declared with `extern "C"`. If you are using C, you must compile your application code with the RENT compile-time option.
   - You must bind your application code with the z/OS binder.
   - CEEINT must be used as an application-specific user exit, rather than as an installation-wide user exit (refer to "Using installation-wide or application-specific user exits" for more information).

   The HLL initialization exit cannot be written in COBOL, although COBOL applications can use this HLL user exit. At the time when CEEINT is invoked, the run-time environment is fully operational and all z/OS Language Environment-conforming HLLs are supported.

4. Main routine is invoked.

5. Main routine returns control to caller.

6. Environment is terminated.

7. Assembler user exit is invoked for termination of the enclave.

   CEEBXITA is invoked for enclave termination processing after all application code in the enclave has completed, but before any enclave termination activity.

8. Assembler user exit is invoked for termination of the process.

   CEEBXITA is invoked again when the z/OS Language Environment process terminates.

Although both the assembler and HLL exits are invoked for initialization, they do not perform exactly the same functions. See "CEEBXITA behavior during enclave initialization" on page 582 and "High level language user exit interface" on page 593 for a detailed description of each exit.

z/OS Language Environment provides the CEEBXITA assembler user exit for termination but does not provide a corresponding HLL termination user exit.

**Using installation-wide or application-specific user exits**

IBM offers default versions of CEEBXITA and CEEINT. You can use the IBM-supplied default version of either exit, or you can customize CEEBXITA or CEEINT for use on an installation-wide basis. When CEEBXITA or CEEINT is linked with the z/OS Language Environment initialization/termination library routines during installation, it functions as an installation-wide user exit.

Finally, you can customize CEEBXITA or CEEINT yourself for use on your application. When CEEBXITA or CEEINT is linked in your program, it functions as an application-specific user exit. The application-specific exit is used only when you run that application. The installation-wide assembler user exit is not executed.

To obtain an application-specific user exit, you must explicitly include it at bind time in the application using a binder INCLUDE control statement. Any time that the application-specific exit is modified, it must be relinked with the application.
The assembler user exit interface is described in "Assembler user exit interface" on page 584. The HLL user exit interface is described in "High level language user exit interface" on page 593.

Using the Assembler user exit

The assembler user exit CEEBXITA tailors the characteristics of the enclave before it is established. CEEBXITA must be written in assembler language because an HLL environment may not yet be established when the exit is invoked. CEEBXITA is driven for enclave initialization and enclave termination regardless of whether the enclave is the first enclave in the process or a nested enclave. CEEBXITA can differentiate easily between first and nested enclaves. For more information about nested enclaves, see z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide.

CEEBXITA behaves differently depending on when it is invoked, as described in the following sections.

Using sample Assembler user exits

Sample assembler user exit programs are distributed with z/OS Language Environment. You can use them and modify the code for the requirements of your own application. Choose a sample program appropriate for your application. The following assembler exit user programs are delivered with z/OS Language Environment.

Table 86. Sample Assembler user exits for z/OS Language Environment

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Example User Exit</th>
<th>Operating System</th>
<th>Language (if Language Specific)</th>
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<tr>
<td>CEEBXITA</td>
<td>MVS (default)</td>
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<tr>
<td>CEEBXITC</td>
<td>TSO</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CEECXITA</td>
<td>CICS (default)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CEEBX05A</td>
<td>MVS</td>
<td>COBOL</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Note:
1. CEEBXITA and CEECXITA are the defaults on your system for MVS and CICS, if z/OS Language Environment is installed at your site without modification.
2. The source code for CEEBXITA, CEEBXITC, CEECXITA, and CEEBX05A can be found on MVS in the sample library SCEESAMP.
3. CEEBX05A is an example user exit program for COBOL applications on z/OS.

CEEBXITA behavior during enclave initialization

The CEEBXITA assembler user exit is invoked before enclave initialization is performed. You can use it to help guide the establishment of the environment in which your application runs. For example, you can allocate data sets in the assembler user exit. The user exit can interrogate program parameters supplied in the JCL and change them if desired. In addition, you can specify run-time options in the user exit using the CEEAU.E_OPTIONS field of the assembler interface (see "Assembler user exit interface" on page 584 for information about how to do this).

CEEBXITA performs no special tasks other than to return control to z/OS Language Environment initialization.

CEEBXITA behavior during enclave termination

The CEEBXITA assembler exit is invoked after the user code for the enclave has completed, but before the occurrence of any enclave termination activity. For example, CEEBXITA is invoked before the storage report is produced (if one was
requested), before data sets are closed, and before HLLs are invoked for enclave termination. In other words, the assembler user exit for termination is invoked when the environment is still active.

The assembler user exits allow you to request an abend. Under z/OS (as well as TSO and CICS), you can also request a dump to assist in problem diagnosis. Note that termination activities have not yet begun when the user exit is invoked. Thus, the majority of storage has not been modified when the dump is produced.

It is possible to request an abend and dump in the enclave termination user exit for all enclave-terminating events.

Example code that shows how to request an abend and dump when there is an unhandled condition of severity 2 or greater can be found in the member CEEBX05A in the sample library.

**CEEBXITA behavior during process termination**

The CEEBXITA assembler exit is invoked after:

- All enclaves have terminated.
- The enclave resources have been relinquished.
- Any z/OS Language Environment-managed files have been closed.
- Debug Tool has terminated.

This allows you to free files at this time, and it presents another opportunity to request an abend.

During termination, CEEBXITA can interrogate the z/OS Language Environment reason and return codes and, if necessary, request an abend with or without a dump. This can be done at either enclave or process termination.

The IBM-supplied CEEBXITA performs no special tasks other than to return control to z/OS Language Environment termination.

**Specifying abend codes to be percolated by z/OS Language Environment**

The assembler user exit, when invoked for initialization, can return a list of abend codes that are to be percolated by z/OS Language Environment. On non-CICS systems, this list is contained in the CEEAUSE_A_AB_CODES field of the assembler user exit interface. (See "Assembler user exit interface" on page 584.) Both system abends and user abends can be specified in this list.

When TRAP(ON) is in effect, and the abend code is in the CEEAUSE_A_AB_CODES list, z/OS Language Environment percolates the abend. Normal z/OS Language Environment condition handling is never invoked to handle these abends. This feature is useful when you do not want z/OS Language Environment condition handling to intervene for some abends, for example, when IMS issues abend code 777.

When TRAP(OFF) is specified, the condition handler is not invoked for any abends or program interrupts. The use of TRAP(OFF) is not recommended; refer to [z/OS Language Environment Programming Reference](#) for more information.
Actions taken for errors that occur within the Assembler user exit

If any errors occur during the enclave initialization user exit, the standard system action occurs because z/OS Language Environment condition handling has not yet been established.

Any errors occurring during the enclave termination user exit lead to abnormal termination (through an abend) of the z/OS Language Environment environment.

If a program check occurs during the enclave termination user exit and TRAP(ON) is in effect, the application ends abnormally with ABEND code 4044 and reason code 2. If a program check occurs during the enclave termination exit and "TRAP(OFF)" has been specified, the application ends abnormally without additional error checking support. z/OS Language Environment provides no condition handling; error handling is performed by the operating system. The use of TRAP(OFF) is not recommended; refer to z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide for more information.

z/OS Language Environment takes the same actions as described above for program checks during the process termination user exit.

Assembler user exit interface

You can modify CEEBXITA to perform any function desired, although the exit must have the following attributes after you modify it:

- The user-supplied exit must be named CEEBXITA.
- The exit must be reentrant.
- The exit must be capable of executing in AMODE(ANY) and RMODE(ANY).
- The exit must be relinked with the application after modification (if you want an application-specific user exit), or relinked with z/OS Language Environment initialization/termination routines after modification (if you want an installation-wide user exit).

If a user exit is modified, you are responsible for conforming to the interface shown in Figure 164 on page 585. This user exit must be written in assembler.
When the user exit is called, register 1 (R1) points to a word that contains the address of the CXIT control block. The high order bit is on.

The CXIT control block contains the following fullwords:

**CEEAE_LEN** (input parameter)
A fullword integer that specifies the total length of this control block. For z/OS Language Environment, the length is 48 bytes.

**CEEAE_FUNC** (input parameter)
A fullword integer that specifies the function code. In z/OS Language Environment, the following function codes are supported:
1 - initialization of the first enclave within a process
2 - termination of the first enclave within a process
3 - nested enclave initialization
4 - nested enclave termination
5 - process termination

The user exit should ignore function codes other than those numbered from 1 through 5.

**CEEAE_RETC** (input/output parameter)
A fullword integer that specifies the return or abend code. CEEAE_RETC has different meanings depending on the flag CEEAE_ABND:
- As an input parameter, this fullword is the enclave return code.

Figure 164. Interface for Assembler user exits
As an output parameter, if the flag CEEAUE_ABND is on, this fullword is interpreted as an abend code that is used when an abend is issued. (This could be either an EXEC CICS ABEND or an SVC 13.)

If the flag CEEAUE_ABND is off, this fullword is interpreted as the enclave return code that might have been modified by the exit.


**CEEAUERNSC** (input/output parameter)
A fullword integer that specifies the reason code for CEEAUERETC.
- As an input parameter, this fullword is the z/OS Language Environment return code modifier.
- As an output parameter, if the flag CEEAUE_ABND is on, CEEAUERETC is interpreted as an abend reason code that is used when an abend is issued. (This field is ignored when an EXEC CICS ABEND is issued.)
- If the flag CEEAUE_ABND is off, this fullword is the z/OS Language Environment return code modifier that might have been modified by the exit.


**CEEAUERFLAGS** (input/output parameter)
Contains four flag bytes. CEEBXITA uses only the first byte but reserves the remaining bytes. All unspecified bits and bytes must be zero. The layout of these flags is shown in Figure 165.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Byte 0</th>
<th>Byte 1</th>
<th>Byte 2</th>
<th>Byte 3</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>x... ... - CEEAUE_ABTERM</td>
<td>00 · Reserved for future use</td>
<td>00 · Reserved for future use</td>
<td>00 · Reserved for future use</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0... ... - Normal termination</td>
<td>00 · Reserved for future use</td>
<td>00 · Reserved for future use</td>
<td>00 · Reserved for future use</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1... ... - Abnormal termination</td>
<td>00 · Reserved for future use</td>
<td>00 · Reserved for future use</td>
<td>00 · Reserved for future use</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>x... ... - CEEAUE_ABND</td>
<td>00 · Reserved for future use</td>
<td>00 · Reserved for future use</td>
<td>00 · Reserved for future use</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>.0... ... - Terminate with CEEAUE_RETC</td>
<td>00 · Reserved for future use</td>
<td>00 · Reserved for future use</td>
<td>00 · Reserved for future use</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>.1... ... - Abend with CEEAUE_RETC and CEEAUE_RSNC given</td>
<td>00 · Reserved for future use</td>
<td>00 · Reserved for future use</td>
<td>00 · Reserved for future use</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>...x... - CEEAUE_DUMP</td>
<td>00 · Reserved for future use</td>
<td>00 · Reserved for future use</td>
<td>00 · Reserved for future use</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>...0...</td>
<td>00 · Reserved for future use</td>
<td>00 · Reserved for future use</td>
<td>00 · Reserved for future use</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

*Figure 165. CEEAUE_FLAGS format*

Byte 0 (CEEAUEFLAG1) has the following meaning:

**CEEAUE_ABTERM** (input parameter)
When OFF, the enclave terminates normally (severity 0 or 1 condition).
When ON, the enclave terminates with the z/OS Language Environment return code modifier of 2 or greater. This could, for example, indicate that a condition of severity 2 or greater was raised that was unhandled.

**CEEAUE_ABNDF** (output parameter)
When OFF, the enclave terminates without an abend. CEEAUE_RETC and CEEAUE_RSNC are placed in register 15 and register 0 and returned to the enclave creator.

When ON, the enclave terminates with an abend. Thus, CEEAUE_RETC and CEEAUE_RSNC are used by z/OS Language Environment in the invocation of the abend. While executing in CICS, an EXEC CICS ABEND command is issued.

CEEAUE_RSNC is ignored under CICS. The TRAP option does not affect the setting of CEEAUE_ABNED.

**CEEAUE_DUMP** (output parameter)
When OFF and you request an abend, an abend is issued without requesting a system dump.

When ON and you request an abend, an abend is issued requesting a system dump.

**CEEAUE_STEPS** (output parameter)
When OFF and you request an abend, one is issued to abend the entire task.

When ON and you request an abend, one is issued to abend the step.

*Note:* This fullword is ignored under CICS.

**CEEAUE-A-CC-PLIST** (input/output parameter)
A fullword pointer to the parameter address list of the application program.

As an input parameter, this fullword contains the register 1 value passed to the main routine. The exit can modify this value, and the value is then passed to the main routine. If run-time options are present in the invocation command string, they are stripped off before the exit is called.

If the parameter inbound to the main routine is a character string, CEEAUE-A-CC-PLIST contains the address of a fullword address that points to a halfword prefixed string. If this string is altered by the user exit, the string must not be extended in place.

**CEEAUE_WORK** (input parameter)
Contains a fullword pointer to a 256-byte work area that the exit can use. On entry, it contains binary zeros and is doubleword-aligned.

This area does not persist across exits.

**CEEAUE_OPTIONS** (output parameter)
On return, this field contains a fullword pointer to the address of a halfword length prefixed character string that contains run-time options. These options are only processed for enclave initialization. When invoked for enclave termination, this field is ignored.

These run-time options override all other sources of run-time options except those that are specified as non-overrideable in the installation default run-time options.

Under CICS, the STACK run-time option cannot be modified using the assembler user exit.
**CEEAU_USERWD** (input/output parameter)

Contains a fullword whose value is maintained without alteration and passed to every user exit. On entry to the enclave initialization user exit, it is zero. Thereafter, the value of the user word is not altered by z/OS Language Environment or any member libraries. The user exit can change the value of this field and z/OS Language Environment maintains this value. This allows a user exit to initialize the fullword and pass it to subsequent user exits.

**CEEAU_A_AB_CODES** (output parameter)

During the initialization exit, this field contains the fullword address of a table of abend codes that the z/OS Language Environment condition handler percolates while in the (E)STAE exit. Therefore, the application is not given the opportunity to field the abend. The table consists of:
- A fullword count of the number of abend codes that are to be percolated
- A fullword for each of the particular abend codes that are to be percolated

The abend codes can be user abend codes or system abend codes. User abend codes are specified by F'uuu'. For example, if you wanted user abend 777 to be percolated, an F'777' would be coded. System abend codes are specified by X'00ssss000'. Avoid specifying the values 0C0 through 0CF as 'ss'. Language Environment ignores values between OCO and OCF. No abend is percolated, and z/OS Language Environment condition handling semantics are in effect.

This function is not enabled under CICS.

**CEEAU_FBCODE** (input parameter)

Contains the fullword address of the condition token with which the enclave terminated. If the enclave terminates normally (that is, not because of a condition), the condition token is zero.

**CEEAU_PAGE** (input/output parameter)

Usage of this field is related to PL/I BASED variables that are allocated storage outside of AREAs. You can indicate whether storage should be allocated on a 4K-page boundary. You can specify the minimum number of bytes of storage that you want allocated. Your allocation request must be an exact multiple of 4K. The IBM-supplied default setting for CEEAU_PAGE is 32768 (32K).

If CEEAU_PAGE is set to zero, PL/I BASED variables can be placed on other than 4K-page boundaries.

CEEAU_PAGE is honored only during enclave initialization (that is, when CEEAU_FUNC is 1 or 3).

The offset of CEEAU_PAGE under z/OS Language Environment is different from the offset of IBMBXITA under OS PL/I Version 2 Release 3.

### Parameter values in the Assembler user exit

The parameters described in the following sections contain different values depending on how the user exit is used. Possible values are shown for the parameters based on how the assembler user exit is invoked.

**First enclave within process initialization—entry**

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<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>Value</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>CEEAU_LEN</td>
<td>48</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CEEAU_FUNC</td>
<td>1 (first enclave within process initialization function code)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CEEAU_RETC</td>
<td>0</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
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</table>
First enclave within process initialization—return

**CEEAUERETC**
0, or if **CEEAEABND** = 1, the abend code.

**CEEAEARSNC**
0, or if **CEEAEABND** = 1, the reason code for
CEEAUERETC.

**CEEAEFLAGS**
CEEAEABND = 1 if an abend is requested, or 0 if
the enclave should continue with termination
processing.

CEEAE_DUMP = 1 if the abend should request a
dump.

CEEAE_STEPS = 1 if the abend should abend the
step, or 0 if the abend should abend the task.

**CEEAEACCPLIST**
Register 1, used as the new parameter list.

**CEEAEOPTIONS**
Pointer to the address of a halfword prefixed
character string containing run-time options, or 0.

**CEEAEUSERWD**
Value of **CEEAEUSERWD** for all subsequent exits.

**CEEAE_A_AB_CODES**
Pointer to the abend code table, or 0.

**CEEAE_PAGE**
User-specified PAGE value. Minimum number of
storage bytes to be allocated for PL/I BASED
variables (default = 32768).

First enclave within process termination—entry

**CEEAELEN**
48

**CEEAEFUNC**
2 (first enclave within process termination function
code).

**CEEAUERETC**
Return code issued by the application that is
terminating.

**CEEAEARSNC**
Reason code that accompanies **CEEAUERETC**.

**CEEAEFLAGS**
CEEAEABTERM = 1 if the application is terminating
with the z/OS Language Environment return code
modifier of 2 or greater, or 0 otherwise.

CEEAEABND = 0
CEEAE_DUMP = 0
CEEAE_STEPS = 0

**CEEAEWORK**
Address of a 256-byte work area of binary zeros.
CEEAUERUSERWD  Return value from the previous exit.

CEEAE_FBCODE  Feedback code causing termination.

**First enclave within process termination—return**

CEEAE_RETC  If CEEAE_ABND = 0, the return code placed in register 15 when the enclave terminates.

If CEEAE_ABND = 1, the abend code.

CEEAE_RSNC  If CEEAE_ABND = 0, the enclave reason code.

If CEEAE_ABND = 1, the abend reason code.

CEEAE_FLAGS  CEEAE_ABND = 1 if an abend is requested, or 0 if the enclave should continue with termination processing.

CEEAE_DUMP = 1 if the abend should request a dump.

CEEAE_STEPS = 1 if the abend should abend the step, or 0 if the abend should abend the task.

CEEAE_USERWD  The value of CEEAE_USERWD for all subsequent exits.

**Nested enclave initialization—entry**

CEEAE_LEN  48

CEEAE_FUNC  3 (nested enclave initialization function).

CEEAE_RETC  0

CEEAE_RSNC  0

CEEAE_FLAGS  0

CEEAE-A-CC-PLIST  The register 1 value discovered in a nested enclave creation.

CEEAE_WORK  Address of a 256-byte work area of binary zeros.

CEEAE_USERWD  The return value from previous exit.

CEEAE_FBCODE  0

CEEAE_PAGE  Minimum number of storage bytes to be allocated for PL/I BASED variables (default = 32768).

**Nested enclave initialization—return**

CEEAE_RETC  0, or if CEEAE_ABND = 1, the abend code.

CEEAE_RSNC  0, or if CEEAE_ABND = 1, the reason code for CEEAE_RETC.

CEEAE_FLAGS  CEEAE_ABND = 1 if an abend is requested, or 0 if the enclave should continue with termination processing.

CEEAE_DUMP = 1 if the abend should request a dump.

CEEAE_STEPS = 1 if the abend should abend the step, or 0 if the abend should abend the task.
**CEEAU-E-A-CC-PLIST**
Register 1 used as the new parameter list.

**CEEAU-E_OPTIONS**
Pointer to a fullword address that points to a halfword prefixed string containing run-time options, or 0.

**CEEAU-E_USERWD**
The value of CEEAU-E_USERWD for all subsequent exits.

**CEEAU-E_A_AB_CODES**
Pointer to the abend code table, or 0.

**CEEAU-E_PAGE**
User-specified PAGE value. Minimum number of storage bytes to be allocated for PL/I BASED variables (default = 32768).

### Nested enclave termination—entry

**CEEAU-E_LEN**
48

**CEEAU-E_FUNC**
4 (termination function).

**CEEAU-E_RETC**
Return code issued by the enclave that is terminating.

**CEEAU-E_RSNC**
Reason code that accompanies CEEAU-E_RETC.

**CEEAU-E_FLAGS**
CEEAU_ABTERM = 1 if the application is terminating with the z/OS Language Environment return code modifier of 2 or greater, or 0 otherwise.

CEEAU_ABND = 0
CEEAU_DUMP = 0
CEEAU_STEPS = 0

**CEEAU-E_WORK**
Address of a 256-byte work area of binary zeros.

**CEEAU-E_USERWD**
Return value from previous exit.

**CEEAU-E_FBCODE**
Feedback code causing termination.

### Nested enclave termination—return

**CEEAU-E_RETC**
If CEEAU_ABND = 0, the return code from the enclave.

If CEEAU_ABND = 1, the abend code.

**CEEAU-E_RSNC**
If CEEAU_ABND = 0, the enclave reason code.

If CEEAU_ABND = 1, the enclave reason code.

**CEEAU-E_FLAGS**
CEEAU_ABND = 1 if an abend is requested, or 0 if the enclave should continue with termination processing.

CEEAU_DUMP = 1 if the abend should request a dump.

CEEAU_STEPS = 1 if the abend should abend the step, or 0 if the abend should abend the task.

**CEEAU-E_USERWD**
Value of CEEAU-E_USERWD for all subsequent exits.

### Process termination—entry

**CEEAU-E_LEN**
48
CEEAUE_FUNC  5 (process termination function).

CEEAUE_RETC  Return code presented to the invoking system in register 15 that reflects the value returned from the first enclave within process termination.

CEEAUE_RSNC  Reason code accompanying CEEAUERETC that is presented to the invoking system in register 0 and reflects the value returned from the first enclave within process termination.

CEEAUE_FLAGS  CEEAUERABTERM = 1 if the last enclave is terminating abnormally (that is, the z/OS Language Environment return code modifier is 2 or greater). This reflects the value returned from the first enclave within process termination (function code 2).

CEEAUERABND = 1 if an abend is requested, or 0 if the enclave should continue with termination processing first enclave within process termination (function code 2).

CEEAUERDUMP = 0

CEEAUESTEPS = 0

CEEAUERWORK  Address of a 256-byte work area of binary zeros.

CEEAUERUSERWD  The return value from previous exit.

CEEAUERFBCODE  The feedback code causing termination.

Process termination—return

CEEAUE_RETC  If CEEAUERABND = 0, the return code from the process.

If CEEAUERABND = 1, the abend code.

CEEAUE_RSNC  If CEEAUERABND = 0, the reason code for CEEAUERRETC from the process.

If CEEAUERABND = 1, reason code for the CEEAUERRETC abend reason code.

CEEAUE_FLAGS  CEEAUERABND = 1 if an abend is requested, or 0 if the enclave should continue with termination processing.

CEEAUERDUMP = 1 if the abend should request a dump.

CEEAUESTEPS = 1 if the abend should abend the step, or 0 if the abend should abend the task.

CEEAUERUSERWD  The value of CEEAUERUSERWD for all subsequent exits.

PL/I and C/370 compatibility

The following OS PL/I Version 2 Release 3 assembler user exits are supported for compatibility under z/OS Language Environment:

IBMBXITA (MVS Batch version)

IBMFXITA (CICS version)
For more information about IBMBXITA see PL/I for MVS & VM Compiler and Run-Time Migration Guide. These user exits are available only under C, not C++.

Default versions of the above exits are not supplied under z/OS Language Environment; instead, z/OS Language Environment supplies a default version of CEEBXITA. Table 87 describes the order of precedence if the IBMBXITA and IBMFXITA user exits are found in the same root program with CEEBXITA.

Table 87. Interaction of Assembler user exits

<table>
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<tr>
<th>CEEBXITA Present</th>
<th>IBMBXITA Present under MVS Batch, IBMFXITA Present under CICS</th>
<th>Exit Driven</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>No</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Default version of CEEBXITA</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>CEEBXITA</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>No</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>IBMFXITA under MVS Batch; IBMBXITA under CICS</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>CEEBXITA</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

CXIT_FUNC in IBMBXITA will map to CEEBXITA as follows:
- CXIT_FUNC = 1 when IBMBXITA is invoked for initial enclave initialization or nested enclave initialization
- CXIT_FUNC = 2 when IBMBXITA is invoked for initial enclave termination or nested enclave termination

CXIT_USERRD in IBMBXITA will persist across enclaves (for example, in system() calls).

High level language user exit interface

z/OS Language Environment provides CEEBINT, an HLL user exit, for enclave initialization. You can code CEEBINT in z/OS C, PL/I, or z/OS C++ (subject to the restrictions in “Order of processing of user exits” on page 580), or z/OS Language Environment-conforming assembler. The HLL user exit cannot be written in COBOL. COBOL programmers can use an HLL exit written in z/OS C, PL/I, z/OS Language Environment-conforming assembler, z/OS C++ (again, subject to the restrictions in “Order of processing of user exits” on page 580), or default to the IBM-supplied default HLL user exit.

The HLL enclave initialization exit is invoked after the enclave has been established, after the Debug Tool initial command string has been processed, and prior to the invocation of compiled code. When invoked, it is passed a parameter list that conforms to the z/OS Language Environment definition. The parameters are all fullwords and are defined as follows:

Number of arguments in parameter list (input)
- A fullword binary integer.
  - On entry: Contains 7.
  - On exit: Not applicable.

Return code (output)
- A fullword binary integer.
  - On entry: 0.
  - On exit: Able to be set by the exit, but not interrogated by z/OS Language Environment.
**Reason code** (output)
A fullword binary integer.
- On entry: 0
- On exit: Able to be set by the exit, but not interrogated by z/OS Language Environment.

**Function code** (input)
A fullword binary integer.
- On entry: 1, indicating the exit is being driven for initialization.
- On exit: Not applicable.

**Address of the main program entry point** (input)
A fullword binary address.
- On entry: The address of the routine that gains control first.
- On exit: Not applicable.

**User word** (input/output)
A fullword binary integer.
- On entry: Value of the user word (CEEAUE_USERWD) as set by the assembler user exit.
- On exit: The value set by the user exit, maintained by z/OS Language Environment and passed to subsequent user exits.

**Exit List Address** (output)
A fullword binary integer reserved for future use.
This allows the establishment of one or more user exits when the enclave user exit sets this field to a list of user exits. Currently, only one user exit is supported in z/OS Language Environment.

**A_Exits**
The address of the exit list control block, Exit_list.
- On entry: 0.
- On exit: 0, unless you establish a hook exit, in which case you would set this pointer and fill in relevant control blocks. The control blocks for Exit_list and Hook_exit are shown in the following figure.

As supplied, CEEBINT has only one exit defined that you can establish: the hook exit described by the Hook_exit control block. This exit gains control when hooks generated by the PL/I compile-time TEST option are executed. You can establish this exit by setting appropriate pointers (A_Exits to Exit_list to Hook_exit).

[Figure 166 on page 595](#) illustrates the Exit_list and Hook_exit control blocks.
The control block Exit_list exit contains the following fields:

**Exit_list_len**
- The length of the control block. It must be 1.

**Exit_list_hooks**
- The address of the Hook_exit control block.

The control block for the hook exit must contain the following fields:

**Hook_exit_len**
- The length of the control block.

**Hook_exit_rtn**
- The address of a routine you want invoked for the exit. When the routine is invoked, it is passed the address of this control block. Because this routine is invoked only if the address you specify is nonzero, you can turn the exit on and off.

**Hook_exit_fnccode**
- The function code with which the exit is invoked. This is always 1.

**Hook_exit_retcode**
- The return code set by the exit. You must ensure it conforms to the following specifications:

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>Value</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0</td>
<td>Requests that Debug Tool be invoked next</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>Requests that the program resume immediately</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Requests that the program be terminated

**Hook_exit_rsncode**
The reason code set by the exit. This is always zero.

**Hook_exit_userwd**
The user word passed to the user exits.

**Hook_exit_ptr**
An exit-specific user word.

**Hook_exit_reserved**
Reserved.

**Hook_exit_dsa**
The contents of register 13 when the hook was executed.

**Hook_exit_addr**
The address of the hook instruction executed.

**Usage requirements**
1. The user exit must not be a main-designated routine. For example, it cannot be a z/OS C or a z/OS C++ main() function.
2. The HLL exit routines must be linked with compiled code. If you do not provide an initialization user exit, an IBM-supplied default, which returns control to your application, is linked with the compiled code.
3. The exit cannot be written in COBOL/370.
4. The exit should be coded so that it returns for all unknown function codes.
5. z/OS C constructs such as the exit(), abort(), raise(SIGTERM), and raise(SIGABRT) functions terminate the enclave.
6. A PL/I EXIT or STOP statement terminates the enclave.
7. Use the callable service IBMHKS to turn hooks on and off. For more information about IBMHKS, see [PL/I for MVS & VM Compiler and Run-Time Migration Guide](#).
Chapter 40. Using the z/OS C MultiTasking Facility

This chapter describes how to use the MultiTasking Facility (MTF) with z/OS C. It explains how to organize, code, compile, link, and run a program using MTF. It also lists restrictions while using MTF.

MTF is a facility available under z/OS that can be used by application programs to improve turnaround time on multiprocessor and attached-processor configurations. When a program uses MTF on such a system, the elapsed time required to run the program can be reduced. You can run tasks, which can run independently of each other, simultaneously.

MTF is easy to use and requires very little knowledge of the multitasking capabilities upon which it depends. From the programmer’s perspective, multitasking facilities are available through the library functions of z/OS C. Because of this simplicity, it is easy to introduce MTF to existing applications and code new MTF applications to gain the benefits of multitasking.

Notes:
1. Except for a few differences, the MTF support for z/OS C is the same as for the equivalent FORTRAN multitasking facilities. MTF is not supported under CICS, IMS, DB2, C++, or z/OS UNIX System Services. In addition, IPA is not supported in an MTF environment.
2. XPLINK is not supported in an MTF environment.
3. AMODE 64 applications are not supported in an MTF environment.

Organizing a program with MTF

MTF takes advantage of the multitasking capabilities of the operating system to enable a single z/OS C application program to use more than one processor of a multiprocessing configuration simultaneously. The z/OS operating system organizes all work into units called tasks. These tasks are used by the operating system to assign work to the processors of the multiprocessor configuration.

MTF’s facilities allow a single z/OS C application to be organized so it can be run in a main task and in one or more subtasks. As a result of this organization, the system can schedule these individual tasks to run simultaneously. This can significantly reduce the elapsed time needed to run the program.

When a program is organized in this manner, the main task runs the part of the program that controls the overall processing. This part is referred to as the main task program throughout this manual.

The subtasks run the portions of the program that can run independently of the main task program and of each other. These portions of the program are referred to as parallel functions. The library functions provided by MTF allow the main task program to schedule parallel functions and allow them to run independently. Parallel functions are queued for execution on the next available subtask. Scheduling a parallel function does not require that there be a free subtask at the time of the scheduling. MTF allows the main task program to schedule more parallel functions than there are actual MVS subtasks.
The parallel functions are coded the same way as normal C functions, with the exception of a few rules discussed in "Designing and coding applications for MTF" on page 605. In particular, parallel functions cannot issue MTF calls.

MTF applications are link-edited as two separate load modules: a main task load module (containing the main task program) and a parallel load module (containing all parallel functions).

z/OS C provides the following MTF functions:
- tinit() to initialize the MTF environment
- tsched() to schedule parallel functions to run
- tsyncro() to synchronize the completion of parallel functions
- tterm() to terminate all executing parallel functions.

For details on the library functions, refer to the z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.

z/OS C also provides the header file mtf.h, which must be included in your main task program if you are going to use the MTF facilities. The mtf.h header file contains the macros MTF_ANY and MTF_ALL, as well as the error-return codes and prototypes for library functions.

**Ensuring computational independence**

To use multitasking successfully, the parallel functions must have *computational independence*. This means that no data modified by either the main task program or a parallel function is examined or modified by a parallel function that might be running simultaneously.

In the following figure, you see a graphic example of hypothetical data in an array subscripted by I, J, and K. Each of the three divisions of the box represents a section of the array that can be operated on independently of the other sections. The same parallel function could be scheduled three times, with each instance of the function processing one of the three sections of the array.

![Diagram](https://example.com/diagram.png)

*Figure 167. Computational independence*

Your application may not have computational independence along the same subscript axis of K, as in this picture. The divisions might have been along one of the other subscript axes, I or J. Also, the computational independence in your application may not fall into neat, box-like divisions.
It is also possible to have computational independence that is not based on sections of the same array, but rather on separate arrays (perhaps with completely different types of data), the values of which do not depend on each other. In this case, separate parallel functions could be scheduled, with each function processing its own unique data.

Computational independence also applies to input/output files. One parallel function should not use a file while another is updating it. However, different functions can successfully read the same file. No single file pointer should be used concurrently by multiple parallel functions, because the behavior is undefined in such a case.

**Running a C program without MTF**

The following diagrams illustrate the way a z/OS C program runs without multitasking. The program and its functions must run in a strictly sequential manner, function following function, using one processor at a time. Consequently, your program takes more elapsed time to complete than it would if it could use several processors at the same time.

In the following example, without multitasking, the z/OS C program and all its functions can only use one processor.
While running, your program may be switched back and forth between the processors, but it can only run on one processor at a time.

**Running a C program with MTF**

To illustrate the concept of multitasking, this section shows three examples of running a z/OS C program with MTF. These examples show programs using:

- One parallel function
- Two different functions
- Two or more instances of the same function

Each example provides an illustration of how the processors are used and how the program is organized to accomplish the particular use of the processors.

**Running a C program with one parallel function**

If your C program uses MTF, the main task program and a computationally-independent parallel function can run concurrently.
In the previous illustration, only the function suba has computations that can be done independently of the main task program, which includes the C main program plus its functions.

With the appropriate MTF request, the parallel function, suba, is scheduled to run in a subtask.

The arrows to Processor 1 and Processor 2 are for illustration only. The main task program could have run on Processor 2 and the parallel function, suba, on Processor 1; in fact, while they run, they may be switched between the processors.

Sample program

```c
#include <mtf.h>
...
tinit("plmod",1);
...
tsched(MTF_ANY,"suba",arglist);
...
subb();
...
subn();
tsyncro(MTF_ALL);
...

Function subb()
...

Function subn()
```

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1. `tinit()` names the parallel load module plmod and specifies one subtask.
2. `tsched()` schedules the parallel function `suba` to run. `suba` is computationally-independent of the main task.
3. At this point, `tsyncro()` makes the main task program wait until `suba` is finished before the main task program continues.

Running a C program with two different parallel functions

If your C program uses MTF, the main task program and several different computationally-independent parallel functions can run concurrently.

**Processor use**

In the previous illustration, functions `suba` and `subc` are independent of each other and of the main task program.

The arrows to Processors 1, 2, and 3 are for illustration only. The main task program and the parallel functions could run on any of the processors.
Sample program

```c
#include <mtf.h>

. . .

tinit("plmod",2);
. . .
tsched(MTF_ANY, "suba", arglist1);
. . .
tsched(MTF_ANY, "subc", arglist2);
. . .
subb();
. . .
tsyncro(MTF_ALL);
. . .

Function subb()

. . .
```

Main Task Program

What the MTF functions do:

The logic is similar to that for only one parallel function and can be extended to as many parallel functions as necessary to complete the logic of the program.

1. tinit() names the parallel load module plmod and specifies two subtasks.
2. Each call to tsched() schedules one of the parallel functions, passing different data to each for processing. suba and subc are computationally-independent parallel functions.
3. At this point, tsyncro() makes the main task program wait until both suba and subc are finished before the main task program continues its processing.

**Z/OS C with multiple instances of the same parallel function**

If your C program uses MTF, the main task program and multiple instances of the same parallel function can run concurrently.
In this illustration, parallel function \texttt{suba} has data you can divide, so two instances of \texttt{suba} run independently of the main task program and of each other.

**Sample program**

```c
#include <mtf.h>

\texttt{tinit(}"plmod",2);\texttt{)}

\texttt{tsched(MTF\_ANY, }"\texttt{suba}\texttt{", arglist1);}\texttt{)}

\texttt{tsched(MTF\_ANY, }"\texttt{suba}\texttt{", arglist2);}\texttt{)}

\texttt{subb();}

\texttt{tsyncro(MTF\_ALL);}\texttt{)}

\texttt{Function subb()}\texttt{)}

\texttt{Function suba()}\texttt{)}

\texttt{Function suba()}\texttt{)}

\texttt{Function suba()}\texttt{)}
```

What the MTF functions do:

1. \texttt{tinit()} names the parallel load module \texttt{plmod} and specifies two subtasks.
2. Each call to \texttt{tsched()} schedules one instance of the parallel function to run and supplies separate data to be processed by that instance of \texttt{suba}. The data to be processed by each instance of the parallel function could be two different sections of the same array. Both instances of \texttt{suba} are computationally-independent of the main task program and each other, because each instance of \texttt{suba} processes different data.
Designing and coding applications for MTF

You can use the following steps when preparing a z/OS C application to work with MTF:

1. Identify computationally-independent code
2. Create parallel functions
3. Insert calls to parallel functions in main task program

New programs can be designed to use MTF, and existing programs can be reconstructed.

Step 1: Identifying computationally-independent code

The first step in adapting an application program for MTF is to identify groups of computations that can be performed in parallel. To produce correct results, the computations that are done in parallel must be computationally-independent. This is further explained under “Ensuring computational independence” on page 598.

Step 2: Creating parallel functions

After the segments of code that are computationally-independent are identified, they are separated from the main task program and placed in parallel functions. A parallel function is coded as a normal C function that follows several rules required for correct operation with MTF. Besides to data independence, there are rules for:

- Parallel functions
- Calling other functions
- Separate storage for separate modules
- Passing data
- Input and output
- Exception/signal handling
- Function termination

**Parallel functions**

- A parallel function must be written only in C.
- The return value of a parallel function must be void. If a parallel function attempts to return a value, the behavior will be undefined.
- External parallel function names must be 8 characters or shorter in length and will be uppercased.

**Calling other functions**

- A parallel function may actually be coded as a series of functions that call one another. All of these functions operate in the parallel function’s subtask environment and must follow the rules of a parallel function except that they can be written in assembler as well as C, and they can have return values.
- A parallel function cannot call the MTF library functions tinit(), tsched(), tsyncro(), or tterm(). Such calls can only be used in the main task.

**Separate storage for separate modules**

- Every MTF application consists of two modules: the main task module which runs on the main task, and the parallel module that runs on the subtask(s). Each task

At this point, tsyncro() makes the main task program wait until all instances of suba finish before the main task program continues.
(main or sub) has its own unique run-time storage structure consisting of ISA, heap, and residual storage. Each task has:

– Separate writable static (whether reentrant or not)
– Separate library-internal storage (for example, file and storage management control blocks)
– Separate exception and signal-handling environment (for example, errno, __amrc)

• Usually, functions must abide by the restrictions inherent in this arrangement. The remaining rules in this section mostly arise from this arrangement.
Passing data

A parallel function is always invoked in its last-used state. If, for example, a parallel function has defined a static variable with an initializer, then the variable has that value the first time the parallel function executes on a given task. Should the value be modified, the modification is available the next time that parallel function is run only if the function is scheduled to the same task. If you don’t
schedule the parallel function to the same task, you cannot depend upon residual values from previous invocations of the function.

- Data can be passed between the main task program and parallel functions, and between parallel functions by passing a pointer to the storage area as a parameter. Care must be taken to ensure that the data remains valid and available until completion of the particular parallel function instance being scheduled.

- If heap storage is obtained on a given task, it must be freed on that task and no other. Other tasks may be given access to that storage by passing pointers but no other task can use that pointer to free the storage.

**Input/Output**

- File pointers must not be shared across subtasks. A given file pointer must only be used (for file access and closing) on the same task on that it was created {((using fopen()))}. File pointers must be utilized as a serial resource. z/OS C does not protect against misuse, and a program will have unpredictable behavior if this rule is not enforced.

- Each parallel function updates (writes or changes) a file as if it had complete control over the file; therefore, there should be no simultaneous read or update of a given file while any function on any task is updating that file (even if separate file pointers are used).

- Memory files cannot be shared across subtasks.

**Exception/Signal handling**

- The parallel functions on the subtasks run with TRAP(ON) run-time option, and each has a signal handling environment entirely independent from that of each other task. All signals are initialized to default handling on each task, and can be modified for a given task only through a signal statement from a parallel function on that task.

- All signal interrupts are eligible to be raised from the operating system or by the raise() function during execution of parallel functions. All signals, however, require special handling in the case of parallel functions because of the requirement that parallel functions always return normally. Signals must either be ignored or a handler must be established that does not terminate the program. If these signals are left to default handling or a handler is established that terminates the program, MTF will treat this as an abnormal termination of the parallel function.

**Function termination**

- Parallel functions run as called functions (from EDCMTFS, the z/OS C library supplied main function for parallel modules) and must terminate by simple return (to EDCMTFS). For more information on EDCMTFS, see "Creating the parallel functions load module" on page 615.

- Termination with exit() and abort() calls is invalid because these functions interfere with EDCMTFS operation and they are treated by MTF as abnormal terminations.

- On the first valid call to MTF (tsched(), tsyncro(), tterm()) from the main task program after a parallel function has abnormally terminated (via exit()/abort() or otherwise) MTF will:
  - Abort all parallel functions scheduled or in progress
  - Remove the MTF environment
  - Return ETASKABND on that MTF call
A subsequent tterm() call is unnecessary and will simply return EINACTIVE. A tinit() call can be reissued, but depending on the severity of the condition that caused the ETASKABND, the tinit() may or may not be successful.

Step 3: Inserting calls to parallel functions

In the main task, insert a call to tinit() to initialize the MTF environment before to any other MTF function call, or after tterm() is invoked. Replace each segment of code that was identified for parallel computation with a call to tsched() which schedules the corresponding parallel function. If more parallel function instances are scheduled than tasks are currently available, the additional instances are queued for subsequent execution in the order in which they were scheduled. They are queued for any task or to a particular task according to the task_id parameter supplied on the tsched() call. If parallel operation is to be achieved by scheduling the same function multiple times with different data, the function call may be placed within a loop.

The arguments passed to the parallel function may be:

- A variable
- An array element
- An array name
- A constant
- A structure

The following items must not be used as the arguments supplied to the parallel function using tsched():

- Function pointers
- A pointer to data or storage that will be modified or released before a tsyncro().

After inserting calls to the parallel functions, insert a call to tsyncro() wherever the program requires that any subtask, one particular subtask, or all of the subtasks have finished executing the parallel functions previously scheduled to them. As the last MTF call, insert a call to tterm() before to exit/return from the main task program to remove the MTF environment.

To properly use MTF from the main task program it is necessary to include the mtf.h header file before to the first MTF call in your program. MTF calls themselves can be issued from non-main as well as main functions within the main task program, subject only to the restrictions already described above. MTF calls, however, can only be issued from C functions and not from functions written in any other language.

The next sections show examples of how to change existing C programs to use MTF following the steps just outlined.

Changing an application to use MTF

The following examples show how to change an application to use MTF by creating parallel functions and inserting calls to these functions.

Example 1

Figure 169 on page 610 shows a computation of the dot product on two long one-dimensional arrays of data. The processing within the loop structure may be separated so that the dot product is not a result of serial calculations but a result of parallel calculations. This is because the first part of the array is not dependent on
the results computed in any other section of the array. Thus the calculations are therefore computationally independent of each other, and can be performed at the same time.

double dotprod(double *a, double *b, int len)
{
    int i;
    double res = 0;
    for (i=0; i < len; ++i)
        res += *a++ * *b++;
    return(res);
}

Figure 169. Identifying Computationally-Independent Code

Create parallel functions
The segments of the program that have been identified to run as parallel functions are then recoded as new z/OS C functions. In this case, there will be one parallel function, multiple instances of which will be scheduled. The parallel function corresponding to the code in Figure 169 now looks like Figure 170.

void pdotprod(double *a, double *b, int len, int m, int n, double *pres)
{ /* m = the section of the array */
  /* n = the number of subtasks. n must be a factor of len */

  int i, from, to;
  *pres = 0;
  /* Determine which section of the array to operate on */
  from = (m-1) * len / n;
  to = (m * len) / n;
  /* Calculate the partial result on part of the array */
  for (a+= from, b+=from, i=from; i < to; ++i)
      *pres += *a++ * *b++;
}

Figure 170. Sample code as a parallel function

The variables to and from are used to determine on which part of the array the parallel function is to perform.

Insert calls to parallel functions
The segments of the program that have been removed to form parallel functions are replaced by calls to these new parallel functions. For the sample code in Figure 169 on page 610 sub:exph. is scheduled for each subtask that will be used at run time. In order to do this, the computations controlled by the k index must be divided so that each instance of the function sub operates on a different part of the original range of the k variable. See Figure 171 for an example of how two instances of a parallel function can be scheduled.
Also, within the main task program, the subtasks must be initialized and eventually terminated as shown in Figure 172.

```c
#include <mtf.h>

int main(void)
{
    ...
    /* other code */
    /* Attach and initialize a subtask */
    tinit(load_sub_name, n);
    ...
    result = dotprod(vector1,vector2,len);
    ...
    /* Terminate subtasks */
    tterm();
    /* more code */
}
```

Figure 172. Main task program to call dot product function

Example 2

Not all application programs contain parallelism within the iterations of a loop structure. The following example illustrates parallel computations that appear as different segments of code in the original program. Also illustrated is the use of pointer arguments for passing data, and I/O operations to files in parallel functions.
Figure 173 shows two calls to the same function that performs the dot product on the values in two files of data. The values are read from each file and the function performs the dot product upon these values. The loop ends when the end of either file is reached. The two computations are independent of each other and thus can be performed simultaneously in two different parallel functions.

**CCNGMT1:**

/* MTF example 2 */
#include <stdio.h>

void fdotprod(char *fn1, char *fn2)
{
    int i, res1;
    double result=0, val1, val2;
    FILE *file1, *file2;

    file1 = fopen(fn1, "r");
    file2 = fopen(fn2, "r");

    while (1)
    {
        res1 = fscanf(file1, "%lf", &val1);
        res1 += fscanf(file2, "%lf", &val2);
        if (res1 != 2)
            break;
        result += val1 * val2;
    }

    if (res1 == 1)
        printf("Error: Files of unequal length\n");
    else
        printf("Result: %lf\n", result);
}

int main(void)
{
    fdotprod("a.input", "b.input");
    fdotprod("c.input", "d.input");

    return(0);
}

Figure 173. Sample code to be changed to use MTF

Create parallel functions
The fdotprod routine is identified as a parallel function so it is recoded as a new C function in a separate file. Data is passed from the main function to the parallel functions by means of pointer arguments. The parallel functions are shown in Figure 175 on page 614. The main task program is shown in Figure 174 on page 613. 
CCNGMT2:

/* MTF example 2 */
/* part 2 of 2-other file is CCNGMT1 */

#include <stdio.h>
#include <mtf.h>

int main(void)
{
    tinit("plmod", 2);
    tsched(MTF_ANY, "fdotprod", "a.input", "b.input");
    tsched(MTF_ANY, "fdotprod", "c.input", "d.input");
    tsyncro(MTF_ALL);
    tterm();
    return(0);
}

void fdotprod(char *fn1, char *fn2)
{
    int i, res1;
    double result=0, val1, val2;
    FILE *file1, *file2;

    file1 = fopen(fn1, "r");
    file2 = fopen(fn2, "r");

    while(1)
    {
        res1 = fscanf(file1, "%lf", &val1);
        res1 += fscanf(file2, "%lf", &val2);
        if (res1 != 2)
            break;
        result += val1 * val2;
    }
    if (res1 == 1)
        printf("Error: Files of unequal length\n");
    else
        printf("Result: %.1f
", result);
}

Figure 174. Sample code
CCNGMT3:

/* MTF example 2 */
/* part 2 of 2-other file is CCNGMT2 */
#include <stdio.h>

void fdotprod(char *fn1, char *fn2)
{
    int i, res1;
    double result=0, val1, val2;
    FILE *file1, *file2;

    file1 = fopen(fn1, "r");
    file2 = fopen(fn2, "r");

    while(1)
    {
        res1 = fscanf(file1, "%lf", &val1);
        res1 += fscanf(file2, "%lf", &val2);
        if (res1 != 2)
            break;
        result += val1 * val2;
    }
    if (res1 == 1)
        printf("Error: Files of unequal length\n");
    else
        printf("Result: %lf-n", result);
}

Figure 175. Sample code

Compiling and linking programs that use MTF

Programs that use MTF run using two MVS load modules: a load module that
contains the main task program, and a load module that contains the parallel
functions. You compile and link-edit the main task program in the same procedure
as non-MTF C programs. The parallel function is compiled in the same procedure
as non-MTF C programs and is linked with EDCMTFS.

Creating the main task program load module

The main task program load module is the load module that first receives control
when MVS starts running your program. It is the load module named in the PGM
keyword of the EXEC statement. This load module contains your application’s C
main() function plus all other functions that are to run as part of the main task. The
MTF functions can be invoked from any of the C functions contained in the main
task load module and do not necessarily have to be invoked from the C function
called main().

The procedures that you usually use to compile and link-edit a z/OS C program can
be used to create the main task program load module. For example, the following
JCL sequence (see Figure 176 on page 615) uses the standard z/OS C cataloged
procedure EDCCL to compile and link-edit the C source for the main task program
(stored in data set USERPGM.C(MTASKPGM)) and create a main task program load
module named MTASKPGM in data set USERPGM.LOAD.
Creating the parallel functions load module

The parallel functions load module is the load module named in the call to the MTF library function `tinit()`. This single load module contains all of your main task program's parallel functions. It must not contain any user's `C main()` programs. z/OS C itself provides the `EDCMTFS` module to act as the `C main()` function in the parallel module. `EDCMTFS` controls processing of the parallel functions as they are scheduled (by way of `tsched()` calls) to the subtasks. The source code for the `EDCMTFS` module is included in Figure 178 on page 616.

**Note:** The executable module for parallel function program must be a load module (in a PDS data set), created using the linkage editor (and prelinker if required due to the presence of C++ code or C code compiled with the RENT option). The MTF library functions used to access the parallel functions are not compatible with a program object executable module (in a PDSE data set).

The procedures that you usually use to compile and link-edit a z/OS C program must be modified such that the library module `CEESTART` will be the entry point of the parallel functions load module.

When you link-edit this load module, include the following linkage editor control statements:

```
INCLUDE SYSLIB(EDCMTFS)
ENTRY CEESTART
```

For example, the following JCL sequence uses the standard z/OS C cataloged procedure `EDCCL` to compile and link-edit the C source for the parallel functions :{(stored in data set USERPGM.C(SUBTASK))} and create a parallel functions load module named `PLMOD` in data set `USERPGM.LOAD`. This load module contains the module `EDCMTFS`, and has `EDCMTFS` as the load module's entry point.

```
//MTASKPGM  EXEC  EDCCL,
  //  INFILE='USERPGM.C(MTASKPGM)',
  //  OUTFILE='USERPGM.LOAD(MTASKPGM),DISP=OLD'
```

**Figure 176. Sample JCL to compile and link main task program**

```
//MTASKPGM  EXEC  EDCCL,
  //  INFILE='CBC.SCCNSAM(CCNGMT2)',
  //  OUTFILE='USERPGM.LOAD(CCNGMT2),DISP=SHR'
  /*
  //PFUNC  EXEC  EDCCL,
  //  INFILE='CBC.SCCNSAM(CCNGMT3)',
  //  OUTFILE='USERPGM.LOAD(PLMOD),DISP=SHR'
  //LKED.SYSLIN DD
    INCLUDE SYSLIB(EDCMTFS)
    ENTRY CEESTART
  */
```

**Figure 177. Sample JCL to compile and link parallel functions**

**Note:** First we have a step that compiles and link-edits the main task program.
The addressing mode is subject to normal consideration as described in the [z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide](https://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg21394388).

**Specifying the linkage-editor option**

Do not specify the NE linkage-editor option when link-editing the parallel functions load module. MTF cannot schedule parallel functions that are contained in a load module link-edited with the NE option.

**Modifying run-time options**

You can alter the `#pragma runopts` options `STACK` and `HEAP` within the `EDCMTFS` module for each subtask, but you must recompile the module under the same name. The source code for `EDCMTFS` is shown in [Figure 178](#).

```c
#pragma runopts(STACK(8K,4K,ANY,FREE),HEAP(4K,4K,ANY,FREE))
```

You can also add a `#pragma runopts` statement with the `LIBRARY` and `VERSION` options to `EDCMTFS`, if required.

**Running programs that use MTF**

To run your program, use the usual MVS JCL for z/OS C programs, plus a few additional JCL statements that are required to run MTF.

**STEPLIB DD statement**

You must ensure that the library containing the load modules is specified on the STEPLIB DD statement in your JCL, as well as the other libraries usually specified, as follows:

```bash
//STEPLIB DD DSN=user.dsn,DISP=SHR
```

where:

- `user.dsn` is the name of the load module library that contains the parallel functions load module.

  The parallel functions load module (`parallel_loadmod_name`), specified on the call to `tinit()`, must be in this data set.

  You must allocate the ddname `EDCMTF` to the `user.dsn` data set as well as adding `user.dsn` to the STEPLIB concatenation list.
DD statements for standard streams

For standard streams, MTF assigns a unique run-time output file to each parallel function. These output files contain diagnostic messages that the library can issue while the parallel functions are running. They also contain output directed to the standard streams (stderr and stdout) by parallel functions and input from the standard stream stdin.

Because these files are automatically allocated while the program is running, you need not supply DD statements for them unless you wish to override the default device type or other file characteristics. The default device type is a terminal in TSO or SYSOU=* in batch.

If you do supply DD statements, use the following ddnames:
- stdin for files containing input for operations such as getchar()
- stderr for files containing diagnostic messages
- stdout for files containing output from operations such as printf()

Where str is the 2-digit subtask number; that is, 01, 02, 03, and so on. Thus, for example, if you had four subtasks and the first two used printf() functions, you would use the ddnames stdout01, stdout02, stderr01, stderr02, stderr03, and stderr04.

Example of JCL

An example of the run-time JCL to run a program that uses MTF is shown in [Figure 179 on page 617] This figure shows the JCL that is unique to running MTF, as well as the other JCL the program would typically require. (Some programs might require additional DD statements.)

```
//GO      EXEC  PGM=MTASKPGM
//STEPLIB  DD  DSN=USERPGM.LOAD,DISP=SHR
//STDIN01  DD  DSN=USERPGM.INPUT,DISP=SHR
//STDOUT02 DD  SYSOUT=S,DCB=(RECFM=F)
```

Figure 179. Example run-time JCL

MTASKPGM is the name of the main task program load module, and is the load module that gets control when MVS first starts running the program. In this example, this load module is contained in data set USERPGM.LOAD, which is referred to by the STEPLIB DD statement. USERPGM.LOAD also contains the parallel functions.

The STDIN01 DD statement specifies the data set that contains the program's input data for the first task. The STDOUT02 DD statement specifies that printed output aside from run-time error messages from the second subtask is to be written to SYSOUT class S and that the record format is to be fixed-length. These DD statements are necessary only if you do not want to accept the defaults.

Debugging programs that use MTF

Debug Tool can be used to interactively debug your main task program. It cannot, however, be used to debug your parallel functions.

Avoiding undesirable results when using MTF

To prevent undesirable results, be aware of the following concerns and restrictions:
- MTF only supports parallel load modules in a PDS. Parallel load modules in a PDSE are NOT supported.
• Do not update a file with one task if the other tasks read the same file. Files can be destroyed if this is attempted.

• The following products should not be used from the main task or any subtasks while MTF is active:
  – Information Management System (IMS)
  – The CICS command level interface

• The following products should not be used from subtasks while MTF is active but can be used from the main task:
  – Data Window Services (DWS)
  – Interactive System Productivity Facility (ISPF)
  – Graphical Data Display Manager (GDDM)

• All library functions can be issued from the main task program.

• The following library functions should not be issued from parallel functions (see "Function termination" on page 608):
  – exit()
  – abort()
  – atexit()

• The following library functions can be used with some restrictions from parallel functions:
  – setjmp()/longjmp() can be used from within any task/subtask but must not be used across tasks. That is, the stack environment saved via setjmp() on a given task may be restored by a long jmp() from that task but from no other task.
  – setlocale()/localeconv() are only effective within a task. Each task has its own distinct locale information. Thus setlocale()/localeconv() issued from one task have no effect on such functions issued from other tasks.
  – tmpnam() may produce identical file names across tasks and should be restricted to being invoked from a single task (subtask or main task).
  – rand()/srand() produce entirely independent series of pseudorandom integers on each task
  – All file manipulation functions (such as fopen()/fread/...) - were identified earlier under the rules for parallel functions in "Designing and coding applications for MTF" on page 605. These functions can only be used on the same task.

Note: When opening files under MTF, you incur additional overhead when fopen() and freopen() are called. This overhead would normally be performed at the first read or write to the stream and will not affect the performance of a program that does indeed perform at least one read or write to the stream.

  – fetch()/release() must only be issued from the same task.
  – free() must be issued on the same task as the malloc()/calloc()/realloc() functions were issued. Note also that a realloc() must be issued in the same task as the malloc().
  – signal()/raise() also identified earlier under the rules for parallel functions in "Designing and coding applications for MTF" on page 605. Basically, each task has its own distinct interrupt environment. Thus signal()/raise() issued from one task have no effect on the operation of any other task.
  – PL/I and COBOL interlanguage calls must not be made from parallel functions.
Busy waits (loops that iterate until a flag is changed by a cooperating task) violate the requirement for computational independence. In particular, they can result in deadlock because of the scheduling algorithm used by MVS. They must be avoided.
Part 7. Programming with Other Products

This part contains the following programming product information:

- Chapter 41, “Using the Customer Information Control System (CICS),” on page 623
- Chapter 42, “Using Cross System Product (CSP),” on page 647
- Chapter 43, “Using Data Window Services (DWS),” on page 661
- Chapter 44, “Using DB2 Universal Database,” on page 663
- Chapter 45, “Using Graphical Data Display Manager (GDDM),” on page 669
- Chapter 46, “Using the Information Management System (IMS),” on page 675
- Chapter 47, “Using the Interactive System Productivity Facility (ISPF),” on page 685
- Chapter 48, “Using the Query Management Facility (QMF),” on page 691
Chapter 41. Using the Customer Information Control System (CICS)

This chapter describes how to develop C and C++ programs for the Customer Information Control System (CICS). The z/OS Language Environment library provides support for z/OS C++ programs that run under CICS/ESA Version 4 Release 1 or later, and z/OS C programs that run under CICS/ESA Version 3 Release 3 or later. You can find more information about the general features of z/OS Language Environment and CICS in z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide.

For information on using CSP/AD or CSP/AE under CICS, see Chapter 42, “Using Cross System Product (CSP),” on page 647.

Notes:
1. AMODE 64 applications are not supported in a CICS environment.
2. As of this publication, the CICS translator does not recognize the C compiler’s support for alternative locales and coded character sets. Therefore, you should write all your CICS C code in coded character set IBM-1047 (APL 293).
3. XPLINK applications are not supported in a CICS environment.
4. As of V1R2, a non-XPLINK Standard C++ Library DLL allows support for the Standard C++ Library in the CICS subsystem. For further information, see "Binding z/OS C/C++ Programs" in z/OS C/C++ User’s Guide.

Developing C and C++ programs for the CICS environment

When developing a program to run under CICS you must:
1. Prepare CICS for use with z/OS Language Environment.
2. Design and code the CICS program.
3. Translate and compile the translated source for reentrancy.
4. Prelink and link all object modules with the CICS stub.
5. Define the program to CICS.

Preparing CICS for use with z/OS Language Environment

This section gives general instructions on enabling z/OS Language Environment to use a new CICS environment or to add z/OS Language Environment to an existing CICS environment. For more detailed information on CICS, refer to the manuals listed in "CICS" on page 972.

After CICS has been installed on your system, you must perform the following tasks:
• Create a CICS environment if one does not already exist. This involves creating a CICS System Definition (CSD), journals, and a Global Catalog Set (GCD).
• Copy CEECCICS from SCEERUN to an Authorized Program Facility (APF) data set. The data set should be concatenated in the STEPLIB when CICS is cold started.
• Create the CES0 and CESE Transient Data Queues. Sample Destination Control Table (DCT) definitions are supplied in SCEEASAMP(CEECDDCT).
• Add required definitions to the CSD. Sample CSD definitions are provided in SCEESAMP(CEECSSD). These sample definitions create a group called CEE, which must be added to the installation LIST.
• Add SCEERUN and SCEECICS to the DFHRPL concatenation.

The C run-time event handler module CEEV003 is required for CICS support (in addition to the z/OS Language Environment interface modules). CEEV003 must be link-edited as AMODE=31, RMODE=ANY, and loaded above the 16M line.

If you will be using the I/O stream library, complex mathematics, collection, or Application Support Class DLLs provided with the z/OS C++ compiler, you must define these DLLs in the CSD. Sample CICS CSD definitions can be found in CBC.SCLBJCL(CLB3YCSD).

### Designing and coding for CICS

This section describes what you must do differently when designing and coding a z/OS C/C++ program for CICS, such as using EXEC CICS commands in your code, using input and output, using z/OS C/C++ functions, managing storage, using interlanguage calls, and exception handling.

#### Using the CICS command-level interface

CICS/ESA provides a set of commands to access CICS. The format of a CICS command is:

```
EXEC CICS function [option[arg]]...;
```

In the following CICS command, the function is SEND TEXT. This function has 4 options: FROM, LENGTH, RESP and RESP2. In this case, each of the options takes one argument.

```
EXEC CICS SEND TEXT FROM(mymsg)
    LENGTH(mymsglen)
    RESP(myresp)
    RESP2(myresp2);
```

For further information on the EXEC CICS interface and a list of available CICS functions, refer to [CICS Application Programming Guide, SC34-5993](https://www.ibm.com) and [CICS Application Programming Reference, SC34-5994](https://www.ibm.com).

When you are designing and coding your CICS application, remember the following:

- The EXEC CICS command and options should be in uppercase. The arguments follow general C or C++ conventions.
- Before any EXEC CICS command is issued, the EXEC Interface Block (EIB) must be addressed by the EXEC CICS ADDRESS EIB command.
- z/OS C/C++ does not support the use of EXEC CICS commands in macros.

The examples in [Figure 180 on page 625](https://www.ibm.com) show the use of several EXEC CICS commands.
CCNGCI1

/* program : GETSTAT */

#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

#define FILE_LEN 40

void check_4_down_status(char *status_record);
void sendmsg(char* status_record);
void unexpected_prob(char* desc, int rc);

struct com_struct {
    unsigned int quiet;
} *commarea;

DFHEIBLK *dfheiptr;

main ()
{
    long int vsamrrn;
    signed short int vsamlen;
    unsigned char status_record[41];
    signed long int myresp;
    signed long int myresp2;

    /* get addressability to the EIB first */
    EXEC CICS ADDRESS EIB(dfheiptr);
       /* access common area sent from caller */
    EXEC CICS ADDRESS COMMAREA(commarea);
       /* call the CATCHIT prog. if it abends */
    EXEC CICS HANDLE ABEND PROGRAM("CATCHIT ");

    vsamrrn = 1;
    vsamlen = FILE_LEN;

    /* read the status record from the file*/
    EXEC CICS READ FILE("STATFILE")
       UPDATE
           INTO(status_record)
           RIDFLD(vsamrrn)
           RRN
           LENGTH(vsamlen)
           RESP(myresp)
           RESP2(myresp2);

Figure 180. Example illustrating how to use EXEC CICS commands (Part 1 of 4)
/* check cics response */
/*  -- non 0 implies a problem */
if (myresp != DFHRESP(NORMAL))
    unexpected_prob("Unable to read from file",61);

printf("The status_record from READ in GETSTAT = %s\n", status_record);

if (memcmp(status_record,"DOWNTIME ",8) == 0)
    check_4_down_status(status_record);

if (commarea->quiet != 1)
    sendmsg(status_record);
exit(11);
}

void check_4_down_status( char *status_record )
{
    unsigned char uptime[9];
    unsigned char update[9];
    char curabs[8];
    unsigned char curtime[9];
    unsigned char curdate[9];
    long int vsmrrn;
    signed short int vsmlen;
    signed long int dnresp;
    signed long int dnresp2;

    strncpy((status_record+8),update,8);
    strncpy((status_record+16),uptime,8);
    update[8] = '\0';
    uptime[8] = '\0';

    /* get the current time/date */
    EXEC CICS ASKTIME ABSTIME(curabs)  
        RESP(dnresp)
        RESP2(dnresp2);

    if (dnresp != DFHRESP(NORMAL))
        unexpected_prob("Unexpected prob with ASKTIME",dnresp);

    /* format current date to YYMMDD */
    /* format current time to HHMMSS */
    EXEC CICS FOMATTIME ABSTIME(curabs)  
        YYMMDD(curdate)
        TIME(curtime)
        TIMESEP
        DATESEP;

Figure 180. Example illustrating how to use EXEC CICS commands (Part 2 of 4)
if (dnresp != DFHRESP(NORMAL))
    unexpected_prob("Unexpected prob with FORMATTIME",dnresp);

curdate[8] = '\0';
curtime[8] = '\0';

if ((atoi(curdate) > atoi(update)) ||
    (atoi(curdate) == atoi(update) && atoi(curtime) >= atoi(uptime)))
{
    strcpy(status_record,"OK ");

    vsmrrn = 1;
    vsmlen = FILE_LEN;

    /* update the first record to OK */
    EXEC CICS REWRITE FILE("STATFILE")
        FROM(status_record)
        LENGTH(vsmlen)
        RESP(dnresp)
        RESP2(dnresp2);

    if (dnresp != DFHRESP(NORMAL)) {
        printf("The dnresp from REWRITE = %d\n",dnresp);
        printf("The dnresp2 from REWRITE = %d\n",dnresp2);
        unexpected_prob("Unexpected prob with WRITE",dnresp);
    }

    printf("%s %s Changed status from DOWNTME to OK\n",curdate,
            curtime);
}

void sendmsg( char* status_record )
{
    long int msgresp, msgresp2;
    char outmsg[80] ;
    int outlen;

    if (memcmp(status_record,"OK ",3)==0)
        strcpy(outmsg,"The system is available.");
    else if (memcmp(status_record,"DOWNTME ",8)==0)
        strcpy(outmsg,"The system is down for regular backups.");
    else
        strcpy(outmsg,"SYSTEM PROBLEM -- call help line for details.");

    printf("%s\n",outmsg);
    outlen=strlen(outmsg);

Figure 180. Example illustrating how to use EXEC CICS commands (Part 3 of 4)
Both of these examples use EXEC CICS commands to:

1. Initialize the CICS interface
2. Access the storage passed from the caller
3. Handle unexpected abends
4. I/O to RRDS files
5. Requesting and formatting time
6. Requesting and formatting time
7. Requesting and formatting time

Using input and output

This section describes how to use z/OS C/C++ I/O with CICS. It describes the file and device support and the type of I/O used with CICS.

Note: You can set up a SIGIOERR handler to catch read or write system errors. See Chapter 17, “Debugging I/O programs,” on page 225 for more information.

Standard stream support

Under CICS, if you are using the z/OS C++ standard streams, note the following:

- cin is not supported under CICS.
- cout maps to the Standard C I/O stream stdout.
- cerr and clog both map to the C standard stream stderr.

stdout and stderr are assigned to transient data destinations (queues). The type of queue, intrapartition or extrapartition, is determined during CICS initialization. Intrapartition queues are used for queueing messages and data within a CICS.
region. Extrapartition queues are used to send data outside the CICS region or to receive data from outside the CICS region.

The transient data queues associated with stdout and stderr are CESO and CESE respectively. z/OS C/C++ supports VA and VBA queues with an lrecl of at least 137 bytes.

Records sent to the transient data queues associated with stdout and stderr take the form of a message. The entire message record can be preceded by an ASA Standard control character. Figure 181 illustrates the recommended message format.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>ASA</th>
<th>terminal id</th>
<th>transaction id</th>
<th>sp</th>
<th>Time Stamp</th>
<th>sp</th>
<th>data</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>108</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Figure 181. Format of data written to a CICS data queue

ASA is the carriage-control character.

terminal id is a 4-character terminal identifier.

transaction id is a 4-character transaction identifier.

sp is a space.

Time Stamp is the date and time displayed in the format YYYYMMDDHHMMSS.

data is the data that is output to the standard streams stdout and stderr.

The following are sample messages of data written to a CICS data queue:

SAMATST1 19940401080523 Hello World - from transaction TST1!
BOBATST3 19940401112348 Hello World - from transaction TST3!
TEDATST2 19940401112348 Hello World - from transaction TST2!

Standard streams can only be redirected to or from memory files.

Because only one transient data queue can be associated with each of stdout and stderr, these queues can contain output written in chronological order from many C and C++ programs. This output must be sorted as necessary into the desired sequence.

Full memory file support
The full set of C I/O library functions is supported under CICS for memory files. Memory files are created with the parameter type set to memory on the fopen() call. If you are using C++, you can also use the I/O stream library to create and access memory files. Hiperspace memory files are not supported.

Support for disk files and other devices
There is no support by the C I/O library or the I/O stream library for using disk files and other devices with CICS. I/O to access methods supported by CICS must use the CICS Application Programming Interface.
Using z/OS C/C++ library support

This section discusses restrictions and support for the z/OS C/C++ library with CICS.

Arguments to C or main()

When a z/OS C/C++ program is running under CICS, you cannot pass command line arguments to it. The values for argc and argv have the following settings:

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{argc} & : 1 \\
\text{argv[0]} & : 4\text{-character CICS transaction ID}
\end{align*}
\]

Run-time options

Command line run-time options cannot be passed in CICS. To specify run-time options in C/C++, you must include the \texttt{#pragma runopts} directive in the code. Figure 180 on page 623 shows how to do this. See \textit{z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide} for information on other ways to supply run-time options when you are running under CICS.

Using packed decimal with CICS

The packed decimal data type is supported under CICS. However, the CICS translator does not support packed decimal. CICS expects packed decimal streams to be passed to it as arrays of characters. If you want to manipulate these arrays as a packed decimal number, you should define the \texttt{array of characters in union with the appropriate packed decimal definition}. Refer to the \textit{CICSplex SM Application Programming Guide} for information on how to define the data fields for the EXEC CICS commands you are using.

Note: The z/OS C++ compiler does not support packed decimal data. Any program using the C or C++ character data type to handle packed decimal data must have its own functions for the manipulation of this data.

Locales

All locale functions are supported for locales that have been defined in the CSD. CSD definitions for the IBM-supplied locales are provided in SCEEASAMP(CEECCSD). \texttt{setlocale()} returns NULL if the locales are not defined.

Code set conversion tables

The code set conversion tables that are used by the \texttt{iconv()} functions must be defined in the CSD.

POSIX

There is no support for POSIX functions that are not already defined as part of ANSI/ISO. z/OS UNIX System Services is not supported under CICS.

Multitasking facility

MTF functions are not supported under CICS.

System programming C facilities

There is no support for the System Programming C facilities (SP C) under CICS.

SVC99 and dynamic allocation functions

\texttt{svc99()} and the dynamic allocation functions \texttt{dynalloc()}, \texttt{dynfree()}, and \texttt{dyninit()} are not supported under CICS. The \texttt{svc99()} function returns 0 if the input is NULL, otherwise the return value is undefined.
IMS
There is no support for the ctdli() function under CICS. If you call ctdli() under CICS, the return value is -1. Refer to the CICSpedia SM Application Programming Guide for information on the CICS method to access IMS.

Dump functions
The dump functions csnap(), cdump(), and ctrace() are supported under CICS. The output is sent to the CESE transient data queue. The dump can not be written if the queue does not have a sufficient LRECL. An LRECL of at least 161 is recommended.

Dynamic Linked Libraries (DLL)
All DLLs must be defined in the CSD.

fetch()
The fetch() function is supported under CICS. Modules to be fetched must be defined to the CSD and installed in the PPT.

release()
The release() function is supported under CICS.

system()
The system() function is not supported under CICS. However, there are two EXEC CICS commands that give you similar functionality:

EXEC CICS LINK
This command enables you to transfer control to another program and return to the calling program later. See Figure 182 on page 635.

EXEC CICS XCTL
This command enables you to transfer control to another program. Control does not return to the caller after completion of the called program.

Time functions
All time functions are supported except the clock() function, which returns the value (time_t)(-1) if it is used under CICS.

iscics()
The iscics() function is an extension to the C library. It returns a non-zero value if your program is currently running under CICS. If your program is not running under CICS, iscics() returns the value 0. The following example shows how to use iscics() in your C or C++ program to specify non-CICS or CICS specific behavior.

```c
if (iscics() == 0)
    < non-CICS behavior>
else
    < CICS-specific behavior>
```

Floating point arithmetic
The simulation of extended precision floating point is not supported in CICS.

Program termination
A C or C++ program running under CICS will terminate when:

- An exit() function call or a return statement is issued in the C or C++ program. The atexit list of functions is run when the C or C++ program terminates.

Note: On return from a C or C++ application, the return statement or values passed by C or C++ through the exit() function are saved in the EIBRESP2 field of the EIB.
• An abend occurs and is not handled.
• An EXEC CICS RETURN is issued in your C or C++ program. The atexit list of functions runs after these calls.
• The abort() function is started.

Storage management

A z/OS C/C++ program can acquire storage from and release storage to CICS/ESA implicitly or explicitly.

Storage is acquired and released \textit{implicitly} by the run-time environment. This storage is used for automatic, external, and static variables. External variables are valid until program completion.

Storage is acquired and released \textit{explicitly} by the user with the C library functions \texttt{malloc()}, \texttt{calloc()}, \texttt{realloc()}, or \texttt{free()}, with z/OS Language Environment Callable Services (refer to \texttt{z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide}), with the C++ \texttt{new} and \texttt{delete} operators, or with the EXEC CICS commands EXEC CICS \texttt{GETMAIN}, or EXEC CICS \texttt{FREEMAIN}.

• If you request the storage by using the C functions \texttt{malloc()}, \texttt{realloc()}, or \texttt{calloc()} you must deallocate it by using C functions as well.
• If you request the storage by using z/OS Language Environment Callable Services, you must deallocate it by using z/OS Language Environment Callable Services.
• If you request the storage by using EXEC CICS \texttt{GETMAIN}, you must deallocate it by using EXEC CICS \texttt{FREEMAIN}.
• If you request storage using the C++ \texttt{new} operator, you must deallocate it by using the C++ \texttt{delete} operator.

All other combinations of methods of requesting and deallocating storage are unsupported and lead to unpredictable behavior.

Partial deallocations are not supported. All storage allocated at a given time must be deallocated at the same time.

Under the z/OS Language Environment library, z/OS C/C++ uses the z/OS Language Environment Callable Services to allocate and free storage. Refer to \texttt{z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide} for specific information on memory and storage manipulation in CICS.

The z/OS C/C++ library functions acquire all storage from the Extended Dynamic Storage Area (EDSA) unless you specify otherwise using the ANYHEAP, BELOWHEAP, HEAP, STACK, or LIBSTACK run-time options.

Storage that is acquired with the EXEC CICS \texttt{GETMAIN} command exists for the duration of the CICS task.

If your application is multi-threaded or often uses \texttt{malloc()}, \texttt{realloc()}, \texttt{calloc()}, and \texttt{free()}, you should consider using the HEAPPOOLS run-time option. Although storage requirements may increase, you can expect better performance.
Using interlanguage support

The z/OS Language Environment library supports a variety of different types of interlanguage calls (ILC) with CICS. For information on supported configurations, please refer to z/OS Language Environment Writing Interlanguage Communication Applications.

Exception handling

You can use three different kinds of exception handlers when running C programs in a CICS environment: CICS exception handlers, z/OS Language Environment abend handlers, and C exception handlers. If you are using C++, you can use any of these three, or the C++ exception handling approach using try, throw, and catch. When a CICS condition is not handled under C++, the behavior of constructors and destructors for objects is undefined.

If the CICS command EXEC CICS HANDLE ABEND PROGRAM(name) was specified in the application, it will be called for any program exception that occurs (such as an operation exception or a protection exception) as well as for any EXEC CICS ABEND ABCODE(...) command that is run.

z/OS Language Environment provides facilities to set up a user handler. These facilities are discussed in detail in z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide.

In CICS, the C error handling facilities have almost the same behavior as discussed in Chapter 27, "Handling error conditions exceptions, and signals," on page 397. A signal raised with the raise() function is handled by its corresponding signal handler or the default actions if no handler is installed. If a program exception such as a protection exception occurs, it is handled by the appropriate C handler if no CICS or z/OS Language Environment handler is present.

When a C or C++ application is invoked by an EXEC CICS LINK PROGRAM(...), the invoked program inherits any handlers registered by EXEC CICS HANDLE ABEND PROGRAM(...) in the parent program. Any handlers registered in the child override the inherited handlers. C signal handlers are not inherited.

The following chart shows the process for handling abends in CICS.
MAP 0050: Error handling in CICS

001
Is this the result of a call to `raise()`?
Yes  No

002
Has EXEC CICS HANDLE ABEND been issued?
Yes  No

003
Continue at Step 005.

004
Call z/OS C/C++-CICS interface for termination of program. CICS turns off signal and runs program in handler.

005
Is SIG_IGN set for the signal?
Yes  No

006
Is z/OS Language Environment handler registered?
Yes  No

007
Is a C or C++ handler established?
Yes  No

008
Default handling the program check and percolate to next stack frame.

009
Run C or C++ handler.

010

011
Resume at the next instruction.

Example of error handling in CICS
The examples in Figure 182 on page 635 show how to handle errors when using z/OS C/C++ with CICS.
/* program : CHKSTAT */
/* transaction : called stand alone from transaction CHST */
/* is also used by other transactions to determine system status */

#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <signal.h>

#define FILE_LEN 40

void status_not_ok(int sig);
void unexpected_prob(char* desc, int rc);
volatile unsigned char status_record[41];

struct com_struct {
    int quiet;
} com_reg;

main (int argc, char *argv [])
{
    long int vsamrrn;
    signed short int vsamlen;

    signed long int myresp;
    signed long int myresp2;
    unsigned char status_downtme[41];

    if (strcmp(argv[0],"CHST") != 0) {
        printf("argv[0] = %s\n", argv[0]);
        com_reg.quiet = 1;
    } else
        com_reg.quiet = 0;

    /* get addressability to the EIB first */
    EXEC CICS ADDRESS EIB(dfheiptr);

    EXEC CICS HANDLE ABEND PROGRAM("CATCHIT"); 1
    signal(SIGUSR1,status_not_ok); 2

    EXEC CICS LINK PROGRAM("GETSTAT ") 3
    RESP(myresp)
    RESP2(myresp2)
    COMMAREA(&com_reg)
    LENGTH(4);
}

Figure 182. Example illustrating error handling under CICS (Part 1 of 3)
/* check for failure in linked-to program */
if (myresp != DFHRESP(NORMAL)) {
    printf("The RESP of LINK = %d\n", myresp);
    printf("The RESP2 of LINK = %d\n", myresp2);
    unexpected_prob("CICS failure on EXEC CICS LINK\n",51);
}

if (myresp2 != 11)
    unexpected_prob("Unexpected rc from GETSTAT",myresp2);

vsamrrn = 1;
vsamlen = FILE_LEN;

/* following READ for UPDATE is for test purpose only. */
EXEC CICS READ FILE("STATFILE")
    UPDATE
    INTO(status_record)
    RIDFLD(vsamrrn)
    RNN
    LENGTH(vsamlen)
    RESP(myresp)
    RESP2(myresp2);

/* check for cics response - non-0 implies problem */
if (myresp != DFHRESP(NORMAL))
    unexpected_prob("Unable to read from file",52);

/* write DOWNTME back to file - for test purpose only */
strcpy(status_downtme,"DOWNTME\n");
EXEC CICS REWRITE FILE("STATFILE")
    FROM(status_downtme)
    LENGTH(vsamlen)
    RESP(myresp)
    RESP2(myresp2);

if (myresp != DFHRESP(NORMAL)) {
    printf("The dnresp from REWRITE = %d\n", myresp);
    printf("The dnresp2 from REWRITE = %d\n", myresp2);
    unexpected_prob("Unexpected prob with WRITE",myresp);
}

if (memcmp(status_record,"OK \n",3) != 0)
    raise(SIGUSR1);

exit(11);
}

void unexpected_prob( char* desc, int rc)
{
    long int msgresp, msgresp2;
    int mlen;

    mlen = strlen(desc);

Figure 182. Example illustrating error handling under CICS (Part 2 of 3)
The numbers in the following list correspond to the numbers in the example code.

1. The program CATCHIT has been installed as the CICS abend handler. Because this CICS abend handler is installed, C exception handlers will only catch signals raised with the raise() function.

2. Install a C signal handler to catch the user defined signal SIGUSR1. This handler will only be called if raise(SIGUSR1) is run.

3. This command causes the flow of control to shift to a child program called GETSTAT. GETSTAT will inherit CHKSTAT’s CICS abend handler.

4. The C signal handler status_not_ok that was will be invoked if this line is run. The raise() function will not trigger the CICS abend handler.

**ABEND codes and error messages under z/OS C/C++**

For information on ABEND Codes and error messages used by the z/OS Language Environment library, refer to [z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide](#) and [z/OS Language Environment Debugging Guide](#).

**Coding hints and tips**

- Do not use EXEC CICS commands in macros.
- Do not use EXEC CICS commands in header files. This makes the translation process much simpler.
- Do not set atexit() routines before an EXEC CICS XCTL. You will get unpredictable results.
- If you call fclose() or freopen() for a standard stream, you cannot redirect or reopen the link to the transient data queue. z/OS C/C++ does not provide a method of opening or reopening the transient data queues.
- The actual transient data queue is not closed when you call fclose() or freopen() for a standard stream; however, the transaction will lose access to the stream.
- You should not use the stdin stream unless you are redirecting it from a memory file.
• Closing the cout, cerr, or clog standard streams in a C++ application has the same effect as closing stdout or stderr.
• When CICS handlers (using EXEC CICS HANDLE ABEND PROG) are activated along with C or C++ signal handlers, the CICS handler is invoked when an abend occurs. The C or C++ signal handler that corresponds to that class of abends is ignored.

  **Note:** The handler mentioned here is not a catch clause. It is a C signal handler exception registered by a C++ routine.
• If you do an EXEC CICS RETURN out of an atexit() routine, the resulting return code (RESP2) is undefined.

### Translating and compiling for reentrancy

This section discusses and provides examples of using the CICS language translator and compiling for CICS. It also discusses reentrancy issues with respect to CICS.

#### Translating

CICS/ESA provides a utility program called the CICS language translator. This program translates the EXEC CICS statements into C or C++ code.

  **Note:**

If you are using C++, you must use the CPP translator option to indicate to the compiler that you are using the C++ language, rather than the C language. The use of the CPP parameter specifies that the translator is to translate z/OS C++ programs.

Code translated without the CPP option or with a translator released before version 4.1 of CICS is not supported by the z/OS C++ compiler and will not compile.

The translator supplies a control block (DFHEIBLK) for passing information between CICS/ESA and the application program. C or C++ function references for the EXEC CICS commands are generated. The translation step is not required if you do not use EXEC CICS statements.

The CICS translator does not evaluate preprocessor statements such as `#include` or `#define`. You should ensure that all EXEC CICS statements are translated.

#### Translating example

[Figure 183 on page 639](#) shows pieces of C and C++ code before they are translated with the CICS language translator. [Figure 184 on page 640](#) shows the corresponding programs after translation.
CCNGCI3

/* program : CATCHIT */

#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

struct com struct{
    unsigned int quiet ;
} *commarea ;

main (){
    signed long int myresp;
    signed long int myresp2;

    /* get addressability to the EIB first */
    EXEC CICS ADDRESS EIB(dfheiptr);          1

    /* access common area sent from caller */
    EXEC CICS ADDRESS COMMAREA(commarea);   2

    printf("The program is now inside CATCHIT.\n");

    /* statements required to handle the abend */
    EXEC CICS .................................
    EXEC CICS ...............................  */

    EXEC CICS RETURN;
}

Figure 183. Example illustrating how to use EXEC CICS commands

In Figure 183 observe the following:

1 and 2
These programs each contain two EXEC CICS commands to be translated by the CICS translator. A single instance of the EXEC CICS ADDRESS EIB command is required before any other call to the EXEC CICS interface. In this case, the main program (see Figure 180 on page 625) issues the ADDRESS EIB command. Since the two pieces of code make up one program there is no need to ADDRESS the EIB again.

The programs once translated appear as follows:


```c
#ifndef __dfheitab
#define __dfheitab 1

char *dfhldver = "LD TABLE DFHEITAB 320."
char *dfheid0 = "\x00\x00\x00\x0c"
char *dfheicb = ""

typedef struct {
    unsigned char eibtime [4];
    unsigned char eibdate [4];
    unsigned char eibtrnid [4];
    unsigned char eibtaskn [4];
    unsigned char eibtrmid [4];
    signed short int eibfil01;
    signed short int eibcposn;
    signed short int eibcalen;
    unsigned char eibaid;
    unsigned char eibfn [2];
    unsigned char eibrcode [6];
    unsigned char eibds [8];
    unsigned char eibreqid [8];
    unsigned char eibrsrce [8];
    unsigned char eibsync;
    unsigned char eibfree;
    unsigned char eibrecv;
    unsigned char eibfil02;
    unsigned char eibatt;
    unsigned char eibeoc;
    unsigned char eibfmh;
    unsigned char eibcompl;
    unsigned char eibsig;
    unsigned char eibconf;
    unsigned char eiberr;
    unsigned char eiberrcd [4];
    signed long int eibresp;
    signed long int eibresp2;
    unsigned char eibrldbk;
} DFHEIBLK;

DFHEIBLK *dfheiptr;
#endif
```

*Figure 184. Child C program after translation (Part 1 of 3)*
```c
#ifndef __dfhtemps
#pragma linkage(dfhexec,OS) /* force OS linkage */
void dfhexec(); /* Function to call CICS */
#define __dfhtemps
signed short int dfhb0020, *dfhbp020 = &dfhb0020;
signed short int dfhb0021, *dfhbp021 = &dfhb0021;
signed short int dfhb0022, *dfhbp022 = &dfhb0022;
signed short int dfhb0023, *dfhbp023 = &dfhb0023;
signed short int dfhb0024, *dfhbp024 = &dfhb0024;
signed short int dfhb0025, *dfhbp025 = &dfhb0025;
unsigned char dfhc0010, *dfhcp010 = &dfhc0010;
unsigned char dfhc0011, *dfhcp011 = &dfhc0011;
signed short int dfhdummy;
#endif
/* this is an example of a CICS program for C */
/* program : GETSTAT ( part 2 - infrequent use routines ) */

#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
void unexpected_prob( char* desc, int rc);
void sendmsg( char* status_record )
{
  long int msgresp, msgresp2;
  char outmsg[80];
  int outlen;

  if (memcmp(status_record,"OK ",3)==0)
    strcpy(outmsg,"The system is available.");
  else if (memcmp(status_record,"DOWNTME ",8)==0)
    strcpy(outmsg,"The system is down for regular backups.");
  else
    strcpy(outmsg,"SYSTEM PROBLEM -- call help line for details.");
  outlen=strlen(outmsg);
}

Figure 184. Child C program after translation (Part 2 of 3)
```
In Figure 184 on page 640 observe the following:

3 This structure, DFHEIBLK, is used for passing information between CICS and the application program.

4 This is the CICS command that was interpreted by the translator. The translator comments out the EXEC CICS commands.

5 The translator inserts this call to the function dfhexec and comments out the EXEC CICS commands for further processing by the z/OS C/C++ compiler. The values msgresp and msgresp2 are set from the values in the DFHEIBLK structure.

6 This EXEC CICS command is similar in format to the one discussed in 4. However, you should note that the generated call to dfhexec is different. For this reason it is important that EXEC CICS commands are not imbedded in macros.
Compiling

CICS requires that programs be reentrant at CICS entry points. If you are using C, this means:

- If your program is not naturally reentrant, you must compile with the RENT compiler option.
- If you are compiling code that was translated by the CICS translator, you must compile with the RENT compiler option. The CICS translator puts external writable static in the program.

For both C and C++, this means that if your program is naturally reentrant and has not been translated, you can compile and link it just as you would a non-CICS program.

Sample JCL to translate and compile

The sample JCL in Figure 185 and Figure 186 on page 644 shows you how to translate and compile C and C++ modules.

```c
/*- *--------------------------------------------------------------------
  /*- Translate a C+CICS program                                        
  /*- *--------------------------------------------------------------------
  /*- Translate a C program for CICS                                    
  /*- *--------------------------------------------------------------------
  TRANSTEP EXEC PGM=DFHEDP1$,                                           
  //      REGION=2048K,                                                 
  //      PARM='MAR(1,80,0),OM(1,80,0),NOS'                            
  //STEPLIB DD DSN=CICS.SDFHLOAD,DISP=SHR                              
  //SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=*                                               
  //SYSPUNCH DD DSN=&SYSINC,DISP=(,PASS),UNIT=VIO,                     
  //      DCB=BLKSIZE=400,SPACE=(400,(400,100))                        
  //SYSIN DD DSN=MYID.CHKSTAT.C,DISP=SHR                              
  /*- *--------------------------------------------------------------------
  // Compile the translated C source.                                  
  /*- *--------------------------------------------------------------------
  C0010308 EXEC EDCC,                                                  
  //      INFILE='MYID.CHKSTAT.C',                                    
  //      OUTFILE='MYID.OBJECT(CHKSTAT),DISP=SRH',                     
  //      CPARM='OPT(0) NOSEQ NOMAR RENT ',                             
  //      SYSOUT6='*'                                                  
  //SYSIN DD DSN=*.TRANSTEP.SYSPUNCH,DISP=(OLD,DELETE)                 
  //USERLIB DD DSN=MYID.MYHDR.FILES,DISP=SHR                           
/*- *--------------------------------------------------------------------
```

Figure 185. JCL to translate and compile a C program
Prelinking and linking all object modules

If you are using C++, or if you have compiled your C source with the RENT compile-time option, you must prelink all of the object modules together. The prelinker accepts one or more object modules, combines them, and generates a single output object module which can then be linked. For further information on the prelinker, see the z/OS C/C++ User's Guide.

When you are prelinking for CICS, you should expect some unresolved external references and a return code of 4. These unresolved references should be resolved at link time.

CICS provides a stub called DFHELII, which must be link-edited with the load module. For your convenience, the linkage editor commands required for CICS are provided with CICS in the DFHEILID member of the SDFHC370 data set. The DFHEILID member must be reblocked before it is passed to the linkage editor. A name card should also be passed to the linkage editor. All applications must run AMODE=31 and RMODE(ANY). It is recommended that the object module is linked with AMODE(31) and RMODE(ANY). CICS does not require any other linkage editor options.

If you are using C, and your program will reside in one of the DFHRPL libraries, you do not need to link-edit the module with the RENT option. However, if the program is to be installed in one of the link pack areas, STEPLIBs, or data sets in the system link list, you should link-edit the module with the RENT option.

The example in Figure 187 on page 645 shows you how to prelink and link C and C++ modules.

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Figure 186. JCL to translate and compile a C++ program

```c++
//TRANSTEP EXEC PGM=DFHEDP1$,;
   // REGION=2048K,
   // PARM='MAR(1,80,0),OM(1,80,0),NOS,CPP'
   //STEPLIB DD DSN=CICS.SDFHLOAD,DISP=SHR
   //SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=
   //SYSPUNCH DD DSN=&SYSIN,C,DISP=(,PASS),UNIT=VIO,
   // DCB=BLKSIZE=400,SPACE=(400,(400,100))
   //SYSIN DD DSN=MYID.CHKSTAT.C,DISP=SHR

//*--------------------------------------------------------------------
//* Compile the translated C++ source.
//*--------------------------------------------------------------------
//C0010308 EXEC CBCC,
   //OUTFILE='MYID.OBJECT(CHKSTAT),DISP=SHR,'
   //CPARM='NOSEQ NOMAR RENT ',
   //SYSOUT6='*'
   //SYSSIN DD DSN=*.TRANSTEP.SYSPUNCH,DISP=(OLD,DELETE)

Figure 187. JCL to prelink and link C and C++ modules
```
Defining and running the CICS program

This section discusses the implications of program processing, link considerations for C programs, and CSD considerations. Sample JCL to install z/OS C/C++ application programs is provided.

Program processing

In a CICS environment, a single copy of a program is used by several transactions concurrently. One section of a program can process a transaction and then be suspended (usually as a result of an EXEC CICS command); another transaction can then start or resume processing the same or any other section of the same application program. This behavior requires that the program be reentrant.

Link considerations for C programs

If your C program will reside in one of the DFHRPL libraries, following the translate, compile, and link steps detailed earlier in this chapter is sufficient; there is no requirement to link-edit the module with the RENT linkage editor option.
However, if the program is to be installed in one of the link pack areas, STEPLIBs, or data sets in the system link list, the module should be link-edited with the RENT option.

CSD considerations

Before you can run a program, you must define it in the CICS CSD. When defining a program to CICS, you should use LANGUAGE(LE). However, if the program is in C and does not use ILC support, you can use LANGUAGE(C).

If you use a copy of a reentrant C or C++ application program that has been installed in the link pack area, you must specify USELPACOPY(YES) in the resource definition when you define the program in the CSD. You can use the CICS-supplied procedure DFYEITDL to translate, compile, prelink, and link-edit C or C++ programs. For C programs, you may have to change the compile step of this procedure. You will have to change the compile step to use it with the C++ compiler.

Sample JCL to install z/OS C/C++ application programs

This is the sample JCL to install a C or C++ application program.

```
//jobname JOB accounting info,name,MSGLEVEL=1
// EXEC PROC=DFHEXTEL
# //TRN.SYSIN DD *
#pragma XOPTS(Translator options . . .)

::
  z/OS C/C++ source statements
::
/*
//LKED.SYSIN DD *
  NAME anyname(R)
/*
//
```

Figure 188. JCL to install z/OS C/C++ application programs

Your application is anyname. x can resolve to I or X.
Chapter 42. Using Cross System Product (CSP)

This chapter briefly describes the interface between z/OS C and applications generated through the Cross System Product/Application Development (CSP/AD) and the Cross System Product/Application Execution (CSP/AE) Version 3 Release 2 Modification 2 or later. CSP refers to both CSP/AD and CSP/AE.

CSP/AD is an interactive application generator that provides methods for interactively defining, testing, and generating application programs. It can aid in improving productivity in application development.

CSP/AE takes the generated program and executes it in a production environment.

Notes:
1. XPLINK is not supported in a CSP environment.
2. AMODE 64 applications are not supported in a CSP environment.

Common data types

Table 88 lists the data types common to both CSP and z/OS C.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>z/OS C</th>
<th>CSP</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>signed short</td>
<td>BIN - 2 bytes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>signed int/long</td>
<td>BIN - 4 bytes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>struct</td>
<td>RECORD</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>char array(size)</td>
<td>Characters</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

You must use the function __csplist to receive the parameter list from a CSP application. See z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference for more information on this function.

Passing control

You can pass control between CSP and z/OS C as follows:

**CALL**

Calls another application or subroutine to be run. When execution is completed, control is returned to the statement following the CALL statement in the original application.

**XFERIDXFR**

Transfers control and initiates execution of a CSP application or non-CSP program or transaction. The current application is terminated when the transfer statement is executed.

Under CICS, XFER is used to transfer control to another CICS transaction, while DXFR is used to transfer control to an application or program. If the target name is an application, control remains in CSP and the application is initiated immediately. If the target name is a program, CSP issues CICS XCTL to the program name.
Note: From a z/OS C program, you can pass control to a CSP application but you cannot pass control to another z/OS Language Environment-enabled language (COBOL, PL/I) from that CSP application. Only one z/OS Language Environment-enabled language can be in the chain of calls.

Running CSP under MVS

This section covers:

- Calling CSP applications from z/OS C
- Calling z/OS C from CSP

Calling CSP applications from z/OS C

To call a CSP application from z/OS C, you must:

1. Define the CSP program to be called one of the following:
   - DGCALL - calling under MVS/TSO
   - DCGFER - transferring control under MVS/TSO with OS pragma linkage
2. Fetch the program dynamically.
3. Transfer control to the program. You must pass at least one parameter when calling CSP from z/OS C. This is the pointer to the ALF name and application name.

Examples

The following example program CALLs a CSP application in the z/OS environment. You must receive a structure.

CCNGCP1

/* this example shows how to CALL CSP from C under TSO */

/* CALL */
/* CCNGCP1 ===> R924A6 */
/* R924A6 is a CSP application */

#include <stdlib.h>
#include <math.h>

#pragma linkage(DCGCALL,OS)

void main(int argc , char * argv[])
{
    int ctr, base, power;

    typedef void ASM_VOID();
    #pragma linkage(ASM_VOID,OS)
    ASM_VOID * fetch_ptr;

    int rc = 0;
    char module [8] = "DCGCALL ";
    struct tag_a6progc {
        char alfx [8];
        char applx [8];
    };

    Figure 189. C/370 CALLing CSP under TSO (Part 1 of 2)
struct tag_a6rec {
    char a6ct [4];
    char a6lan [4];
    char f11 [8]; /* packed fields for PLI */
    char f12 [8]; /* packed fields for PLI */
    char f13 [8]; /* packed fields for PLI */
    int a6xbc;
    int a6ybc;
    int a6zbc;
};

struct {
    char s_parm [240];
} s_parms = {"ALF=C "};

struct tag_a6progc a6_progc = {"FZERSAM.", "R924A6 "};

_Packed struct tag_a6rec a6_rec = {"CALL",
    "C ",
    "0000110C",
    "0000220C",
    "0000330C",
    12, 2, 0
};

base = atoi(argv[1]);
power= atoi(argv[2]);

a6_rec.a6xbc = base;
a6_rec.a6ybc = power;
a6_rec.a6zbc = (int) pow((double) a6_rec.a6xbc, (double) a6_rec.a6ybc);

if ((fetch_ptr = (ASM_VOID *) fetch(module)) == NULL ) {
    printf(" failed on fetch of CSP %s module \n", module);
} else {
    fetch_ptr (&a6_progc, &a6_rec);
    rc = release((void (*)(void *)) fetch_ptr);
    if ( rc != 0 ) {
        printf("CCNGCP1: rc from release =%d\n", rc );
    }
}

Figure 189. C/370 CALLing CSP under TSO (Part 2 of 2)

Note: CSP cannot pass the DXFR statement to z/OS C under TSO.

The following example program uses an XFER command to transfer control to a CSP application. You must pass a structure.
CCNGCP2

/* this example shows how to transfer control to CSP from C under */
/* TSO, using XFER */

/* XFER */
/* CCNGCP2 ===> R924A5 */
/* R924A5 is a CSP application */

#include <stdlib.h>
#include <math.h>
#pragma linkage(DCGXFER,OS)

void main(int argc, char * argv[])
{
    int ctr,base,power;
    int rc = 0;
    char module [ 8 ] = "{DCGXFER " } ;

    typedef void ASM_VOID();
    #pragma linkage (ASM_VOID,OS)
    ASM_VOID * fetch_ptr;

    struct tag_a5ws {
        short length ;
        char filler [ 8] ;
        char a5ct [ 4] ;
        char a5lan [ 4] ;
        char fill [ 8] ; /* packed fields for PLI */
        char fill2 [ 8] ; /* packed fields for PLI */
        char fill3 [ 8] ; /* packed fields for PLI */
        int a5xbc;
        int a5ybc;
        int a5zbc;
    };
    struct tag_a5progX {
        char alfx [ 8] ;
        char applx [ 8] ;
    };

    struct {
        char s_parm [ 240] ;
    } s_parms = {"ALF=C "};

Figure 190. z/OS Ctransferring control to CSP under TSO using the XFER/DXFR statement (Part 1 of 2)
Calling z/OS C from CSP

To call a z/OS C program from CSP:

- PLIST(OS) must be specified in the z/OS C program so that input parameters will not be processed by the run-time environment.

- When CSP passes a parameter list to a z/OS C function, the list is in a different format from what z/OS C expects in a normal z/OS environment. To receive the parameters, use the macro __csplist, found in the csp.h header file and described in z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.

Notes:

1. PLIST(OS) must be specified in the z/OS C program so that input parameters will not be processed by the run-time environment.

2. When CSP passes a parameter list to a z/OS C function, the list is in a different format from what z/OS C expects in a normal z/OS environment. To receive the parameters, use the macro __csplist, found in the csp.h header file and described in z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.

Examples

The following example program shows how parameters are received from a CSP application that uses a CALL statement to transfer control. You must pass three parameters:

- An int
- A string
A struct

CCNGCP3

/* this example shows how to CALL C from CSP under TSO */

#pragma runopts (plist(os))
#include <csp.h>
#include <math.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

void main()
{

struct date {
    char yy[2];
    char mm[2];
    char dd[2];
};
int  *parm1_ptr;
char  *parm2_ptr;
struct date *parm3_ptr;

    parm1_ptr = (int *) __csplist[0];  /* get 1st parm */
    parm2_ptr = (char *) __csplist[1];  /* get 2nd parm */
    parm3_ptr = (struct date *) __csplist[2];  /* get 3rd parm */
}

Figure 191. CSP CALLing z/OS C under TSO

The following example program shows how parameters are received from a CSP application that uses an XFER/DXFR statement to transfer control. You must pass a structure.

Notes:
1. Under TSO, CSP/AD cannot use the XFER statement to transfer control to z/OS C.
2. Under TSO, you cannot use the DXFR statement to transfer control to CSP.
/* this example shows how to transfer control from CSP to C */
/* This program will be called from CSP through */
/* "XFER" or DXFR call. */
/* Parameters are passed as a working storage record */
/* plus 10 bytes of filler information */
/* 2 bytes length */
/* 8 bytes filler */
/* n bytes working storage record. */

#pragma runopts (plist(os))
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <csp.h>
#include <math.h>
#include <string.h>
#pragma linkage(DCGXFER,OS)
#pragma linkage(DCGCALL,OS)

void xfer_rtn();
void call_rtn();

struct tag_a3ws {
  short length;
  char filler [ 8];
  char a3ct [ 4];
  char a3lan [ 4];
  char fill1 [ 8]; /* packed fields for PLI */
  char fill2 [ 8]; /* packed fields for PLI */
  char fill3 [ 8]; /* packed fields for PLI */
  int a3xbc;
  int a3ybc;
  int a3zbc;
};
struct tag_a3progx {
  char alfx [ 8];
  char applx [ 8];
};

Figure 192. CSP transferring control to z/OS C under TSO using the XFER statement (Part 1 of 3)
void main()
{
    _Packed struct tag_a3ws *parm1;
    _Packed struct tag_a3ws a3_ws;

    parm1 = (_Packed struct tag_a3ws *)__csplist[0];
    parm1->a3zbc = (int) pow((double) parm1->a3xbc, (double) parm1->a3ybc);

    if (parm1->a3zbc > 255)
        xfer_rtn(parm1); /* xfer to csp */
    else
        call_rtn(parm1); /* call to csp */
}

Figure 192. CSP transferring control to z/OS C under TSO using the XFER statement (Part 2 of 3)
Running under CICS control

CSP-CICS Note: Because all z/OS C applications running under CICS must run with AMODE=31, when passing parameters to CSP, you must either
- Pass parameters below the line, or
- Relink the CSP load library with AMODE=31

Examples

The following example program shows how parameters are received from a CSP application that uses a CALL statement to transfer control. The z/OS C program is expecting to receive an int as a parameter.

Figure 192. CSP transferring control to z/OS C under TSO using the XFER statement (Part 3 of 3)
The following example program shows how parameters are received from a CSP application that uses an XFER statement to transfer control.

```c
/* this example shows how to call C from CSP under CICS, and how */
/* parameters are passed */

#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <math.h>

main()
{
    struct tag_commarea { /* commarea passed to z/OS C from R924A1 */
        int *ptr1;
        int *ptr2;
        int *ptr3;
    } *ca_ptr; /* commarea ptr */

    int *parm1_ptr;
    int *parm2_ptr;
    int *parm3_ptr;

    /* addressability to EIB control block */
    /* and COMMUNICATION AREA */
    EXEC CICS ADDRESS EIB(dfheiptr) COMMAREA(ca_ptr);
    parm1_ptr = ca_ptr->ptr1;
    parm2_ptr = ca_ptr->ptr2;
    parm3_ptr = ca_ptr->ptr3;

    *parm3_ptr = (int) pow((double) parm1_ptr, (double) parm2_ptr);

    EXEC CICS RETURN;
}
```

Figure 193. CSP CALLing z/OS C under CICS
CCNGCP6

/* this example shows how to XFER control to C from CSP under CICS */
/* XFER CALL */
/* R924A3 ===> CCNGCP6 ===> R924A6 */
/* R924A3 and R924A6 are CSP applications */

#include <math.h>
#include <string.h>

/* Structure passed to R924A6*/

void main()
{
  struct {
    char *appl_ptr;
    _Packed struct tag_a3rec *rec3_ptr;
  } parm_ptr;

  struct tag_a3rec {
    char a3ct[4];
    char a3lan[4];
    char fil1[8]; /* packed fields for PLI */
    char fil2[8]; /* packed fields for PLI */
    char fil3[8]; /* packed fields for PLI */
    int a3xbc;
    /* int field 1 for z/OS C */
    int a3ybc;   /* int field 2 for z/OS C */
    int a3zbc;   /* int field 3 for z/OS C */
  } _Packed struct tag_a3rec a3rec;

  char lk_appl[16] = "USR5ALF.R924A6 ";

  struct tag_a3progx {
    char alfX[8];
    char applx [8];
  };

  _Packed struct tag_a3progx a3progx = {"USR5ALF.","R924A6 "};

  short length_a3rec = sizeof(a3rec);
  char *pa3rec;
  short i;

  /*----- start of CSP XFER-ing to C under CICS ---------------*/
  EXEC CICS ADDRESS EIB(dfheiptr);
  EXEC CICS RETRIEVE INTO(&a3rec) LENGTH(length_a3rec); 
  a3rec.a3zbc = (int) pow((double) a3rec.a3xbc, (double) a3rec.a3ybc);

  Figure 194. CSP transferring control to z/OS C under CICS using the XFER statement (Part 1 of 2)
The following example program shows how parameters are received from a CSP application that uses a DXFR statement to transfer control. You must receive a structure.

**CNGCP7**

/* this example shows how to transfer control to C from CSP under CICS, using the DXFR statement */

/* DXFR XCTL (equivalent to dxfr) */
/* R924A3 ===> CNGCP7 ===> DCBINIT (appl R924A5) */
/* R924A3 is a CSP application */

#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <math.h>

main ()
{
    struct tag_a3rec {
        char a3ct [ 4];
        char a3lan [ 4];
        char fil1 [ 8]; /* packed fields for PLI */
        char fil2 [ 8]; /* packed fields for PLI */
        char fil3 [ 8]; /* packed fields for PLI */
        int  a3xbc;
        int  a3ybc;
        int  a3zbc;
    };

Figure 195. CSP Transferring Control to z/OS C under CICS Using the DXFR Statement (Part 1 of 2)
struct tag_commarea {
    char a3ct [ 4 ];
    char a3lan [ 4 ];
    char fill [ 8 ];  /* packed fields for PLI */
    char fill2 [ 8 ];  /* packed fields for PLI */
    int a3xbc;
    int a3ybc;
    int a3zbc;
} * ca_ptr ;  /* commarea ptr */

struct tag_a5progc {
    char alfrc [ 8 ];
    char applc [ 8 ];
    struct tag_a3rec a3rec;
} a5progc = {"USR5ALF.","R924A5 "};

short length_a3rec = sizeof(struct tag_a3rec);
short length_a5progc = sizeof(struct tag_a5progc);

EXEC CICS ADDRESS EIB(dfheiptr) COMMAREA(ca_ptr);
if (dfheiptr->eibcalen == length_a3rec ) {
    memcpy(&a5progc.a3rec, ca_ptr , length_a3rec);
    a5progc.a3rec.a3zbc = (int) pow((double) a5progc.a3rec.a3xbc,
                                (double) a5progc.a3rec.a3ybc);

    EXEC CICS XCTL
        PROGRAM("DCBINIT ")
        COMMAREA(a5progc)
        length(length_a5progc) ;
    if (dfheiptr->eibresp2 != DFHRESP(NORMAL)) {
        printf("CCNGCP7: failed on xctl call to DCBINIT\n");
        printf("\n");
    }
}
else {
    printf("CCNGCP7:length of COMMAREA is different from expected\n");
    printf("    expected %d, actual %d\n", length_a3rec, dfheiptr->eibcalen);
    printf("\n");
    EXEC CICS RETURN;
}
EXEC CICS RETURN;

Figure 195. CSP Transferring Control to z/OS C under CICS Using the DXFR Statement (Part 2 of 2)
Using Data Window Services (DWS)

Data Window Services (DWS) is part of the CSL (Callable Services Library). DWS gives your C or C++ program the ability to manipulate data objects (temporary data objects known as TEMPSPACE, and VSAM linear data sets).

Notes:
1. XPLINK is not supported with DWS.
2. AMODE 64 applications are not supported with DWS.

To use DWS functions with C code, you do not have to specify a linkage pragma or add any specialized code. Code the DWS function call directly inside your z/OS C program just as you would a call to a C or C++ library function and then link-edit the DWS module containing the function you want (such as CSRIDAC, CSRVIEW, CSRSCOT, CSRI SAVE or CSRIREFR) with your C or C++ program.

To use DWS functions with C++ code, you must specify C linkage for any DWS function that you use. For example, if you wished to use CSRIDAC, you would use a code fragment like this one:

```c++
/* this example shows how DWS may be used with C++ */
#include <stdlib.h>
extern "C" {
    void csridac( char*, char*, char*, char*, char*,
        char*, long int*, char*, long int*,
        long int*, long int*);
}

int main(void) {
    /* Set up the parameters that will be used by CSRIDAC. */
    char op_type[6] = "BEGIN";
    char object_type[10] = "TEMPSPACE";
    char object_name[45] = "DWS.FILE ";
    char scroll_area[4] = "YES";
    char object_state[4] = "NEW";
    char access_mode[7] = "UPDATE";
    long int object_size = 8;
    char object_id[9];
    long int high_offset, return_code, reason_code;

    /* Access a DWS TEMPSPACE data object. */
    csridac(op_type, object_type, object_name, scroll_area, object_state,
            access_mode,OBJECT_size,object_id, &high_offset,
            &return_code, &reason_code);

    /* INSERT ADDITIONAL CODE HERE */
}

Figure 196. Example using DWS and C++

At link-edit time, you should link-edit the DWS module containing the function you want, just as you would for a C program.
In DWS the data types of the parameters are specified differently from z/OS C/C++ data types. When invoking DWS functions from your C or C++ program, you must specify:

- A `long int` data type for DWS parameters of integer (I*4) type.
- Character strings (of the required length) for DWS parameters of character type.

For example, if the DWS function requires a 9-character object name (in this example we will set the object name to TEMPSPACE) you can declare the parameter in your C or C++ function as follows:

```c
char object_type[9] = "TEMPSPACE";
```

For more information on DWS, see [z/OS MVS Programming: Callable Services for HLL](#).

**Example**

The following is an excerpt from a C program that shows parameter declarations for the DWS CSRIDAC function and the function call.

```c
/* this example shows how DWS may be used with C */

int main(void)
{
    /* Set up the parameters that will be used by CSRIDAC. */

    char op_type[5] = "BEGIN";
    char object_type[9] = "TEMPSPACE";
    char object_name[45] = "DWS.FILE ";
    char scroll_area[3] = "YES";
    char object_state[3] = "NEW";
    char access_mode[6] = "UPDATE";
    long int object_size = 8;
    char object_id[8];
    long int high_offset, return_code, reason_code;

    /* Access a DWS TEMPSPACE data object. */

    csridac(op_type, object_type, object_name, scroll_area, object_state, access_mode,OBJECT_size,OBJECT_id,&high_offset, &return_code,&reason_code);

    /* INSERT ADDITIONAL CODE HERE */

    return 0;
}
```

*Figure 197. z/OS C/C++ Using Data Window Services*
Chapter 44. Using DB2 Universal Database

Both z/OS Language Environment and z/OS C/C++ provide an interface to the IBM DB2 Universal Database Licensed Program. Refer to "DB2" on page 973 for a list of books describing DB2.

An application program requests DB2 services using SQL statements imbedded in the program. This source code is translated into host language statements that perform assignments and call a database language interface module. DB2 processes a request and then returns to the application. Any errors occurring during database processing are handled by the database product. If a program is terminated, DB2 takes appropriate action depending on the nature of termination.

The DB2 SQL preprocessor converts code with embedded SQL statements into compilable code. You can either invoke the processor separately, before compiling, or let the compiler do it by using the SQL compiler option. Please refer to z/OS C/C++ User's Guide for more details on the SQL option.

The DB2 SQL preprocessor supports C and C++. DB2 can also be accessed through C code that is statically or dynamically called by C++. The DB2 SQL preprocessor does not recognize the z/OS C/C++ compiler’s support for alternative locales and codepages, but the SQL compiler option does. If you are not using the SQL compiler option, all DB2 z/OS C/C++ code should be written in codepage IBM-1047 (APL293).

Note: Applications compiled XPLINK can invoke DB2 services that are called through stubs defined as #pragma linkage(..., OS). The SQL commands are one example of this. DB2 stored procedures cannot be compiled XPLINK.

C++ Example

Examples CCNGDB1 and CCNGDB2, demonstrate how to use DB2 with C++. To use the examples, precompile example CCNGDB2 (Figure 199 on page 664) with the DB2 precompiler (compiled in C) and then prelink the resulting code with CCNGDB1. Bind the C++ extended object modules to produce the executable program object.

CCNGDB1

/* this example shows how to use DB2 with C++ */
/* part 1 of 2-other file is CCNGDB2 */

/* this file is to be compiled with C++, */
/* and then prelinked with CCNGDB2 */

#include <stdlib.h>
#include <iostream.h>

Figure 198. Using DB2 with C++ (Part 1 of 2)
extern "C" {
    int CreaTab(void);
    int DropTab(void);
}

int main(void) {
    if (CreaTab() == -1) {
        cout << "Test Failed in table-creation." << endl;
        exit(-1);
    }
    if (DropTab() == -1) {
        cout << "Test Failed in table-dropping." << endl;
        exit(-1);
    }
    cout << "Test Successful." << endl;
    return 0;
}

Figure 198. Using DB2 with C++ (Part 2 of 2)

CCNGDB2

/* this example demonstrates how to use DB2 with C++ */
/* part 2 of 2-other file is CCNGDB1 */

/* this file is to be precompiled with the DB2 precompiler, */
/* compiled in C, and then prelinked with CCNGDB1 */

#include <string.h>
#include <stdio.h>

EXEC SQL INCLUDE SQLCA;

/*
 * This routine creates the table CTAB1 and inserts some values
 * into it
 */

Figure 199. Using DB2 with C++ (Part 1 of 2)
int CreaTab(void)
{
    EXEC SQL CREATE TABLE CTAB1
    ( EMPNO CHAR(6) NOT NULL,
      FIRSTNME VARCHAR(12) NOT NULL,
      LASTNME VARCHAR(15) NOT NULL,
      WORKDEPT CHAR(3) NOT NULL,
      PHONENO CHAR(7),
      EDUCLVL SMALLINT,
      SALARY FLOAT(21) ) IN DATABASE DSNUCOMP;

    if (sqlca.sqlcode != 0)
        {
        printf("ERROR - SQL code returned non-zero for "
            "creation of CTAB1, received %d\n",sqlca.sqlcode);
        return(-1);
        }

    /* Now insert some values into the table */

    EXEC SQL INSERT INTO CTAB1 VALUES
        ( '097892','John','Adams','003','8883945',3,29500.00 );
    EXEC SQL INSERT INTO CTAB1 VALUES
        ( '000002','Joe','Smith','004','8883791',NULL,25500.00 );
    EXEC SQL INSERT INTO CTAB1 VALUES
        ( '043929','Ralph','Holland','001','8888734',1,NULL);
    EXEC SQL INSERT INTO CTAB1 VALUES
        ( '000010','Holly','Waters','001','8884590',3,29550.00 );

    if (sqlca.sqlcode != 0)
        {
        printf("ERROR - SQL code returned non-zero for "
            "insert into tables, received %d\n",sqlca.sqlcode);
        return(-1);
        }
    return(0);
}

/*
 * This routine will drop the table.
 */
int DropTab(void)
{
    EXEC SQL DROP TABLE CTAB1;
    if (sqlca.sqlcode != 0)
        {
        printf("ERROR - SQL code returned non-zero for "
            "drop of CTAB1 received %d\n",sqlca.sqlcode);
        return(-1);
        }
    EXEC SQL COMMIT WORK;
    return(0);
}

Figure 199. Using DB2 with C++ (Part 2 of 2)
C example

In [Figure 200] a C program creates a table called CTAB1, inserts values into the table and then drops the table. To use this example, run the program through the DB2 SQL preprocessor, and compile the generated code. Bind the C extended object modules to produce the executable program object.

CCNGDB4

/* this example demonstrates how to use SQL with C */
#include <string.h>
#include <stdio.h>

EXEC SQL INCLUDE SQLCA;

int main(void)
{
    if (CreaTab() == -1)
    {
        printf("Test Failed in table-creation.\n");
        exit(-1);
    }

    if (DropTab() == -1)
    {
        printf("Test Failed in table-dropping.\n");
        exit(-1);
    }
    printf("Test Successful.\n");
    return(0);
}

/*
 * This routine creates the table CTAB1 and inserts some values
 * into it
 */

int CreaTab(void)
{
    EXEC SQL CREATE TABLE CTAB1
    ( EMPNO CHAR(6) NOT NULL,
      FIRSTNME VARCHAR(12) NOT NULL,
      LASTNME VARCHAR(15) NOT NULL,
      WORKDEPT CHAR(3) NOT NULL,
      PHONENO CHAR(7),
      EDUCLVL SMALLINT,
      SALARY FLOAT(21) );

    if (sqlca.sqlcode != 0)
    {
        printf("ERROR - SQL code returned non-zero for ",
                "creation of CTAB1, received %d\n",sqlca.sqlcode);
        return(-1);
    }

Figure 200. Using DB2 with C (Part 1 of 2)
/* Now insert some values into the table */

EXEC SQL INSERT INTO CTAB1 VALUES ('097892','John','Adams','003','8883945',3,29500.00);
EXEC SQL INSERT INTO CTAB1 VALUES ('000002','Joe','Smith','004','8883791',NULL,25500.00);
EXEC SQL INSERT INTO CTAB1 VALUES ('043929','Ralph','Holland','001','8888734',1,NULL);
EXEC SQL INSERT INTO CTAB1 VALUES ('000010','Holly','Waters','001','8884590',3,29550.00);

if (sqlca.sqlcode != 0)
{  
printf("ERROR - SQL code returned non-zero for "
    "insert into tables, received %d\n",sqlca.sqlcode);
    return(-1);
}
return(0);

/*
 * This routine will drop the table.
 */

int DropTab(void)
{
    EXEC SQL DROP TABLE CTAB1;
    if (sqlca.sqlcode != 0)
    {  
printf("ERROR - SQL code returned non-zero for "
    "drop of CTAB1 received %d??\n",sqlca.sqlcode);
        return(-1);
    }
    EXEC SQL COMMIT WORK;
    return(0);
}

Figure 200. Using DB2 with C (Part 2 of 2)
Chapter 45. Using Graphical Data Display Manager (GDDM)

The Graphical Data Display Manager (GDDM*) provides programmers with a comprehensive set of functions for displaying or printing information in the most effective manner.

The major functions provided are:

- A windowing system that the user can tailor to display selected information
- Support for presentation and interaction through the keyboard
- Comprehensive graphics support
- Fonts, including support for double-byte character sets (DBCS)
- Business image support
- Saving and restoring graphics pictures
- Support for many types of display terminals, printers, and plotters.

Because GDDM uses OS-style linkage, calls from C to GDDM require the #pragma linkage pragma, as in the following example:

```
#pragma linkage(identifier, OS)
```

In C++ code, calls to and from GDDM require that any GDDM functions you use be prototyped as extern "OS", as in the following example:

```
extern "OS" {
  ASREAD( int *type, int *num, int *count );
  CHAATT( int num, int *attrib );
  CHHATT( int num, int *attrib );
}
```

Because C++ does not support #pragma linkage, any existing C code that you are moving to C++ should use the extern "OS" specification instead.

When linking a GDDM application, you must add the GDDM library to your SYSLIB concatenation.

Notes:

1. XPLINK is not supported by GDDM.
2. AMODE 64 applications are not supported by GDDM.

Example

The following example demonstrates the interface between C and GDDM by drawing a polar chart to compare the characteristics of two cars.
/* this example demonstrates the use of C and GDDM */
#include <string.h>
#pragma linkage(asread,OS)
#pragma linkage(chaatt,OS)
#pragma linkage(chhatt,OS)
#pragma linkage(chhead,OS)
#pragma linkage(chkatt,OS)
#pragma linkage(chkey,OS)
#pragma linkage(chnatt,OS)
#pragma linkage(chnoff,OS)
#pragma linkage(chnote,OS)
#pragma linkage(chpolr,OS)
#pragma linkage(chset,OS)
#pragma linkage(chxlab,OS)
#pragma linkage(chxlat,OS)
#pragma linkage(chxtic,OS)
#pragma linkage(chyrng,OS)
#pragma linkage(chyset,OS)
#pragma linkage(fsinit,OS)
#pragma linkage(fsterm,OS)
/* Arrays are expected for int * and float */
/* char * can be an array or a string */
extern int asread (int *type, int *num, int *count);
extern int chaatt (int num, int *attrib);
extern int chhatt (int num, int *attrib);
extern int chkatt (int num, int *attrib);
extern int chkey (int, int, char *);
extern int chnatt (int num, int *attrib);
extern int chnoff (double, double);
extern int chnote (char *string, int num, char *title);
extern int chpoir (int, int, float *xdata, float *ydata);
extern int chset (char *charactr);
extern int chxlab (int num, int, char *);
extern int chxlal (int num, int *attrib);
extern int chxic (double x, double y);
extern int chyrng (double from, double to);
extern int chyset (char *charactr);
extern int fsinit (void);
extern int fsterm (void);
*******************************************************************************/
** Attribute arrays used for the chart. **
*******************************************************************************/
int i;
int h_atts[4] = { 3, 3, 0, 175 }; /* Head text attribute */
int n_atts[4] = { 7, 3, 0, 200 }; /* Note text attribute */
int a_atts[2] = { 7, 1 }; /* X-axis color and line */
int xl_atts[1] = { 5 }; /* X-label color */
int k_atts[1] = { 5 }; /* Key text color */
int type, num, count;
float x_data[8] = { 0.0, 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0, 5.0, 6.0, 7.0 }; 
float y_data[16] = {
  14190.0, 260.0, 0.21, 0.066, 83.3, 6.0, 19.1, 14190.0,
  12986.0, 290.0, 0.23, 0.066, 95.6, 5.0, 16.2, 12986.0 
};
float maxvals[16] = {
  15000.0, 300.0, 0.25, 0.070, 100.0, 6.0, 20.0, 15000.0,
  15000.0, 300.0, 0.25, 0.070, 100.0, 6.0, 20.0, 15000.0 };

Figure 201. Example using GDDM and C (Part 1 of 2)
```c
int main(void)
{
    fsinit();
    chhattr(4, h_attr);
    chhead(40, "TWO CARS COMPARED USING SEVEN PARAMETERS");
    chaatt(2,a_attr);
    chxtic(1.0, 0.0);
    chxlat(1, x1_attr);
    chxlab(7, 31,
        "PURCHASE PRICE ; $15,000 INSURANCE ; $300/YEAR 
        "$0.25/MILE ; SERVICING $0.070/MILE ; FUEL 
        "100 BHP/TON; POWER/WT RATIO 6; SEATS"
        "BAGGAGE SPACE; 20 CU FT");
    chyrmg(0.5,1.0);
    chyset("NOAXIS");
    chyset("NOLABEL");
    chyset("PLAIN");
    chset("KBOX");
    chkatt(1,k_attr);
    chkey(2, 5,
        "CAR ACAR B");
    for(i=0; i<16; ++i)
        y_data[i] = y_data[i] / maxvals[i];
    chpolr(2, 8, x_data, y_data);
    chnattr(4, n_attr);
    chnoff(0.0, 0.53);
    chnote("Z2", 1,
        "+");
    chset("BNOTE");
    n_attr[3] = 75;
    chnattr(4,n_attr);
    chnoff(0.0, 0.60);
    chnote("Z2", 12,
        "CENTER VALUE");
    chnoff(0.0, 0.55);
    chnote("Z2", 23,
        "+= 1/2 X PERIMETER VALUE");
}

/***********************************************************/
** Issue a screen read. When any interrupt is generated **
** by the terminal operator, the program terminates. **
/***********************************************************/
asread( &type, &num, &count);
fsterm();
exit(0);
}

Figure 201. Example using GDDM and C (Part 2 of 2)

This is a similar example, in C++:

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/* this example demonstrates the use of C++ and GDDM */
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>

/* Arrays are expected for int * and float * */
/* char * can be an array or a string */
extern "OS" {
    int asread (int *type, int *num, int *count);
    int chaatt (int num, int *attrib);
    int chkatt (int num, int *attrib);
    int chkey (int, int, char *);
    int chhead (int, char *);
    int chnatt (int num, int *attrib);
    int chnoff (double, double);
    int chnote (char *string, int num, char *title);
    int chpair (int, int, float *xdata, float *ydata);
    int chset (char *charactr);
    int chxlab (int num, int, char *);
    int chxlat (int num, int *attrib);
    int chxtic (double x, double y);
    int chyng (double from, double to);
    int chyset (char *charactr);
    int fsinit (void);
    int fsterm (void);
}

/***************************************************************************************************/
** Attribute arrays used for the chart. **
/***************************************************************************************************/
int i;

int h_attrs[4] = { 3, 3, 0, 175 }; /* Head text attribute */
int n_attrs[4] = { 7, 3, 0, 200 }; /* Note text attribute */
int a_attrs[2] = { 7, 1 }; /* X-axis color and line */
int x1_attrs[1] = { 5 }; /* X-label color */
int k_attrs[1] = { 5 }; /* Key text color */
int type, num, count;

float x_data[8] = { 0.0, 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0, 5.0, 6.0, 7.0 };
float y_data[16] = {
    14190.0, 14190.0, 14190.0, 14190.0, 14190.0, 14190.0, 14190.0, 14190.0,
    12986.0, 12986.0, 12986.0, 12986.0, 12986.0, 12986.0, 12986.0, 12986.0,
};
float maxvals[16] = {
    15000.0, 15000.0, 15000.0, 15000.0, 15000.0, 15000.0, 15000.0, 15000.0,
    15000.0, 15000.0, 15000.0, 15000.0, 15000.0, 15000.0, 15000.0, 15000.0,
};

Figure 202. Example using GDDM and C++ (Part 1 of 2)
int main(void)
{
    fsinit();
    chhattr(4, h_attrs);
    chhead(40, "TWO CARS COMPARED USING SEVEN PARAMETERS");
    chaatt(2, a_attrs);
    chxtic(1.0, 0.0);
    chxlat(1, xl_attrs);
    chxlab(7, 31,
        "PURCHASE PRICE; $15,000 INSURANCE ;$300/YEAR"
        "$0.25/MILE ;SERVICING $0.070/MILE ;FUEL"
        " 100 BHP/TON; POWER/WT RATIO 6; SEATS"
        " BAGGAGE SPACE; 20 CU FT");
    chyrng(0.5,1.0);
    chyset("NOAXIS");
    chyset("NOLABEL");
    chyset("PLAIN");
    chset("KBOX");
    chkatt(1, k_attrs);
    chkey(2, 5, "CAR ACAR B");
    for(i=0; i<16; ++i)
        y_data[i] = y_data[i] / maxvals[i];
    chpolr(2, 8, x_data, y_data);
    chnatt(4, n_atts);
    chnoff(0.0, 0.53);
    chnote("Z2", 1, "+");
    chset("BNOTE");
    n_atts[3] = 75;
    chnatt(4, n_atts);
    chnoff(0.0, 0.60);
    chnote("Z2", 12, "CENTER VALUE");
    chnoff(0.0, 0.55);
    chnote("Z2", 23, ":= 1/2 X PERIMETER VALUE");

    /**************************************************************************/
    ** Issue a screen read. When any interrupt is generated **
    ** by the terminal operator, the program terminates. **
    /**************************************************************************/
    asread(&type, &num, &count);
    fterm();
    exit(0);
}

Figure 202. Example using GDDM and C++ (Part 2 of 2)
Chapter 46. Using the Information Management System (IMS)

This chapter explains how the Information Management System (IMS) and z/OS C/C++ coordinate error handling, and describes the limitations to using IMS with z/OS C/C++.

z/OS C/C++ provides the ctdli() C library function to invoke IMS facilities (see z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference for more information).

You can also invoke IMS facilities with the callable service CEETDLI which is provided by the z/OS Language Environment. The CEETDLI interface performs essentially the same functions as ctdli(), but it offers some advantages, particularly if you plan to run an ILC application in IMS. If you use the CEETDLI interface instead of ctdli(), condition handling is improved because of the coordination between z/OS Language Environment and IMS condition handling facilities. For complete information on the CEETDLI interface, see z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide.

For a description of writing IMS batch and online programs in C or C++, see the appropriate book listed in "IMS/ESA" on page 973.

To use IMS from z/OS C/C++, you must keep the following in mind:

- The file <ims.h> must be included in the program.
- PLIST(OS) and TARGET(IMS) must be used to compile IMS z/OS C and C++ application programs. PLIST(OS) establishes the correct parameter list format when invoked under IMS and TARGET(IMS) establishes the correct operating environment. These compile-time options can alternatively be specified using #pragma runopts. The PLIST(OS) compiler option is equivalent to #pragma runopts(ENV(IMS)). The descriptions that follow use the compile-time options, but the #pragma runopts equivalents can be used instead.
- TARGET(IMS) is mandatory, as it establishes the correct operating environment. PLIST(OS) must also be used if the program is the initial main() program called under IMS. Programs in nested enclaves do not need to be compiled with PLIST(OS).
- When you specify PLIST(OS) the argument count (argc) will be set to one (1), and the first element in the argument vector (argv[0]) will contain a NULL string.
- IMS provides a language interface module (DFSL1000) that gives a common interface to IMS and DL/I. This module must be link-edited with the application program.

The rest of this chapter is based on the assumption that you are using the ctdli() interface.

Notes:

1. AMODE 64 applications are not supported in an IMS environment.
2. As of V1R2, a non-XPLINK Standard C++ Library DLL allows support for the Standard C++ Library in the IMS subsystem. For further information, see "Binding z/OS C/C++ Programs" in z/OS C/C++ User's Guide.
Handling errors

The IMS environments are sensitive to errors and error-handling issues. A failing IMS transaction or program can potentially corrupt an IMS database. IMS must know about the failure of a transaction or program that has been updating a database so that it can back out any updates made by that failing program.

z/OS C/C++ provides extensive error-handling facilities for the programmer, but special steps are required to coordinate IMS and C or C++ error handling so that IMS can do its database rollbacks when a program fails.

When you are using IMS from C or C++:

- Run your C or C++ program with the TRAP(ON) option, and use IMS interfaces by calling the ctdli() library function. If your application programs also use SQL facilities provided by DB2, you must modify the user exit CEEBXITA to add the user abend codes 777 and 778 to prevent the error handler from trapping these abends. This will allow deadlocks to be successfully resolved by IMS. See z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide for more information on CEEBXITA.
- The ctdli() function will keep track of calls to and returns from IMS. If an abend or program check occurs and the C or C++ error handler gets control, it can determine if the problem arose on the IMS side of the interface or on the C or C++ side.
- If a program check or abend occurs in IMS, when the C or C++ exception handler gets control, it immediately issues an ABEND. The IMS Region Controller gets control next and ensures that the integrity of the database is preserved.
- If a program check occurs in the C or C++ program rather than in IMS, all the facilities of C or C++ error handling apply, provided that you meet certain conditions when you code your program. For any error condition that arises, you must do one of the following:
  1. Resolve the error completely so that the application can continue.
  2. Have IMS back out the program's updates by issuing a rollback call to IMS, and then terminate the program.
  3. Make sure that the program terminates abnormally and provide an installation-modified run-time user exit that turns all abnormal terminations into operating system ABENDs to effect IMS rollbacks. See z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide for more information.

The errors you most likely can fix in your program are arithmetic exception (SIGFPE) conditions. It is unlikely that you can resolve other types of program checks or system abends in your program.

Any program that invokes IMS by way of some other IMS interface should be executed with TRAP(OF). You should be sure that the program contains code to issue a rollback call to IMS before terminating after an error. Refer to z/OS Language Environment Programming Reference for more information about the limitations of using TRAP(OF).

Other considerations

A program communication block (PCB) is a control block used by IMS to describe results of a DL/I call (DB PCB) or the results of a message retrieval or insertion (I/O PCB) made by your program. A valid PCB is one that has been correctly initialized by IMS and passed to you through your C or C++ program. For details on PCBs, refer to the IMS/ESA on page 973. See also the sample C-IMS and C++-IMS programs in z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.
If you are running an IMS C/MVS program under TSO or IMS, you should be aware of the effects of specifying PLIST(OS), ENV(IMS), and their combinations with the \#pragma runopts preprocessor directive. The following chart shows the combinations of PLIST(OS) and ENV(IMS) and the resulting PCB generated under each of the environments:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Combination</th>
<th>Running under TSO</th>
<th>Running under IMS</th>
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<tr>
<td>ENV(IMS) only</td>
<td>Invalid PCB</td>
<td>Valid PCB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PLIST(OS) only</td>
<td>Null PCB</td>
<td>Null PCB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ENV(IMS) and PLIST(OS)</td>
<td>Invalid PCB</td>
<td>Valid PCB</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

For more information on the run-time options ENV and PLIST, see z/OS Language Environment Programming Reference.

If you are running an IMS C or z/OS C++ program under TSO or IMS, you should be aware of the effects of specifying compiler options PLIST(OS), TARGET(IMS), and their combinations. The following chart shows the combinations of PLIST(OS) and TARGET(IMS) and the resulting PCB generated under each of the environments:

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<tr>
<td>TARGET(IMS) only</td>
<td>Invalid PCB</td>
<td>Valid PCB</td>
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<tr>
<td>PLIST(OS) only</td>
<td>Null PCB</td>
<td>Null PCB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TARGET(IMS) and PLIST(OS)</td>
<td>Invalid PCB</td>
<td>Valid PCB</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

For both C and C++, specifying PLIST(OS) under either TSO or IMS results in an argc value of 1 (one), and argv[0] = NULL.

For more information on the compiler options TARGET(IMS) and PLIST(OS), see z/OS C/C++ User’s Guide.

Examples

The following C++ program CCNGIM1 makes an IMS call and checks the return code status of the call in IMS batch. Header file CCNGIM3 (shown at the end of this chapter) is included by this program.
/* this is an example of how to use IMS with C++ */

#include <ims.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include "ccngim3.h"

int main(void) {
    PCB_STRUCT_8_TYPE *locdb_ptr,*orddb_ptr;

    auto IOA2 aio_area, a2io_area;
    static IOA2 sio_area;
    IOA2 *io_area;

    static char qual0[] = "ORDER (ORDKEY =333333)";
    static char qual1[] = "ORDITEM ";
    static char qual2[] = "DELIVERY ";
    static int six = 6;
    static int four = 4;
    static char gu[5] = "GU ";
    static char isrt[5] = "ISRT";

    int rc;
    int failed = 0; /* Indicate if any part of test case failed. */
The following C program CCNGIM2 makes an IMS call and checks the return code status of the call in IMS batch. Header file CCNGIM3 is included by this program.
/* This is an example of how to use IMS with C */

#include <ims.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include "ccngim3.h"

int main(void) {
    PCB_STRUCT_8_TYPE *locdb_ptr,*orddb_ptr;
    auto IOA2 aio_area, a2io_area;
    static IOA2 sio_area;
    IOA2 *io_area;

    static char qual0[] = "ORDER (ORDKEY =333333)";
    static char qual1[] = "ORDITEM ";
    static char qual2[] = "DELIVERY ";
    static int six = 6;
    static int four = 4;
    static char gu[4] = "GU ";
    static char isrt[4] = "ISRT";

    int rc;
    int failed = 0; /* Indicate if any part of test case failed. */

    Figure 204. C Program using IMS (Part 1 of 2)
The following header file is used by both the C and the C++ examples.

```c
******************************************************************
/* Get the pointers to the databases from the parameter list */
******************************************************************
locdb_ptr = (pcblist[1]);
orddb_ptr = (pcblist[2]);

******************************************************************
/* Make some calls to the database and change its contents */
******************************************************************

printf("IMS Test starting\n");
io_area = malloc(sizeof(IOA2));

/* Issue a DL/I call with arguments below the line (using CTDLI) */

rc = ctdli(six,gu,orddb_ptr,&aio_area,qual0,qual1,qual2);

if ((orddb_ptr->stat_code[0] == ' ' && orddb_ptr->stat_code[1]==' ')
    && (rc == 0))
    printf("Call to CTDLI returned successfully\n");
else
{
    printf("Call to CTDLI returned status of %c%c\n", 
            orddb_ptr->stat_code[0],orddb_ptr->stat_code[1]);
    failed = 1;
}
if (failed == 0)
    printf("Test Successful\n");
else printf("Test Failed");

return(0);

```

Figure 204. C Program using IMS (Part 2 of 2)
CCNGIM3

/* this header file is used with the IMS example */

/*------------------*/
/* DB PCB */
/*------------------*/
typedef struct {
    char db_name[8];
    char seg_level[2];
    char stat_code[2];
    char proc_opt[4];
    int dli;
    char seg_name[8];
    int len_kfb;
    int no_senseg;
    char key_fb[2];
} DB_PCB;
/*------------------*/
/* IO PCB */
/*------------------*/
typedef struct {
    char term[8];
    char ims_res[2];
    char stat_code[2];
    char date[4];
    char time[4];
    int input_seq;
    char output_mess[8];
    char mod_nme[8];
    char user_id[8];
} IO_AREA;
/*------------------*/
/* SPA DATA */
/*------------------*/
typedef struct {
    short int uosp1th;
    char uospres1[4];
    char uosptran[8];
    char uospuser;
    char fill[85];
} SPA_DATA;

Figure 205. Header file for IMS example (Part 1 of 2)
/------------------*/
/* INPUT MESSAGE */
/*------------------*/
typedef struct {
    short int ll;
    char zz[2];
    char fill[2];
    char numb[4];
    char nme[6];
} IN_MSG;
/*------------------*/
/* OUTPUT MESSAGE */
/*------------------*/
typedef struct {
    short int ll;
    char z1;
    char z2;
    char fill[2];
    char sca[2];
} OUT_MSG;
/*------------------*/
/* IO AREA */
/*------------------*/
typedef struct {
    char key[20];
} IOA1;
typedef struct {
    char item[40];
} IOA2;

Figure 205. Header file for IMS example (Part 2 of 2)
Chapter 47. Using the Interactive System Productivity Facility (ISPF)

z/OS C/C++ allows access to the Interactive System Productivity Facility (ISPF) Dialog Management Services. Some of the services provided by ISPF include:

- Display services
- Variable services
- Message services
- Dialog control services

For C applications, two interfaces may be used with ISPF: ISPLINK and ISPEXEC. Because ISPF uses OS style linkage, calls from C to ISPF require the following #pragma statements for ISPLINK and ISPEXEC respectively:

```c
#pragma linkage(ISPLINK, OS)
#pragma linkage(ISPEXEC, OS)
```

For C++ applications, two interfaces may be used with ISPF: ISPLINK and ISPEXEC. Because ISPF uses OS style linkage, calls from C++ to ISPF require that ISPLINK and ISPEXEC be prototyped as extern "OS", as follows:

```c
extern "OS"{
    int ISPLINK(char*,...);
}
```

```c
extern "OS"{
    int ISPEXEC(int, char*,...);
}
```

Consult [z/OS ISPF Dialog Developer's Guide and Reference](#) for specific information about using the ISPF Dialog Management Services.

Notes:
1. XPLINK is not supported by ISPF.
2. AMODE 64 applications are not supported by ISPF.

Examples

To run the following example under C:

1. Compile and link the CCNGIS3 C source file using the EDCCL procedure. Override the SYSLIB DD statement on the LKED step to use the ISPF load library available on your system. Your JCL should appear similar to the fragment below:

   ```jcl
   //CISPF EXEC EDCCL,
   //   INFILE='userid.C(CCNGIS3)',
   //   OUTFILE='userid.LOADLIB(CCNGIS3),DISP=SHR'
   //LKED.SYSLIB DD
   //   DSN=ISP.SISPLOAD,DISP=SHR
   //LKED.SYSIN DD DATA,DLM='>'
   NAME CCNGIS3(R)
   />
   ```

2. Copy the CCNGIS2 and CCNGIS4 menus, and the CCNGIS5 panel to your own ISPPLIB data set. Copy CCNGIS1 to your own CLIST data set.

3. Ensure that your ISPPLIB data set is allocated to the ISPPLIB ddname. The data set containing the CCNGIS3 program, and the SCEERUN data set, should be allocated to the STEPLIB ddname.
4. Run the CLIST. The opening menu of the example will be displayed. Choose the first option to call the program that starts the C to ISPF interface and displays a secondary menu. You can either exit from this menu or press the help key for a help panel.

CCNGIS1

/* THIS CLIST STARTS THE ISPF EXAMPLE */

ISPEXEC SELECT PANEL(CCNGIS2)

Figure 206. CCNGIS1 CLIST

CCNGIS2

)ATTR DEFAULT(/**)
/* this menu is used by the ISPF example */
/* */ TYPE(TEXT) INTENS(HIGH) defaults displayed for */
/* */ TYPE(TEXT) INTENS(LOW) information only */

)BODY
%--------------------- SAMPLE ISPF DIALOG PANEL ---------------------
%OPTION =>_ZCMD +
+ ¼1+ SELECTION 1 CALL C PROGRAM.
+ ¼2+ FUTURE NOT IMPLEMENTED.
+ ¼3+ FUTURE NOT IMPLEMENTED.
+ ENTER %END+COMMAND TO TERMINATE.
)PROC
&ZSEL=TRANS(TRUNC(&ZCMD,\n
1,'PGM(CCNGIS3)'

*,'?')

)END

Figure 207. CCNGIS2 menu
CCNGIS3

/* this program shows how to use ISPF with C */
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#pragma linkage(ISPLINK,OS)
extern ISPLINK();
int rc,buflen;
char buffer[20];

int main(void)
{
/* Retrieve the panel definition CCNGIS4 and display it. */

  strcpy(buffer,"PANEL(CCNGIS4)");
  buflen = strlen(buffer);
  rc = ISPLINK("SELECT", buflen, buffer);
}

Figure 208. C program CCNGIS3

CCNGIS4

)ATTR DEFAULT(%+_) )
/* this menu is used by the ISPF example */
/* % TYPE(TEXT) INTENS(HIGH) defaults displayed for */
/* + TYPE(TEXT) INTENS(LOW) information only*/
/* _ TYPE(INPUT) INTENS(HIGH) CAPS(ON) JUST(LEFT) */
)BODY
%------------------------ A SAMPLE ISPF MENU ------------------------
%OPTION ===>_ZCMD
+ %1+ SELECTION 1 NOT IMPLEMENTED.
%2+ SELECTION 2 EXIT
+
%END+ TO EXIT.
+
)INIT
.HELP = ccngis5
)PROC
  &ZSEL=TRANS(TRUNC(&ZCMD,'.'))
    2,'EXIT'
    *,?'')

)END

Figure 209. CCNGIS4 menu-ISPEXEC or ISPLINK example
To run the following example under C++:

1. Compile and bind the C++ source file using the CBCCB procedure. You can use either the ISPLINK version of the code (CCNGIS8) or the ISPEXEC version of the code (CCNGISB). Override the SYSLIB DD statement for the BIND step to use the ISPF load library. Your JCL should appear similar to the JCL below:

```
//CXXISPF EXEC CBCCB,
// INFILE='userid.C(CCNGIS8)',
// OUTFILE='userid.LOADLIB(CCNGIS8),DISP=SHR'
//LKED.SYSLIB DD
//LKED.SYSIN DD DATA,DLM='/>'
NAME CCNGIS8(R)
```

2. Copy the CCNGIS7 menu (if you are using ISPLINK) or the CCNGISA menu (if you are using ISPEXEC) to your own ISPPLIB data set. Copy the CCNGIS4 menu and CCNGIS5 panel to your ISPPLIB data set as well. Copy the CCNGIS6 CLIST (if you are using ISPLINK) or the CCNGIS9 CLIST (if you are using ISPEXEC) to your own CLIST data set.

3. Ensure that your ISPPLIB data set is allocated to the ISPPLIB ddname. The data set containing the CCNGIS8 or CCNGISB program, and the SCEERUN data set, should be allocated to the STEPLIB ddname.

4. Run the CLIST. The opening menu of the example will be displayed. Choose the first option to call the program that starts the C++ to ISPF interface and displays a secondary menu. You can either exit from this menu or press the help key for a help panel.

```
/* THIS CLIST STARTS THE ISPF EXAMPLE */
ISPEXEC SELECT PANEL(CCNGIS7)
```

Figure 211. CCNGIS6 CLIST-ISPLINK example
CCNGIS7

)ATTR DEFAULT(%+
/* this menu is used by the ISPF example */
/* % TYPE(TEXT) INTENS(HIGH) defaults displayed for */
/* + TYPE(TEXT) INTENS(LOW) information only */
)

)BODY

%--------------------- SAMPLE ISPF DIALOG PANEL ---------------------
%OPTION ====>_ZCMD +

+ %1+ SELECTION 1 CALL C PROGRAM.
%2+ FUTURE NOT IMPLEMENTED.
%3+ FUTURE NOT IMPLEMENTED.

+ENTER %END+COMMAND TO TERMINATE.
)

PROC

&ZSEL=TRANS(TRUNC(&ZCMD,'.'))
1,'PGM(CCNGIS8)'

&ZSEL=TRANS(TRUNC(&ZCMD,'.'))
1,'PGM(CCNGIS8)'

)END

Figure 212. CCNGIS7 menu-ISPLINK example

CCNGIS8

/* this program shows how to use ISPF with C++, using ISPLINK */

#include <stdlib.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>

extern "OS"{
    int ISPLINK(char*,...);
}

int rc,buflen;
char buffer[20];

int main(void)
{
    /* Retrieve the panel definition CCNGIS4 and display it. */

    strcpy(buffer,"PANEL(CCNGIS4)"),
    buflen = strlen(buffer);
    rc = ISPLINK("SELECT", buflen, buffer);
}

Figure 213. C++ program CCNGIS8-ISPLINK example

CCNGIS9

/* THIS CLIST STARTS THE ISPF EXAMPLE */

ISPEXEC SELECT PANEL(CCNGISA)

Figure 214. CCNGIS9 CLIST-ISPEXEC example
CCNGISA

)ATTR DEFAULT(¼+)
/ * this menu is used by the ISPF example */
  / * ¼ TYPE(TEXT) INTENS(HIGH)  defaults displayed for       */
  / * ¼+ TYPE(TEXT) INTENS(LOW)  information only             */

)BODY
%-------------------- SAMPLE ISPF DIALOG PANEL ---------------------
%OPTION ===>_ZCMD
+  + ¼1+ SELECTION 1    CALL C PROGRAM.
+  ¼2+ FUTURE    NOT IMPLEMENTED.
+  ¼3+ FUTURE    NOT IMPLEMENTED.
+  +ENTER %END+COMMAND TO TERMINATE.
)PROC
  &ZSEL=TRANS(TRUNC(&ZCMD,'.'))
    1,'PGM(CCNGISB)'
    *,?'')
)END

Figure 215. CCNGISA menu-ISPEXEC example

CCNGISB

/* this program shows how to use ISPF with C++, using ISPEXEC */

#include <stdlib.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>

extern "OS" {
  int ISPEXEC(int, char*);
}

int rc,buflen;
char buffer[20];

int main(void)
{
  /* Retrieve the panel definition CCNGIS4 and display it. */
  strcpy(buffer,"SELECT PANEL(CCNGIS4)");
  buflen = strlen(buffer);
  rc = ISPEXEC(buflen, buffer);
}

Figure 216. C++ program CCNGISB-ISPEXEC example
Chapter 48. Using the Query Management Facility (QMF)

The z/OS C/C++ compiler’s support of the Query Management Facility (QMF) interface, a query and report writing facility, enables you to write applications through the SAA callable interface. You can create applications to perform a variety of tasks such as data entry, query building, administration aids, and report analysis.

The z/OS C++ compiler itself does not support QMF. However, QMF can be accessed through C code that is statically or dynamically called from C++.

You must include the header file DSQCOMMC.H (provided with the QMF application), which contains the function and structure definitions necessary to use the QMF interface.

For information on how to write your z/OS C/C++ applications with the QMF interface, see the appropriate manual listed in “QMF” on page 973.

Notes:
1. AMODE 64 applications are not supported by QMF.
2. XPLINK is not supported by QMF.

Example

The following example demonstrates the interface between the QMF facility and the z/OS C/C++ compiler.

CCNGQM1

/* this example shows how to use the interface between QMF and C */
#include <string.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <DSQCOMMC.H> /* QMF header file */

int main(void)
{
    struct dsqcomm communication_area; /* found in DSQCOMMC */

    /********************************************************************/
    /* Query interface command length and commands */
    /********************************************************************/
    signed long command_length;
    static char start_query_interface [] = "START";
    static char set_global_variables [] = "SET GLOBAL";
    static char run_query [] = "RUN QUERY Q1";
    static char print_report [] = "PRINT REPORT (FORM=F1)"
    static char end_query_interface [] = "EXIT";

    Figure 217. QMF interface example (Part 1 of 3)
/**
  * Query command extension, number of parameters and lengths */
  
  signed long number_of_parameters;
  signed long keyword_lengths[10];
  signed long data_lengths[10];

  /**
  * Variable data type constants */

  static char char_data_type[] = DSQ_VARIABLE_CHAR;
  static char int_data_type[] = DSQ_VARIABLE_FINT;

  /**
  * Keyword parameter and value for START command */

  static char start_keywords[] = "DSQSCMD";
  static char start_keyword_values[] = "USERCMD1";

  /**
  * Keyword parameter and value for SET command */

  #define SIZE_VAL 8
  char set_keywords[3][SIZE_VAL];
  signed long set_values[3];

  /**
  * Start a Query Interface Session */

  number_of_parameters = 1;
  command_length = sizeof(start_query_interface);
  keyword_lengths[0] = sizeof(start_keywords);
  data_lengths[0] = sizeof(start_keyword_values);
  dsqcice(&communication_area,
    &command_length,
    START_query_interface[0],
    &number_of_parameters,
    &keyword_lengths[0],
    START_keywords[0],
    &data_lengths[0],
    START_keyword_values[0],
    char_data_type[0]);

Figure 217. QMF interface example (Part 2 of 3)
The following example demonstrates how a C++ program may call a C program that accesses QMF.

Figure 217. QMF interface example (Part 3 of 3)
```c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <ctype.h>

extern "C" {
    int Gen_Report(void);
}

int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    int cmd;
    if (argc < 2)
    {
        printf("ERROR - program takes at least one parm");
    }
    else
    {
        cmd=argv[1][0];
        cmd=toupper(cmd);
        switch (cmd)
        {
            case 'R':
            {
                Gen_Report();
                break;
            }
            default:
                printf("%d is an invalid option.\n");
        }
    }
}
```

*Figure 218. C++ Calling a C program that accesses QMF*
CCNGQM3

/* this example shows how C++ can access QMF by way of a C program */
/* part 2 of 2-this file is called from C */
/* other file is CCNGQM2 */

#include <string.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <DSQCOMMC.H>  /* QMF header file */

int Gen_Report(void)
{
    struct dsqcomm communication_area; /* found in DSQCOMMC */

    /**************************************************************************/
    /* Query interface command length and commands */
    /**************************************************************************/
    signed long command_length;
    static char start_query_interface[] = "START";
    static char set_global_variables[] = "SET GLOBAL";
    static char run_query[] = "RUN QUERY Q1";
    static char print_report[] = "PRINT REPORT (FORM=F1)";
    static char end_query_interface[] = "EXIT";

    /**************************************************************************/
    /* Query command extension, number of parameters and lengths */
    /**************************************************************************/
    signed long number_of_parameters;
    signed long keyword_lengths[10];
    signed long data_lengths[10];

    /**************************************************************************/
    /* Variable data type constants */
    /**************************************************************************/
    static char char_data_type[] = DSQ_VARIABLE_CHAR;
    static char int_data_type[] = DSQ_VARIABLE_FINT;

    /**************************************************************************/
    /* Keyword parameter and value for START command */
    /**************************************************************************/
    static char start_keywords[] = "DSQSCMD";
    static char start_keyword_values[] = "USERCMD1";

    /**************************************************************************/
    /* Keyword parameter and value for SET command */
    /**************************************************************************/
    #define SIZE_VAL 8
    char set_keywords[3][SIZE_VAL];
    signed long set_values[3];

Figure 219. C program that accesses QMF (Part 1 of 3)
Start a Query Interface Session

```c
number_of_parameters = 1;
command_length = sizeof(start_query_interface);
keyword_lengths[0] = sizeof(start_keywords);
data_lengths[0] = sizeof(start_keyword_values);
dsqcice(&communication_area,
    &command_length,
    &start_query_interface[0],
    &number_of_parameters,
    &keyword_lengths[0],
    &start_keywords[0],
    &data_lengths[0],
    &start_keyword_values[0],
    &char_data_type[0]);
```

Set numeric values into query using SET command

```c
number_of_parameters = 3;
command_length = sizeof(set_global_variables);
strcpy(set_keywords[0],"MYVAR01");
strcpy(set_keywords[1],"SHORT");
strcpy(set_keywords[2],"MYVAR03");
keyword_lengths[0] = SIZE_VAL;
keyword_lengths[1] = SIZE_VAL;
keyword_lengths[2] = SIZE_VAL;
data_lengths[0] = sizeof(long);
data_lengths[1] = sizeof(long);
data_lengths[2] = sizeof(long);
set_values[0] = 20;
set_values[1] = 40;
set_values[2] = 84;
dsqcice(&communication_area,
    &command_length,
    &set_global_variables[0],
    &number_of_parameters,
    &keyword_lengths[0],
    &set_keywords[0],
    &data_lengths[0],
    &set_values[0],
    &int_data_type[0]);
```

Figure 219. C program that accesses QMF (Part 2 of 3)
/* Run a Query */
command_length = sizeof(run_query);
dsqcic(&communication_area, &command_length, &run_query[0]);

/* Print the results of the query */
command_length = sizeof(print_report);
dsqcic(&communication_area, &command_length, &print_report[0]);

/* End the query interface session */
command_length = sizeof(end_query_interface);
dsqcic(&communication_area, &command_length, &end_query_interface[0]);

exit(0);

Figure 219. C program that accesses QMF (Part 3 of 3)
Part 8. Internationalization: Locales and Character Sets

This part includes the following topics related to Locales and Character Sets:

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- Chapter 50, “Building a locale,” on page 705
- Chapter 51, “Customizing a locale,” on page 755
- Chapter 52, “Customizing a time zone,” on page 761
- Chapter 53, “Definition of S370 C, SAA C, and POSIX C locales,” on page 763
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- Chapter 55, “Coded character set considerations with locale functions,” on page 807
- Chapter 56, “Bidirectional language support,” on page 825
Chapter 49. Introduction to locale

Internationalization in programming languages

Internationalization in programming languages is a concept that comprises externally stored cultural data, a set of programming tools to create such cultural data, a set of programming interfaces to access this data, and a set of programming methods that enable you to use provided interfaces to write programs that do not make any assumptions about the cultural environments they run in. Such programs modify their behavior according to the user’s cultural environment, specified during the program’s execution.

Elements of internationalization

The typical elements of cultural environment are as follows:

Native language
The text that the executing program uses to communicate with a user or environment, that is, the natural language of the end user.

Character sets and coded character sets
Map an alphabet, the characters used in a particular language, onto the set of hexadecimal values (code points) that uniquely identify each character. This mapping creates the coded character set, which is uniquely identified by the character set it encodes, the set of code point values, and the mapping between these two.

For example IBM-273, also known as the German Code Page, and IBM-297, also known as the French Code Page, are two coded character sets which assign different EBCDIC encodings in the hexadecimal range 40 to FE to the same Latin Alphabet Number 1. IBM S/390 systems in Germany and France both use this Latin 1 alphabet, which is specified by International Standard ISO/IEC 8859-1. However, systems in Germany are configured for encodings of this alphabet given by IBM-273; whereas, systems in France are configured for encodings of this alphabet given by IBM-297.

IBM-1027, Japanese Latin Code Page, is another example of a coded character set. It assigns EBCDIC encodings in the hexadecimal range 40 to FE to characters specified by Japanese Industrial Standard JIS X 201-1978 plus encodings for a few more Latin characters selected by IBM. The resulting alphabet defined by IBM-1027 consists of some characters found in Latin Alphabet Number 1 and some Katakana characters. IBM S/390 systems in Japan are configured for encodings of this alphabet assigned by IBM-1027.

Collating and ordering
The relative ordering of characters used for sorting.

Character classification
Determines the type of character (alphabetic, numeric, and so forth) represented by a code point.

Character case conversion
Defines the mapping between uppercase and lowercase characters within a single character set.
Date and time format
Defines the way date and time data are formatted (names of weekdays and months; order of month, day, and year, and so forth).

Format of numeric and non-numeric numbers
Define the way numbers and monetary units are formatted with commas, decimal points, and so forth.

z/OS C/C++ Support for internationalization
The z/OS C/C++ compiler and library support of internationalization is based on the IEEE POSIX P1003.2 and X/Open Portability Guide standards for global locales and coded character set conversion. See Chapter 50, “Building a locale,” on page 705 for more information about locales.

Locales and localization
A locale is a collection of data that encodes information about the cultural environment. Localization is an action that establishes the cultural environment for an application by selecting the active locale. Only one locale can be active at one time, but a program can change the active locale at any time during its execution. The active locale affects the behavior of the locale-sensitive interfaces for the entire program. This is called the global locale model.

Locale-sensitive interfaces
The z/OS C/C++ run-time library provides many interfaces to manipulate and access locales. You can use these interfaces to write internationalized C programs.

This list summarizes all the z/OS C/C++ library functions which affect or are affected by the current locale.

Selecting locale
Changing the characteristics of the user's cultural environment by changing the current locale: setlocale()

Querying locale
Retrieving the locale information that characterizes the user's cultural environment:

Monetary and numeric formatting conventions:
localeconv()

Date and time formatting conventions:
localdtconv()

User-specified information:
nl_langinfo()

Encoding of the variant part of the portable character set:
getsyntax()

Character set identifier:
csid(), wcsid()

Classification of characters:
Single-byte characters:
isalnum(), isalpha(), isblank(), iscntrl(), isdigit(), isgraph(), islower(), isprint(), ispunct(), isspace(), isupper(), isxdigit()
Wide characters:
iswalnum(), iswalpha(), iswblank(), iswcntrl(), iswdigit(),
iswgraph(), iswlower(), iswpunct(), iswspace(),
iswupper(), iswxdigit(), wctype(), iswctype()

Character case mapping:

Single-byte characters:
tolower(), toupper()

Wide characters:
towlower(), towupper()

Multibyte character and multibyte string conversion:
mblen(), mbrlen(), mbtowc(), mbtowc(), wcstomb(), wcrtomb(), mbstowcs(),
mbsrtowcs(), wcstombs(), wcsrtombs(), mbsinit(), wcstob()

String conversions to arithmetic:
strtod(), wcstod(), strtol(), wcstol(), strtoull(), wcstoull(), atof(),
atoi(), atol()

String collating:
strcoll(), strxfrm(), wcscoll(), wcsxfrm()

Character display width:
wcswidth(), wcwidth()

Date, time, and monetary formatting:
strftime(), strptime(), wcsftime(), mktime(), ctime(), gmtime(),
localtime() strftime()

Formatted input/output:
printf() (and family of functions), scanf() (and family of functions),
vsprintf(), swprintf(), swscanf(), snprintf(), vsnprintf()

Processing regular expressions:
regcomp(), regexec()

Wide character unformatted input/output:
ggetwc(), ggetws(), fputwc(), fputws(), getwc(), getwchar(), putwc(),
putwchar(), ungetwc()

Response matching:
rmatch()

Collating elements:
ismcallel(), strtocoll(), coltostr(), col-equiv(), co-lrange(),
collorder(), cclass(), maxcoll(), getmccoll(), getwmccoll()
Cultural information is encoded in the locale source file using the locale definition language. One locale source file characterizes one cultural environment. See Appendix D, “Locales supplied with z/OS C/C++,” on page 849 for a list of the locale source and object files supplied with the z/OS C/C++ compiler.

The locale source file is processed by the locale compilation tool, called the localedef tool.

To enhance portability of the locale source files, certain information related to the character sets can be encoded using the symbolic names of characters. The mapping between the symbolic names and the characters they represent and its associated hexadecimal value is defined in the character set description file or charmap file. See Appendix E, “Charmap files supplied with z/OS C/C++,” on page 871 for a list of the charmap files shipped with your product.

The conceptual model of the locale build process is presented below:

**Limitations of enhanced ASCII**

This section explains under what conditions you can use Enhanced ASCII.

- A subset of C headers and functions is provided in ASCII. For more information, see [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference](#).
- The only way to get to the ASCII version of functions and the external variables `environ` and `tzname` is to use the appropriate IBM header files.
- ASCII applications may read, but not update, environment variables using the `environ` external variable. Updates to the environment variables using `environ` in an ASCII application causes unpredictable results and may result in an abend. Language Environment maintains two equivalent arrays of environment variables when running an ASCII application, one with EBCDIC encodings and the other with ASCII encodings. All ASCII compile units that use the `environ` external variable must include `<stdlib.h>` so that `environ` can be mapped to access the ASCII encoded environment strings. If `<stdlib.h>` is not included, `environ` will refer to the EBCDIC representation of the environment variable strings.
Enhanced ASCII provides limited conversion of ASCII to EBCDIC, and EBCDIC to ASCII. The character set or alphabet that is associated with any locale consists of the following:

- A common, XPG4-defined subset of characters such as POSIX portable characters
- A unique, locale-specific subset of characters such as NLS characters

The conversion only applies to the portable subset of characters that are associated with a locale. Only the EBCDIC IBM-1047 encoding of portable characters is supported.

You might encounter unexpected results in the following situations:

- If Enhanced ASCII applications run in locales that contain non-Latin Alphabet Number 1 NLS characters, C-RTL functions might copy some of the locale’s non-Latin 1 NLS characters into buffers that the application is writing to stdout or another HFS files. The non-Latin Alphabet Number 1 NLS characters would then cause problems during automatic conversion.

- Language Environment applications select non-English message files. If your NATLANG run-time option is not UEN or ENU, messages directed to the Language Environment message file are not converted to ASCII.

Using the charmap file

The charmap file defines a mapping between the symbolic names of characters and the hexadecimal values associated with the character in a given coded character set. Optionally, it can provide the alternate symbolic names for characters. Characters in the locale source file can be referred to by their symbolic names or alternate symbolic names, thereby allowing for writing generic locale source files independent of the encoding of the character set they represent.

Each charmap file must contain at least the definition of the portable character set and the character symbolic names associated with each character. The characters in the portable character set and the corresponding symbolic names, and optional alternate symbolic names, are defined in **Table 91**.

**Table 91. Characters in portable character set and corresponding symbolic names**

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Table 91. Characters in portable character set and corresponding symbolic names (continued)

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The portable character set is the basis for the syntactic and semantic processing of the localedef tool, and for most of the utilities and functions that access the locale object files. Therefore the portable character set must always be defined. It is conceptually divided into two parts:

**Invariant**

Characters for which encoding must be constant among all charmap files. The required encoded values are specified in Table 91 on page 706. If any of these values change, the behavior of any utilities and functions on z/OS C/C++ is unpredictable.

For example, if you are using charmaps such as Turkish IBM-1026 or Japanese IBM-290, where the characters encoded vary from the encoding in Table 91 on page 706, you may get unpredictable results with the utilities and functions.

**Variant**

Characters for which encoding may vary from one EBCDIC charmap file to another. Only the following characters are allowed in this group:

- <backslash>
- <right-brace>
- <left-brace>
- <right-square-bracket>
- <left-square-bracket>
- <circumflex>
The default EBCDIC encoding of each variant character is shown by a hexadecimal value in parentheses in Table 91 on page 706. It is equivalent to the encoding in code page 1047.

The charmap file is divided into two main sections:
1. the charmap section, or CHARMAP
2. the character set identifier section, or CHARSETID

The following definitions can precede the two sections listed above. Each consists of the symbol shown in the following list, starting in column 1, including the surrounding brackets, followed by one or more <blank>s, followed by the value to be assigned to the symbol.

<code_set_name>
   The string literal containing the name of the coded character set name (IBM-1047, IBM-273, etc.)

<mb_cur_max>
   the maximum number of bytes in a multibyte character which can be set to a value between 1 and 4. EBCDIC locales have mb_cur_max settings of either 1 or 4. ASCII locales have mb_cur_max settings of 1, 2 or 3.
   If it is 1, each character in the character set defined in this charmap is encoded by a one-byte value. If it is 4, each character in the character set defined in this charmap is encoded by a one-, two-, three-, or four-byte value. If it is not specified, the default value of 1 is assumed. If a value of other than 1 or 4 is specified for an EBCDIC locale, a warning message is issued and the default value of 1 is assumed.
   For ASCII locales mb_cur_max is defined as 1, 2 or 3. The value 1 means the same as for EBCDIC locales, while the values 2 and 3 mean 2 and 3 bytes per character respectively.

<mb_cur_min>
   The minimum number of bytes in a multibyte character. Can be set to 1 only. If a value of other than 1 is specified, a warning message is issued and the default value of 1 is assumed.

<escape_char>
   Specifies the escape character that is used to specify hexadecimal or octal notation for numeric values. It defaults to the hexadecimal value 0xe0, which represents the \ character in the coded character set IBM-1047.
   For portability among the EBCDIC based systems, the escape character has been redefined to the / or <slash> character in all IBM-supplied charmap files, with the following statement:
      <escape_char> /

<comment_char>
   Denotes the character chosen to indicate a comment within a charmap file. It defaults to the hexadecimal value 0x7b, which represents the # character in the coded character set IBM-1047.
For portability among the EBCDIC based systems, the comment character has been redefined to the % or <percent-sign> character in all IBM-supplied charmap files, with the following statement:

```<comment_char> %</comment_char>```

**<shift_out>**

Specifies the value of the shift-out control character that indicates the start of a string of double-byte characters. If specified, it must be the value of the EBCDIC shift-out (SO) character (hexadecimal value 0x0e). It is ignored if the `<mb_cur_max>` value is 1.

**<shift_in>**

Specifies the value of the shift-in control character that indicates the end of a string of double-byte characters. If specified, it must be the value of the EBCDIC shift-in (SI) character (hexadecimal value 0x0f). It is ignored if the `<mb_cur_max>` value is 1.

### The CHARMAP section

The CHARMAP section defines the values for the symbolic names representing characters in the coded character set. Each charmap file must define at least the portable character set. The character symbolic names or alternate symbolic names (or both) must be used to define the portable character set. These are shown in Table 91 on page 708. Additional characters can be defined by the user with symbolic character names.

The CHARMAP section starts with the line containing the keyword CHARMAP, and ends with the line containing the keywords END CHARMAP. CHARMAP and END CHARMAP must both start in column one.

The character set mapping definitions are all the lines between the first and last lines of the CHARMAP section.

The formats of the character set mappings for this section are as follows:

```
"%s %s %s\n", <symbolic-name>, <encoding>, <comments>
"%s...%s %s %s\n", <symbolic-name>, <symbolic-name>, <encoding>, <comments>
```

The first format defines a single symbolic name and a corresponding encoding. A symbolic name is one or more characters with visible glyphs, enclosed between angle brackets.

For reasons of portability, a symbolic name should include only the characters from the invariant part of the portable character set. If you use variant characters or decimal or hexadecimal notation in a symbolic name, the symbolic name will not be portable. A character following an escape character is interpreted as itself; for example, the sequence `\\>` represents the symbolic name `>` enclosed within angle brackets, where the backslash `\` is the escape character. If `/` is the escape character, the sequence `\//>` represents the symbolic name `/`. In the supplied charmap files, the escape character has been redefined to the forward slash `/`.

The second format defines a group of symbolic names associated with a range of values. The two symbolic names are comprised of two parts, a prefix and suffix. The prefix consists of zero or more non-numeric invariant visible glyph characters and is the same for both symbolic names. The suffix consists of a positive decimal integer. The suffix of the first symbolic name must be less than or equal to the suffix
of the second symbolic name. As an example, \(<j0101>...<j0104>\) is interpreted as the symbolic names \(<j0101>,<j0102>,<j0103>,<j0104>\). The common prefix is 'j' and the suffixes are '0101' and '0104'.

The encoding part can be written in one of two forms:

<escape-char><number>  (single byte value)
<escape-char><number><escape-char><number>  (double byte value)

The number can be written using octal, decimal, or hexadecimal notation. Decimal numbers are written as a 'd' followed by 2 or 3 decimal digits. Hexadecimal numbers are written as an 'x' followed by 2 hexadecimal digits. An octal number is written with 2 or 3 octal digits. As an example, the single byte value x1F could be written as '37', 'x1F', or '\31'.

The double byte value of 0x1A1F could be written as '32\37', '\1A\1F', or '\d26\d31'.

In lines defining ranges of symbolic names, the encoded value is the value for the first symbolic name in the range (the symbolic name preceding the ellipsis). Subsequent names defined by the range have encoding values in increasing order.

When constants are concatenated for multibyte character values, they must be of the same type, and are interpreted in byte order from first to last with the least significant byte of the multibyte character specified by the last constant. Each value is then prepended by the byte value of <shift_out> and appended with the byte value of <shift_in>. Such a string represents one EBCDIC multibyte character. For example:

<escape_char> /  
<comment_char> %  
<mb_cur_max> 4  
<mb_cur_min> 1  
<shift-out> /x0e  
<shift-in> /x0f  
CHARMAP  
% many definition lines  
<j0101>...<j0104> /d129/d254  
%many definition lines  
END CHARMAP

is interpreted as:

<j0101>  /d129/d254  
<j0102>  /d129/d255  
<j0103>  /d130/d0  
<j0104>  /d130/d1

It produces four 4-byte long multibyte EBCDIC characters:

<j0101>  x0Ex81xFEx0F  
<j0102>  x0Ex81xFFx0F  
<j0103>  x0Ex82x00x0F  
<j0104>  x0Ex82x01x0F

The CHARSETID section

The character set identifier section of the charmap file maps the symbolic names defined in the CHARMAP section to a character set identifier.
Note: The two functions csid() and wcsid() query the locales and return the character set identifier for a given character. This information is not currently used by any other library function.

The CHARSETID section starts with a line containing the keyword CHARSETID, and ends with the line containing the keywords END CHARSETID. Both CHARSETID and END CHARSETID must begin in column 1. The lines between the first and last lines of the CHARSETID section define the character set identifier for the defined coded character set.

The character set identifier mappings are defined as follows:

"%s %c", <symbolic-name>, <value>
"%c %c", <value>, <value>
"%s...%s %c", <symbolic-name>, <symbolic-name>, <value>
"%c...%c %c", <value>, <value>, <value>
"%s...%c %c", <symbolic-name>, <value>, <value>
"%c...%s %c", <value>, <symbolic-name>, <value>

The individual characters are specified by the symbolic name or the value. The group of characters are specified by two symbolic names or by two numeric values (or combination) separated by an ellipsis (...). The interpretation of ranges of values is the same as specified in the CHARMAP section. The character set identifier is specified by a numeric value.

For example:

<comment_char> %
<escape_char> /
<code_set_name> "IBM-930"
<mb_cur_max> 4
<mb_cur_min> 1
<shift_out> /x0e
<shift_in> /x0f

% CHARMAP
%

CHARMAP
...
<j0110> /x42/x5a
<j0111>...<j0112> /x43/xbe
<judc2001>...<judc2094> /x72/x8d
...
END CHARMAP
%
%
CHARSETID
%

CHARSETID
...
<j0110> 1
<j0111>...<j0112> 1
<judc2001>...<judc2094> 3
...
END CHARSETID
Locale source files

Locales are defined through the specification of a locale definition file. The locale definition contains one or more distinct locale category source definitions and not more than one definition of any category. Each category controls specific aspects of the cultural environment. A category source definition is either the explicit definition of a category or the copy directive, which indicates that the category definition should be copied from another locale definition file.

ASCII locales must be specified using only the characters from the portable character set, and all character references must be symbolic names, not explicit code point values.

The definition file is composed of an optional definition section for the escape and comment characters to be used, followed by the category source definitions. Comment lines and blank lines can appear anywhere in the locale definition file. If the escape and comment characters are not defined, default code points are used (x00 for the escape character and x7B for the comment character, respectively). The definition section consists of the following optional lines:

```
escape_char <character>
comment_char <character>
```

where `<character>' in both cases is a single-byte character to be used, for example:

```
escape_char /
```

defines the escape character in this file to be '/' (the <slash> character).

Locale definition files passed to the localedef utility are assumed to be in coded character set IBM-1047.

To ensure portability among EBCDIC systems, you should redefine these characters to characters from the invariant part of the portable character set. The suggested redefinition is:

```
escape_char /
comment_char %
```

This suggested redefinition is used in all locale definition files supplied by IBM. For reasons of portability, you should use the suggested redefinition in all your customized locale definition files. See Chapter 51, “Customizing a locale,” on page 755 for information about customizing locales. These two redefinitions should be placed in the first lines of the locale definition source file, before any of the redefined characters are used.

Each category source definition consists of a category header, a category body, and a category trailer, in that order.

category header

consists of the keyword naming the category. Each category name starts with the characters LC_. The following category names are supported: LC_TYPE, LC_COLLATE, LC_NUMERIC, LC_MONETARY, LC_TIME, LC_MESSAGES, LC_TOD, and LC_SYNTAX.

The LC_TOD and LC_SYNTAX categories, if present, must be the last two categories in the locale definition file.
category body

consists of one or more lines describing the components of the category. Each component line has the following format:

<identifier>  <operand1>
<identifier>  <operand1>;<operand2>;...;<operandN>

<identifier> is a keyword that identifies a locale element, or a symbolic name that identifies a collating element. <operand> is a character, collating element, or string literal. Escape sequences can be specified in a string literal using the <escape_character>. If multiple operands are specified, they must be separated by semicolons. White space can be before and after the semicolons.

category trailer

consists of the keyword END followed by one or more <blank>s and the category name of the corresponding category header.

Here is an example of locale source containing the header, body, and trailer:

```
escape_char  /
comment_char  %
%
% Here is a simple locale definition file consisting of one
% category source definition, LC_CTYPE.
%
LC_CTYPE
upper <A>;...;<Z>
END LC_CTYPE
```

You do not have to define each category. Where category definitions are absent from the locale source, default definitions are used.

In each category, the keyword copy followed by a string specifies the name of an existing locale to be used as the source for the definition of this category.

If the locale is not found, an error is reported and no locale output is created.

For the batch (EDC(X)DEF proc) and TSO (LOCALDEF) commands, the name must be the member name of a partitioned data set allocated to the EDCLOCL DD statement. For the UNIX System Services localedef command, the copy keyword specifies the path name of the source file.

You can continue a line in a locale definition file by placing an escape character as the last character on the line. This continuation character is discarded from the input. Even though there is no limitation on the length of each line, for portability reasons it is suggested that each line be no longer than 2048 characters (bytes). There is no limit on the accumulated length of a continued line. You cannot continue comment lines on a subsequent line by using an escaped <newline>.

Individual characters, characters in strings, and collating elements are represented using symbolic names, as defined below. Characters can also be represented as the characters themselves, or as octal, hexadecimal, or decimal constants. If you use non-symbolic notation, the resultant locale definition file may not be portable among systems and environments. The left angle bracket (<) is a reserved symbol, denoting the start of a symbolic name; if you use it to represent itself, you must precede it with the escape character.

The following rules apply to the character representation:
1. A character can be represented by a symbolic name, enclosed within angle brackets. The symbolic name, including the angle brackets, must exactly match a symbolic name defined in the charmap file. The symbolic name is replaced by the character value determined from the value associated with the symbolic name in the charmap file.

The use of a symbolic name not found in the charmap file constitutes an error, unless the name is in the category LC_CTYPE or LC_COLLATE, in which case it constitutes a warning. Use of the escape character or right angle bracket within a symbolic name is invalid unless the character is preceded by the escape character. For example:

\(<c>;<c-cedilla>\)
   specifies two characters whose symbolic names are "c" and "c-cedilla"

\("<\{a<\y>"\)
   specifies a 3-character string composed of letters represented by symbolic names "M", "a", and "y"

\("<a<\y>"\)
   specifies a 2-character string composed of letters represented by symbolic names "a" and "y" (assuming the escape character is \)

If the character represented by the symbolic name is a multibyte character defined by 2 byte values in the charmap file, and the shift-out and shift-in characters are defined, the value is enclosed within shift-out and shift-in characters before the localedef utility processes it any further.

2. A character can represent itself. Within a string, the double quotation mark, the escape character, and the left angle bracket must be escaped (preceded by the escape character) to be interpreted as the characters themselves. For example:

\(\text{c} \)
   'c' character represented by itself

\("\text{may}\"
   represents a 3-character string, each character within the string represented by itself

\("\text{\%\%\%}\"
   represents the three character long string "\%\%\%\%", where the escape character is defined as \%

3. A character can be represented as an octal constant. An octal constant is specified as the escape character followed by two or more octal digits. Each constant represents a byte value.

For example:

\(\text{\texttt{131 \texttt{"\texttt{212\texttt{\textbackslash 168} \texttt{16\texttt{\textbackslash 66\texttt{\textbackslash 193\texttt{\textbackslash 17}}}}}}}}\)

4. A character can be represented as a hexadecimal constant. A hexadecimal constant is specified as the escape character, followed by an x, followed by two or more hexadecimal digits. Each constant represents a byte value.

For example: \(\texttt{\textbackslash x83 } \texttt{"\texttt{\textbackslash 04\texttt{\textbackslash x81\texttt{\textbackslash x88}}}"}\)

5. A character can be represented as a decimal constant. A decimal constant is specified as the escape character followed by a d followed by two or more decimal digits. Each constant represents a byte value.

For example: \(\texttt{\textbackslash d131 } \texttt{"\texttt{\textbackslash d212\texttt{\textbackslash d129\texttt{\textbackslash d168} \texttt{d14\texttt{\textbackslash d66\texttt{\textbackslash d193\texttt{\textbackslash d15}}}"}}}}\)

For multibyte characters, the entire encoding sequence, including the shift-out and shift-in characters, must be present. Otherwise, the sequence of bytes not enclosed between the shift-out and shift-in characters are interpreted as a sequence of single byte characters.
Multibyte characters can be represented by concatenating constants specified in byte order with the last constant specifying the least significant byte of the character. If the sequence of octal, hexadecimal, or decimal constants is to represent a multibyte character, it must be enclosed in shift-out and shift-in constants.

For example: `\x0e\x42\xC1\x0f`

**LC_CTYPE category**

This category defines character classification, case conversion, and other character attributes. In this category, you can represent a series of characters by using three adjacent periods as an ellipsis symbol (\ldots). An ellipsis is interpreted as including all characters with an encoded value higher than the encoded value of the character preceding the ellipsis and lower than the encoded value following the ellipsis.

An ellipsis is valid within a single encoded character set.

For example, `\x30;\ldots;\x39`; includes in the character class all characters with encoded values from X'30' to X'39'.

The keywords recognized in the LC_CTYPE category are listed below. In the descriptions, the term "automatically included" means that it is not an error either to include or omit any of the referenced characters; they are assumed by default even if the entire keyword is missing and accepted if present. If a keyword is specified without any arguments, the default characters are assumed.

When a character is automatically included, it has an encoded value dependent on the charmap file in effect. If no charmap file is specified, the encoding of the encoded character set IBM-1047 is assumed.

**copy** Specifies the name of an existing locale to be used as the source for the definition of this category. If this keyword is specified, no other keywords are present in this category. If the locale is not found, an error is reported and no locale output is created. The copy keyword cannot specify a locale that also specifies the copy keyword for the same category.

**charclass** Defines one or more locale-specific character class names as strings separated by semicolons. Each named character class can then be defined subsequently in the LC_CTYPE definition. A character class name consists of at least one and at most (CHARCLASS_NAME_MAX) bytes of alphanumeric characters from the portable filename character set. The first character of a character class name cannot be a digit. The name cannot match any of the LC_CTYPE keywords defined in this document.

**upper** Defines characters to be classified as uppercase letters. No character defined for the keywords cntrl, digit, punct, or space can be specified. The uppercase letters A through Z are automatically included in this class.

The isupper() and iswupper() functions test for any character and wide character, respectively, included in this class.

**lower** Defines characters to be classified as lowercase letters. No character defined for the keywords cntrl, digit, punct, or space can be specified. The lowercase letters a through z are automatically included in this class.
The islower() and iswlower() functions test for any character and wide character, respectively, included in this class.

**alpha**
Defines characters to be classified as letters. No character defined for the keywords cntrl, digit, punct, or space can be specified. Characters classified as either upper or lower are automatically included in this class.

The isalpha() and iswalpha() functions test for any character or wide character, respectively, included in this class.

**digit**
Defines characters to be classified as numeric digits. Only the digits 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 can be specified. If they are, they must be in contiguous ascending sequence by numerical value. The digits 0 through 9 are automatically included in this class.

The isdigit() and iswdigit() functions test for any character or wide character, respectively, included in this class.

**space**
Defines characters to be classified as whitespace characters. No character defined for the keywords upper, lower, alpha, digit, or xdigit can be specified for space. The characters <space>, <form-feed>, <newline>, <carriage-return>, <horizontal-tab>, and <vertical-tab>, and any characters defined in the class blank are automatically included in this class.

The functions isspace() and iswspace() test for any character or wide character, respectively, included in this class.

**cntrl**
Defines characters to be classified as control characters. No character defined for the keywords upper, lower, alpha, digit, punct, graph, print, or xdigit can be specified for cntrl.

The functions iscntrl() and iswcntrl() test for any character or wide character, respectively, included in this class.

**punct**
Defines characters to be classified as punctuation characters. No character defined for the keywords upper, lower, alpha, digit, cntrl, or xdigit, or as the <space> character, can be specified.

The functions ispunct() and iswpunct() test for any character or wide character, respectively, included in this class.

**graph**
Defines characters to be classified as printing characters, not including the <space> character. Characters specified for the keywords upper, lower, alpha, digit, xdigit, and punct are automatically included. No character specified in the keyword cntrl can be specified for graph.

The functions isgraph() and iswgraph() test for any character or wide character, respectively, included in this class.

**print**
Defines characters to be classified as printing characters, including the <space> character. Characters specified for the keywords upper, lower, alpha, digit, xdigit, punct, and the <space> character are automatically included. No character specified in the keyword cntrl can be specified for print.

The functions isprint() and iswprint() test for any character or wide character, respectively, included in this class.

**xdigit**
Defines characters to be classified as hexadecimal digits. Only the characters defined for the class digit can be specified, in contiguous ascending sequence by numerical value, followed by one or more sets of six characters representing the hexadecimal digits 10 through 15, with each
set in ascending order (for example, A, B, C, D, E, F, a, b, c, d, e, f). The digits 0 through 9, the uppercase letters A through F, and the lowercase letters a through f are automatically included in this class.

The functions isxdigit() and iswxdigit() test for any character or wide character, respectively, included in this class.

**blank** Defines characters to be classified as blank characters. The characters <space> and <tab> are automatically included in this class.

The functions isblank() and iswblank() test for any character or wide character, respectively, included in this class.

**toupper**

Defines the mapping of lowercase letters to uppercase letters. The operand consists of character pairs, separated by semicolons. The characters in each character pair are separated by a comma; the pair is enclosed in parentheses. The first character in each pair is the lowercase letter, and the second is the corresponding uppercase letter. Only characters specified for the keywords lower and upper can be specified for toupper. The lowercase letters a through z, their corresponding uppercase letters A through Z, are automatically in this mapping, but only when the toupper keyword is omitted from the locale definition.

It affects the behavior of the toupper() and towupper() functions for mapping characters and wide characters, respectively.

**tolower**

Defines the mapping of uppercase letters to lowercase letters. The operand consists of character pairs, separated by semicolons. The characters in each character pair are separated by a comma; the pair is enclosed by parentheses. The first character in each pair is the uppercase letter, and the second is its corresponding lowercase letter. Only characters specified for the keywords lower and upper can be specified. If the tolower keyword is omitted from the locale definition, the mapping is the reverse mapping of the one specified for the toupper.

The tolower keyword affects the behavior of the tolower() and towlower() functions for mapping characters and wide characters, respectively.

You may define additional character classes using your own keywords. A maximum of 31 classes are supported in total: the 12 standard classes, and up to 19 user-defined classes.

The defined classes affect the behavior of wctype() and iswctype() functions.

Here is an example of the definition of the LC_CTYPE category:
LC_COLLATE category

A collation sequence definition defines the relative order between collating elements (characters and multicharacter collating elements) in the locale. This order is expressed in terms of collation values. It assigns each element one or more collation values (also known as collation weights). The collation sequence definition is used by regular expressions, pattern matching, and sorting and collating functions. The following capabilities are provided:

1. **Multicharacter collating elements.** Specification of multicharacter collating elements (sequences of two or more characters to be collated as an entity).

2. **User-defined ordering of collating elements.** Each collating element is assigned a collation value defining its order in the character (or basic) collation sequence. This ordering is used by regular expressions and pattern matching, and unless collation weights are explicitly specified, also as the collation weight to be used in sorting.

3. **Multiple weights and equivalence classes.** Collating elements can be assigned 1 to 6 collating weights for use in sorting. The first weight is referred to as the primary weight.

4. **One-to-many mapping.** A single character is mapped into a string of collating elements.

5. **Many-to-many substitution.** A string of one or more characters are mapped to another string (or an empty string). The character or characters are ignored for collation purposes.

**Note:** This is an IBM extension; therefore, locales that use it may not be portable to localedef tools developed by other vendors.
6. **Equivalence class definition.** Two or more collating elements have the same
collation value (primary weight).

7. **Ordering by weights.** When two strings are compared to determine their
relative order, the two strings are first broken up into a series of collating
elements. Each successive pair of elements is compared according to the
relative primary weights for the elements. If they are equal, and more than one
weight is assigned, then the pairs of collating elements are compared again
according to the relative subsequent weights, until either two collating elements
are not equal or the weights are exhausted.

**Collating rules**

Collation rules consist of an ordered list of collating order statements, ordered from
lowest to highest. The `<NULL>` character is considered lower than any other
character. The ellipsis symbol ("...") is a special collation order statement. It
specifies that a sequence of characters collate according to their encoded character
values. It causes all characters with values higher than the value of the `<collating
identifier>` in the preceding line, and lower than the value for the `<collating
identifier>` on the following line, to be placed in the character collation order
between the previous and the following collation order statements in ascending
order according to their encoded character values.

The use of the ellipsis symbol ties the definition to a specific coded character set
and may preclude the definition from being portable among implementations.

The ellipsis symbol can precede or succeed the ellipsis symbol and may also have
weights on the same line.

A collating order statement describes how a collating identifier is weighted.

Each `<collating-identifier>` consists of a character, `<collating-element>`,
`<collating-symbol>`, or the special symbol **UNDEFINED**. The order in which collating
elements are specified determines the character order sequence, such that each
collating element is considered lower than the elements following it. The `<NULL>`
character is considered lower than any other character. Weights are expressed as
characters, `<collating-symbol>`s, `<collating-element>`s, or the special symbol
**IGNORE**. A single character, a `<collating-symbol>`, or a `<collating-element>`
represents the relative position in the character collating sequence of the character
or symbol, rather than the character or characters themselves. Thus rather than
assigning absolute values to weights, a particular weight is expressed using the
relative "order value" assigned to a collating element based on its order in the
character collation sequence.

A `<collating-element>` specifies multicharacter collating elements, and indicates
that the character sequence specified by the `<collating-element>` is to be collated
as a unit and in the relative order specified by its place.

A `<collating-symbol>` can define a position in the relative order for use in weights.

The `<collating-symbol>` **UNDEFINED** is interpreted as including all characters not
specified explicitly. Such characters are inserted in the character collation order at
the point indicated by the symbol, and in ascending order according to their
encoded character values. If no **UNDEFINED** symbol is specified, and the current
coded character set contains characters not specified in this clause, the localedef
utility issues a warning and places such characters at the end of the character
collation order.
The syntax for a collation order statement is:

\(<\text{collating-identifier}> <\text{weight1}>; <\text{weight2}>; \ldots; <\text{weightn}>\)

Collation of two collating identifiers is done by comparing their relative primary weights. This process is repeated for successive weight levels until the two identifiers are different, or the weight levels are exhausted. The operands for each collating identifier define the primary, secondary, and subsequent relative weights for the collating identifier. Two or more collating elements can be assigned the same weight. If two collating identifiers have the same primary weight, they belong to the same equivalence class.

The special symbol IGNORE as a weight indicates that when strings are compared using the weights at the level where IGNORE is specified, the collating element should be ignored, as if the string did not contain the collating element. In regular expressions and pattern matching, all characters that are IGNOREd in their primary weight form an equivalence class.

All characters specified by an ellipsis are assigned unique weights, equal to the relative order of the characters. Characters specified by an explicit or implicit UNDEFINED special symbol are assigned the same primary weight (they belong to the same equivalence class).

One-to-many mapping is indicated by specifying two or more concatenated characters or symbolic names. For example, if the character "<ezset>" is given the string "<s><s>" as a weight, comparisons are performed as if all occurrences of the character <ezset> are replaced by <s><s> (assuming <s> has the collating weight <s>). If it is desirable to define <ezset> and <s><s> as an equivalence class, then a collating element must be defined for the string "ss".

If no weight is specified, the collating identifier is interpreted as itself.

For example, the order statement

\(<a> <a>\)

is equivalent to

\(<a>\)

**Collating keywords**

The following keywords are recognized in a collation sequence definition.

- **copy**  Specifies the name of an existing locale to be used as the source for the definition of this category. If this keyword is specified, no other keyword shall be present in this category. If the locale is not found, an error is reported and no locale output is created. The copy keyword cannot specify a locale that also specifies the copy keyword for the same category.

- **collating-element**  Defines a collating-element symbol representing a multicharacter collating element. This keyword is optional.

In addition to the collating elements in the character set, the collating-element keyword can be used to define multicharacter collating elements. The syntax is:

"collating-element %s from \%s\"", <collating-element>, <string>

The <collating-element> should be a symbolic name enclosed between angle brackets (< and >), and should not duplicate any symbolic name in
the current charmap file (if any), or any other symbolic name defined in this
collation definition. The string operand is a string of two or more characters
that collate as an entity. A <collating-element> defined with this keyword is
only recognized within the LC_COLLATE category.

For example:
collating-element <ch> from "<c><h>"
collating-element <e-acute> from "<acute><e>"
collating-element <ll> from "ll"

collating-symbol
Defines a collating symbol for use in collation order statements.
The collating-symbol keyword defines a symbolic name that can be
associated with a relative position in the character order sequence. While
such a symbolic name does not represent any collating element, it can be
used as a weight. This keyword is optional.
This construct can define symbols for use in collation sequence statements,
between the order_start and order_end keywords.
The syntax is:
"collating-symbol \%s\", <collating-symbol>
The <collating-symbol> must be a symbolic name, enclosed between
angle brackets (< and >), and should not duplicate any symbolic name in
the current charmap file (if any), or any other symbolic name defined in this
collation definition. A <collating-symbol> defined with this keyword is only
recognized within the LC_COLLATE category.

For example:
collating-symbol <UPPER_CASE>
collating-symbol <HIGH>

substitute
The substitute keyword defines a substring substitution in a string to be
collated. This keyword is optional. The following operands are supported
with the substitute keyword:
"substitute %s with \%s\", <regular-expr>, <replacement>
The first operand is treated as a basic regular expression. The replacement
operand consists of zero or more characters and regular expression
back-references (for example, \1 through \9). The back-references consist
of the backslash followed by a digit from 1 to 9. If the backslash is followed
by two or three digits, it is interpreted as an octal constant.

When strings are collated according to a collation definition containing
substitute statements, the collation behaves as if occurrences of substrings
matching the basic regular expression are replaced by the replacement
string, before the strings are compared based on the specified collation
sequence. Ranges in the regular expression are interpreted according to
the current character collation sequence and character classes according to
the character classification specified by the LC_CTYPE environment variable
at collation time. If more than one substitute statement is present in the
collation definition, the collation process behaves as if the substitute
statements are applied to the strings in the order they occur in the source
definition. The substitution for the substitute statements are processed.
before any substitutions for one-to-many mappings. The support of the “substitute” keyword is an IBM z/OS C/C++ extension to the POSIX standard.

Note: This is an IBM extension; therefore, locales that use it may not be portable to localedef tools developed by other vendors.

order_start
Define collating rules. This statement is followed by one or more collation order statements, assigning character collation values and collation weights to collating elements.

The order_start keyword must precede collation order entries. It defines the number of weights for this collation sequence definition and other collation rules.

The syntax of the order_start keyword is:
order_start <sort-rule1>;<sort-rule2>;<sort-rule3>;...;<sort-rule6>

The operands of the order_start keyword are optional. If present, the operands define rules to be applied when strings are compared. The number of operands define how many weights each element is assigned; if no operands are present, one forward operand is assumed. If any is present, the first operand defines rules to be applied when comparing strings using the first (primary) weight; the second when comparing strings using the second weight, and so on. Operands are separated by semicolons (;). Each operand consists of one or more collation directives separated by commas (,). If the number of operands exceeds the limit of 6, the localedef utility issues a warning message.

The following directives are supported:
forward
specifies that comparison operations for the weight level proceed from the start of the string towards its end.

backward
specifies that comparison operations for the weight level proceed from the end of the string toward its beginning.

no-substitute
no substitution is performed, such that the comparison is based on collation values for collating elements before any substitution operations are performed.

Notes:
1. This is an IBM extension; therefore, locales that use it may not be portable to localedef tools developed by other vendors.
2. When the no-substitute keyword is specified, one-to-many mappings are ignored.

position
specifies that comparison operations for the weight level must consider the relative position of non-IGNOREd elements in the strings. The string containing a non-IGNOREd element after the fewest IGNOREd collating elements from the start of the comparison collates first. If both strings contain a non-IGNOREd character in the same relative position, the collating values assigned to the
elements determine the order. If the strings are equal, subsequent non-IGNOREd characters are considered in the same manner.

order_end

The collating order entries are terminated with an order_end keyword.

Here is an example of an LC_COLLATE category:

```
LC_COLLATE
% ARTIFICIAL COLLABORATE CATEGORY

% collating elements
collating-element <ch> from "<c><h>"
collating-element <Ch> from "<C><h>"
collating-element <eszet> from "<s><z>"

%collating symbols for relative order definition
collating-symbol <LOW>
collating-symbol <UPPER-CASE>
collating-symbol <LOWER-CASE>
collating-symbol <NONE>

order_start forward;backward;forward

order_end
```

The example is interpreted as follows:

1. collating elements
   - character <c> followed by <h> collate as one entity named <ch>
   - character <c> followed by <h> collate as one entity named <Ch>
   - character <s> followed by <z> collate as one entity named <eszet>

2. collating symbols <LOW>, <UPPER-CASE>, <LOWER-CASE> and <NONE> are defined to be used in relative order definition

3. up to 3 string comparisons are defined:
   - first pass starts from the beginning of the strings
   - second pass starts from the end of the strings, and
   - third pass starts from the beginning of the strings

4. the collating weights are defined such that
• `<LOW>` collates before `<UPPER-CASE>`,
• `<UPPER-CASE>` collates before `<LOWER-CASE>`,
• `<LOWER-CASE>` collates before `<NONE>`;
5. all characters for which collation is not specified here are ordered after `<NONE>`, and before `<space>` in ascending order according to their encoded values
6. all characters with an encoded value larger than the encoded value of `<space>` and lower than the encoded value of `<quotation-mark>` in the current encoded character set, collate in ascending order according to their values;
7. `<a>` has a:
   • primary weight of `<a>`,
   • secondary weight `<NONE>`,
   • tertiary weight of `<LOWER-CASE>`,
8. `<A>` has a:
   • primary weight of `<a>`,
   • secondary weight of `<NONE>`,
   • tertiary weight of `<UPPER-CASE>`,
9. the weights of `<s>` and `<z>` are determined in a similar fashion to `<a>` and `<A>`.
10. `<a-acute>` has a:
    • primary weight of `<a>`,
    • secondary weight of `<a-acute>` itself,
    • tertiary weight of `<LOWER-CASE>`,
11. the weights of `<a-grave>`, `<A-acute>`, `<A-grave>`, `<ch>` and `<Ch>` are determined in a similar fashion to `<a-acute>`.
12. `<eszet>` has a:
    • primary weight determined by replacing each occurrence of `<eszet>` with the sequence of two `<s>`'s and using the weight of `<s>`,
    • secondary weight determined by replacing each occurrence of `<eszet>` with the sequence of `<eszet>` and `<s>` and using their weights,
    • tertiary weight is the relative position of `<LOWER-CASE>`.

Comparison of strings
Compare the strings `s1="aAch"` and `s2="AaCh"` using the above `LC_COLLATE` definition:
1. `s1=> "aA<ch>"`, and `s2=> "Aa<Ch>"`
2. first pass:
   a. substitute the elements of the strings with their primary weights: `s1=> "<a><a><ch>"`, `s2=> "<a><a><ch>"`
   b. compare the two strings starting with the first element — they are equal.
3. second pass:
   a. substitute the elements of the strings with their secondary weights: `s1=> "<NONE><NONE><NONE>"`, `s2=>"<NONE><NONE><NONE>"`
   b. compare the two strings from the last element to the first — they are equal.
4. third pass:
   a. substitute the elements of the strings with their third level weights:
      `s1=> "<LOWER-CASE><UPPER-CASE><LOWER-CASE>"`,
      `s2=> "<UPPER-CASE><LOWER-CASE><UPPER-CASE>"`,
   b. compare the two strings starting from the beginning of the strings: `s2` compares lower than `s1`, because `<UPPER-CASE>` is before `<LOWER-CASE>"`.
Compare the strings s1="áß" and s2="àss":  
1. s1=> "á<eszet>" and s2= "àss";
2. first pass:
   a. substitute the elements of the strings with their primary weights: s1=>
   "<a><s><s>" , s2=> "<a><s><s>
   b. compare the two strings starting with the first element — they are equal.
3. second pass:
   a. substitute the elements of the strings with their secondary weights: s1=>
   "<a-acute><eszet><s>" , s2=>"<a-grave><s><s>
   b. compare the two strings from the last element to the first — <s> is before
   <ezset>.

**LC_MONETARY category**

This category defines the rules and symbols used to format monetary quantities. The operands are strings or integers. The following keywords are supported:

**copy**  
Specifies the name of an existing locale to be used as the source for the definition of this category. If this keyword is specified, no other keyword should be present in this category. If the locale is not found, an error is reported and no locale output is created. The copy keyword cannot specify a locale that also specifies the copy keyword for the same category.

**int_curr_symbol**  
Specifies the international currency symbol. The operand is a four-character string, with the first three characters containing the alphabetic international currency symbol in accordance with those specified in ISO4217 *Codes for the Representation of Currency and Funds*. The fourth character is the character used to separate the international currency symbol from the monetary quantity.

The following value may also be specified, though it is not If not defined, it defaults to the empty string ("").

**currency_symbol**  
Specifies the string used as the local currency symbol. If not defined, it defaults to the empty string ("").

**mon_decimal_point**  
The string used as a decimal delimiter to format monetary quantities. If not defined it defaults to the empty string ("").

**mon_thousands_sep**  
Specifies the string used as a separator for groups of digits to the left of the decimal delimiter in formatted monetary quantities. If not defined, it defaults to the empty string ("").

**mon_grouping**  
Defines the size of each group of digits in formatted monetary quantities. The operand is a sequence of integers separated by semicolons. Also, for compatibility, it may be a string of integers separated by semicolons. Each integer specifies the number of digits in each group, with the initial integer defining the size of the group immediately preceding the decimal delimiter, and the following integers defining the preceding groups. If the last integer is not −1, then the size of the previous group (if any) is used repeatedly for the rest of the digits. If the last integer is −1, then no further grouping is performed. If not defined, mon_grouping defaults to −1 which indicates that no grouping. An empty string is interpreted as −1.
positive_sign
A string used to indicate a formatted monetary quantity with a non-negative value. If not defined, it defaults to the empty string ("").

negative_sign
Specifies a string used to indicate a formatted monetary quantity with a negative value. If not defined, it defaults to the empty string ("").

int_frac_digits
Specifies an integer representing the number of fractional digits (those to the right of the decimal delimiter) to be displayed in a formatted monetary quantity using int_curr_symbol. If not defined, it defaults to −1.

frac_digits
Specifies an integer representing the number of fractional digits (those to the right of the decimal delimiter) to be displayed in a formatted monetary quantity using currency_symbol. If not defined, it defaults to −1.

p_cs_precedes
Specifies an integer set to 1 if the currency_symbol or int_curr_symbol precedes the value for a non-negative formatted monetary quantity, and set to 0 if the symbol succeeds the value. If not defined, it defaults to −1.

p_sep_by_space
Specifies an integer set to 0 if no space separates the currency_symbol or int_curr_symbol from the value for a non-negative formatted monetary quantity, set to 1 if a space separates the symbol from the value, and set to 2 if a space separates the symbol and the string sign, if adjacent. If not defined, it defaults to −1.

n_cs_precedes
An integer set to 1 if the currency_symbol or int_curr_symbol precedes the value for a negative formatted monetary quantity, and set to 0 if the symbol succeeds the value. If not defined, it defaults to −1.

n_sep_by_space
An integer set to 0 if no space separates the currency_symbol or int_curr_symbol from the value for a negative formatted monetary quantity, set to 1 if a space separates the symbol from the value, and set to 2 if a space separates the symbol and the string sign, if adjacent. If not defined, it defaults to −1.

p_sign_posn
An integer set to a value indicating the positioning of the positive_sign for a non-negative formatted monetary quantity. The following integer values are recognized:

0 Parentheses surround the quantity and the currency_symbol or int_curr_symbol.
1 The sign string precedes the quantity and the currency_symbol or int_curr_symbol.
2 The sign string succeeds the quantity and the currency_symbol or int_curr_symbol.
3 The sign string immediately precedes the currency_symbol or int_curr_symbol.
4 The sign string immediately succeeds the currency_symbol or int_curr_symbol.
part of the POSIX standard.

5 Use debit-sign or credit-sign for p_sign_posn or n_sign_posn.

If not defined, it defaults to −1.

n_sign_posn
An integer set to a value indicating the positioning of the negative_sign for a negative formatted monetary quantity. The recognized values are the same as for p_sign_posn. If not defined, it defaults to −1.

left_parenthesis
The symbol of the locale’s equivalent of ( to form a negative-valued formatted monetary quantity together with right_parenthesis. If not defined, it defaults to the empty string ("").

Note: This is an IBM-specific extension.

right_parenthesis
The symbol of the locale’s equivalent of ) to form a negative-valued formatted monetary quantity together with left_parenthesis. If not defined, it defaults to the empty string ("");

Note: This is an IBM-specific extension.

debit_sign
The symbol of locale’s equivalent of 08 to indicate a non-negative-valued formatted monetary quantity. If not defined, it defaults to the empty string ("");

Note: This is an IBM-specific extension.

credit_sign
The symbol of locale’s equivalent of 09 to indicate a negative-valued formatted monetary quantity. If not defined, it defaults to the empty string ("");

Note: This is an IBM-specific extension.

Here is an example of the definition of the LC_MONETARY category:
LC_NUMERIC category

This category defines the rules and symbols used to format non-monetary numeric information. The operands are strings. The following keywords are recognized:

**copy**  
Specifies the name of an existing locale to be used as the source for the definition of this category. If this keyword is specified, no other keyword should be present in this category. If the locale is not found, an error is reported and no locale output is created. The `copy` keyword cannot specify a locale that also specifies the `copy` keyword for the same category.

**decimal_point**  
Specifies a string used as the decimal delimiter in numeric, non-monetary formatted quantities. This keyword cannot be omitted and cannot be set to the empty string.

**thousands_sep**  
Specifies a string containing the symbol that is used as a separator for groups of digits to the left of the decimal delimiter in numeric, non-monetary, formatted quantities.

**grouping**  
Defines the size of each group of digits in formatted non-monetary quantities. The operand is a sequence of integers separated by semicolons. Also, for compatibility, it may be a string of integers separated by semicolons. Each integer specifies the number of digits in each group, with the initial integer defining the size of the group immediately preceding the decimal delimiter, and the following integers defining the preceding groups. If the last integer is not −1, then the size of the previous group (if any) is used repeatedly for the rest of the digits. If the last integer is −1, then no further grouping is performed. An empty string is interpreted as −1.
Here is an example of how to specify the LC_NUMERIC category:

```
escape_char      /  
comment_char     %  

LC_NUMERIC

decimal_point    "<comma>"  
thousands_sep     "<space>"  
grouping         3

END LC_NUMERIC
```

**LC_TIME category**

The LC_TIME category defines the interpretation of the field descriptors used for parsing, then formatting, the date and time. The descriptors identify the replacement portion of the string, while the rest of the string is constant. The definition of descriptors is included in the OS/390 C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference. All these descriptors can be used in the format specifier in the time formatting functions strftime().

The following keywords are supported:

**copy** Specifies the name of an existing locale to be used as the source for the definition of this category. If this keyword is specified, no other keyword should be present in this category.

If the locale is not found, an error is reported and no locale output is created. The **copy** keyword cannot specify a locale that also specifies the **copy** keyword for the same category.

**abday** Defines the abbreviated weekday names, corresponding to the %a field descriptor. The operand consists of seven semicolon-separated strings. The first string is the abbreviated name corresponding to Sunday, the second string corresponds to Monday, and so forth.

**day** Defines the full weekday names, corresponding to the %A field descriptor. The operand consists of seven semicolon-separated strings. The first string is the full name corresponding to Sunday, the second string to Monday, and so forth.

**abmon** Defines the abbreviated month names, corresponding to the %b field descriptor. The operand consists of twelve strings separated by semicolons. The first string is an abbreviated name that corresponds to January, the second corresponds to February, and so forth.

**mon** Defines the full month names, corresponding to the %B field descriptor. The operand consists of twelve strings separated by semicolons. The first string is an abbreviated name that corresponds to January, the second corresponds to February, and so forth.

**d_t_fmt** Defines the appropriate date and time representation, corresponding to the %c field descriptor. The operand consists of a string, which may contain any combination of characters and field descriptors.

**d_fmt** Defines the appropriate date representation, corresponding to the %x field descriptor. The operand consists of a string, and may contain any combination of characters and field descriptors.
t_fmt  Defines the appropriate time representation, corresponding to the %X field descriptor. The operand consists of a string, which may contain any combination of characters and field descriptors.

am_pm  Defines the appropriate representation of the ante meridian and post meridian strings, corresponding to the %p field descriptor. The operand consists of two strings, separated by a semicolon. The first string represents the ante meridian designation, the last string the post meridian designation.

t_fmt_ampm  Defines the appropriate time representation in the 12-hour clock format with am_pm, corresponding to the %r field descriptor. The operand consists of a string and can contain any combination of characters and field descriptors.

era  Defines how the years are counted and displayed for each era (or emperor’s reign) in a locale.

No era is needed if the %E field descriptor modifier is not used for the locale. See the description of the strftime() function in z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference for information about this field descriptor.

For each era, there must be one string in the following format:

direction:offset:start_date:end_date:name:format

where

direction  Either a + or – character. The + character indicates the time axis should be such that the years count in the positive direction when moving from the starting date towards the ending date. The – character indicates the time axis should be such that the years count in the negative direction when moving from the starting date towards the ending date.

offset  A number of the first year of the era.

start_date  A date in the form yyyy/mm/dd where yyyy, mm and dd are the year, month and day numbers, respectively, of the start of the era. Years prior to the year AD 0 are represented as negative numbers. For example, an era beginning March 5th in the year 100 BC would be represented as -100/3/5.

end_date  The ending date of the era in the same form as the start_date above or one of the two special values –* or +*. A value of –* indicates the ending date of the era extends to the beginning of time while +* indicates it extends to the end of time. The ending date may be either before or after the starting date of an era. For example, the strings for the Christian eras AD and BC would be:

+0:0000/01/01:+*:AD:%EC %Ey
+:1:-0001/12/31:+*:BC:%EC %Ey

name  A string representing the name of the era which is substituted for the %EC field descriptor.

format  A string for formatting the %Ey field descriptor. This string is usually a function of the %EC and %Ey field descriptors.

The operand consists of one string for each era. If there is more than one era, strings are separated by semicolons.
era_year
Defines the format of the year in alternate era format, corresponding to the \%EY field descriptor.

era_d_fmt
Defines the format of the date in alternate era notation, corresponding to the \%Ex field descriptor.

era_t_fmt
Defines the locale's appropriate alternative time format, corresponding to the \%Ex field descriptor.

era_d_t_fmt
Defines the locale's appropriate alternative date and time format, corresponding to the \%Ec field descriptor.

alt_digits
Defines alternate symbols for digits, corresponding to the \%0 field descriptor modifier. The operand consists of semicolon-separated strings. The first string is the alternate symbol corresponding to zero, the second string the symbol corresponding to one, and so forth. A maximum of 100 alternate strings may be specified. The \%0 modifier indicates that the string corresponding to the value specified by the field descriptor is used instead of the value.

For the definitions of the time formatting descriptors, see the description of the strftime() function in [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference](#).

**LC_MESSAGES category**

The LC_MESSAGES category defines the format and values for positive and negative responses.

The following keywords are recognized:

copy
Specifies the name of an existing locale to be used as the source for the definition of this category. If you specify this keyword, no other keyword should be present in this category.

If the locale is not found, an error is reported and no locale output is created. The copy keyword cannot specify a locale that also specifies the copy keyword for the same category.

yesexpr
The operand consists of an extended regular expression that describes the acceptable affirmative response to a question that expects an affirmative or negative response.

noexpr
The operand consists of an extended regular expression that describes the acceptable negative response to a question that expects an affirmative or negative response.

yestr
The operand consists of an fixed string (not a regular expression) that can be used by an application for composition of a message that lists an acceptable affirmative response, such as in a prompt.

nostr
The operand consists of an fixed string that can be used by an application for composition of a message that lists an acceptable negative response.

Here is an example that shows how to define the LC_MESSAGES category:
LC_TOD category

The LC_TOD category defines the rules used to define the beginning, end, and duration of daylight savings time, and the difference between local time and Greenwich Mean time. This is an IBM extension.

Note: LC_TOD and LC_SYNTAX are not supported for ASCII locales (a locale specification can not contain a definition for these categories). However, for consistency with EBCDIC locales, localedef generates default values for these categories in ASCII locale objects (the values generated for the C locale but with ASCII code points).

The following keywords are recognized:

**copy**

Specifies the name of an existing locale to be used as the source for the definition of this category. If this keyword is specified, no other keyword should be present in this category.

If the locale is not found, an error is reported and no locale output is created. The copy keyword cannot specify a locale that also specifies the copy keyword for the same category.

**timezone_difference**

An integer specifying the time zone difference expressed in minutes. If the local time zone is west of the Greenwich Meridian, this value must be positive. If the local time zone is east of the Greenwich Meridian, this value must be negative. An absolute value greater than 1440 (the number of minutes in a day) for this keyword indicates that z/OS Language Environment is to get the time zone difference from the system.

**timezone_name**

A string specifying the time zone name such as "PST" (Pacific Standard Time) specified within quotation marks. The default for this field is a NULL string.

**daylight_name**

A string specifying the Daylight Saving Time zone name, such as "PDT" (Pacific Daylight Time), if there is one available. The string must be
specified within quotation marks. If DST information is not available, this is set to NULL, which is also the default. This field must be filled in if DST information as provided by the other fields is to be taken into account by the mktime() and localtime() functions. These functions ignore DST if this field is NULL.

start_month
An integer specifying the month of the year when Daylight Saving Time comes into effect. This value ranges from 1 through 12 inclusive, with 1 corresponding to January and 12 corresponding to December. If DST is not applicable to a locale, start_month is set to 0, which is also the default.

day
An integer specifying the month of the year when Daylight Saving Time ceases to be in effect. The specifications are similar to those for start_month.

start_week
An integer specifying the week of the month when DST comes into effect. Acceptable values range from -4 to +4. A value of 4 means the fourth week of the month, while a value of -4 means fourth week of the month, counting from the end of the month. Sunday is considered to be the start of the week. If DST is not applicable to a locale, start_week is set to 0, which is also the default.

day
An integer specifying the week of the month when DST ceases to be in effect. The specifications are similar to those for start_week.

Note: The start_week and end_week need not be used. The start_day and end_day fields can specify either the day of the week or the day of the month. If day of month is specified, start_week and end_week become redundant.

start_day
An integer specifying the day of the week or the day of the month when DST comes into effect. The value depends on the value of start_week. If start_week is not equal to 0, this is the day of the week when DST comes into effect. It ranges from 0 through 6 inclusive, with 0 corresponding to Sunday and 6 corresponding to Saturday. If start_week equals 0, start_day is the day of the month (for the current year) when DST comes into effect. It ranges from 1 through to the last day of the month inclusive. The last day of the month is 31 for January, March, May, July, August, October, and December. It is 30 for April, June, September, and November. For February, it is 28 on non-leap years and 29 on leap years. If DST is not applicable to a locale, start_day is set to 0, which is also the default.

day
An integer specifying the day of the week or the day of the month when DST ceases to be in effect. The specifications are similar to those for start_day.

start_time
An integer specifying the number of seconds after 12:00 midnight, local standard time, when DST comes into effect. For example, if DST is to start at 2:00 am, start_time is assigned the value 7200; for 12:00 am (midnight), start_time is 0; for 1:00 am, it is 3600.
**end_time**

An integer specifying the number of seconds after 12 midnight, local standard time, when DST ceases to be in effect. The specifications are similar to those for `start_time`.

**shift**

An integer specifying the DST time shift, expressed in seconds. The default is 3600, for 1 hour.

**uctname**

A string specifying the name to be used for Coordinated Universal Time. If this keyword is not specified, the `uctname` will default to "UTC".

Here is an example of how to define the `LC_TOD` category:

```c
escape_char    /
comment-char   %

%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
LC_TOD
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
% the time zone difference is 8hrs; the name of the daylight saving
% time is PDT, and it starts on the first Sunday of April at 2&00AM
% and ends on the second Sunday of October at 2&00AM
timezone_difference +480
timezone_name   "<P><S><T>"
daylight_name   "<P><D><T>"
start_month     4
end_month       10
start_week      1
end_week        2
start_day       1
end_day         30
start_time      7200
end_time        3600
shift           3600
END LC_TOD
```

**LC_SYNTAX category**

The `LC_SYNTAX` category defines the variant characters from the portable character set. `LC_SYNTAX` is an IBM-specific extension. This category can be queried by the C library function `getsyntx()` to determine the encoding of a variant character if needed.

**Attention:** Customizing the `LC_SYNTAX` category is not recommended. You should use the `LC_SYNTAX` values obtained from the `charmap` file when you use the `localedef` utility.

The operands for the characters in the `LC_SYNTAX` category accept the single byte character specification in the form of a symbolic name, the character itself, or the decimal, octal, or hexadecimal constant. The characters must be specified in the `LC_CTYPE` category as a `punct` character. The values for the `LC_SYNTAX` characters must be unique. If symbolic names are used to define the encoding, only the symbolic names listed for each character should be used.

The code points for the `LC_SYNTAX` characters are set to the code points specified. Otherwise, they default to the code points for the respective characters from the `charmap` file, if the file is present, or to the code points of the respective characters in the IBM-1047 code page.
Note: LC_TOD and LC_SYNTAX are not supported for ASCII locales (a locale specification can not contain a definition for these categories). However, for consistency with EBCDIC locales, localedef generates default values for these categories in ASCII locale objects (the values generated for the C locale but with ASCII code points).

The following keywords are recognized:

**copy**
Specifies the name of an existing locale to be used as the source for the definition of this category. If you specify this keyword, no other keyword should be present.

If the locale is not found, an error is reported and no locale output is created. The *copy* keyword cannot specify a locale that also specifies the *copy* keyword for the same category.

**backslash**
Specifies a string that defines the value used to represent the backslash character. If this keyword is not specified, the value from the charmap file for the character `<backslash>`, `<reverse-solidus>`, or `<SM07>` is used, if it is present.

**right_brace**
Specifies a string that defines the value used to represent the right brace character. If this keyword is not specified, the value from the charmap file for the character `<right-brace>`, `<right-curly-bracket>`, or `<SM14>` is used, if it is present.

**left_brace**
Specifies a string that defines the value used to represent the left brace character. If this keyword is not specified, the value from the charmap file for the character `<left-brace>`, `<left-curly-bracket>`, or `<SM11>` is used, if it is present.

**right_bracket**
Specifies a string that defines the value used to represent the right bracket character. If this keyword is not specified, the value from the charmap file for the character `<right-square-bracket>`, or `<SM08>` is used, if it is present.

**left_bracket**
Specifies a string that defines the value used to represent the left bracket character. If this keyword is not specified, the value from the charmap file for the character `<left-square-bracket>`, or `<SM06>` is used, if it is present.

**circumflex**
Specifies a string that defines the value used to represent the circumflex character. If this keyword is not specified, the value from the charmap file for the character `<circumflex>`, `<circumflex-accent>`, or `<SD15>` is used, if it is present.

**tilde**
Specifies a string that defines the value used to represent the tilde character. If this keyword is not specified, the value from the charmap file for the character `<tilde>`, or `<SD19>` is used, if it is present.

**exclamation_mark**
Specifies a string that defines the value used to represent the exclamation mark character. If this keyword is not specified, the value from the charmap file for the character `<exclamation-mark>`, or `<SP02>` is used, if it is present.

**number_sign**
Specifies a string that defines the value used to represent the number sign
character. If this keyword is not specified, the value from the charmap file for the character <number-sign>, or <SM01> is used, if it is present.

**vertical_line**

Specifies a string that defines the value used to represent the vertical line character. If this keyword is not specified, the value from the charmap file for the character <vertical-line>, or <SM13> is used, if it is present.

**dollar_sign**

Specifies a string that defines the value used to represent the dollar sign character. If this keyword is not specified, the value from the charmap file for the character <dollar-sign>, or <SC03> is used, if it is present.

**commercial_at**

Specifies a string that defines the value used to represent the commercial at character. If this keyword is not specified, the value from the charmap file for the character <commercial-at>, or <SM05> is used, if it is present.

**grave_accent**

Specifies a string that defines the value used to represent the grave accent character. If this keyword is not specified, the value from the charmap file for the character <grave-accent>, or <SD13> is used, if it is present.

Here is an example of how the LC_SYNTAX category is defined:

```plaintext
escape_char  /
comment-char  %

LC_SYNTAX

backslash    "<backslash>"
right_brace  "<right-brace>"
left_brace   "<left-brace>"
right_bracket "<right-square-bracket>"
left_bracket "<left-square-bracket>"
circumflex   "<circumflex>"
tilde        "<tilde>"
exclamation_mark "<exclamation-mark>"
number_sign  "<number-sign>"
vertical_line "<vertical-line>"
dollar_sign  "<dollar-sign>"
commercial_at "<commercial-at>"
grave_accent "<grave-accent>"

END LC_SYNTAX
```

**Method files**

Method files can be used when creating ASCII locales. They specify the method functions used by the C run-time's locale-sensitive interfaces when the ASCII locale is activated.

IBM ships the method files used to build its ASCII locales in the /usr/lib/nls/method directory. These method files support various ASCII Latin 1 and non-Latin 1 single byte encodings, ASCII SJIS and EUC multibyte encodings and UTF-8 multibyte encodings.

By replacing the CHARMAP related method functions in a method file, users can create a locale which supports a user-defined code page. For each replaced
method, the method file supplies the user-written method function name, and optionally indicates where the method function code is to be found (.o file, archive library or DLL). The method source file maps method names to the National Language Support (NLS) subroutines that implement those methods. The method file also specifies the object libraries or DLL side decks where the implementing subroutines are stored. The methods correspond to those subroutines that require direct access to the data structures representing locale data.

Each user provided method must follow the standard interface defined for the API it implements and add an argument of type _LC_charmap_objhdl_t as the first argument. The _LC_charmap_objhdl_t is defined in the localedef.h header file.

Users can provide these CHARMAP methods via a DLL side deck, an archive library or an object file. The user-written method functions are used both by the locale-sensitive APIs they represent, and also by the localedef utility itself while generating the method-file based ASCII locale object. This second use by localedef itself causes a temporary DLL to be created while processing the CHARMAP file supplied on the -f parameter. The name of the file containing method objects or side deck information is passed by the localedef utility as a parameter on the c89 command line, so the standard archive/object/side deck suffix naming conventions apply (i.e. .a, .o, .x).

The following is the expected grammar for a method file:

method_def :
  "METHODS"
  method_assign_list "END METHODS"
  ;
method_assign_list :
  method_assign_list method_assign
  method_assign_list
method_assign :
  "csid" meth_name meth_lib_path
  "fnmatch" meth_name meth_lib_path
  "is_wctype" meth_name meth_lib_path
  "mblen" meth_name meth_lib_path
  "mbstowcs" meth_name meth_lib_path
  "mbtowc" meth_name meth_lib_path
  "regcomp" meth_name meth_lib_path
  "regerror" meth_name meth_lib_path
  "regexec" meth_name meth_lib_path
  "regfree" meth_name meth_lib_path
  "rpmatch" meth_name meth_lib_path
  "strcoll" meth_name meth_lib_path
  "strfmon" meth_name meth_lib_path
  "strftime" meth_name meth_lib_path
  "strptime" meth_name meth_lib_path
  "strxfrm" meth_name meth_lib_path
  "towlower" meth_name meth_lib_path
  "towupper" meth_name meth_lib_path
  "wcscoll" meth_name meth_lib_path
  "wcsftime" meth_name meth_lib_path
  "wcscid" meth_name meth_lib_path
  "wcs.width" meth_name meth_lib_path
  "wcswrxml" meth_name meth_lib_path
  "wctomb" meth_name meth_lib_path
  "wcwidth" meth_name meth_lib_path
  ;

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meth_name:
global_name
cfunc_name
;

global_name:
CSID_STD
FNmatch_C
FNmatch_STD
GET_WCTYPE_STD
IS_WCTYPE_SB
IS_WCTYPE_STD
LOCALCONV_STD
MBLEN_932
MBLEN_EUCJP
MBLEN_SB
MBSTOWCS_932
MBSTOWCS_EUCJP
MBSTOWCS_SB
MBTOWC_932
MBTOWC_EUCJP
MBTOWC_SB
REGCOMP_STD
REGERROR_STD
REGEXEC_STD
REGFREE_STD
RPMATCH_C
RPMATCH_STD
STRCOLL_C
STRCOLL_SB
STRCOLL_STD
STRFMON_STD
STRTIME_STD
STRPTIME_STD
STRXFRM_C
STRXFRM_SB
STRXFRM_STD
TOWLOWER_STD
TOWUPPER_STD
WCSCOLL_C
WCSCOLL_STD
WCSTIME_STD
WCSID_STD
WCSTOMBS_932
WCSTOMBS_EUCJP
WCSTOMBS_SB
WCSTOWidth_932
WCSTOWidth_EUCJP
WCSTOWidth_LATIN
WCXFRM_C
WCXFRM_STD
WCTOMB_932
WCTOMB_EUCJP
WCTOMB_SB
WCWIDTH_932
WCWIDTH_EUCJP
WCWIDTH_LATIN
;

Where cfunc_name is the name of a user supplied subroutine, and meth_lib_path is an optional path name for the file containing the compiled subroutine or a side-deck for the DLL containing the subroutine.

The localedef command parses this information to determine the methods to be used for this locale. The following subroutines must be specified in the method file:
The following additional subroutines are mandatory in AIX method files, but are not supported on z/OS and if specified are ignored:

mbtocp
mbstompsectomb
pcstomb
pcstombs

Any other method not specified in the method file retains the default. Mixing of user-written method function names (represented as cfunc_name in the grammar) and IBM-provided method function names (represented by global_name in the grammar) is not allowed. A method file should not include both. If the localedef command encounters both cfunc_name values and global_name values in a method file, an error is generated and the locale is not created.

It is not mandatory that the METHODS section specify the meth_lib_path name for all methods. The following is an example of how to specify the meth_lib_path and what the localedef passes on the c89 command invoking the binder when linking the method-based ASCII locale object:

METHODS

mblen "__mblen_myuni"
mbstowcs "__mbstowcs_myuni" "/u/my/libmyuni.a"
mbtowc "__mbtowc_myuni"
wcestombs "__wcstombs_myuni" "/u/gen/libgenuni.a"
wcswidth "__wcswidth_myuni"
wctomb "__wctomb_myuni"
wctwidth "__wcwidth_myuni" "/wcwidth.o"

In the example, libmyuni.a contains functions __mbstowcs_myuni and __mbtowc_myuni. Similarly, libgenuni.a contains functions __wcstombs_myuni, __wcswidth_myuni and __wctomb_myuni. The function __wcwidth_myuni is contained in the file wcwidth.o. If the function __mblen_myuni is not defined in either of the three files indicated, a locale object will not be created. For this example the localedef utility would invoke the binder using the following c89 command line:

c89 -o myuni.locale -Wl,xplink ./localefBGgfFcGAo ./localefBGgfFcGAo ./localefBGgfFcGAo ./localefBGgfFcGAo ./localefBGgfFcGAo /u/my/libmyuni.a /u/gen/libgenuni.a ./wcwidth.o

It is also possible to use the -L localedef option to specify the c89 -L library flags and only reference the library names in the method file following the liblibname.a convention.

If an individual method does not specify a meth_lib_path name, the method inherits the most recently specified meth_lib_path name. If no meth_lib_path name is specified in the METHODS section, the default run-time library side-deck is assumed. The files indicated by meth_lib_path names of all methods in the method file are used when linking the locale object. A concatenated list of all meth_lib_path names is specified on the link step. If multiple object libraries or side decks are specified, the same routine should not be defined in more than one of them. Unexpected results may occur if the method functions appear in more than one file, particularly if the duplicate copies are not identical. The binder could resolve a method function from a file different from the one given in the method file itself.
The method for the mbtowc and wcwidth subroutines should avoid calling other methods where possible.

Using the localedef utility

The locale objects or locales are generated using the localedef utility. The localedef utility:

1. Reads the locale definition file
2. Resolves all the character symbolic names to the values of characters defined in the specified character set definition file, (CHARMAP)
3. Produces a z/OS C source file.
4. Compiles the source file using the z/OS C compiler and link-edits the produced text module to produce a locale object. localedef produces ASCII locale objects as XPLINK DLL’s exclusively, while EBCDIC locales can be non-XPLINK objects or XPLINK DLL’s.

Note: AMODE 64 locales are always XPLINK locales, while 31-bit locales may be XPLINK or non-XPLINK.

The locale DLL object can be loaded by the setlocale() function and then accessed by the z/OS C/C++ functions that are sensitive to the cultural information, or that can query the locales. For a list of all the library functions sensitive to locale, see “Locale-sensitive interfaces” on page 702. For detailed information on how to invoke localedef, see “localedef Utility” in the z/OS C/C++ User’s Guide.

The locale DLL object created by localedef must adhere to certain naming conventions so that the locale can be used by the system. These conventions are outlined in “Locale naming conventions” on page 743.

XPLINK applications require XPLINK locale objects, and non-XPLINK applications require non-XPLINK locale objects. Likewise, AMODE 64 applications require AMODE 64 locale objects. localedef creates non-XPLINK locales by default. The option XPLINK causes the TSO localedef command (LOCALDEF) to produce an XPLINK locale object. The batch XPLINK localedef command (EDCXLDEF proc) produces an XPLINK locale object (while the batch localedef command (EDCLDEF) produces a non-XPLINK locale object). The -X parameter causes the UNIX System Services localedef command to generate an XPLINK locale object.

The TSO localedef (LOCALDEF) command and the batch XPLINK localedef command (EDCXLDEF proc) cannot be used to generate ASCII locales or AMODE 64 locales. Only the UNIX System Services localedef command may be used. ASCII locales are generated by specifying the -A localedef option on the command line of the UNIX System Services localedef command. AMODE 64 locales are generated by specifying the -6 option on the command line of the UNIX System Services localedef command. Specify both -A and -6 to produce locale objects which are both ASCII and AMODE 64. AMODE 64 locales are always XPLINK locales. The -X option is implicitly specified whenever the -6 option is specified. Users can supply functions for the methods referenced in the locale charmap category by indicating the -m method_file option on the command line.

The POSIX shell (/bin/sh) UNIX System Services shell, /bin/sh, is an example of a non-XPLINK application that uses locales. It needs non-XPLINK locales. If the shell invokes an XPLINK application that uses locales, the application will need an XPLINK version of the same locale. Usually, both XPLINK and non-XPLINK versions of a locale are needed whenever an XPLINK application is invoked from...
the shell, or when an XPLINK application invokes the shell or any other
non-XPLINK application. Likewise, usually both AMODE 64 and non-XPLINK
versions of a locale are needed whenever a AMODE 64 application is invoked from
the shell, or when a AMODE 64 application invokes the shell or any other
non-XPLINK application. The locale object naming conventions ensure that the
run-time library loads the appropriate version of the locale.

Locale naming conventions

The setlocale() library function that selects the active locale maps the descriptive
locale name into the name of the locale object before loading the locale and making it accessible.

In z/OS C/C++ programs, the locale modules are referred to by descriptive locale
names. The locale names themselves are not case sensitive. They follow these conventions:
<Language>-<Territory>.<Codeset>

Where:

Language

is a two-letter uppercase abbreviation for the language name. The abbreviations come from the ISO 639 standard.

 Territory

is a two-letter uppercase abbreviation for the territory name. The abbreviation comes from the ISO 3166 standard.

 Codeset

is the name registered by the MIT X Consortium that identifies the registration authority that owns the specific encoding.

A modifier may be added to the registered name but is not required. The modifier is of the form @codeset modifier and identifies the coded character set as defined by that registration authority.

The Codeset parts are optional. If they are not specified, Codeset defaults to IBM-nnn, where nnn is the default code page, which for EBCDIC locales is shown in Table 93 on page 745 and for ASCII locales in Table 94 on page 747 (The modifier portion defaults to nothing.)

For PDS resident locales, the mapping between the descriptive locale name and the eight-character name of the locale object is performed as follows:
1. The Language-Territory part is mapped into a two-letter LT code.
2. The Codeset part is mapped into a two-letter CC code.
3. The object name is built from a prefix, the two-letter LT code, and the two-letter
   CC code. The prefix 9 is one of the following:

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9. The @-sign in the PDS and HFS locale names always has Latin-1/Open Systems encoding. See IBM-1047 CHARMAP.
Table 92. Locale object prefix (continued)

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<td>AMODE 64 ASCII</td>
<td>CEZ$</td>
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For example:

- Non-XPLINK
  - Fr_BE.IBM-1148 maps to EDC$FBHO
  - Fr_BE.IBM-1148@euro maps to EDC@FBHO
  - Fr_BE.IBM-1148@preeuro maps to EDC3FBHO

- XPLINK
  - Fr_BE.IBM-1148 maps to CEH$FBHO
  - Fr_BE.IBM-1148@euro maps to CEH@FBHO
  - Fr_BE.IBM-1148@preeuro maps to CEH3FBHO

- ASCII
  - Fr_BE.ISO8859-1 maps to CEJ$FB11
  - Fr_BE.UTF-8 maps to CEJ$FBU8

- AMODE 64
  - Fr_BE.IBM-1148 maps to CEQ$FBHO
  - Fr_BE.IBM-1148@euro maps to CEQ@FBHO
  - Fr_BE.IBM-1148@preeuro maps to CEQ3FBHO

- AMODE 64 ASCII
  - Fr_BE.ISO8859-1 maps to CEJ$FB11
  - Fr_BE.UTF-8 maps to CEJ$FBU8

For HFS resident locales, the mapping between the descriptive locale name and the HFS file name is performed as follows:

1. The locale object file name starts out the same as the descriptive name.
2. If the locale object is XPLINK, add a suffix of ".xplink" to the end of the object file name.
3. If the locale object is AMODE 64, add a suffix of ".lp64" to the end of the object file name.

For example:

- Non-XPLINK
  - Fr_BE.IBM-1148 maps to Fr_BE.IBM-1148
  - Fr_BE.IBM-1148@euro maps to Fr_BE.IBM-1148@euro
  - Fr_BE.IBM-1148@preeuro maps to Fr_BE.IBM-1148@preeuro

- XPLINK
  - Fr_BE.IBM-1148 maps to Fr_BE.IBM-1148.xplink
  - Fr_BE.IBM-1148@euro maps to Fr_BE.IBM-1148@euro.xplink
  - Fr_BE.IBM-1148@preeuro maps to Fr_BE.IBM-1148@preeuro.xplink

- ASCII
  - Fr_BE.ISO8859-1 maps to Fr_BE.ISO8859-1.xplink
  - Fr_BE.UTF-8 maps to Fr_BE.UTF-8.xplink

- AMODE 64
  - Fr_BE.IBM-1148 maps to Fr_BE.IBM-1148.lp64
  - Fr_BE.IBM-1148@euro maps to Fr_BE.IBM-1148@euro.lp64
  - Fr_BE.IBM-1148@preeuro maps to Fr_BE.IBM-1148@preeuro.lp64

- AMODE 64 ASCII
  - Fr_BE.ISO8859-1 maps to Fr_BE.ISO8859-1.lp64
  - Fr_BE.UTF-8 maps to Fr_BE.UTF-8.lp64
The mapping between Language-Territory and the two-letter LT code is defined in the LT conversion table EDC$LCNM, built with assembler macros as follows:

```
EDC$LCNM TITLE 'LOCALE NAME CONVERSION TABLE'
EDC$LCNM CSECT
EDCLOCNM TYPE=ENTRY,LOCALE='DA_DK',CODESET='IBM-1047',CODE='DA'
EDCLOCNM TYPE=ENTRY,LOCALE='DE_BE',CODESET='IBM-1047',CODE='DB'
EDCLOCNM TYPE=ENTRY,LOCALE='DE_CH',CODESET='IBM-1047',CODE='DC'
EDCLOCNM TYPE=ENTRY,LOCALE='DE_DE',CODESET='IBM-1047',CODE='DD'
EDCLOCNM TYPE=ENTRY,LOCALE='JA_JP',CODESET='IBM-939',CODE='EJ'
:
EDCLOCNM TYPE=END
END EDC$LCNM
```

LOCALE specifies the name of Language-Territory, while CODE specifies the respective LT code.

You can customize this table by adding new LOCALE name mappings. z/OS C/C++ reserves alphabetic LT codes, but you can use codes containing numeric values for your own customized names.

The following Language-Territory names and their mappings into LT codes are provided:

*Table 93. Supported language-territory names and LT codes for EBCDIC locales*

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The mapping between Codeset and the two-letter CC code is defined in the CC conversion table EDCUCSNM. This table is built with assembler macros as follows:

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10. ASCII locale names can also be coded <uppercase><lowercase>_<uppercase><uppercase>. For example, both en_US and En_US are valid ASCII locale names.
CODESET specifies the name Codeset; CODE specifies the respective CC code.

You can customize this table by adding new CODESET names. The alphabetic codes in the first byte of each CC name are reserved by IBM for future use, but you can use codes starting with numeric values for your own customized names.

The following Codeset names and their mappings into CC codes are provided:

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<td>Greece</td>
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<td>ISO8859-9</td>
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<td>Thailand</td>
<td>BU</td>
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<tr>
<td>UTF-8</td>
<td>All Countries</td>
<td>F8</td>
</tr>
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</table>

The exceptions to the rule above are the following special locale names, which are already recognized:
- C (EBCDIC and ASCII)
- POSIX (EBCDIC and ASCII)
- SAA (EBCDIC only)
- S370 (EBCDIC only)

The special names C, POSIX, SAA, and S370 always refer to the built-in locales, which cannot be modified. The S370 locale and the following names are for locales in an old format, created with the EDCLOC assembler macro, rather than with the localedef utility:
- GERM (EBCDIC only)
- FRAN (EBCDIC only)
- UK (EBCDIC only)
- ITAL (EBCDIC only)
- SPAI (EBCDIC only)
- USA (EBCDIC only)

The EDCLOC generated locales are not supported in AMODE 64 applications.

You can use the following C macros, defined in the `locale.h` header file, as synonyms for the special locale names above. These macros can only be used for EBCDIC locales. The `<prefix>` in the Compiled locale column is EDC for non-XPLINK locales and CEH for XPLINK locales. The C macros for the locales which list a prefix in the Compiled locales column, are not defined for AMODE 64 compilations.
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<td>LC_POSIX</td>
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<td>Not applicable</td>
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<td>&lt;prefix&gt;$GERM</td>
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<td>&quot;SPAI&quot;</td>
<td>&lt;prefix&gt;$SPAI</td>
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<tr>
<td>LC_C_USA</td>
<td>&quot;USA&quot;</td>
<td>&lt;prefix&gt;$USA</td>
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The predefined name for the built-in locale in the old format is S370.

The rest of the special names refer to the EBCDIC locale objects whose names are built by prepending the letters EDC$ for non-XPLINK locales or CEH$ for XPLINK locales to the special name, as for EDC$FRAN.
Chapter 51. Customizing a locale

This chapter describes how you can create your own locales, based on the locale definition files supplied by IBM. See Appendix D, “Locales supplied with z/OS C/C++,” on page 849 for more information on the compiled locales and locale source files. The information in this chapter applies to the format of locales based on the localedef utility.

The following example assumes that the target of the generated locale will be a data set, but locales may also reside in an HFS (see “Locale naming conventions” on page 743 for differences in object names). In this example you will build a locale named TEXAN using the charmap file representing the IBM-1047 encoded character set. The locale is derived from the locale representing the English language and the cultural conventions of the United States. We will assume that non-XPLINK, XPLINK, and AMODE 64 applications will use the TEXAN locale. All three versions of the TEXAN locale will be generated.

1. See “Locale source files” on page 864 to determine the source of the locale you are going to use. In this case, it is the English language in the United States locale, the source for which is the member EDC$EUEY of the PDS CEE.SCEELOCX.

2. Copy the member EDC$EUEY from PDS CEE.SCEELOCX to the data set hlq.LOCALE.SOURCE which has been pre-allocated with the same attributes as CEE.SCEELOCX.

3. In your new file, change the locale variables to the desired values. For example, change

   d_t_fmt "%a %b %e %H:%M:%S %Z %Y"

   to

   d_t_fmt "Howdy Pardner %a %b %e %H:%M:%S %Z %Y"

4. This locale’s <Language>-<Territory> value is TEXAN. The <Codeset> value is IBM-1047. TEXAN is not a valid PDS resident locale name in the run-time library, because it does not appear in the run-time Locale Name Table. You must modify the table to include the TEXAN locale. Here are the steps to follow.

   a. Copy the member EDC$LCNM from PDS CEE.SCEESAMP to the data set hlq.LOCALE.TABLE which has been pre-allocated with the same attributes as CEE.SCEESAMP. The z/OS C/C++ Library uses this table to map locale code registry prefixes into two-character codes.

   b. For this example, insert a new line into the assembler table before the last EDC$LCNM TYPE=END entry:

      EDC$LCNM TYPE=ENTRY,LOCALE='TEXAN',CODESET='IBM-1047',CODE='1T'

5. Now that your locale name table has been modified, you must make it available to the system. Assemble the EDC$LCNM member and link-edit it into the hlq.LOCALE.LOADLIB load library with the member name EDC$LCNM. For our example, this is done as follows:

   //HLASM EXEC PGM=ASMA90
   //SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=*
   //SYSLIB DD DSN=SYSL.MACLIB,DISP=SHR
   // DD DSN=CEE.SCEEMAC,DISP=SHR
   //SYSUT1 DD UNIT=VIO,DISP=(NEW,DELETE),SPACE=(32000,(30,30))
   //SYSUT2 DD UNIT=VIO,DISP=(NEW,DELETE),SPACE=(32000,(30,30))
   //SYSUT3 DD UNIT=VIO,DISP=(NEW,DELETE),SPACE=(32000,(30,30))
   //SYSPUNCH DD DUMMY
   //SYSLIN DD DSN=<hlq>.LOCALE.OBJECT(EDC$LCNM),DISP=SHR
   //SYSIN DD DSN=<hlq>.LOCALE.TABLE(EDC$LCNM),DISP=SHR

   //
6. Generate the non-XPLINK, XPLINK and 64–bit locale objects into a load library. Note that both the XPLINK and 64–bit locale objects must be placed in a PDSE, while non-XPLINK locale objects may be in either a PDS or PDSE load library.

a. Determine the correct locale object names, using the locale naming Conventions outlined in "Locale naming conventions" on page 743. PDS resident locale object names are of the form <prefix><LT><CC>. For this non-XPLINK locale the <prefix> is EDC$, the <LT> code for TEXAN is IT and the <CC> code for IBM-1047 is EY. The non-XPLINK object name is therefore EDC$1TEY. For this XPLINK locale the <prefix> is CEH$. The <LT> and <CC> codes remain the same. The XPLINK object name is therefore CEH$1TEY. For this 64–bit locale the <prefix> is CEQ$. The <LT> and <CC> codes remain the same. The 64–bit locale object name is therefore CEQ$1TEY.

b. Use localedef to generate the locale objects.

- For non-XPLINK:
  
  //GENLOCNX EXEC PROC=EDCLDEF,
  // INFIL='hlq.LOCALE.SOURCE(TEXAN)',
  // OUTFIL='hlq.LOCALE.LOADLIB(EDC$1TEY),DISP=SHR',
  // LOPT='CHARMAP(IBM-1047)'

- For XPLINK:
  
  //GENLOCX EXEC PROC=EDCLDEF,
  // INFIL='hlq.LOCALE.SOURCE(TEXAN)',
  // OUTFIL='hlq.LOCALE.LOADLIB(CEH$1TEY),DISP=SHR',
  // LOPT='CHARMAP(IBM-1047)'

- For 64–bit

  The batch and TSO versions of the localedef utility cannot be used to generate 64–bit locales. The UNIX Systems Services utility must be used. To do this from TSO or batch the BPXBATCH utility can be used. See z/OS UNIX System Services Command Reference for more information about BPXBATCH. Here we will assume we are in a UNIX System Services shell session:

  cp "//hlq.LOCALE.SOURCE(TEXAN)" texan.localedef
  localedef -6 -i texan.localedef -f /usr/lib/nls/charmap/IBM-1047
  TEXAN.IBM-1047.1p64
  cp TEXAN.IBM-1047.1p64 "//hlq.LOCALE.LOADLIB(CEQ$1TEY)"

See z/OS C/C++ User’s Guide for detailed information about the batch and TSO versions of localedef utility. The UNIX System Services version of the localedef utility is also described in z/OS UNIX System Services Command Reference.

Note: The TEXAN locale uses one of the IBM supplied CHARMAPs. If you need to customize a CHARMAP, then you must define its two-letter <CC> code in the Codeset Name table EDCUCSNM. This is similar to defining the locale TEXAN in EDC$LCNM. The two-letter CHARMAP codes beginning with a number are reserved for customer use. This is the same as the convention for customer-supplied Locale Name <LT> codes in the Locale Name table. The <CC> portion of your locale object names would then change to be the new <CC> value you added to the Codeset Name table.
Using the customized locale

Your locale objects must be made available to your program before they can be used. For PDS and PDSE resident locales, your load library must be included in your program search order. For HFS resident locales, do one of the following:

- Copy your locales into the system default locale object directory
  
  /usr/lib/nls/locale.

- Update your LOCPATH environment variable to include the directory containing your locales.

For example, assume that the CCNGC11 program has been compiled with LP64 into an HFS executable called getlocname. Further assume that you have generated non-XPLINK, XPLINK and AMODE 64 HFS resident versions of the TEXAN locale into your current directory. The following commands make TEXAN available to non-XPLINK, XPLINK and AMODE 64 applications:

```
$ ls
TEXAN.IBM-1047 TEXAN.IBM-1047.xplink TEXAN.IBM-1047.lp64 getlocname
$ export LOCPATH=$PWD
$ export LC_ALL=TEXAN.IBM-1047
$ getlocname
Default NULL locale = C
Default "" locale = /u/marcw/TEXAN.IBM-1047
```

If getlocname was compiled non-XPLINK then the output would look like the following:

```
$ getlocname
Default NULL locale = C
Default "" locale = /u/marcw/TEXAN.IBM-1047
```

If getlocname was compiled XPLINK then the output would look like the following:

```
$ getlocname
Default NULL locale = C
Default "" locale = /u/marcw/TEXAN.IBM-1047.xplink
```

The customized locale is now ready to be used in these ways:

- Explicitly referenced by name in z/OS C/C++ application code that uses `setlocale()` calls referring to the locale descriptive name (recommended) such as:
  ```
  setlocale(LC_ALL, "TEXAN.IBM-1047");
  ```

  or by a short internal name (not recommended) such as:
  ```
  setlocale(LC_ALL, "ITEY");
  ```

- Explicitly referenced in the z/OS C/C++ initialization exit, using customized setup code in CEBINT.

- Implicitly specified in each user environment with environment variables.

**Note:** You cannot customize the built-in locales, C, POSIX, SAA, or S370. The locale source files EDC$POSX and EDC$SAAC are provided for reference only.

Referring explicitly to a customized locale

Here is a non-XPLINK program with an explicit reference to the TEXAN locale.
/* this example shows how to get the local time formatted by the */
/* current locale */

#include <stdio.h>
#include <time.h>
#include <locale.h>

int main(void){
    char dest[80];
    int ch;
    time_t temp;
    struct tm *timeptr;
    temp = time(NULL);
    timeptr = localtime(&temp);
    /* Fetch default locale name */
    printf("Default empty_str locale is \%s\n", setlocale(LC_ALL,""));
    ch = strftime(dest,sizeof(dest)-1, 
                "Local C datetime is \%c", timeptr);
    printf("\%s\n", dest);

    /* Set new Texan locale name */
    printf("New locale is \%s\n", setlocale(LC_ALL,"Texan.IBM-1047"));
    ch = strftime(dest,sizeof(dest)-1, 
                "Texan datetime is \%c", timeptr);
    printf("\%s\n", dest);

    return(0);
}

Figure 220. Referring explicitly to a customized locale

Compile the above program. Before you execute it, ensure the load library
containing the non-XPLINK version of the TEXAN locale and updated table is
available. If you compile your program XPLINK, ensure the load library containing
the XPLINK version of the TEXAN locale and updated Locale Name table is
available. If you compile your program LP64, ensure the load library containing the
64–bit version of the TEXAN locale and updated Locale Name table is available.

The output should be similar to:

Default empty_str locale is S370
Local C datetime is Fri Aug 20 14:58:12 1993
New locale is TEXAN
Texan datetime is Howdy Pardner Fri Aug 20 14:58:12 1993

For programs which are run POSIX(OFF), and which are not 64–bit programs, if the
second operand to setlocale() had been NULL, rather than "", the default locale
name returned would have been C.

setlocale(LC_ALL,"") returns "S370"
setlocale(LC_ALL,NULL) returns "C"

Note: For setlocale(LC_ALL,""), the result depends on the locale-related
environment variables, the POSIX run-time option, and whether the program
is AMODE 64 or not. See Chapter 53, “Definition of S370 C, SAA C, and
POSIX C locales,” on page 763 for more information about the definition of
the S370 locale.
Referring implicitly to a customized locale

An installation may require that a global mechanism should be used for all C programs. The exit CEEBINT may be used for this purpose. Users can insert a setlocale() call inside the routines referencing the locale required. Here is an example:

CCNGCL2

/* this example refers implicitly to a customized locale */

#ifdef __cplusplus
extern "C"{
#else
#pragma linkage(CEEBINT,OS)
#endif

void CEEBINT(int, int, int, int, void**, int, void**);
#endif

void CEEBINT(int, int, int, int, void**, int, void**);

#include <locale.h>
#include <stdio.h>

int main(void){
    printf("Default NULL locale = %s\n", setlocale(LC_ALL,NULL));
    printf("Default "\" locale = %s\n", setlocale(LC_ALL,""));
}

void CEEBINT(int number, int retcode, int rsncode, int fnccode, int userwd, void**a_main, int userwd, void**a_exits)
{ /* user code goes here */
    printf("CEEBINT entry. number = %i\n", number);
    printf("Locale = %s\n", setlocale(LC_ALL,"Texan.IBM-1047"));
}

Figure 221. Referring implicitly to a customized locale

If the above example is compiled and executed with the TEXAN locale, the results are as follows:

    CEEBINT entry. number = 7
    Locale = TEXAN.IBM-1047
    Default NULL locale = TEXAN.IBM-1047
    Default "" locale = S370

The exit CEEBINT may provide a uniform way of restricting the use of customized locales across an installation. To do this, a system programmer can compile CEEBINT separately, and link it with the application program that will use it. The disadvantage to this approach is that CEEBINT must be link-edited into each user module explicitly. See Chapter 39, "Using run-time user exits," on page 579 for more information about user exits.
If you run this program above as is without calling setenv(), you can expect the following result (for a 31-bit, POSIX(OFF), program):

Default NULL locale = C
Default "" locale = S370

On the other hand, if you issue the above setenv() call after main() but before the first printf() statement, the LC_ALL variable will be set to "TEXAN.IBM-1047" and you can expect this result instead:

Default NULL locale = C
Default "" locale = TEXAN.IBM-1047

In the example above, the default NULL locale returns C because the value of LC_ALL does not affect the current locale until the next setlocale(LC_ALL,"") is done. When this call is made, the LC_ALL environment variable will be used and the locale will be set to TEXAN.IBM-1047.

For more information about setting environment variables, see Chapter 31, “Using environment variables,” on page 457.

The names of the environment variables match the names of the locale categories:
- LC_ALL
- LC_COLLATE
- LC_CTYPE
- LC_MONETARY
- LC_NUMERIC
- LC_TIME
- LC_TOD
- LC_SYNTAX

See z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference for information about setlocale().

Customizing your installation: When z/OS C/C++ initializes its environment, it uses the C locale as its default locale. The only values that may be customized when z/OS Language Environment is installed are those defined in the TZ or _TZ environment variable, which can override LC_TOD category values in the default locale. Details on this customization are provided in Chapter 52, “Customizing a time zone,” on page 761.
Chapter 52. Customizing a time zone

You can customize time zone information using the following:

- LC_TOD category of a locale
  
  You can customize the LC_TOD category in a locale to a particular time zone. The LC_TOD category binds each C++ locale to one time zone. For more information on customizing the LC_TOD category, see "LC_TOD category" on page 734 and Chapter 51, “Customizing a locale,” on page 755.

- TZ or __TZ environment variable
  
  In a distributed environment, you might have users in several time zones. You can use the TZ or __TZ environment variable to set each time zone. The user of your application can use the ENVAR run-time option with the TZ or __TZ environment variable to select the appropriate time zone.

  For POSIX(ON) programs the TZ environment variable is used. For POSIX(OFF) programs the __TZ environment variable is used. If neither TZ nor __TZ are defined, time zone information is obtained from the LC_TOD category of the current locale.

Using the TZ or __TZ environment variable to specify time zone

The C++ run-time library assumes times returned by the operating system are stored using Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) or Universal Time Coordinated (UTC). This time is referred to as the universal reference time. You can use the TZ or __TZ environment variable to specify information at run time. The C++ run-time library uses this information to map universal reference times to local times.

The format of the TZ or __TZ environment variable is:

TZ=standardHH[:MM[:SS]]
[daylight[HH[:MM[:SS:]]]
[,startdate[/starttime],enddate[/endtime]]

The value of the TZ or __TZ environment variable has the following five fields (two required and three optional):

**standard**
An alphabetic abbreviation for the local standard time zone (for example, GMT, EST, MSEZ).

**HH[:MM[:SS]]**

The time offset westward from the universal reference time. A leading minus sign (-) means that the local time zone is east of the universal reference time. An offset of this form must follow standard and can also optionally follow daylight. An optional colon (:) separates hours from optional minutes and seconds.

If daylight is specified without a daylight offset, daylight savings time is assumed to be one hour ahead of the standard time.

**[daylight]**

The abbreviation for your local daylight savings time zone. If the first and third fields are identical, or if the third field is missing, daylight savings time conversion is disabled. The number of hours, minutes, and seconds your local daylight savings time is offset from UTC when daylight savings time is in effect. If the daylight savings time abbreviation is specified and the offset omitted, the offset of one hour is assumed.
A rule that identifies the start and end of daylight savings time, specifying when daylight savings time should be in effect. Both the **startdate** and **enddate** must be present and must either take the form Jn, n, or Mm.n.d where:

- Jn is the Julian day n (1 <= n <=365) and does not account for leap days.
- n is the zero-based Julian day (0 <= n <= 365). Leap days are counted; therefore, you can refer to February 29th.
- For Mm.n.d, (0 <= n <= 6) of week n of month m of the year (1 <= n <=5, 1 <= m <= 12) where week 5 is the last d day in month m, which may occur in either the fourth or fifth week. Week 1 is the first week in which the d day occurs, and day zero is Sunday.

Neither **starttime** nor **endtime** are required, and when omitted, their values default to 02:00:00. If this daylight savings time rule is omitted altogether, the values in the rule default to the standard American daylight savings time rules starting at 02:00:00 the first Sunday in April and ending at 02:00:00 the last Sunday in October.

### Relationship between TZ or _TZ and LC_TOD

The C/C++ run-time library uses time zone information specified by the TZ or _TZ environment variable to convert universal reference times to local times. When neither the TZ nor _TZ variable are defined, the C/C++ run-time library uses time zone information specified by the LC_TOD category of the current locale to map universal reference times to local times. If LC_TOD in the current locale has not been customized, the C/C++ run-time library uses the time zone of the system on which C/C++ is installed. See [Chapter 51, “Customizing a locale,” on page 755](#) for information about customizing LC_TOD.

**Note:** The time zone external variables, **tzname**, **timezone**, and **daylight**, declarations remain feature test protected in `time.h`. Definition of these external variables are only known to the C/C++ run-time library if the z/OS UNIX System Services C/C++ signature CSECT is link edited with your C/C++ application.
Chapter 53. Definition of S370 C, SAA C, and POSIX C locales

The POSIX, SAA, and S370 locales are pre-built locales used as defaults by the C run-time library. The POSIX locale complies with the standard UNIX definition and supports the z/OS UNIX environment. The SAA locale, which provides compatibility with previous releases of C/370, is consistent with the POSIX model, but varies slightly with respect to several values. The S370 locale, which is not supported for AMODE 64 applications, is compatible with an older format generated by the EDCLOC assembler macro rather than through the use of the localedef utility.

The POSIX definition of the C locale is described below, with the IBM extensions LC_SYNTAX and LC_TOD showing their default values.

The SAA and S370 definitions of the C locale are different from the POSIX definition; consistency with previous releases of z/OS C/C++ is provided for migration compatibility. The differences are described in "Differences between SAA C and POSIX C locales" on page 769.

The relationship between the POSIX C and SAA C locales is as follows. If you are running with the run-time option POSIX(Off):

1. The SAA C locale definition is the default. "C", "SAA", and "S370" are treated as synonyms for the SAA C locale definition, which is prebuilt into the library.

   The source file EDC$SAAC Locale is provided for reference, but cannot be used to alter the definition of this prebuilt locale.

2. Issuing setlocale (category, "") has the following effect:
   - First, locale-related environment variables are checked for the locale name to use in setting the category specified. Querying the locale with setlocale (category, NULL) returns the name of the locales specified by the appropriate environment variables.
   - If no non-null environment variable is present, then it is the equivalent of having issued setlocale (category, "S370"). That is, the locale chosen is the SAA C locale definition, and querying the locale with setlocale (category, NULL) returns "S370" as the locale name.

3. If no setlocale() function is issued, or setlocale (LC_ALL, "C"), then the locale chosen is the pre-built SAA C locale, and querying the locale with setlocale (category, NULL) returns "C" as the locale name.

4. For setlocale (LC_ALL, "SAA"), the locale chosen is the pre-built SAA C locale, and querying the locale with setlocale (category, NULL) returns "SAA" as the locale name.

5. For setlocale (LC_ALL, "S370"), the locale chosen is the pre-built SAA C locale, and querying the locale with setlocale (category, NULL) returns "S370" as the locale name. AMODE 64 applications do not support the "S370" locale, and setlocale will fail requests for that name.

6. For setlocale (LC_ALL, "POSIX"), the locale chosen is the pre-built POSIX C locale, and querying the locale with setlocale (category, NULL) returns "POSIX" as the locale name.

If you are running with the run-time option POSIX(On):

1. The POSIX C locale definition is the default. "C" and "POSIX" are synonyms for the POSIX C locale definition, which is prebuilt into the library.

   The source file EDC$POSX Locale is provided for reference, but cannot be used to alter the definition of this pre-built locale.
2. Issuing `setlocale(category, "")` has the following effect:
   - Locale-related environment variables are checked to find the name of locales that can set the `category` specified. Querying the locale with `setlocale(category, NULL)` returns the name of the locale specified by the appropriate environment variables.
   - If no non-null environment variable is present, then the result is equivalent to having issued `setlocale(category, "C")`. That is, the locale chosen is the POSIX C locale definition, and querying the locale with `setlocale(category, NULL)` returns "C" as the locale name.

3. If no `setlocale()` function is issued, or if `setlocale(LC_ALL, "C")` is used, then the locale chosen is the pre-built POSIX C locale. Querying the locale with `setlocale(category, NULL)` returns "C" as the locale name.

4. For `setlocale(LC_ALL, "POSIX")`, the locale chosen is the pre-built POSIX C locale, and querying the locale with `setlocale(category, NULL)` returns "POSIX" as the locale name.

5. For `setlocale(LC_ALL, "SAA")`, the locale chosen is the pre-built SAA C locale. Querying the locale with `setlocale(category, NULL)` returns "SAA" as the locale name.

6. For `setlocale(LC_ALL, "S370")`, the locale chosen is the pre-built SAA C locale. Querying the locale with `setlocale(category, NULL)` returns "S370" as the locale name. As with POSIX(OFF), AMODE 64 applications do not support the "S370" locale and `setlocale()` will fail requests for that name.

The `setlocale()` function supports locales built using the localedef utility, as well as locales built using the assembler source and produced by the EDCLOC macro. However, locales built using EDCLOC are not supported when running AMODE 64 applications.

The LC_TOD category for the SAA C and POSIX C locales can be customized during installation of the library by your system programmer. See [Customizing your installation](#) on page 760 for more information. The supplied default will obtain the time zone difference from the operating system. However, it will not define the daylight savings time.

The LC_SYNTAX category for the SAA C and POSIX C locales is set to the IBM-1047 definition of the variant characters.

The other locale categories for the POSIX C locale are as follows.

- **escape_char** /
- **comment_char** /
- **LC_CTYPE** /
- **LC_TOD** /
- **LC_T equivalent** /
- **LC_SYNTAX** /
- **LC妚** /
- **LC_TOD** /
- **LC_T equivalent** /
- **LC_SYNTAX** /

% "alpha" is by default "upper" and "lower"
% "alnum" is by definition "alpha" and "digit"
% "punct" is by default "alnum", "punct" and <space> character
% "punct" is by default "alnum" and "punct"

upper  <A>;<B>;<C>;<D>;<E>;<F>;<G>;<H>;<I>;<J>;<K>;<L>;<M>;/<
         <N>;<O>;<P>;<Q>;<R>;<S>;<T>;<U>;<V>;<W>;<X>;<Y>;<Z>
lower  <a>;<b>;<c>;<d>;<e>;<f>;<g>;<h>;<i>;<j>;<k>;<l>;<m>;/<
         <n>;<o>;<p>;<q>;<r>;<s>;<t>;<u>;<v>;<w>;<x>;<y>;<z>

digit   <zero>;<one>;<two>;<three>;<four>;/

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END LC_CTYPE

%%%%%%
LC_COLLATE
%%%%%%

order_start
% ASCII Control characters
<NUL>
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<STX>
<ETX>
<ENQ>
<EOT>
<ACK>
<CR>
<alert>
<backspace>
<tab>

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<carriage-return>
<SO>
<SI>
<DEL>

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Chapter 53. Definition of S370 C, SAA C, and POSIX C locales
LC_NUMERIC

decimal_point "<period>"
thousands_sep ""
grouping ""

END LC_NUMERIC

LC_TIME

abday "<S><u><n>";/
"<M><o><n>";/
"<T><u><e>";/
"<W><e><d>";/
"<T><h><u>";/
"<F><r><i>";/
"<S><a><t>";

day "<S><u><n><d><a><y>";/
"<M><o><n><d><a><y>";/
"<T><u><e><s><d><a><y>";/
"<W><e><d><n><e><s><d><a><y>";/
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"<F><r><i><d><a><y>";
"<S><a><t><u><r><d><a><y>"

abmon "<J><a><n>";/
"<F><e><b>";/
"<M><a><r>";/
"<A><p><r>";/
"<M><a><y>";/
"<J><u><n>";/
"<J><u><l>";/
"<A><u><g>";/
"<S><e><p>";/
"<O><c><t>";/
"<N><o><v>";/
"<D><e><c>"

mon "<J><a><n><u><a><r><y>";/
"<F><e><b><r><u><a><r><y>";/
"<M><a><r><c><h>";/
"<A><p><i><l>";/
"<M><a><y>";/
"<J><u><n><e>";/
"<J><u><l>y>";/
"<A><u><g>u><s><t>";/
"<S><e><p><t><e><m><b><e><r>";/
"<O><c><t><o><b><e><r>";/
"<N><o><v><e><m><b><e><r>";/
"<D><e><c><e><m><b><e><r>"

% equivalent of AM/PM (%p)

am_pm "<A><M>";"<P><M>"

% appropriate date and time representation (%c) "%a %b %e %H:%M:%S %Y"

d_t_fmt "< percent-sign >%a< space >%b< space >%e< space >%H< colon >%M < colon >%S < space >%Y "

% appropriate date representation (%x) "%m/%d/%y"

d_fmt "< percent-sign >%m< slash >%d< slash >%y "

% appropriate time representation (%x) "%H:%M:%S"

t_fmt "< percent-sign >%H< colon >%M< colon >%S "

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% appropriate 12-hour time representation (%r) "%I:%M:%S %p"
\texttt{t_fmt_ampm "<percent-sign><I><colon><percent-sign><M><colon><percent-sign><S>/<space><percent-sign><p>"

\texttt{END LC_TIME}
\texttt{--------------------}
\texttt{LC_MESSAGES}
\texttt{--------------------}

\texttt{yesexpr "<circumflex><left-square-bracket><y><Y><right-square-bracket>"}
\texttt{noexpr  "<circumflex><left-square-bracket><n><N><right-square-bracket>"}
\texttt{END LC_MESSAGES}

Differences between SAA C and POSIX C locales

In fact, there are three built-in locales, S370 C, SAA C, and POSIX C. The default locale at your site depends on the system that is running the application. Issuing \texttt{setlocale(LC_ALL,"")} sets the default, based on the current environment. Issuing \texttt{setlocale(LC_ALL,"SAA")} sets the SAA C locale, even when you are running with the POSIX(ON) run-time option. Likewise, \texttt{setlocale(LC_ALL,"POSIX")} sets the POSIX locale.

If you are running in a C locale, one way you can determine whether the SAA C or the POSIX locale is in effect is to check whether the cent sign (' at X'4A') is defined as a punctuation character. Under the default POSIX support, the cent sign is not part of the POSIX portable character set. The following code illustrates how to perform this test:

\texttt{CCNGDL1}

\begin{verbatim}
/* this example shows how to determine whether the SAA C or POSIX */
/* locale is in effect */
#include <stdio.h>
#include <ctype.h>

int main(void)
{
  if (ispunct(0x4A)) {
    printf(" cent sign is punct\n");
    printf(" current locale is SAA- or S370-like\n");
  }
  else {
    printf(" cent sign is not punct\n");
    printf(" default locale is POSIX-like\n");
  }

  return(0);
}
\end{verbatim}

\textit{Figure 223. Determining which locale is in effect}

Under the SAA or System/370 default locales, the lowercase letters collate before the uppercase letters, whereas under the POSIX definition, the lowercase letters collate after the uppercase letters. The locale "" is the same locale as the one obtained from \texttt{setlocale(LC_ALL,"")}. For more detail on these special environment variables, see \textbf{Chapter 31, "Using environment variables," on page 457}.

Other differences between the SAA C locale and the POSIX C locale are as follows:
<mb_cur_max> The POSIX C locale is built using coded character set IBM-1047, with <mb_cur_max> as 1.
The SAA C locale is built using coded character set IBM-1047, with <mb_cur_max> as 4.

The cent sign In the default POSIX support, the cent sign (¢) is not part of the POSIX portable character set, but in the SAA locale it is defined as a punctuation character.

Collation weight by case In the POSIX definition, the lowercase letters collate after the uppercase letters, whereas in the SAA or System/370 default locales, the lowercase letters collate before the uppercase letters.

LC_CTYPE category The SAA C locale has all the EBCDIC control characters defined in the 'cntrl' class. The POSIX C locale has only the ASCII control characters in the 'cntrl' class.
The SAA C locale includes ¢ (the cent character) and ‖ (the broken vertical line) as 'punct' characters. The POSIX C locale does not group these characters as 'punct' characters.

LC_COLLATE category The default collation for the SAA C locale is the EBCDIC sequence. The POSIX C locale uses the ASCII collation sequence; the first 128 ASCII characters are defined in the collation sequence, and the remaining EBCDIC characters are at the end of the collating sequence.

LC_TIME category The SAA C locale uses the date and time format (d_t_fmt) as "%Y/%M/%D %X", whereas the POSIX C locale uses "%a %d %H/%M/%S %Y".
The SAA C locale uses the strings "am" and "pm", whereas the POSIX C locale uses "AM" and "PM".
Chapter 54. Code set conversion utilities

This chapter describes the code set conversion utilities supported by the z/OS C/C++ compiler. These utilities are as follows:

**genxlt utility**
Generates a translation table for use by the iconv utility and iconv() functions.

**iconv utility**
Converts a file from one code set encoding to another.

**iconv() functions**
Perform code set translation. These functions are iconv_open(), iconv(), and iconv_close(). They are used by the iconv utility and may be called from any z/OS C/C++ program requiring code set translation.

**uconvdef utility**
Handles Universal-coded character sets. Creates binary conversion tables that define mapping between UCS-2 and multibyte code sets.


### The genxlt utility

The genxlt utility reads a source translation file from InputFile, writes the compiled version to OutputFile, and then generates the translation load module. The source translation file provides the conversion specification from fromCodeSet to toCodeSet. The source translation file contains directives that are acted upon by the genxlt utility to produce the compiled version of the translation table.

The name of the conversion programs have the following naming conventions:

- The name starts with a four letter prefix. The prefix is EDCU for non-XPLINK converters, CEHU for XPLINK converters, and CEQU for AMODE 64 converters.
- The prefix is followed by the two-letter CC code that corresponds to the CodesetRegistry.CodesetEncoding name of the fromCodeSet defined in the Table 95 on page 750.
- The first CC code is followed by the two-letter CC code that corresponds to the CodesetRegistry.CodesetEncoding name of the toCodeSet defined in the Table 95 on page 750.

To generate your own conversions, you must modify the codeset name table EDCUCSNM with the macros described in [“Locale naming conventions” on page 743.](https://www.ibm.com/support/docview/127368) For descriptions of the genxlt and iconv utilities, refer to [z/OS C/C++ User’s Guide](https://www.ibm.com/support/docview/127366).

There is also a UNIX System Services iconv utility, which is described in [z/OS UNIX System Services Command Reference](https://www.ibm.com/support/docview/127386).

### The iconv utility

The iconv utility reads characters from the input file, converts them from fromCodeSet encoding to toCodeSet encoding, and writes them to the output file.
The conversion is performed by the code conversion functions of the run-time library. They are described in [Code conversion functions.](z/OS UNIX System Services Command Reference) The tables used are determined by the CC codes of the fromCodeSet and toCodeSet appended to the four-character prefix. The prefix is EDCU for non-XPLINK converters, CEHU for XPLINK converters, and CEQU for AMODE 64 converters. See [z/OS C/C++ User's Guide](z/OS C/C++ User's Guide) for descriptions of the genxlt and iconv utilities. There is also a UNIX System Services iconv utility, which is described in [z/OS UNIX System Services Command Reference](z/OS UNIX System Services Command Reference).

The iconv utility can also perform bidirectional layout transformation (such as shaping and reordering) while converting from fromCodeSet to toCodeSet according to the value of an environment variable called _BIDION. The value of this variable is either set to TRUE to activate the BiDi layout transformation or FALSE to prevent the bidirectional layout transformation. If this variable is not defined in the environment it defaults to FALSE. The _BIDIATTR environment variable can be used to contain the bidirectional attributes (for information on bidirectional layout transformation see [Chapter 56, “Bidirectional language support,” on page 825](z/OS C/C++ User's Guide) which will determine the way the bidirectional transformation takes place. These two environment variables are described in [Chapter 31, “Using environment variables,” on page 457](z/OS C/C++ User's Guide).

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### Code conversion functions

The `iconv_open()`, `iconv()`, and `iconv_close()` library functions can be called from C or C++ source to initialize and perform the characters conversions from one character set encoding to another.

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### Code set converters supplied

There is a set of code set converters that are provided in the National Language Resources component of z/OS Language Environment. Consult your system programmer to see whether this component has been installed on your system.

The converters are as follows:

**Round Trip Conversions(RTC) or Customized**
- Round Trip Conversions(C-RTC), which means round trip with exceptions.

**Conversions:**
- Latin-1 EBCDIC to/from Latin-1 EBCDIC: RTC
- Non-Latin-1 EBCDIC to/from Latin-1 EBCDIC: RTC
- Latin-1 ASCII to/from Latin-1 EBCDIC: C-RTC
- Non_Latin-1 ASCII to/from Latin-1 EBCDIC: C-RTC

Example of Customized Round Trip Conversions(C-RTC) is IBM-850 to/from IBM-1047 conversion.

#### Customized Round Trip Conversion

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<th>IBM-850</th>
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<tr>
<td>DA</td>
<td>-&gt; 3F</td>
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<tr>
<td>0A</td>
<td>&lt;= 25</td>
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</table>

The code set converters provided as programs are shown in [Table 97 on page 773](z/OS C/C++ Programming Guide).

The GENXLT source for the code set converters are shipped in the CEE.SCEEGXLT data set.
Notes:

1. The <prefix> in the Program Name column is shown in the following table:

   Table 96. Referencing data types

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2. Specify IBM-932C or IBM-eucJC as the iconv_open() source or target code set name to set up for conversion of POSIX data encoded by IBM-932 or IBM-eucJP to or from a host code set encoding of the data such as IBM-930 or IBM-939.

   Examples of POSIX data are C/C++ source and shell scripts. The data includes characters from the POSIX character set. The names IBM-932C and IBM-eucJC indicate that the <yen> and <overline> characters in POSIX data encoded by IBM-932 or IBM-eucJP map to the <backslash> and <tilde> characters, respectively, when the data is converted to or from host encodings.

   Table 97. Coded character set conversion tables

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Universal coded character set converters

You can use the name UCS-2 to request setup for conversion to and from the Universal Two-Octet Coded Character Set, UCS-2, specified in ISO/IEC International Standard 10646–1. For example, `iconv_open("UCS-2", "IBM-1047")` requests setup for conversion from IBM-1047 character encoding to UCS-2 character encoding.

You can also use the name UTF-8 to request setup for conversion to and from Transform Format 8, UTF-8, specified in Unicode Standard, Version 2.1, Appendices A-7 and A-8. For example, `iconv_open("UTF-8", "IBM-1047")` requests setup for conversion from IBM-1047 character encoding to UTF-8 character encoding.

Source for UCS-2 converters resides in a data set named `installation-prefix.SCEEUMAP`, where the installation prefix for z/OS C/C++ data sets defaults to CEE. UCS-2 source is also installed in the hierarchical file system (HFS) directory `/usr/lib/nls/locale/ucmap`.

The `uconvdef` command, which is documented in [z/OS UNIX System Services Command Reference](https://publib.boulder.ibm.com/infocenter/zos/v2r12/topic/com.ibm.zos.v2r12.doc.closeupreg/zhwq099.htm), produces `uconvTable` binary files required by `uconv_open()` from UCS-2 source files. Table 98 on page 797 lists coded character sets for which z/OS C/C++ provides UCS-2 source and `uconvTable` binaries. The `uconvTable` binaries reside in a data set named `installation-prefix.SCEEUTBL`. The same as for the UCS-2 source data set, the default value of the installation-prefix is CEE.

Notes:

1. If your installation uses an installation-prefix different from CEE for z/OS C/C++ data sets, you must use the environment variable `_ICONV_UCS2_PREFIX` to specify...
the value of your installation-prefix before using `iconv_open()` to set up UCS-2 converters. Otherwise, `iconv_open()` cannot find your z/OS C/C++ uconvTable binary data set. One way to do this is to use the ENVAR run-time option when you start your application. For example, `ENVAR(..., _ICONV_UCS2_PREFIX=OUR.PREFIX, ...)` has `iconv_open()` search for uconvTable binaries it requires in the data set `OUR.PREFIX.SCEEUTBL`.

2. The uconvTable binaries are also installed in the HFS directory named `/usr/lib/nls/locale/uconvTable`. The `iconv_open()` function searches for uconvTable binaries in the HFS before looking in the z/OS C/C++ UCS-2 data set.

3. You can use the LOCPATH environment variable to give `iconv_open()` a colon-separated list of pathname prefixes to use instead of `/usr/lib/nls/locale/` to find uconvTable directories in your HFS.

4. UCS-2 source and binaries found in installation-prefix.SCEEUMAP and installation-prefix.SCEEUTBL data sets (or corresponding HFS directories), respectively, pertain to conversions to and from UTF-8 as well as UCS-2.

Members in the z/OS C/C++ UCS-2 source and uconvTable binary data sets have names of the form `EDCUUccU`; where `cc` is the CC-id associated with a particular coded character set name. Table 98 shows the CC-id and member name associated with each coded character set name for which z/OS C/C++ provides source and a uconvTable binary in UCS-2 data sets.

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Codeset conversion using UCS-2

z/OS C/C++ iconv supports use of UCS-2 as an intermediate code set for conversion of characters encoded in one code set to another. The _ICONV_UCS2 environment variable instructs iconv_open("Y", "X") whether or not to set up indirect conversion from code set X to code set Y using UCS-2 as an intermediate code set. Values iconv_open() recognizes for _ICONV_UCS2 are:

1. Set up indirect conversion using UCS-2 first. The indirect conversions will use direct unicode converters if available, if not, iconv_open() will fopen/fread uconvTable binaries. If set up of indirect conversion fails, iconv_open() will try to set up direct conversion.

2. Set up direct conversion first. If this fails, try to set up indirect conversion using UCS-2. The indirect conversions will use direct unicode converters if available, if not, iconv_open() will fopen/fread uconvTable binaries. This is the default.

3. Set up direct conversion first. If this fails, try to set up indirect conversion using UCS-2. The indirect conversions will use direct unicode converters, if direct unicode converters are unavailable, the iconv_open() request fails.

N  Never set up indirect conversion using UCS-2. If a direct converter cannot be found, the iconv_open() request fails.

D  Never set up indirect conversion using UCS-2. If a direct converter cannot be found, the iconv_open() request fails.

O  Only set up indirect conversion using UCS-2. iconv_open() will fopen/fread uconvTable binaries. Direct unicode converters will not be used. If required uconvTable binaries cannot be found, the iconv_open() request fails.

U  Only set up indirect conversion using UCS-2. The indirect conversions will use direct unicode converters if available, if not, iconv_open() will fopen/fread uconvTable binaries.

Notes:

1. If the value of the _ICONV_UCS2 environment variable allows iconv_open("Y", "X") to use UCS-2 as an intermediate code set when it cannot find a direct converter from X to Y, iconv_open() will attempt to do so even if X and Y are not compatible code sets. That is, even if character sets encoded by X and Y are not the same, iconv_open() will set up conversion from X to UCS-2 to Y.
2. The application must specify compatible source and target code set names on various iconv_open() requests. For example, this can be accomplished by using a code set registry such as is used by DCE to prevent iconv setup for conversion from incompatible code sets.

**UCMAP source format**

A UCMAP source file defines UCS-2 (Unicode) conversion mappings for input to the uconvdef command. Conversion mapping values are defined using UCS-2 symbolic character names followed by character encoding (code point) values for the multibyte code set. For example:

```
<U0020>
\x20 represents the mapping between the <U0020> UCS-2 symbolic character name for the space character and the \x20 hexadecimal code point for the space character in ASCII.
```

In addition to the code set mappings, directives are interpreted by the uconvdef command to produce the compiled table. These directives must precede the code set mapping section. They consist of the following keywords surrounded by <> (angle brackets), starting in column 1, followed by white space and the value to be assigned to the symbol:

```
<comment_char>
Character used to denote start of escape sequence. Default escape character is <number_sign> (#). In cmap, source shipped by C/370 <percent_sign> (%) is specified for <comment_char>.

<escape_char>
Character used to denote start of escape sequence. Default escape character is <backslash> (/). In cmap source shipped by C/370 <slash> (/) is specified for <escape_char>.

<code_set_name>
The name of the coded character set, enclosed in quotation marks("), for which the character set description file is defined.

<mb_cur_max>
The maximum number of bytes in a multibyte character. The default value is 1.

<mb_cur_min>
An unsigned positive integer value that defines the minimum number of bytes in a character for the encoded character set. The value is less than or equal to <mb_cur_max>. If not specified, the minimum number is equal to <mb_cur_max>.

<char_name_mask>
A quoted string consisting of format specifiers for the UCS-2 symbolic names. This must be a value of AXXXX, indicating an alphabetic character followed by 4 hexadecimal digits. Also, the alphabetic character must be a U, and the hexadecimal digits must represent the UCS-2 code point for the character. An example of a symbolic character name based on this mask is <U0020> Unicode space character.

<uconv_class>
Specifies the type of the code set. It must be one of the following:

- **SBCS** Single-byte encoding
- **DBCS** Stateless double-byte, single-byte, or mixed encodings
EBCDIC_STATEFUL
Stateful double-byte, single-byte, or mixed encodings

MBCS  Stateless multibyte encoding

This type is used to direct uconvdef on the type of table to build. It is also stored in
the table to indicate the type of processing algorithm in the UCS conversion
methods.

<locale>
Specifies the default locale name to be used if locale information is needed.

<subchar>
Specifies the encoding of the default substitute character in the multibyte
code set.

The mapping definition section consists of a sequence of mapping definition lines
preceded by a CHARMAP declaration and terminated by an END CHARMAP
declaration. Empty lines and lines containing <comment_char> in the first column
are ignored.

Symbolic character names in mapping lines must follow the pattern specified in the
<char_name_mask>, except for the reserved symbolic name, <unassigned>, that
indicates the associated code points are unassigned.

Each noncomment line of the character set mapping definition must be in one of the
following formats:
1. "%s%s%s/n",<symbolic_name>,<encoding>,<comments>
   <U3004> \x81\x57
   This format defines a single symbolic character name and a corresponding
   encoding.
   The encoding part is expressed as one or more concatenated decimal,
   hexadecimal, or octal constants in the following formats:
   • "%cd%d",<escape_char>, <decimal byte value>
   • "%cx%x",<escape_char>,<hexadecimal byte value>
   • "%c%o",<escape_char>,<octal byte value>
   Decimal constants are represented by two or more decimal digits preceded by
   the escape character and the lowercase letter d, as in \d97 or \d143.
   Hexadecimal constants are represented by two or more hexadecimal digits
   preceded by an escape character and the lowercase letter x, as in \x61 or \x8f.
   Octal constants are represented by two or more octal digits preceded by an
   escape character.
   Each constant represents a single—byte value. When constants are
   concatenated for multibyte character values, the last value specifies the least
   significant octet and preceding constants specify successively more significant
   octets.
2. "%s...%s %s %s/n",<symbolic-
   name>,<symbolic_name>,<encoding><comments>
   For example:
   <U3003><U3006> \x81\x56
   This format defines a range of symbolic character names and corresponding
   encodings. The range is interpreted as a series of symbolic names formed from
   the alphabetic prefix and all the values in the range defined by the numeric
   suffixes.
The listed encoding value is assigned to the first symbolic name, and subsequent symbolic names in the range are assigned corresponding incremental values. For example, the line:

\(<U3003>...<U3006> \backslash x81\backslash x56\n\)

is interpreted as:

\(<U3003> \backslash x81\backslash x56\n<U3004> \backslash x81\backslash x57\n<U3005> \backslash x81\backslash x58\n<U3006> \backslash x81\backslash x59\n\)

3. "<unassigned>"%s...%s %s\n",<encoding>,<comments>

This format defines a range of one or more unassigned encodings. For example, the line:

\(<unassigned> \backslash x9b...\backslash x9c\n\)

is interpreted as:

\(<unassigned> \backslash x9b <unassigned> \backslash x9c\n\)
Chapter 55. Coded character set considerations with locale functions

Each EBCDIC coded character set consists of a mapping of all the available glyphs to their respective hex encodings and unique Graphic Character Global Identifiers (GCGIDs). GCGIDs are unique identifiers assigned to each character in the Unicode standard. A glyph is the printed appearance of a character. Each coded character set serves one linguistic environment.

There is wide variation among coded character sets; many glyphs do not appear in all coded character sets, and hexadecimal encodings for some glyphs differ from one coded character set to another. You may encounter problems when exporting a file from a system running in one coded character set, to a system running in another. For example, a left bracket (ł) entered under the APL-293 or Open Systems IBM-1047 coded character set will appear as the capitalized Y-acute (Ł). This occurs in such common coded character sets as International 500, France 297, Germany 273, and US or Canada 037.

z/OS C/C++ contains the following extensions to prevent such problems:

- The \#pragma filetag directive allows you to specify the coded character set that was used when entering the source files. See "The pragma filetag directive" on page 813 for details on this pragma.
- The LOCATE compiler option enables you to tell the compiler what locale to use at compile time. See “Converting coded character sets at compile time” on page 816 for details on this compiler option.
- The CONVLIT compiler option enables you to change the assumed code page for string literals. See "CONVLIT compiler option" on page 816 for details on this compiler option.
- The \#pragma convert directive allows you to change the assumed code page for string literals. It has the advantage of allowing more than one character encoding to be used for string literals in a single compilation unit. For more information, see convert in z/OS C/C++ Language Reference.

These facilities cause the compiler to respect your code page. Thus, you can enter source code with what appears to you to be the correct characters, and the compiler will recognize those characters.

The rest of this chapter discusses other ways to work efficiently in different locales.

Variant character detail

The POSIX Portable Character Set (PPCS) identifies the core set of 128 characters that are needed to write code and to run applications. Of these, 13 characters are variant among the EBCDIC coded character sets.

"Mappings of 13 PPCS variant characters" on page 808 lists these 13 characters. It also displays their appearance when the Open Systems coded character set IBM-1047 hexadecimal values are entered on systems where different Country Extended Coded Character Sets are installed. These hex values are the ones expected by z/OS C/C++, and are consistent with the use of the APL-293 coded character set. Table 100 on page 808 lists the hexadecimal values assigned across some of the EBCDIC coded character sets for the 13 variant characters from the

Mappings of 13 PPCS variant characters

Table 99. Mappings of 13 PPCS variant characters

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Two tables are available to show the full code—point mappings for Open Systems coded character set IBM-1047 (Figure 233 on page 847) and for the APL coded character set IBM-293 (Figure 234 on page 848). Upon examination of these coded character sets, you will notice that coded character set 1047 is a “Latinized” coded character set IBM-293. All the APL code points have been replaced by Latin 1 code points, allowing a one-to-one mapping among coded character set IBM-1047 and all other coded character sets in the Latin 1 group.

Although the official current coded character set for z/OS C/C++ is now coded character set IBM-1047 (Open Systems), the coded character set IBM-293 syntax points are still valid. Those points are the ones with syntactic relevance to the z/OS C/C++ compiler. Refer to “Mappings of 13 PPCS variant characters” and “Mappings of Hex encoding of 13 PPCS variant characters” for more information.

Mappings of Hex encoding of 13 PPCS variant characters

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| exclamation mark | !  | SP020000                 | 5A                       | 5A              | 4F                     | 4F            | 4F              | 5A              |
| pound (number) sign | #  | SM010000                | 7B                       | 7B              | 7B                     | B1            | 7B              | 7B              |
| vertical bar   | | SM130000                | 4F                       | 4F              | BB                     | BB            | BB              | BB              |
| accent grave   | `    | SD130000                | 79                       | 79              | 79                     | A0            | 79              | 79              |
| dollar sign    | $    | SC030000                | 5B                       | 5B              | 5B                     | 5B            | 5B              | 5B              |
| commercial “at” | @   | SM050000                | 7C                       | 7C              | 7C                     | 44            | B5              | 7C              |

Alternate code points

All syntactic code points that were supported in previous versions of z/OS C/C++ will continue to be supported if you are compiling with the NOLOCALE option.

To be compatible, the vertical bar character is represented by the following two encodings, provided you are not using the LOCALE compiler option or the NOLOCALE option:
- X’4F’
- X’6A’

If you do specify the LOCALE compiler option, each of these characters is represented by a unique value specified in the LC_SYNTAX category of the selected locale.

Coding without locale support by using a hybrid coded character set

If you want to avoid using the locale of the compiler, use a hybrid coded character set. A hybrid piece of code is in the local coded character set but the syntax is written as if it were in coded character set IBM-1047.

You can continue coding in the local coded character set, writing the syntax as if it were in coded character set IBM-1047. This solution uses the existing behavior of the compiler, but this method is not ideal for the following reasons:
- The code can be difficult to read and may not even look like C code anymore.
- There may be ambiguities in the code.
- Exporting code to another site can be difficult because the mapping between the hybrid characters used and the target coded character set may not be exact.

The following example illustrates these difficulties.
Example of hybrid coded character set (CCNGCC1)

/* this has strings in codepage 273 with APL 293 syntax, and is a */
/* pre-locale source file for a user in Germany */
#define MAX_NAMES  20
#define MAX_NAME_LEN  80
#define STR(num) #num
#define SCAN_FORMAT(len) "%"STR(len)"s %"STR(len)"s"

struct NameList {
    {  
        char first[MAX_NAME_LEN+1];
        char surname[MAX_NAME_LEN+1];
    };

int compareNames(const void *elem1, const void *elem2) 
    struct NameList *name1 = (struct NameList *)elem1;
    struct NameList *name2 = (struct NameList *)elem2;
    int surnameComp = strcoll(name1->surname, name2->surname);
    int firstComp = strcoll(name1->first, name2->first);
    return(surnameComp ? surnameComp : firstComp);
}

main() 
    int i, rc, numEntries;
    struct NameList curName;
    struct NameList nameList[MAX_NAMES];
    printf("Bitte geben Sie die Namen ein, "
           "im Format <Familienname> <Vorname> "
           "(Maximum %d Namen)!\n", MAX_NAMES);
    for (i=0; i<MAX_NAMES; ++i) {
        printf("Name %d:<%s, %s>\n", i+1, nameList[i].surname, nameList[i].first);
        if (rc != 2)
            break;
        nameList[i] = curName;
        numEntries = i+1;
        qsort(nameList, numEntries, sizeof(struct NameList), compareNames);
        for (i=0; i<numEntries; ++i) 
            printf("Name %d:<%s, %s>\n", i+1, nameList[i].surname, nameList[i].first);
        i != (MAX_NAMES << sizeof(int)/2);
    }
    return(0);
}

Figure 224. Hybrid coded character set example

The code points in "Example of hybrid coded character set (CCNGCC1)," which have different glyphs in character code set IBM-273 and APL-293, appear in "Example of hybrid coded character set (CCNGCC1)," and are described below:

1 This is the code point for the { character. In coded character set 273, this is the character à.
This is the code point for the [ character. In coded character set 273, this is the character Ņ.

This is the code point for the ] character. In coded character set 273, this is the character .

This is the code point for the } character. In coded character set 273, this is the character ü.

This is the code point for the \ character. In coded character set 273, this is the character Ū.

This is the code point for the ! character. In coded character set 273, this is the character Ö.

This is the code point for the ! character. In coded character set 273, this is the character Ü.

This is the code point for the | character. In coded character set 273, this is the character !.

This particular code point mapping is unfortunate because the | character and the ! character are both valid C syntax characters. Note that the ! character used in the printf() call at 8 will appear as ! on a terminal displaying in coded character set 273.

Writing code using a hybrid coded character set

"Example of hybrid coded character set (CCNGCC1)" on page 810 illustrates some of the problems with hybrid files. The following steps were done when writing this code:

1. Look up each variant character in coded character set IBM-1047 to find out what the compiler expects. For example, z/OS C/C++ expects the character [ to have a byte value of X'AD'.
2. Determine which glyph is at X'AD' in the local coded character set, then use this in the code.
3. Always use the appropriate substitution. For example, to obtain a needed [ in Germany, one would look up X'AD' in the German IBM-273 coded character set, and find the character Ņ.

Converting hybrid code

Existing code that was written in a hybrid coded character set will continue to be supported.

Appendix G, "Converting code from coded character set IBM-1047," on page 889 shows you a program you can use to convert the hybrid code to another coded character set.

Coded character set independence in developing applications

You can ensure that you are working effectively with the locale functionality if you use the appropriate functions, macros, and tools. The following summary of the compile-edit work flow shows which functions to use and where you can use them.
The highlighted numbers refer to the following functions:

1. **Setup.** The `localedef` information (see overview in Chapter 51, "Customizing a locale," on page 755 and details in "Locale source files" on page 714).

2. **Coded character set of source code, header files, and data.**
   The compiler must support the coded character set used to create a source file so that it will recognize the variant C syntax characters correctly.
   - The `#pragma filetag` directive identifies the coded character set of the source file as well as the library or user's `include` files (for an overview see "The pragma filetag directive" on page 813)
   - Predefined macros `__LOCALE__`, `__FILETAG__`, and `__CODESET__` (for an overview see "Using predefined macros" on page 814)
   - The function `setlocale()`
   - The pragma `convlit` directive
   - The pragma `convert` directive

3. **Coded character set conversion utilities and functions.** The coded character set of a file, or a stream of data, can be converted to another coded character set using the utilities `genxlt` and `iconv` (for an overview see Chapter 54, "Code set conversion utilities." on page 771) for the details of the utilities and functions, see z/OS C/C++ User's Guide, as well as the functions in the run-time library.

4. **Coded character set conversion at compile time** is determined by the compile-time locale and supported by the compiler options, `LOCALE` and `NLOCALE` (for an overview, see "Converting coded character sets at compile time" on page 816) for details, see `LOCALE` in z/OS C/C++ User's Guide.

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**Figure 225. Compile-edit, related to locale function**

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2. **Coded character set of source code, header files, and data.**
   The compiler must support the coded character set used to create a source file so that it will recognize the variant C syntax characters correctly.
   - The `#pragma filetag` directive identifies the coded character set of the source file as well as the library or user's `include` files (for an overview see "The pragma filetag directive" on page 813)
   - Predefined macros `__LOCALE__`, `__FILETAG__`, and `__CODESET__` (for an overview see "Using predefined macros" on page 814)
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Run-time environment. During run time, the setlocale() function has an effect on run-time functions, such as printf(), scanf(), and regcomp(), which use variant characters.

Listings and output files. The coded character set used to create or to convert source files may affect listings, preprocessed source code, object modules, and SYSEVENT files (for an overview see "Object modules and output listings" on page 818). Your application can, however, include logic using the following to minimize the impact:

- __LOCALE__, __FILETAG__, and __CODESET__ macros
- Locale functions such as setlocale()

Coded character set in source code and header files
There are five types of locale-related changes that you can make in your source code:

- You can tag your source code and other associated files with the #pragma filetag directive to specify the coded character set that was used while entering the file. You can then compile these to ensure that all variant characters in your files are correct.
- You can use the three macros: __LOCALE__, __FILETAG__, and __CODESET__. These z/OS C/C++ macros expand to provide information about the #pragma filetag directive of the current source, and the locale and target coded character set used by the compiler at compile time. For more information, see predefined macros for [ISO Standard] and [z/OS C/C++ Language Reference].
- You can use the setlocale() function to set the run-time locale to be the same as the locale used to compile the application. This can be used when your application contains dependencies on the coded character set, as it would when comparing constants with external data. Using the macros forces the run-time locale to be the same as the one used to compile your code.
- You can use the #pragma convlit suspend and resume to exclude portions of your code from string literal conversion. See [CONVLIT in z/OS C/C++ User’s Guide] for more details on the compiler option and [convlit in z/OS C/C++ Language Reference] for more information on the pragma.
- You can use the #pragma convert directive to specify the coded character set to use for converting string literals. See [convert in z/OS C/C++ Language Reference] for more information on this pragma.

The pragma filetag directive
By using the #pragma filetag directive, you may write your programs in any convenient supported coded character set (see [Appendix D, “Locales supplied with z/OS C/C++,” on page 849] for a list of coded character set names). The #pragma filetag directive instructs the z/OS C/C++ compiler how to “read” the source. Tagging the source files, the header files, and all data files (including messages) with the #pragma filetag directive enables you to keep the information about the coded character set used to create each source file, within the source file itself. This information can be helpful when moving source files to systems with different coded character sets. For more information, see [filetag in z/OS C/C++ Language Reference].

The following example tag uses the German coded character set IBM-273:

```c
#pragma filetag("IBM-273")
```

Because the # character is variant in different coded character sets, you must use the trigraph ??= for the #pragma filetag directive.
The #pragma filetag directive specifies the coded character set in which the source or data was entered. The coded character set specified in the #pragma filetag directive is in effect for the entire source file, but not for any other source file. This also applies to header files and data files.

The #pragma filetag directive can only appear once in each file, and it must appear before the first statement in a program. If encountered elsewhere, a warning appears and the directive does not change. If a comment contains variant characters and appears before the directive, the comment does not translate.

Attention: If you wish to use the iconv utility on a file that is tagged with the ??= #pragma filetag directive, you must update the file manually to change the filetag to the correct converted coded character set. iconv does not update the pragma in source files.

Using predefined macros
There are three macros for z/OS C/C++ that relate to locale.

__LOCALE__
This macro expands to a string literal representing the locale of the LOCALE compiler option. This macro can be used to set the run-time locale to be the same as the compiled locale:

```c
main()
{
    setlocale(LC_ALL, __LOCALE__);
    ...
}
```

The value of this macro is defined per compilation. If NOLOCALE compiler option is supplied, the macro is undefined.

__FILETAG__
This macro expands to a string literal representing the character coded character set of the #pragma filetag directive associated with the current file. For example, to convert to the coded character set specified by the LOCALE option from the coded character set specified by the #pragma filetag directive, you would use the iconv_open() function:

```c
iconv_open(__FILETAG__, variable);
```

The value of this macro is defined per source file. If no #pragma filetag directive is present, the macro is undefined.

__CODESET__
This macro expands to a string literal representing the character coded character set of the LOCALE compiler option. The value of this macro is defined per compilation. If a value is not supplied, the macro is undefined.
Example of __CODESET__ macro (CCNGCC2):

```c
#include <iconv.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <stdio.h>

/* The following function could be in a header file */
#ifdef __CODESET__
    static int convstr(iconv_t convInfo, char *in, int inSize, char *out, int outSize) {
        return(iconv(convInfo, in, inSize, out, outSize))
    }
#else
    static int convstr(iconv_t convInfo, char *in, int inSize, char *out, int outSize) {
        memcpy(out, in, outSize > inSize ? inSize : outSize);
        return(outSize > inSize ? -1 : 0);
    }
#endif

iconv_t convInfo;

int main() {
    #ifdef __CODESET__
        char *run-timeCodeSet; /* set locale to default locale */
        run-timeCodeSet = nl_langinfo(CODESET);
        convInfo = iconv_open(run-timeCodeSet, __CODESET__);   
    #endif
    char intro[] = "Welcome to my variant world!\n";
    char nlIntro[sizeof(intro)];
    convstr(convInfo, intro, sizeof(intro), nlIntro, sizeof(nlIntro));
    puts(nlIntro); /* string will print appropriately */
    #ifdef __CODESET__
        iconv_close(convInfo);
    #endif

    return(0);
}
```

Figure 226. Example of __CODESET__ macro

The following illustration shows the values that these macros will take on, emphasizing that for __FILENAME__, a value is assigned for each source file, but for __LOCALE__ and __CODESET__, a value is assigned for a compilation.
Using setlocale()

You can change the run-time locale to any one of the other predefined locales listed in Table 102 on page 850. To use a defined locale, refer to it by its setlocale() parameter.

To define a new locale, copy the source file provided, edit it, then assemble it (see Chapter 51, “Customizing a locale,” on page 755).

Converting coded character sets at compile time

CONVLIT compiler option

You can control the conversion of string literals in your code by using the CONVLIT compiler option. CONVLIT provides a means for changing the assumed code page for character string literals by supplying a codepage value. For more information, see CONVLIT in z/OS C/C++ User’s Guide.

For example, if you used an ASCII client machine to write code that uses string literals, and then upload this to an EBCDIC server such as MVS, your string literals would be converted to EBCDIC. However, if you specified “CONVLIT(IS08859-1)” when you compiled your code, your string literals would have been converted to an ASCII code page.
Consider the following program:

```c
/* header.h */
char *text="Hello World";

/* test.c */
#pragma convlit(suspend)
#pragma comment (user, "A user comment")
#include <stdio.h>
#include "header.h"
#pragma convlit(resume)
main(){
    char *text2 ="Hi There!";
}
```

When this program is compiled with the CONVLIT(IS08859-1) option, the string “Hi There!” will be converted to an ASCII string, but the string “Hello World” will not be converted.

**LOCALE compiler option**

The LOCALE compiler option enables you to instruct the compiler to use a specific locale at compile time, which then generates the output in the same coded character set.

The input files that are affected are:
- The primary source file
- Library header files
- User header files

The output files that are affected are:
- Object Modules
- Preprocessed source code
- Listings

To use the LOCALE option, you must supply a locale name value. The locale name is a string that represents the locale you want to compile source with; this will determine the characteristics of output, including the coded character set used for variant characters in the source. Usually, a locale name is of the format `territory name.coded character set`. For example, the German locale for coded character set 273 is `De_DE.IBM-273`. The `territory name` is `De_DE` and the `coded character set` is `IBM-273`. To determine the coded character set of the current locale, use the function `nl_langinfo(CODESET)`.

The special locale name "" gives you the default locale, which can be set using environment variables. The locale name "C" specifies the C default locale. Full details about the C locale are found in Chapter 53, “Definition of S370 C, SAA C, and POSIX C locales,” on page 763.

The default option setting is NOLOCALE. It instructs the compiler to do no conversion of text for input or for output.

You can create your own locales by using the localedef utility. See “Locale source files” on page 714 for details.

**Examples:** To compile a sample file, userid.SORTNAME.C, enter:
CC 'userid.SORTNAME.C' (LOCALE("De_DE.IBM-273"))

The compiler recognizes "De_DE.IBM-273" as a valid locale and automatically converts the source code to coded character set IBM-273, for its own use. The compiler would then generate listings in the German coded character set 273.

To generate a preprocessed file that can be sent to other sites, that use different coded character sets, enter:
CC 'userid.SORTNAME.C' (LOCALE("De_DE.IBM-273")) PPONLY

The compiler will insert the #pragma filetag directive at the start of the preprocessed file, using the coded character set specified in the LOCALE option. In this example, ??=pragma filetag("IBM-273") is inserted.

Since the preprocessed file has been tagged, it can be compiled using the z/OS C/C++ compiler at any site, regardless of the locale used.

Summary of usage for LOCALE, NOLOCALE, and pragma filetag directive:
The following list shows the results from different combinations of the #pragma filetag directive and the LOCALE compiler option.

Using LOCALE compiler option
In this case, the compiler does the following:

- Converts the source code from the coded character set specified with the #pragma filetag directive to the code set specified by the LOCALE compiler option.
- If no #pragma filetag directive is specified, the compiler assumes the source is in the same coded character set as specified by the locale, and does not perform any conversion.
- Converts compiler error messages from coded character set IBM-1047 to the coded character set specified in the LOCALE compiler option.
- Generates compiler output in the same coded character set as that of the locale specified in the LOCALE compiler option.
- If PPONLY was specified, the compiler inserts the #pragma filetag directive at the beginning of the preprocessor file, using the coded character set specified in the locale option.

Using NOLOCALE compiler option
In this case, the compiler does the following:

- Does not convert text in the input or output file, and uses the default coded character set IBM-1047 to interpret syntactic characters.
- If a #pragma filetag directive is specified, the compiler suppresses the #pragma filetag directive in the preprocessor file. The compiler issues warnings if the #pragma filetag directive specifies a coded character set other than IBM-1047, and uses IBM-1047 anyway.

Object modules and output listings: The compiler respects the locale specified by the LOCALE compiler option in generating the listing. If the locale option is specified, the object module is generated in the coded character set of your current locale. Otherwise, the object module is generated in the coded character set IBM-1047.

Code will run correctly if the run-time locale is the same as the locale of the object module.
If the object was generated with a different locale from the one you run under, you must ensure that your code can run under different locales. Refer to Chapter 51, "Customizing a locale," on page 755 for more information.

For information about exporting code to other sites, see "Exporting source code to other sites" on page 821.

You can use the LOCALE compiler option to ensure that listings are sensitive to a specified locale.

**Example:** The following example shows the result from compiling the source file hello273.c with:

c89 -o hello273 -Wc,so,locale("De_DE.IBM-273"),xplink,goff -Wl,xplink hello273.c
Figure 228. Example of output when locale option is used

In the listing above, notice the locale-specific information:

1. The date at the top right. The format of the date in the listing is that specified by the locale.
2. The name of the locale and the code set.
3. Code points for the }, /, and { characters.
The pragma convert directive

You can control the conversion of string literals in your code by using the \#pragma convert directive. It allows you to change the assumed code page for character string literals by supplying a codepage value. For more information, see convert in z/OS C/C++ Language Reference.

For example, if you use an ASCII client machine to write code with string literals and upload it to an EBCDIC server, then your string literals will be converted to EBCDIC. However, if you add the pragma convert(“ISO8859-1”) directive to your source code, then your string literals will be converted to an ASCII code page.

Example: Consider the following program:

```c
/* header.h */
#pragma convert("ISO8859-1")
char *text="Hello World";
#pragma convert(pop)

/* test.c */
#pragma comment (user, "A user comment")
#include "header.h"

main () {
    char *text2 ="Hi There!";
}
```

When this program is compiled, the string "Hello World" will be converted to an ASCII string, but the string "Hi There!" will not be converted.

Writing source code in coded character set IBM-1047

There are two reasons why you would want to write source in coded character set IBM-1047.

First, even though z/OS C/C++ provides support for multiple coded character sets, other tools may not do so. Tools such as CICS and DB2 may not support source code in any coded character set other than the default coded character set, IBM-1047. If you are using these tools, and you write your code in a code page other than IBM-1047, you will need to use the z/OS C/C++ iconv utility to convert your code to coded character set IBM-1047 before you can use the tool.

Second, older versions of the C/370 product do not support source in coded character sets other than IBM-1047. This makes it difficult to share code with a site using an older compiler.

Exporting source code to other sites

This section deals with the exporting of code from one Latin-1 coded character set to another; that is, writing code that can be run in a locale that uses a different coded character set than the one used to write the source.

To export code, use the iconv() utility to convert each source file, header file, and data file to the target coded character set. You can then send all files to the target location for compilation.

Note: You must ensure that your code runs in the same locale that it was compiled under before running it with any other locales.
1. Use the \#pragma filetag directive to tag each source file, header file, and data file.
2. Use message files for all external strings, such as prompts, help screens, and error messages. To write truly portable code, convert these strings to the run-time coded character set in your application code.
3. Use the setlocale() function so that the library functions are sensitive to the run-time coded character set.
   Ensure that locale-sensitive information, such as decimal points, are displayed appropriately. Use either nl_langinfo() or localeconv() to obtain this information.
   The setlocale() function does not change the CEE callable services under the z/OS Language Environment in such areas as date, time, currency, and time zones. Internationalization is specific to z/OS C/C++ applications. Also, the z/OS Language Environment CEE callable services do not change the z/OS C/C++ locales. For a list of these callable services, see the z/OS Language Environment Programming Guide.
4. Compile with the locale specifying coded character set IBM-1047.

If you specify \#define locale("locale-name"), your code will run correctly with libraries running in the same coded character set. However, if you compile with a different locale than you run under, you have to ensure that your code has no internal data, and also that all libraries you use are run-time locale sensitive.

**Example:** Consider the following code fragment:

```
int main() {
   setlocale(LC_ALL, ";");
   ...
   rc = scanf("%\[1234567890abcdefABCDEF\]", hexNum);
   ...
}
```

For example, if you compile with \#define locale(\"De_DE.IBM-273\"), the square brackets are converted to the hex values X'63' and X'FC'. If the default locale you then run under is not "De_DE.IBM-273", but instead "En_US.IBM-1047", and you have not used \#define locale(), the square brackets will be interpreted as A and U, and the call to scanf() will not do what you intended.

**Example:** If you only need to run your code locally or export it to a site that has your locale environment, you can solve this problem by coding:

```
int main() {
   setlocale(LC_ALL, __LOCALE__);
   ...
   rc = scanf("%\[1234567890abcdefABCDEF\]", hexNum);
   ...
}
```

This ensures that your code runs with the same locale it was compiled under. Library functions such as printf(), scanf(), strftime(), and regcomp() are sensitive to the current coded character set. The __LOCALE__ macro is described in "Using predefined macros" on page 814.
If you are generating code to export to a site that may not have your locale environment, you should write your code in IBM-1047.

Converting existing work

This section describes some conversion issues and presents some conversion scenarios. It is assumed that existing source code and libraries cannot be quickly converted from mixed coded character sets into a common coded character set; thus a staged approach is recommended.

- Code your new source in one coded character set, preferably IBM-1047. Tag all new source files to make them more portable by putting the #pragma filetag directive at the top of each one.
- If you need to interact with existing code, compile your new code using the locale in which the existing code was written.
- If you want to write code in a coded character set that does not have a one-to-one mapping to coded character set IBM-1047 (that is, a coded character set that is not Latin-1), create your own conversion table and compile it with the genxlt utility. Use your own conversion table with the iconv utility to convert your source code to coded character set IBM-1047.

Considerations with other products and tools

**Note:** Any software tool that scans source code or compiler listings is affected by the introduction of the locale functionality. Tools that read or generate source code now need to recognize the #pragma filetag directive. Tools that read listings need to recognize the coded character set in the title header.

Since the following tools scan source code, they may be affected:

- The Debug Tool does not support code written in any coded character set other than IBM-1047.
- Translators such as CICS and DB2 read source files and generate new source files. If they do not, then follow these steps:
  1. Convert the source file to coded character set IBM-1047 using the iconv utility.
  2. Remove the #pragma filetag directive from the source file, or change it to ??=pragma filetag("IBM-1047"). Run the source that is in the IBM-1047 coded character set through the appropriate translator, if needed.
Chapter 56. Bidirectional language support

This chapter describes the characteristics of bidirectional languages, and provides an overview of the layout functions for bidirectional languages. For more information on the layout functions see z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference and X/Open Portable Layout Services: Context-dependent and Directional Text.

Bidirectional languages

Bidirectional languages are languages such as Arabic and Hebrew, that are written and read mainly from right to left, but some portions of the text, such as numbers and embedded Latin languages (e.g. English) are written and read left to right. Additional characteristics of bidirectional languages include:

- visual order versus logical order
- symmetric swapping
- number formats
- cursive (shaping) versus non-cursive

In bidirectional text it is important to note the difference between the logical order in which the text is processed or read, and the visual order in which the text is displayed. Bidirectional text is usually stored in logical order. For example, assume that the following text is Arabic, then the logical storage would contain:

maple street 25 entrance b

and the visual display would be (if read from right to left):

b ecnartne 25 teerts elpam

Some characters, such as the greater-than sign, have an implied directional meaning and have a complementary symmetric character with an opposite directional meaning (the less-than sign.) When used within a segment that is presented right-to-left but is inverted (left-to-right) when stored for processing, such a character might have to be replaced by its symmetric sibling to ensure that the correct meaning of the text is preserved. The replacement of such a character by its complement during the transformation of BiDi text is called "symmetrical swapping". Other graphic characters that need symmetrical swapping include the parentheses, square brackets, braces, and so on. Although symmetrical swapping is a characteristic of BiDi languages, it is not always mandatory for the software functions that transform different BiDi language text layouts. Sometimes this function is performed automatically by the workstation hardware or micro code.

Arabic numerals (Latin digits) are those numerals used with Latin text, while Hindi numerals are used within Arabic text, in some of the Arabian countries, like Egypt. However, the Implicit algorithm states the number storage should use Arabic numerals (Latin digit), and be displayed according to the user's settings.

Note that even though the text in the example is displayed right to left, the number "25" is still written left to right. That is because Arabic/Hebrew numbers are written and read left to right.

Arabic is a cursive language. Arabic characters are connected together, and each character has different shapes depending on its location within the word: initial, middle, final or isolated. Cursive languages are suited to handwriting rather than printing. Arabic is always cursive, whether in books, newspapers, signs or
workstation displays. English can be handwritten in a cursive style, and it is often used that way in personal communications, but English is seldom published or displayed in a cursive style. Thus, English is not considered a cursive language.

To simplify processing, characters are usually stored in an unshaped form. (The unshaped form is also referred to as the abstract or basic form.) Shaping takes into account the character being shaped and the characters in its vicinity, and replaces the unshaped, abstract form with the proper shape. For example, in Arabic, the unshaped character would be replaced with the initial, middle, final or isolated shaped character, depending on the context.

Note that Hebrew letters do not use shaping, and numbers used with Hebrew text are always displayed with the same digits as used for English.

Legacy operating systems like MVS used to store Arabic and Hebrew data in their visual format. Sometimes for specific needs, data might be stored in a specific shape, for example initial shape. Currently, most applications store text in its unshaped form in logical order. Reordering and shaping are done at display time. Storing text in its unshaped form in logical order makes it easier to process the data (sorting, comparison).

**Overview of the layout functions**

The layout functions are used to handle bidirectional languages correctly, to transform text from a format readable for the user to a format suitable for processing, and vice-versa. The layout functions include the following:

- m_create_layout() — called at the beginning of the application to create the layout object that will be used by the other layout functions.
- m_setvalues_layout() — sets the values that will be used inside the transform. m_setvalues_layout() must be called before calling m_transform_layout or m_wtransform_layout. This function is optional. Use this function if you need to change the values for the bidirectional attributes. You can eliminate it from the application, and use a modifier instead.
- m_getvalues_layout() — queries the current layout values within a layout object.
- m_transform_layout() — does the actual processing to convert the text format between different bidirectional layouts, according to the settings of the LayoutObject. Nothing will change if this function (or its wide character equivalent) is not called inside the application.
- m_wtransform_layout() — works the same as m_transform_layout(), except that it handles Unicode wide characters (wchar_t).
- m_destroy_layout() — called at the end of the application to destroy the layout object, and free up the allocated memory used by the layout object.

Those functions can be used to convert text from logical (implicit) unshaped forms to visual (display) shaped forms and vice versa. The layout functions also handle conversion of numerals.

**m_create_layout()**

```c
#include <sys/layout.h>
LayoutObject m_create_layout(const AttrObject attrobj, const char* modifier);
```

This function creates a LayoutObject associated with the locale identified by attrobj. The LayoutObject is an opaque object containing all the data and methods necessary to perform the layout operations on context-dependent or directional characters of the locale identified by the attrobj. The memory for the LayoutObject is allocated by m_create_layout(). The LayoutObject created has default layout...
values. (If the modifier argument is not NULL, the layout values specified by the
modifier overwrite the default layout values associated with the locale).

attrobj argument
Is or may be an amalgam of many opaque objects. A locale object is just one
example of the type of object that can be attached to an attribute object. The
attrobj argument specifies a name that is usually associated with a locale
category.

modifier argument
Can be used to announce a set of layout values when the LayoutObject is
created.

m_setvalues_layout( )
#include <sys/layout.h>
int m_setvalues_layout(LayoutObject layout_object, const LayoutValues values,
                     int *index_returned);

This function is used to change the layout values of a LayoutObject.

layout_object argument
Specifies a LayoutObject returned by the m_create_layout() function.

values argument
Specifies the list of layout values that are to be changed. The values are written
into the LayoutObject and may affect the behavior of subsequent layout
functions.

m_getvalues_layout( )
#include <sys/layout.h>
int m_getvalues_layout(const LayoutObject layout_object, LayoutValues values,
                       int *index_returned);

This function is used to query the current settings of the layout values within a
Layout Object.

layout_object argument
Specifies a Layout Object returned by the m_create_layout( ) function.

values argument
Specifies the list of layout values that are to be queried. Each value element of
a LayoutValueRec must point to a location where the layout value is stored. That
is, if the layout value is of type T, the argument must be of type *T. The
values are queried from the Layout Object and represent its current setting. It is
the user’s responsibility to manage the memory allocation for the layout values
queried. If the layout value name has QueryValueSize ORed to it, instead of the
setting of the layout value, only its size is returned. This option can be used by
the caller to determine the amount of memory needed to be allocated for the
layout values queried.

m_transform_layout ( )
#include <sys/layout.h>
int m_transform_layout(LayoutObject layout_object,
                     const char *InpBuf,
                     const size_t *InpSize,
                     void *OutBuf,
                     size_t *Outsize,
                     size_t *InpToOut,
                     size_t *OutToInp,
                     unsigned char *Property,
                     size_t *InpBufIndex);
This function performs layout transformations (reordering and shaping), or it may provide additional information needed for layout transformation (such as the expected size of the transformed layout, the nesting level of different segments in the text and cross references between the locations of the corresponding elements before and after the layout transformation). Both the input text and output text are character strings. The m_transform_layout( ) function transforms the input text in InpBuf according to the current layout values in layout_object. Any layout value whose value type is LayoutTextDescriptor describes the attributes of the InpBuf and OutBuf arguments. If the attributes are the same for both InpBuf and OutBuf, a null transformation is performed with respect to that specific layout value. The InpBuf argument specifies the source text to be processed. The InpSize argument is the number of bytes within InpBuf to be processed by the transformation. Its value will not change after return from the transformation.

**LayoutObject argument**
- Specifies the Layout Object returned by m_create_layout( ).

**InpBuf argument**
- Corresponds to the input string that the layout functions will process.

**InpSize argument**
- Gives the input size of the input string specified by the InpBuf argument.

  Note: If you need to pass -1 as a value for InpSize, you must cast it using (size_t)-1.

**OutBuf argument**
- Any transformed data is stored here. This buffer will contain the data after converting it to the specified layout values and output code page.

**OutSize argument**
- Gives the number of bytes in the Output Buffer.

**InpToOut mapping argument**
- A cross-reference from each InpBuf code element to the transformed data. The cross-reference relates to the data in InpBuf starting with the first element that InpBufIndex points to (and not necessarily starting from the beginning of the InpBuf).

**OutToInp mapping argument**
- A cross-reference to each InpBuf code element from the transformed data. The cross-reference relates to the data in InpBuf starting with the first element that InpBufIndex points to (and not necessarily starting from the beginning of the InpBuf).

**Property argument**
- A weighted value that represents peculiar input string transformation properties with different connotations. If this argument is not a NULL pointer, it represents an array of values with the same number of elements as the source sub string text before the transformation. Each byte will contain relevant "property" information of the corresponding element in InpBuf starting from the element pointed by InpBufIndex.

**InpBufIndex argument**
- InpBufIndex is an offset value to the location of the transformed text. When m_transform_layout( ) is called, InpBufIndex contains the offset to the element in InpBuf that will be transformed first. (Note that this is not necessarily the first element in InpBuf). At the return from the transformation, InpBufIndex contains the offset to the first element in the InpBuf that has not been transformed. If the
entire sub string has been transformed successfully, InpBufIndex will be
incremented by the amount defined by InpSize.

m_wtransform_layout( )
#include <sys/layout.h>
int m_wtransform_layout(LayoutObject layout_object,
    const wchar_t *InpBuf,
    const size_t InpSize, void *OutBuf,
    size_t *Outsize,
    size_t *InpToOut, size_t *OutToInp,
    unsigned char *Property,
    size_t *InpBufIndex);

The m_wtransform_layout is the same as m_transform_layout, except that it takes
Unicode (wchar_t *) as an input buffer.

m_destroy_layout( )
#include <sys/layout.h>
int m_destroy_layout(const LayoutObject layoutobject);

This function destroys the layout object and frees up the allocated memory used by
the layout object.

Using the layout functions

Perform the following steps to use the layout functions:

1. Include the sys/layout.h header file to define the values and function
   prototypes.
   
   Example:
   
   #include <sys/layout.h>

2. Declare the program variables.
   
   Example:
   
   LayoutObject plh;
   int error = 0, index;
   size_t insize = 9, outsize;
   LayoutValues layout;
   LayoutTextDescriptor set_desc;
   char *inbuffer;
   char *outbuffer;
   char *inShape;
   char *outShape;
   char *myModifier="@lstypeoftext=implicit:visual,shaping=nominal:shaped,orientation=ltr:rtl";

In the first line declare a LayoutObject called "plh", this is the layout object that
m_create_layout() creates later when invoked. index is the index of the returned
error. insize is the size of the input buffer, and outsize is the size of the output
buffer. The four integer variables in the second and third lines will be used later
in the call of m_setvalues_layout( ) and m_transform_layout( ). In the fourth line
declare a LayoutValues variable called "layout" and in the fifth line declare a
LayoutTextDescriptor called "set_desc". These two variables are very
important. They will be used with m_setvalues_layout() in the form of
input/output pairs to specify new input and output values for each of the
specified attributes. The next two lines add four strings (char *), that will be
used as the input buffer, output buffer, input code page and finally the output
code page. The last line adds a string that specifies the modifier to be used as
specified earlier in the m_create_layout() function to create the layout object.
3. Allocate memory to the declared strings, layout values, layout text descriptor, and write the contents of the input buffer.

Example:

```c
inbuffer = (char *)malloc(insize*sizeof(char));
outbuffer= (char *)malloc(outsize*sizeof(char));
layout = (LayoutValues)malloc(6*sizeof(LayoutValueRec));
set_desc = (LayoutTextDescriptor)malloc(3*sizeof(LayoutTextDescriptorRec));
inShape = (char*) malloc(20 * sizeof(char));
outShape = (char*) malloc(20 * sizeof(char));
inbuffer[0] = 0xB0;
inbuffer[1] = 0xB1;
inbuffer[2] = 0xB2;
inbuffer[3] = 0xBF;
inbuffer[4] = 0x40;
inbuffer[5] = 0x9A;
inbuffer[6] = 0x75;
inbuffer[7] = 0x58;
inbuffer[8] = 0xDC;
```

The values of the input buffer are added one by one as an array of characters, but several alternatives could be used. For example, you can read the input buffer as a string from a file, or get it from another application.

4. Call the `m_create_layout()` function to create a layout object "plh".

Example:

```c
plh = m_create_layout("Ar_AA",myModifier);
```

The layout object "plh" is created with the locale Ar_AA with the modifier myModifier.

5. At this point of the program there are two options, either call `m_setvalues_layout()` or just call the `m_transform_layout()` (or `m_wtransform_layout()`) directly.

Specify the input/output layout values. The first two lines below specify the two strings used as the input and output code pages. These two strings will be used by the other functions to specify the input code page for the input buffer and the output code page for the output buffer.

Example:

```c
strcpy(outShape,"ibm-420");
strcpy(inShape,"ibm-425");
```

Add the input/output layout text descriptor pairs. These pairs are in the form of input descriptor and output descriptor, for example the first statement specifies that the input orientation will be "orientation-left-to-right" and the second statement specifies that the output orientation will be also "orientation-left-to-right". All the above pairs follow the same rule to define the input/output pairs.

Example:

```c
layout[0].name = ShapeCharset;
layout[0].value = (char *)outShape;
```
layout[1].value = (char*)inShape;
layout[2].name  = Orientation;
layout[2].value = (LayoutTextDescriptor)&set_desc[0];

layout[3].name  = TypeOfText;
layout[3].value = (LayoutTextDescriptor)&set_desc[1];

layout[4].name  = TextShaping;
layout[4].value = (LayoutTextDescriptor)&set_desc[2];

layout[5].name = 0;

In the above lines "set_desc" pairs create the new layout values attributes. Each one of these statements will be in the form of attribute_name/attribute_value pairs, for example in the fifth and sixth statements "Orientation" is the attribute name and set_desc[0] (as defined above) is the attribute value. The first two statements are used to declare the output code page and the following two lines are used to specify the input code page.

Call the m_setvalues_layout() function.

Example:
if((error = m_setvalues_layout(plh,layout,&index)))
printf("An error %d occurred in setting the value number %d\n",error,index);

Invoke m_setvalues_layout() using the layout object "plh", the layout values "layout" and an integer "index". If m_setvalues_layout() could not set any one of the layout values attributes, it will return -1 in the integer variable called "error", and also return the index of the layout value that caused the problem.

6. Call the m_transform_layout() function. The m_transform_layout() and m_wtransform_layout() functions are the same, except that m_wtransform_layout() is used for wide character (wchar_t). Both functions will do the actual reordering and shaping of the input buffer using the layout object (plh) created in step 4.

Example:
m_transform_layout(plh,inbuffer,insize,outbuffer,&outsize,NULL,NULL,NULL,NULL);

plh The Layout Object returned by m_create_layout().

inbuffer Corresponds to the input string to the function that the layout functions will process.

insize Gives the input size of the input string specified by the Input Buffer argument.

outbuffer Any transformed data is stored here. This buffer will contain the data after converting it to the specified output code page.

outsize Gives the number of bytes in the Output Buffer.

The last four parameters are given here as NULL and they represent Input To Output Mapping, Output To Input Mapping, Property and Input Buffer Index as described above in the Overview of the Layout Functions. Each of these output arguments may be NULL to specify that no output is desired for the specific argument.
7. Call the m_destroy_layout() function. This function must be called at the end of the program to destroy the layout object or to free up the allocated memory used by the layout object.

Example:

m_destroy_layout(plh);

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*******************************************************************************
/* This is a simple program that explains how the layout API's are used */
/* This program will convert a simple implicit unshaped Arabic string */
/* to a visual shaped Arabic string. */
#include <sys/layout.h>
#include <stdio.h>

void main(int argc,char** argv)
{
    LayoutObject plh;
    int error = 0;
    LayoutValues layout;
    LayoutTextDescriptor set_desc;
    size_t insize = 9,outsize = 9;
    char *inbuffer=NULL;
    char *outbuffer=NULL;
    char *inShape=NULL;
    char *outShape=NULL;
    char *myModifier="@lstypeoftext=implicit:visual,shaping=nominal:shaped,orientation=ltr:rtl";
    inbuffer =(char *)malloc((insize+1)*sizeof(char) ) ;
    outbuffer=(char *)malloc((outsize+1)*sizeof(char)) ;
    layout = (LayoutValues)malloc(6*sizeof(LayoutValueRec));
    set_desc = (LayoutTextDescriptor)malloc(3*sizeof(LayoutTextDescriptorRec));
    inShape = (char*) malloc(8 * sizeof(char));
    outShape = (char*) malloc(8 * sizeof(char));
    inbuffer[0] = 0xB0; // These are the HEX code for Arabic characters in the IBM-425 codepage */
    inbuffer[1] = 0xB1;
    inbuffer[2] = 0xB2;
    inbuffer[3] = 0xBF;
    inbuffer[4] = 0x40;
    inbuffer[5] = 0x9A;
    inbuffer[6] = 0x75;
    inbuffer[7] = 0x58;
    inbuffer[8] = 0xDC;

Figure 229. Example of bidirectional layout API's (Part 1 of 2)
plt = m_create_layout("Ar_AA",myModifier);

strcpy(outShape,"ibm-420");
strcpy(inShape,"ibm-425");

set_desc[0].inp = ORIENTATION_LTR;
set_desc[0].out = ORIENTATION_LTR;

set_desc[1].inp = TEXT_IMPLICIT;
set_desc[1].out = TEXT_VISUAL;

set_desc[2].inp = TEXT_NOMINAL;
set_desc[2].out = TEXT_SHAPED;

layout[0].name = ShapeCharset;
layout[0].value = (char *)outShape;

layout[1].name = InputCharset;
layout[1].value = (char *)inShape;

layout[2].name = Orientation;
layout[2].value = (LayoutTextDescriptor)&set_desc[0];

layout[3].name = TypeOfText;
layout[3].value = (LayoutTextDescriptor)&set_desc[1];

layout[4].name = TextShaping;
layout[4].value = (LayoutTextDescriptor)&set_desc[2];

layout[5].name = 0;

if( error = m_setvalues_layout(plt,layout,&index))
    printf("An error %d occurred in setting the value number %d
",error,index);

m_transform_layout(plt,inbuffer,insize,outbuffer,&outsize,NULL,NULL,NULL,NULL);

m_destroy_layout(plt);

if(inbuffer) free(inbuffer);
if(outbuffer) free(outbuffer);
if(set_desc) free(set_desc);
if(layout) free(layout);
if(inShape) free(inShape);
if(outShape) free(outShape);

Figure 229. Example of bidirectional layout API's (Part 2 of 2)
Part 9. Appendixes
Appendix A. POSIX character set

POSIX 1003.2, section 2.4, specifies the characters that are in the portable character set. The following table lists the characters in the portable character set with their symbolic name, the GCGID, and the graphic symbol for the character. Some of the characters (the hyphen, for example) also have alternate symbolic names.

The input files for the localedef utility, the charmap file and the locale definition file, are coded using the characters in the portable character set.

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<th>Symbolic Name</th>
<th>Alternate Name</th>
<th>Character</th>
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<td>&lt;SE08&gt;</td>
<td>!</td>
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<td>&lt;tab&gt;</td>
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With z/OS C/C++, the localedef utility uses code page IBM-1047 as the definition of the code points for the characters in the Portable Character Set. Therefore the default values for the escape-char and comment-char are the code points from the IBM-1047 code page.
There are some coded character sets, such as the Japanese Katakana coded character set 290, that have code points for the lowercase characters different from the code points for the lowercase characters in the set IBM-1047. A charmap file or locale definition file cannot be coded using these coded character sets.
Appendix B. Mapping variant characters for z/OS C/C++

This appendix describes how you can enter and display the variant characters. These characters include square brackets ([ ]) and the caret character (^) for the host environment. If you use a programmable workstation or a 3270 terminal, you can follow the documented procedures to map the keys on your keyboard. Remapping will send the correct variant character hexadecimal values to the host system for the z/OS C/C++ compiler.

![Diagram of variant character mapping process]

**Figure 230. Variant Characters**

1. See `iconv` in [z/OS C/C++ User’s Guide](#) for more information on this utility.
2. See “Displaying square brackets when using ISPF” on page 844 for more information on variant characters.

**Note:** If you are running a programmable workstation by using host emulation software, apply your host emulation software’s keyboard by remapping first. If this allows correct hexadecimal values for the variant characters sent to the host, then you have completed the task.

### Displaying hexadecimal values

To ensure that your current keys generate correct hexadecimal values for the z/OS C/C++ compiler and its library, use the following program to show the hexadecimal values on the display. This program displays the hexadecimal values for the variant characters that your current setup uses, and the values that the compiler and library expect.

**Note:** See `LOCALE | NOLOCALE` and other appropriate sections in [z/OS C/C++ User’s Guide](#) for information on the option and the list of IBM-supported locales available for use at compile time or run time. The default C locale is encoded in code page IBM-1047; therefore the default encoding of variant characters is as in IBM-1047.
Example of displaying hexadecimal values

The sample program reads the ten characters from the input file MYFILE.DAT and displays the character values in hexadecimal notation. The program also queries the current compile time locale for the character values that compiler would expect. These ten variant characters are selected because they are syntactically important to the z/OS C/C++ compiler. You must type them in MYFILE.DAT in this order on a single line, without spaces between them:

- backslash \n
- right square bracket ]

- left square bracket [

- right brace }

- left brace {n

- circumflex ^

- tilde ~

- exclamation mark !

- number sign #

- vertical line |

You can use the sample program to display the character values and then reset your environment. This will generate the codes as shown in the column EXPECTED BY COMPILER. After re-editing your input file, you can run this program again. Consult your system programmer for the coded character set that your installation uses. If you are running under TSO, the data file containing the ten variant characters is TSOid.myfile.dat. Assign this file to SYSIN and run the program.

CCNGMV1

```c
/* this example will display hexadecimal values for the variant */
/* characters */

#include <stdio.h>
#include <locale.h>
#include <variant.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
```

Figure 231. Example of displaying hexadecimal values (Part 1 of 2)
void read_user_data(char *, int);

void main() {
    char *user_char, *compiler_char;

    struct variant *compiler_var_char;
    int num_var_char, index;
    char *code_set;
    char *char_names[] = {"backslash", "right bracket", "left bracket", "right brace", "left brace", "circumflex", "tilde", "exclamation mark", "number sign", "vertical line"};

    num_var_char = sizeof(char_names) / sizeof(char *);
    if ((user_char = (char *)calloc(num_var_char, 1)) == NULL)
    {
        printf("Error: Unable to allocate the storage\n");
        exit(99);
    }

    read_user_data(user_char, num_var_char);
    /* managed to read the users' characters from the file */

    code_set = "default IBM-1047";
    compiler_char = "\xe0\xbd\xda\xc0\x5f\xa1\x5a\x7b\x4f";
    /* standard compiler code page */

    printf("Compiler and library code page is: %s\n", code_set);
    printf("Variant character values:\n");
    printf("%16s expected by compiler your current\n", "");
    for (index = 0; index < num_var_char; index++)
    {
        printf("%16s\n", char_names[index], compiler_char[index], user_char[index]);
        exit(0);
    }
}

void read_user_data(char* char_array, int num_var_char)
{
    FILE *stream;
    int num;

    if (stream = fopen ("myfile.dat", "rb"))
    {
        if (!num = fread(char_array, 1, num_var_char, stream))
        {
            printf("Error: Unable to read from the file\n");
            exit(99);
        }
    }
    else {
    }

    else {
        printf("Error: Unable to open the file\n");
        exit(99);
    }

    fclose(stream);
    return;
}

Figure 231. Example of displaying hexadecimal values (Part 2 of 2)
After executing this program, use the procedures described above to ensure that your special characters on the keyboard generate the hexadecimal values expected by the z/OS C/C++ compiler.

### Using pragma filetag to specify code page in C

Add the following `#pragma filetag` in the source and header file to specify that the code page encodes the file:

```c
??=ifdef __COMPILER_VER__
    ??=pragma filetag("codepage")
??=endif
```

*codepage* is the codepage in which the source code is written.

**Note:** If you are running standard 3270 emulation in the U.S., your workstation software most likely uses code page 37. You can then use this alternative by specifying IBM-037 as *codepage*.

### Displaying square brackets when using ISPF

When your workstation is sending correct hexadecimal values for the square brackets to the host system, you may still find that they are not correctly displayed by the ISPF editor when you key them in. The following sample ISPF macro can be used to view the `[ ]` characters in text, trigraph, or hex form. You can then toggle between the three settings. Include this macro in a regular CLIST library that is concatenated to the ddname `SYSPROC`.
Example of ISPF macro for displaying square brackets (CCNGMV2)

/* this ISPF macro can be used to display square brackets in different */
/* formats */

PROC 0
ISREDIT MACRO

SET RP = &STR()
/* Symbolic values for 6 C language symbols. */
/* 1. left bracket, EBCDIC hex value */
/* 2. right bracket, EBCDIC hex value */
/* 3. left bracket, trigraph */
/* 4. right bracket, trigraph */
/* 5. left bracket, square */
/* 6. right bracket, square */
SET LBRACKET_HEX = 'X'AD'
SET RBRACKET_HEX = 'X'BB'
SET LBRACKET_TRI = &STR((
SET RBRACKET_TRI = &STR(??&RP)
SET LBRACKET_SQR = 'X'BA' /* LBRACKET_SQR = HEX BA */
SET RBRACKET_SQR = 'X'BB' /* RBRACKET_SQR = HEX BB */

ISREDIT FIND &LBRACKET_HEX ALL NX
ISREDIT (N1) = FIND_COUNTS
ISREDIT FIND &RBRACKET_HEX ALL NX
ISREDIT (N2) = FIND_COUNTS
IF (&N1 ¬= &N2) THEN WRITE ..........UNBALANCED HEX BRACKETS
IF (&N1 > 0) THEN DO
   ISREDIT CHANGE &LBRACKET_HEX &LBRACKET_TRI ALL NX
   ISREDIT CHANGE &RBRACKET_HEX &RBRACKET_TRI ALL NX
EXIT
END

ISREDIT FIND &LBRACKET_TRI ALL NX
ISREDIT (N1) = FIND_COUNTS
ISREDIT FIND &RBRACKET_TRI ALL NX
ISREDIT (N2) = FIND_COUNTS
IF (&N1 ¬= &N2) THEN WRITE ..........UNBALANCED TRIGRAPH
IF (&N1 > 0) THEN DO
   ISREDIT CHANGE &LBRACKET_TRI &LBRACKET_SQR ALL NX
   ISREDIT CHANGE &RBRACKET_TRI &RBRACKET_SQR ALL NX
EXIT
END

ISREDIT FIND &LBRACKET_SQR ALL NX
ISREDIT (N1) = FIND_COUNTS
ISREDIT FIND &RBRACKET_SQR ALL NX
ISREDIT (N2) = FIND_COUNTS
IF (&N1 ¬= &N2) THEN WRITE ..........UNBALANCED SQUARE BRACKETS
IF (&N1 > 0) THEN DO
   ISREDIT CHANGE &LBRACKET_SQR &LBRACKET_HEX ALL NX
   ISREDIT CHANGE &RBRACKET_SQR &RBRACKET_HEX ALL NX
EXIT
END

Figure 232. Sample ISPF macro for displaying square brackets

Using the CCNGMV2 macro

Follow these steps to use the CCNGMV2 macro:
1. Remap your host emulation software keyboard. If this does not enable correct display of [ and ] on ISPF, try this macro.
2. Start ISPF to edit the C or C++ source file.
3. Run the CCNGMV2 macro before editing to convert the compiler recognizable hexadecimal values of the square brackets to trigraphs.
4. Run the CCNGMV2 macro again to convert the trigraphs to displayable characters.
5. Edit your C or C++ source code.
6. Run the CCNGMV2 macro again to convert the displayable characters back to original hexadecimal values.
7. Save and File the C source file.

**Procedure for mapping on 3279**

Follow this procedure if you are using a 3279-S3G-1 with ISPF, z/OS batch, or TSO. You should have the APL keys on your keyboards.

1. Go to ISPF 0.1 and set the terminal type to 3278A.
2. Edit the file which has the square brackets.
   When you want to enter brackets [ or ], press ALT APLon, enter the square brackets and then ALT APLoff. You get X'AD', and X'BD', which is what z/OS C/C++ expects for square brackets.
# Appendix C. z/OS C/C++ Code Point Mappings

The tables below show the code point mappings for Latin-1/Open Systems coded character set 1047 (Figure 233) and for the APL coded character set 293 (Figure 234 on page 848).

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**Figure 234. Coded Character Set for APL**

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Appendix D. Locales supplied with z/OS C/C++

The following tables list the compiled locales and locale source files supported by default with the z/OS C/C++ product. All of these locale files are provided with the National Language Resources feature of z/OS Language Environment.

Notes:

1. Prior to z/OS V1R6, the default currency for the European Economic Community was set to local currency in the LC_MONETARY category of the base locale. If customers wanted to set the Euro as currency, they needed to use setlocale() to set the @euro locales. Starting with z/OS V1R6, the LC_MONETARY category in the base locale is now set to use the Euro. Customers who set the base locale, now have the Euro as the default currency. If customers want to use the old (local) currency, they need to issue setlocale() to set the @preeuro locales.

2. Starting with OS/390 V1R3, the compiled locales are built using the locale source files stored in the CEE.SCEEL0CX partitioned data set. The CEE.SCEEL0CX locale source files were created in support of the XPG4 standard. The previous locale source files (pre-XPG4) are in the CEE.SCEEL0CL partitioned data set. We include the pre-XPG4 source for customers who want to run in a non-POSIX locale environment.

3. In the HFS, the locale source files are in /usr/lib/nls/localedef and the binaries are in /usr/lib/nls/locale (we do not ship the pre-XPG4 source or binaries in the HFS).

Compiled locales

The following table lists each setlocale() parameter and its corresponding language, country/territory, codeset, and actual program name. The S370 C, POSIX C and SAA C locales do not have locale modules associated with them. They are built-in locales that cannot be modified, and are always present. Their names cannot be changed. These locales are based on the coded character set IBM-1047. The new versions of the POSIX C and SAA C locales can be provided, but to refer to them, you must specify the full name of the requested locale, including the CodesetRegistry-CodesetEncoding names. For example, "SAA.IBM-037" refers to the SAA C locale built from the coded character set IBM-037.

Note: Not all locales listed in the following table are fully enabled. The compiler cannot compile source that is coded in Ja_JP.IBM-290, Ja_JP.IBM-930, Ja_JP.IBM-1390, or Tr_TR.IBM-1026.

The <prefix> in the Load module name column for EBCDIC locales is shown in the following table:

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Locale source files

The locale source files are supplied to enable you to build locales in coded character sets other than those supplied. The locale sources supplied are listed in the following table in sequence by source file name.

The “Applicable Codesets” column indicates which charmap files can be used with the source files to build the locales. The values in this column indicate the following:

**All** The locale source contains only the portable character set and can be used to build a locale with any of the supplied charmap files.

**Latin-1** The locale source contains characters from the Latin-1 character set, and can be used to build a locale from any of the supplied Latin-1 charmap files. See Appendix E, “Charmap files supplied with z/OS C/C++,” on page 871 for a list of Latin-1 charmap files.

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Appendix E. Charmap files supplied with z/OS C/C++

All the locales supplied were built using the appropriate charmap file that represents the coded character sets described by the CodesetRegistry-CodesetEncoding element of the locale name.

All of these charmap files are provided with the National Language Resources feature of z/OS Language Environment. Consult your system programmer to determine whether they have been installed.

Under MVS, the charmap files are provided in a separate partitioned data set, CEE.SCEECMAP. The – sign is converted to the @ character.

The following table lists the coded character set name, which is the same as the name of the corresponding charmap file, and the national language each code set represents.

The column marked Latin-1 indicates whether the charmap file is for a coded character set that contains the Latin-1 character set.

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Only the charmap files for IBM-930, IBM-933, IBM-935, IBM-937, IBM-939 and IBM-1388 specify `<mb_cur_max>` as 4 and include the definition of the double-byte characters.

**Note:** The SAA C locale is built with the charmap IBM-1047, but has `<mb_cur_max>` set to 4 to maintain compatibility with old releases of C/370.

Any of these charmaps that represent the same character set, even though they represent different encoding of the same character sets, can be used with any locale source that uses the same character set, to build a new locale and charmap combination. See Chapter 50, “Building a locale,” on page 705 for information about building your own locales.
Appendix F. Examples of charmap and locale definition source

Following are examples of the charmap source and locale definition source files.

Charmap file

This example shows the charmap file for the encoded character set IBM-1047.

Charmap file
<code_set_name> "IBM-1047"
<mb_cur_max> 1
<mb_cur_min> 1
<escape_char> /
<comment_char> %

CHARMAP
<NUL> /x00
<SOH> /x01
<STX> /x02
<ETX> /x03
<SEL> /x04
<tab> /x05
<HT> /x05
<RNL> /x06
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<SPS> /x09
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<VT> /x0b
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<SI> /x0f
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<DC2> /x12
<DC3> /x13
<RES> /x14
<newline> /x15
<backspace> /x16
<BS> /x16
<P0D> /x17
<CAN> /x18
<EM> /x19
<UBS> /x1a
<CUI> /x1b
<IFS> /x1c  % file separator
<FS> /x1c
<ISS> /x1d  % group separator
<GS> /x1d
<IRS> /x1e  % record separator
<IS2> /x1e
<RS> /x1e
<IS1> /x1f  % unit separator
<US> /x1f
<ITB> /x1f
% field separator

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<E-diaeresis> /x73
<LE18> /x73
<E-grave> /x74
<LE14> /x74
<I-acute> /x75
<LI12> /x75
<I-circumflex> /x76
<LI16> /x76
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<LI18> /x77
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<SP13> /x7a
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Locale definition source file

This example shows the typical locale definition file representing the cultural and language conventions in the United States of America. For this example (LC_COLLATE), please note the following:

- The digits (0...9) sort before the letters.
- Upper case and lowercase letters have the same primary sorting weight.
- For each letter, the uppercase letter sorts before the equivalent lowercase letter.

Locale definition file

escape_char / 
comment-char %

%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
LC_CTYPE
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
upper <A>;<B>;<C>;<D>;<E>;<F>;<G>;<H>;<I>;<J>;<K>;<L>;<M>;/
<N>;<O>;<P>;<Q>;<R>;<S>;<T>;<U>;<V>;<W>;<X>;<Y>;<Z>
lower <a>;<b>;<c>;<d>;<e>;<f>;<g>;<h>;<i>;<j>;<k>;<l>;<m>;/
<n>;<o>;<p>;<q>;<r>;<s>;<t>;<u>;<v>;<w>;<x>;<y>;<z>
space <tab>;<newline>;<vertical-tab>;<form-feed>;/
<carriage-return>;<space>
cntrl <alert>;<backspace>;<tab>;<newline>;<vertical-tab>;/
<form-feed>;<carriage-return>;<NULL>;<SOH>;<STX>;/
<ETX>;<EOT>;<ENQ>;<ACK>;<CR>;<DEL>;<BEL>;<BS>;<HT>;<FF>;<ESC>;<FS>;<GS>;<RS>;<US>;<SP>;</
punct <exclamation-mark>;<quotation-mark>;<number-sign>;<dollar-sign>;<
>percent-sign>;<ampersand>;<apostrophe>;<left-parenthesis>;}
END LC_COLLATE

LC_MONETARY

int_curr_symbol "<$><$><space>"
currency_symbol "<$><dollar-sign>"
mon_decimal_point "<period>"
mon_thousands_sep "<comma>"
mon_grouping "3;0"
positive_sign "";
negative_sign "<hyphen-minus>"
int_frac_digits 2
frac_digits 2
p_cs_precedes 1
p_sep_by_space 0
n_cs_precedes 1
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\texttt{d_fmt} "%m/%d/%y"
\texttt{t_fmt} "%H:%M:%S"
\texttt{am_pm} "<A><M>"; "<P><M>"

END LC_TIME

\texttt{LC_MESSAGES}

\texttt{yesexpr} "<circumflex><left-parenthesis><left-square-bracket><y><Y>/
<right-square-bracket><left-square-bracket><e><E>/<right-square-bracket>/
<left-square-bracket><s><S><right-square-bracket><vertical-line>/
<left-square-bracket><y><Y><right-square-bracket><right-parenthesis>">
\texttt{noexpr} "<circumflex><left-parenthesis><left-square-bracket><n><N>/
<right-square-bracket><left-square-bracket><o><O><right-square-bracket>/
<vertical-line><left-square-bracket><n><N><right-square-bracket>/
<right-parenthesis>">

END LC_MESSAGES

\texttt{LC_SYNTAX}

\texttt{backslash} "<backslash>"
\texttt{right_brace} "<right-brace>"
\texttt{left_brace} "<left-brace>"
\texttt{right_bracket} "<right-square-bracket>"
\texttt{left_bracket} "<left-square-bracket>"
\texttt{circumflex} "<circumflex>"
\texttt{tilde} "<tilde>"
\texttt{exclamation_mark} "<exclamation-mark>"
\texttt{number_sign} "<number-sign>"
\texttt{vertical_line} "<vertical-line>"
\texttt{dollar_sign} "<dollar-sign>"
\texttt{commercial_at} "<commercial-at>"
\texttt{grave_accent} "<grave-accent>"

END LC_SYNTAX

\texttt{LC_TOD}

\texttt{timezone_difference} +480
\texttt{timezone_name} "<P><S><T>"
\texttt{daylight_name} "<P><D><T>"
\texttt{start_month} 0
\texttt{end_month} 0
\texttt{start_week} 0
\texttt{end_week} 0
\texttt{start_day} 0
\texttt{end_day} 0
\texttt{start_time} 0
\texttt{end_time} 0
\texttt{shift} 3600

END LC_TOD
Locale method source file

The method source file maps method names to the National Language Support (NLS) subroutines that implement those methods. The method file also specifies the object libraries or DLL side-decks where the implementing subroutines are stored. The methods correspond to those subroutines that require direct access to the data structures representing locale data. The following example shows a typical locale method source file.

Locale method source file

```plaintext
escape_char /
comment_char %

%**************************************************************************
%* Licensed Materials - Property of IBM
%* "Restricted Materials of IBM"
%* 5694-A01 5688-198
%* (C) Copyright IBM Corp. 2001
%* Status = HLE7705
%*
%**************************************************************************
%
%* method file for ISO1 ASCII locales
%**************************************************************************
% IBM_PROLOG_BEGIN_TAG
% This is an automatically generated prolog.
% bos430 src/bos/usr/lib/nls/loc/locale/iso1meth.m 1.1
% Licensed Materials - Property of IBM
% Restricted Materials of IBM
% (C) COPYRIGHT International Business Machines Corp. 1997
% All Rights Reserved
% US Government Users Restricted Rights - Use, duplication or
% disclosure restricted by GSA ADP Schedule Contract with IBM Corp.
% IBM_PROLOG_END_TAG

METHODS

mblen "_mblen_sb_a"
mbtowc "_mbtowc_isol"
mbstowcs "_mbstowcs_std_a"
wctomb "_wctomb_isol"
wstombs "_wstombs_std_a"
wcswidth "_wcwidth_std_a"
wcswidth "_wcswidth_std_a"
csid "_csid_std_a"
towupper "_towupper_std_a"
towlower "_towlower_std_a"
get_wctype "_get_wctype_std_a"
is_wctype "_is_wctype_std_a"
strcoll "_strcoll_std_a"
strxfrm "_strxfrm_std_a"
wcsxfrm "_wcsxfrm_std_a"
regcomp "_regcomp_std_a"
regexec "_regexec_std_a"
regfree "_regfree_std_a"
regerror "_regerror_std_a"
strfmon "_strfmon_std_a"
```

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constraints
are

restrictions

other

END METHODS

strftime "__strftime_std_a"
strptime "__strptime_std_a"
wcsftime "__wcsftime_std_a"
wcsid "__wcsid_std_a"

END METHODS
Appendix G. Converting code from coded character set IBM-1047

The following program shows you how to convert hybrid code to a specified code page. Hybrid code is code in which the data is in the local coded character set but the syntax uses IBM-1047 code.

Example of converting hybrid code to a specific character set (CCNGHC1)

/*
 * CCNGHC1: Sample code to convert all C syntax from code page 1047
 * to the coded character set the user specifies.
 * Comments, string literals and character constants are
 * left alone. The escape character in an escape sequence
 * is changed, since it is variant.
 * Usage: CCNGHC1 <coded character set>
 * The input file is read from stdin and the output is written
 * to stdout.
 * Example: If you want to convert all C syntax, written in coded character set
 * 1047, in a file (test1047.c.a) to coded character set 500, you can
 * use CCNGHC1 by issuing the following command.
 * ccnghc1 <test1047.c.a >test1047.gen.a IBM-500
 * The result will store in "test500 gen a" file.
 */

#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <iconv.h>
#include <errno.h>

enum boolean { false=0, False=0, FALSE=0, true=1, True=1, TRUE=1 };

enum CharState { CodeState, SQuoteState, DQuoteState, CommentState,
 DBCSState, EscState, EOFState };

enum CharVal { SlashChar='/', SQuoteChar='\', DQuoteChar='"',
 StarChar='*', SOChar='\x0E', SIChar='\x0F',
 BSlashChar='\', EOFChar= -1 };

Figure 235. Converting Hybrid Code to a Specific Character Set (Part 1 of 10)
typedef iconv_t XlateTable;

static char *Initialize (int argc, char *argv[]);
static int Convert (char *codeset);
static int InitConv (char **inBuff, char **outBuff, int *maxRecSize,
                    char *codeSet, XlateTable *xlateTable);
static void ConvBuff (int start, int end,
                      char *buff, XlateTable xlateTable);
static enum CharVal LookAhead (char *inBuff, char *outBuff,
                               int *recSize, int *curPos,
                               int maxRecSize, int *codeStartPos,
                               enum CharState state,
                               XlateTable xlateTable);
static enum CharVal GetNextChar (char *inBuff, char *outBuff,
                                 int *recSize, int maxRecSize,
                                 int *curPos, int *codeStartPos,
                                 enum CharState state,
                                 XlateTable xlateTable);
static int UpdateAndRead (char *inBuff, char *outBuff,
                           int *recSize, int *curPos,
                           int maxRecSize, int *codeStartPos,
                           enum CharState state,
                           XlateTable xlateTable);
static int ReadAndCopy (char *inBuff, char *outBuff, int maxRecSize);

#pragma inline(LAST_POS)
#pragma inline(NEXT_TO_LAST_POS)
#pragma inline(LookAhead)
#pragma inline(GetNextChar)
#pragma inline(ConvBuff)

Figure 235. Converting Hybrid Code to a Specific Character Set (Part 2 of 10)
main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    char *codeset = Initialize(argc, argv);
    if (codeset == NULL) {
        return(8);
    }
    return(Convert(codeset));
}

static char *Initialize(int argc, char *argv[]) {
    if (argc != 2) {
        fprintf(stderr, "Expected %d argument but got %d\n", 1, argc-1);
        return(NULL);
    }
    stdin = freopen("", "rb,type=record", stdin);
    stdout = freopen("", "wb,type=record", stdout);
    if (stdin == NULL || stdout == NULL) {
        fprintf(stderr, "Could not re-open standard streams\n");
        return(NULL);
    }
    return(argv[1]);
}

static int LAST_POS(int recSize) {
    return(recSize-1);
}

static int NEXT_TO_LAST_POS(int recSize) {
    return(recSize-2);
}

Figure 235. Converting Hybrid Code to a Specific Character Set (Part 3 of 10)
/ * 
 * Convert the stdin file using codeset and write to stdout. 
 * Set up the translation table. 
 * Read the first record and copy it into the output buffer. 
 * Go through the FSM, starting in the Code State and leaving 
 * when EOFState is reached (End Of File). 
 * Close the translation table. 
 */
static int Convert(char *codeset) {
    enum CharVal c;
    int recSize;
    enum CharState prvState;
    int rc;

    int codeStartPos = 0;
    int curPos = 0;
    enum boolean high = FALSE;
    enum CharState state = CodeState;

    char * inBuff;
    char * outBuff;
    int maxRecSize;
    XlateTable xlateTable;

    rc = InitConv(&inBuff, &outBuff, &maxRecSize, codeset, &xlateTable);
    if (rc) {
        if (inBuff) free(inBuff);
        if (outBuff) free(outBuff);
        return(rc);
    }

    recSize = ReadAndCopy(inBuff, outBuff, maxRecSize);

    while (state != EOFState) {
        c = GetNextChar(inBuff, outBuff, &recSize, maxRecSize, &curPos, &codeStartPos, state, xlateTable);
        if (c == EOFChar) {
            state = EOFState;
        }
    }

    Figure 235. Converting Hybrid Code to a Specific Character Set (Part 4 of 10)
switch(state) {
    case CodeState:
        switch (c) {
            case BSlashChar:
                curPos = LAST_POS(recSize);
                break;
            case SlashChar:
                if (LookAhead(inBuff, outBuff, &recSize,
                                &curPos, maxRecSize, &codeStartPos,
                                state, xlateTable)
                    == StarChar) {
                    state = CommentState;
                }
                break;
            case SQuoteChar:
                state = SQuoteState;
                break;
            case DQuoteChar:
                state = DQuoteState;
                break;
        }
        if (state != CodeState || curPos == NEXT_TO_LAST_POS(recSize)) {
            if (curPos == NEXT_TO_LAST_POS(recSize)) {
                ++curPos;
            } else {
                ConvBuff(codeStartPos, curPos, outBuff, xlateTable);
            }
        }
        break;
    case CommentState:
        switch(c) {
            case BSlashChar:
                curPos = LAST_POS(recSize);
                break;
            case StarChar:
                if (LookAhead(inBuff, outBuff, &recSize,
                                &curPos, maxRecSize, &codeStartPos,
                                state, xlateTable)
                    == SlashChar) {
                    state = CodeState;
                    codeStartPos = curPos;
                }
                break;
            break;
        }

    Figure 235. Converting Hybrid Code to a Specific Character Set (Part 5 of 10)
case DQuoteState:
    switch(c) {
        case DQuoteChar:
            state = CodeState;
            codeStartPos = curPos;
            break;
        case SOChar:
            prvState = state;
            state = DBCSState;
            break;
        case BSChar:
            ConvBuff(curPos, curPos, outBuff, xlateTable);
            if (curPos != LAST_POS(recSize)) {
                prvState = state;
                state = EscState;
            }
            break;
    }
    break;

    case SQuoteState:
    switch(c) {
        case SQuoteChar:
            state = CodeState;
            codeStartPos = curPos;
            break;
        case SOChar:
            prvState = state;
            state = DBCSState;
            break;
        case BSChar:
            ConvBuff(curPos, curPos, outBuff, xlateTable);
            if (curPos != LAST_POS(recSize)) {
                prvState = state;
                state = EscState;
            }
            break;
    }
    break;

Figure 235. Converting Hybrid Code to a Specific Character Set (Part 6 of 10)
case DBCSState:
    high ^= 1; /* TRUE -> FALSE or FALSE -> TRUE */
    if (high && (c == SChar)) {
        state = prvState;
        high = FALSE;
    }
    break;

case EscState:
    state = prvState; /* really, this is ok */
    break;

case EOFState:
    break;

default:
    fprintf(stderr, "Internal error - ended up in state %d\n",
            state);
    return(16);
} /* end of switch statement */
++curPos;
rc = TermConv(inBuff, outBuff, xlateTable);
return(0);

/*
 * Initialize the translation table and allocate the input and
 * output buffers to use.
 * Return 0 if successful.
 */
static int InitConv(char **inBuff, char **outBuff, int *maxRecSize,
                    char *codeset, XlateTable* xlateTable) {

    static char fileNameBuff[FILENAME_MAX+1];
    fldata_t info;
    int rc;

    *outBuff = *inBuff = NULL;

    rc = fldata(stdin, fileNameBuff, &info);
    if (rc) {
        return(rc);
    }

    *maxRecSize = info.__maxreclen;
    *inBuff = malloc(*maxRecSize);
    *outBuff = malloc(*maxRecSize);

    if ((xlateTable = iconv_open("IBM-1047",codeset)) == (iconv_t)(-1)) {
        fprintf(stderr,"Cannot open converter from %s to IBM-1047",codeset);
        return (8);
    }

    return(!inBuff || !outBuff);
}

Figure 235. Converting Hybrid Code to a Specific Character Set (Part 7 of 10)
/**
 * Convert the buffer from start to end using the translation table
 */
static void ConvBuff(int start, int end,
    char *buff, XlateTable xlateTable) {

    int rc;
    size_t inleft, outleft, org;
    char *inptr, *outptr;

    outleft = inleft = end-start+1;
    inptr = outptr = &buff[start];

    while (1) {
        rc = iconv(xlateTable,&inptr,&inleft,&outptr,&outleft);

        if (rc == -1) {
            switch (errno) {
            /* Skip the invalid character */
                case EILSEQ: if (--inleft == 0) return;
                    ++inptr;
                    ++outptr;
                    --outleft;
                    break;

                default: fprintf(stderr,"iconv() fails with errno = %d\n",errno);
                        exit(8);
            }
        } else
            return;
    }
}

Figure 235. Converting Hybrid Code to a Specific Character Set (Part 8 of 10)
/* Look ahead to the next character. If the current position
* is the last character of the input record, write the current
* output record and read in the next record.
* Return the 'character' read, which may be EOF if the end of
* the file was reached.
*/
static enum CharVal LookAhead(char *inBuff, char *outBuff,
int *recSize, int *curPos,
int maxRecSize, int *codeStartPos,
enum CharState state,
XlateTable xlateTable) {

if (*curPos == LAST_POS(*recSize)) {
  if (UpdateAndRead(inBuff, outBuff, recSize, maxRecSize,
   *codeStartPos, state, xlateTable)) {
    return(EOFChar);
  }
  *curPos = 0;
  *codeStartPos = 0;
} else {
  (*curPos)++;
  return(inBuff[*curPos]);
}

/*
* Similar to LookAhead(), but return the current character
*/
static enum CharVal GetNextChar(char *inBuff, char *outBuff,
int *recSize, int maxRecSize,
int *curPos, int *codeStartPos,
enum CharState state,
XlateTable xlateTable) {

if (*curPos > LAST_POS(*recSize)) {
  if (UpdateAndRead(inBuff, outBuff, recSize, maxRecSize,
   *codeStartPos, state, xlateTable)) {
    return(EOFChar);
  }
  *curPos = 0;
  *codeStartPos = 0;
} return(inBuff[*curPos]);

Figure 235. Converting Hybrid Code to a Specific Character Set (Part 9 of 10)
/* 
* If the current state is the code state, translate the remaining 
* part of the record. 
* Write out the record to stdout 
* Read in the next record and copy it to the output buffer. 
*/

static int UpdateAndRead(char *inBuff, char *outBuff, 
                    int *recSize, int maxRecSize, 
                    int codeStartPos, enum CharState state, 
                    XlateTable xlateTable) {

    if (state == CodeState) {
        ConvBuff(codeStartPos, LAST_POS(*recSize), outBuff, xlateTable);
    }
    fwrite(outBuff, 1, *recSize, stdout);
    *recSize = ReadAndCopy(inBuff, outBuff, maxRecSize);
    return((*recSize == 0) ? 1 : 0);
}

/*/ 
* Read in a record from stdin and copy it to the output buffer. 
* Return the number of bytes read. 
*/

static int ReadAndCopy(char *inBuff, char *outBuff, 
                    int maxRecSize) {
    int recSize;
    recSize = fread(inBuff, 1, maxRecSize, stdin);
    if (feof(stdin) && recSize == 0) {
        return(0);
    } else {
        memcpy(outBuff, inBuff, recSize);
        return(recSize);
    }
}

/*/ 
* Free allocated storage and close the translation table. 
*/

static int TermConv(char *inBuff, 
                    char *outBuff, XlateTable xlateTable) {
    iconv_close(xlateTable);
    free(inBuff);
    free(outBuff);
    return(0);
}

Figure 235. Converting Hybrid Code to a Specific Character Set (Part 10 of 10)
Appendix H. Additional Examples

This chapter contains additional examples that you might find useful when you are writing a C or C++ program.

Memory Management

If you have ever received an error from overwriting storage created with the `malloc()` function, the following code may be of interest. It shows how to use debuggable versions of `malloc()/calloc()/realloc()` and `free()`. You can tailor the following macros.

**CCNGMI1**

/* debuggable malloc()/calloc()/realloc()/free() example */
/* part 1 of 2-other file is CCNGMI2 */
#ifndef __STORAGE__
#define __STORAGE__
#define PADDING_SIZE 4  /* amount of padding around */
       /* allocated storage */
#define PADDING_BYTE 0xFE  /* special value to initialize*/
       /* padding to */
#define HEAP_INIT_SIZE 4096  /* get 4K to start with */
#define HEAP_INCR_SIZE 4096  /* get 4K increments */
#define HEAP_OPTS 72     /* HEAP(,,ANYWHERE,FREE) */

extern int heapVerbose;  /* If 0, heap allocation and */
       /* free messages will be */
       /* suppressed, otherwise, they*/
       /* will be displayed */
#endif

*Figure 236. Debuggable malloc()/calloc()/realloc()/free() example*

Main routine follows:
/* debuggable malloc()/calloc()/realloc()/free() example */
/* part 2 of 2-other file is CCNGMI1 */
/*
 * STORAGE:
 *
 * EXTERNALS:
 *
 * This file contains code for the following functions:
 * -malloc.......allocate storage from a Language Environment heap
 * -calloc.......allocate storage from a Language Environment heap
 * and initialize it to 0.
 * file.
 * this file. If a NULL pointer is passed instead of a
 * directly.
 *
 * USAGE:
 *
 * You do not need to compile this code with any special options.
 * The TEST option is useful, however, as the traceback will provide
 * additional information. Line number information and the type and
 * values of variables will be dumped in a traceback for all
 * files compiled with TEST.
 *
 * Prelink,link, or bind this object module with your other object modules.
 * malloc(), free(), and realloc().
 *
 * INTERNALS:
 *
 * General Algorithm:
 *
 * When storage is allocated, extra 'padding' is allocated at the
 * start and end of the actual storage allocated for you.
 * This padding is then initialized to a special pad value. If your
 * code is functioning correctly, the padding should not
 * have been changed when it comes time to free the storage. If the
 * free() routine finds that the padding does not have the correct
 * value, the storage about to be freed is dumped and a traceback
 * is issued. The storage is then dumped, as usual.
 * The padding size and padding byte value can be modified to suit
 * your needs. Update the include file "ccngmi2.h" if you want
 * to modify these values.
 * Here is a diagram of how storage is allocated (assume that the
 * pad value is xFE, the padding size is 4 bytes and 8 bytes of
 * storage were requested):
 *
Figure 237. Debuggable malloc()/calloc()/realloc()/free() example (Part 1 of 10)
* Length of Padding Allocated storage Padding
* storage | returned to user |
* +--------+----------------+----------------+----------------+----------------+
* 00 00 00 10 | FE FE FE FE | xx xx xx xx | xx xx xx xx | FE FE FE FE |
* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *
* (Values above shown in hexadecimal)
* * This method is fairly effective in tracking down storage
* allocation problems. Also, code does not have
* to be recompiled to use these routines - it just has to be
* relinked. Note that this method is not guaranteed to find all storage
* allocation errors - if you overwrite the padding with the
* same value it had before, or you overwrite more storage than
* you had padding for, you will still have problems.
* * This code uses the Language Environment heap services to allocate,
* reallocate, and free storage. A User Heap is used instead of the
* library heap so that if the heap gets corrupted, the standard library
* services that use the heap will not be affected. For example,
* if the user heap is damaged, a call to a library function
* such as printf should still succeed.
* * Notes of interest:
* * - The run-time option STORAGE is very useful for tracking down
* random pointer problems - it initializes heap or stack frame
* storage to a particular value.
* * - The run-time option RPTSTG(ON) is useful for improving heap and
* stack frame allocation - it generates a report indicating how
* stack and heap storage was managed for a given program.
*/
#include "storage.h"
#include <leawi.h>
#include <stdio.h>

Figure 237. Debuggable malloc()/calloc()/realloc()/free() example (Part 2 of 10)
/* heapVerbose: external variable that controls whether heap* allocation and free messages are displayed.*
int heapVerbose=1;

/* mallocHeapID: static variable that is the Heap ID used for allocating* storage via malloc(). On the first call to malloc(),* a Heap will be created and this Heap ID will be set.* All subsequent calls to malloc will use this Heap ID.*
static _INT4 mallocHeapID=0;

/*
* CHARS_PER_LINE/BYTES_PER_LINE: Used by dump() and DumpLine()*
to control the width of a storage dump.
*/
#define CHARS_PER_LINE 40
#define BYTES_PER_LINE 16

/* align: Given a value and the alignment desired (in bits), round*
the value to the next largest alignment, unless it is*
already aligned, in which case, just return the value passed.*
*/
#pragma inline(align)
static int align(int value, int shift) {
    int alignment = (0x1 << shift);
    if (value % alignment) {
        return(((value >> shift) << shift) + alignment);
    } else {
        return(value);
    }
}

/* padding: given a buffer (address and length), return 1 if the*
entire buffer consists of the pad character specified,*
otherwise return 0.*
*/
#pragma inline(padding)
static int padding(const char* buffer, long size, int pad) {
    int i;
    for (i=0;i<size;++i) {
        if (buffer[i] != pad) return(0);
    }
    return(1);
}

Figure 237. Debuggable malloc()/calloc()/realloc()/free() example (Part 3 of 10)
/ * CEECmp: Given two feedback codes, return 0 if they have the same 
 * message number and facility id, otherwise return 1. 
 */
#pragma inline(CEECmp)
static int CEECmp(_FEEDBACK* fc1, _FEEDBACK* fc2) {
    if (fc1->tok_msgno == fc2->tok_msgno &&
        !memcmp(fc1->tok_facid, fc2->tok_facid, sizeof(fc1->tok_facid))){
        return(0);
    }
    else {
        return(1);
    }
}

/*
 * CEEOk: Given a feedback code, return 1 if it compares the same to 
 * condition code CEE000. 
 */
#pragma inline(CEEOk)
static int CEEOk(_FEEDBACK* fc) {
    _FEEDBACK CEE000 = { 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, {0,0,0}, 0 };
    return(CEECmp(fc, &CEE000) == 0);
}

/*
 * CEEErr: Given a title string and a feedback code, print the 
 * title to stderr, then print the message associated 
 * with the feedback code. If the feedback code message can not 
 * be printed out, print out the message number and severity. 
 */
static void CEEErr(const char* title, _FEEDBACK* fc) {
    _FEEDBACK msgFC;
    _INT4 dest = 2;
    fprintf(stderr, "\n%s\n", title);
    CEEMSG(fc, &dest, &msgFC);
    if (!CEEOk(&msgFC)){
        fprintf(stderr, "Message number:%d with severity %d occurred\n",
            fc->tok_msgno, fc->tok_sev);
    }
}

Figure 237. Debuggable malloc()/calloc()/realloc()/free() example (Part 4 of 10)
DumpLine: Dump out a buffer (address and length) to stderr.

```c
static void DumpLine(char* address, int length) {
  int i, c, charCount=0;
  if (length % 4) length += 4;
  fprintf(stderr, "%8.8p: ", address);
  for (i=0; i < length/4; ++i) {
    fprintf(stderr, "%8.8X ", ((int*)address)[i]);
    charCount += 9;
  }
  for (i=charCount; i < CHARS_PER_LINE; ++i) {
    putc(' ', stderr);
  }
  fprintf(stderr, "|");
  for (i=0; i < length; ++i) {
    c = address[i];
    c = (isprint(c) ? c : '.');
    fprintf(stderr, "%c", c);
  }
  fprintf(stderr, "\n");
}
```

dump: dump out a buffer (address and length) to stderr by dumping out a line at a time (DumpLine), until the buffer is written out.

```c
static void dump(void* generalAddress, int length) {
  int curr = 0;
  char* address = (char*) generalAddress;
  while (&address[curr] < &address[length-BYTES_PER_LINE]) {
    DumpLine(&address[curr], BYTES_PER_LINE);
    curr += BYTES_PER_LINE;
  }
  if (curr < length) {
    DumpLine(&address[curr], length-curr);
  }
}
```

Figure 237. Debuggable malloc()/calloc()/realloc()/free() example (Part 5 of 10)
/* malloc: Create a heap if necessary by calling CEECRHP. This only
* needs to be done on the first call to malloc(). Verify
* that the heap creation was ok. If it was not, issue an
* error message and return a NULL pointer.
* Write a message to stderr indicating how many bytes
* are about to be allocated.
* Call CEEGTST to allocate the storage requested plus
* additional padding to be placed at the start and end
* of the allocated storage. Verify that the storage allocation
* was successful. If it was not, issue an error message and
* return a NULL pointer.
* Write a message to stderr indicating the address of the
* allocated storage.
* Initialize the padding to the value of PADDING_BYTE, so that
* free() will be able to test that the padding was not changed.
* Return the address of the allocated storage (starting after
* the padding bytes).
*/
void* malloc(long initSize) {
  FEEDBACK fc;
  _POINTER address=0;
  long totSize;
  long* lenPtr;
  char* msg;
  char* start;
  char* end;

Figure 237. Debuggable malloc()/calloc()/realloc()/free() example (Part 6 of 10)
if (!mallocHeapID) {
  _INT4 heapSize = HEAP_INIT_SIZE;
  _INT4 heapInc = HEAP_INCR_SIZE;
  _INT4 opts = HEAP_OPTS;

  CEECRHP(&mallocHeapID, &heapSize, &heapInc, &opts, &fc);
  if (!CEEOk(&fc)) {
    CEEErr("Heap creation failed", &fc);
    return(0);
  }
}

if (heapVerbose) {
  fprintf(stderr, "Allocate %d bytes", initSize);
}

/* Add the padding size to the total size, then round up to the nearest double word */
totSize = initSize + (PADDING_SIZE*2) + sizeof(long);
totSize = align(totSize, 3);

CEEGTST(&mallocHeapID, &totSize, &address, &fc);
if (!CEEOk(&fc)) {
  msg = "Storage request failed";
  CEEErr(msg, &fc);
  __ctrace(msg);
  return(0);
}

lenPtr = (long*) address;
*lenPtr = initSize;
start = ((char*) address) + sizeof(long);
end = start + initSize + PADDING_SIZE;

memset(start, PADDING_BYTE, PADDING_SIZE);
memset(end, PADDING_BYTE, PADDING_SIZE);

if (heapVerbose) {
  fprintf(stderr, " starting at address %p\n", address);
}

return(start + PADDING_SIZE);
}

Figure 237. Debuggable malloc()/calloc()/realloc()/free() example (Part 7 of 10)
/ *
* calloc: Call malloc() to allocate the requested amount of storage.
*     If the allocation was successful, initialize the allocated
*     storage to 0.
*     Return the address of the allocated storage (or a NULL
*     pointer if malloc returned a NULL pointer).
*/

void* calloc(size_t num, size_t size) {
    size_t initSize = num * size;
    void* ptr;

    ptr = malloc(initSize);
    if (ptr) {
        memset(ptr, 0, initSize);
    }
    return(ptr);
}

/ *
* realloc: If a NULL pointer is passed, call malloc() directly.
*     Call CEECZST to reallocate the storage requested plus
*     additional padding to be placed at the start and end
*     of the allocated storage.
*     Verify that the storage re-allocation was ok. If it was not,
*     issue an error message, dump the storage, and return a NULL
*     pointer.
*     Write a message to stderr indicating the address of the
*     reallocated storage.
*     Initialize the padding to the value of PADDING BYTE, so
*     that free() will be able to test that the padding was not
*     changed. Note that the padding at the start of the storage
*     does not need to be allocated, since it was already
*     initialized by an earlier call to malloc().
*     Return the address of the reallocated storage (starting
*     after the padding bytes).
*/

void* realloc(char* ptr, long initSize) {
    FEEDBACK fc;
    _POINTER address = (ptr - sizeof(long) - PADDING_SIZE);
    long oldSize;
    long* lenPtr;
    char* start;
    char* end;
    char* msg;
    long newSize = initSize;

Figure 237. Debuggable malloc()/calloc()/realloc()/free() example (Part 8 of 10)
if (ptr == 0) {
    return(malloc(newSize));
}

oldSize = *((long*) address);

if (heapVerbose) {
    fprintf(stderr, "Re-allocate %d bytes from address %p to ",
            newSize, address);
}

/*
* Add the padding size to the total size, then round up to the
* nearest double word
*/
newSize += (PADDING_SIZE*2) + sizeof(long);
newSize = align(newSize, 3);
CEECZST(&address, &newSize, &fc);
if (!CEEOk(&fc)) {
    msg = "Storage re-allocation failed";
    CEEEerr(msg, &fc);
    dump(address, oldSize + (PADDING_SIZE*2) + sizeof(long));
    __ctrace(msg);
    return(0);
}

lenPtr = (long*) address;
*lenPtr= initSize;
start = ((char*) address) + sizeof(long);
end = start + initSize + PADDING_SIZE;
memset(end, PADDING_BYTE, PADDING_SIZE);
if (heapVerbose) {
    fprintf(stderr, "address %p\n", address);
}

return(start + PADDING_SIZE);

Figure 237. Debuggable malloc()/calloc()/realloc()/free() example (Part 9 of 10)
Calling MVS WTO routines from C

The following sample code calls a function that will perform a Write To Operator (WTO) call. You can tailor it as you wish. The C code performs an ILC to an assembler routine to do a dynamic WTO call.

Assemble CCNGWT1, compile CCNGWT2, link the two together, and run CCNGWT2. Information is written to the job log.

Note: This example runs only in the TSO BATCH environment.

/*
* free: Calculate where the start and end of the originally
* allocated storage was. The start will be different than the
* address passed in because the address passed in points after
* the padding bytes added by malloc() or realloc().
* Write a message to stderr indicating what address is about
* to be freed.
* Verify that the start and end padding bytes have the original
* padding value. If they do not, dump out the originally
* allocated storage and issue a trace.
* Free the storage by calling CEEFRST. If the storage free
* fails, dump out the storage and issue a trace.
*/
void free(char* ptr) {
  _FEEDBACK fc;
  _POINTER address=(void*) (ptr - sizeof(long) - PADDING_SIZE);
  char* start;
  char* end;
  long size;
  long* lenPtr;
  char* msg;

  lenPtr = (long*) address;
  size = *lenPtr;
  start = ((char*) address) + sizeof(long);
  end = start + size + PADDING_SIZE;

  if (heapVerbose) {
    fprintf(stderr, "Free address %p\n", address);
  }
  if (!padding(start, PADDING_SIZE, PADDING_BYTE) ||
      !padding(end, PADDING_SIZE, PADDING_BYTE)) {
    dump(address, size + (PADDING_SIZE*2) + sizeof(long));
    msg = "Padding overwritten";
    __ctrace(msg);
  } else {
    CEEFRST(&address, &fc);
    if (!CEEOk(&fc)) {
      msg = "Storage free failed";
      CEEErr(msg, &fc);
      dump(address, size + (PADDING_SIZE*2) + sizeof(long));
      __ctrace(msg);
    }
  }
}

Figure 237. Debuggable malloc()/calloc()/realloc()/free() example (Part 10 of 10)
CCNGWT1

* WRITE TO OPERATOR EXAMPLE *
* PART 1 OF 2-OTHER FILE IS CCNGWT2 *
WTO CSECT
WTO AMODE 31
WTO RMODE ANY

******
* R1->ADDRESS OF INTEGER -> LENGTH OF STRING
* ->CHARACTER STRING

EDCPRLG DSALN=DLEN
USING DSA,13

******
* RANGE CHECK LENGTH
* IGNORE A SINGLE TRAILING NULL CHARACTER

L 5,0(,1) POINT TO LENGTH
LA 15,4 RETURN CODE FOR INVALID LENGTH
ICM 5,8'1111',0(5) LENGTH OF MESSAGE
BNP RETURN NOT >0? RETURN
L 6,4(,1) POINT TO MESSAGE
LA 8,0(5,6) POINT TO CHAR AFTER MESSAGE
BCTR 8,0 POINT TO LAST CHARACTER
CLI 0(8),0 IS IT A NULL CHARACTER?
BNE NOENDINGNULL
BCT 5,NOENDINGNULL IGNORE IT: USER SAID WTO(SIZEOF S,S)
B RETURN UNLESS LENGTH WAS DROPPED TO ZERO

NOENDINGNULL DS 0H
LA 7,0 LENGTH OK SO FAR
LA 8,'BUFFER MAXIMUM LENGTH
CR 5,8 CHECK LENGTH
BNH LENOK
LR 5,8 SHOW ONLY WHAT FITS INTO BUFFER
LA 7,4 REMEMBER SPECIFIED STRING WAS TOO LONG

LENOK DS 0H

******
* BUILD WTO BUFFER
* COPY LIST FORM OF WTO TO DSA
* EXECUTE WTO

STH 5,PREFIX LENGTH SHOWN GOES INTO PREFIX
BCTR 5,0 REDUCE LENGTH FOR EXECUTE
EX 5,MSG MOVE MESSAGE TEXT
LA 6,PREFIX POINT TO PREFIX OF COPIED MESSAGE
MVC WTOD,WTOL MOVE LIST FORM OF MACRO TO DSA
WTO TEXT=(6),MF=(E,WTOD)

Figure 238. Performing a Write To Operator (Part 1 of 2)
**Listing Partitioned Data Set Members**

The following example shows a way to create a list of all members in a Partitioned Data Set (PDS).

**Note:** This information is included to aid you in such a task and is **not** programming interface information.

---

```
******
* IF WTO RETURNED NON-ZERO THAT'S THE RETURN CODE FOR THE USER
* OTHERWISE WE RETURN 4 IF WE TRUNCATED MESSAGE, 0 IF WE DIDN'T

LTR 15,15 CHECK RC FROM WTO
BNZ RETURN 0 WTO RC RETURNED TO CALLER
LR 15,7 TELL CALLER IF STRING WAS TOO LONG
RETURN DS 0W
EDCEPIL
MSG MVC BUFFER(*-*),0(6)
WTOL WTO TEXT=,ROUTCDE=11,DESC=12,MF=L LIST FORM
WTOLEN EQU -*WTOL LENGTH TO MOVE
DSA EDCSAD
DS OF
WTOD DS CL(WTOLEN)
PREFIX DS H
BUFFER DS CL126
DLEN EQU -*DSA
END

Figure 238. Performing a Write To Operator (Part 2 of 2)

CCNGWT2

/* write to operator example */
/* part 2 of 2-other file is CCNGWT1 */
#pragma linkage(WTO,os_upstack)
int WTO(int,char*);

int main(void) {
    #define msg "my message"
    WTO(sizeof msg-1,msg);
}

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/* this example shows how to create a list of members of a PDS */
/* part 1 of 2-other file is CCNGIP2 */
/*
* NODE_PTR pds_mem(const char *pds):
* pds must be a fully qualified pds name, for example, ID.PDS.DATASET
* returns a * pointer to a linked list of
* nodes. Each node contains a member of the * pds and a
* pointer to the next node. If no members exist, the pointer
* is NULL.
* Note: Behavior is undefined if pds is the name of a sequential file.
*/

#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include "ccngip2.h"

/*
* RECORD: each record of a pds will be read into one of these structures.
* The first 2 bytes is the record length, which is put into 'count',
* the remaining 254 bytes are put into rest. Each record is 256 bytes long.
*/

#define RECLEN 254
typedef struct {
    unsigned short int count;
    char rest[RECLEN];
} RECORD;

/* Local function prototypes */

static int gen_node(NODE_PTR *node, RECORD *rec, NODE_PTR *last_ptr);
static char *add_name(NODE_PTR *node, char *name, NODE_PTR *last_ptr);

Figure 240. Example of Listing All Members of a PDS (Part 1 of 5)
NODE_PTR pds_mem(const char *pds) {
    FILE *fp;
    int bytes;
    NODE_PTR node, last_ptr;
    RECORD rec;
    int list_end;
    char *qual_pds;

    node = NULL;
    last_ptr = NULL;
    /*
     * Allocate a new variable, qual_pds, which will be the same as pds, except
     * with single quotes around it, i.e. ID.PDS.DATASET ==> 'ID.PDS.DATA
     */
    qual_pds = (char *)malloc(strlen(pds) + 3);
    if (qual_pds == NULL) {
        fprintf(stderr, "malloc failed for %d bytes\n", strlen(pds) + 3);
        exit(-1);
    }
    sprintf(qual_pds, "%s", pds);
    /*
     * Open the pds in binary read mode. The PDS directory will be read one
     * record at a time until either the end of the directory or end-of-file
     * is detected. Call up gen_node() with every record read, to add member
     * names to the linked list
     */
    fp = fopen(qual_pds, "rb");
    if (fp == NULL)
        return(NULL);
    do {
        bytes = fread(&rec, 1, sizeof(rec), fp);
        if ((bytes != sizeof(rec)) && !feof(fp)) {
            perror("FREAD:");
            fprintf(stderr, "Failed in %s, line %d\n"
                "Expected to read %d bytes but read %d bytes\n",
                __FILE__, __LINE__, sizeof(rec), bytes);
            exit(-1);
        }
        list_end = gen_node(&node, &rec, &last_ptr);
    } while (!feof(fp) && !list_end);
    fclose(fp);
    free(qual_pds);
    return(node);
}

Figure 240. Example of Listing All Members of a PDS (Part 2 of 5)
/*
* GEN_NODE() processes the record passed. The main loop scans through the
* record until it has read at least rec->count bytes, or a directory end
* marker is detected.
*
* Each record has the form:
*
+-----------------------------+-----------------------------+
* | # of bytes in record | Member 1 | Member 2 | ... | Member n | Unused |
* +-----------------------------+-----------------------------+
* | [--count--] |---------------------------|-----------------------------|
* (Note that the number stored in count includes its own
* two bytes)
*
* And, each member has the form:
*
+-----------------------------+----------------------------+
* | Member Name | TTR info byte | User Data TTRN's (halfwords) |
* +-----------------------------+----------------------------+
* | 8 bytes | 3 bytes | |
* +-----------------------------+----------------------------+
*/

#define TTRLEN 3    /* The TTR's are 3 bytes long */

#define ALIAS_MASK  ((unsigned int) 0x80)

#define SKIP_MASK  ((unsigned int) 0x1F)

/*
* 8 hex FF's mark the end of the directory
*/

Figure 240. Example of Listing All Members of a PDS (Part 3 of 5)
* /
char *endmark = "\xFF\xFF\xFF\xFF\xFF\xFF\xFF\xFF\xFF\xFF\xFF";
static int gen_node(NODE_PTR *node, RECORD *rec, NODE_PTR *last_ptr) {
    char *ptr, *name;
    int skip, count = 2;
    unsigned int info_byte, alias, ttrn;
    char ttr[TTRLEN];
    int list_end = 0;

    ptr = rec->rest;
    while(count < rec->count) {
        if (!memcmp(ptr,endmark,NAMELEN)) {
            list_end = 1;
            break;
        }

        /* member name */
        name = ptr;
        ptr += NAMELEN;

        /* ttr */
        memcpy(ttr,ptr,TTRLEN);
        ptr += TTRLEN;

        /* info_byte */
        info_byte = (unsigned int) (*ptr);
        alias = info_byte & ALIAS_MASK;
        if (!alias) add_name(node,name,last_ptr);
        skip = (info_byte & SKIP_MASK) * 2 + 1;
        ptr += skip;
        count += (TTRLEN + NAMELEN + skip);
    }
    return(list_end);
}

Figure 240. Example of Listing All Members of a PDS (Part 4 of 5)
static char *add_name(NODE_PTR *node, char *name, NODE_PTR *last_ptr) {
    NODE_PTR newnode;
    /*
    * malloc space for the new node
    */
    newnode = (NODE_PTR)malloc(sizeof(NODE));
    if (newnode == NULL) {
        fprintf(stderr,"malloc failed for %d bytes\n",sizeof(NODE));
        exit(-1);
    }
    /* copy the name into the node and NULL terminate it */
    strcpy(newnode->name,name,NAMELEN);
    newnode->name[NAMELEN] = '\0';
    newnode->next = NULL;
    /*
    * add the new node to the linked list
    */
    if (*last_ptr != NULL) {
        (*last_ptr)->next = newnode;
        *last_ptr = newnode;
    } else {
        *node = newnode;
        *last_ptr = newnode;
    }
    return(newnode->name);
}

void free_mem(NODE_PTR node) {
    NODE_PTR next_node=node;
    while (next_node != NULL) {
        next_node = node->next;
        free(node);
        node = next_node;
    }
    return;
}

Figure 240. Example of Listing All Members of a PDS (Part 5 of 5)
/* this example shows how to create a list of members of a PDS */
/* part 2 of 2-other file is CCNGIP1 */
/* NODE: a pointer to this structure is returned from the call to pds_mem().
 * It is a linked list of character arrays - each array contains a member
 * name. Each next pointer points to the next member, except the last
 * next member which points to NULL.
 */
#define NAMELEN 8    /* Length of a MVS member name */

typedef struct node {
    struct node *next;
    char name[NAMELEN+1];
} NODE, *NODE_PTR;

NODE_PTR pds_mem(const char *pds);
void free_mem(NODE_PTR list);

Figure 241. ccngip2.h Header file
Appendix I. Using built-in functions

This appendix discusses the built-in functions of the z/OS C/C++ compiler. A built-in function is in-line code that is generated in place of the actual function call.

Note: Built-in functions do not correspond to inline functions that result from the use of the compile-time option INLINE and the #pragma inline directive in C. For more information, see "Inlining" on page 506.

There are two types of built-in functions in the z/OS C/C++ compiler:

C-library built-in functions
The compiler generates in-line code for these functions, thereby boosting the runtime performance. Examples of this are the strcmp and abs functions.

Hardware built-in functions
A hardware built-in function requests that the compiler generates a specific hardware instruction which the compiler would not generate by default. Examples of this are the _csl and _stck functions.

C-library functions

The built-in functions of this section behave exactly the same as those in the C library. The compiler will generate inline code for these functions if the appropriate header file is included in the source. For more information, see built-in functions in z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.

If you have included the header files but you want to call either the library version of the function or your own version, enclose the function name in parentheses when you make the call. For example, if you wanted to call only memcpy from the header file and use the built-in functions for other memory-related functions, code the function call as follows:

(memcpy)(buf1, buf2, len)

Table 107. C-library built-in functions

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<td>stdlib.h</td>
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<td>alloca()</td>
<td>stdlib.h</td>
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<td>ceil()</td>
<td>math.h</td>
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<td>ceilf()</td>
<td>math.h</td>
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<td>ceill()</td>
<td>math.h</td>
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<td>decabs()</td>
<td>decimal.h</td>
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<td>decfix()</td>
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Note: The compiler only attempts to generate inline code for.ceil(), ceilf(), and ceill() when the OPTIMIZE(2) compiler option is used.

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<th>Built-In Function</th>
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<td>floor()</td>
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Note: The compiler only attempts to generate inline code for fabs() when the OPTIMIZE(2) compiler option is used.
Table 107. C-library built-in functions (continued)

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<td>floorl()</td>
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**Note:** The compiler only attempts to generate inline code for `floor()`, `floorf()`, and `floorl()` when the `OPTIMIZE(2)` compiler option is used.

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<td>memchr()</td>
<td>string.h</td>
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<td>memcpy()</td>
<td>string.h</td>
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<td>memcmp()</td>
<td>string.h</td>
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<td>memset()</td>
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<td>strrchr()</td>
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Platform-specific functions

The built-in functions in this section are related to C-library functions that are z/OS specific. The full description of each function can be found in [z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference](#).

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**Note:** `cds()` and `cs()` are masking macros. The system header expands them to the `__cds` and `__cs`. It is advisable to use the hardware functions instead of the library functions whenever possible. For more information, see [Table 109 on page 921](#).

Hardware functions

The hardware built-in functions send requests to the compiler to use instructions that are not typically generated by the compiler. Extra instructions are generated to load the parameters for the operation and to store the result. These functions require that the `LANGLVL` not be set to ANSI. For more information about a given instruction please refer to the [z/architecture Principles of Operation](#). This section assumes the user has knowledge of assembler opcodes and assembler programming.
Notes:
1. Using a built-in hardware instruction does not guarantee that a hardware instruction will be generated. The compiler may decide that it is not necessary to generate the code.
2. In some cases the instruction will be generated and then executed. This occurs where literals are not used on instructions that need to put something in the mask or displacement field.

General instructions
These functions are intended to provide access to general purpose instructions that are not normally generated by the compiler. For more information on these instructions please refer to chapter 7 of the ‘z/architecture Principles of Operation’.

If you want to use any of the following instructions your program, you must include the builtins.h header file (unless the instructions are otherwise specified) and the program must be compiled with the LANGLVL(EXTENDED) option or the LANGLVL(LIBEXT) option.

Table 109. General-instruction prototypes

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<th>PROTOTYPE and Notes</th>
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<td>int _cs1(void* Op1, void* Op2, void* Op3)</td>
<td>CS Op1,Op3,Op2D(Op2B)</td>
<td>ARCH(0)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>int _csg(void* Op1, void* Op2, void* Op3)</td>
<td>CSG Op1,Op3,Op2D(Op2B)</td>
<td>ARCH(5) with LP64</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>int _cds1(void* Op1, void* Op2, void* Op3)</td>
<td>CDS Op1,Op3,Op2D(Op2B)</td>
<td>ARCH(0)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>int _cdsg(void* Op1, void* Op2, void* Op3)</td>
<td>CDSG Op1,Op3,Op2D(Op2B)</td>
<td>ARCH(5) with LP64</td>
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<tr>
<td>int _cclc1(void* Op1, void* Op2, unsigned int* Op3, unsigned int* Op4, unsigned char pad)</td>
<td>L R2,Op1 L R4,Op2 L R3,*Op3 L R5,*Op4 0 R5,(pad&lt;&lt;24) CLCL R2,R4</td>
<td>ARCH(0)</td>
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<td>unsigned short __lrvh(unsigned short *Op)</td>
<td>LRVH R1,OpD(OpX,OpR)</td>
<td>ARCH(4)</td>
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<td>unsigned long __lrvg(unsigned long *Op)</td>
<td>LRVG R1,OpD(OpX,OpR)</td>
<td>ARCH(5) with LP64</td>
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<td>void __strvh(unsigned short Op1,unsigned short *Op2)</td>
<td>STRVH R1,Op2D(Op2X,Op2R)</td>
<td>ARCH(4)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>void __strv(unsigned int Op1, unsigned int *Op2)</td>
<td>STRV R1,Op2D(Op2X,Op2R)</td>
<td>ARCH(4)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>void __strvg(unsigned long Op1, unsigned long *Op2)</td>
<td>STRVG R1,Op2D(Op2X,Op2R)</td>
<td>ARCH(5) with LP64</td>
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## Table 109. General-instruction prototypes (continued)

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<tr>
<td>int __stck(unsigned long long *Op1)</td>
<td>STCK Op1D(Op1B)</td>
<td>ARCH(0)</td>
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<tr>
<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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<tr>
<td>int __stcke(void *Op1)</td>
<td>STCKE Op1D(Op1B)</td>
<td>ARCH(4)</td>
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<tr>
<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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<tr>
<td>int __ed (unsigned char *OP1, unsigned char *OP2, unsigned char length)</td>
<td>ED Op1D(len,Op1B),Op2D(Op2B)</td>
<td>ARCH(0)</td>
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<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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<td>int __edmk (unsigned char *OP1, unsigned char *OP2, unsigned char length, unsigned char **R1)</td>
<td>EDMK Op1D(len,Op1B),Op2D(Op2B)</td>
<td>ARCH(0)</td>
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<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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<td>int __nc (unsigned char *OP1, unsigned char *OP2, unsigned char length)</td>
<td>NC Op1D(len,Op1B),Op2D(Op2B)</td>
<td>ARCH(0)</td>
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<tr>
<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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<td>int __oc (unsigned char *OP1, unsigned char *OP2, unsigned char length)</td>
<td>OC Op1D(len,Op1B),Op2D(Op2B)</td>
<td>ARCH(0)</td>
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<tr>
<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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<td>int __xc (unsigned char *OP1, unsigned char *OP2, unsigned char length)</td>
<td>XC Op1D(len,Op1B),Op2D(Op2B)</td>
<td>ARCH(0)</td>
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<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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<tr>
<td>void __pack (unsigned char *OP1, unsigned char *len1, unsigned char *OP2, unsigned char len2)</td>
<td>PACK Op1D(len1,Op1B),Op2D(len2,Op2B)</td>
<td>ARCH(0)</td>
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<tr>
<td>void __unpk (unsigned char *OP1, unsigned char *len1, unsigned char *OP2, unsigned char len2)</td>
<td>UNPK Op1D(len1,Op1B),Op2D(len2,Op2B)</td>
<td>ARCH(0)</td>
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<tr>
<td>void __tr (unsigned char *Op1, const unsigned char *Op2, unsigned char len)</td>
<td>TR Op1D(len,Op1B),Op2D(Op2B)</td>
<td>ARCH(0)</td>
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<tr>
<td>int __trt (unsigned char *Op1, const unsigned char *Op2, unsigned char len, unsigned char *R2, unsigned char **R1)</td>
<td>TRT Op1D(len,Op1B),Op2D(Op2B)</td>
<td>ARCH(0)</td>
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<tr>
<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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### Floating-point support instructions

These functions are intended to help convert between the two floating point formats. For more information on these instructions please refer to chapter 9 of *z/architecture Principles of Operation*.

If you want to use any of the following instructions, your program must include the `builtins.h` header file and be compiled with `LANGLVL(EXTENDED)` or `LANGLVL(LIBEXT)`.

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<tr>
<td>int __thder(double *Op1, float Op2)</td>
<td>THDER F1,Op2 LDR *Op1,F1</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
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<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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Table 110. Floating-point instruction prototypes

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<td>THDER F1,Op2 LDR *Op1,F1</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
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<tr>
<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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<tr>
<td>int __thdr(double *Op1, double Op2)</td>
<td>THDR F1,Op2 LDR *Op1,F1</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>int __tbdr(double *Op1, int M3, double Op2)</td>
<td>TBDR F1,M3,Op2 LDR *Op1,F1</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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<tr>
<td>int __tbedr(double *Op1, int M3, float Op2)</td>
<td>TBEDR F1,M3,Op2 LDR *Op1,F1</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
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<tr>
<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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Hexadecimal floating-point instructions

These functions are intended to generate hexadecimal floating-point instructions. These instructions will only be generated if the FLOAT(HEX) option is in effect. For more information about the instructions themselves please refer to chapter 18 of z/architecture Principles of Operation.

If you want to use any of the following functions, your program must include builtins.h and be compiled with either the LANGLVL(EXTENDED) option or the LANGLVL(LIBEXT) and FLOAT(HEX) options.

Note: Some of these instructions also require that the ARCH option is set to a minimum level.

Table 111. Hexadecimal floating-point instruction prototypes

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<tr>
<td>int __lner(float *Op1, float Op2)</td>
<td>LER F1,*Op1 LNER F1,Op2 LER *Op1,F1</td>
<td>ARCH(0)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>int __lndr(double *Op1, double Op2)</td>
<td>LDR F1,*Op1 LNDR F1,Op2 LDR *Op1,F1</td>
<td>ARCH(0)</td>
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<tr>
<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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<tr>
<td>int __lnxr(long double *Op1, long double Op2)</td>
<td>LDR F1,*Op1 LNXR F1,Op2 LDR *Op1,F1</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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<tr>
<td>int __lper(float *Op1, float Op2)</td>
<td>LER F1,*Op1 LPER F1,Op2 LER *Op1,F1</td>
<td>ARCH(0)</td>
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<tr>
<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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<tr>
<td>int __lpdr(double *Op1, double Op2)</td>
<td>LDR F1,*Op1 LPDR F1,Op2 LDR *Op1,F1</td>
<td>ARCH(0)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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<tr>
<td>int __lpxr(long double *Op1, long double Op2)</td>
<td>LDR F1,*Op1 LPXR F1,Op2 LDR *Op1,F1</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>float __sqer(float Op2)</td>
<td>SQER F1,Op2</td>
<td>ARCH(0) or above</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The return value is the square root.</td>
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<td>double __sqdr(double Op2)</td>
<td>SQDR F1,Op2</td>
<td>ARCH(0) or above</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The return value is the square root.</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>long double __sqxr(long double Op2)</td>
<td>SQXR F1,Op2</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The return value is the square root.</td>
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<tr>
<td>int __cfer(int *Op1, int M3, float Op2)</td>
<td>CFER R2,M3,Op2 LR *Op3,R2</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>int __cfdr(int *Op1, int M3, double Op2)</td>
<td>CFDR R2,M3,Op2 LR *Op3,R2</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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<tr>
<td>int __cfxr(int *Op1, int M3, long double Op2)</td>
<td>CFXR R2,M3,Op2 LR *Op3,R2</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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<tr>
<td>float __fier(float Op2)</td>
<td>FIER F1,Op2</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The return value is the result.</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>double __fidr(double Op2)</td>
<td>FIDR F1,Op2</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The return value is the result.</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>long double __fixr(long double Op2)</td>
<td>FIXR F1,Op2</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
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<tr>
<td>The return value is the result.</td>
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Binary floating-Point instructions

These functions are intended to generate binary floating-point instructions. These instructions will only be generated if the FLOAT(IEEE) option is in effect. For more information about the instructions themselves please refer to chapter 19 of z/architecture Principles of Operation.

If you want to use any of the following functions, your program must include builtns.h and be compiled with either the LANGLVL(EXTENDED) option or the LANGLVL(LIBEXT) and FLOAT(IEEE) options.

Table 112. Binary floating-point instruction prototypes

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<tr>
<td>int __lnebr(float *Op1, float Op2)</td>
<td>LER F1,*Op1 LNEBR F1,Op2 LER *Op1,F1</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>int __lnbr(double *Op1, double Op2)</td>
<td>LDR F1,*Op1 LNDBR F1,Op2 LDR *Op1,F1</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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<tr>
<td>int __lnxbr(long double *Op1, long double Op2)</td>
<td>LDR F1,*Op1 LNXBR F1,Op2 LDR *Op1,F1</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
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<tr>
<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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<tr>
<td>int __lpebr(float *Op1, float Op2)</td>
<td>LER F1,*Op1 LPEBR F1,Op2 LER *Op1,F1</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
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<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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<tr>
<td>int __lpdbr(double *Op1, double Op2)</td>
<td>LDR F1,*Op1 LPDBR F1,Op2 LDR *Op1,F1</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
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<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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<tr>
<td>int __lpxbr(long double *Op1, long double Op2)</td>
<td>LDR F1,*Op1 LPXBR F1,Op2 LDR *Op1,F1</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
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<tr>
<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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<tr>
<td>float __sqebr(float Op2)</td>
<td>SQEBR F1,Op2</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
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<tr>
<td>The return value is the square root.</td>
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<td>double __sqdbr(double Op2)</td>
<td>SQDBR F1,Op2</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
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<tr>
<td>The return value is the square root.</td>
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<td>long double __sqxbr(long double Op2)</td>
<td>SQXBR F1,Op2</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The return value is the square root.</td>
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<tr>
<td>int __cfebr(int *Op1, int M3, float Op2)</td>
<td>CFEBR R2,M3,Op2</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
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<td>LR *Op3,R2</td>
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<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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<td>int __cfdbr(int *Op1, int M3, double Op2)</td>
<td>CFDBR R2,M3,Op2</td>
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<td>LR *Op3,R2</td>
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<td>int __cfxbr(int *Op1, int M3, long double Op2)</td>
<td>CFXBR R2,M3,Op2</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
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<tr>
<td>LR *Op3,R2</td>
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<tr>
<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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<td>float __fiebr(int M3, float Op2)</td>
<td>FIEBR F1,M3,Op2</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
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<tr>
<td>The return value is the result.</td>
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<tr>
<td>double __fidbr(int M3, double Op2)</td>
<td>FIDBR F1,M3,Op2</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
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<tr>
<td>The return value is the result.</td>
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<td>long double __fixbr(int M3, long double Op2)</td>
<td>FIXBR F1,M3,Op2</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The return value is the result.</td>
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<tr>
<td>int __diebr(float *rem, float *quotient, float Op3, float Op4, int M4)</td>
<td>LER F1,Op3</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
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<tr>
<td>DIEBR F1,F3,Op4,M4</td>
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<td>LER *rem,F1</td>
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<td>LER *quotient,F3</td>
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<tr>
<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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<td>int __didbr(double *rem, double *quotient, double Op3, double Op4 int M4)</td>
<td>LDR F1,Op3</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
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<td>DIDBR F1,F3,Op4,M4</td>
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<td>LDR *rem,F1</td>
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<td>LDR *quotient,F3</td>
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<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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<td>int __efpc(void)</td>
<td>EFPC R1</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
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<tr>
<td>The return value is the fpc.</td>
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<td>The return value is the result.</td>
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<tr>
<td>double __madbr(double Op1, double Op2, double Op3)</td>
<td>MADBR Op1,Op3,Op2</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
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<tr>
<td>The return value is the result.</td>
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<tr>
<td>double __msdbr(double Op1, double Op2, double Op3)</td>
<td>MSDBR Op1,Op3,Op2</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
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<tr>
<td>void __sfpc(int Op1)</td>
<td>SFPC Op1</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>void __srnm(int Op1)</td>
<td>SRNM Op1</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
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<td>int __tceb(float Op1, int Op2)</td>
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<tr>
<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
<td>TCEB Op1,Op2(0,0)</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
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<tr>
<td>int __tcdb(double Op1, int Op2)</td>
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<tr>
<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
<td>TCDB Op1,Op2(0,0)</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>int __tcxb(long double Op1, int Op2)</td>
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<tr>
<td>The return value is the condition code.</td>
<td>TCXB Op1,Op2(0,0)</td>
<td>ARCH(3)</td>
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Appendix J. Application considerations for z/OS UNIX System Services C/C++

This appendix briefly describes the extent of z/OS C/C++ support available for traditional MVS programming environments when you are using z/OS UNIX System Services.

Relationship to DB2 universal database

No explicit support for DB2 programs exists for POSIX.1 implementation. DB2 z/OS C/C++ programs must be processed by a DB2 precompile step to replace Structured Query Language (SQL) statements with z/OS C/C++ functions. The precompilation step accepts only MVS data set I/O.

It is possible that an existing DB2 z/OS C/C++ application program can be changed to add POSIX.1-defined I/O functions to access data in HFS files. IBM, however, does not explicitly support this access. It is also possible that you can write a new POSIX.1-conforming z/OS C/C++ application program that access DB2 data by calling non-POSIX.1-conforming DB2 programs. IBM, however, does not explicitly support this either.

Application programming environments not supported

The following MVS programming environments are not supported for use when developing POSIX.1 z/OS C/C++ application programs:

• CICS
• IMS file system

Application programs that attempt to take advantage of these environments will not work as intended.

Support for the Curses library

The Curses library provides a set of functions that enable you to manipulate a terminal's display regardless of the terminal type. Using this structure, you can manipulate data on a terminal's display. You can instruct curses to treat the entire terminal display as one large window or you can create multiple windows on the display. The windows can be different sizes and can overlap one another.

Each window on a terminal's display has its own window data structure. This structure keeps state information about the window such as its size and where it is located on the display. Curses uses the window data structure to obtain relevant information it needs to carry out your instructions.

The Curses archive file resides in /usr/lib. The name of the Curses archive file is libcurses.a. libcurses.a is used for all applications: base 31-bit, XPLINK 31-bit, and 64–bit. The following is an example of compiling test.c with the Curses archive using XPLINK:

c89 -o test -Wc,xplink -Wl,xplink test.c -lcurses

The following is an example of compiling test.c with the Curses archive for a 64–bit application:

c89 -o test -Wc,lp64 -Wl,lp64 test.c -lcurses
For more information about curses, refer to the z/OS C Curses manual.
Appendix K. External variables

The POSIX 1003.1 and X/Open CAE Specification 4.2 (XPG4.2) require that the C system header files define certain external variables. Additional variables are defined for use with POSIX or XPG4.2 functions. If you define one of the POSIX or XPG4 feature test macros and include one of these headers, the external variables will be defined in your program. These external variables are treated differently than other global variables in a multithreaded environment (values are thread-specific) and across a call to a fetched module (values are propagated). To access the global variable values (not thread specific), either C with the RENT compiler option or C++ must be used, and the SCEEOBJ Autocall library must be specified during the z/OS bind. The SCEEOBJ library must be specified before the SCEELKEX and the SCEELKED libraries. If the SCEEOBJ library is not specified first, then Language Environment cannot find the external variables. Although there are no linker/binder errors or warnings, run-time errors can occur. Functions to access the thread-specific values of these variables are provided for use in a multithreaded environment.

For a dynamically called DLL module to share access to the POSIX external variables with its caller, the DLL module must define the _SHARE_EXT_VARS feature test macro. This is implemented in the current Language Environment run-time. For more information, see the section on feature test macros in z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.

When compiling code with the XPLINK or LP64 compiler options, all access to these external variables is resolved by dynamic linkage, using IMPORT control statements in the CELHS003 (CELS003) member of the SCEELIB library. The SCEEOBJ library cannot be used when binding XPLINK executable modules. Because of this, the _SHARE_EXT_VARS (and subordinate) feature test macros need not be used with XPLINK (they will be ignored). All references to these external variables are as if _SHARE_EXT_VARS was defined, without the need to access them through the thread-specific functions.

For more information on the header files referred to in the following sections, see z/OS C/C++ Run-Time Library Reference.

errno

When a run-time library function is not successful, the function may do any of the following to identify the error:

- Set errno to a documented value.
- Set errno to a value that is not documented. You can use strerror() or perror() to get the message associated with the errno.
- Not set errno.
- Clear errno.

See also errno.h.

daylight

The daylight savings time flag set by tzset(). Note that other time zone sensitive functions such as ctime(), localtime(), mktime(), and strftime() implicitly call tzset(). For non-XPLINK code, use the __dlight() function to access the thread-specific value of daylight. See also time.h.
**getdate_err**

The variable is set to the following value when an error occurs in the getdate() function.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Value</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>The DATEMASK environment variable is null or undefined.</td>
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<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>The template file cannot be opened for reading.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>Failed to get file status information.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>The template file is not a regular file.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>An error is encountered while reading the template file.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>Memory allocation is not successful.</td>
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<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>There is no line in the template that matches the input.</td>
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<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td>There is no line in the template that matches the input.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Any changes to errno are unspecified. For non-XPLINK code, use the __gderr() function to access the thread-specific value of getdate_err. See also time.h.

**h_errno**

An integer that holds the specific error code when the network nameserver encounters an error. The network nameserver is used by the gethostbyname() and gethostbyaddr() functions. For non-XPLINK code, use the __h_errno() function to access the thread-specific value of h_errno. See also netdb.h.

**__loc1**

A global character pointer that is set by the regex() function to point to the first matched character in the input string. For non-XPLINK code, use the ____loc1() function to access the thread-specific value of __loc1. __loc1 is not supported in AMODE 64 applications. See also libgen.h.

**loc1**

A pointer to characters matched by regular expressions used by step(). The value is not propagated across a call to a fetched module. loc1 is not supported in AMODE 64 applications. See also regexp.h.

**loc2**

A pointer to characters matched by regular expressions used by step(). The value is not propagated across a call to a fetched module. loc2 is not supported in AMODE 64 applications. See also regexp.h.

**locs**

Used by advance() to stop regular expression matching in a string. The value is not propagated across a call to a fetched module. locs is not supported in AMODE 64 applications. See also regexp.h.
**optarg**

Character pointer used by getopt() for options parsing variables. For non-XPLINK code, use the __optargf() function to access the thread-specific value of optarg. See also stdio.h and unistd.h.

**opterr**

Error value used by getopt(). For non-XPLINK code, use the __operrf() function to access the thread-specific value of opterr. See also stdio.h and unistd.h.

**optind**

Integer pointer used by getopt() for options parsing variables. For non-XPLINK code, use the __opindf() function to access the thread-specific value of optind. See also stdio.h and unistd.h.

**optopt**

Integer pointer used by getopt() for options parsing variables. For non-XPLINK code, use the __opoptf() function to access the thread-specific value of optopt. See also stdio.h and unistd.h.

**signgam**

Storage for sign of lgamma(). This function defaults to thread specific. See also math.h.

**stdin**

Standard Input stream. The external variable will be initialized to point to the enclave-level stream pointer for the standard input file. There is no multithreaded function. See also stdio.h.

**stderr**

Standard Error stream. The external variable will be initialized to point to the enclave-level stream pointer for the standard error file. There is no multithreaded function. See also stdio.h.

**stdout**

Standard Output stream. The external variable will be initialized to point to the enclave-level stream pointer for the standard output file. There is no multithreaded function. See also stdio.h.

**t_errno**

An integer that holds the specific error code when a failure occurs in one of the X/Open Transport Interface (XTI) functions. For non-XPLINK code, use the __t_errno() function to access the thread-specific value of t_errno. See also xti.h.
timezone

Long integer difference from UTC and standard time as set by `tzset()`. Note that other time zone sensitive functions such as, `ctime()`, `localtime()`, `mktime()`, and `strftime()` implicitly call `tzset()`. For non-XPLINK code, use the `_tzone()` function to access the thread-specific value of `timezone`. See also `time.h`.

tzname

Character pointer to unsized array of `timezone` strings used by `tzset()` and `ctime()`. The `*tzname` variable contains the Standard and Daylight Savings `timezone` names. If the `TZ` environment variable is present and correct, `tzname` is set from `TZ`. Otherwise `tzname` is set from the `LC_TOD` locale category. See the `tzset()` function for a description. There is no multithreaded function. See also `time.h`.
Appendix L. Packaging considerations

When you develop a program, library, or application that will be shipped as a product, you should use SMP/E to manage the installation. This appendix provides hints and tips for packaging a C or C++ application. It assumes that you are familiar with SMP/E concepts and terminology. For more information about SMP/E and packaging rules, refer to the following manuals:

- SMP/E Reference
- SMP/E User’s Guide
- Standard Packaging Rules for MVS-Based Products

The way you package your product may have a significant impact on its relationship with other products, its dependency on libraries, and the way it is eventually serviced. For this reason, you should make a packaging plan as part of the design process for your product.

Compiler options

The following options are useful when you compile a program that will be packaged as a product:

TARGET

If your product will run on multiple releases of z/OS, use the TARGET compiler option to specify the lowest level of the z/OS Language Environment that you will support. The compiler will notify you if your application uses any features that are not supported at this level.

The target must be the same release as the compiler or a previous release. If the target is a previous release, you must link with the system library of the target system. You cannot link with libraries from the current release and run the resulting executable with a previous release of z/OS Language Environment.

CSECT

Use the CSECT compiler option or #pragma csect to assign names to CSECTs. This provides you with more control and flexibility when you service the product.

For more information about these compiler options, see z/OS C/C++ User’s Guide

Libraries

Your product can use various types of libraries:

z/OS Language Environment libraries

Because z/OS Language Environment is upward-compatible, a program that runs on a lower level of z/OS Language Environment can also run on higher levels without being relinked or recompiled. You can optionally recompile your programs, if you want to take advantage of new features that are introduced to z/OS Language Environment.

Your own libraries

If your program uses your own libraries, you can statically bind the libraries with the program and consider them an integral part of the product.

Third-party libraries

If your application uses third-party vendor libraries, you should consider...
whether the linking is static or dynamic (if it is a DLL), and whether the
libraries are upward-compatible. If you statically link a library with your
application, you can use either the ++MOD method or the ++PROGRAM
method, as described in "Linking."

 Prelinking
You must use the z/OS Language Environment prelinker before linking your
application if the resultant load module will reside in a PDS and any of the following
are true:
• Your application contains C++ code.
• Your application contains C code that is compiled with the RENT, LONGNAME, DLL, or
IPA compiler option.
• Your application is compiled to run under z/OS UNIX System Services.

SMP/E will not invoke the prelinker. If your product needs to be prelinked, you
should usually prelink as part of your product build and ship the prelinker output on
the SMP/E tape.

 Linking
There are two ways to ship an application that is statically linked to a library:
• You can use the ++MOD command to build the application, and not perform the
final link to the library until the product is installed. If the customer later installs a
PTF for this library, your application will automatically be relinked.
• You can build the application and link it to the library, and then install it using the
++PROGRAM command. If a PTF is issued for the library, this will have no effect
until you include the updated library in a PTF for your product.

 ++MOD
If you want to do the final link-edit step during installation, use the ++MOD
command statement in the MCS. You must compile and then partially link your
program with any libraries that will not exist on the customer’s system, and then
produce output in link-edited format. Any references to libraries that will exist on the
customer’s system, such as z/OS Language Environment libraries, are unresolved.
Ship this link-edited module on the SMP/E tape.

At installation time, the application is linked to the libraries on the customer’s
system. For example, on z/OS V1R4, the application is linked to z/OS Language
Environment V1R4 libraries.

SMP/E supports automatic library call facility through the use of SYSLIB DD
statements. This allows you to implicitly include modules without explicitly specifying
them in the JCLIN. This can provide flexibility if the link-edit structure of the
application must change during servicing, for example because new functions are
used.

When you service a ++MOD, you must ship your fixes using a ++PTF command
statement. The SMP/E tape must contain the text deck (object files) in fixed-block
80 format. SMP/E invokes the link-editor to rebind the new text deck with the
existing load module. You must name all of the CSECTs, using the CSECT compiler
option or #pragma csect. (If you do not name the CSECTs, CSECT replacement
would not happen. Old text records would accumulate in the load module as you
ship out subsequent fixes for your product.)
To allow rebind, you must also use the EDIT=YES option in the bind step. This is the default.

++PROGRAM

You can choose to do the final link step as part of your product build, and ship the output load module to your customer. The advantage is that the whole build process is under your control, and you can perform the final testing of the load module in your own controlled environment.

If your customers have different levels of z/OS Language Environment, you must target your build to the lowest level and link with system libraries at this level. Your product will have a prerequisite that the customer must have z/OS Language Environment at this level or a higher level.

If service is applied to any linked library, this will have no effect on your product until you include the service in a PTF.

The ++PTF command, which is used for shipping and applying fixes, expects input in fixed-block 80 format. The output of the link step is not in this format. You can convert it as follows:

1. UNLOAD - use IEBCOPY to copy the module and its alias (if any) to a sequential file.
2. Run the SMP/E utility GIMDTS to convert the sequential file to a fixed-block 80 file.

Conceptually, the ++PROGRAM copies the whole load module to your customer's target dataset with no additional processing. You customer receives the module exactly as you ship it.
Appendix M. Accessibility

Accessibility features help a user who has a physical disability, such as restricted mobility or limited vision, to use software products successfully. The major accessibility features in z/OS enable users to:

- Use assistive technologies such as screen readers and screen magnifier software
- Operate specific or equivalent features using only the keyboard
- Customize display attributes such as color, contrast, and font size

Using assistive technologies

Assistive technology products, such as screen readers, function with the user interfaces found in z/OS. Consult the assistive technology documentation for specific information when using it to access z/OS interfaces.

Keyboard navigation of the user interface

Users can access z/OS user interfaces using TSO/E or ISPF. Refer to z/OS TSO/E Primer, z/OS TSO/E User's Guide, and z/OS ISPF User's Guide Volume I for information about accessing TSO/E and ISPF interfaces. These guides describe how to use TSO/E and ISPF, including the use of keyboard shortcuts or function keys (PF keys). Each guide includes the default settings for the PF keys and explains how to modify their functions.

z/OS Information

z/OS information is accessible using screen readers with the BookServer/Library Server versions of z/OS books in the Internet library at:

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abstract class. (1) A class with at least one pure virtual function that is used as a base class for other classes. The abstract class represents a concept; classes derived from it represent implementations of the concept. You cannot create a direct object of an abstract class, but you can create references and pointers to an abstract class and set them to refer to objects of classes derived from the abstract class. See also base class. (2) A class that allows polymorphism.

There can be no objects of an abstract class; they are only used to derive new classes.

abstract code unit. See ACU.

abstract data type. A mathematical model that includes a structure for storing data and operations that can be performed on that data. Common abstract data types include sets, trees, and heaps.

abstraction (data). A data type with a private representation and a public set of operations (functions or operators) which restrict access to that data type to that set of operations. The C++ language uses the concept of classes to implement data abstraction.

access. An attribute that determines whether or not a class member is accessible in an expression or declaration.

access declaration. A declaration used to restore access to members of a base class.

access mode. (1) A technique that is used to obtain a particular logical record from, or to place a particular logical record into, a file assigned to a mass storage device. ANSI/ISO. (2) The manner in which files are referred to by a computer. Access can be sequential (records are referred to one after another in the order in which they appear on the file), access can be random (the individual records can be referred to in a nonsequential manner), or access can be dynamic (records can be accessed sequentially or randomly, depending on the form of the input/output request). IBM. (3) A particular form of access permitted to a file. X/Open.

access resolution. The process by which the accessibility of a particular class member is determined.

access specifier. One of the C++ keywords: public, private, and protected, used to define the access to a member.

ACU (abstract code unit). A measurement used by the z/OS C/C++ compiler for judging the size of a function. The number of ACUs that comprise a function is proportional to its size and complexity.

addressing mode. See AMODE.

address space. (1) The range of addresses available to a computer program. ANSI/ISO. (2) The complete range of addresses that are available to a programmer. See also virtual address space. (3) The area of virtual storage available for a particular job. (4) The memory locations that can be referenced by a process. X/Open. ISO 1.
aggregate. (1) An array or a structure. (2) A compile-time option to show the layout of a structure or union in the listing. (3) In programming languages, a structured collection of data items that form a data type. ISO-JTC1. (4) In C++, an array or a class with no user-declared constructors, no private or protected non-static data members, no base classes, and no virtual functions.

alert. (1) A message sent to a management services focal point in a network to identify a problem or an impending problem. IBM. (2) To cause the user's terminal to give some audible or visual indication that an error or some other event has occurred. When the standard output is directed to a terminal device, the method for alerting the terminal user is unspecified. When the standard output is not directed to a terminal device, the alert is accomplished by writing the alert character to standard output (unless the utility description indicates that the use of standard output produces undefined results in this case). X/Open.

alert character. A character that in the output stream should cause a terminal to alert its user via a visual or audible notification. The alert character is the character designated by a 'a' in the C and C++ languages. It is unspecified whether this character is the exact sequence transmitted to an output device by the system to accomplish the alert function. X/Open.

This character is named <alert> in the portable character set.

alias. (1) An alternate label; for example, a label and one or more aliases may be used to refer to the same data element or point in a computer program. ANSI/ISO. (2) An alternate name for a member of a partitioned data set. IBM. (3) An alternate name used for a network. Synonymous with nickname. IBM.

alias name. (1) A word consisting solely of underscores, digits, and alphabets from the portable file name character set, and any of the following characters: ! # $ % & ' ( ) * + , - . / : ; < = > ? @ [ ] ^ _ { } . Implementations may allow other characters within alias names as an extension. X/Open. (2) An alternate name. IBM. (3) A name that is defined in one network to represent a logical unit name in another interconnected network. The alias name does not have to be the same as the real name; if these names are not the same; translation is required. IBM.

alignment. The storing of data in relation to certain machine-dependent boundaries. IBM.

alternate code point. A syntactic code point that permits a substitute code point to be used. For example, the left brace ({l) can be represented by 'X'B0' and also by 'X'C0'.

American National Standard Code for Information Interchange (ASCII). The standard code, using a coded character set consisting of 7-bit coded characters (8 bits including parity check), that is used for information interchange among data processing systems, data communication systems, and associated equipment. The ASCII set consists of control characters and graphic characters. IBM.

Note: IBM has defined an extension to ASCII code (characters 128–255).

American National Standards Institute (ANSI/ISO). An organization consisting of producers, consumers, and general interest groups, that establishes the procedures by which accredited organizations create and maintain voluntary industry standards in the United States. ANSI/ISO.

AMODE (addressing mode). In z/OS, a program attribute that refers to the address length that a program is prepared to handle upon entry. In z/OS, addresses may be 24, 31, or 64 bits in length. IBM.

angle brackets. The characters < (left angle bracket) and > (right angle bracket). When used in the phrase "enclosed in angle brackets", the symbol < immediately precedes the object to be enclosed, and > immediately follows it. When describing these characters in the portable character set, the names <less-than-sign> and <greater-than-sign> are used. X/Open.

anonymous union. A union that is declared within a structure or class and does not have a name. It must not be followed by a declarator.

ANSI/ISO. See American National Standards Institute.

API (application program interface). A functional interface supplied by the operating system or by a separately orderable licensed program that allows an application program written in a high-level language to use specific data or functions of the operating system or the licensed program. IBM.

application. (1) The use to which an information processing system is put; for example, a payroll application, an airline reservation application, a network application. IBM. (2) A collection of software components used to perform specific types of user-oriented work on a computer. IBM.

application generator. An application development tool that creates applications, application components (panels, data, databases, logic, interfaces to system services), or complete application systems from design specifications.

application program. A program written for or by a user that applies to the user's work, such as a program that does inventory control or payroll. IBM.

archive libraries. The archive library file, when created for application program object files, has a special symbol table for members that are object files.
argument.  (1) A parameter passed between a calling program and a called program. IBM. (2) In a function call, an expression that represents a value that the calling function passes to the function specified in the call. (3) In the shell, a parameter passed to a utility as the equivalent of a single string in the argv array created by one of the exec functions. An argument is one of the options, option-arguments, or operands following the command name. X/Open.

argument declaration.  See parameter declaration.

arithmetic object.  (1) A bit field, or an integral, floating-point, or packed decimal (IBM extension) object. (2) A real object or objects having the type float, double, or long double.

array.  In programming languages, an aggregate that consists of data objects with identical attributes, each of which may be uniquely referenced by subscripting. ISO-JTC1.

array element.  A data item in an array. IBM.

ASCII.  See American National Standard Code for Information Interchange.

Assembler H.  An IBM licensed program. Translates symbolic assembler language into binary machine language.

assembler language.  A source language that includes symbolic language statements in which there is a one-to-one correspondence with the instruction formats and data formats of the computer. IBM.

assembler user exit.  In the z/OS Language Environment a routine to tailor the characteristics of an enclave prior to its establishment.

assignment expression.  An expression that assigns the value of the right operand expression to the left operand variable and has as its value the value of the right operand. IBM.

atexit list.  A list of actions specified in the z/OS C/C++ atexit() function that occur at normal program termination.

auto storage class specifier.  A specifier that enables the programmer to define a variable with automatic storage; its scope restricted to the current block.

automatic call library.  Contains modules that are used as secondary input to the binder to resolve external symbols left undefined after all the primary input has been processed.

The automatic call library can contain:
- Object modules, with or without binder control statements
- Load modules
- z/OS C/C++ run-time routines (SCEELKED)

automatic library call.  The process in which control sections are processed by the binder or loader to resolve references to members of partitioned data sets. IBM.

automatic storage.  Storage that is allocated on entry to a routine or block and is freed on the subsequent return. Sometimes referred to as stack storage or dynamic storage.

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background process.  (1) A process that does not require operator intervention but can be run by the computer while the workstation is used to do other work. IBM. (2) A mode of program execution in which the shell does not wait for program completion before prompting the user for another command. IBM. (3) A process that is a member of a background process group. X/Open. ISO.1.

background process group.  Any process group, other than a foreground process group, that is a member of a session that has established a connection with a controlling terminal. X/Open. ISO.1.

backslash.  The character \. This character is named <backslash> in the portable character set.

base class.  A class from which other classes are derived. A base class may itself be derived from another base class. See also abstract class.

based on.  The use of existing classes for implementing new classes.

binary expression.  An expression containing two operands and one operator.

binary stream.  (1) An ordered sequence of untranslated characters. (2) A sequence of characters that corresponds on a one-to-one basis with the characters in the file. No character translation is performed on binary streams. IBM.

bind.  (1) To combine one or more control sections or program modules into a single program module, resolving references between them. (2) To assign virtual storage addresses to external symbols.

binder.  The DFSMS/MVS program that processes the output of language translators and compilers into an executable program (load module or program object). It replaces the linkage editor and batch loader in the MVS/ESA, OS/390, or z/OS operating system.

bit field.  A member of a structure or union that contains a specified number of bits. IBM.

bitwise operator.  An operator that manipulates the value of an object at the bit level.
**blank character.**  (1) A graphic representation of the space character. ANSI/ISO. (2) A character that represents an empty position in a graphic character string. ISO Draft. (3) One of the characters that belong to the blank character class as defined via the LC_CTYPE category in the current locale. In the POSIX locale, a blank character is either a tab or a space character. X/Open.

**block.**  (1) In programming languages, a compound statement that coincides with the scope of at least one of the declarations contained within it. A block may also specify storage allocation or segment programs for other purposes. ISO-JTC1. (2) A string of data elements recorded or transmitted as a unit. The elements may be characters, words or physical records. ISO Draft. (3) The unit of data transmitted to and from a device. Each block contains one record, part of a record, or several records.

**block statement.** In the C or C++ languages, a group of data definitions, declarations, and statements appearing between a left brace and a right brace that are processed as a unit. The block statement is considered to be a single C or C++ statement. IBM.

**boundary alignment.** The position in main storage of a fixed-length field, such as a halfword or doubleword, on a byte-level boundary for that unit of information. IBM.

**braces.** The characters { (left brace) and } (right brace), also known as curly braces. When used in the phrase "enclosed in (curly) braces" the symbol { immediately precedes the object to be enclosed, and } immediately follows it. When describing these characters in the portable character set, the names <left-brace> and <right-brace> are used. X/Open.

**brackets.** The characters [ (left bracket) and ] (right bracket), also known as square brackets. When used in the phrase enclosed in (square) brackets the symbol [ immediately precedes the object to be enclosed, and ] immediately follows it. When describing these characters in the portable character set, the names <left-bracket> and <right-bracket> are used. X/Open.

**break statement.** A C or C++ control statement that contains the keyword "break" and a semicolon. IBM. It is used to end an iterative or a switch statement by exiting from it at any point other than the logical end. Control is passed to the first statement after the iteration or switch statement.

**built-in.** (1) A function that the compiler will automatically inline instead of making the function call, unless the programmer specifies not to inline. (2) In programming languages, pertaining to a language object that is declared by the definition of the programming language; for example, the built-in function SIN in PL/I, the predefined data type INTEGER in FORTRAN. ISO-JTC1. Synonymous with predefined. IBM.

**byte-oriented stream.** See orientation of a stream.

**C**

**C library.** A system library that contains common C language subroutines for file access, string operators, character operations, memory allocation, and other functions. IBM.

**C or C++ language statement.** A C or C++ language statement contains zero or more expressions. A block statement begins with a ( (left brace) symbol, ends with a ) (right brace) symbol, and contains any number of statements.

All C or C++ language statements, except block statements, end with a ; (semicolon) symbol.

**c89 utility.** A utility used to compile and bind an application program from the z/OS shell. It invokes the compiler using host environment variables.

**C++ class library.** A collection of C++ classes.

**C++ library.** A system library that contains common C++ language subroutines for file access, memory allocation, and other functions.

**callable services.** A set of services that can be invoked by z/OS Language Environment-conforming high level languages using the conventional z/OS Language Environment-defined call interface, and usable by all programs sharing the z/OS Language Environment conventions.

Use of these services helps to decrease an application's dependence on the specific form and content of the services delivered by any single operating system.

**call chain.** A trace of all active functions.

**caller.** A function that calls another function.

**cancelability point.** A specific point within the current thread that is enabled to solicit cancel requests. This is accomplished using the pthread_cancel() function.

**carriage-return character.** A character that in the output stream indicates that printing should start at the beginning of the same physical line in which the carriage-return character occurred. The carriage-return is the character designated by \r in the C and C++ languages. It is unspecified whether this character is the exact sequence transmitted to an output device by the system to accomplish the movement to the beginning of the line. X/Open.

**case clause.** In a C or C++ switch statement, a CASE label followed by any number of statements.
case label. The word case followed by a constant integral expression and a colon. When the selector evaluates the value of the constant expression, the statements following the case label are processed.

cast expression. An expression that converts or reinterprets its operand.

cast operator. The cast operator is used for explicit type conversions.

cataloged procedures. A set of control statements placed in a library and retrievable by name. IBM.

catch block. A block associated with a try block that receives control when an exception matching its argument is thrown.

char specifier. A char is a built-in data type. In the C++ language, char, signed char, and unsigned char are all distinct data types.

character. (1) A letter, digit, or other symbol that is used as part of the organization, control, or representation of data. A character is often in the form of a spatial arrangement of adjacent or connected strokes. ANSI/ISO. (2) A sequence of one or more bytes representing a single graphic symbol or control code. This term corresponds to the ISO C standard term multibyte character (multibyte character), where a single-byte character is a special case of the multibyte character. Unlike the usage in the ISO C standard, character here has no necessary relationship with storage space, and byte is used when storage space is discussed. X/Open. ISO.1.

character array. An array of type char. X/Open.

character class. A named set of characters sharing an attribute associated with the name of the class. The classes and the characters that they contain are dependent on the value of the LC_CTYPE category in the current locale. X/Open.

character constant. A string of any of the characters that can be represented, usually enclosed in quotes.

character set. (1) A finite set of different characters that is complete for a given purpose; for example, the character set in ISO Standard 646, 7-bit Coded Character Set for Information Processing Interchange. ISO Draft. (2) All the valid characters for a programming language or for a computer system. IBM. (3) A group of characters used for a specific reason; for example, the set of characters a printer can print. IBM. (4) See also portable character set.

color special file. (1) A special file that provides access to an input or output device. The character interface is used for devices that do not use block I/O. IBM. (2) A file that refers to a device. One specific type of character special file is a terminal device file. X/Open. ISO.1.

character string. A contiguous sequence of characters terminated by and including the first null byte. X/Open.

child. A node that is subordinate to another node in a tree structure. Only the root node is not a child.

child enclave. The nested enclave created as a result of certain commands being issued from a parent enclave.

CICS (Customer Information Control System). Pertaining to an IBM licensed program that enables transactions entered at remote terminals to be processed concurrently by user-written application programs. It includes facilities for building, using, and maintaining databases. IBM.

CICS destination control table. See DCT.

CICS translator. A routine that accepts as input an application containing EXEC CICS commands and produces as output an equivalent application in which each CICS command has been translated into the language of the source.

class. (1) A C++ aggregate that may contain functions, types, and user-defined operators in addition to data. A class may be derived from another class, inheriting the properties of its parent class. A class may restrict access to its members. (2) A user-defined data type. A class data type can contain both data representations (data members) and functions (member functions).

class key. One of the C++ keywords: class, struct and union.

class library. A collection of classes.

class member operator. An operator used to access class members through class objects or pointers to class objects. The class member operators are: . - > . * - > *

class name. A unique identifier that names a class type.

class scope. An indication that a name of a class can be used only in a member function of that class.

class tag. Synonym for class name.

class template. A blueprint describing how a set of related classes can be constructed.

class template declaration. A class template declaration introduces the name of a class template and specifies its template parameter list. A class template declaration may optionally include a class template definition.

class template definition. A class template definition describes various characteristics of the class types that are its specializations. These characteristics include the
names and types of data members of specializations, the signatures and definitions of member functions, accessibility of members, and base classes.

client program. A program that uses a class. The program is said to be a client of the class.

CLIST. A programming language that typically executes a list of TSO commands.

CLLE (COBOL Load List Entry). Entry in the load list containing the name of the program and the load address.

COBCOM. Control block containing information about a COBOL partition.

COBOL (common business-oriented language). A high-level language, based on English, that is primarily used for business applications.

COBOL Load List Entry. See CLLE.

COBVEC. COBOL vector table containing the address of the library routines.

code element set. (1) The result of applying a code to all elements of a coded set, for example, all the three-letter international representations of airport names. ISO Draft. (2) The result of applying rules that map a numeric code value to each element of a character set. An element of a character set may be related to more than one numeric code value but the reverse is not true. However, for state-dependent encodings the relationship between numeric code values to elements of a character set may be further controlled by state information. The character set may contain fewer elements than the total number of possible numeric code values; that is, some code values may be unassigned. X/Open. (3) Synonym for codeset.

code generator. The part of the compiler that physically generates the object code.

code page. (1) An assignment of graphic characters and control function meanings to all code points; for example, assignment of characters and meanings to 256 code points for an 8-bit code, assignment of characters and meanings to 128 code points for a 7-bit code. (2) A particular assignment of hexadecimal identifiers to graphic characters.

code point. (1) A representation of a unique character. For example, in a single-byte character set each of 256 possible characters is represented by a one-byte code point. (2) An identifier in an alert description that represents a short unit of text. The code point is replaced with the text by an alert display program.

coded character set. (1) A set of graphic characters and their code point assignments. The set may contain fewer characters than the total number of possible characters: some code points may be unassigned. IBM. (2) A coded set whose elements are single characters; for example, all characters of an alphabet. ISO Draft. (3) Loosely, a code. ANSI/ISO.

codeset. Synonym for code element set. IBM.

collating element. The smallest entity used to determine the logical ordering of character or wide-character strings. A collating element consists of either a single character, or two or more characters collating as a single entity. The value of the LC_COLLATE category in the current locale determines the current set of collating elements. X/Open.

collating sequence. (1) A specified arrangement used in sequencing. ISO-JTC1. ANSI/ISO. (2) An ordering assigned to a set of items, such that any two sets in that assigned order can be collated. ANSI/ISO. (3) The relative ordering of collating elements as determined by the setting of the LC_COLLATE category in the current locale. The character order, as defined for the LC_COLLATE category in the current locale, defines the relative order of all collating elements, such that each element occupies a unique position in the order. This is the order used in ranges of characters and collating elements in regular expressions and pattern matching. In addition, the definition of the collating weights of characters and collating elements uses collating elements to represent their respective positions within the collation sequence.

collation. The logical ordering of character or wide-character strings according to defined precedence rules. These rules identify a collation sequence between the collating elements, and such additional rules that can be used to order strings consisting of multiple collating elements. X/Open.

collection. (1) An abstract class without any ordering, element properties, or key properties. (2) In a general sense, an implementation of an abstract data type for storing elements.

Collection Class Library. A set of classes that provide basic functions for collections, and can be used as base classes.

column position. A unit of horizontal measure related to characters in a line.

It is assumed that each character in a character set has an intrinsic column width independent of any output device. Each printable character in the portable character set has a column width of one. The standard utilities, when used as described in this document set, assume that all characters have integral column widths. The column width of a character is not necessarily related to the internal representation of the character (numbers of bits or bytes).

The column position of a character in a line is defined as one plus the sum of the column widths of the
preceding characters in the line. Column positions are numbered starting from 1. X/Open.

**comma expression.** An expression (not a function argument list) that contains two or more operands separated by commas. The compiler evaluates all operands in the order specified, discarding all but the last (rightmost). The value of the expression is the value of the rightmost operand. Typically this is done to produce side effects.

**command.** A request to perform an operation or run a program. When parameters, arguments, flags, or other operands are associated with a command, the resulting character string is a single command.

**command processor parameter list (CPPL).** The format of a TSO parameter list. When a TSO terminal monitor application attaches a command processor, register 1 contains a pointer to the CPPL, containing addresses required by the command processor.

**COMMAREA.** A communication area made available to applications running under CICS.

**Common Business-Oriented Language.** See COBOL.

**common expression elimination.** Duplicated expressions are eliminated by using the result of the previous expression. This includes intermediate expressions within expressions.

**compilation unit.** (1) A portion of a computer program sufficiently complete to be compiled correctly. IBM. (2) A single compiled file and all its associated include files. (3) An independently compilable sequence of high-level language statements. Each high-level language product has different rules for what makes up a compilation unit.

**complete class name.** The complete qualification of a nested class name including all enclosing class names.

**Complex Mathematics library.** A C++ class library that provides the facilities to manipulate complex numbers and perform standard mathematical operations on them.

**computational independence.** No data modified by either a main task program or a parallel function is examined or modified by a parallel function that might be running simultaneously.

**concrete class.** (1) A class that is not abstract. (2) A class defining objects that can be created.

**condition.** (1) A relational expression that can be evaluated to a value of either true or false. IBM. (2) An exception that has been enabled, or recognized, by the z/OS Language Environment and thus is eligible to activate user and language condition handlers. Any alteration to the normal programmed flow of an application. Conditions can be detected by the hardware/operating system and result in an interrupt. They can also be detected by language-specific generated code or language library code.

**conditional expression.** A compound expression that contains a condition (the first expression), an expression to be evaluated if the condition has a nonzero value (the second expression), and an expression to be evaluated if the condition has the value zero (the third expression).

**condition handler.** A user-written condition handler or language-specific condition handler (such as a PL/I ON-unit or z/OS C/C++ signal() function call) invoked by the z/OS C/C++ condition manager to respond to conditions.

**condition manager.** Manages conditions in the common execution environment by invoking various user-written and language-specific condition handlers.

**condition token.** In the z/OS Language Environment, a data type consisting of 12 bytes (96 bits). The condition token contains structured fields that indicate various aspects of a condition including the severity, the associated message number, and information that is specific to a given instance of the condition.

**const.** (1) An attribute of a data object that declares the object cannot be changed. (2) A keyword that allows you to define a variable whose value does not change. (3) A keyword that allows you to define a parameter that is not changed by the function. (4) A keyword that allows you to define a member function that does not modify the state of the class for which it is defined.

**constant.** (1) In programming languages, a language object that takes only one specific value. ISO-JTC1. (2) A data item with a value that does not change. IBM.

**constant expression.** An expression having a value that can be determined during compilation and that does not change during the running of the program. IBM.

**constant propagation.** An optimization technique where constants used in an expression are combined and new ones are generated. Mode conversions are done to allow some intrinsic functions to be evaluated at compile time.

**constructed reentrancy.** The attribute of applications that contain external data and require additional processing to make them reentrant. Contrast with natural reentrancy.

**constructor.** A special C++ class member function that has the same name as the class and is used to create an object of that class.

**control character.** (1) A character whose occurrence in a particular context specifies a control function. ISO Draft. (2) Synonymous with non-printing character. IBM.
(3) A character, other than a graphic character, that affects the recording, processing, transmission, or interpretation of text. X/Open.

**control statement.**  (1) A statement that is used to alter the continuous sequential execution of statements; a control statement may be a conditional statement, such as if, or an imperative statement, such as return. (2) A statement that changes the path of execution.

**controlling process.**  The session leader that establishes the connection to the controlling terminal. If the terminal ceases to be a controlling terminal for this session, the session leader ceases to be the controlling process. X/Open. ISO.1.

**controlling terminal.** A terminal that is associated with a session. Each session may have at most one controlling terminal associated with it, and a controlling terminal is associated with exactly one session. Certain input sequences from the controlling terminal cause signals to be sent to all processes in the process group associated with the controlling terminal. X/Open. ISO.1.

**conversion.**  (1) In programming languages, the transformation between values that represent the same data item but belong to different data types. Information may be lost because of conversion since accuracy of data representation varies among different data types. ISO-JTC1. (2) The process of changing from one method of data processing to another or from one data processing system to another. IBM. (3) The process of changing from one form of representation to another; for example, to change from decimal representation to binary representation. IBM. (4) A change in the type of a value. For example, when you add values having different data types, the compiler converts both values to a common form before adding the values.

**conversion descriptor.** A per-process unique value used to identify an open codeset conversion. X/Open.

**conversion function.** A member function that specifies a conversion from its class type to another type.

**coordinated universal time (UTC).** Synonym for Greenwich Mean Time (GMT). See GMT.

**copy constructor.** A constructor that copies a class object of the same class type.

**CSECT (control section).** The part of a program specified by the programmer to be a relocatable unit, all elements of which are to be loaded into adjoining main storage locations.

**Cross System Product.** See CSP.

**CSP (Cross System Product).** A set of licensed programs designed to permit the user to develop and run applications using independently defined maps (display and printer formats), data items (records, working storage, files, and single items), and processes (logic). The Cross System Product set consists of two parts: Cross System Product/Application Development (CSP/AD) and Cross System Product/Application Execution (CSP/AE). IBM.

**current working directory.** (1) A directory, associated with a process, that is used in path name resolution for path names that do not begin with a slash. X/Open. ISO.1. (2) In the OS/2 operating system, the first directory in which the operating system looks for programs and files and stores temporary files and output. IBM. (3) In the z/OS UNIX System Services environment, a directory that is active and that can be displayed. Relative path name resolution begins in the current directory. IBM.

**cursor.** A reference to an element at a specific position in a data structure.

**Customer Information Control System.** See CICS.

**D**

**data abstraction.** A data type with a private representation and a public set of operations (functions or operators) which restrict access to that data type to that set of operations. The C++ language uses the concept of classes to implement data abstraction.

**data definition (DD).** (1) In the C and C++ languages, a definition that describes a data object, reserves storage for a data object, and can provide an initial value for a data object. A data definition appears outside a function or at the beginning of a block statement. IBM. (2) A program statement that describes the features of, specifies relationships of, or establishes context of, data. ANSI/ISO. (3) A statement that is stored in the environment and that externally identifies a file and the attributes with which it should be opened.

**data definition name.** See dname.

**data definition statement.** See DD statement.

**data member.** The smallest possible piece of complete data. Elements are composed of data members.

**data object.** (1) A storage area used to hold a value. (2) Anything that exists in storage and on which operations can be performed, such as files, programs, classes, or arrays. (3) In a program, an element of data structure, such as a file, array, or operand, that is needed for the execution of a program and that is named or otherwise specified by the allowable character set of the language in which a program is coded. IBM.

**data set.** Under z/OS, a named collection of related data records that is stored and retrieved by an assigned name.
**data stream.** A continuous stream of data elements being transmitted, or intended for transmission, in character or binary-digit form, using a defined format. *IBM.*

**data structure.** The internal data representation of an implementation.

**data type.** The properties and internal representation that characterize data.

**Data Window Services (DWS).** Services provided as part of the Callable Services Library that allow manipulation of data objects such as VSAM linear data sets and temporary data objects known as TEMPSPACE.

**DBCS (double-byte character set).** A set of characters in which each character is represented by 2 bytes. Languages such as Japanese, Chinese, and Korean, which contain more symbols than can be represented by 256 code points, require double-byte character sets.

Because each character requires 2 bytes, the typing, display, and printing of DBCS characters requires hardware and programs that support DBCS. *IBM.*

**DCT (destination control table).** A table that contains an entry for each extrapolation, intrapartition, and indirect destination. Extrapartition entries address data sets external to the CICS region. Intrapartition destination entries contain the information required to locate the queue in the intrapartition data set. Indirect destination entries contain the information required to locate the queue in the intrapartition data set.

**ddname (data definition name).** (1) The logical name of a file within an application. The ddname provides the means for the logical file to be connected to the physical file. (2) The part of the data definition before the equal sign. It is the name used in a call to fopen or freopen to refer to the data definition stored in the environment.

**DD statement (data definition statement).** (1) In z/OS, serves as the connection between the logical name of a file and the physical name of the file. (2) A job control statement that defines a file to the operating system, and is a request to the operating system for the allocation of input/output resources.

**dead code elimination.** A process that eliminates code that exists for calculations that are not necessary. Code may be designated as dead by other optimization techniques.

**dead store elimination.** A process that eliminates unnecessary storage use in code. A store is deemed unnecessary if the value stored is never referenced again in the code.

**decimal constant.** (1) A numerical data type used in standard arithmetic operations. (2) A number containing any of the digits 0 through 9. *IBM.*

**decimal overflow.** A condition that occurs when one or more nonzero digits are lost because the destination field in a decimal operation is too short to contain the results.

**declaration.** (1) In the C and C++ languages, a description that makes an external object or function available to a function or a block statement. *IBM.* (2) Establishes the names and characteristics of data objects and functions used in a program.

**declarator.** Designates a data object or function declared. Initializations can be performed in a declarator.

**default argument.** An argument that is declared with a default value in a function prototype or declaration. If a call to the function omits this argument, the default value is used. Arguments with default values must be the trailing arguments in a function prototype argument list.

**default clause.** In the C or C++ languages, within a switch statement, the keyword default followed by a colon, and one or more statements. When the conditions of the specified case labels in the switch statement do not hold, the default clause is chosen. *IBM.*

**default constructor.** A constructor that takes no arguments, or, if it takes arguments, all its arguments have default values.

**default initialization.** The initial value assigned to a data object by the compiler if no initial value is specified by the programmer.

**default locale.** (1) The C locale, which is always used when no selection of locale is performed. (2) A system default locale, named by locale-related environmental variables.

**define directive.** A preprocessor directive that directs the preprocessor to replace an identifier or macro invocation with special code.

**definition.** (1) A data description that reserves storage and may provide an initial value. (2) A declaration that allocates storage, and may initialize a data object or specify the body of a function.

**degree.** The number of children of a node.

**delete.** (1) A C++ keyword that identifies a free storage deallocation operator. (2) A C++ operator used to destroy objects created by new.

**demangling.** The conversion of mangled names back to their original source code names. During C++
compilation, identifiers such as function and static class member names are mangled (encoded) with type and scoping information to ensure type-safe linkage. These mangled names appear in the object file and the final executable file. Demangling (decoding) converts these names back to their original names to make program debugging easier. See also mangling.

deque. A queue that can have elements added and removed at both ends. A double-ended queue.

dedeque. An operation that removes the first element of a queue.

dereference. In the C and C++ languages, the application of the unary operator * to a pointer to access the object the pointer points to. Also known as indirection.

derivation. In the C++ language, to derive a class, called a derived class, from an existing class, called a base class.

derived class. A class that inherits from a base class. All members of the base class become members of the derived class. You can add additional data members and member functions to the derived class. A derived class object can be manipulated as if it is a base class object. The derived class can override virtual functions of the base class.

descriptor. PL/I control block that holds information such as string lengths, array subscript bounds, and area sizes, and is passed from one PL/I routine to another during run time.

destination control table. See DCT.

destructor. A special member function that has the same name as its class, preceded by a tilde (~), and that "cleans up" after an object of that class, for example, freeing storage that was allocated when the object was created. A destructor has no arguments and no return type.

detach state attribute. An attribute associated with a thread attribute object. This attribute has two possible values:

0 Undetached. An undetached thread keeps its resources after termination of the thread.

1 Detached. A detached thread has its resources freed by the system after termination.

device. A computer peripheral or an object that appears to the application as such. X/Open. ISO.1.

difference. For two sets A and B, the difference (A-B) is the set of all elements in A but not in B. For bags, there is an additional rule for duplicates: If bag P contains an element m times and bag Q contains the same element n times, then, if m>n, the difference contains that element m-n times. If m<n, the difference contains that element zero times.

digraph. A combination of two keystrokes used to represent unavailable characters in a C or C++ source program. Digraphs are read as tokens during the preprocessor phase.

directory. (1) In a hierarchical file system, a container for files or other directories. IBM. (2) The part of a partitioned data set that describes the members in the data set.

disabled signal. Synonym for enabled signal.

display. To direct the output to the user's terminal. If the output is not directed to the terminal, the results are undefined. X/Open.

DLL. See dynamic link library.

do statement. In the C and C++ compilers, a looping statement that contains the keyword "do", followed by a statement (the action), the keyword "while", and an expression in parentheses (the condition). IBM.

dot. The file name consisting of a single dot character (.). X/Open. ISO.1.

double-byte character set. See DBCS.

double-precision. Pertaining to the use of two computer words to represent a number in accordance with the required precision. ISO-JTC1. ANSI/ISO.

double-quote. The character "", also known as quotation mark. X/Open.

This character is named <quotation-mark> in the portable character set.

doubleword. A contiguous sequence of bytes or characters that comprises two computer words and is capable of being addressed as a unit. IBM.

dynamic. Pertaining to an operation that occurs at the time it is needed rather than at a predetermined or fixed time. IBM.

dynamic allocation. Assignment of system resources to a program when the program is executed rather than when it is loaded into main storage. IBM.

dynamic binding. The act of resolving references to external variables and functions at run time. In C++, dynamic binding is supported by using virtual functions.

dynamic link library (DLL). A file containing executable code and data bound to a program at run time. The code and data in a dynamic link library can be shared by several applications simultaneously. Compiling code with the DLL option does not mean that
the produced executable will be a DLL. To create a DLL, use #pragma export or the EXPORTALL compiler option.

**DSA (dynamic storage area).** An area of storage obtained during the running of an application that consists of a register save area and an area for automatic data, such as program variables. DSAs are generally allocated within Language Environment-managed stack segments. DSAs are added to the stack when a routine is entered and removed upon exit in a last in, first out (LIFO) manner. In Language Environment, a DSA is known as a stack frame.

**dynamic storage.** Synonym for automatic storage.

**dynamic storage area.** See DSA

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**E**

**EBCDIC.** See extended binary-coded decimal interchange code.

**effective group ID.** An attribute of a process that is used in determining various permissions, including file access permissions. This value is subject to change during the process lifetime, as described in the exec family of functions and setgid(). X/Open. ISO.1.

**effective user ID.** (1) The user ID associated with the last authenticated user or the last setuid() program. It is equal to either the real or the saved user ID. (2) The current user ID, but not necessarily the user's login ID; for example, a user logged in under a login ID may change to another user's ID. The ID to which the user changes becomes the effective user ID until the user switches back to the original login ID. All discretionary access decisions are based on the effective user ID. IBM. (3) An attribute of a process that is used in determining various permissions, including file access permissions. This value is subject to change during the process lifetime, as described in exec and setuid(). X/Open. ISO.1.

**elaborated type specifier.** A specifier typically used in an incomplete class declaration to qualify types that are otherwise hidden.

**element.** The component of an array, subrange, enumeration, or set.

**element equality.** A relation that determines if two elements are equal.

**element occurrence.** A single instance of an element in a collection. In a unique collection, element occurrence is synonymous with element value.

**element value.** All the instances of an element with a particular value in a collection. In a nonunique collection, an element value may have more than one occurrence. In a unique collection, element value is synonymous with element occurrence.

**else clause.** The part of an if statement that contains the word else, followed by a statement. The else clause provides an action that is started when the if condition evaluates to a value of zero (false). IBM.

**empty line.** A line consisting of only a new-line character. X/Open.

**empty string.** (1) A string whose first byte is a null byte. Synonymous with null string. X/Open. (2) A character array whose first element is a null character. IS0.1.

**enabled signal.** The occurrence of an enabled signal results in the default system response or the execution of an established signal handler. If disabled, the occurrence of the signal is ignored.

**encapsulation.** Hiding the internal representation of data objects and implementation details of functions from the client program. This enables the end user to focus on the use of data objects and functions without having to know about their representation or implementation.

**enclave.** In z/OS Language Environment, an independent collection of routines, one of which is designated as the main routine. An enclave is roughly analogous to a program or run unit.

**enqueue.** (1) An operation that adds an element as the last element to a queue. (2) Request control of a serially reusable resource.

**entry point.** The address or label of the first instruction that is executed when a routine is entered for execution.

**enumeration constant.** In the C or C++ language, an identifier, with an associated integer value, defined in an enumerator. An enumeration constant may be used anywhere an integer constant is allowed. IBM.

**enumeration data type.** (1) In the Fortran, C, and C++ language, a data type that represents a set of values that a user defines. IBM. (2) A type that represents integers and a set of enumeration constants. Each enumeration constant has an associated integer value.

**enumeration tag.** In the C and C++ language, the identifier that names an enumeration data type. IBM.

**enumeration type.** An enumeration type defines a set of enumeration constants. In the C++ language, an enumeration type is a distinct data type that is not an integral type.

**enumerator.** In the C and C++ language, an enumeration constant and its associated value. IBM.
equivalence class. (1) A grouping of characters that are considered equal for the purpose of collation; for example, many languages place an uppercase character in the same equivalence class as its lowercase form, but some languages distinguish between accented and unaccented character forms for the purpose of collation. IBM. (2) A set of collating elements with the same primary collation weight.

Elements in an equivalence class are typically elements that naturally group together, such as all accented letters based on the same base letter.

The collation order of elements within an equivalence class is determined by the weights assigned on any subsequent levels after the primary weight. X/Open.

defined escape sequence. (1) A representation of a character. An escape sequence contains the \ symbol followed by one of the characters: a, b, f, n, r, t, v, ' , " , x , \, or followed by one or more octal or hexadecimal digits. (2) A sequence of characters that represent, for example, non-printing characters, or the exact code point value to be used to represent variant and nonvariant characters regardless of code page. (3) In the C and C++ language, an escape character followed by one or more characters. The escape character indicates that a different code, or a different coded character set, is used to interpret the characters that follow. Any member of the character set used at run time can be represented using an escape sequence. (4) A character that is preceded by a backslash character and is interpreted to have a special meaning to the operating system. (5) A sequence sent to a terminal to perform actions such as moving the cursor, changing from normal to reverse video, and clearing the screen. Synonymous with multibyte control. IBM.

definition exception. (1) Any user, logic, or system error detected by a function that does not itself deal with the error but passes the error on to a handling routine (also called throwing the exception). (2) In programming languages, an abnormal situation that may arise during execution, that may cause a deviation from the normal execution sequence, and for which facilities exist in a programming language to define, raise, recognize, ignore, and handle it; for example, (ON-) condition in PL/I, exception in ADA. ISO-JTC1.

defined executable. A load module or program object which has yet to be loaded into memory for execution.

defined executable file. A regular file acceptable as a new process image file by the equivalent of the exec family of functions, and thus usable as one form of a utility. The standard utilities described as compilers can produce executable files, but other unspecified methods of producing executable files may also be provided. The internal format of an executable file is unspecified, but a conforming application cannot assume an executable file is a text file. X/Open.

defined exception handler. (1) Exception handlers are catch blocks in C++ applications. Catch blocks catch exceptions when they are thrown from a function enclosed in a try block. Try blocks, catch blocks, and throw expressions are the constructs used to implement formal exception handling in C++ applications. (2) A set of routines used to detect deadlock conditions or to process abnormal condition processing. An exception handler allows the normal running of processes to be interrupted and resumed. IBM.

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defined executable program. A program that has been link-edited and therefore can be run in a processor. IBM.

defined extended binary-coded data interchange code (EBCDIC). A coded character set of 256 8-bit characters. IBM.

defined extended-precision. Pertaining to the use of more than two computer words to represent a floating point number in accordance with the required precision. In z/OS four computer words are used for an extended-precision number.

defined extension. (1) An element or function not included in the standard language. (2) File name extension.

defined external data definition. A description of a variable appearing outside a function. It causes the system to allocate storage for that variable and makes that variable accessible to all functions that follow the definition and are located in the same file as the definition. IBM.

defined extern storage class specifier. A specifier that enables the programmer to declare objects and functions that several source files can use.

F

defined feature test macro (FTM). A macro (#define) used to determine whether a particular set of features will be included from a header. X/Open. ISO.1.

defined FIFO special file. A type of file with the property that data written to such a file is read on a first-in-first-out basis. Other characteristics of FIFOs are described in open(), read(), write(), and lseek(). X/Open. ISO.1.

defined file access permissions. The standard file access control mechanism uses the file permission bits. The
bits are set at the time of file creation by functions such as open(), creat(), mkdir(), and mkfifo() and can be changed by chmod(). The bits are read by stat() or fstat(). X/Open.

file descriptor. (1) A positive integer that the system uses instead of the file name to identify an open file. (2) A per-process unique, non-negative integer used to identify an open file for the purpose of file access. ISO.1.

The value of a file descriptor is from zero to (OPEN_MAX)—which is defined in <limits.h>. A process can have no more than (OPEN_MAX) file descriptors open simultaneously. File descriptors may also be used to implement directory streams. X/Open.

file mode. An object containing the file mode bits and file type of a file, as described in <sys/stat.h>. X/Open.

file mode bits. A file’s file permission bits, set-user-ID-on-execution bit (S_ISUID) and set-group-ID-on-execution bit (S_ISGID). X/Open.

file permission bits. Information about a file that is used, along with other information, to determine if a process has read, write, or execute/search permission to a file. The bits are divided into three parts: owner, group, and other. Each part is used with the corresponding file class of process. These bits are contained in the file mode, as described in <sys/stat.h>. The detailed usage of the file permission bits is described in file access permissions. X/Open. ISO.1.

file scope. A name declared outside all blocks, classes, and function declarations has file scope and can be used after the point of declaration in a source file.

filter. A command whose operation consists of reading data from standard input or a list of input files and writing data to standard output. Typically, its function is to perform some transformation on the data stream. X/Open.

first element. The element visited first in an iteration over a collection. Each collection has its own definition for first element. For example, the first element of a sorted set is the element with the smallest value.

flat collection. A collection that has no hierarchical structure.

float constant. (1) A constant representing a nonintegral number. (2) A number containing a decimal point, an exponent, or both a decimal point and an exponent. The exponent contains an e or E, an optional sign (+ or -), and one or more digits (0 through 9). IBM.

for statement. A looping statement that contains the word for followed by a for-initializing-statement, an optional condition, a semicolon, and an optional expression, all enclosed in parentheses.

foreground process. (1) A process that must run to completion before another command is issued. The foreground process is in the foreground process group, which is the group that receives the signals generated by a terminal. IBM. (2) A process that is a member of a foreground process group. X/Open. ISO.1.

foreground process group. (1) The group that receives the signals generated by a terminal. IBM. (2) A process group whose member processes have certain privileges, denied to processes in background process groups, when accessing their controlling terminal. Each session that has established a connection with a controlling terminal has exactly one process group of the session as the foreground process group of that controlling terminal. X/Open. ISO.1.

foreground process group ID. The process group ID of the foreground process group. X/Open. ISO.1.

form-feed character. A character in the output stream that indicates that printing should start on the next page of an output device. The formfeed is the character designated by ‘’<fn’’ in the C and C++ language. If the formfeed is not the first character of an output line, the result is unspecified. It is unspecified whether this character is the exact sequence transmitted to an output device by the system to accomplish the movement to the next page. X/Open.

forward declaration. A declaration of a class or function made earlier in a compilation unit, so that the declared class or function can be used before it has been defined.

freestanding application. (1) An application that is created to run without the run-time environment or library with which it was developed. (2) An z/OS C/C++ application that does not use the services of the dynamic z/OS C/C++ run-time library or of the Language Environment. Under z/OS C support, this ability is a feature of the System Programming C support.

free store. Dynamically allocated memory. New and delete are used to allocate and deallocate free store.

friend class. A class in which all the member functions are granted access to the private and protected members of another class. It is named in the declaration of another class and uses the keyword friend as a prefix to the class. For example, the following source code makes all the functions and data in class you friend of class me:

class me {
    friend class you;
    // ...
};

friend function. A function that is granted access to the private and protected parts of a class. It is named in the declaration of the other class with the prefix friend.
function. A named group of statements that can be called and evaluated and can return a value to the calling statement. **IBM.**

function call. An expression that moves the path of execution from the current function to a specified function and evaluates to the return value provided by the called function. A function call contains the name of the function to which control moves and a parenthesized list of values. **IBM.**

function declarator. The part of a function definition that names the function, provides additional information about the return value of the function, and lists the function parameters. **IBM.**

declaration. The complete description of a function. A function declaration contains a sequence of specifiers (storage class, optional type, inline, virtual, optional friend), a function declarator, optional constructor-initializers, parameter declarations, optional const, and the block statement. Inline, virtual, friend, and const are not available with C.

function prototype. A function declaration that provides type information for each parameter. It is the first line of the function (header) followed by a semicolon (;). The declaration is required by the compiler at the time that the function is declared, so that the compiler can check the type.

function scope. Labels that are declared in a function have function scope and can be used anywhere in that function after their declaration.

function template. Provides a blueprint describing how a set of related individual functions can be constructed.

global variable. A symbol defined in one program module that is used in other independently compiled program modules.

GMT (Greenwich Mean Time). The solar time at the meridian of Greenwich, formerly used as the prime basis of standard time throughout the world. GMT has been superseded by coordinated universal time (UTC).

graphic character. (1) A visual representation of a character, other than a control character, that is normally produced by writing, printing, or displaying. ISO Draft. (2) A character that can be displayed or printed. **IBM.**

Graphical Data Display Manager (GDDM). Pertaining to an IBM licensed program that provides a group of routines that allows pictures to be defined and displayed procedurally through function routines that correspond to graphic primitives. **IBM.**

Greenwich Mean Time. See GMT.

group ID. (1) A non-negative integer that is used to identify a group of system users. Each system user is a member of at least one group. When the identity of a group is associated with a process, a group ID value is referred to as a real group ID, an effective group ID, one of the supplementary group IDs or a saved set-group-ID. X/Open. (2) A non-negative integer, which can be contained in an object of type gid_t, that is used to identify a group of system users. **ISO.1.**

H

halfword. A contiguous sequence of bytes or characters that constitutes half a computer word and can be addressed as a unit. **IBM.**

hash function. A function that determines which category, or bucket, to put an element in. A hash function is needed when implementing a hash table.

hash table. (1) A data structure that divides all elements into (preferably) equal-sized categories, or buckets, to allow quick access to the elements. The hash function determines which bucket an element belongs in. (2) A table of information that is accessed by way of a shortened search key (that hash value). Using a hash table minimizes average search time.

header file. A text file that contains declarations used by a group of functions, programs, or users.

heap storage. An area of storage used for allocation of storage whose lifetime is not related to the execution of the current routine. The heap consists of the initial heap segment and zero or more increments.

hexadecimal constant. A constant, usually starting with special characters, that contains only hexadecimal
digits. Three examples for the hexadecimal constant with value 0 would be 'x00', '0x0', or 'OX00'.

**High Level Assembler.** An IBM licensed program. Translates symbolic assembler language into binary machine language.

**hiperspace memory file.** An IBM file used under z/OS to deal with memory files as large as 2 gigabytes. *IBM.*

**hooks.** Instructions inserted into a program by a compiler at compile-time. Using hooks, you can set breakpoints to instruct Debug Tool to gain control of the program at selected points during its execution.

**hybrid code.** Program statements that have not been internationalized with respect to code page, especially where data constants contain variant characters. Such statements can be found in applications written in older implementations of MVS, which required syntax statements to be written using code page IBM-1047 exclusively. Such applications cannot be converted from one code page to another using `iconv()`.

**I18N.** Abbreviation for internationalization.

**identifier.** (1) One or more characters used to identify or name a data element and possibly to indicate certain properties of that data element. *ANSI/ISO.* (2) In programming languages, a token that names a data object such as a variable, an array, a record, a subprogram, or a function. *ANSI/ISO.* (3) A sequence of letters, digits, and underscores used to identify a data object or function. *IBM.*

**if statement.** A conditional statement that contains the keyword `if`, followed by an expression in parentheses (the condition), a statement (the action), and an optional else clause (the alternative action). *IBM.*

**ILC (interlanguage call).** A function call made by one language to a function coded in another language. Interlanguage calls are used to communicate between programs written in different languages.

**ILC (interlanguage communication).** The ability of routines written in different programming languages to communicate. ILC support enables the application writer to readily build applications from component routines written in a variety of languages.

**implementation-defined behavior.** Application behavior that is not defined by the standards. The implementing compiler and library defines this behavior when a program contains correct program constructs or uses correct data. Programs that rely on implementation-defined behavior may behave differently on different C or C++ implementations. Refer to the z/OS C/C++ documents that are listed in "z/OS C/C++ and related publications" on page xxvi for information about implementation-defined behavior in the z/OS C/C++ environment. Contrast with *unspecified behavior* and *undefined behavior.*

**IMS (Information Management System).** Pertaining to an IBM database/data communication (DB/DC) system that can manage complex databases and networks. *IBM.*

**include directive.** A preprocessor directive that causes the preprocessor to replace the statement with the contents of a specified file.

**include file.** See *header file.*

**incomplete class declaration.** A class declaration that does not define any members of a class. Until a class is fully declared, or defined, you can only use the class name where the size of the class is not required. Typically an incomplete class declaration is used as a forward declaration.

**incomplete type.** A type that has no value or meaning when it is first declared. There are three incomplete types: void, arrays of unknown size and structures and unions of unspecified content. A void type can never be completed. Arrays of unknown size and structures or unions of unspecified content can be completed in further declarations.

**indirection.** (1) A mechanism for connecting objects by storing, in one object, a reference to another object. (2) In the C and C++ languages, the application of the unary operator " to a pointer to access the object to which the pointer points.

**indirection class.** Synonym for *reference class.*

**induction variable.** It is a controlling variable of a loop.

**inheritance.** A technique that allows the use of an existing class as the base for creating other classes.

**initial heap.** The z/OS C/C++ heap controlled by the HEAP run-time option and designated by a heap id of 0. The initial heap contains dynamically allocated user data.

**initializer.** An expression used to initialize data objects. The C++ language, supports the following types of initializers:

- An expression followed by an assignment operator that is used to initialize fundamental data type objects or class objects that contain copy constructors.
- A parenthesized expression list that is used to initialize base classes and members that use constructors.

Both the C and C++ languages support an expression enclosed in braces ( { } ), that used to initialize aggregates.
inline function. A function whose actual code replaces a function call. A function that is both declared and defined in a class definition is an example of an inline function. Another example is one which you explicitly declared inline by using the keyword `inline`. Both member and non-member functions can be inlined.

input stream. A sequence of control statements and data submitted to a system from an input unit. Synonymous with input job stream, input stream.

instance. An object-oriented programming term synonymous with object. An instance is a particular instantiation of a data type. It is simply a region of storage that contains a value or group of values. For example, if a class `Box` is previously defined, two instances of a class `Box` could be instantiated with the declaration: `Box box1, box2;`

instantiate. To create or generate a particular instance or object of a data type. For example, an instance `box1` of class `Box` could be instantiated with the declaration: `Box box1;`

instruction. A program statement that specifies an operation to be performed by the computer, along with the values or locations of operands. This statement represents the programmer’s request to the processor to perform a specific operation.

instruction scheduling. An optimization technique that reorders instructions in code to minimize execution time.

integer constant. A decimal, octal, or hexadecimal constant.

integral object. A character object, an object having an enumeration type, an object having variations of the type `int`, or an object that is a bit field.

Interactive System Productivity Facility. See ISPF.

interlanguage call. See ILC (interlanguage call).

interlanguage communication. See ILC (interlanguage communication).

internationalization. The capability of a computer program to adapt to the requirements of different native languages, local customs, and coded character sets. X/Open.

Synonymous with 118N.

interoperability. The capability to communicate, execute programs, or transfer data among various functional units in a way that requires the user to have little or no knowledge of the unique characteristics of those units.

Interprocedural Analysis. See IPA.

interprocess communication. (1) The exchange of information between processes or threads through semaphores, queues, and shared memory. (2) The process by which programs communicate data to each other to synchronize their activities. Semaphores, signals, and internal message queues are common methods of inter-process communication.

I/O stream library. A class library that provides the facilities to deal with many varieties of input and output.

IPA (Interprocedural Analysis). A process for performing optimizations across compilation units.

ISPF (Interactive System Productivity Facility). An IBM licensed program that serves as a full-screen editor and dialogue manager. Used for writing application programs, it provides a means of generating standard screen panels and interactive dialogues between the application programmer and terminal user. (ISPF)

iteration. The process of repeatedly applying a function to a series of elements in a collection until some condition is satisfied.

J

JCL (job control language). A control language used to identify a job to an operating system and to describe the job’s requirement. IBM.

K

keyword. (1) A predefined word reserved for the C and C++ languages, that may not be used as an identifier. (2) A symbol that identifies a parameter in JCL.

kind attribute. An attribute for a mutex attribute object. This attribute’s value determines whether the mutex can be locked once or more than once for a thread and whether state changes to the mutex will be reported to the debug interface.

L

label. An identifier within or attached to a set of data elements. ISO Draft.

Language Environment. Abbreviated form of z/OS Language Environment. Pertaining to an IBM software product that provides a common run-time environment and run-time services to applications compiled by Language Environment-conforming compilers.

last element. The element visited last in an iteration over a collection. Each collection has its own definition for last element. For example, the last element of a sorted set is the element with the largest value.
**late binding.** Allowing the system to determine the specific class of the object and invoke the appropriate function implementations at run time. Late binding or dynamic binding hides the differences between a group of related classes from the application program.

**leaves.** Nodes without children. Synonymous with terminals.

**lexically.** Relating to the left-to-right order of units.

**library.** (1) A collection of functions, calls, subroutines, or other data. *IBM.* (2) A set of object modules that can be specified in a link command.

**linkage editor.** Synonym for linker. The linkage editor has been replaced by the *binder* for the MVS/ESA, OS/390, or z/OS operating systems. See *binder.*

**Linkage.** Refers to the binding between a reference and a definition. A function has internal linkage if the function is defined inline as part of the class, is declared with the inline keyword, or is a non-member function declared with the static keyword. All other functions have external linkage.

**linker.** A computer program for creating load modules from one or more object modules by resolving cross references among the modules and, if necessary, adjusting addresses. *IBM.*

**link pack area (LPA).** In z/OS, an area of storage containing re-enterable routines from system libraries. Their presence in main storage saves loading time.

**literal.** (1) In programming languages, a lexical unit that directly represents a value; for example, 14 represents the integer fourteen, “APRIL” represents the string of characters APRIL, 3.0005E2 represents the number 300.05. ISO-JTC1. (2) A symbol or a quantity in a source program that is itself data, rather than a reference to data. *IBM.* (3) A character string whose value is given by the characters themselves; for example, the numeric literal 7 has the value 7, and the character literal CHARACTERS has the value CHARACTERS. *IBM.*

**loader.** A routine, commonly a computer program, that reads data into main storage. ANSI/ISO.

**load module.** All or part of a computer program in a form suitable for loading into main storage for execution. A load module is usually the output of a linkage editor. ISO Draft.

**local.** (1) In programming languages, pertaining to the relationship between a language object and a block such that the language object has a scope contained in that block. ISO-JTC1. (2) Pertaining to that which is defined and used only in one subdivision of a computer program. ANSI/ISO.

**local customs.** The conventions of a geographical area or territory for such things as date, time, and currency formats. X/Open.

**locale.** The definition of the subset of a user's environment that depends on language and cultural conventions. X/Open.

**localization.** The process of establishing information within a computer system specific to the operation of particular native languages, local customs, and coded character sets. X/Open.

**local scope.** A name declared in a block has scope within the block, and can therefore only be used in that block.

**Long name.** An external name C++ name in an object module, or and external name in an object module created by the C compiler when the LONGNAME option is used. Long names are up to 1024 characters long and may contain both upper-case and lower-case characters.

**lvalue.** An expression that represents a data object that can be both examined and altered.

**M**

**macro.** An identifier followed by arguments (may be a parenthesized list of arguments) that the preprocessor replaces with the replacement code located in a preprocessor *define* directive.

**macro call.** Synonym for *macro.*

**macro instruction.** Synonym for *macro.*

**main function.** An external function with the identifier main that is the first user function—aside from exit routines and C++ static object constructors—to get control when program execution begins. Each C and C++ program must have exactly one function named main.

**makefile.** A text file containing a list of your application's parts. The make utility uses makefiles to maintain application parts and dependencies.

**make utility.** Maintains all of the parts and dependencies for your application. The make utility uses a makefile to keep the parts of your program synchronized. If one part of your application changes, the make utility updates all other files that depend on the changed part. This utility is available under the z/OS shell and by default, uses the c89 utility to recompile and bind your application.

**mangling.** The encoding during compilation of identifiers such as function and variable names to include type and scope information. These mangled names ensure type-safe linkage. See also *demangling.*
**manipulator.** A value that can be inserted into streams or extracted from streams to affect or query the behavior of the stream.

**member.** A data object or function in a structure, union, or class. Members can also be classes, enumerations, bit fields, and type names.

**member function.** (1) An operator or function that is declared as a member of a class. A member function has access to the private and protected data members and member functions of objects of its class. Member functions are also called methods. (2) A function that performs operations on a class.

**method.** In the C++ language, a synonym for **member function.**

**method file.** (1) A file that allows users to indicate to the localedef utility where to look for user-provided methods for processing user-designed codepages. (2) For ASCII locales, a file that defines the method functions to be used by C runtime locale-sensitive interfaces. A method file also identifies where the method functions can be found. IBM supplies several method files used to create its standard set of ASCII locales. Other method files can be created to support customized or user-created codepages. Such customized method files replace IBM-supplied charmap method functions with user-written functions.

**migrate.** To move to a changed operating environment, usually to a new release or version of a system. IBM.

**module.** A program unit that usually performs a particular function or related functions, and that is distinct and identifiable with respect to compiling, combining with other units, and loading.

**multibyte character.** A mixture of single-byte characters from a single-byte character set and double-byte characters from a double-byte character set.

**multicharacter collating element.** A sequence of two or more characters that collate as an entity. For example, in some coded character sets, an accented character is represented by a non-spacing accent, followed by the letter. Other examples are the Spanish elements ch and ll. X/Open.

**multiple inheritance.** An object-oriented programming technique implemented in the C++ language through derivation, in which the derived class inherits members from more than one base class.

**multitasking.** A mode of operation that allows concurrent performance, or interleaved execution of two or more tasks. ISO-JTC1. ANSI/ISO.

**mutex.** A flag used by a semaphore to protect shared resources. The mutex is locked and unlocked by threads in a program. A mutex can only be locked by one thread at a time and can only be unlocked by the same thread that locked it. The current owner of a mutex is the thread that it is currently locked by. An unlocked mutex has no current owner.

**mutex attribute object.** Allows the user to manage the characteristics of mutexes in their application by defining a set of values to be used for the mutex during its creation. A mutex attribute object allows the user to create many mutexes with the same set of characteristics without redefining the same set of characteristics for each mutex created.

**mutex object.** Used to identify a mutex.

**N**

**namespace.** A category used to group similar types of identifiers.

**named pipe.** A FIFO file. Named pipes allow transfer of data between processes in a FIFO manner and synchronization of process execution. Allows processes to communicate even though they do not know what processes are on the other end of the pipe.

**natural reentrancy.** A program that contains no writable static and requires no additional processing to make it reentrant is considered naturally reentrant.

**nested class.** A class defined within the scope of another class.

**nested enclave.** A new enclave created by an existing enclave. The nested enclave that is created must be a new main routine within the process. See also **child enclave** and **parent enclave.**

**newline character.** A character that in the output stream indicates that printing should start at the beginning of the next line. The newline character is designated by ‘\n’ in the C and C++ language. It is unspecified whether this character is the exact sequence transmitted to an output device by the system to accomplish the movement to the next line. X/Open.

**nickname.** Synonym for alias.

**non-printing character.** See **control character.**

**null character (NUL).** The ASCII or EBCDIC character ‘\0’ with the hex value 00, all bits turned off. It is used to represent the absence of a printed or displayed character. This character is named <NUL> in the portable character set.

**null pointer.** The value that is obtained by converting the number 0 into a pointer; for example, (void *) 0. The C and C++ languages guarantee that this value will not match that of any legitimate pointer, so it is used by many functions that return pointers to indicate an error. X/Open.
null statement. A C or C++ statement that consists solely of a semicolon.

null string. (1) A string whose first byte is a null byte. Synonymous with empty string. X/Open. (2) A character array whose first element is a null character. ISO.1.

null value. A parameter position for which no value is specified. IBM.

null wide-character code. A wide-character code with all bits set to zero. X/Open.

number sign. The character #, also known as pound sign and hash sign. This character is named <number-sign> in the portable character set.

O

object. (1) A region of storage. An object is created when a variable is defined. An object is destroyed when it goes out of scope. (See also instance.) (2) In object-oriented design or programming, an abstraction consisting of data and the operations associated with that data. See also class. IBM. (3) An instance of a class.

object code. Machine-executable instructions, usually generated by a compiler from source code written in a higher level language (such as the C++ language). For programs that must be linked, object code consists of relocatable machine code.

object module. (1) All or part of an object program sufficiently complete for linking. Assemblers and compilers usually produce object modules. ISO Draft. (2) A set of instructions in machine language produced by a compiler from a source program. IBM.

object-oriented programming. A programming approach based on the concepts of data abstraction and inheritance. Unlike procedural programming techniques, object-oriented programming concentrates not on how something is accomplished, but on what data objects comprise the problem and how they are manipulated.

octal constant. The digit 0 (zero) followed by any digits 0 through 7.

open file. A file that is currently associated with a file descriptor. X/Open. ISO.1.

operand. An entity on which an operation is performed. ISO-JTC1. ANSI/ISO.

operating system (OS). Software that controls functions such as resource allocation, scheduling, input/output control, and data management.

operator function. An overloaded operator that is either a member of a class or that takes at least one argument that is a class type or a reference to a class type.

operator precedence. In programming languages, an order relation defining the sequence of the application of operators within an expression. ISO-JTC1.

orientation of a stream. After application of an input or output function to a stream, it becomes either byte-oriented or wide-oriented. A byte-oriented stream is a stream that had a byte input or output function applied to it when it had no orientation. A wide-oriented stream is a stream that had a wide character input or output function applied to it when it had no orientation. A stream has no orientation when it has been associated with an external file but has not had any operations performed on it.

overflow. (1) A condition that occurs when a portion of the result of an operation exceeds the capacity of the intended unit of storage. (2) That portion of an operation that exceeds the capacity of the intended unit of storage. IBM.

overlay. The technique of repeatedly using the same areas of internal storage during different stages of a program. ANSI/ISO. Unions are used to accomplish this in C and C++.

overloading. An object-oriented programming technique that allows you to redefine functions and most standard C++ operators when the functions and operators are used with class types.

P

parameter. (1) In the C and C++ languages, an object declared as part of a function declaration or definition that acquires a value on entry to the function, or an identifier following the macro name in a function-like macro definition. X/Open. (2) Data passed between programs or procedures. IBM.

parameter declaration. A description of a value that a function receives. A parameter declaration determines the storage class and the data type of the value.

parent enclave. The enclave that issues a call to system services or language constructs to create a nested or child enclave. See also child enclave and nested enclave.

parent process. (1) The program that originates the creation of other processes by means of spawn or exec function calls. See also child process. (2) A process that creates other processes.

parent process ID. (1) An attribute of a new process identifying the parent of the process. The parent process ID of a process is the process ID of its creator,
for the lifetime of the creator. After the creator's lifetime has ended, the parent process ID is the process ID of an implementation-dependent system process. X/Open.

(2) An attribute of a new process after it is created by a currently active process. ISO.1.

partitioned concatenation. Specifying multiple PDSs or PDSEs under one ddname. The concatenated data sets act as one big PDS or PDSE and access can be made to any member with a unique name. An attempted access to a member whose name occurs more than once in the concatenated data sets, returns the first member with that name found in the entire concatenation.

partitioned data set (PDS). A data set in direct access storage that is divided into partitions, called members, each of which can contain a program, part of a program, or data. IBM.

partitioned data set extended (PDSE). Similar to partitioned data set, but with extended capabilities.

path name. (1) A string that is used to identify a file. A path name consists of, at most, (PATH_MAX) bytes, including the terminating null character. It has an optional beginning slash, followed by zero or more file names separated by slashes. If the path name refers to a directory, it may also have one or more trailing slashes. Multiple successive slashes are treated as one slash. A path name that begins with two successive slashes may be interpreted in an implementation-dependent manner, although more than two leading slashes are treated as a single slash. The interpretation of the path name is described in path name resolution. ISO.1. (2) A file name specifying all directories leading to the file.

path name resolution. Path name resolution is performed for a process to resolve a path name to a particular file in a file hierarchy. There may be multiple path names that resolve to the same file. X/Open.

pattern. A sequence of characters used either with regular expression notation or for path name expansion, as a means of selecting various characters strings or path names, respectively. The syntaxes of the two patterns are similar, but not identical. X/Open.

period. The character (\). The term period is contrasted against dot, which is used to describe a specific directory entry. This character is named <period> in the portable character set.

permissions. Codes that determine how a file can be used by any users who work on the system. See also file access permissions. IBM.

persistent environment. A program can explicitly establish a persistent environment, direct functions to it, and explicitly terminate it.

pointer. In the C and C++ languages, a variable that holds the address of a data object or a function. IBM.

pointer class. A class that implements pointers.

pointer to member. An operator used to access the address of non-static members of a class.

polymorphism. The technique of taking an abstract view of an object or function and using any concrete objects or arguments that are derived from this abstract view.

portable character set. The set of characters specified in POSIX 1003.2, section 2.4:

<X/Open>

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portable file name character set. The set of characters from which portable file names are constructed. For a file name to be portable across implementations conforming to the ISO POSIX-1 standard and to ISO/IEC 9945, it must consists only of the following characters:

preinitialization. A process by which an environment or library is initialized once and can then be used repeatedly to avoid the inefficiency of initializing the environment or library each time it is needed.

prelinker. A utility provided with z/OS Language Environment that you can use to process application programs that require DLL support, or contain either constructed reentrancy or external symbol names that are longer than 8 characters. You require the prelinker, or its equivalent function which is provided by the binder, to process all C++ applications, or C applications that are compiled with the RENT, DLL, LONGNAME or IPA options. As of Version 2 Release 4, the prelinker was superseded by the binder. See also binder.

preprocessor. A phase of the compiler that examines the source program for preprocessor statements that are then executed, resulting in the alteration of the source program.
preprocessor statement. In the C and C++ languages, a statement that begins with the symbol # and is interpreted by the preprocessor during compilation. IBM.

primary expression. (1) An identifier, parenthesized expression, function call, array element specification, structure member specification, or union member specification. IBM. (2) Literals, names, and names qualified by the :: (scope resolution) operator.

printable character. One of the characters included in the print character classification of the LC_CTYPE category in the current locale. X/Open.

private. Pertaining to a class member that is only accessible to member functions and friends of that class.

process. (1) An instance of an executing application and the resources it uses. (2) An address space and single thread of control that executes within that address space, and its required system resources. A process is created by another process using the fork() function. The process that issues the fork() function is known as the parent process, and the new process created by the fork() function is known as the child process. X/Open. ISO.1.

process group. A collection of processes that permits the signaling of related processes. Each process in the system is a member of a process group that is identified by the process group ID. A newly created process joins the process group of its creator. IBM. X/Open. ISO.1.

process group ID. The unique identifier representing a process group during its lifetime. A process group ID is a positive integer. (Under ISO only, it is a positive integer that can be contained in a pid_t) A process group ID will not be reused by the system until the process group lifetime ends. X/Open. ISO.1.

process group lifetime. A period of time that begins when a process group is created and ends when the last remaining process in the group leaves the group, because either it is the end of the last process' lifetime or the last remaining process is calling the setsid() or setpgid() functions. X/Open. ISO.1.

process ID. The unique identifier representing a process. A process ID is a positive integer. (Under ISO only, it is a positive integer that can be contained in a pid_t) A process ID will not be reused by the system until the process lifetime ends. In addition, if there exists a process group whose process group ID is equal to that process ID, the process ID will not be reused by the system until the process group lifetime ends. A process that is not a system process will not have a process ID of 1. X/Open. ISO.1.

process lifetime. The period of time that begins when a process is created and ends when the process ID is returned to the system. After a process is created with a fork() function, it is considered active. Its thread of control and address space exist until it terminates. It then enters an inactive state where certain resources may be returned to the system, although some resources, such as the process ID, are still in use. When another process executes a wait() or waitpid() function for an inactive process, the remaining resources are returned to the system. The last resource to be returned to the system is the process ID. At this time, the lifetime of the process ends. X/Open. ISO.1.

program object. All or part of a computer program in a form suitable for loading into main storage for execution. A program object is the output of the z/OS binder and is a newer more flexible format (e.g. longer external names) than a load module.

protected. Pertaining to a class member that is only accessible to member functions and friends of that class, or to member functions and friends of classes derived from that class.

prototype. A function declaration or definition that includes both the return type of the function and the types of its parameters. See function prototype.

public. Pertaining to a class member that is accessible to all functions.

pure virtual function. A virtual function that has a function definition of = 0; See also abstract classes.

Q

qualified class name. Any class name or class name qualified with one or more :: (scope resolution) operators.

qualified name. Used to qualify a non-class type name such as a member by its class name.

qualified type name. Used to reduce complex class name syntax by using typedefs to represent qualified class names.

Query Management Facility (QMF). Pertaining to an IBM query and report writing facility that enables a variety of tasks such as data entry, query building, administration, and report analysis. IBM.

queue. A sequence with restricted access in which elements can only be added at the back end (or bottom) and removed from the front end (or top). A queue is characterized by first-in, first-out behavior and chronological order.

quotation marks. The characters " and ", also known as double-quote and single-quote respectively. X/Open.
radix character. The character that separates the integer part of a number from the fractional part. X/Open.

real group ID. The attribute of a process that, at the time of process creating, identifies the group of the user who created the process. This value is subject to change during the process lifetime, as described in setgid(). X/Open. ISO.1.

real user ID. The attribute of a process that, at the time of process creation, identifies the user who created the process. This value is subject to change during the process lifetime, as described in setuid(). X/Open. ISO.1.

reason code. A code that identifies the reason for a detected error. IBM.

reassociation. An optimization technique that rearranges the sequence of calculations in a subscript expression producing more candidates for common expression elimination.

redirection. In the shell, a method of associating files with the input or output of commands. X/Open.

reentrant. The attribute of a program or routine that allows the same copy of a program or routine to be used concurrently by two or more tasks.

reference class. A class that links a concrete class to an abstract class. Reference classes make polymorphism possible with the Collection Classes. Synonymous with indirection class.

refresh. To ensure that the information on the user's terminal screen is up-to-date. X/Open.

register storage class specifier. A specifier that indicates to the compiler within a block scope data definition, or a parameter declaration, that the object being described will be heavily used.

register variable. A variable defined with the register storage class specifier. Register variables have automatic storage.

regular expression. (1) A mechanism to select specific strings from a set of character strings. (2) A set of characters, meta-characters, and operators that define a string or group of strings in a search pattern. (3) A string containing wildcard characters and operations that define a set of one or more possible strings.

regular file. A file that is a randomly accessible sequence of bytes, with no further structure imposed by the system. X/Open. ISO.1.

relation. An unordered flat collection class that uses keys, allows for duplicate elements, and has element equality.

relative path name. The name of a directory or file expressed as a sequence of directories followed by a file name, beginning from the current directory. See path name resolution. IBM.

reserved word. (1) In programming languages, a keyword that may not be used as an identifier. ISO-JTC1. (2) A word used in a source program to describe an action to be taken by the program or compiler. It must not appear in the program as a user-defined name or a system name. IBM.

RMODE (residency mode). In z/OS, a program attribute that refers to where a module is prepared to run. RMODE can be 24 or ANY. ANY refers to the fact that the module can be loaded either above or below the 16M line. RMODE 24 means the module expects to be loaded below the 16M line.

RTTI. Use the RTTI option to generate run-time type identification (RTTI) information for the typeid operator and the dynamic_cast operator.

run-time library. A compiled collection of functions whose members can be referred to by an application program during run-time execution. Typically used to refer to a dynamic library that is provided in object code, such that references to the library are resolved during the linking step. The run-time library itself is not statically bound into the application modules.

S

saved set-group-ID. An attribute of a process that allows some flexibility in the assignment of the effective group ID attribute, as described in the exec() family of functions and setgid(). X/Open. ISO.1.

saved set-user-ID. An attribute of a process that allows some flexibility in the assignment of the effective user ID attribute, as described in exec() and setuid(). X/Open. ISO.1.

scalar. An arithmetic object, or a pointer to an object of any type.

scope. (1) That part of a source program in which a variable is visible. (2) That part of a source program in which an object is defined and recognized.

scope operator (::). An operator that defines the scope for the argument on the right. If the left argument is blank, the scope is global; if the left argument is a class name, the scope is within that class. Synonymous with scope resolution operator.

scope resolution operator (::). Synonym for scope operator.
semaphore. An object used by multi-threaded applications for signalling purposes and for controlling access to serially reusable resources. Processes can be locked to a resource with semaphores if the processes follow certain programming conventions.

sequence. A sequentially ordered flat collection.

sequential concatenation. Multiple sequential data sets or partitioned data-set members are treated as one long sequential data set. In the case of sequential data sets, you can access or update the data sets in order. In the case of partitioned data-set members, you can access or update the members in order. Repositioning is possible if all of the data sets in the concatenation support repositioning.

sequential data set. A data set whose records are organized on the basis of their successive physical positions, such as on magnetic tape. IBM.

session. A collection of process groups established for job control purposes. Each process group is a member of a session. A process is a member of the session of which its process group is a member. A newly created process joins the session of its creator. A process can alter its session membership; see setsid(). There can be multiple process groups in the same session. X/Open. ISO.1.

shell. A program that interprets sequences of text input as commands. It may operate on an input stream or it may interactively prompt and read commands from a terminal. X/Open.

This feature is provided as part of the z/OS Shell and Utilities feature licensed program.

Short name. An external non-C++ name in an object module produced by compiling with the NOLONGNAME option. Such a name is up to 8 characters long and single case.

signal. (1) A condition that may or may not be reported during program execution. For example, SIGFPE is the signal used to represent erroneous arithmetic operations such as a division by zero. (2) A mechanism by which a process may be notified of, or affected by, an event occurring in the system. Examples of such events include hardware exceptions and specific actions by processes. The term signal is also used to refer to the event itself. X/Open. ISO.1. (3) A method of interprocess communication that simulates software interrupts. IBM.

signal handler. A function to be called when the signal is reported.

single-byte character set (SBCS). A set of characters in which each character is represented by a one-byte code. IBM.

single-precision. Pertaining to the use of one computer word to represent a number in accordance with the required precision. ISO-JTC1. ANSI/ISO.

single-quote. The character ' , also known as apostrophe. This character is named <quotation-mark> in the portable character set.

slash. The character /, also known as solidus. This character is named <slash> in the portable character set.

socket. (1) A unique host identifier created by the concatenation of a port identifier with a transmission control protocol/Internet protocol (TCP/IP) address. (2) A port identifier. (3) A 16-bit port-identifier. (4) A port on a specific host; a communications end point that is accessible though a protocol family's addressing mechanism. A socket is identified by a socket address. IBM.

sorted map. A sorted flat collection with key and element equality.

sorted relation. A sorted flat collection that uses keys, has element equality, and allows duplicate elements.

sorted set. A sorted flat collection with element equality.

source module. A file that contains source statements for such items as high-level language programs and data description specifications. IBM.

source program. A set of instructions written in a programming language that must be translated to machine language before the program can be run. IBM.

space character. The character defined in the portable character set as <space>. The space character is a member of the space character class of the current locale, but represents the single character, and not all of the possible members of the class. X/Open.

spanned record. A logical record contained in more than one block. IBM.

specialization. A user-supplied definition which replaces a corresponding template instantiation.

specifiers. Used in declarations to indicate storage class, fundamental data type and other properties of the object or function being declared.

spill area. A storage area used to save the contents of registers. IBM.

SQL (Structured Query Language). A language designed to create, access, update and free data tables.

square brackets. The characters [ (left bracket) and ] (right bracket). Also see brackets.
stack frame. The physical representation of the activation of a routine. The stack frame is allocated and freed on a LIFO (last in, first out) basis. A stack is a collection of one or more stack segments consisting of an initial stack segment and zero or more increments.

stack storage. Synonym for automatic storage.

standard error. An output stream usually intended to be used for diagnostic messages. X/Open.

standard input. (1) An input stream usually intended to be used for primary data input. X/Open. (2) The primary source of data entered into a command. Standard input comes from the keyboard unless redirection or piping is used, in which case standard input can be from a file or the output from another command. IBM.

standard output. (1) An output stream usually intended to be used for primary data output. X/Open. (2) The primary destination of data coming from a command. Standard output goes to the display unless redirection or piping is used, in which case standard output can go to a file or to another command. IBM.

statement. An instruction that ends with the character ; (semicolon) or several instructions that are surrounded by the characters { and }.

static. A keyword used for defining the scope and linkage of variables and functions. For internal variables, the variable has block scope and retains its value between function calls. For external values, the variable has file scope and retains its value within the source file. For class variables, the variable is shared by all objects of the class and retains its value within the entire program.

static binding. The act of resolving references to external variables and functions before run time.

storage class specifier. One of the terms used to specify a storage class, such as auto, register, static, or extern.

stream. (1) A continuous stream of data elements being transmitted, or intended for transmission, in character or binary-digit form, using a defined format. (2) A file access object that allows access to an ordered sequence of characters, as described by the ISO C standard. Such objects can be created by the fopen() or freopen() functions, and are associated with a file descriptor. A stream provides the additional services of user-selectable buffering and formatted input and output. X/Open.

string. A contiguous sequence of bytes terminated by and including the first null byte. X/Open.

string constant. Zero or more characters enclosed in double quotation marks.

string literal. Zero or more characters enclosed in double quotation marks.

striped data set. A special data set organization that spreads a data set over a specified number of volumes so that I/O parallelism can be exploited. Record n in a striped data set is found on a volume separate from the volume containing record n - p, where n > p.

struct. An aggregate of elements having arbitrary types.

structure. A construct (a class data type) that contains an ordered group of data objects. Unlike an array, the data objects within a structure can have varied data types. A structure can be used in all places a class is used. The initial projection is public.

structure tag. The identifier that names a structure data type.

Structured Query Language. See SQL.

stub routine. A routine, within a run-time library, that contains the minimum lines of code required to locate a given routine at run time.

subprogram. In the IPA Link version of the Inline Report listing section, an equivalent term for 'function'.

subscript. One or more expressions, each enclosed in brackets, that follow an array name. A subscript refers to an element in an array.

subsystem. A secondary or subordinate system, usually capable of operating independently of or asynchronously with, a controlling system. ISO Draft.

subtree. A tree structure created by arbitrarily denoting a node to be the root node in a tree. A subtree is always part of a whole tree.

superset. Given two sets A and B, A is a superset of B if and only if all elements of B are also elements of A. That is, A is a superset of B if B is a subset of A.

support. In system development, to provide the necessary resources for the correct operation of a functional unit. IBM.

switch expression. The controlling expression of a switch statement.

switch statement. A C or C++ language statement that causes control to be transferred to one of several statements depending on the value of an expression.

system default. A default value defined in the system profile. IBM.

system process. (1) An implementation-dependent object, other than a process executing an application, that has a process ID. X/Open. (2) An object, other than
a process executing an application, that is defined by
the system, and has a process ID. ISO 1.

T

tab character. A character that in the output stream
indicates that printing or displaying should start at the
next horizontal tabulation position on the current line.
The tab is the character designated by 't' in the C
language. If the current position is at or past the last
defined horizontal tabulation position, the behavior is
unspecified. It is unspecified whether the character is
the exact sequence transmitted to an output device by
the system to accomplish the tabulation. X/Open.
This character is named <tab> in the portable character
set.

task library. A class library that provides the facilities
to write programs that are made up of tasks.

template. A family of classes or functions with variable
types.

template class. A class instance generated by a class
template.

template function. A function generated by a function
template.

template instantiation. The act of creating a new
definition of a function, class, or member of a class from
a template declaration and one or more template arguments.

terminals. Synonym for leaves.

text file. A file that contains characters organized into
one or more lines. The lines must not contain NUL
characters and none can exceed (LINE_MAX)—which is
defined in limits.h—bytes in length, including the
new-line character. The term text file does not prevent
the inclusion of control or other unprintable characters
(other than NUL). X/Open.

thread. The smallest unit of operation to be performed
within a process. IBM.

throw expression. An argument to the C++ exception
being thrown.

tilde. The character ~. This character is named <tilde>
in the portable character set.

token. The smallest independent unit of meaning of a
program as defined either by a parser or a lexical
analyzers. A token can contain data, a language
keyword, an identifier, or other parts of language syntax.
IBM.

traceback. A section of a dump that provides
information about the stack frame, the program unit
address, the entry point of the routine, the statement
number, and the status of the routines on the call-chain
at the time the traceback was produced.

trigraph sequence. An alternative spelling of some
caracters to allow the implementation of C in character
sets that do not provide a sufficient number of
non-alphabetic graphics. ANSI/ISO.
Before preprocessing, each trigraph sequence in a
string or literal is replaced by the single character that it
represents.

truncate. To shorten a value to a specified length.

try block. A block in which a known C++ exception is
passed to a handler.

type definition. A definition of a name for a data type.
IBM.

type specifier. Used to indicate the data type of an
object or function being declared.

U

ultimate consumer. The target of data in an I/O
operation. An ultimate consumer can be a file, a device,
or an array of bytes in memory.

ultimate producer. The source of data in an I/O
operation. An ultimate producer can be a file, a device,
or an array of bytes in memory.

unary expression. An expression that contains one
operand. IBM.

undefined behavior. Action by the compiler and
library when the program uses erroneous constructs or
contains erroneous data. Permissible undefined
behavior includes ignoring the situation completely with
unpredictable results. It also includes behaving in a
documented manner that is characteristic of the
environment, during translation or program execution,
with or without issuing a diagnostic message. It can also
include terminating a translation or execution, while
issuing a diagnostic message. Contrast with unspecified
behavior and implementation-defined behavior.

underflow. (1) A condition that occurs when the result
of an operation is less than the smallest possible
nonzero number. (2) Synonym for arithmetic underflow,
monadic operation. IBM.

union. (1) In the C or C++ language, a variable that
can hold any one of several data types, but only one
data type at a time. IBM. (2) For bags, there is an
additional rule for duplicates: If bag P contains an
element m times and bag Q contains the same element
n times, then the union of P and Q contains that
element m+n times.

union tag. The identifier that names a union data type.
unnamed pipe. A pipe that is accessible only by the process that created the pipe and its child processes. An unnamed pipe does not have to be opened before it can be used. It is a temporary file that lasts only until the last file descriptor that uses it is closed.

unique collection. A collection in which the value of an element only occurs once; that is, there are no duplicate elements.

unrecoverable error. An error for which recovery is impossible without use of recovery techniques external to the computer program or run.

unspecified behavior. Action by the compiler and library when the program uses correct constructs or data, for which the standards impose no specific requirements. Such action should not cause compiler or application failure. You should not, however, write any programs to rely on such behavior as they may not be portable to other systems. Contrast with implementation-defined behavior and undefined behavior.

user-defined data type. (1) A mathematical model that includes a structure for storing data and operations that can be performed on that data. Common abstract data types include sets, trees, and heaps. (2) See also abstract data type.

user ID. A nonnegative integer that is used to identify a system user. (Under ISO only, a nonnegative integer, which can be contained in an object of type uid_t.) When the identity of a user is associated with a process, a user ID value is referred to as a real user ID, an effective user ID, or (under ISO only, and there optionally) a saved set-user ID. X/Open ISO.1.

user name. A string that is used to identify a user. ISO.1.

user prefix. In the z/OS environment, the user prefix is typically the user's logon user identification.

V

value numbering. An optimization technique that involves local constant propagation, local expression elimination, and folding several instructions into a single instruction.

variable. In programming languages, a language object that may take different values, one at a time. The values of a variable are usually restricted to a certain data type. ISO-JTC1.

variant character. A character whose hexadecimal value differs between different character sets. On EBCDIC systems, such as S/390, these 13 characters are an exception to the portability of the portable character set.

<left-square-bracket> [<right-square-bracket> ]<left-brace> {<right-brace> }
<backslash> \<circumflex> ^
<exclamation-mark> !<number-sign> #<vertical-line> |
<grave-accent> `<dollar-sign> $<commercial-at> @

vertical-tab character. A character that in the output stream indicates that printing should start at the next vertical tabulation position. The vertical-tab is the character designated by \v' in the C or C++ languages. If the current position is at or past the last defined vertical tabulation position, the behavior is unspecified. It is unspecified whether this character is the exact sequence transmitted to an output device by the system to accomplish the tabulation. X/Open. This character is named <vertical-tab> in the portable character set.

virtual address space. In virtual storage systems, the virtual storage assigned to a batched or terminal job, a system task, or a task initiated by a command.

virtual function. A function of a class that is declared with the keyword virtual. The implementation that is executed when you make a call to a virtual function depends on the type of the object for which it is called, which is determined at run time.

Virtual Storage Access Method (VSAM). An access method for direct or sequential processing of fixed and variable length records on direct access devices. The records in a VSAM data set or file can be organized in logical sequence by a key field (key sequence), in the physical sequence in which they are written on the data set or file (entry-sequence), or by relative-record number.

visible. Visibility of identifiers is based on scoping rules and is independent of access.

volatile attribute. (1) In the C or C++ language, the keyword volatile, used in a definition, declaration, or cast. It causes the compiler to place the value of the data object in storage and to reload this value at each reference to the data object. IBM. (2) An attribute of a data object that indicates the object is changeable. Any expression referring to a volatile object is evaluated immediately (for example, assignments).

W

while statement. A looping statement that contains the keyword while followed by an expression in parentheses (the condition) and a statement (the action). IBM.
white space.  (1) Space characters, tab characters, form-feed characters, and new-line characters.  (2) A sequence of one or more characters that belong to the space character class as defined via the LC_CTYPE category in the current locale. In the POSIX locale, white space consists of one or more blank characters (space and tab characters), new-line characters, carriage-return characters, form-feed characters, and vertical-tab characters.  X/Open.

wide-character.  A character whose range of values can represent distinct codes for all members of the largest extended character set specified among the supporting locales.

wide-character code.  An integral value corresponding to a single graphic symbol or control code.  X/Open.

wide-character string.  A contiguous sequence of wide-character codes terminated by and including the first null wide-character code.  X/Open.

wide-oriented stream.  See orientation of a stream.

word.  A character string considered as a unit for a given purpose. In z/OS, a word is 32 bits or 4 bytes.

working directory.  Synonym for current working directory.

writable static area.  See WSA.

write.  (1) To output characters to a file, such as standard output or standard error. Unless otherwise stated, standard output is the default output destination for all uses of the term write. X/Open.  (2) To make a permanent or transient recording of data in a storage device or on a data medium.  ISO-JTC1. ANSI/ISO.

WSA (writable static area).  An area of memory in the program that is modifiable during program execution. Typically, this area contains global variables and function and variable descriptors for DLLs.

X

xlc.  A utility that uses an external configuration file to control the invocation of the compiler. xlc and related commands compile C and C++ source files. They also process assembler source files and object files.

XPLINK (Extra Performance Linkage).  A new call linkage between functions that has the potential for a significant performance increase when used in an environment of frequent calls between small functions. XPLINK makes subroutine calls more efficient by removing nonessential instructions from the main path. When all functions are compiled with the XPLINK option, pointers can be used without restriction, which makes it easier to port new applications to z/OS.

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