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Multics Change Request

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TITLE: Improve BOS RUNCOM	SKIP Facility		STATUS	DATE
AUTHOR: Noel I. Morris			Written	6/8/76
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Detailed Proposal.

Summary:

An extension to the RUNCOM SKIP mechanism is proposed. This extension will allow the selective execution of lines in the RUNCOM file.

Reasons:

The new input format for the SAVE and RESTOR commands makes it desirable to be able to use some lines of a SAVE or RESTOR runcom, delete other lines, and modify still others.

Detailed Proposal:

Modify the BOS RUNCOM SKIP Mechanism. This mechanism will continue to work as before. Each line of the runcom will be printed out. The operator's console keyboard will be unlocked to accept input. C will cause the line just typed to be executed and skip mode to be turned off. X will cause the line just typed to be executed and skip mode left in effect. End of message will cause the line just typed to be ignored and skip mode left in effect. X followed by a new command line will cause the line just typed to be replaced by the command line just input and skip mode left in effect.

RUNLOW END cars leave is found. The page is added to the 805 command directory, and the file is written on the disk-

RUNCOM PRINT name

The BCD file specified by name is printed on the operator's console.

RUNCOM SKIP name

just printed

operator's console

Successive lines of the runcom file are printed and the keyboard unlocked after each. If the runcom line is not to be executed, press EOM and the next line is printed. Once the correct line is reached. type 60 and execution begins with this line. The first line executed be executed, type must be a command to 808.

"X". If the line is to be replaced

RUNCOM RUN name

by another line type "x" followed by the replacement line. If the line is to be executed followed by all subsequent lines in the run can file, tyce "C".

A runcom file may be executed by simply typing its name as a command to BOS. This forces the execution of "RUNCOM RUN name". RUNCOM FILES above.)

RUNCOM PUNCH name

The BCD file <u>name</u> is punched on cards.

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TITLE: Update system exec_AUTHOR: T. Casey	_	JWG	STATUS Written	DATE 6/15/76
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Merge changes made to the MIT versions of the system exec_coms since MR3.1 into the official versions; make sure the ones not used at MIT (e.g. asu.ec) still work.

Segments to be modified include:

acct_start_up.ec (asu.ec)
admin.ec
biller.ec
make_sys_seg.ec
master.ec
system_start_up.ec

DETAILED PROPOSAL:

admin.ec

Change admin\$xxx to sc_command xxx.

Change x io to start prta instead of prtb

(most sites have a prta but not a prtb).

asu.ec

Fix up creation and setting of quotas on directories, to recognize that master directories may already have been created, and that project dirs and dirs off the root should have dir quotas as well as seg quotas.

Move generation of dds.absin to make_sys_seg.ec. Fix up comments.

Fix minor bugs that cause disturbing error messages to be printed during running of asu.ec.

Bring up to date the setting-up of network data bases.

Change part 2 and the instructions for using it, to:

- 1. be run between "multics" and "go" instead of
 after "startup";
- 2. issue some "install" commands.

dds.absin

Change dvm -left to list_vols

make_sys_seg.ec

This ec generates admin.ec, dds.absin, and system_start_up.ec. The changes to these segments are listed separately.

Add dds.absin (it used to be generated by asu.ec). Fix bug to avoid "substitute failed" messages.

master.ec

Add move_dir_quota to new_proj entry Change device_meters to list_vols in disk_report entry.

system_start_up.ec

Remove set_max_length (no longer needed)
Change checks for existence of ".message" segments
to only check for ones used by non-default acls.
Change admin\$xxx to sc_command xxx
Add set_sons_volume>pdd public
Delete set_timax 1
Add: delete_old_pdds
 list_vols -tt
 set flagbox booting false

Ver. 3 741022 MULTICS CHANGE R	EQUEST	mcr 1988
TITLE: fdump of FNP from Multic		STATUS DATE
AUTHOR: Robert S. Coren	MTO	Mrliten 16/24/76 Status 407/06/76 Expires 12/24/76
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SUMMARY:

- 1. Install a subroutine, fdump_fnp_, in order to create an fdump of an FNP from Multics.
 - 2. Install a command, online_dump_fnp, to output such a dump.

REASONS: Since it is now possible for an FNP to crash without crashing Multics, a mechanism is needed to obtain a dump of a crashed FNP other than by use of BOS commands. Since ERF numbers are tied to Multics crashes, a different convention has to be used for naming the segment containing such an FNP dump, and an online dumping command must be provided that understands the new naming convention.

IMPLICATIONS: There will now be two commands for "online-dumping" FNP dumps: the new online_dump_fnp, which handles dumps created by fdump_fnp, and the already existing online_dump_355, which handles dumps created by the BOS command FD355.

DETAILED PROPOSAL: See attached draft Tools PLM documentation.

Name: fdump_fnp_

Usage

declare fdump_fnp_ entry (fixed bin, char (*), fixed bin (35));
call fdump_fnp_ (fnp_no, entry_name, code);

entry_name is the entry name of the segment in >dumps created by fdump_fnp_. (Output)

code is a standard system status code. (Output)

Notes: 1. Use of this subroutine requires access to hphcs_.

- 2. This subroutine cannot be used while the specified FNP I running, or while it is being loaded. If it is invoked under either of these circumstances, the error code error_table_\$io_still_assnd is returned.
- 3. The entry name returned in entry_name is of the form fnp.TAG.DATE.TIME, where TAG is the FNP tag (a, b, c, or d), DATE is the current date in the form MMDDYY, amd time is the current time in the form HHMM.

Names: online_dump_fnp, od_fnp

This command is used to output an ASCII dump of an FNP corresponding to a core dump in >dumps.

Usage

online_dump_fnp control_args

where control_args are selected from the following list:

-taq fnp_taq specifies the FNP taq component of the dump name (see Note below). fnp_taq must be one of the characters a, b, c, or d.

-date mmddyy,

-dt mmddyy specifies the date component of the dump name (see Note below). If this argument is not supplied, the current date is used.

-time hhmm,

-tm hhmm specifies the time component of the dump name (see Note below).

-pathname path.

-pn path specifies the pathname (relative or absolute) of the dump segment. This argument, if specified, overrides the -date, -time, and -tag arguments if any of them are supplied.

-dim dim_name specifies the Device Interface Module (DIM) to be used to output the dump. For reasons of compatibility, it must be an IOS-type DIM. This argument must be supplied.

-device device_name,

-dv device name

specifies the device to which the dump is to be output. This argument must be supplied.

Note: The name of an FNP dump segment is of the form fnp.TAG.DATE.TIME, where TAG, DATE, and TIME are as described above. In specifying the dump segment to online_dump_fnp (other than by using the -pathname control argument), the TAG and/or TIME component may be omitted if the remaining information is sufficient to uniquely identify the dump.

Ver. 3 741022 MULTICS CHANGE REQUEST	mcr <u>1991</u>
TITLE: Allow io_call attach command to specify entry name AUTHOR: Larry Johnson MJG	STATUS
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Summary

Allow the attach entry name to be specified in the io_call command. This would allow things like:

io_call attach sw foo\$vfile_attach

This would perform a vfile_attachment, assuming some version of vfile_were initiated with the reference name foo. Currently, io_call constructs the entry name by concatenating "attach" to the reference name, or entry name of the I/O module. Thus, initiating vfile_with the reference name foo cannot work because io_call will look for foo\$fooattach.

Reasons

Currently, io_call will only make an attachment if the io_module can be initiated with the "correct" reference name. Since only one segment at a time can have this reference name, it is awkward to use two different versions of the same I/O module in a process. This is necessary in the case where you are testing a new version of an I/O module that is required normally by your process. An example would be an I/O module by which user_output is attached to user_i/o.

Implications

None. This sort of mechanism can already be used for testing commands.

io_call

io_call

Operation: attach

io_call attach switchname modulename -args-

where:

is the name of the I/O module to be used in the attachment.

args

may be one or more arguments, depending on what is permitted by the particular I/O module.

This command attaches the I/O switch using the designated I/O module. The attach description is the concatenation of modulename and args separated by blanks. The attach description must conform to the requirements of the I/O module.

If a control block for the I/O $\,$ switch does not already exist, one is created.

If module name contains "" or ">" characters, it is a reference name.

If the I/o modulename is specified by a pathnome, it will be initiated with a reterence name equal to the enty name. If the ranky name or reference name does not contain a "\$", the attachment will be made by contain a "\$", the attachment will be made by colling modulename*modulename*attack. If a "\$" is specified, the enty point specified will be called. See the mrm Reference Grude, "Enty Point Names".

Ver. 3 741022 MULTICS CHANGE REQUEST	mcr <u>1992</u>
TITLE: Change discard_ to reject the io_call order AUTHOR: Larry Johnson MJG	STATUS DATE Written 06/24/76 Status A 07/06/76 Expires 12/24/76
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Summary

Currently, discard_ returns a code of 0 on all control calls. It should return error_table_\$no_operation on an io_call order.

Reasons

An I/O module that is attached to another I/O switch can implement the control operation by processing orders it recognizes and passing others it does not recognize on to the target switch. If the target switch is "discard_" and the order is "io_call" (from the io_call command) there is a problem. The io_call command was recently changed to issue an "io_call" order to perform control operations. If the I/O module does not recognize "io_call", the command then retries the original order. In the case described above, the "io_call" order appears to succeed (because discard_returns O), and the real order is never retried. The effect is that no orders are possible with the io_call command to such an I/O module if it is attached to a switch controlled by discard_.

Detailed Proposal

Have discard_ return error_table_\$no_operation on an "io_call" order. This will cause the io_call command to retry the original order.

Implications

None. Only the io_call command uses the io_call order.

Ver. 3 741022 HULTICS CHANGE REQUEST MJG	HCR 1993
TITLE: Permit hcs_\$status_long to return UID if process has access to target. AUTHOR: Richard Bratt	STATUS DATE Mrittan 16/25/76 Status 16/7/06/76 Expires 12/25/76
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SUMMARY: If a process has non-null access to an object but no status permission to its parent, then hcs_\$status_long returns only some items. It is proposed that the UID of the object be added to the list of returned items.

REASONS: It seems perverse to allow a process to read or write a segment but not to admit the identity of the segment to the process.

IMPLICATIONS: None that I can think of.

returns UID given segment number AUTHOR: Richard Bratt Planned for System: NR 5.0 Fixes Bug Number(s): not applicable Documented in MTB: not applicable Incompatible Change: no	TATUS DATE Litten D6/25/76 tatus A 07/06/76 kpires 12/25/76 ATEGORY (check one)
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REASONS: In the current system a status long call is necessary to determine the identity of an object. This is rather heavy handed and needlessly expensive for many applications where a segment number which is bound to the object is available.

PROPOSAL: Provide a gate, hcs_\$get_uid_seg, which, given a segment number, returns the unique identifier of the designated object and a status code. This MCR does not wish to deal with the possibility of providing an hcs_\$get_uid_file entry point. It should be noted that this call will be extremely cheap since the KST, which is indexed by segment number, contains the UID of the designated object.

IMPLICATIONS: The efficiency of certain network and delayed deletion procedures can be increased.

Name: hcs_\$get_uid_seg

This entry returns the unique identifier of the object designated by a given segment number. This entry may return error_table_\$invalidsegno if the specified segment number is bound to no object and error_table_\$no_info if the process has not yet established its right to know that the designated object exists.

Usage: declare hcs_\$get_uid_seg entry (ptr), bit (36) aligned,
fixed bin (35));
call hcs_\$get_uid_seg (segptr, uid, code);

N.B. The reference to error_table_\$no_info in the above documentation will not appear in the MPM until directories may be initiated in the outer ring.

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TITLE: Add -force option to	d el	ete and delete_	dir	STATUS	DATE
AUTHOR: S. Herbst		JWG		Written	06/29/76
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SIMMARY:					

Add -force control argument to delete and delete_dir. delete -force operates the same as the delete force command. delete dir -force deletes a directory whether or not its safety switch and copy switch is on, without issuing a query. Remove the delete force command at some time in the future.

REASONS:

One fewer command in the system, where the force feature is properly an option to commands.

Name: delete, dl

The delete command causes the specified segments and/or multisegment files to be deleted. See also the descriptions of the delete_dir and delete_force commands (for deleting directories and deleting protected segments or multisegment files without being interrogated, respectively).

<u>Usage</u>

delete paths - control-arg-

where paths are the pathnames of the segments or multisegment files to be deleted.

2. control_arg can be -force to delete the specified entries whether or not they are protected without issuing a query.

In order to delete a segment or multisegment file with the delete command, the entry must have its safety switch off and the user must have modify permission for the directory. If the safety switch is on, the user is interrogated as to whether he wishes to delete the entry. See also the description for the delete_force command to delete without interrogating the user.

If any one of the paths is a link, delete prints a message; it does not delete either the path in question or the link. (See the description of the unlink command.) If any one of the paths is a directory, delete prints a message; it does not delete the directory. (See the description of the delete_dir command.)

The star convention can be used.

Name: delete_dir, dd

The delete_dir command causes the specified directories (and any segments, links, and multisegment files they contain) to be deleted. All inferior directories and their contents are also deleted. See the descriptions of the delete and delete_force commands for an explanation of deleting segments and deleting protected segments, respectively.

Usage

delete_dir paths -control_avg-

where paths are the pathnames of the directories to be deleted.

2. controllary can be force to delete the specified directories without issuing a query.

The user must have modify permission for both the directory and its superior directory. The star convention can be used. Before deleting each specified directory, delete_dir asks the user if he wants to delete that directory. It is deleted only if the user types "yes".

Warning: Protected segments in pathi or any of its subdirectories are deleted. Segments whose write bracket is less than the current ring are not deleted; consequently, the subtree being handled is not completely deleted if any such segments exist in the directory. For a discussion of ring brackets, see "Intraprocess Access Control (Rings)" in Section III of the MPM Subsystem Writers' Guide.

Ver. 3 741022 MULTICS CHANGE REQUEST	MCR
TITLE: Install command run_new_fortran in experimental library. AUTHOR: Steve Webber RAB	STATUS DATE Written 06/29/76 Status A 07/06/76 Expires 12/29/76
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SUMMARY:

Install the commands run_new_fortran and locate_common in the experimental library.

REASONS:

Until the linker is changed to handle *system links in a reasonable way, an interim method of handling these linkage types must be provided. The new FAST Fortran compiler generates *system links for common so if a user wants to run programs compiled with this compiler that use common and yet does not want to run in FAST or DFAST he must use this command until the linker is changed.

IMPLICATIONS:

This program works as a run unit manager and hence may spoil normal Multics fortran users.

DETAILED PROPOSAL:

The program will set up a handler for linkage_error and will check to see if the link was a *system link. If so, a common block is allocated (if not already allocated) and initialized. Checks are made that all references to the same common block specify the same size unless the common block is "blank common". The command locate_common can be used to determine where the program has allocated the common blocks and how large they are. The common blocks are allocated in a temp seg which is released when the command returns. (Hence, locate_common only works when the run_new_fortran

stack frame is still active.

run_new_fortran

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Name: run_new_fortran

EXPERIMENTAL LIBRARY --- TEMPURARY

The run_new_fortran command can be used to provide a limited "run unit" mechanism as well as the necessary system support for *system links until the system supports them in the intended manner.

A run unit is a limited execution environment that enables users to execute a FURTRAN or PL/I program repeatedly in a process having static storage and common blocks reinitialized with each invocation. PL/I external variables are also reinitialized.

The locate_common command (and active function) can be used in conjunction with run_new_fortran to display values allocated in the common storage created as a result of handling *system links.

Usage

run_new_fortran main-program-name -arguments-

wnere:

- 2. arguments are optional character string arguments to be passed to the main program.

Notes

The command works by getting temporary segments for common blocks (including unlabeled common) and setting up a handler for *system linkage faults which allocates common blocks in these temporary segments. The command releases the common blocks upon return (or as a result of a cleanup condition being signalled). Hence, if a user wants to look at the storage in a common block, he must somehow reach command level while the run_new_fortran command is still active. The locate_common command can be used in

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run_new_fortran

this case.

The run_new_fortran command makes the main program specified in the command invocation unknown after the run. This is done even if the program was known prior to the run.

locate_common

locate_common

Name: locate_common

EXPERIMENTAL LIBRARY --- TEMPURARY

The locate_common command prints out the location and size of a common block allocated by the run_new_fortran command. It must be called when the run_new_fortran command is still active on the stack.

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locate_common_block_names -control_arg-

wnere:

- 1. common_block_names is a list of common block names to be located. The command prints out the size and location of each common block.
- control_arg can be chosen from the following:

-unlabeled to indicate that information about unlabeled common is wanted.

-all (-a) to indicate that information about all common blocks is wanted.

Note

If no arguments are specified, information about unlabeled common is printed.

Example

locate_common a data -unlabeled Common a at 347;40, 120 words. Common data at 347;162, 4020 words. Blank common at 350;0

r 630 0.193 0.014 2

locate_common

locate_common

Usage

[locate_common common-name]

where common-name is the name of a block of labeled common or is "-unlabeled". The character string returned consists of three octal numbers, the segment number, the offset within the segment, and the number of words of common. (These three values are just what the command dump_segment wants.)

Example

dump_segment [locate_common -unlabeled]

000220 00000001200 000000777774 666777666000 123123123123 000224 00000000000 00000000000

r 1332 0.564 12.773 4

Ver. 3 741022 MULTICS CHANGE REQUEST	MCR 1998
TITLE: Reorganize disk-pack initializers, fix bugs. AUTHOR: Bernard Greenberg	STATUS
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SUMMARY: Remove common code from init_empty_root and init_disk_pack_ to separate program. Fix bugs in this path.

REASONS: Volume maps are not initialized properly, the last few bits of the last word of a volume map are not set right. Unused words are set to ones, not zeros. Identical code to set up volumes is shared by init_empty_root, which initializes RPV's on cold boots, and init_disk_pack_, which runs in ring 1 or ring 4 for all other disks. This duplicate code is a maintenance problem.

PROPOSAL: Create an active-all-rings subroutine which accepts an entry variable for a disk-writing routine, called by both of these programs. Reorganize volume map initializer to do it right.

IMPLICATIONS: salvage_pv also is malevolent about the last n bits of the volume map; change him to zero them.

MULTICS CHANGE REQUESTS BULLETIN

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To:

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From:

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Date:

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Subject: Approved MCR's from MCRXXX through MCRXXX.

Attached are the Multics Change Requests which were approved from XX/XX/XX through XX/XX/XX.

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-CUMMARY:

Install a new utility program "format_blocks".

REASONS:

Users have occasional need to perform special purpose text formatting for such results as producing label output or other multi-column text. Currently, several single purpose programs exist to fulfill these needs.

IMPLICATIONS:

Single purpose programs may be eliminated. New applications making use of the generalized nature of format_blocks may be developed.

DETAILED PROPOSAL:

See attached user documentation.

format_blocks

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The format_blocks command provides a generalized ability to rearrange a text file into fixed size blocks. Control options allow specification of such parameters as number of columns, width of blocks, length of blocks, and spacing between blocks. In addition, some intra-block editing (indentation, centering, use or non-use of null lines) is allowed.

format_blocks does not provide the complex formatting capabilities allowed by programs such as runoff. In particular: there are no per-block controls, all controls apply to all blocks; there is no capability for changing block specifications during processing as all options are provided by command arguments, and there are no provisions for such items as headers and footers. Many of these functions may be accomplished, however, by using runoff to format input for format_blocks or by using runoff to reprocess format_blocks output.

Usage

format_blocks input_file output_file -control_args-

where:

- 1. input_file
- is the pathname of the file containing text to be formatted.
- 2. output_file
- is the pathname of the file into which formatted text is to be placed.
- 3. control_args
 - may be taken from the following lists:

Internal Block Format Control Arguments

-width n

Specifies block width in print positions. Minimum width is 1 postion, maximum is 200 positions. Default width is 40 print positions.

-length n. -in n

Specifies block length in lines. Minimum length is 1 line, maximum is 200 lines. Default length is 8 lines.

-indent n. -ind n

Specifies that each line is to be indented n print positions within its block. Minimum indentation is 0 positions, maximum is min (200, width-1). Default indentation is 0 print positions.

-center, -ce

Specifies that lines are to be horizontally centered with the blocks. Note that the default is to indent 0 positions rather than to center.

Input Processing Control Arguments

-delimiter XX, -dm XX

Specifies that the string XX is to be interpreted as a break between blocks of input. Any input line beginning with the string XX will be treated as a break. Any other characters on the break line will be ignored. Minimum length of the break string is 1 character, maximum length is 200 characters. The default break string is "!!!".

-no_edit, -ned

Specifies that null input lines are to be included in the output. The default is to remove null lines from the input before formatting the output. See also "Notes" below, as this control argument also affects the vertical positioning of lines within a block.

-no_discard, -ndcd

Specifies that an implicit break is to occur if a block has been filled but no break has been found. A new block will be begun with the implicit break and will be continued until the next break or implicit break. The default is to discard any input lines encountered after a block has been filled but before an explicit break has been found.

Block Layout Control Arguments

-columns n, -cols n

Specifies that blocks are to be formatted in \underline{n} columns. The minimum number of columns is 1, the

maximum is 200. The default number of columns is 3.

-gutter n

Specifies that \underline{n} character positions are to be inserted between columns of output. The minimum gutter is 0 character positions, the maximum is 200. The default gutter is 1 character position.

-lines_between n. -lbt n

Specifies that \underline{n} lines are to be inserted between blocks of output. The minimum number of lines is 0, the maximum is 200. The default number of lines is 1.

Output Processing Control Arguments

-extend, -ext

Specifies that output should be appended to a previously existing output file. The default is to overwrite any previously existing file.

-header, -he

Specifies that a block outline (formatted by taking -width, -length, -columns, -gutter, and -lines_between into account) should be outputted several times before actual processing begins. format_blocks will output this block outline until a block is completed after 196 lines of output, thus resulting in about three pages of outlines. This feature is useful if the output is to be printed on special forms (such as label stock) as it allows the operator to properly align the forms before actual data is printed. The default is not to print a header.

Error and Status Printing Control Arguments

-brief. -bf

Specifies that non-fatal errors (see "Notes" below for descriptions of non-fatal errors) are not to be reported as they are encountered. The default is to report each error as it is detected.

-totals, -tt

Specifies that a summary of processing (see "Notes" below) is to be printed after processing has completed. The default is to not print a summary.

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format_blocks

Notes

1. Vertical Spacing of Lines within Blocks

Vertical spacing of lines within blocks is dependent on the -no_edit control argument. If -no_edit has not been specified, lines will be centered vertically in each block. If -no_edit has been specified, lines will be placed in a block starting at the top of the block and unused lines will be blanked out.

2. Error and Status Reporting

Four types of non-fatal error are detected in the input:

- a) Input line excedes maximum buffer size.
 format_blocks allows buffer space enough for two
 characters in each output print position. This error
 occurs if an input line excedes the maximum buffer size.
- b) Input line excedes block width.
 This error occurs if an input line contains more than (width indent) print positions.
- c) Input line attempts to backspace past print position 1.
- d) Input block excedes output block length.
 This error occurs if -no_discard has not been specified and more than "length" lines are encountered before the next break line.

Each of the above errors is non-fatal, but results in some loss of data between input and output.

In -brief mode, the above errors are not reported as they are encountered. Otherwise, the above errors are reported and the line number of the offending input line is also reported.

if -totals has been specified, a report will be printed after processing which will include the number of input lines processed, the number of cutput blocks formatted, the total number of non-fatal errors encountered, and a break down of errors by the above types.

3. Conflicting Control Arguments

If conflicting control arguments (such as -center and -indent) or multiple instances of a single control argument are found in the command invocation, format_blocks will

report an error and abort processing.

4. Handling of Special Characters in the Input File

format_blocks considers only three characters (new_line, tab and backspace) as special. All other characters appearing in the input are assumed to take exactly one print position and to not affect line spacing. Thus, it is the user's responsibility to assure that non-printing characters and characters which affect printing (new_page, for instance) are not present in the input.

Examples

Assuming that a user had a file "labels.input" with the following contents:

Ms. Kathleen Johnson 234 Anystreet, Apartment 34 Boston, MA

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III
Mr. Howard Johnson
23 Flavor St.
Phoenix, AZ
III
Mr. John Smith
Plymouth, MA
III
The Editor
Time Magazine
Room 5078
51 W. 34th St.
New York, NY

And that the user wanted to format the data appropriately for printing on label stock with the following characteristics: 2 labels across, 40 characters/label, 1 character between labels, 8 lines/label, and 1 line between labels; and that a header was desired in order to allow the operator to properly align the label stock; the following command could be used to produce the desired output:

format_blocks labels.input labels.output -columns 2 -header

After execution of the above command, "labels.output" would be as appears on the next page.

Ms. Kathleen Johnson 234 Anystreet, Apartment 34

Mr. Howard Johnson 23 Flavor St. Phoenix, AZ

Mr. John Smith Plymouth, MA

Boston, MA

The Editor
Time Magazine
Room 5078
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New York, NY

As another example, assume that a user wanted to format a text file such that it would print two columns of text on a page. Assume further that the columns would be 38 characters wide, with 4 characters between columns and that each column would be 66 lines long. Also, assume that the text is to be generated from a runoff input file. To obtain the desired result, the user could: 1) edit the original runoff file to add a ".11 38" control line at the beginning; execute the following runoff command:

runoff text -segment -no_pagination -indent 0

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followed by the following format_blocks command:

format_blocks text.runout text.output -no_edit -no_discard -width 38 -length 62 -columns 2 -gutter 4 -lines_between 9

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The above sequence would result in output like that on the next page.

1. Introduction

This document is a semi-format definition of the language supported by the Multics PL/I compiler. The document is intended to be used as a reference manual by programmers who need exact answers to detailed questions concerning the syntax and semantics of Multics PL/I. In keeping with that purpose, the document defines the language in an analytic rather than a synthetic manner; i.e. it explains the meaning of programs. but does not describe how to construct programs.

Additional information useful to the Multics PL/I programmer is found in the following documents:

The "Multics PL/I User's Guide" provides an introduction to Multics PL/I, gives guidance on how to write a Multics PL/I program, and explains the relationship between Multics PL/I and the run-time environment supplied by the Multics system.

The "Multics Programmers" Manual" describes the Multics system and includes brief descriptions of each command and subroutine available on the system.

The "Subsystem Mriter"s Guide" contains detailed descriptions of the representation of PL/I data, the exact layout of a PL/I activation record (stack frame), the internal format of a PL/I area, the calling sequence generated for a PL/I call, etc. Most users should never require this information.

1.1 The Language

1.2 The Method of Definition

The language is defined using a meta-language to define the synt prose to describe the sema Although this is a semi-definition, both the syntacti semantic descriptions are reas precise and complete.

Example:

<based attribute>!!= based(<iocator reference</pre>

When the prose refers to a attribute or a <locator refer these terms appear exactly as the in the syntax rule. When a kappears in prose, it is erclos quotes to distinguish it frotext; for example, "based" "float".

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1.2.1 The Meta-Language

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Example:

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The Multics PL/I language is a dialect of the proposed ANSI/ECMA Standard PL/I. Because the PL/I standard was not complete when this document was published, the exact differences between the two languages could not be defined. However, the languages are so similar that nearly all Multics PL/I programs are valid programs in standard PL/I.

format_blocks

<skip option>!!=
 skip[(<expression>)]

In this example, <skir option>
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character-string described by
syntax expression on the right
definition symbol "!!= ". "skip
notation constant that represen
actual occurrence of
character-string "skip". <expre

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TITLE: Install usase_and_reve	nue command SIAIUS DAIE DAIE DAIE DAIE
AUTHOR: Jim Homan	TW Status 607/13/20
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SUMMARY

Install the usase_and_revenue command as described in MTB-279, with the whole with the "Space on losical volumes" section has been deleted, primarily because it duplicates the function of the list_vols command.

REASON

Provide a tool for reporting on system usage and revenue.

IMPLICATIONS

None.

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name: usade_and_revenue

The usase_and_revenue command prints out a report of system usase and revenue broken down by shoups of users.

Usage

usage_and_revenue control data -data2-

- 1) control is the rathname of an ASCII file which defines the groups of users for the report.
- 2) data is the rathname of a corp of the system use_totals month-to-date statistical database.
- 3) data2 is the mathname of an earlier come of the system use_totals month-to-date statistical database.

Notes

If both the data and data2 arguments are giveny a daily report will be produced showing the incremental system usage between the time data2 was created and the time data was created. If only the data argument is given then a monthly report will be produced showing the month-to-date usage at the time data was created.

The control file may specity up to 9 groups of users to be shown in the report. Each group consists of 1 or more of the usage bins in the use_totals database. The groups will appear in the report in the same order in which they appear in the control file. Each line of the control file specifies one of the groups (except that lines beginning with a "*" are ignored). The format of the lines is:

Group title:users1,users2,...,userso

Where

Group title is the title which will be used to identify the group in the report. The maximum length is 24.

usersa are either

1) the titles of the usase bins in use_totals which are to be included in this group. These are the titles specified in the control file for reset_use_totals. (See the MPM description of reset_use_totals.)

2) if userso is enclosed in quotes, then it specifies another group defined in the control file and all the bins which go into that group will also go into this group.

Example:

If use_totals has bins labelled "Staff"; "Users" and "Other"; the control file

Staff Use:Staff Non-Staff use:Users,Other Total:"Staff Use","Non-Staff Use"

would result in a report with 3 groups, one containing one bin's usage (Staff), one containing 2 bins' usages (Users+Other), and one containing 3 bins' usages (Staff+Users+Other).

A facility is provided to add notes or messages to the report. If a segment named usage_and_revenue_footnote exists in the caller's working directory, its contents will be printed at the end of the report.

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SUMMARY:

Initialize the area segments in a multisegment area (MSA) so that they fit in, and are limited to, a 64K segment.

REASON:

MSAs are MSFs whose components are area segments. As with MSFs, an MSA begins as a single segment area (SSA) which grows into an MSA when its area overflows. This growing requires that an MSF directory be created, and that the SSA he copied as the first component in the MSF directory. This growing process causes problems when the SSA is in the process directory, where quota limitations prevent making a copy of a 255K segment. Since it is desirable for the library tools to create MSAs in the process directory, the maximum SSA size must be limited. It seems reasonable to use 64K as the limit, since a larger value would cause more 256K AST entries to be used.

IMPLICATIONS:

It will be possible to grow an SSA created in the process directory; therefore, new library tools will work properly. System performance may improve slightly as contention for 256K ASTEs is reduced. Users of MSAs larger than 64K may notice a slight degradation of performance due to the extra signalling of area condition, and conversion of SSA to MSA.

TITLE: Install subroutine interface to TCT and	·
TCTR instructions AUTHOR: Gary C. Dixon Jwe	SIAIUS DAIE Written 06/30/76 Status 16/30/76 Expires 12/30/76
Coded in: ()PL/I (M)ALM ()other-see below	CAIEGORY (check one) ()Lib. Maint. Tools ()Sys. Anal. Tools ()Sys. Prog. Tools ()355 ()808 ()Salvager
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SUMMARY: Install the tct_ subroutine.

REASONS!

The PL/I search and verify built-in functions have several deficiencies which make certain operations impossible to perform. The BIFs use a TCT translate table which contains only 128 characters, corresponding to the ASCII character set. Therefore, the results of searching or verifying a character string containing nonascil characters is nondeterminate. This deficiency makes it impossible to verify that a character string contains only ASCII characters.

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The search and verify BIFs simulate the operation of of the TCT and TCTR instructions when the list of search or verify characters is not constant. For certain applications in which a search or verify is repeatedly performed with the same, nonconstant search characters, the increased cost of this simulation may be unacceptable.

Finally, the search and verify BIFs simulate the TCTR instruction (reverse searches) by operating on a reversed copy of the searched string which is created in the user's stack. If the searched string is large, this strategy can result in excessing paging, stack overflows, and it make be totally impossible (eg. searching an entire 255K segment).

The tct_ subroutine solves all of these problems by using a full, 512 character translate table with the TCT or TCTR Instructions.

IMPLICATIONS:

Programs which must perform the functions described above, such as the library maintenance tools, will be able to perform them efficiently.

Name: tct

This subroutine uses the EIS translate character and test (ICT) instruction to perform the function of the PL/I search and verify built-in functions with a user-provided translation table. Unlike the PL/I built-ins, it allows (requires) translation tables with entries for characters outside the ASCII chracter set. Thus, it can be used to search for non-ASCII characters in a string.

In addition, the PL/I built-ins simulate the search and verify functions when the list of search characters is not a constant, rather than building a translate table at run time. The simulation is performed by indexing into the list of search (or verify) characters for each character in the string until (or while) a match is found. It is performed on a reversed copy of the string created in the stack when the reverse built-in is used in combination with search or verify. For some applications in which a repeated search or verify is performed with the same. nonconstant list of search characters, it may be more efficient for the program to construct its own translate table and call tct_. Even when the list of search characters is changing, if the searched string is long and must be searched many times, or if it is long and a reverse search or verify is required, it may be more efficient to use the entry points below which perform a search or verify operation by: constructing a run time translate table: using the TCT instruction.

Calls to tct_ normally search a string from left to right, returning a character index from the beginning of the string to identify the character found by the search. In order to be able to search from right to left, each type of tct_ call has a corresponding entry point (with "reverse" in its entry point name) that performs the seach function from right to left, returning a character index from the end of the string.

Intries: tct_. tct_\$reverse

These two entry point take a searched string and a translation table as arguments, and return the index of the character in the string found by the search. See "Translate Table Format" below for a description of how to construct a translation table.

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declare tct_ entry (char(*), char(512))
 returns (fixed bin(21));

index = tct_ (string, table);

where:

- 1. string is the character string to be searched. (Input)
- 2. table is the translation table. (Input)
- is the index of the character in the string which was found by the search. (Output) A value of 0 is returned if the search fails.

Entries: tct_\$translate, tct_\$reverse_translate

These entry points operate like tct_and tct_\$reverse, but also return the value in the translate table which corresponds to the character which was found in the searched string.

Usage

table_value = tct_\$translate (string, table, index);

where:

- 1. string is as above.
- table is as above.
- index is as above.
- 4. table_value is the character in the translation table entry which corresponds to the character found in the searched string. (Output)

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Intries: tct_\$search, tct_\$reverse_search

These two entry points perform the function of the PL/I search and reverse built-in functions shown below.

index = search (string, search_list);

index = search (reverse(string), search_list);

They perform this function by constructing a translate table from the search_list, and using the TCT or TCTR instruction to search the string with this table.

Usage

declare tct_\$search entry (char(*), char(*))
 returns (fixed bin(21));

index = tct_\$search (string, search_list);

where:

- 1. string is as above.
- 3. index is as above.

Entries: tct_\$verify, tct_\$reverse_verify

These two entry points perform the function of the PL/I verify and reverse built-in functions shown below.

index = verify (string, verify_list);

index = verify (reverse(string), verify_list);

They perform this function by constructing a translate table from the verify_list, and using the TCT or TCTR instruction to search the string with this table. tct_

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declare tct_\$verify entry (char(*), char(*))
 returns (fixed bin(21));

index = tct_\$verify (string, verify_list);

where:

- 1. string is as above.
- verify_list is the list of characters to be verified as the contents of the string. (Input)
- index is as above.

Translate Table Pormat

A translate table is a fixed length character string of 512 characters, one character for each of the possible 9-bit byte values. The table entry corresponding to a particular byte value is located by treating the 9-bit byte as a fixed binary (9) number, then by using this number as an offset (as opposed to a character index) into the table.

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TITLE: Fix IOI Race Condi AUTHOR: Noel I. Morris		TWG	STATUS Written	DATE 6/30/76
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A race condition in the I	O interfacer somet	imes	allows a	user to

issue a connect for a device after he has been given status for a previous operation but before the I/O Interfacer has cleared a device active bit. This condition occurs chiefly on multiple CPU systems and is aggravated by the logging of I/O errors after status has been delivered to a user and a wakeup sent.

Proposal:

On error conditions, log the status before delivering it to the user and sending a wakeup. In the connect code, loop for a short while (less than 1 millisecond) if the device active bit is still on. If the bit remains on, return an error code.

Implications:

backup will no longer get spurious errors causing it to die.

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Runtime

SysDaemon/Admin.

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Info Segs Other (Name) None (Reason)

-Performance: Better X Same

Reason:

Worse -Replaces MCR

There is currently no way to determine what version of BOS is in use.

Proposal:

Add a segdef to setup to allow the insertion of a system ID when generating the BOS system tape.' Change the message

BOS AT 11:38 WED

to

BOS 2.03 AT 11:38 WED

Implications:

New message from BOS which is slightly longer than the old message.

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TITLE: Make BOS Bootloading AUTHOR: Moel I. Morris -Coded in: PL/I K AIM other	Mechanism Reliable Tu Category (Check One)	IG WI	ATUS Litten	DATE 6/30/76 A 07/13/76
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When using the self-loading BOS system tape, it is sometimes necessary to attempt to boot it several times in order to successfully bring up BOS. It has been discovered that the reason for bootload failures is the occurrence of spurious lockup faults when the tape is booted.

Proposal:

Modify the BOS module FWLOAD to catch lockup faults when the tape is bootloaded.

Implications:

The self-loading BOS tape will boot successfully every time.

Ver. 3 741022 MULTICS CHANGE REQUEST	MCR 2008
TITLE: Add if/then/else and case feature to ioa_ RAE	STATUS DATE
Planned for System: MR 5.0 Fixes Bug Number(s): not applicable Documented in MTB: not applicable Incompatible Change: no User/Operations-visible Interface Change: no Coded in: ()PL/I (M)ALM ()other-see below Performance: ()better (M)same ()worse DOCUMENTATION CHANGES (specify one or more) MPM (vol, sect) AG93	CATEGORY (check one) ()Lib. Maint. Tools ()Sys. Anal. Tools ()Sys. Prog. Tools ()355 ()BOS ()Salvager ()Ring Zero ()Ring Une ()SysDaemon/Admin ()Runtime (M)User Command/Subr
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Summary

Add featues to ioa_ (formline_) to implement if/then/else and case constructs.

<u>Reasons</u>

Provides useful features to ioa_ (see Examples.)

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Draft MPM documentation on next page.

Draft ioa Documentation

- starts an if/then/else or case selection group. A [takes a fixed binary or a bit string argument, and must have a matching '] to limit its scope. The text between the '[and the '] may be divided into clauses delimited by $\hat{}$;. If $\hat{}$ [is given a fixed binary argument of \underline{n} , the \underline{n} th clause between the [and the] is expanded; all other clauses are ignored. If there is no \underline{n} th clause (\underline{n} too large, or <1), all the text between the "[and the "] is ignored. If the argument to is a non-zero bit string, the first clause is expanded (equivalent to a fixed bin argument of 1, or "then"). If the argument to "l is an all-zero bit string, the second clause is expanded (the "else" case). [controls may be nested up to 4 deep. Wull clauses are permitted.
- limits the scope of a [. See [above.
- used a clause delimiter between [and]. See [above. n: is equivalent to n repetitions of ~;.

Examples

Source: sw="0"b; call ioa_ ("a= $^{\circ}d^{\circ}[b=^{\circ}d^{\circ};^{\circ}s^{\circ}]$ e= $^{\circ}d^{\circ},5,sw,7,9);$

Result: a=5 c=9

sw="1"b; /* Using same ioa_ call */ Source:

a=5 b=7 c=9Result:

dir=">"; ename="foo"; Source:

hesult: Error in segment >foo

dir=">foo"; ename="bar"; /* Using same ioa_ call */ Source:

Result: Error in segment >foo>bar

option=2; /* Assume following call is on one line */ Source:

call ioa_ ("Insurance option selected:

"[no fault";bodily injury";property damage"]",

option);

Insurance option selected: bodily injury Result:

Ver. 3 741022 MULTICS CHANGE REQUEST	MCR 2009
TITLE: Uparaded version of expand_path	STATUS DATE Written 06/29/76
AUTHOR: Bernard Greenberg JWG	Status A 07/13/74 Expires 12/29/76
Planned for System: MR 5.0 Fixes Bug Number(s): not applicable Documented in MTB: not applicable Incompatible Change: no User/Operations-visible Interface Change: no Coded in: (M)PL/I ()ALM ()other-see below Performance: ()better (M)same ()worse DOCUMENTATION CHANGES (specify one or more) MPM (vol,sect) subrs MPAM (sect) MOSN (sect) PLMs (AN#)	CATEGORY (check one) ()Lib. Maint. Tools ()Sys. Anal. Tools ()Sys. Prog. Tools ()355 ()BOS ()Salvager ()Ring Zero ()Ring One ()SysDaemon/Admin ()Runtime
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OBJECTIONS/COMMENTS: Warning to users is needed to coming in case they replace expand_path_	hat this change is

Headings are: SUMMARY, REASONS, IMPLICATIONS, DETAILED PROPOSAL (optional)

SUMMARY: Replace expand_path_ with a functionally equivalent module with a reasonable calling sequence.

REASONS: expand_path_ is one of the most popular interfaces in the system, and one of the first interfaces seen by one writing programs for Multics. The calling sequence of this module involves passing pointers to aligned strings: this is rooted in the inadequacies of EPL. Furthermore, the necessity of having aligned strings prohibits them from being passed legally by reference to the storage system interfaces.

Furthermore, no checks can be made that pointers so given point to strings of any given length; stack clobbering can occur by passing nointers to strings shorter than 168 and 32. Many "other" languages on Multics (e.g., LISP) cannot support passing character strings via pointers; the Multics standard is to pass character strings as such. The current expand_path_ interface is an abomination and should be relegated to obsolete status.

IMPLICATIONS: Clearer user interface. SWG documentation of old interface. expand_nath_ supports a special function when the entry-string pointer is passed as null: a new interface (see below) must be provided for this function.

DETAILED PROPOSAL: Implement expand_pathname_ and absolute_pathname_ as below. Thanks to Bob Frankston for inventing and implementing this interface.

Name: expand_pathname_

This subroutine is used to convert a relative or absolute pathname into a directory name and entry name.

Usage: dcl expand_pathname_ entry (char(*), char(*), char(*), fixed bin
(35));

call expand_pathname_ (relpath, dir, ent, code);

where

relpath is a relative or absolute pathname to be expanded (Input).

dir is the directory portion of the relative or absolute pathname given (Output).

ent is the entry name derived from the relative or absolute pathname given (Output).

code status code telling whether not the pathname or If O. successfully expanded. the pathname was successfully Other possible expanded. values for code are error_table_\$lesserr. error_table_\$badpath, error_table_\$pathlong. error_table_\$entlong befits as semantics of these errors (Output).

Name: absolute_pathname_

This entry point is used to convert a relative or absolute pathname into an absolute pathname.

Usage: declare absolute_pathname_ entry (char(*), char(*), fixed bin (35));
call absolute_pathname_ (relpath, abspath, code);

where

relpath is the relative or absolute pathname to be expanded (Input).

abspath is the absolute pathname derived from relpath (Output).

is a status code telling of the relative success of the expansion. If 0, the expansion was successful. If not, it is one of error_table_\$lesserr or error_table_\$pathlong as befits the semantics of these errors. (Output).

Ver. 3 741022 MULTICS CHANGE REQUEST	MCR_2010
TITLE: Fix bug in load_vol_map AUTHOR: Bernard Greenberg	STATUS DATE Written 07/05/76 Status A 07/13/76
Planned for System: MR 5.0 Fixes Bug Number(s): not applicable Documented in MTB: not applicable Incompatible Change: no User/Operations-visible Interface Change: no Coded in: (M)PL/I ()ALM ()other-see below Performance: ()better (M)same ()worse DOCUMENTATION CHANGES (specify one or more)	Expires 01/05/77 CATEGORY (check one) ()Lib. Maint. Tools ()Sys. Anal. Tools ()Sys. Prog. Tools ()355 ()BOS ()Salvager (M)Ring Zero ()Ring One
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Headings are: SUMMARY, REASONS, IMPLICATIONS, DETAILED PROPOSAL (optional)

SUMMARY: pvte.vtoc_size is set incorrectly by load_vol_map. pvte.n_vtoce, a potentially more useful field, is not set at all. Set these quantities correctly.

REASONS: Total vtoces are misaccounted by the outer ring because of this, and phcs_\$get_vtoce fails for the last record of VTOC.

IMPLICATIONS: n/a.

Documented in MTR: not applicable Incompatible Change: no User/Operations-visible Interface Change: no Coded in: (M)PL/I ()ALM ()other-see below Performance: ()better (M)same ()worse DOCUMENTATION CHANGES (specify one or more) MPM (vol.sect) MPAM (sect) MOSN (sect) MSAM (sect)	Ver. 3 741022 MULTICS CHANGE REQUEST	MCR_&O11
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SUMMARY: Several crashes have occured at MIT indicating possible mismanagement of the system trailer segment. The phenomenon is not moderstood at all. Set two debugging aids to help locate this problem hould it manifest itself again.

REASONS: 1) At least twice, the end of the trailer free list has been hit, but in fact, a large number of free trailers existed. 2) At least twice, an SDW has been found in the Descriptor Segment of a process being destroyed, with no trailer to account for it. Although not much down time has been accrued due to these problems, they seem to be symptomatic of some malaise in segment control.

DETAILED PROPOSAL: 1) Have sea_fault crash when it attempts to use the last trailer on the free list. Since it would have crashed one trailer later anyway, this is not a major limitation. 2) Leave the "dir_sea" abs_sea covering the KST of a defunct process, so that when a missing-trailer crash occurs, we can at least hope to ascertain some facts about the identity of the quilty seament.

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TITLE: Install new fortran program in >ldd>ex	compiler and comma 1>0 SHW	ınd	STATUS Written	DATE 07/06/76
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SUMMARY:

Install two segments in >ldd>exl>o, new_fortran and bound_fort_. The second already is available in >unb, at a user's request. This series of installations would allow users to have access to a more upto-date version of the compiler as well as provide greater exposure for this new compiler. The segment new fortran is not expected in >unb before MR5.0.

REASONS:

Greater exposure for the new compiler.

IMPLICATIONS:

Users can begin to use this much improved compiler before MR5.0

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TITLE: Fix mail error message	and the control of th					
AUTHOR: S. Herbst	JWG	Written 7/1/76				
-Coded in: XPL/I ALM other- explain in DETAILED PROPOSAL	Category (Check One)	Status A 67/13/76 Expires 61/13/77				
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Summary:						

Fix bug in mail causing the error message,

"No mailbox for Person.Project",

when the recipient's mailbox exists but cannot be initiated for access reasons.

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TITLE: Fix bug in where active AUTHOR: S. Herbst	TITLE: Fix bug in where active function AUTHOR: S. Herbst				
-Coded in: XPL/I ALM other-explain in DETAILED PROPOSAL -Planned for System MR 5.0 -Fixes Bug Number(s) -Documented in MTB -User/Operations-visible Interface change? yes x no -Incompatible change? yes xno -Performance: Better x Same Worse -Replaces MCR	Category (Check One) Lib. Maint. Tools Sys. Anal. Tools Sys. Prog. Tools 355 BOS Salvager Ring Zero	Doeu MPM PLMS MOSN MPAM	Written Status Expires DOCUMEN Ment (Vol, Sect (AN #) (Sect.) (Sect.)	7/6/76 PA 07/13/76 O1/13/77 TATION CHANGES Specify One or Mor	
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Summary:

Fix bug causing the where active function to return an extra blank at the end of its return string. This extra blank prevents concatenation.

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TITLE:	Condense output	of w	-	ota	STATUS	DATE
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TITLE: Fix bug in start of AUTHOR: S. Herbst	command JWC	,	STATUS Written	DATE 07/06/76
-Coded in: XPL/I ALM other-explain in DETAILED PROPOSAL -Planned for System MR 5.0	Category (Check One) Lib. Maint. Tools Sys. Anal. Tools		Status A 07/13/76 Expires 01/13/77 DOCUMENTATION CHANGES	
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SUMMARY:

Fix the start command to just return after printing the message:

"start" ignored.

REASON:

Currently, it returns to the nearest listener level. This is the wrong thing to do if start was invoked from inside another program, for example:

qx
estart
"start" ignored.
(user is at command level.)

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FITLE: Remove the decoding of version I operator name		s VV	STATUS	DATE		
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Proposal: Remove operator name	es.					
Change find operator names. This would not an operator call	r_name_ to ignore requ be the same result as l.	ests 1 if the	for version e instruc t i	I operator on were		
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find_operator_name_

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[ind_operator_name_

This procedure is given a text reference to one of the PL/I operator segments and returns the name of the operator reference. Entry operators as well as ordinary operators are handled.

clare find_operator_name_ entry (char(*) aligned, ptr, char(32) aligned);

find_operator_name_ (op_seg_name, callp, op_name);

co_seg_name is the name of the operator segment being

referenced (either pll_operators_ or

nll operators). (Input)

allp is a pointer to an instruction referencing the operator segment specified by op_seg_name.

(Input)

is the name of the operator being referenced.

(Output)

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-	TITLE: Fix bugs in trace_stack AUTHOR: S. Barr	T	vv	STATUS Written	DATE 7/7/76
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	Summary:				

- 1. Correct interpret_ptr_ to prevent a fault while interpreting a bad pointer.
- 2. Correct print source_line_ to recognize the string "PL/I" as version II PL/I.
- 3. Remove the printing of version I operator names.

Reasons:

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- 1,2. These are simple bug fixes as the code exists to handle these cases.
- 3. The data base for version I operator names is kept in the author maintained library which is not shipped to all Multics sites.

Proposal:

3. Version I operator names will not be recognized and the transfer instruction will be printed instead.