

Extract Processing in the DFHCSDUP Utility

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THE migration of CICS resource definitions away from CICS table assemblies has been a long running process that began with the introduction of the resource definition online (RDO) feature in CICS version 1.6 more than a decade ago. While the introduction of RDO has greatly facilitated the ability to define and organize information about CICS resources, IBM has tried to discourage the use of non-IBM programs to read or modify the RDO file (DFHCSD) directly. Originally, the only method available to a user for doing any sort of resource definition cross referencing was to create a print listing of the entire contents of the DFHCSD file. The printed output could then be “eyeballed” for information or used as input for a process that could format the data into a structure that would allow for more complex queries to be entertained.

The DFHCSD file format is a key-sequenced VSAM dataset that houses definitions for all of the different resources, group names to which the resources belong, and lists of groups that can be specified for use in the CICS cold start. The record format of the DFHCSD file must not only accommodate the different record types within the DFHCSD file but must also allow for the addition of new resource types that may be developed or migrated from the old table format. Additionally, the ability to add new keywords within a resource is required. IBM accomplishes this by using a vector type record format that allows a record to self-define some of its own fields. While the record format of the DFHCSD file is very interesting to look at from the point of view of how well it accommodates the hierarchical structure of the RDO concept within one file structure, the idea of trying to become familiar enough with the file format to write a personalized interface program to query the DFHCSD file is a bit more work than most systems programmers would care to get involved in.

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Figure 1: IBM Sample Programs for Extract Processing

Program names	Languages	Description
DFH\$CRFA DFH0CRFC DFH\$CRFP	Assembler VS COBOL II PL/I	Produces a cross-reference listing of the resource definitions defined in the group or list you specify on the EXTRACT command.
DFH\$FORA DFH0FORC DFH\$FORP	Assembler VS COBOL II PL/I	Formats the group or list of resource definitions you specify on the EXTRACT command into a form suitable for the DB2 table load utility.
DFH0CBDC	VS COBOL II	Writes the list or group of resource definitions you specify on the EXTRACT command in the form of DEFINE commands suitable for use as a backup of copy the resources extracted.

Figure 2: Sample Execution JCL for EXTRACT Program

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//JOB CARD JOB (TECHGRP), 'CSDCHECK', CLASS=A, MSGCLASS=A, MSGLEVEL=(2,1)
//STEP1 EXEC PGM=DFHCSDUP, REGION=2M
//STEPLIB DD DISP=SHR, DSN=cicsvs.system.sdfhload
// DD DISP=SHR, DSN=userexit.program.loadlib
//DFHCSD DD DISP=SHR, DSN=your.dfhcscd
//TEMPFILE DD UNIT=SYSDA, SPACE=(CYL,(10,3),RLSE)
//SORTWORK DD UNIT=SYSDA, SPACE=(CYL,(10,3),RLSE)
//SYSUT1 DD UNIT=SYSDA, SPACE=(1024,(100,100))
//RDOCARD DD SYSOUT=*
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=*
//SYSOUT DD SYSOUT=*
//SYSIN DD *
EXTRACT LIST(PRODCICD) USERPROGRAM(CSDCHECK) OBJECTS
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Technologies (www.emprisetech.com), downloads the output of a LIST ALL OBJECTS command in the DFHCSDUP utility to create a standalone, PC-based database that is used to allow the viewer to select from a wealth of pre-defined reports. Another software product, CICS-RDO/EC, from SofTouch Systems, Inc. (www.softouch.com), also delivers the capability to create queries and searches for information in the DFHCSD file, and is designed to be executed as a CICS transaction, exploiting the use of the CEDA user interface.

If a CSD inquiry/management product is not available or cannot meet the requirements of a specific task or inquiry, the EXTRACT command in the DFHCSDUP utility in CICS (version 3 or later) offers the ability to deliver to a user program all of the keyword information of a group or a list of groups. IBM introduced the EXTRACT command to allow easier access to the contents of the DFHCSD file. The command delivers all of the particular details of a requested list or group to a user program and gives control to a user program at as many as nine different exit points when processing. This allows the user program to collect the necessary

information to be directed into whatever output processing is specified by the user. The user program is limited to 24-bit addressability and also needs to be able to maintain addressability to its own program data areas across multiple calls from the DFHCSDUP utility. When link-editing the user program, a CICS-supplied stub, DFH\$EXTRA, must be included.

Three IBM sample programs are a valuable source of information on how to code a user exit program. Two of the programs are available in COBOL, assembler and PL/I, while the third is only available in COBOL II. One of the sample programs creates a cross-reference directory of objects and keywords defined in the CSD. Another sample program uses the EXTRACT output to create data for the DB2 table load utility. The third sample, DFH0CBDC (available as COBOL II only), generates DEFINE statements for all of the resources delivered to the user exit that are suitable for input into the DFHCSDUP utility for rebuilding the resource definitions, as shown in Figure 1. Prior to execution, the DFH0CBDC program must be compiled and then link-edited with

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an included CICS interface stub to the DFHCSDUP program.

The cross-reference program and the DB2 formatting program are shipped in source code and executable format. *The CICS Customization Guide* details the necessary steps to run these programs. The COBOL-only sample, DFH0CBDC, comes in source code version only. The extra steps necessary to create an executable version of the DFH0CBDC program might prove useful to any business that needs to ship CICS resource definitions offsite in text format. This program may also be used as a backup utility for the DFHCSD file. While an IDCAMS REPRO would be a less time-consuming method for backing up the DFHCSD file, a backup created by the DFH0CBDC would consist of DEFINE statements that could be viewed and modified. If the contents of a DFHCSD file were to become compromised but the nature of the problem could not be detected through CICS startup messages or online CEDA use, the DFH0CBDC program offers some recourse by extracting only those aspects of the resource definition that are used in the DEFINE statement, disregarding all other information. Subsequent use of the DEFINE statements in rebuilding the DFHCSD will cause all information not explicitly in the DEFINE statements to revert back to a default setting. (I once used this method to repair a damaged DFHCSD file that could pass through a CEDA CHECK successfully but at CICS startup would install a number of transactions that caused a CICS region to abend.)

In order to make use of the EXTRACT user exit effectively, it might be worthwhile to create a modified version of one of the IBM sample programs that could be easily

Figure 3: Code to Attach the CICS EXTRACT Stub, DFHEXCI, to the User Exit Program

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//JOB CARD JOB (TECHGRP), 'COMPILE', CLASS=A, MSGCLASS=A, MSGLEVEL=(2,1)
//COB2 EXEC PGM=IGYCRCTL, PARM='OBJECT', REGION=1024K
//STEPLIB DD DSN=SYS1.COB2.COB2COMP, DISP=SHR
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=*
//SYSLIN DD DSN=SYS1.COB2.COB2COMP, UNIT=SYSDA, DISP=(NEW,PASS),
// SPACE=(TRK,(3,3))
//SYSUT1 DD UNIT=SYSDA, SPACE=(CYL,(1,1))
//SYSUT2 DD UNIT=SYSDA, SPACE=(CYL,(1,1))
//SYSUT3 DD UNIT=SYSDA, SPACE=(CYL,(1,1))
//SYSUT4 DD UNIT=SYSDA, SPACE=(CYL,(1,1))
//SYSUT5 DD UNIT=SYSDA, SPACE=(CYL,(1,1))
//SYSUT6 DD UNIT=SYSDA, SPACE=(CYL,(1,1))
//SYSUT7 DD UNIT=SYSDA, SPACE=(CYL,(1,1))
//SYSIN DD DISP=SHR, DSN=your.source.lib(CSDCHECK)
//LKED EXEC PGM=IEWL, PARM='LIST,XREF,LET',
// REGION=512K, COND=(7,LT,COB2)
//SYSLIB DD DSN=SYS1.COB2.COB2LIB, DISP=SHR
//CICSLIB DD DSN=your.cics.sdfhload, DISP=SHR
//OBJLIB DD DSN=SYS1.COB2.COB2LIB, DISP=(OLD,DELETE)
//SYSLMOD DD DSN=your.userexit.program.loadlib, DISP=SHR
//SYSUT1 DD UNIT=SYSDA, SPACE=(CYL,(1,1))
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=*
//COBLIB DD DSN=SYS1.COB2.COB2LIB, DISP=SHR
//SYSLIN DD *
ENTRY DFHEXTRA
CHANGE EXITEP(CSDCHECK)
INCLUDE CICSLIB(DFHEXCI)
INCLUDE SYSLIB(ILBOSRV)
INCLUDE SYSLIB(ILBOCMM)
INCLUDE SYSLIB(ILBOBEG)
INCLUDE OBJLIB
NAME CSDCHECK(R)
//
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Figure 4: CSDCHECK

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CBL NOADV,APOST,SEQ,XREF,VBREF,DUMP,FDUMP,NORES,NORENT,FASTSORT
IDENTIFICATION DIVISION.
PROGRAM-ID. CSDCHECK.
ENVIRONMENT DIVISION.
INPUT-OUTPUT SECTION.
FILE-CONTROL.
SELECT RESOURCE-FILE
ASSIGN TEMPFILE
ORGANIZATION IS SEQUENTIAL
ACCESS IS SEQUENTIAL.
SELECT DATA-OUT
ASSIGN TO RDCARD
ORGANIZATION IS SEQUENTIAL
ACCESS IS SEQUENTIAL.
SELECT SORTFILE
ASSIGN TO SORTWORK.
EJECT.
DATA DIVISION.
FILE SECTION.
FD RESOURCE-FILE
RECORD CONTAINS 32 CHARACTERS
BLOCK CONTAINS 0 RECORDS
RECORDING MODE IS F
LABEL RECORDS ARE OMITTED.
01 RESOURCE-REC.
02 RESOURCE-GRPNUM PIC 9(4).
02 RESOURCE-GRPNAME PIC X(8).
02 RESOURCE-OBJNAME PIC X(8).
02 RESOURCE-OBJTYPE PIC X(12).
FD DATA-OUT
RECORD CONTAINS 80 CHARACTERS
BLOCK CONTAINS 0 RECORDS
RECORDING MODE IS F
LABEL RECORDS ARE OMITTED.
01 OUT-REC PIC X(80).
SD SORTFILE
RECORD CONTAINS 32 CHARACTERS.
01 SORT-RECORD.
02 SORT-GRPNUM PIC 9(4).
02 SORT-GRPNAME PIC X(8).
02 SORT-OBJECT.
04 SORT-OBJNAME PIC X(8).
04 SORT-OBJTYPE PIC X(12).
*
EJECT.
WORKING-STORAGE SECTION.
*
* Call types, as defined by DFHCSDUP.
*
77 INITIAL-CALL PIC 99 VALUE IS 0.
77 LIST-START-CALL PIC 99 VALUE IS 2.
77 GROUP-START-CALL PIC 99 VALUE IS 4.
77 OBJECT-START-CALL PIC 99 VALUE IS 6.
77 KEYWORD-CALL PIC 99 VALUE IS 8.
77 OBJECT-END-CALL PIC 99 VALUE IS 10.
77 GROUP-END-CALL PIC 99 VALUE IS 12.
77 LIST-END-CALL PIC 99 VALUE IS 14.
77 FINAL-CALL PIC 99 VALUE IS 16.
*
* A switch to get out of the sort output procedure.
*
77 SORT-EOF PIC 99 VALUE IS 0.
*
* Counter used to number the order of the group in the list.
*
01 GROUP-COUNTER PIC 9(4).
*
* Used for comparison during sort output procedure.
*
01 WS-SAVE-GROUP PIC X(8).
01 WS-SAVE-OBJECT.
02 WS-SAVE-OBJNAME PIC X(8) VALUE SPACE.
02 WS-SAVE-OBJTYPE PIC X(12) VALUE SPACE.
*
* Record layout for the resource/sort record.
*
01 WS-SORT-REC.
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altered when the need arises to make some type of inquiry or modification to the DFHCSD file that could not be addressed through CEDA processing. Once set up, the source code, compile JCL and execute JCL would then be available for quick modification and use. The remainder of this article examines a small COBOL II program, CSDCHECK, and the steps necessary to compile and execute this program via the EXTRACT utility command.

THE CSDCHECK PROGRAM

The CSDCHECK program is modeled after the DFHCBCDC program in that it uses a COBOL EVALUATE statement to determine why control has been passed to the user program and what actions to take. The intent of this program is to search a list for duplicate resource entries and create DELETE statements to eliminate all duplicate entries. (The duplicate entry that appears last in the list will not be deleted.) Although the program attempts to reproduce the type of information that might come from a CEDA CHECK LIST command, for the sake of simplicity, the sample program does not try to replicate the CHECK LIST output.

Control will be passed to the CSDCHECK program at the beginning and end of EXTRACT processing, at the beginning and end of processing a list, group, or object and for every keyword of all objects presented. A resource record is created for every object passed from the DFHCSDUP utility and the resource record file is sorted by resource name and returned to the CSDCHECK program. Whenever a duplicate resource is found, the preceding resource record is used to create a DELETE record. The program does not attempt to reconcile mapset and program definitions with the same name. Neither does it attempt to determine which definition of a file resource defined more than once is the currently installed definition.

The JCL necessary to execute the sample program is based on a JCL stream that would be used to execute the DFHCSDUP utility with the addition of whatever file I/O statements are called for in the user

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02 WS-SORT-GRPNUM          PIC 9(4).
02 WS-SORT-GRPNAME        PIC X(8).
02 WS-SORT-OBJECT.
04 WS-SORT-OBJNAME        PIC X(8).
04 WS-SORT-OBJTYPE        PIC X(12).
*
* Record layout for delete record.
*
01 WS-DELETE-LINE.
02 FILLER                  PIC X(8)  VALUE ' DELETE '.
02 WS-DELETE-OBJTYPE       PIC X(12).
02 FILLER                  PIC X(2)  VALUE ' (.
02 WS-DELETE-OBJNAME       PIC X(8).
02 FILLER                  PIC X(8)  VALUE ') GROUP('.
02 WS-DELETE-GRPNAME       PIC X(8).
02 FILLER                  PIC X(1)  VALUE ')'.
*
* Return code, if an invalid call is made to this program
77 INVALID-CALL-TYPE       PIC S9(4) COMP VALUE IS 2.
*
* *****
LINKAGE SECTION.
01 EXIT-FUNCTION-CODE      PIC 99 COMP.
01 EXIT-WORK-AREA-PTR      POINTER.
01 EXIT-BACK-TRANS-CMD-PTR POINTER.
01 EXIT-LIST-NAME          PIC X(8).
01 EXIT-GROUP-NAME         PIC X(8).
01 EXIT-OBJECT-TYPE        PIC X(12).
01 EXIT-OBJECT-NAME        PIC X(8).
01 EXIT-KEYWORD-TYPE       PIC X(12).
01 EXIT-KEYWORD-LENGTH     PIC 999 COMP.
01 EXIT-KEYWORD-VALUE.
03 EXIT-KEYWORD-CHAR       PIC X OCCURS 1 TO 183
                           DEPENDING ON EXIT-KEYWORD-LENGTH.
EJECT.
* *****
*
*   M A I N L I N E C O D E S T A R T S H E R E
*
* *****
PROCEDURE DIVISION USING EXIT-FUNCTION-CODE
                        EXIT-WORK-AREA-PTR
                        EXIT-BACK-TRANS-CMD-PTR
                        EXIT-LIST-NAME
                        EXIT-GROUP-NAME
                        EXIT-OBJECT-TYPE
                        EXIT-OBJECT-NAME
                        EXIT-KEYWORD-TYPE
                        EXIT-KEYWORD-LENGTH
                        EXIT-KEYWORD-VALUE.
MAIN-LOGIC.
*
* Perform appropriate action, according to EXIT-FUNCTION-CODE
*
    EVALUATE EXIT-FUNCTION-CODE
*
* Do nothing on the initial call
*
    WHEN INITIAL-CALL
        MOVE 0 TO RETURN-CODE
*
* Initialize the group counter and open the resource file
*
    WHEN LIST-START-CALL
        MOVE 0 TO GROUP-COUNTER
        OPEN OUTPUT RESOURCE-FILE
*
* Set up current group name and group counter in resource record.
*
    WHEN GROUP-START-CALL
        ADD 1 TO GROUP-COUNTER
        MOVE EXIT-GROUP-NAME TO WS-SAVE-GROUP
*
* Move object name and object type to resource record.
*
    WHEN OBJECT-START-CALL
        MOVE EXIT-OBJECT-NAME TO RESOURCE-OBJNAME
        MOVE EXIT-OBJECT-TYPE TO RESOURCE-OBJTYPE
*

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* The keyword exit is not used in this program.
*
    WHEN KEYWORD-CALL
        MOVE 0 TO RETURN-CODE
*
* Write out a resource record.
*
    WHEN OBJECT-END-CALL
        MOVE GROUP-COUNTER TO RESOURCE-GRPNUM
        MOVE WS-SAVE-GROUP TO RESOURCE-GRPNAME
        WRITE RESOURCE-REC
*
* Group end call not used.
*
    WHEN GROUP-END-CALL
        MOVE 0 TO RETURN-CODE
*
* Close the resource file and initialize the save-object value.
*
    WHEN LIST-END-CALL
        CLOSE RESOURCE-FILE
        OPEN OUTPUT DATA-OUT
        MOVE SPACE TO WS-SAVE-OBJECT
*
* Sort the resource file.
*
    WHEN FINAL-CALL
        SORT SORTFILE
        ON ASCENDING KEY SORT-OBJNAME
        SORT-OBJTYPE
        SORT-GRPNUM
        USING RESOURCE-FILE
        OUTPUT PROCEDURE FIND-DUPS
*
* Signal invalid call type TO DFHCULIS.
*
    WHEN OTHER MOVE INVALID-CALL-TYPE TO RETURN-CODE
    END-EVALUATE
*
* Must use GOBACK so that COBOL data areas are preserved and usable
* on the next invocation of the program.
*
    IF EXIT-FUNCTION-CODE = FINAL-CALL THEN
        STOP RUN
    ELSE
        GOBACK.
*
* FIND-DUPS.
*
* Return a record from the sorted file.
*
    RETURN SORTFILE RECORD
    AT END MOVE 1 TO SORT-EOF.
*
* When an object matches the saved object create a delete
* card for the saved object.
*
    IF SORT-EOF = 0
        IF WS-SAVE-OBJECT = SORT-OBJECT
            MOVE WS-SAVE-OBJNAME TO WS-DELETE-OBJNAME
            MOVE WS-SAVE-OBJTYPE TO WS-DELETE-OBJTYPE
            MOVE WS-SAVE-GROUP TO WS-DELETE-GRPNAME
            WRITE OUT-REC FROM WS-DELETE-LINE.
*
* Save current object.
*
    MOVE SORT-OBJECT TO WS-SAVE-OBJECT.
    MOVE SORT-GRPNAME TO WS-SAVE-GROUP.
*
    IF SORT-EOF = 0
        GO TO FIND-DUPS.
*
SORT-FINISHED.
*
EXIT.
*

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exit program. The JCL for CSDCHECK adds three //DD statements for a temporary resource record file, a sort work file, and RDOCARD, a sysout file for the output of the DEFINE statements, as shown in Figure 2. The RDOCARD file is set to sysout for ease of viewing but can easily be changed to become a permanent file. The compile and linkedit of the CSDCHECK program illustrated in Figure 3 shows the method for attaching the CICS EXTRACT stub, DFHEXCI, to the user exit program. The DFHEXCI stub is generated with an entry name of DFHEXTRA and a CSECT name of EXITEP. A CHANGE statement input into the linkedit step will alter the csect name to CSDCHECK. For COBOL programs, the CHANGE statement should point to the name specified in the program id statement of the user program.

Because of the simplicity of the output processing in CSDCHECK, as shown in Figure 4 (and also available for download from the ARTICLES LIB of the NaSCOM Internet site as filename NOV98001.EX1), some people might find it to be a more useful model for creating their own user exit program than the IBM sample programs. The IBM sample programs, however, should not be overlooked for information and ideas on creating a custom user exit for EXTRACT processing. Even as autoinstall for resources takes a larger role in the responsibility of CICS resource definition, RDO remains an important repository of information for CICS as well as a strategic feature of present and future CICS releases. 

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