

CA Database Management for Db2 for z/OS 20.0 (Db2 Tools) Customer Community Update

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- Verifying if backup resources are available.

CA Fast Recover

Recovery Simulation:

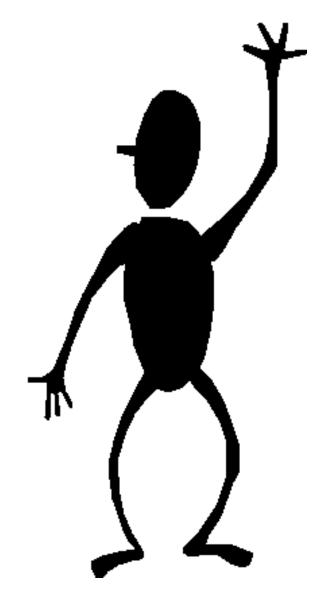
- New tutorial video on Recovery Simulation
- Using the OPTIONS Utility to simulate recoveries

CA Log Analyzer

- Table mapping for object name changes in DML reports
- Assessing current PARMLIB options.



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Recovery Estimation: Verifying if backup resources are available



For how long do you keep your Image Copies and Db2 logs?

Making backups and securing your Db2 archive logs is just one part of the story. What happens in many cases...

- The SMS Management Class thresholds kicked in and your Image Copies are gone.
- Retention period on Db2 archive logs was reached and the tapes were scratched.

Before you can tell if you can indeed recover an object, how do you know you have the resources you need?

And try to answer as fast as you can



Your options

You can always look for your Image Copies and Db2 archive logs in Data set Listing, but that's not what you want.

Additionally, you can also use Recovery Simulation and find out if resources are there and are usable... but that takes more time.

Now you can use Recovery Estimator to quickly find out if:

- You are recoverable to the desired point.
- If the resources pointed to by SYSCOPY and BSDS are indeed there.

Verification is done by querying the z/OS ICF Catalogs.



How to check for your backup resources

A new keyword was added to Recovery Estimation.

```
//SYSIN DD *
RECOVER-TOOL ESTIMATE-RECOVERY
   TABLESPACE <DBNAME>.<TSNAME>
   PIT COPY LAST-FULL
   VERIFY-DATASETS COPIES
/*
```

Values:

NONE – (Default) -> Does not verify the data sets COPIES -> Verifies the required Image Copy data sets LOGS -> Verifies the Db2 logs that are required. ALL -> Verifies Image Copies and Db2 log data sets.



How to tell if the data sets were not found

You'll have a couple messages if the data sets were not located:

```
EST2020I - TABLESPACE <DBNAME>.<TSNAME> DSNUM 0 (of 0 partitions)

EST2021I - TO '000000000ED62270AB64' (RBA)

EST3010I - RECOVERABLE : YES

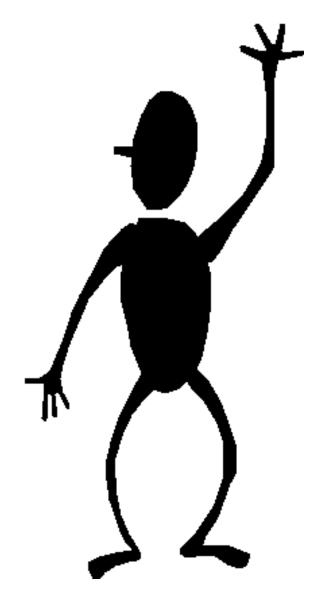
EST3011I - WARNING : Some image copies considered in the estimation were not found in the catalog.
```

```
EST4030I - The following copies will be used in the recovery:
EST4031I - <HLQ>.TSTDTGEN.TC9012.IC#ICF1.P00001 (NOT FOUND)

EST5010I - Estimated 1 object(s), found 1 recoverable (1 with warning) and 0 unrecoverable.
```



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CA Fast Recover: Recovery Simulation updates



New video on Recovery Simulation

You can watch a short 5 min video on what Recovery Simulation means, and how you can use it in CA Fast Recover

Go to Broadcom Communities > Db2 Tools > Discussions and find the link

https://youtu.be/k4J_endfo_0

 New video: Prove you can recover your Db2 objects with no impact to running applications



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On the topic of Db2 application recovery, or better said, assessing if a recovery is needed, we as DBAs hear a lot of questions:

- How many recovery choices can you give me?
- Are they safe?
- · How much would it take? And please don't guess, tell me something more reliable.
- Is it totally certain that it's possible?

This is the concept that we call "**Recovery Simulation**", and it's possible to accomplish with Fast Recover. On this video, you will learn how to use Recovery Simulation to prove in a safe way that you can recover your Db2 objects while the applications run, that is, with no impact on the availability of your Db2 Tables.

https://youtu.be/k4J_endfo_0



Using the Options Utility with Recovery Simulation

REMINDER: You can invoke Recovery Simulation in CA Fast Recover by adding the keywords "PREVIEW SIMULATE" in a CA Fast Recover Statement

```
//SYSIN DD *
  RECOVER TABLESPACE <DBNAME>.<TSNAME> DSNUM ALL
  TOCOPY IMGCPY.IMGC.TS1#C02
  PREVIEW SIMULATE
/*
```

What happens if you want to simulate recoveries for multiple objects?



Simulating multiple recoveries

Options for multiple recoveries:

Use a LISTDEF

```
//SYSIN DD *
LISTDEF MYLIST INCLUDE TABLESPACE <DBNAME>.* PARTLEVEL

RECOVER LIST MYLIST
SORT-LOG YES
PREVIEW SIMULATE
KEEP-SIMULATION-SHADOWS YES
//*
```

- Use an OLM (Object List Manager) List

... But I already had a JCL that I want to test first, and it has 20 RECOVER statements... do I have to change all 20 statements and add PREVIEW SIMULATE? Not really

You can use the OPTIONS utility to declare JCL wide behavior, and use it for Recovery Simulation, let's see how



Using the OPTIONS Utility

The Recovery Simulation related keywords were added to the OPTIONS Utility to allow for JCL wide usage

- You won't need to change all your 1000000 RECOVER statements in the JCLs.

```
//SYSIN DD *
OPTIONS PREVIEW SIMULATE KEEP-SIMULATION-SHADOWS NO

RECOVER TABLESPACE <DBNAME>.<TSNAME> DSNUM ALL TOCOPY IMGCPY.TSTDTGEN.TC9012.D12A.IC#ICF1.P00001
/*
```



New messages

This is Recovery Simulation, so you will see the confirmation message:

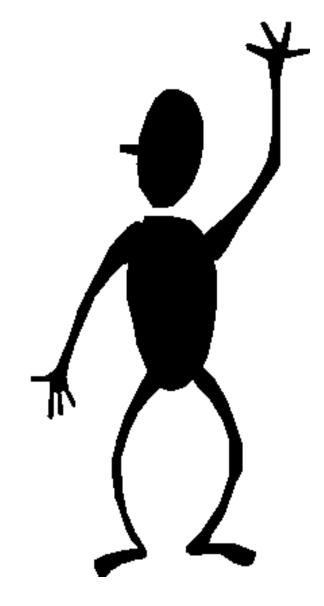
```
PUT0018I - Invoking Utility OPTIONS - Statement Number:

OPTIONS PREVIEW SIMULATE KEEP-SIMULATION-SHADOWS NO
```

```
PFR0545I - PFR RUNS WITH THE PREVIEW SIMULATE OPTION
THE DB2 OBJECTS ARE NOT TOUCHED AND THEIR STATUS ARE NOT
CHANGED AT RUN TIME.
FOLLOWING OBJECTS ARE PROCESSED CREATING A SHADOW DATASET:
TABLESPACE '<DBNAME>.<TSNAME>'
```



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CA Log Analyzer updates



How do you replicate changes?

There are two main ways to do DML activity replication

Using DML REDO reports

```
FORMAT OPTIONS
Output Format ==> S ( R -Rept, S -RedoSQL, U -UndoSQL, L -Load Fmt, P -Updt)
Level of Detail ==> D ( S - Smry, D - Detail, T - Tot, K - Key, I - ImageCopy)
```

- Using DML Load Format reports. Here you have more choices:
 - Use Log Apply
 - Use Fast Load or IBM Load

```
FORMAT OPTIONS

Output Format ==> L ( R -Rept, S -RedoSQL, U -UndoSQL, L -Load Fmt, P -Updt)

Level of Detail ==> D ( S - Smry, D - Detail, T - Tot, K - Key, I - ImageCopy)
```

```
OUTPUT OPTIONS
Utility program ==> L ( A -Apply, L -DB2 LOAD, T -Unload, F -FASTLOAD)
```



Common scenarios

Now, what would you do in these cases?

- You need to replicate DML activity outside of Db2
- The table names for source and target objects are different

Load Format output can support object name changes:

```
LOAD UTILITY TABLE SPECIFICATIONS
---- Source Table Mask ---- Target Table Mask ----
Cmd Creator Table Name Creator Table Name
```

But if I replicate outside of Db2 (outside of Mainframe), then I can't use this option. What can I do in that case?



I Table mapping in DML SQL reports

We've added Table mapping support in DML SQL reports:

```
FORMAT OPTIONS
Output Format ==> S ( R -Rept, S -RedoSQL, U -UndoSQL, L -Load Fmt, P -Updt)
Level of Detail ==> D ( S - Smry, D - Detail, T - Tot, K - Key, I - ImageCopy)
```

You might have noticed the new option "Redo/Undo SQL Opt"

```
Redo/Undo SQL Opt ==> y ( Y , N )
```



DML Redo/Undo SQL options

Here you'll find a way to change the resulting SQL report to have different Table names.

```
ADDITIONAL SQL OPTIONS
Application Commits ==> N (Y, N)
URID Header
           ==> N ( Y , N
TABLE MASK SPECIFICATIONS
    ---- Source Table Mask ---- Target Table Mask ----
Cmd Creator Table Name Creator Table Name
    USERID1
```



Resulting JCL

The new generated syntax will include the keywords for the change of

Table names:

```
,GENSQL (REDO
,COMMIT (50)
,AUTHID ()
,RI (NO)
,TRIGGER(YES)
,HISTTAB(NO)
,URHEAD (NO)
,TBMASK (SRC (USERID1."*")
,TARG(JAVIER."*")
)
```



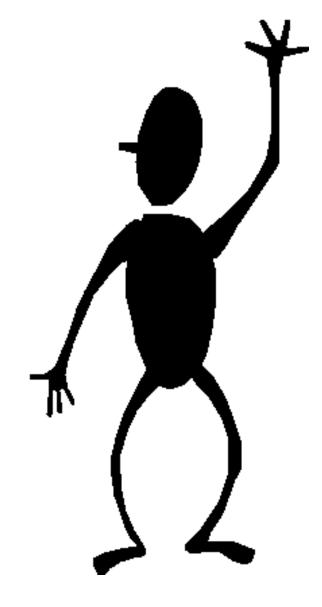
When to use this option

Table mapping is most useful in the following cases:

- When the SQL output has to be reviewed by the DBA to confirm it's the correct output. (To confirm the changes done).
- When then Db2 Table names need to be "masked" for security reasons.
- When replicating activity outside of Db2 and the table names are different in the target database.



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Assessing PARMLIB options

Maintenance PTFs often come with new keywords or PARMLIB options.

As a DBA who works with 100000 tools at once, this is a common pain and it comes with several questions (or wishes).

How can I know that the new values are correctly set?

How can I know that a value for an existing PARMLIB option is still valid?

How can I avoid learning by memory each and every single PARMLIB option?

We have a new quick way to check your options and values.



Log Analyzer, verify environment

On the main panel, to the bottom right, you'll find a new option in the Miscellaneous Functions section

```
Miscellaneous Functions
P - Profile
BP - Batch Processor
VE - Verify environment
T - Tutorial
X - Exit Log Analyzer
```

No parameters or extra options are needed.



I Assessing PARMLIB options

In a quick report you'll have advice on items that you might be missing:

- Deprecated options
- When a different value for a given parameter is preferred.

```
Report Date: 2021/07/16

Time: 08:58:45

LAE0472W The ASCII option is deprecated.

LAE0473W The current value of the PURSRC option is not optimal.

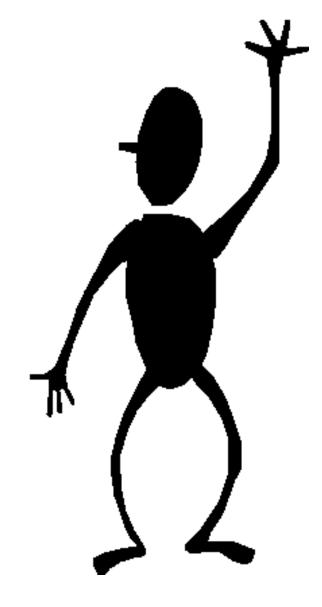
The recommended value is PURSRC (U)

LAE0474I To remove deprecated options, go to the option "Edit Parmlib Members" from the main CA Db2 tools panel to generate an updated PLA member.

LAE0475I To update suboptimal options, go to the option "Edit Parmlib Members" from the main CA Db2 tools panel to generate an updated PLA member.
```



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In Closing...





When is the next Community Update call?

The 2nd Monday of each month

Our next call will be Monday August 9th, 2021

Did you miss last months call?

The content is available here.



CA Db2 Tools 20.0 Validation Project

https://validate.broadcom.com/key/DB2Tools200





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