z/OS 3.1 IBM Education Assistant

Solution Name: Externalize Edit HILITE Values to ISPF Z Variables

Solution Element(s): ISPF

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Trademarks

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- Additional Trademarks:
 - None

Objectives

- Supporting HILITE for all existing and new programming languages is not realistic.
 There are too many languages and each one is not a trivial effort.
- Current HILITE options and values are displayed via the PROFILE & HILITE primary commands within EDIT.
- Externalizing the HILITE values to Z variables will allow the ISPF open-source community to add their own support for any language.

Objectives (continued)

- ISPF RFE 145682 was submitted to support the CBT Usermod Collection for ISPF (CUCI) effort to provide ISPF enhancements via open-source methods.
- Externalizing HILITE values to ISPF Z variables will allow CUCI to fulfill RFE 144625
 -HILITE PLI -End-of-line Comment // support and possibly assist with other languages.
- Currently, the HILITE language is unavailable through a supported programming interface.
- To satisfy RFE 144625, the HILITE language must be known externally.
- CUCI already supports // comments for GO, JAVA, JAVASCRIPT, PHP, and TYPESCRIPT, so if PLI were the known language, it would be a simple update to add it to the WHEN clause for GO, etc.

Overview

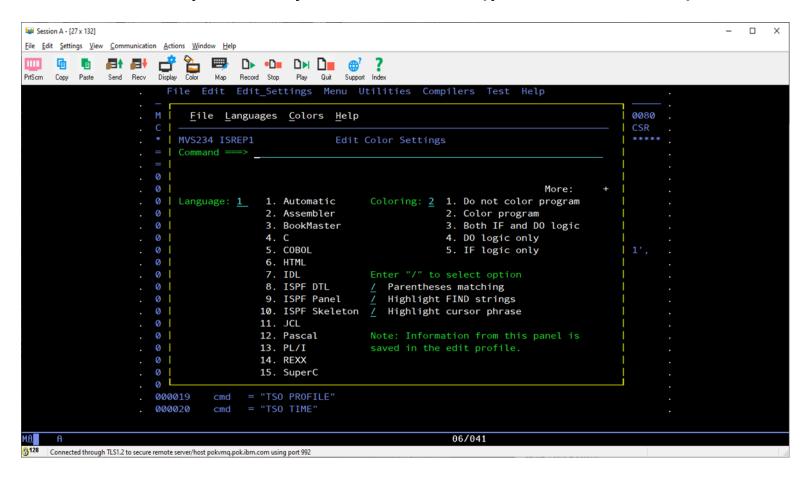
- Who (Audience)
 - System administrators
- What (Solution)
 - Make Edit Hilite options available via Z variables
- Wow (Benefit / Value, Need Addressed)
 - Externalizing these Hilite variables allows the ISPF open-source community to add their own support for any language.

Usage & Invocation (Variable Descriptions)

- The following Edit Hilite Variables will be externalized for access in the ISPF SHARED Variable Pool. These values reflect the Hilite values of the active Edit Profile:
 - > ZHIAUTO(ON/OFF) ON when AUTO language determination is enabled
 - > ZHILANG(CHAR 8) Programming LANGUAGE name
 - > **ZHICOLOR(CHAR 8)** Coloring indicator as well as DO-IF LOGIC enablement. OFF indicates HILITE is disabled regardless of all other variable settings. Values are ON,OFF, LOGIC, IFLOGIC and DOLOGIC
 - > ZHIPAREN(ON/OFF) ON when parenthesis matching is enabled, otherwise OFF
 - > **ZHIFIND(ON/OFF)** ON when Hilite FIND strings is enabled, otherwise OFF
 - > ZHICURSR(ON/OFF) ON when Hilite cursor phrase is enabled, otherwise OFF

Usage & Invocation (Hilite Panel)

 The z Hilite Variables correspond directly to the Edit Hilite Variables which are visible via the HILITE primary command (panel ISREP1) shown here:



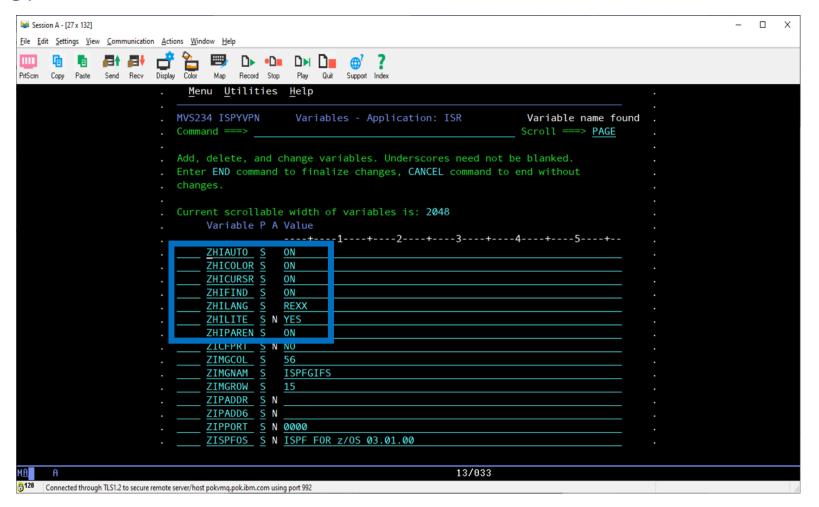
Usage & Invocation (Hilite Profile)

 The current values for the Edit Hilite variables can also be seen via the PROFILE primary command as seen in this screen shot:

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File Edit Edit_Settings Menu Utilities Compilers Test Help
                MVS234 ISREDDE2 IC.EXEC(JCL) - 01.01
                                                                         Columns 00001 00080
                                                                           Scroll ===> CSR
                 ....EXEC (FIXED - 80)....RECOVERY OFF WARN....NUMBER OFF..........
                      ....CAPS ON....HEX OFF....NULLS ON STD....TABS OFF......
                      ....AUTOSAVE ON....AUTONUM OFF....AUTOLIST OFF....STATS ON...........
                      ....PROFILE UNLOCK....IMACRO NONE....PACK OFF....NOTE ON............
                      .....HILITE JCL PAREN CURSOR FIND.......
                000005 //* JCL FOR ICN 1753
                               DD DSN=OMVS.ME.BZ,DISP=(NEW,KEEP),UNIT=3390,
                                  VOL=SER=SMSVL1, SPACE=(8000, (1,1,0)), STORCLAS=STANDARD,
                000013 //
                000014 //
                                  DCB=(RECFM=FB,BLKSIZE=8000,LRECL=80),
                                  DSNTYPE=LARGE.DSKEYLBL=ENCRYPTD.DATASETS
                000016 //*
                000017 //SYSIN
                               DD DUMMY
                                                           04/044
Connected through TLS1.2 to secure remote server/host pokvmq.pok.ibm.com using port 992
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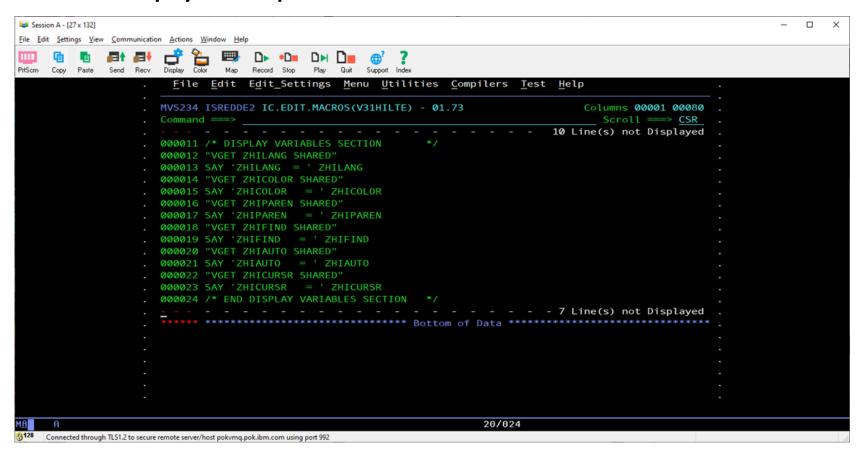
Usage & Invocation (Variable Values)

 Using the Dialog Test option, the z variables will be visible in the shared pool as seen here:



Usage & Invocation (Variables in Services)

 The z variables will be accessible using ISPF services. In this screen shot the variables are simply dumped to the console from a Rexx edit macro:



Interactions & Dependencies

- Software Dependencies
 - None
- Hardware Dependencies
 - None
- Exploiters
 - CBT Usermod Collection for ISPF (CUCI)
 - Any ISPF application that needs to programmatically retrieve the Edit HILITE settings

Upgrade & Coexistence Considerations

- To exploit this solution, all systems in the Plex must be at the new z/OS level: No
- List any toleration/coexistence APARs/PTFs: None
- List anything that doesn't work the same anymore: None
- Upgrade or coexistence concerns: None

Installation & Configuration

- The new ISPF Z variables are available by default.
- This feature was rolled back to V2R3, V2R4, and V2R5 via APAR OA62409.

Summary

 Various Edit Hilite variables have been externalized and are accessible via Z variables.

Appendix

- z/OS ISPF Publications
 - . ISPF Dialog Developers Guide and Reference SC19-3619-60
 - ISPF Dialog Tag Language Guide and Reference SC19-3620-60
 - . ISPF Edit and Edit Macros SC19-3621-60
 - ISPF Messages and Codes SC19-3622-60
 - . ISPF Planning and Customization SC19-3623-60
 - . ISPF Reference Summary SC19-3624-60
 - ISPF SCLM Guide and Reference SC19-3625-60
 - ISPF Services Guide SC19-3626-60
 - ISPF Users Guide Volume I SC19-3627-60
 - ISPF Users Guide Volume II SC19-3628-60