z/OS 3.2 IBM Education Assistant

Solution Name: DFSMSdss S3 Support Direct to Cloud

Solution Element(s): DFSMSdss

DFSMSdfp CDA (Cloud Data Access)

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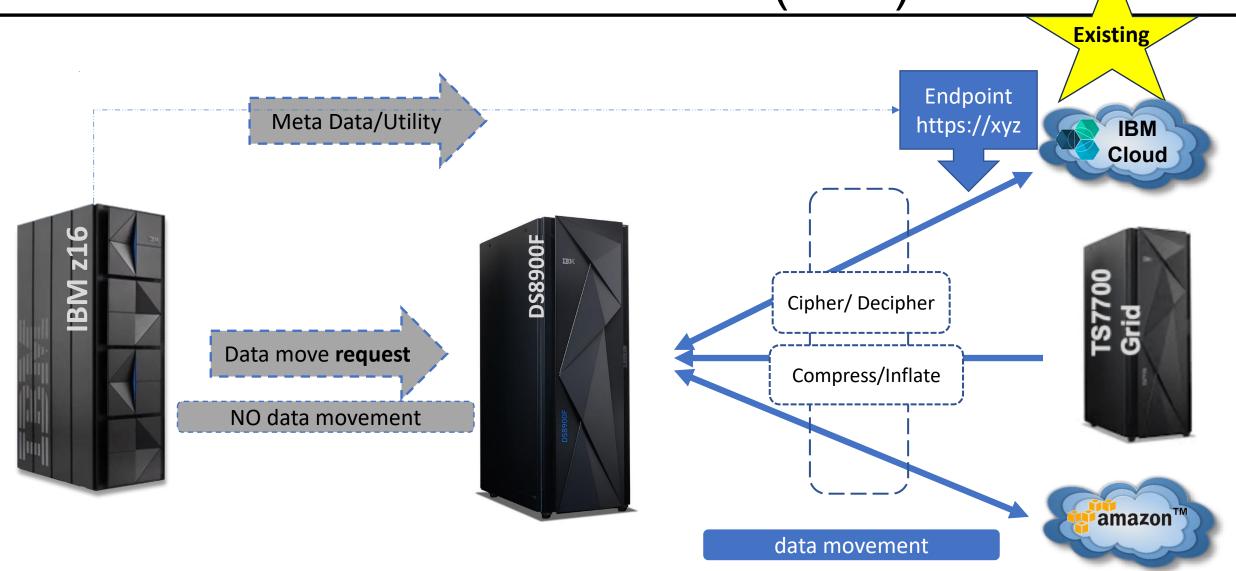
Objectives

- Why is DSS providing Direct to Cloud support
 - User-Driven flexibility in data management on the cloud
 - Cloud provider features
 - Any Cloud, not just S3/IBMCOS.
 - Microsoft Azure, Google Cloud, etc.
 - DSS has an existing Cloud solution which uses DS88000 Transparent Cloud Tiering (TCT)
 - Requires IBM Disk Storage
 - Single cloud configuration (multiple clouds may be configured)

Overview

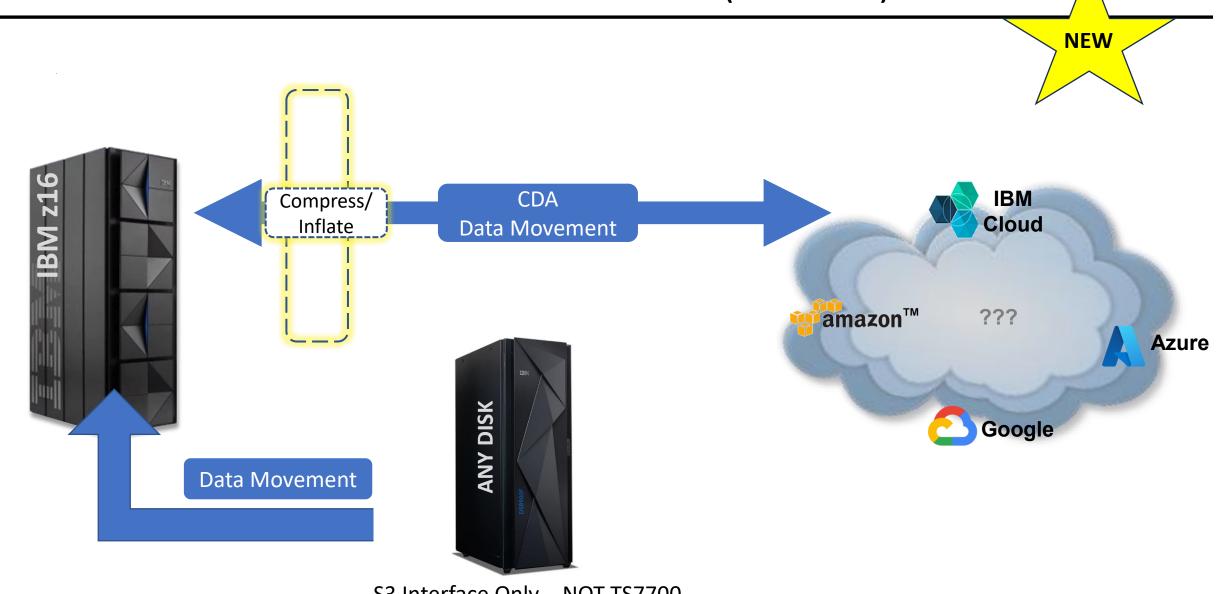
- Who (Audience)
 - As a storage administrator I want to have options for data availability strategy for my z/OS Volume and data sets.
- What (Solution)
 - I want DFSMSdss to provide a flexible method to tailoring how I want cloud object storage managed.
- Wow (Benefit / Value, Need Addressed)
 - My team has the ability to take advantage of the scalability cloud object storage provides while
 having simplified data availability choices so that I can plan how my data should be managed in
 the cloud.

Overview – DSS cloud solutions (TCT)



Must be IBM Disk storage.
Single cloud connection options

Overview – DSS cloud solutions (Direct)



Usage & Invocation - Dump

```
//STEPT01 EXEC PGM=ADRDSSU
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=*
//SYSIN DD *
DUMP FULL CLOUD mycloud -
CONTAINER(mycontainer) OBJPFX(myobjprefix) -
INDYNAM(C9SS01) —
CDAPROVIDER
```

mycloud – Traditionally describes an SMS network connection.

CDAPROVIDERFILE – Tells us to look for a CDA provider file (mycloud.json) to obtain provider connection/tailoring details.

If json file not found, returns to default behavior looking for SMS network connection.

Usage & Invocation – Dump compress

```
//STEPT01 EXEC PGM=ADRDSSU
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=*
//SYSIN DD *
DUMP FULL CLOUD(mycloud) -
CONTAINER(mycontainer) OBJPFX(myobjprefix) -
INDYNAM(C9SS01) —
CDAPROVIDER CDACOMPRESS
```

CDACOMPRESS – Requests that user data is compressed before sending to cloud object store.

Usage & Invocation - Restore

```
//STEPT01 EXEC PGM=ADRDSSU
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=*
//SYSIN DD *
RESTORE FULL CLOUD( nycloud) -
CONTAINER(mycontainer) OBJPFX(myobjprefix) -
OUTDYNAM(C9SS01) —
CDAPROVIDER
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Usage & Invocation – Restore of Compressed Backup

```
//STEPT01 EXEC PGM=ADRDSSU
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=*
//SYSIN DD *
RESTORE FULL CLOUD(mycloud) -
CONTAINER(mycontainer) OBJPFX(myobjprefix) -
OUTDYNAM(C9SS01) —
CDAPROVIDER
```

No Keyword. DSS keeps record in backup meta-data.

Usage & Invocation – CloudUtils

```
//STEPT01 EXEC PGM=ADRDSSU
//SYSPRINT DD SYSOUT=*
//SYSIN DD *
CLOUDUTILS LIST CLOUD(mycloud) -
CONTAINER(mycontainer) CDAPROVIDER
```

Usage & Invocation – CDAPROVIDERFILE PATCH

ADRPATCH byte available to make CDAPROVIDERFILE the **DEFAULT**

- No need to specify CDAPROVIDERFILE
- No JCL updates needed
- ADRPTCHB x62

Usage & Invocation – Cloud connection information

Users home directory Must be careful! Enablement • ~/gdk/providers required Common Directory •/usr/lpp/dfsms/gdk/providers SMS

Usage & Invocation – Cloud provider file

```
"enableDFSMSdss": "YES",
"host": "s3.us-west-1.amazonaws.com",
"port": "443",
"region": "us-standard",
"httpMechanism": "HTTPS",
...
}
```

enableDFSMSdss: This key-value pair must be specified.
Otherwise, file is ignored.

This is where users can *tune* the way their connection is used.

- More functionality to come.

Usage & Invocation – Cloud provider file (cont).

```
"enableDFSMSdss": "YES",
"host": "s3.us-west-1.amazonaws.com",
"port": "443",
"region": "us-standard",
"httpMechanism": "HTTPS",
tctType='TCT',
```

tctType. This tells DSS the type of TCT target (True cloud or TS7700 Cloud).

The absence of tctType tells us this is a DIRECT connection type.

Interactions & Dependencies

- Software Dependencies
 - OA66536 DFSMSdfp CDA Compression support.
 - OA66450 DFSMSdss Direct to cloud support
 - OA67394 DFSMSdss Direct to cloud Compression support
- Hardware Dependencies
 - None.
- Exploiters
 - Clients.

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.
 - Container name for DSS backups different than TCT:
 - TCT (existing): SYSZADR.
 - Direct(new): SYSZADR-

Installation & Configuration

- CDA requires some setup
 - Quick Guide: https://www.ibm.com/docs/en/zos/3.1.0?topic=configuration-system-administrator-quick-start
- CDA Credentials Storage:
 - https://www.ibm.com/docs/en/zos/3.1.0?topic=services-cloud-data-access-cloud-credential-storage
- Provider file configuration
 - Sample provider file for each provider type can be found in /usr/lpp/dfsms/gdk/samples/providers/
 - Field descriptions: https://www.ibm.com/docs/en/zos/3.1.0?topic=files-provider-file

Summary

- DSS now offers two cloud solutions (TCT and Direct)
- CDAPROVIDERFILE keyword is used to identify the new support
 - JSON contents describes solution to use.
- CDACOMPRESS results in zEDC compression services.