## z/OS 3.2 IBM Education Assistant

Solution Name: RSM – IARQUERY – PFTCADS protection

Solution Element(s): RSM, SMF

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### Trademarks

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# Objectives

- Improve system security by restricting non-authorized users view of how memory is used
- Enhance the IARQUERY macro to allow authorized invokers to obtain memory usage data

### Overview

- Who (Audience)
  - All users of z/OS 3.2
- What (Solution)
  - Introduce parmlib option to eliminate access to the PFTCADS
  - Introduce new options on IARQUERY to provide additional information about how memory is used
  - Introduce parmlib option to restrict usage of IARR2V to authorized users (or unauthorized users who have access to the storage)
  - Introduce a new SMF30 field to indicate unauthorized usage of IARR2V
- Wow (Benefit / Value, Need Addressed)
  - Enhanced security
  - Additional features on IARQUERY that ISVs requested
    - · More accurate representation of how memory is used

# Usage & Invocation

- New IARQUERY macro options
- New iarquaa\_RRImplicitlyFixed for REQINFO=REAL

# Usage & Invocation – details 1

#### REQINFO=VIRTUAL

- Provide information about a virtual range
- Provides information about the backing real storage (if the virtual is backed) similar to what REQINFO=REAL would return
- VIRTUALINFO=YES option will attempt to return additional information, even when the page is not backed in real
- Possible applications:
  - Check the fix count of a page or check that a page is implicitly fixed
  - Check whether a page of storage has been shared

#### REQINFO=DSFRAMECOUNT

- Returns frame counts for either all the data spaces owned by an address space or just 1 data space
- Also returns some additional attributes of the data spaces like the NAME, STOKEN, scope etc.

#### REQINFO=LOCALCOUNTS

• Returns address space level frame usage counts

# Usage & Invocation – details 2

- REQINFO=GLOBALCOUNTS
  - Provide system wide information about frame usage
- REQINFO=CONFIGCOUNTS
  - Returns the amount of online and offline real storage
- REQINFO=DIVCOUNTS
  - Returns DIV mapped (or USS mapped) pages backed in real

# Interactions & Dependencies

- Software Dependencies
  - None
- Hardware Dependencies
  - None
- Exploiters
  - ISVs will exploit IARQUERY

# Upgrade & Coexistence Considerations

- To exploit this solution, all systems in the Plex must be at the new z/OS level: No
- Unless the new parmlib options in IARPRMxx are used (set to YES), there are no changes 3.1 behavior

# Installation & Configuration

- IARPRMxx
  - RESTRICTPFTCADS=NO|YES
  - IARR2V\_REQAUTH=NO|YES
- IBM recommends that you do not enable these settings without first getting assurances from your ISVs that they their products are not impacted.
- SMF30\_UnauthCaller can be used to determine whether there are any violations of the IARR2V restriction

# Summary

- New IARPRMxx statements are introduced to enhance security
  - Eliminate access to the PFTCADS
  - Restrict usage of IARR2V to authorized callers or callers who can access the storage
- IARQUERY is enhanced to allow users to obtain information about real storage usage that they would previously been able to obtain through direct access to the PFTCADS

## Appendix

- z/OS MVS Initialization and Tuning Reference
- z/OS MVS Authorized Assembler Services Reference volume 2
- z/OS MVS System Management Facilities (SMF)

# Appendix – IARQUERY macro syntax

IARQUERY D REQINFO=REAL ,INSTARTADDR=xinstartaddr ,INCOUNT4K=xincount4k ,OUTANSAREA=xoutansarea ,INANSLEN=xinanslen Ý, INSTOKEN=»×instoken|0° Ý, INCLUDEDS=»NO|YES°... ,REQINFO=VIRTUAL ,INSTARTADDR=xinstartaddr ,INCOUNT4K=xincount4k ,OUTANSAREA=xoutansarea ,INANSLEN=xinanslen ĐÝ, VIRTUALINFO=NO Ý, INALET=»×inalet|0°" Ý, SERIALIZE=»YES|NO°... ¿Ý, VIRTUALINFO=YES Ý, INSTOKENPRIMARY =>xinstokenprimary|PR IMARYSPACE \*\*\*\* Ö ,REQINFO=DSFRAMECOUNT .OUTANSAREA=xoutansarea ,INANSLEN=xinanslen Ý, INSTOKENPRIMARY =>xinstokenprimary|PRIMAR YSPACE \*\*\* .REQINFO=LOCALCOUNTS ,OUTANSAREA=xoutansarea ,INANSLEN=xinanslen Ý, INSTOKENPRIMARY =>xinstokenprimary|PRIMAR YSPACE \*\*\* .REQINFO=GLOBALCOUNTS .OUTANSAREA=xoutansarea ,INANSLEN=xinanslen 0 ,REQINFO=CONFIGCOUNTS .OUTANSAREA=xoutansarea ,INANSLEN=xinanslen ¿ ,REQINFO=DIVCOUNTS ,OUTANSAREA=xoutansarea ,INANSLEN=xinanslen Ý.INSTOKENPRIMARY =>xinstokenprimary|PRIMAR YSPACE \*\*\* Ý,RETCODE=×retcode¨ Ý.RSNCODE=xrsncode PLISTVER=>xplistver|IMPLIED\_VERSION°"

# Appendix – IARQUERY output - VIRTUAL 1

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Usage <u>n</u>otes:

    For VIRTUALINFO=NO, if Iarquaa VrValidInReal = 0 and

    Iarquaa_VrI0InProgress = 0 then the only
    valid fields are:
      (1) Iarquaa_VrVsa
      (2) Iarquaa_VrRangeSize
    Iarquaa VrVirtInfoFlags is never set regardless of the
    value Iarquaa_VrValidInReal.
  - For VIRTUALINFO=YES, if Iarquaa_VrValidInReal = 0 and
    Iarquaa_VrI0InProgress = 0 then there is no frame
    associated with this page and all frame related data is
    not returned, except for FrameSize which is the set to
    the expected size of the frame if it were in real. Also
    note that virtual information may still be returned.
                      AIF
                            ('&DSECT' EQ 'YES').L001C
Iarquaa_VirtualRecord DS
                      AGO
                            .L001D
.L001C
                      ANOP
Iarquaa_VirtualRecord DSECT
L001D
                      ANOP
Iarquaa_VrStdHdr
                      DS
                            CL8
                                   Standard record header
                      ORG
                            Iarquaa_VrStdHdr
Iarquaa_VrRecordType DS
                            CL2
                                   Version
Iarquaa_VrVersion
                      DS
                      DS
                           CL1
                                   Unused
Iarquaa VrLen
                      DS
                                   Length of this record
Tarquaa_VrNextOffset DS
                                   Offset from the start of this
                                   record to the start of the next
                                   Iarquaa_VirtualRecord. Zero if no
                                   next record.
Iarquaa_VrRSA
                      DS
                            AD
                                   Real address associated with the
                                   page. Set when
                                   Iarquaa_VrValidInReal or
                                   Iarquaa_VrI0InProgress is set.
                                   Otherwise, there is no backing real
Iarquaa_VrVSA
                            AD
                                   VSA
Iarquaa_VrShareToken DS
                           CL8
                                   Set when either (1)
                                   IARQUAA_VrValidInReal (or
                                   Iarquaa VrIOInProgress) is set and
                                   Iarquaa_VrUsage=Iarquaa_kU
                                   sageSharedGroup or when
                                   Iarquaa_VrVirtualInfoObtained and
                                   Iarquaa_VrShareGroup is on
Iarquaa_VrRangeSize DS
                                   Amount of virtual storage in 4k
                            FL8
                                   units that this record represents.
                                   Each 4k unit has the same
                                   attributes except that the VSA (if
                                   applicable) increases by 4k for
                                   each unit.
```

# Appendix – IARQUERY output - VIRTUAL 2

arquaa_VrFlags2	DS	В	Flag byte 2
Bit definitions:			
[arquaa_VrTransition	EQU	X'80'	Frame is in transition from one * state to another
	ORG	Iarqua	a_VrFlags+2
arquaa_VrOwningAsid	DS	BL2	0 for common and shared. For 31 +
			share segments, contains the Asid *
			associated with the source data *
			space. Set when either *
			Iarquaa_VrValidInReal (or *
			<pre>Iarquaa_VrIoInProgress) is set or *</pre>
			Iarquaa_VrVirtualInfoObtained is *
			set. Otherwise, value is unknown.
arquaa_VrRealStorage	Data1	DS CL8	Below fields only valid when *
			<pre>Iarquaa_VrValidInReal (or *</pre>
			<pre>Iarquaa_VrIoInProgress) is set.</pre>
	ORG	Iarqua	a_VrRealStorageData1
arquaa_VrFixCount	DS	F	Fix count.
arquaa_VrFrameType	DS	BL2	Frame type flags
	ORG	Iarqua	a_VrFrameType
arquaa_VrFrameType1	DS	В	Frame Type Flag 1
arquaa_VrFrameType2	DS	В	Frame Type Flag 2
arquaa_VrUsage	DS	н	Frame usage
arquaa_VrFrameSize	DS	×	Frame size or page size. Will be *
			zero if the frame size is unknown. *
			Set when Iarquaa_VrValidInReal (or *
			Iarquaa_VrI0InProgress) or *
			(Iarquaa_VrVirtualInfoObtained & *
			<pre>Iarquaa_VrAllocated). Possibly set *</pre>
			in other instances where *
			<pre>Iarquaa_VrAllocated is not set, but *</pre>
arquaa_VrKeyFP	DS	В	the frame size is still known. Key and Fetch Protect status. Valid *
.arquaa_vrkeyFF	03	В	when Iarquaa_VrKeyFpValid is set
Bit definitions:			when larquaa_vrkeyrpvalld is set
arquaa_VrKey	EQU	X'FØ'	Storage key
arquaa_vrkey arquaa VrFP	EQU	X'08'	Storage key Storage is fetch protected
arquaa_VTTT	EQU	X'01'	Storage key and fetch protect +
ar quad_vr keyr rutru	240		status are valid (set when *
			Iarquaa VrValidInReal, +
			Iarquaa_VrIoInProgress or +
			(Iarquaa VrVirtualInfoObtained and *
			either Iarquaa_VrAllocated is set *
			or Iarquaa_VrUsage=Iarq +
			uaa_kUsageFreemained)
	DS	CL2	
	DS	CL8	
arquaa_VrVirtInfoFla		CL8	
ORG			a_VrVirtInfoFlags
arquaa_VrVirtInfoFlags1 DS		В	When VirtualInfo=YES, *
			<pre>Iarquaa_VrVirtualInfoObtained is *</pre>
			not set in the following cases: (1) *
			Certain 31-bit private segment *
			invalid cases (2) Certain dataspace *
			segment invalid cases

# Appendix – IARQUERY output – VIRTUAL 3

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status are valid (set when
                                  Iarquaa_VrValidInReal,
                                  Iarquaa VrIoInProgress or
                                  (Iarquaa_VrVirtualInfoObtained and
                                  either Iarquaa VrAllocated is set
                                  or Iarquaa_VrUsage=Iarq
                                  uaa_kUsageFreemained)
                     DS
                           CL2
                     DS
                           CL8
arquaa_VrVirtInfoFlags DS
                           CL8
                           Iarquaa_VrVirtInfoFlags
Iarquaa_VrVirtInfoFlags1 DS B
                                  When VirtualInfo=YES,
                                  Iarquaa_VrVirtualInfoObtained is
                                  not set in the following cases: (1)
                                  Certain 31-bit private segment
                                  invalid cases (2) Certain dataspace *
                                  segment invalid cases
  Bit definitions:
Iarquaa_VrVirtualInfo0btained EQU X'80' Indicates that virtual
                                  information was obtained and the
                                  other bits in
                                  Iarquaa_VrVirtInfoFlags were
                                  properly set.
Iarquaa_VrAllocated EQU X'40'
                                  Page is in use. For 64 bit storage
                                  this indicates there is a memory
                                  object that contains the address.
                                  For data spaces this means the
                                  address is within the data space
                                  limits. For 24/31 bit storage it
                                  indicates that the page is either
                                  permanent (like the nucleus),
                                  storage obtained or system
                                  allocated for some other reason
Iarquaa VrIEP
                     EQU X'20'
                                  Page is subject to IEP protection
Iarquaa VrHiddenGuarded EQU X'10' Page is hidden or guarded
Iarquaa_VrStoreProtected EQU X'04' Page is store protected
Iarquaa_VrVirtInfoFlags2 DS B
  Bit definitions:
arguaa VrOnDASD
                     EQU X'80'
                                  Page is on DASD AUX storage
arquaa_Vr0nSCM
                     EQU X'40'
                                  Page is on SCM AUX storage
[arquaa_VrSharedGroup EQU
                           X'20'
                                  Page is in a Shared Group and
                                  Iarquaa_VrShareToken contains the
                                  share token
[arquaa_Vr0nDIV
                                  Page is on a DIV object or USS
                                  mapped file
Iarquaa_VrVIO
                     EQU
                           X'08'
                                  Page is a VIO Page
Iarquaa_VrMapped
                     E0U X'04'
                                  Page is DIV or USS mapped
Iarquaa_VrOnVioDataset EQU X'01' Page is on a VIO dataset.
Iarquaa_VrVirtInfoFlags3 DS B
Iarquaa_VrVirtInfoFlags4 DS B
                     ORG
                          Iarquaa_VrVirtInfoFlags+8
                     DS
                           CL32 Reserved for future use.
Iarquaa VrVersion1
                     EQU 1
                                  HBB77FØ
Iarquaa VrVersionCurrent EQU 1
                                  Current Version
Iarquaa_VirtualRecord_Len EQU *-Iarquaa_VirtualRecord
```

### Appendix – IARQUERY output - DSFRAMECOUNT

```
Local Data space count record
   Returned by IARQUERY REQINFO=DsFrameCount
                    AIF
                          ('&DSECT' EQ 'YES').L0020
Iarquaa_DsCtrRecord
                    DS
                    AG0
                          .L0021
 L0020
                    ANOP
Iarquaa_DsCtrRecord
                    DSECT
L0021
                    ANOP
Iarquaa_DsCtrStdHdr
                    DS
                          CL8
                                 Standard record header
                    ORG
                          Iarquaa_DsCtrStdHdr
Iarquaa_DsCtrRecordType DS CL2
Iarquaa_DsCtrVersion DS
                                 Version
                          CL1
                    DS
                                 Unused
                    DS
Iarquaa_DsCtrLen
                                 Length of this record
Iarquaa_DsCtrNextOffset DS H
                                 Offset from the start of this
                                 record to the start of the next
                                 record. Zero if no next record.
Iarquaa_DsCtrOwnersStoken DS CL8
                                STOKEN of the owning address space
Iarquaa_DsCtrFlags
                          CL4
                    ORG
                          Iarquaa_DsCtrFlags
Iarquaa_DsCtrScope
                   DS
Iarquaa_DsCtrKeyFP
                    DS
                          в
Iarquaa_DsCtrFlags1
                   DS
                          CL1
  Bit definitions:
Iarquaa_DsctrScrollHiperspace EQU X'80' Space is a scroll hiperspace
Iarquaa_DsctrCacheHiperspace EQU X'40' Space is a Cache Hiperspace
Iarquaa_DsctrCastoutNo EQU X'20'
                                Space is not a CASTOUT=YES Cache
                                 hiperspace
Iarquaa_DsctrDref
                    EQU
                                 Pages for the space are DREF
Iarquaa Dsctr1MPage
                    EQU
                                 Pages for the space may be
                                 formatted as 1M
                          Iarquaa DsCtrFlags+4
Iarquaa_DsCtrDsname DS
                          CL8
                                 The name of the data space
Iarquaa_DsCtrDsStoken DS
                          CL8
                                 The STOKEN of the data space
Iarquaa_DsCtr4KFrameCount DS F
                                 Count of 4K frames backing data in
                                 the space, as well as DAT tables.
Iarquaa_DsCtr1MFrameCount DS F
                                 Count of 1M frames backing data in
                                 the space
Iarquaa DsCtrMaxBlocks DS F
                                 Maximum size possible for this data
                                 space (in units of blocks). the
                                 current size of the dataspace can
                                 never be extended.
Iarquaa DsCtrMaxVsa DS
                                 Maximum virtual storage address for
                                 this data space at its current
                                 size.
                    DS
                                 Reserved for future use.
Iarquaa DsCtrVersion1 EQU 1
                                 HBB77FØ
Iarquaa_DsCtrVersionCurrent EQU 1 Current Version
Iarquaa DsCtrRecord Len EQU *-Iarquaa DsCtrRecord
```

## Appendix – IARQUERY output - LOCALCOUNTS

```
Local count record
   Returned by IARQUERY REQINFO=LocalCounts
                     AIF
                           ('&DSECT' EQ 'YES').L0024
                     DS
Iarquaa_LCtrRecord
                     AGO
                           .LØØ25
L0024
                     ANOP
[arquaa_LCtrRecord
                     DSECT
L0025
                     ANOP
[arquaa_LCtrStdHdr
                     DS
                                  Standard record header
                     ORG
                           Iarquaa LCtrStdHdr
Iarquaa_LCtrRecordType DS
                           CL2
                     DS
Tarquaa LCtrVersion
                                  Version
                     DS
                           CL1
                                  Unused
Iarquaa_LCtrLen
                     DS
                           н
                                  Length of this record
Iarquaa_LCtrNextOffset DS
                                  Offset from the start of this
                                  record to the start of the next
                                  record. Zero if no next record.
Tarquaa_LCtrOwnersStoken DS CL8
                                  STOKEN of the owning address space
Tarquaa LCtrFixedFrames DS FL8
                                  Number of frames in 4K units that
                                  are fixed in the address space
[arquaa_LCtrFixed24Frames DS FL8
                                  Number of frames in 4K units that
                                  are fixed below 16M
Iarquaa_LCtrFixedLSQAFrames DS FL8 Number of fixed LSQA frames owned
                                  by the address space
Iarquaa_LCtrDrefFrames DS FL8
                                  Number of DREF frames in real
                                  storage
Iarquaa_LCtrFixed31Frames DS FL8
                                  Number of frames in 4k units
                                  between 16M and 2G that are fixed
Iarquaa_LCtr1MPagesBackedInReal DS FL8 Number of 1M pages backed in
                                  real
Iarquaa_LCtr2GPagesBackedInReal DS FL8 Number of 2G pages backed in
                     DS
                           CL32
                                  Reserved for future use.
Iarquaa_LCtrVersion1 EQU 1
                                  HBB77FØ
Iarquaa_LCtrVersionCurrent EQU 1 Current Version
larquaa_LCtrRecord_Len EQU *-Iarquaa_LCtrRecord
```

#### Appendix – IARQUERY output - GLOBALCOUNTS

```
Global count record
   Returned by IARQUERY REQINFO=GlobalCounts
                          ('&DSECT' EQ 'YES').L0028
Iarquaa_GctrRecord
                     DS
                          ØD
                     AGO
                           .L0029
LØØ28
                     ANOP
[arquaa_GctrRecord
                     DSECT
L0029
                     ANOP
Iarquaa_GctrStdHdr
                     DS
                          CL8
                                 Standard record header
                          Iarquaa_GctrStdHdr
                     ORG
                          CL2
Iarquaa_GctrRecordType DS
                                 Version
Iarquaa_GctrVersion DS
                          ×
                     DS
                          CL1
                                 Unused
Iarquaa_GctrLen
                     DS
                          Н
                                 Length of this record
Iarquaa_GctrNextOffset DS
                                 Offset from the start of this
                                 record to the start of the next
                                 record. Zero if no next record.
                          FL8
Iarquaa_GctrCsaFrames DS
                                 Count of 4k frames backing CSA
Iarquaa_GctrCsaFixedFrames DS FL8 Count of 4k fixed frames backing
                                 CSA
Iarquaa GctrPlpaFrames DS
                                 Number of PLPA frames backed in
                                 real
Iarquaa GctrPlpaFixedFrames DS FL8 Number of fixed PLPA frames
Iarquaa_GctrSqaFrames DS
                          FL8
                                 Number of SQA frames backed in real
                          FL8
                                 Number of LSQA frames backed in
Iarquaa_GctrLsqaFrames DS
                                 real
Iarquaa_GctrSqaDrefFrames DS FL8
                                 Number of DREF SQA frames backed in *
Iarquaa_GctrLsqaDrefFrames DS FL8 Total DREF real storage in use
                                 across all address spaces
                     DS
                          CL32 Reserved for future use.
Iarquaa GCtrVersion1 EQU 1
                                 HBB77FØ
Iarquaa_GctrRecord_Len EQU *-Iarquaa_GctrRecord
L0026
                     ANOP
```

## Appendix – IARQUERY output - CONFIGCOUNTS

```
Configuration Count record
   Returned by IARQUERY REQINFO=CONFIGCOUNTS
                     AIF
                           ('&DSECT' EQ 'YES').L002C
Iarquaa CctrRecord
                     DS
                           ØD
                     AG0
                           . LØØ2D
L002C
                     ANOP
Tarquaa CctrRecord
                     DSECT
L002D
                     ANOP
Iarquaa_CCtrStdHdr
                     DS
                           CL8
                                  Standard record header
                     ORG
                           Iarquaa CCtrStdHdr
Iarquaa_CCtrRecordType DS
                           CL2
Iarquaa CCtrVersion
                                  Version
                     DS
                           CL1
                                  Unused
Iarquaa_CCtrLen
                     DS
                                  Length of this record
Iarquaa_CCtrNextOffset DS
                                  Offset from the start of this
                                  record to the start of the next
                                   record. Zero if no next record.
Iarquaa_CCtrOnlineFrames DS FL8
                                  Number of online frames in 4k
                                  units. This is for the entire
                                  system, including Dedicated Memory
Iarquaa_CCtrOfflineFrames DS FL8
                                  Number of offline frames in 4k
                                  units. This is for the entire
                                  system, indluding Dedicated Memory
                           CL32
                                  Reserved for future use.
arquaa CCtrVersion1 EQU 1
                                  HBB77FØ
Iarquaa_CCtrVersionCurrent EQU 1 Current Version
larquaa_CctrRecord_Len EQU *-Iarquaa_CctrRecord
L002A
                     ANOP
                     AIF
                           ('&Iarquaa_DivCtrRecord' EQ 'NO').L002E
                            ('&DSECT' EO 'VES') LOGRE
```

# Appendix – IARQUERY output - DIVCOUNTS

```
DIV Count record
   Returned by IARQUERY REQINFO=DIVCOUNTS
  AIF
                         ('&DSECT' EQ 'YES').L0030
                    DS
Iarquaa_DivCtrRecord
                         ØD
                    AG0
                          .L0031
L0030
                    ANOP
Iarquaa_DivCtrRecord DSECT
L0031
                    ANOP
Iarquaa_DivCtrStdHdr DS
                          CL8
                                Standard record header
                    ORG
                         Iarquaa_DivCtrStdHdr
Iarquaa_DivCtrRecordType DS CL2
Iarquaa_DivCtrVersion DS
                                Version
                    DS
                         CL1
                                Unused
Iarquaa_DIVCtrLen
                    DS
                         н
                                Length of record
Iarquaa_DivCtrNextOffset DS H
                                Offset from the start of this
                                record to the start of the next
                                record. Zero if no next record.
                         CL8
Iarquaa_DivCtrStoken DS
Iarquaa_DivCtrFlags DS
                         CL8
Iarquaa_DivCtrASFrames DS
                         FL8
                                Number of frames backing DIV mapped
                                address space pages in 4k units
                                Number of frames backing DIV mapped
Iarquaa_DivCtrDSFrames DS
                         FL8
                                data space pages in 4k units
                    DS
                         CL32
                                Reserved for future use.
Iarquaa_DivCtrVersion1 EQU 1
                                HBB77FØ
Iarquaa_DivCtrVersionCurrent EQU 1 Current Version
Iarquaa_DivCtrRecord_Len EQU *-Iarquaa_DivCtrRecord
```