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RUN, CHECK, PRINT

The challenge will introduce you to SDSF, a very common utility used for view active jobs, joblog output, and printing - as well as many other services.

You will see some similarities with the JOBS view from the VSCode Zowe extension that you used in the Fundamentals challenges.

The Challenge

Get yourself introduced in the possibilities of SDSF. Run a Job, Check the status and process the output.

Before You Begin

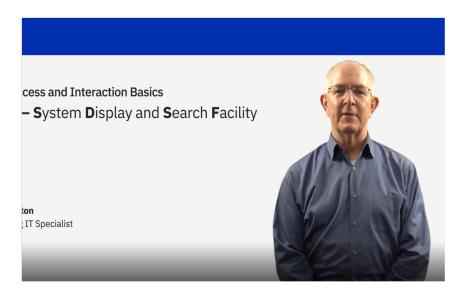
Make sure you are familiar with ISPF, Datasets and JCL jobs.

Investment

Steps	Duration	
9	45 minutes	



1 SDFS - TO GET YOU STARTED



Check out this 8-minute video in which Paul Newton (Master the Mainframe) gives a great introduction to <u>SDSF</u>

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2 LET'S INVIESTIGATE

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<u>M</u>enu <u>U</u>tilities <u>C</u>ompilers <u>O</u>ptions <u>S</u>tatus <u>H</u>elp
                                ISPF Primary Option Menu
                                                   More:
9 Settings
                                                                    User ID . : Z99996
                    Terminal and user parameters
   View
                    Display source data or listings
                                                                    Time. . . : 06:46
                    Create or change source data
Perform utility functions
   Edit
                                                                    Terminal: : 3278
   Utilities
                                                                    Screen. . : 1
                   Interactive language processing
Submit job for language processing
Enter TSO or Workstation commands
                                                                   Language. : ENGLISH
Appl ID . : ISR
   Foreground
   Batch
                                                                    TSO logon: DBPROCCG
   Command
                                                                   TSO prefix: Z99996
System ID : SOW1
                   Perform dialog testing
   Dialog Test
                   Library administrator functions
   LM Facility
                    IBM program development products
   IBM Products
                                                                    MVS acct. : FB3
10 SCLM
                    SW Configuration Library Manager
                                                                    Release . : ISPF 7.4
11 Workplace
                    ISPF Object/Action Workplace
                    ----- Other Install Products -----
SD SDSF
                    System Display and Search Facility
IP IPCS
Option ===> sd
F2=Split
                    Inter Problem Control Facility
                                F3=Exit
                                               F7=Backward F8=Forward F9=Swap
F10=Actions F12=Cancel
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Logon to TSO and navigate to your ISPF Primary Option Menu.

Enter **SD** on the "Option ===>" line to open up the SDSF main panel.

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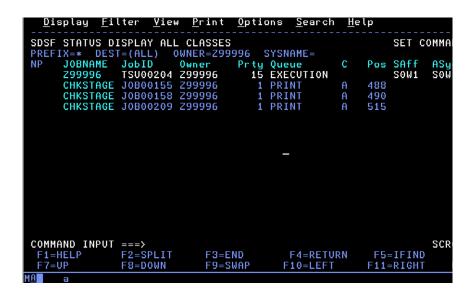
3 SDSF MAIN MENU

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<u>D</u>isplay <u>F</u>ilter <u>V</u>iew <u>P</u>rint <u>O</u>ptions <u>S</u>earch <u>H</u>elp
                                                               LINE 1-19 (64)
SDSF MENU V2R4M0
                      SVSCPLEX SOW1
     NAME
                Description
                                                       Status
                                             Group
                Active users
                                             Jobs
                Input Queue
                                             Jobs
                Output Queue
                                             Output
                Held output Queue
Status of jobs
                                             Output
                                             Jobs
JES
                Job groups
System symbols
     SYM
                                             System
     LOG
                System log
                                             Log
                                            JES
JES
WLM
WLM
                System requests
     MAS
                Members in the MAS
     JC
SE
RES
                Job classes
                Scheduling environments
                WLM resources
     ENC
                Enclaves
     PS
SYS
                Processes
                                             OMVS
                System information
                                             System
     ENQ
                Enqueues
                                             System
COMMAND INPUT ===>
                                                                       SCROLL ===>
                                             F4=RETURN
 F1=HELP
                F2=SPLIT
                               F3=END
                                                           F5=IFIND
                                                                           F6=B00K
                               F9=SWAP
                F8=DOWN
                                            F10=LEFT
                                                           F11=RIGHT
                                                                           F12=RETRIEVE
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Commands are available in SDSF to limit view to only input, execution, and output owned by your userid.

owner z#####	Instructs SDSF to limit view to what your userid owns	
prefix z*	Instructs SDSF only show items beginning with z owned by your ID.	
St	Instructs SDSF to provide status of entries based upon owner and prefix values	
;	semicolon is a command separator. All commands separated by ; in the command stream are executed. e.g. ST;SORT JOBID A	

4 CUSTOMIZE YOUR SDSF VIEWS

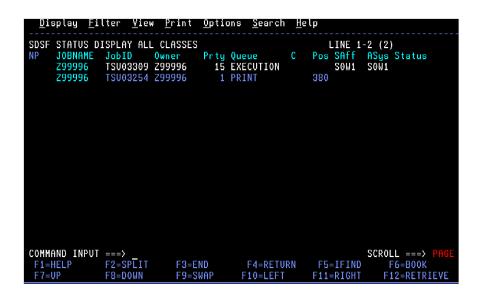


Type the following command on the **COMMAND INPUT ===>** Line:

set display on

This will show you the active filters (job prefix, owner, etc.).

5 SUBMIT AND MONITOR JOB



You can submit a JCL job by entering the tso submit command in the **COMMAND INPUT ===>** field as follows:

tso submit 'zxp.public.jcl(CHKTSO4)'

A message **SUBMITTED**, and another message indicating the job completed successfully with MAXCC=0000 are displayed - enter **0** to see the completed jobs.

6 CHECK YOUR WORK

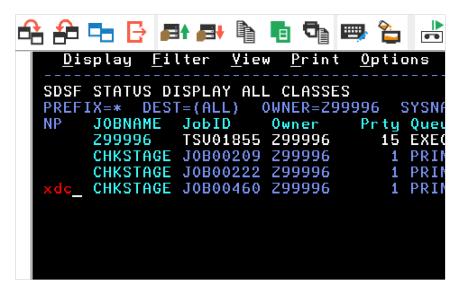


The result is a status of your TSO session which is in EXECUTION Queue.

Select the joblog output by putting an \mathbf{s} in front of it. This opens the output file. Use F8 to scroll down and observe the final status of your job.

Note: It might be necessary to refresh the display with an extra enter for the JOBNAME to appear.

7 PRINT IT



The next step is to print the output to a dataset member, to save the output information. Joblogs are regularly cleared from the system to free "spool" space, so if you want to keep output, you will need to save it or print it.

Type xdc in front of the JOBNAME and press Enter.

8 SAVE IT

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CHKSTAGE JOB00460
                                SDSF Open
Data set name ===> output
Member to use
                 ===> TSO4
Disposition
                 ===> SHR
                                   (OLD, N
Management class
                        ===>
Storage class
                        ===>
  Volume serial
                        ===>
  Device type
Data class
                        ===>
  Space units
                        ===>
  Primary quantity ===>
Secondary quantity ===>
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On the next screen you need to type the Dataset where you want to save the joblog file.

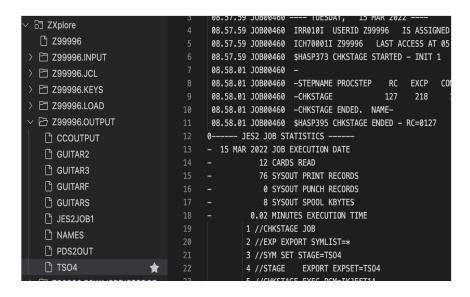
You should use your **OUTPUT** dataset.

The name of the member is to save to is TSO4.

Select SHR as the disposition value and press Enter.

The output of the job will be written to your OUTPUT(TSO4) dataset member.

9 WHAT TYPE ARE YOU?



Now use your favorite way of checking if the member is there.

Which would you use? The 3270 terminal or VSCode?

It's up to you ...

Nice job - let's recap	Next up
Congratulations! You just finished your first steps in SDSF. You ran a JCL job, checked the Job output and saved the output in a dataset member. Imagine the possibilities when you run a dozen jobs at the same time	Let's continue with TS05 - debugging JCL with SDSF.