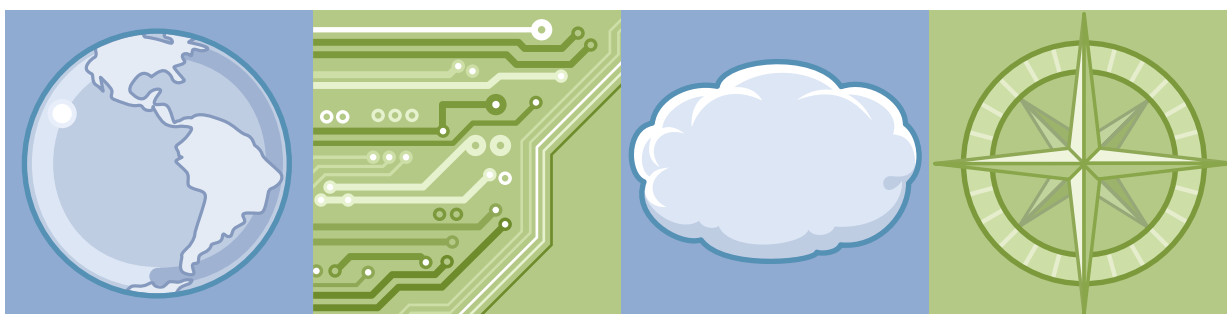


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Numerics

A

AC:

See *Alternating Current*.

Access:

- 1) To obtain computing services or data.
- 2) In computer security, a specific type of interaction between a subject and an object that results in flow of information from one to the other.

Access-any mode:

One of the two access modes that can be set for the storage system during initial configuration. It enables all Fibre Channel-attached host systems with no defined access profile to access all logical volumes on the storage system. With a profile defined in DS8000 Storage Management GUI for a particular host, that host has access only to volumes that are assigned to the WWPN for that host. See also *pseudo host* and *worldwide port name*.

Access Control Lists (ACLs):

Are used to control access to files and directories by individual user (UID) and group (GID). ACLs are used in conjunction with permission bits.

ACK:

See *request for acknowledgment and acknowledgment*.

Adaptive Multi-stream Prefetching (AMP):

An autonomic, workload-responsive, self-optimizing prefetching technology that adapts the amount of prefetch and the timing of prefetch on a per-application basis to maximize the performance of the system.

Adaptive Replacement Cache (ARC):

A page replacement algorithm with better performance than LRU (Least Recently Used). This is accomplished by keeping track of both frequently used and recently used pages plus a recent eviction history for both.

Address space:

Is the amount of memory allocated for all possible addresses for a computational entity, such as a device, a file, a server, or a networked computer.

Advanced Encryption Standard (AES):

Is a symmetric block cipher used by the US government to protect classified information and is implemented in software and hardware throughout the world to encrypt sensitive data. A block cipher is a method of encrypting text (to produce ciphertext) in which a cryptographic key and algorithm are applied to a block of data (for example, 63 contiguous bits) at once as a group rather than to 1 bit at a time.

Agent:

A program that automatically initiates some service without user intervention or on a regular schedule. See also *subagent*.

Alert:

A message or log that a storage system generates as the result of error event collection and analysis. An alert indicates that a service action is required.

Aliases:

The number of parallel access volumes (PAVs) defined to be used by a particular volume, or, when HyperPAV is enabled, any volume within the LSS.

All-Flash configuration:

A high-performance storage configuration that supports only high-performance flash enclosures.

Allegiance:

For IBM Z products, a relationship that is created between a device and one or more channel paths during the processing of certain conditions. See also *implicit allegiance*, and *reserved allegiance*.

ALLOCATE command (In UNIX):

Use the **ALLOCATE** command to dynamically allocate VSAM, non-VSAM, and Hierarchical File System (HFS) data sets.

Allocated storage:

The space that is allocated to volumes but not yet assigned. Contrast with *assigned storage*.

Allocation method:

The means by which capacity is allocated for volumes from within a pool. Possible values include rotate capacity, rotate volumes, and managed.

Alternating Current (AC):

A type of electrical current, in which the direction of the flow of electrons switches back and forth at regular intervals or cycles. Current flowing in power lines and normal household electricity that comes from a wall outlet is alternating current. The standard current used in the US is 60 cycles per second (that is, a frequency of 60 Hz); in Europe and most other parts of the world it is 50 cycles per second (that is, a frequency of 50 Hz.).

American National Standards Institute (ANSI):

A private, nonprofit organization whose membership includes private companies, US government agencies, and professional, technical, trade, labor, and consumer

organizations. ANSI coordinates the development of voluntary consensus standards in the US

American Standard Code for Information Interchange (ASCII):

Is the most common format for text files in computers and on the Internet. In an ASCII file, each alphabetic, numeric, or special character is represented with a 7-bit binary number (a string of seven 0s or 1s). 128 possible characters are defined.

AMP:

See *Adaptive Multi-stream Prefetching*.

Another Network Block Device (ANBD):

Is a compatible NBD (Network Block Device) extension from 2003. It supports multithreading and promises better error messages than its predecessor.

Anonymous:

In the DS8000 Storage Management GUI, the label on an icon that represents all connections that are using Fibre Channel adapters between the storage system and hosts but are not completely defined to the storage system. See also *anonymous host*, *pseudo host*, and *access-any mode*.

Anonymous host:

Synonym for *pseudo host*. Contrast with *anonymous* and *pseudo host*.

ANSI:

See *American National Standards Institute*.

AOS:

See *Assist On Site*.

APAR (Authorized Program Analysis Report):

A request for correction of a problem caused by a defect in a current release of a program unaltered by the user.

Application programming interface (API):

Is a set of routines, protocols, and tools for building software applications. An API specifies how software components should interact and APIs are used when programming graphical user interface (GUI) components.

Application Specific Integrated Circuit (ASIC):

Is a microchip designed for a special application, such as a particular kind of transmission protocol or a hand-held computer.

Arbitrated loop:

For Fibre Channel connections, a topology that enables the interconnection of a set of nodes. See also *point-to-point connection* and *switched fabric*.

ARC:

See *Adaptive Replacement Cache*.

Array:

A structure that contains an ordered collection of elements of the same data type in which each element can be referenced by its index value or ordinal position in the collection. In the storage system, an array is a group of disks that the user designates to be managed by the RAID technique. See also *Redundant Array of Independent Disk (RAID)*.

Array site:

A group of identical drives (same capacity, speed, and drive class). Which drives from an array site is predetermined automatically by the DS8000. There is no predetermined processor node affinity for array sites. Array sites are the building blocks that are used to define arrays.

ASCII:

See *American Standard Code for Information Interchange*.

ASIC:

See *Application Specific Integrated Circuit*.

Assigned storage:

The space that is allocated to a volume and that is assigned to a port.

Assist On Site (AOS):

The components of Assist On-site (AOS) interact together to start and maintain a support session between the support engineer and the customer.

Asymmetric encryption:

Also known as public-key encryption, symmetric versus asymmetric encryption utilizes a pair of keys; a public key and a private key. If you encrypt data with the public key, only the holder of the corresponding private key can decrypt the data, hence ensuring confidentiality. Many 'secure' online transaction systems rely on asymmetric encryption to establish a secure channel. SSL, for example, is a protocol that utilizes asymmetric encryption to provide communication security on the Internet. An asymmetric encryption algorithm typically involve exponential operations. They are not lightweight in terms of performance. For that reason, asymmetric algorithms are often used to secure key exchanges rather than used for bulk data encryption.

Availability:

The degree to which a system or resource is capable of performing its normal function. See *data availability*.

B**Bandwidth:**

Defined as the amount of data that can be transmitted in a fixed amount of time. For digital devices, the bandwidth is usually expressed in bits per second (bps) or bytes per second.

Bare-metal hypervisor:

Type-1, native or bare-metal hypervisors: These hypervisors run directly on the host's hardware to control the hardware and to manage guest operating systems. For this reason, they are sometimes called bare metal hypervisors.

Type-2 or hosted hypervisors:

These hypervisors run on a conventional operating system just as other computer programs do. A guest operating system runs as a process on the host. Type-2 hypervisors abstract guest operating systems from the host operating system.

Base addressing space:

On an extended address volume, this term refers to cylinders with addresses below 65,536. These cylinder addresses are represented by 16-bit cylinder numbers or by 28-bit cylinder numbers with high order 12 bits of zero (0).

Batch processing:

Batch Processing is used for programs that can be executed with minimal human interaction and at a scheduled time or on an as-needed basis.

Battery Service Module (BSM) set:

The DC-UPS contains integrated battery sets known as Battery Service Modules (BSM) sets. The BSM set is composed of four BSM modules. The BSM sets help protect data if there is a loss of external power to the frame. If there is a complete loss of AC input power to the frame, the batteries are used to maintain power to the processor complexes and I/O enclosures for sufficient time to allow the contents of NVS memory (modified data that is not yet destaged from cache) to be written to the hard disk drives internal to the processor complexes (not the storage enclosure drives).

Bay:

A physical space into which a device can be physically mounted and connected to power and data. For example, a power supply or a disk drive might be inserted into a bay. See also *service boundary*.

Block:

A string of data elements recorded, processed, or transmitted as a unit. The elements can be characters, words, or physical records. A group of contiguous sectors on a disk that contains a block header and some integral number of records. All blocks on the storage device are the same size (fixed size). See also *fixed-block architecture* and *data record*.

Break Point Value (BPV):

When a disk space request is this size or more, the system prefers to use the cylinder-managed space for that extent. This applies to each

request for primary or secondary space for data sets that are eligible for the cylinder-managed space. If not enough cylinder-managed space is available, then the system uses the track-managed space or will use both areas. The breakpoint value is expressed in cylinders. When the size of a disk space request is less than the breakpoint value, the system prefers to use the track-managed area. If not enough space is available there, then the system will use the cylinder-managed space, or will use both areas.

BSM:

See *Battery Service Module (BSM) set*.

Business Class configuration:

A high-density, high-performance storage configuration that includes standard disk enclosures and high-performance flash enclosures and is optimized and configured for cost, by minimizing the number of device adapters and maximizing the number of storage enclosures that are attached to each storage system.

C

Cache:

Memory used to improve access times to instructions, data, or both. Data that resides in cache memory is normally a copy of data that resides elsewhere in slower, less expensive storage, such as on a disk or on another network node.

Cache fast write:

A form of the fast-write operation in which the storage server writes the data directly to cache, where it is available for later destaging.

Cache hit:

An event that occurs when a read operation is sent to the cluster, and the requested data is found in cache. Contrast with cache miss.

Cache memory:

Memory, typically volatile memory, that a storage server uses to improve access times to instructions or data. The cache memory is

typically smaller and faster than the primary memory or storage medium. In addition to residing in cache memory, the same data also resides on the storage devices in the storage system.

Cache miss:

An event that occurs when a read operation is sent to the cluster, but the data is not found in cache. Contrast with cache hit.

Call home:

A communication link established between the storage product and a service provider. The storage product can use this link to place a call to IBM or to another service provider when it requires service. With access to the machine, service personnel can process service tasks, such as viewing error logs and problem logs or initiating trace and dump retrievals. See also heartbeat and *Remote Technical Assistance Information Network (RETAIN)*.

Capacity Backup (CBU):

Provides the ability to replace model capacity or specialty engines to a backup server in the event of an unforeseen loss of server capacity because of an emergency.

Capacity Upgrade on Demand (CUoD):

Activates additional processors and memory units on selected servers by purchasing a permanent processor or memory unit activation feature. CUoD adds capacity for new workloads, which enables the server to adapt to unexpected performance demands.

Cascading:

- 1) Connecting network controllers to each other in a succession of levels to concentrate many more lines than a single level permits.
- 2) In high-availability cluster system MultiProcessing (HACMP), pertaining to a system configuration in which the system node with the highest priority for a particular resource acquires the resource if the primary node fails. The cluster system node relinquishes the resource to the primary node upon reintegration of the primary node into the system.

Cataloged procedure:

A procedure that is stored as a member of a PDS or PDSE is a cataloged procedure. The data set containing the procedure can either be a private or system data set.

CBU:

See *Capacity Backup*.

CDS:

See *Couple Data Set*.

Central Electronic Complex (CEC):

The set of hardware that defines a mainframe, which includes the CPU(s), memory, channels, controllers, and power supplies included in the system. A physical collection of hardware that consists of main storage, one or more Central Processors (CPs), timers, and channels.

CF:

See *Coupling facility*.

CFCC:

See *Coupling Facility Control Code*.

Central Processing Unit (CPU):

Is the primary component of a computer that processes instructions. It runs the operating system and applications, constantly receiving input from the user or active software programs. It processes the data and produces output, which may be stored by an application or displayed on the screen.

Central Processor (CP):

The part of the computer that contains the sequencing and processing facilities for instruction execution, initial program load, and other machine operations.

Central Processor Complex (CPC):

Refers to the physical collection of hardware that includes main storage, one or more central processors, timers, and channels.

CGI:

See *Common Interface Gateway*.

Change Mode (CMOD):

In UNIX-like operating systems, `chmod` is the system and system call, which may change the

access permissions to file system objects (files and directories).

Channel:

The part of a channel subsystem that manages a single I/O interface between a channel subsystem and a set of control units.

Channel Path Identifier (CHPID):

The channel, represented by a channel path ID or CHPID, represents the actual communication path. A CHPID is the handle by which communication between the CPC and an external device is facilitated. A CHPID must be unique, since it denotes a unique path of communication for the CPC. The maximum number of allowable CHPIDs within a channel subsystem is 256. Channels can be shared between LPARs. A CHPID is associated with either a physical port or with an internal connection defined inside the mainframe. Valid CHPIDs are in the hexadecimal range from X'00' through X'FF'.

Channel Command Word (CCW):

An instruction to a specialized I/O channel processor, which is, in fact, a finite state machine. It is used to initiate an I/O operation, such as 'read', 'write' or 'sense', on a channel-attached device. On system architectures, which implement channel I/O, typically all devices are connected by channels, and so all I/O requires the use of CCWs.

CICS:

See *Customer Information Control System*.

CIM:

See *Common Information Model*.

Ciphertext:

Data that has been encrypted. Ciphertext is unreadable until it has been converted into plaintext (decrypted) with a key.

Citrix XenServer:

Is a server virtualization platform based on the Xen hypervisor that allows IT administrators to host, deploy, and manage virtual machines.

CIU:

See *Customer Initiated Upgrade*.

CKD:

See *Count Key Data*.

Cloud:

A cloud is a vast array of computers that are hooked together and meant to operate as a single ecosystem. Clouds are configured to offer one or more services (for example, data storage, content delivery, or applications) and users can access these services remotely.

Cloud Management Platform (CMP):

A Cloud Management Platform is software, which combines a set of features or modules, which enable the management of different cloud environments. Public, private, and hybrid cloud cannot be all handled with a simple virtualization management console.

Cluster:

A partition capable of processing all DS8000 series functions. With two clusters in the storage system, any operational cluster can take over the processing of a failing cluster.

Cluster Structure Storage System (CSS):

CSS is a novel, high-performance disk storage system. CSS divides its disk space into large, fix-sized clusters, which are the basic units for disk reads and writes.

CMOS: See *Complementary Metal–Oxide–Semiconductor*.

CMPSC: See *Compression Coprocessor*.

Cold demotion:

An operation of IBM Easy Tier automatic mode. The movement of an extent of inactive data to a lower tier to make its tier available for new data.

Common Information Model (CIM):

Is an open standard that defines how managed elements in an IT environment are represented as a common set of objects and relationships between them.

Command List (CLIST):

CLIST is a procedural programming language for TSO in z/OS systems.

Command Line Interface (CLI):

An interface that defines a set of commands and enables a user to issue these commands by entering text in response to the command prompt (for example, DOS commands or UNIX shell commands). See also *IBM DS CLI*.

Command parameter:

Defines a parameter of a command being created.

Common Gateway Interface (CGI):

Was introduced to enable and standardize the interface between Web servers and external programs. The CGI is a relatively simple, platform and language independent, industry-standard interface for Web application development. Programs that implement the CGI standard are commonly called CGI programs.

Complementary**Metal–Oxide–Semiconductor (CMOS):**

CMOS is a technology for constructing integrated circuits. CMOS technology is used in microprocessors, micro controllers, static RAM, and other digital logic circuits.

Compression Coprocessor (CMPSC):

Is a high-performance coprocessor that uses compression algorithms to help reduce disk space and memory usage. Each processor unit has a dedicated CMPSC that connects to the main cache-structure for better throughput of the compression dictionaries.

Computer program:

A computer program is a list of instructions that tell a computer what to do.

Concurrent copy:

A facility on a storage server that enables a program to make a backup of a data set while the logical volume remains available for subsequent processing. The data in the backup copy is frozen at the point in time that the server responds to the request.

Concurrent installation of licensed machine code:

Process of installing Licensed Internal Code on a DS8000 series while applications continue to run.

Configure:

In storage, to define the logical and physical devices, optional features, and program products of the input/output subsystem through the user interface that the storage system provides for this function.

Configuration task commands:

Used for creating, modifying, and deleting resources.

Consistency group:

A group of volumes participating in FlashCopy relationships in a logical subsystem, across logical subsystems, or across multiple storage systems that must be kept in a consistent state to ensure data integrity.

Consistency group interval time:

The value in seconds that indicates the length of time between the formation of consistency groups.

Consistent copy:

A copy of a data entity (a logical volume, for example) that contains the contents of the entire data entity at a single instant in time.

Console:

A user interface to a server, for example, the interface provided on a personal computer. See also *Hardware Management Console*.

Control path:

The route that is established from the master storage system to the subordinate storage system when more than one storage system participates in a Global Mirror session. If there is only one storage system (the master) in the Global Mirror session, no control path is required.

Control unit:

- 1) A device that coordinates and controls the operation of one or more input/output devices, and synchronizes the operation of such devices with the operation of the system as a whole.
- 2) For IBM Z, a storage server with FICON or OEMI interfaces. The control unit adapts a native device interface to an I/O interface that an IBM Z Systems host system supports.

- 3) The portion of the storage system that supports the attachment of emulated count key data devices over ESCON, FICON, or OEMI interfaces. See also *cluster*.

Control-unit image:

In mainframe computing, a logical subsystem that is accessed through an ESCON I/O interface. One or more control-unit images exist in each control unit. Each image appears as an independent control unit, but all control-unit images share a common set of hardware facilities. The DS8000 series can emulate 3990-3, TPF, 3990-6, or 2105 control units.

Control-Unit-Initiated Reconfiguration (CUIR):

A software mechanism that the DS8000 series uses to request that an operating system of IBM Z host verify that one or more subsystem resources can be taken offline for service. The DS8000 series can use this process to automatically vary channel paths offline and online to facilitate bay service or concurrent code installation. Depending on the operating system, support for this process might be model-dependent, might depend on the IBM Enterprise Storage Server Subsystem Device Driver, or might not exist.

Copy Services:

A collection of optional software features, with a web-browser interface, that is used for configuring, managing, and monitoring data-copy functions.

Core:

See *processor*.

Count field:

The first field of a Count Key Data (CKD) record. This 8-byte field contains a 4-byte track address (CCHH). It defines the cylinder and head that are associated with the track, and a 1-byte record number (R) that identifies the record on the track. It defines a 1-byte key length that specifies the length of the record's key field (0 means no key field). It defines a 2-byte data length that specifies the length of the record's data field (0 means no data field).

Only the end-of-file record has a data length of zero.

Count Key Data (CKD):

In mainframe computing, a data-record format employing self-defining record formats in which each record is represented by up to three fields: a *count* field that identifies the record and specifies its format, an optional *key* field that identifies the data area contents, and an optional *data* field that typically contains the user data. For CKD records on the storage system, the logical volume size is defined in terms of the device emulation mode (3390 or 3380 track format). The count field is always 8 bytes long and contains the lengths of the key and data fields, the key field has a length of 0 to 255 bytes, and the data field has a length of 0 to 65 535 or the maximum that will fit on the track. See also *data record*.

Couple Data Set (CDS):

Couple data sets provides a central shared repository of data that needs to be visible to every system in the sysplex. The CDS and all accesses to the data therein are managed by XCF.

Coupling Facility (CF):

Is a piece of computer hardware which allows multiple processors to access the same data. A Parallel Sysplex relies on one or more Coupling Facilities (CFs).

Coupling Facility Control Code (CFCC):

Is an IBM licensed Internal Code that always runs under an LPAR, regardless of whether the CF is in a standalone CPC or in a general purpose CPC.

Coupling Facility Resource Management (CFRM):

Allows you to define how z/OS is to manage coupling facility resources.

CP:

See *Central Processor*.

CP Assist for Cryptographic Function (CPACF):

Is a set of cryptographic instructions providing improved performance.

CPC:

See *Central Processing Complex*.

CPU:

See *Central Processing Unit*.

CRC:

See *Cyclic Redundancy Check*.

Cross-cluster communication:

DS8880 uses PCIe paths between the I/O enclosures to provide the cross-cluster (XC) communication between CPCs. This configuration means that no separate path is between the XC communications and I/O traffic, which simplifies the topology. During normal operations, the XC communication traffic uses a small portion of the overall available PCIe bandwidth (less than 1.7%) so that the XC communication traffic has a negligible effect on I/O performance.

Cross-System Coupling Facility (XCF):

Is a component of z/OS that manages communications between applications in a sysplex. Applications may be on the same system or different systems.

Systems communicate using messages transported by one of two mechanisms: Dedicated channel-to-channel links (CTC links) and Structures in a Coupling Facility, only available in Parallel Sysplex, not in standard sysplex.

Cross-System Extended Services (XES):

A component of z/OS, enables applications and subsystems to take advantage of the coupling facility.

Cryptography:

- (1) The transformation of data to conceal its information content and to prevent its unauthorized use or undetected modification.
- (2) Protecting information by transforming it (encrypting it) into an unreadable format, called ciphertext. Only those who possess a secret

key can decipher (or decrypt) the message into plaintext.

CRUD:

Create, Read, Update, and Delete as an acronym CRUD, are the four basic functions of persistent storage.[

CU:

See *Control Unit*.

CUoD:

See *Capacity Upgrade on Demand*.

CUIR:

See *Control-Unit Initiated Reconfiguration*.

Customer Information Control System (CICS):

Is an online transaction processing monitor from IBM that acts as an interface between the operating system and application programs to provide rapid high-volume online transaction processing.

Customer Initiated Upgrade (CIU):

Is an IBM on-line system through which you can order, download, and install temporary and permanent upgrades for IBM Z servers.

Cylinder-managed space:

This term refers to the space on the volume that is managed only in multicylinder units. Cylinder-managed space begins at cylinder address 65520. Each data set occupies an integral multiple of multicylinder units. Space requests targeted for the cylinder-managed space will be rounded up to the next multicylinder unit. The cylinder-managed space exists only on EAVs.

Cylinder:

A unit of storage on a CKD device with a fixed number of tracks.

Coarse Wavelength Division Multiplexing (CWDM):

Is a method of combining multiple signals on laser beams at various wavelengths for transmission along fiber optic cables, such that the number of channels is fewer than in Dense

Wavelength Division Multiplexing (DWDM) but more than in standard Wavelength Division Multiplexing (WDM).

D

DA:

See *Device Adapter*.

Daisy chain:

See *serial connection*.

DASD:

See *Direct Access Storage Device*.

DASD fast write (DFW):

A function in which data is written concurrently to cache and nonvolatile storage, and automatically scheduled for destaging to DASD. Both copies are retained in the storage control until the data is completely written to the DASD, providing data integrity equivalent to writing directly to the DASD. Use of DASD fast write for system-managed data sets is controlled by storage class attributes to improve performance.

DAT:

See *Dynamic Address Translation*.

Data availability:

The degree to which data is available when needed, typically measured as a percentage of time that the system would be capable of responding to any data request (for example, 99.999% available).

Data Base 2 (DB2):

DB2 provides an open database environment that runs on a wide variety of computing platforms.

Data compression:

The process of eliminating gaps, empty fields, redundancies, and unnecessary data to shorten the length of records or blocks.

Data Facility Storage Management Subsystem data set services (DFSMSdss) utilities:

DFSMSdss is a component of DFSMS (Data Facility Storage Management Subsystem). It is

used to move and replicate data, manage storage space efficiently, backup and recover data, and convert data sets and volumes.

Data field:

The optional third field of a Count Key Data (CKD) record. The count field specifies the length of the data field. The data field contains data that the program writes.

Data record:

The basic unit of IBM Z storage on a DS8000, also known as a Count Key Data (CKD) record. Data records are stored on a track. The records are sequentially numbered starting with 0. The first record, R0, is typically called the track descriptor record and contains data that the operating system normally uses to manage the track. See also *count-key-data* and *fixed-block architecture*.

Data set FlashCopy:

For IBM Z hosts, a feature of FlashCopy that indicates how many partial volume FlashCopy relationships are active on a volume.

Data space / Hiperspace:

A data space or hiperspace contains only user data or user programs stored as data.

Data Set Command Line Interface (DS CLI):

A software package that allows open systems hosts to invoke and manage Copy Services functions as well as to configure and manage all storage units in a storage complex. The DS CLI is a full-function command set.

Data sharing:

The ability of multiple host systems to concurrently utilize data that they store on one or more storage devices. The storage system enables configured storage to be accessible to any, or all, attached host systems. To use this capability, the host program must be designed to support data that it is sharing.

DC:

See *Direct Current*.

DC-UPS (Direct Current-Uninterruptible Power Supply):

Converts incoming AC line voltage to rectified AC, and contains an integrated battery subsystem.

Decrypt:

In Cryptographic Support, to convert ciphertext into plaintext. See also *encrypt*.

Decryption:

In computer security, the process of transforming encoded text or ciphertext into plaintext. The process of decoding data that has been encrypted into a secret format. Decryption requires a secret key or password.

DELETE command (In UNIX):

Use the **DELETE** command to delete one or more data set entries or one or more members of a partitioned data set.

Demote:

To remove a logical data unit from cache memory. A storage server demotes a data unit to create room for other logical data units in the cache or because the logical data unit is not valid. The storage system must destage logical data units with active write units before they can be demoted. See also *destage*.

Dense Wavelength Division Multiplexing (DWDM):

Is a technology that puts data from different sources together on an optical fiber, with each signal carried at the same time on its own separate light wavelength. Using DWDM, up to 80 (and theoretically more) separate wavelengths or channels of data can be multiplexed into a lightstream transmitted on a single optical fiber. Each channel carries a Time Division Multiplexed (TDM) signal. In a system with each channel carrying 2.5 Gbps (billion bits per second), up to 200 billion bits can be delivered a second by the optical fiber. DWDM is also sometimes called Wave Division Multiplexing (WDM).

Destage:

The storage system stages incoming data into cache and then destages it to disk.

Device:

For IBM Z, a disk drive.

Device Adapter (DA):

A physical component of DS8000 series that provides communication between the clusters and the storage devices. DS8000 series has eight device adapters that it deploys in pairs, one from each cluster. Device adapter pairing enables DS8000 series to access any disk drive from either of two paths, providing fault tolerance and enhanced availability.

Device address:

For IBM Z, the field of an ESCON device-level frame that selects a specific device on a control-unit image.

Device ID:

The unique two-digit hexadecimal number that identifies the logical device.

device interface card:

A physical subunit of a storage cluster that provides the communication with the attached device drive modules.

Device number:

For IBM Z, a four-hexadecimal-character identifier, for example 13A0, that the systems administrator associates with a device to facilitate communication between the program and the host operator. The device number is associated with a subchannel.

Device Support Facility (ICKDSF):

Is the utility used to install, initialize, and maintain IBM DASD. It can be run as a standalone job or under a system such as z/OS. 'ICK' is not an acronym for anything.

DEVSER command:

A z/OS command used to request a display of the status of DASD and tape devices. The response is a display of basic status information about a device, a group of devices, or storage control units. Because the `DEVSERV` command causes the system to issue an I/O request on paths to a device or devices, the resulting display reflects the current physical state of the path.

DFSMSdss:

See *Data Facility Storage Management Subsystem data set services utilities*.

DFSORT:

DFSORT is IBM's high-performance sort, merge, copy, analysis, and reporting product for z/OS.

DIMM:

See *Dual In-line Memory Module*.

Direct Access Device Space Management (DADSM):

Performs the functions required to allocate or free space on a Direct Access Storage Device (DASD). The DADSM routines control allocation of space on DASD volumes, and provide information on volume contents on request. The information is kept by DADSM in its own data set which it maintains for each volume: the Volume Table Of Contents (VTOC).

Direct Access Storage Device (DASD):

- 1) A mass storage medium on which a computer stores data.
- 2) A disk device.

Direct Current (DC):

Is an electrical current, which flows consistently in one direction.

Disk Drive Module (DDM):

A Field Replaceable Unit (FRU) that consists of a single disk drive and its associated packaging.

Disk enclosure:

The DS8000 data disks are installed in enclosures called disk enclosures or storage enclosures. These disk enclosures are installed in pairs.

Disk group:

A collection of 4 disk drives that are connected to the same pair of IBM Serial Storage adapters and can be used to create a RAID array. A disk group can be formatted as count key data or fixed block, and as RAID or non-RAID, or it can be left unformatted. A disk group is a logical assemblage of disk drives.

Disk Operating System (DOS):

Is an operating system that runs from a hard disk drive.

Disk scrubbing:

The DS8000 periodically reads all sectors on a disk. This reading is designed to occur without any interference with application performance. If Error Correction Code (ECC) detects correctable bad bits, the bits are corrected immediately. This ability reduces the possibility of multiple bad bits accumulating in a sector beyond the ability of ECC to correct them. If a sector contains data that is beyond ECC's ability to correct, RAID is used to regenerate the data and write a new copy onto a spare sector of the drive. This scrubbing process applies to drives that are array members and spares.

Disk Storage Feature Activation (DSFA):

The Data Storage Feature Activation (DSFA) application provides feature activation codes and license keys to technically activate functions acquired for IBM storage products.

Distributed Network Block Device (DNBD):

Uses UDP as its transport protocol, and thus supports multicasting, client-side caching, and server redundancy. It only supports RO exports.

Distributed ledger technology (DLT):

Allow their users to store and access information relating to a given set of assets and their holders in a shared database of either transactions or account balances. This information is distributed among users who could then use it to settle their transfers of, for example, securities and cash, without needing to rely on a trusted central validation system.

DNS:

See *Domain Name System*.

Domain:

- 1) That part of a computer network in which the data processing resources are under common control.
- 2) In TCP/IP, the naming system used in hierarchical networks.

Domain Name System (DNS):

In TCP/IP, the server program that supplies name-to-address translation by mapping domain names to Internet addresses. The address of a DNS server is the Internet address of the server that hosts the DNS software for the network.

DOS:

See *Disk Operating system*.

Dotted decimal notation:

A convention used to identify IP addresses. The notation consists of four 8-bit numbers written in base 10. For example, 9.113.76.250 is an IP address that contains the octets 9, 113, 76, and 250.

DRAM:

See *Dynamic Random Access Memory*.

Drawer:

A unit that contains multiple drive modules and provides power, cooling, and related interconnection logic to make the drive modules accessible to attached host systems.

Drive:

A drive can be either a magnetic drive or a Solid State Drive (SSD).

A field replaceable unit that consists of a single drive and its associated packaging.

DS CLI:

See *Data Set Command Line Interface*.

DS Network Interface (DSNI):

See *Enterprise Storage Server Network Interface*.

DS8000 series:

See *IBM DS8000*.

DS8000 Storage Management GUI:

See *IBM DS Storage Manager*.

Dual In-line Memory Module (DIMM):

Is a double SIMM (Single In-Line Memory Module). It's a module containing one or several Random Access Memory (RAM) chips on a small circuit board with pins that connect it to the computer motherboard. A DIMM has a

168-pin connector and supports 64-bit data transfer.

Duplex:

- 1) Regarding Copy Services, the state of a volume pair after Remote Mirror and Copy has completed the copy operation and the volume pair is synchronized.
- 2) In general, pertaining to a communication mode in which data can be sent and received at the same time.

Dynamic Address Translation (DAT):

When a virtual address is used by a CPU to access main storage, it is first converted by Dynamic Address Translation (DAT) to a real address and then by prefixing, to an absolute address.

Dynamic CHPID Management (DCM):

Provides the ability to have the system dynamically manage ESCON and FICON Bridge (FICON converter, or FCV) connected to DASD subsystems, based on the current work load and its service goals.

Dynamic Partition Manager (DPM):

Is a guided management interface in the HMC that can be used to define the IBM Z hardware and virtual infrastructure, including integrated dynamic I/O management that runs a KVM for IBM Z Systems environment.

Dynamic Random Access Memory (DRAM):

A type of memory that is typically used for data or program code that a computer processor needs to function. DRAM is a common type of Random Access Memory (RAM) used in Personal Computers (PCs), workstations and servers. Random access allows the PC processor to access any part of the memory directly rather than having to proceed sequentially from a starting place. RAM is located close to a computer's processor and enables faster access to data than storage media such as hard disk drives and solid-state drives.

Dynamic volume expansion:

The capability of the storage system to increase the capacity of host volumes up to a maximum size while online.

E

EAM:

See *Extent Allocation Method*.

EAV:

See *Extended Address Volume*.

Easy Tier:

Is a built-in dynamic data relocation feature that allows the host-transparent movement of data among the storage system resources. This feature significantly improves configuration flexibility and performance tuning and planning.

EC:

See *Engineering Change*.

ECC:

See *Error Correction Code*.

See *Elliptic Curve Cryptography*.

ECKD:

See *Extended Count Key Data*.

eDRAM:

See *Embedded DRAM*.

ElectroStatic Discharge (ESD):

An undesirable discharge of static electricity that can damage equipment and degrade electrical circuitry.

Elliptic Curve Cryptography (ECC):

Cryptographic capabilities that are designed to provide public key support for constrained digital environments.

Embedded DRAM (eDRAM):

Is Dynamic Random Access Memory (DRAM) integrated on the same die or Multi-Chip Module (MCM) of an Application-Specific Integrated Circuit (ASIC) or microprocessor. eDRAM's cost-per-bit is higher when compared to equivalent standalone DRAM chips used as external memory, but the performance advantages of placing eDRAM onto the same chip as the processor outweigh the cost disadvantages in many applications.

Emergency Power Off (EPO):

A means of turning off power during an emergency, usually a switch.

EMIF:

See *ESCON Multiple Image Facility*.

Enclosure:

A unit that houses the components of a storage subsystem, such as a control unit, disk drives, and power source.

Encrypt:

In Cryptographic Support, to systematically scramble information so that it cannot be read without knowing the coding key. See also *decrypt*.

Encryption:

In computer security, the process of transforming data into an unintelligible form in such a way that the original data either cannot be obtained or can be obtained only by using a decryption process.

Encryption algorithm:

An algorithm that scrambles the data so that it becomes unreadable to someone who intercepts it.

Encryption group:

Indicates whether encryption is enabled (select 1) or disabled (select None) for ranks.

Enhanced Network Block Device (ENBD):

Is being pushed along by one active developer; there is a mailing list that sees a couple of messages a month. ENBD extends NBD adding an automatic restart if the connection is lost, authentication, and support for removable media.

Extended Address Volume (EAV):

This term refers to a volume with more than 65520 cylinders. Only 3390 Model A devices can be an EAV.

Engineering change:

An update to a machine, part, or program.

Enterprise Service Bus (ESB):

It implements a communication system between mutually interacting software applications in a service-oriented architecture (SOA)

Enterprise Systems Architecture/390 (ESA/390):

An IBM architecture for mainframe computers and peripherals. Processor systems that follow the ESA/390 architecture include the ES/9000 family. See also *z/Architecture*.

Enterprise Class configuration:

A high-density, high-performance storage configuration that includes standard disk enclosures and high-performance flash enclosures and is optimized and configured for performance and throughput, by maximizing the number of device adapters and paths to the storage enclosures.

Enterprise Storage Server Network Interface (ESSNI):

Is the logical server that communicates with the DS GUI server and interacts with the two processor nodes of the DS8880. Also referred to as DS Network Interface (DSNI).

Enterprise Systems Connection (ESCON):

- 1) An IBM Z computer peripheral interface. The I/O interface uses IBM Z logical protocols over a serial interface that configures attached units to a communication fabric.
- 2) A set of IBM products and services that provide a dynamically connected environment within an enterprise.

Entropy Encoding:

Is a lossless data compression scheme that is independent of the specific characteristics of the medium.

EPS:

See *Emergency Power Off*.

ERDS:

See *Error-Recording Data Set*.

Error Correction Code (ECC):

Checks read or transmitted data for errors and corrects them as soon as they are found. ECC

is similar to parity checking except that it corrects errors immediately upon detection.

Error-Recording Data Set (ERDS):

On IBM Z hosts, a data set that records data-storage and data-retrieval errors. A Service Information Message (SIM) provides the error information for the ERDS.

Error recovery procedure:

Procedures designed to help isolate and, where possible, to recover from errors in equipment. The procedures are often used in conjunction with programs that record information on machine malfunctions.

SSB:

See *Enterprise Service Bus*.

ESCD:

See *ESCON Director*.

ESCON:

See *Enterprise System Connection*.

ESCON channel:

An IBM Z channel that supports ESCON protocols.

ESCON Director (ESCD):

An I/O interface switch that allows the interconnection of multiple ESCON interfaces in a distributed-star topology.

ESCON host systems:

IBM Z hosts that attach to the DS8000 series with an ESCON adapter. Such host systems run on operating systems that include z/OS, VSE, TPF, or versions of VM.

ESCON Multiple Image Facility (EMIF):

For IBM Z, a function that enables LPARs to share an ESCON channel path by providing each LPAR with its own channel-subsystem image.

EsconNet:

In the DS8000 Storage Management GUI, the label on a pseudo host icon that represents a host connection that uses the ESCON protocol and that is not completely defined on DS8000

series. See also *pseudo host* and *access-any mode*.

ESD:

See *ElectroStatic Discharge*.

ESE:

See *Extent Space-Efficient*.

ESSNet:

See *IBM Enterprise Storage Server Network*.

ESSNI:

See *Enterprise Storage Server Network Interface*.

Evaluation Assurance Level (EAL):

The Evaluation Assurance Level (EAL1 through EAL7) of an IT product or system is a numerical grade assigned following the completion of a Common Criteria security evaluation, an international standard in effect since 1999. The increasing assurance levels reflect added assurance requirements that must be met to achieve Common Criteria certification. The intent of the higher levels is to provide higher confidence that the system's principal security features are reliably implemented. The EAL level does not measure the security of the system itself, it simply states at what level the system was tested.

Extended Count Key Data (ECKD):

An extension of the Count Key Data (CKD) architecture.

Extended Addressing Space (EAS):

On an extended address volume, this term refers to cylinders with addresses that are equal to or greater than 65,536. These cylinder addresses are represented by 28-bit cylinder numbers.

Extended Address Volume (EAV):

A volume with more than 65,520 cylinders. An extended address volume increases the amount of addressable DASD storage per volume beyond 65,520 cylinders by changing how tracks on ECKD (Extended Count Key Data) volumes are addressed.

Extent:

A continuous space on a disk that is occupied by or reserved for a particular data set, data space, or file. The unit of increment is a track. See also *multiple allegiance* and *parallel access volumes*.

Extent Allocation Method (EAM):

Defines how volumes extents are allocated on the ranks in the Extent Pool.

Extent pool:

A group of extents. See also *extent*.

Extent Space-Efficient:

A thin-provisioning method in which capacity is allocated in a performance efficient manner on a per extent basis in pool or ESE repository if one is created on an as-needed basis.

Extent Space Efficient (ESE) volumes:

Are the actual thin provisioned volumes that can be used by host applications. The dynamic allocation increments for ESE logical volumes is based on the same existing 1 GB extents used for standard volumes.

F

Fabric:

In Fibre Channel technology, a routing structure, such as a switch, receives addressed information and routes to the appropriate destination. A fabric can consist of more than one switch. When multiple Fibre Channel switches are interconnected, they are said to be *cascaded*.

Failback:

Pertaining to a cluster recovery from failover following repair. See also *failover*.

Failover:

Pertaining to the process of transferring all control to a single cluster when the other cluster in the storage system fails. See also *cluster* and *failback*.

Fast File System (FFS):

FFS invented cylinder groups, which break the disk up into smaller chunks, with each group having its own inodes and data blocks.

Fast write:

A write operation at cache speed that does not require immediate transfer of data to a disk drive. The subsystem writes the data directly to cache, to nonvolatile storage, or to both. The data is then available for destaging. A fast-write operation reduces the time an application must wait for the I/O operation to complete.

FBA:

See *Fixed-Block Architecture*.

FC:

See *feature code*.

Note: *FC* is a common abbreviation for Fibre Channel in the industry, but the DS8000 customer documentation library reserves *FC* for feature code.

FC:

See *Fibre Channel*.

FC-AL:

See *Fibre Channel Arbitrated Loop*.

FCP:

See *Fibre Channel Protocol*.

FCS:

See *Fibre Channel standard*.

Feature Code (FC):

A code that identifies a particular orderable option and that is used by service personnel to process hardware and software orders. Individual optional features are each identified by a unique feature code.

Fibre Channel (FC):

A data-transmission architecture based on the ANSI Fibre Channel standard, which supports full-duplex communication. DS8000 series supports data transmission over fiber-optic cable through its Fibre Channel adapters. See also *Fibre Channel Protocol* and *Fibre Channel standard*.

Fibre Channel Arbitrated Loop (FC-AL):

An implementation of the Fibre Channel Standard that uses a ring topology for the communication fabric. Refer to American National Standards Institute (ANSI)

X3T11/93-275. In this topology, two or more Fibre Channel end points are interconnected through a looped interface. This topology directly connects the storage system to an open systems host without going through a fabric switch.

Fibre Channel Connection (FICON):

A Fibre Channel communications protocol that is designed for IBM mainframe computers and peripherals. It connects the storage system to one or more IBM Z hosts using a FICON z/OS channel either directly or through a FICON switch.

Fibre Channel Protocol (FCP):

A protocol used in Fibre Channel communications with five layers that define how Fibre Channel ports interact through their physical links to communicate with other ports. FCP (Fibre Channel Protocol) supports access to Small Computer System Interface (SCSI) peripheral devices.

Fibre Channel Standard (FCS):

An ANSI standard for a computer peripheral interface. The I/O interface defines a protocol for communication over a serial interface that configures attached units to a communication fabric. The protocol has two layers. The IP layer defines basic interconnection protocols. The upper layer supports one or more logical protocols (for example, FCP for SCSI command protocols and SBICON for IBM Z command protocols). Refer to American National Standards Institute (ANSI) X3.230-199x.

Fibre Channel Switched Fabric (FC-SF):

An implementation of the Fibre Channel Standard that connects the storage system to one or more open systems hosts through a fabric switch or connects one or more z/OS hosts that run LINUX on a Fibre Channel Protocol z/OS channel.

FICON:

See *Fibre Channel CONnection*.

FiconNet:

In the DS8000 Storage Management GUI, the label on a pseudo host icon that represents a host connection that uses the FICON protocol and that is not completely defined on DS8000 series. See also *pseudo host* and *access-any mode*.

Field Replaceable Unit (FRU):

An assembly that is replaced in its entirety when any one of its components fails. In some cases, a field replaceable unit might contain other field replaceable units.

File Transfer Protocol (FTP):

In TCP/IP, an application protocol used to transfer files to and from host computers. See also *Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol*.

Firewall:

A protection against unauthorized connection to a computer or a data storage system. The protection is usually in the form of software on a gateway server that grants access to users who meet authorization criteria.

Fixed Block Architecture:

An architecture for logical devices that specifies the format of and access mechanisms for the logical data units on the device. The logical data unit is a block. All blocks on the device are the same size (fixed size). The subsystem can access them independently.

Flag parameter:

An integer flag that indicates whether the match needs to be performed on the supplied project name or number.

Flash cards:

Are high2-IOPS (Input/Output Operations Per Second) class enterprise storage devices that are targeted at Tier 0, I/O-intensive workload applications that can use a high level of fast-access storage.

FlashCopy:

FlashCopy is an IBM feature supported on various IBM storage devices that made it

possible to create, nearly instantaneously, point-in-time snapshot copies of entire logical volumes or data sets. The copies are immediately available for both read and write access.

FlashCopy relationship:

A mapping of a FlashCopy source volume and a FlashCopy target volume that allows a point-in-time copy of the source volume to be copied to the target volume. FlashCopy relationships exist from the time that you initiate a FlashCopy operation until the storage system copies all data from the source volume to the target volume or until you delete the FlashCopy relationship, if it is persistent.

FlashCopy SE:

An optional feature of DS8880 series that allocates storage space on an 'as-needed' basis and uses only the required number of tracks to write changed data during the lifetime of the FlashCopy relationship.

Flash Raid Adapter:

An adapter that manages external I/O interfaces that use Fibre Channel protocols for host-system attachment. It is also used for replicating data between storage systems.

Flexible Service Processor (FSP):

Firmware that provides diagnostics, initialization, configuration, run-time error detection, and correction. FSP is what connects the managed system to the Hardware Management Console (HMC).

Floating spare:

When a DDM fails and the data it contained is rebuilt onto a spare, then when the disk is replaced, the replacement disk becomes the spare. The data is not migrated to another DDM, such as the DDM in the original position the failed DDM occupied. The DS8000 microcode takes this idea one step further. It might choose to allow the hot spare to remain where it has been moved, but it can instead choose to migrate the spare to a more optimum position. This will be done to better balance the

spares across the DA pairs, the loops, and the disk enclosures.

FMID:

See *Function Modification Identifier*.

Frame:

The hardware support structure, covers, and all electrical parts mounted therein that are packaged as one entity for shipping.

FREE command (In UNIX):

Use the **FREE** command to release (deallocate) previously allocated data sets or Hierarchical File System (HFS) files that you no longer need. You can also use this command to change the output class of SYSOUT data sets to delete attribute lists, and to change the data set disposition specified with the **ALLOCATE** command. There is a maximum number of data sets that can be allocated to you at any one time.

FRU:

See *Field Replaceable Unit*.

FSP:

See *Flexible Service Processor*.

FTP:

See *File Transfer Protocol*.

Full duplex:

See *duplex*.

Full Disk Encryption (FDE):

Is the encryption of all data on a disk drive, including the program that encrypts the bootable operating system partition. It is performed by disk encryption software or hardware that is installed on the drive during manufacturing or from an additional software driver. FDE converts all device data into a form that can be only understood by the one who has the key to decrypt the encrypted data. An authentication key is used to reverse conversion and render the data readable. FDE prevents unauthorized drive and data access.

Fully provisioned:

The volume capacity is entirely allocated at the time the volume is created. In this case, the host to which the fully provisioned volume is attached owns the full capacity, therefore consuming unused storage in the back-end system.

Function Modification Identifier (FMID):

An identifier that is used to identify a separate product or function of a product.

Fuzzy copy:

A function of the Global Copy feature wherein modifications to the primary logical volume are performed on the secondary logical volume at a later time. The original order of update is not strictly maintained. See also *Global Copy*.

G

GB:

See *gigabyte*.

GiB:

See *gibibyte*.

GDPS:

See *Geographically Dispersed Parallel Sysplex*.

Geographically Dispersed Parallel Sysplex (GDPS):

Is a multi-site or single-site end to end application availability solution that provides the capability to manage remote copy configuration and storage subsystems (including IBM TotalStorage Enterprise Storage Server) to automate Parallel Sysplex operation tasks and perform failure recovery from a single point of control. GDPS helps automate recovery procedures for planned and unplanned outages to provide near-continuous availability and disaster recovery capability.

Gigabyte (GB):

A base-10 unit of measurement equal to 1,000,000,000 bytes (10^9). A *decimal* gigabyte (GB) is used as a measure of capacity. A *binary* gigabyte (or gibibyte [GiB]) is used as a measure of memory.

Gibibyte (GiB):

A base-2 unit of measurement equal to 1,073,741,824 bytes (2^{30}).

Note: A GiB is used as a measure of memory and is also known as a *binary* gigabyte.

Gigapack:

Connects to the drive adapter (in DS8000) through Fibre Channel protocol and converts to SAS protocol through the control card switch in the RAID adapter.

Global Copy:

An optional capability of the DS8000 remote mirror and copy feature that maintains a fuzzy copy of a logical volume on the same DS8000 storage system or on another DS8000 storage system. In other words, all modifications that any attached host performs on the primary logical volume are also performed on the secondary logical volume at a later point in time. The original order of update is not strictly maintained. See also *Remote Mirror and Copy* and *Metro Mirror*.

Global Mirror:

An optional capability of the remote mirror and copy feature that provides a 2-site extended distance remote copy. Data that is written by the host to the storage system at the local site is automatically maintained at the remote site. See also *Metro Mirror* and *Remote Mirror and Copy*.

Global Network Block Device (GNBD):

Is the basis for GFS (the Global file system).

Global Resource Serialization (GRS):

Is the component within the IBM z/OS operating system responsible for enabling fair access to serially reusable computing resources, such as datasets and tape drives or virtual resources, such as lists, queues, and control blocks.

Group:

In DS8000 documentation, a nickname for two different kinds of groups, depending on the context. See also *disk pack* or *Copy Services server group*.

GRUB:

GNU GRUB (short for GNU GRand Unified Bootloader) is a boot loader package from the GNU Project. GRUB is the reference implementation of the Free Software Foundation's Multiboot Specification, which provides a user the choice to boot one of multiple operating systems installed on a computer or select a specific kernel configuration available on a particular operating system's partitions.

Guests (VM):

A guest virtual machine (guest VM) is the software component of a virtual machine (VM), an independent instance of an operating system (called a guest operating system) and its associated software and information. A VM guest can be a Linux, z/OS, z/VSE, or another z/VM operating system.

GUI (graphical user interface):

A way of communicating with a computer by manipulating icons (pictures) and windows with a mouse. A device that makes a program more user friendly.

H

HACMP:

See *High Availability Cluster Multi-Processing*.

Hard disk drive:

- 1) A storage medium within a storage server used to maintain information that the storage server requires.
- 2) A mass storage medium for computers that is typically available as a fixed disk (such as the disks used in system units of personal computers or in drives that are external to a personal computer) or a removable cartridge.

Hardware:

Is the collection of physical parts of a computer system.

Hardware Configuration Definition (HCD):

Defines the I/O configurations to both the software and hardware from a single, interactive interface. HCD is used to create an Input/Output Definition File (IODF).

Hardware Management Console (HMC):

A system that controls managed systems, including the management of logical partitions and use of capacity Upgrade on Demand. Using service applications, the HMC communicates with managed systems to detect and consolidate information, which is then sent to IBM for analysis.

Hardware service manager:

An option on a IBM i host that enables the user to display and work with system hardware resources and to debug input-output processors (IOP), input-output adapters (IOA), and devices.

HCD:

See *Hardware Configuration Definition*.

hdisk:

An AIX term for storage space.

Heartbeat:

A status report sent at regular intervals from the DS8000 storage system. The service provider uses this report to monitor the health of the call home process. See also *call home*, and *remote technical assistance information network*.

HELP command (In UNIX):

Use the **HELP** command to obtain information about the function, syntax, and operands of commands and subcommands, as well as information about certain messages.

Hierarchical storage management:

A function in storage management software, such as IBM Spectrum Control or Data Facility Storage Management Subsystem/MVS (DFSMS/MVS), that automatically manages free space based on the policy that the storage administrator sets.

Hierarchical File System (HFS):

HFS is a proprietary file system developed by Apple Inc. for use in computer systems running Mac OS.

High Availability Cluster Multi-Processing (HACMP):

Is an older term for PowerHA (High Availability). PowerHA is a special piece of software, which can provide redundancy and high availability to meet the needs in case of a system failure by having another system immediately take over.

High Performance FICON for IBM Z (zHPF):

Is an enhancement of the FICON channel architecture. You can reduce the FICON channel I/O traffic impact by using zHPF with the FICON channel, the z/OS operating system, and the control unit. zHPF allows the control unit to stream the data for multiple commands back in a single data transfer section for I/Os that are initiated by various access methods, which improves the channel throughput on small block transfers.

High-Performance Flash Enclosure (HPFE):

Contains flash cards, which are PCIe-connected to the I/O enclosures.

Hipersocket:

Mainframe HyperSockets is a technology that provides high-speed TCP/IP connectivity within a central processor complex. It eliminates the need for any physical cabling or external networking connection between servers running in different LPARs.

Hop:

Interswitch connection. A hop count is the number of connections that a particular block of data traverses between source and destination. For example, data traveling from one hub over a wire to another hub traverses one hop.

Host:

See *host system*.

Host Adapter (HA):

A physical subunit of a storage server that provides the ability to attach to one or more host I/O interfaces.

Host name:

The Internet address of a machine in the network. The host name can be entered in the host definition as the fully qualified domain name of the attached host system, such as

mycomputer.city.company.com, or as the subname of the fully qualified domain name, for example, mycomputer. See also *host system*.

Host processor:

A processor that controls all or part of a user application network. In a network, the processing unit in which the data communication access method resides. See also *host system*.

Host system:

A computer, either of the mainframe (for example, IBM Z) or of the open-systems type, that is connected to DS8000 series. Hosts are connected through ESCON, FICON, or Fibre Channel interfaces.

HMC:

See *Hardware Management Console*.

HTTP:

See *Hypertext Transfer Protocol*.

Huffman Coding:

is a lossless data compression algorithm. The idea is to assign variable-length codes to input characters, lengths of the assigned codes are based on the frequencies of corresponding characters.

HyperPAV:

An optional licensed function that you can use in conjunction with the Parallel Access Volumes (PAV) function. IBM HyperPAV associates the volumes with either an alias address or a specified base logical volume number. When a host system requests IBM HyperPAV processing and the processing is enabled, aliases on the logical subsystem are placed in an IBM HyperPAV alias access state on all logical paths with a given path group ID. IBM HyperPAV is only supported on FICON channel paths.

HyperSwap:

The HyperSwap technology enables the host to transparently switch an application's I/O operations to the secondary Metro Mirror volumes, provided physical connectivity exists between the host and the secondary storage

subsystem. This affords the ability to provide continuous operations from a single site or from multiple locations within metro distances. By implementing HyperSwap, disk failures and maintenance functions can be endured without incurring any interruption to the application service.

Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP):

Is an application protocol for distributed, collaborative, and hypermedia information systems. HTTP is the foundation of data communication for the World Wide Web.

Hypervisor:

Is a piece of computer software, firmware, or hardware that creates and runs virtual machines. A computer on which a hypervisor runs one or more virtual machines is called a host machine, and each virtual machine is called a guest machine. The hypervisor presents the guest operating systems with a virtual operating platform and manages the execution of the guest operating systems.

I

IaaS:

See *Infrastructure as a Service*.

IBF:

See *Internal Battery Feature*.

IBM i:

The IBM licensed program that is the integrated operating system for Power Systems servers. It integrates such functions as relational database, security, web services, networking, and storage management capabilities. The predecessor to IBM i was i5/OS, which was preceded by Operating System/400 (OS/400).

IBM (International Businesses Machine):

The brand name used to identify storage products from IBM, including DS8000 series. See also *DS8000* and *DS Storage Manager*.

IBM DS8000:

A member of the IBM Resiliency Family of storage servers and attached storage devices

(drive modules). The DS8000 series storage product delivers high-performance, fault-tolerant storage and management of enterprise data, affording access through multiple concurrent operating systems and communication protocols. High performance is provided by multiple symmetrical multiprocessors, integrated caching, RAID support for the drive modules, and disk access through a high-speed serial storage architecture interface.

IBM DS8880 Series (DS8884, DS8886, DS8888):

New IBM DS8880 family of data systems architected and built for the cognitive business. IBM DS8884: Business class system. Enables organizations to overcome storage challenges with advanced, easy-to-use operations and 24x7 availability for running critical workloads, either as a dedicated platform for consolidated systems or for multiple platforms. Delivered within an affordable, flexible, and space-saving package. Up to 256 GB cache, 64 x 16 GB Fibre Channel/FICON ports and up to 768 HDD/SSD drives, plus 120 flash cards. IBM DS8886: Enterprise class system. Helps accelerate mission-critical applications, backed by 24x7 availability, and superior functionality, all provided in an easily scalable package. Up to 2 TB total system memory, 128 x 16 GB Fibre Channel/FICON ports and up to 1,536 HDD/SSD drives, plus 240 flash cards. IBM DS8888: Enterprise class system. Delivers mission-critical performance and lower latency for applications with up to 4.5 times better performance through an all-flash configuration. Up to 2 TB total system memory, 128 x 16 GB Fibre Channel/FICON ports and up to 480 flash cards.

IBM DS CLI:

The Command-Line Interface (CLI) that works with DS8000 storage subsystems.

IBM DS Storage Manager (DS8000 Storage Management GUI):

Software with a web-browser interface for configuring DS8000 series.

IBM MQ:

IBM MQ is a family of network software products that IBM launched for the first time as an IBM product in December 1993. It was originally called MQSeries, and was renamed WebSphere MQ in 2002 to join the suite of WebSphere products. In April 2014, it was renamed IBM MQ. The products that are included in the MQ family are IBM MQ, IBM MQ Advanced, IBM MQ Appliance, and IBM MQ for z/OS.

IBM Multipath Subsystem Device Driver (SDD):

IBM software that provides multipath configuration support for a host system that is attached to storage devices. SDD provides enhanced data availability, dynamic input/output load balancing across multiple paths, and automatic path failover protection.

IBM POWER8 Processor:

POWER8 is a family of superscalar symmetric multiprocessors based on the Power Architecture.

Systems based on POWER8 became available from IBM in June 2014.

IBM Resiliency Family:

A set of hardware and software features and products, as well as integrated software and services that are available on the DS8000 series and the IBM TotalStorage Enterprise Storage Server, Models 750 and 800.

IBM Spectrum Control:

An interface that allows administrators to configure, manage, and monitor the performance of SAN storage devices from a single console.

IBM Enterprise Storage Server Network (ESSNet)

A private network providing web browser access to the Enterprise Storage Server. IBM installs the ESSNet software on an IBM workstation called the IBM TotalStorage ESS Master Console, supplied with the first ESS delivery.

IBM Z:

The IBM family of products, which emphasizes near-zero downtime and includes System z10 and System z10s.

ICKDSF (Device Support Facility):

The z/OS ICKDSF utility performs functions needed for the installation, use, and maintenance of IBM direct-access storage devices (DASD). Also used to perform service functions, error detection, and media maintenance. The ICKDSF utility is used primarily to initialize disk volumes. At a minimum, this process involves creating the disk label record and the volume table of contents (VTOC). ICKDSF also can scan a volume to ensure that it is usable, can reformat all the tracks, can write home addresses, as well as other functions.

ICF:

See *Internal Coupling Facility*.

ICON:

A picture representing something that exists on the computer.

IEBCOMPR:

IEBCOMPR is a z/OS data set utility that is used to compare two sequential data sets, two partitioned data sets, or two Partitioned Data Sets Extended (PDSE) at the logical record level to verify a backup copy.

IEBCOPY:

IEBCOPY is a z/OS data set utility that is used to copy or merge members between one or more partitioned data sets, or Partitioned Data Sets Extended (PDSE), in full or in part.

IEBDG:

IEBDG is a z/OS data set utility that is used to provide a pattern of test data to be used as a programming debugging aid.

IEBGENER:

The IEBGENER utility is a z/OS copy program that is part of the operating system. It is used to copy a sequential data set, a member of a Partitioned Data Set (PDS), or PDSE.

IEBIMAGE:

IEBIMAGE is a z/OS data set utility that creates and maintains specific printer type modules and stores them in a library.

IEBTPCH:

IEBTPCH is used to print or punch all, or selected portions of a sequential data set or PDSE.

IEBUPTE:

IEBUPTE is used to create or modify sequential or partitioned data sets, or PDSE.

IEFBR14:

IEFBR14 is a dummy program, normally inserted in JCL when the only desired action is allocation or deletion of data sets.

IEHINITT:

IEHINITT is a z/OS system utility used to place standard volume label sets onto any number of magnetic tapes mounted on one or more tape units.

IEHLIST:

IEHLIST is a z/OS system utility used to list entries in the directory of one or more partitioned data sets or PDSEs, or entries in an indexed or non-indexed volume table of contents. Any number of listings can be requested in a single execution of the program.

IEHMOVE:

IEHMOVE is a z/OS system utility used to move or copy logical collections of operating system data.

IEHPROGM:

IEHPROGM is a z/OS system utility that is used to modify system control data and to maintain data sets at an organizational level.

IFHSTATR:

IFHSTATR is a system utility that formats and prints information from Type 21 SMF (system management facilities) records. These records provide error statistics by volume (ESV) data.

image:

See *storage image*.

IML:

See *Initial Microcode Load*.

Information Management System (IMS):

Is a database and transaction management system.

Information Management System transaction manager (IMS TM):

Is a message-based transaction processor.

Information Technology (IT):

Is the use of computers to store, retrieve, transmit, and manipulate data, or information, often in the context of a business or other enterprise.

Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS):

Is a form of cloud computing that provides virtualized computing resources over the Internet. IaaS is one of three main categories of cloud computing services, alongside Software as a Service (SaaS) and Platform as a Service (PaaS).

Initial Microcode Load (IML):

The action of loading microcode for a computer into that computer's storage.

Initial Program Load (IPL):

The action of loading software into a computer, typically an operating system that controls the computer.

Initiator:

A SCSI device that communicates with and controls one or more targets. Contrast with *target*.

Inode:

An inode is a data structure on a filesystem on Linux and other UNIX-like operating systems that stores all the information about a file except its name and its actual data. A data structure is a way of storing data so that it can be used efficiently.

Input/Output (I/O):

Pertaining to (a) input, output, or both or (b) a device, process, or channel involved in data input, data output, or both.

I/O Adapter:

A generic term for an electronic circuit, expansion card, or plug-in module that accepts input and generates output in a particular format. The 'adapter' part of the term means that a conversion of the data format and electronic timing takes place between the input/output streams and the internal computer circuits.

Input/Output Configuration Data Set (IOCDs):

A configuration definition built by the I/O Configuration Program (IOCP) and stored on disk files associated with the processor controller.

Input/Output Definition File (IODF):

Created by HCD (Hardware Configuration Definition) and contains information about the I/O configuration, such as: Operating system data, Switch data, Device data, including EDT definition, Processor data, Partition data, Channel path data, Control unit data, and Channel subsystem data.

I/O enclosure:

The I/O enclosures hold the adapters and provide connectivity between the adapters and the processors. Both device adapters and host adapters are installed in the I/O enclosure.

In-stream procedure:

Are procedures whose JCL statements are placed within the job executing them. The beginning of an in-stream procedure must be marked by a PROC statement, its ending by a PEND statement. In-stream procedures must be defined before they can be used, meaning the procedure definition must precede its invocation.

Intelligent Resource Director:

Intelligent Resource Director (IRD) is software that automates the management of CPU resources and certain I/O resources.

Intelligent Write Caching (IWC):

Improves performance through better write cache management and a better destaging of order of writes.

Interactive mode:

The interactive command mode provides a history function that makes repeating or checking prior command usage easy to do. Log on to the DS CLI application at the directory where it is installed, and begin using the DS CLI commands and parameters.

Interactive System Productivity Facility (ISPF):

Is a software product for the z/OS operating system that runs on IBM mainframes. ISPF primarily provides an IBM 3270 terminal interface with a set of panels. Each panel may include menus and dialogs to run tools on the underlying Time Sharing Option (TSO). ISPF is frequently used to manipulate z/OS data sets from its Program Development Facility named ISPF/PDF, where PDF refers to Program Development Facility.

Interface cards:

Provide the connection between storage devices and the internal processors and memory.

Interleave:

To automatically create two striped partitions across the drives in a RAID-5 array, both of which use the Count-Key-Data (CKD) record format.

Internal Battery Feature (IBF):

The Internal Battery Feature (IBF) is an optional feature on many of the IBM Z family processors. The IBF provides a local uninterrupted power source and further enhances the robustness of the power design present in the mainframe and increases a mainframe's immunity to power line disturbance. It provides battery backup power to preserve processor data during a loss of power on all power feeds from the computer room. The IBF can hold power briefly during a brownout, or for orderly shutdown if there is a longer outage. The IBF will not be available on the IBM z14 Model ZR1 which introduces customers to another consideration when

planning a new build or upgrade to this machine.

Internal Coupling Facility:

Provides a cost effective means for getting started in DB2 data sharing. Additionally, if the ICFs are configured with internal links, there can be a performance benefit over external coupling facilities.

Internet Protocol (IP):

In the Internet suite of protocols, a protocol without connections that routes data through a network or interconnecting networks and acts as an intermediary between the higher protocol layers and the physical network. The upper layer supports one or more logical protocols (for example, a SCSI-command protocol and IBM Z command protocol). Refer to ANSI X3.230-199x. The IP acronym is the IP in TCP/IP. See also *Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol*.

Invalidate:

To remove a logical data unit from cache memory because it cannot support continued access to the logical data unit on the device. This removal might be the result of a failure within the storage server or a storage device that is associated with the device.

I/O:

See *Input/Output*.

I/O Adapter (IOA):

An input-output adapter on the PCI bus.

IOCDs:

See *Input/Output Configuration Data Set*.

IOCP (I/O Configuration Program):

A program that defines to a system all the available I/O devices and channel paths.

I/O interface:

An interface that enables a host to perform read and write operations with its associated peripheral devices.

Input/Output Operations Per Second (IOPS):

Is the standard unit of measurement for the maximum number of reads and writes to non-contiguous storage locations.

I/O ports:

It allows the software drivers to communicate with hardware devices on a computer.

I/O Priority Manager (IOPM):

Constantly monitors and balances system resources to help applications meet their performance targets automatically, without operator intervention. Allows increased priority for Critical I/O. The IO Priority manager extends the IBM Z System WorkLoad Manager functionality to include storage. With this feature, the system administrator can use zWLM to manage all computing resources.

I/O priority queuing:

Allows the DS8000 series to use I/O priority information provided by the z/OS Workload Manager to manage the processing sequence of I/O operations.

IOPS:

See *Input/Output Operations Per Second*.

IP:

See *Internet Protocol*.

IPL:

See *Initial Program Load*.

IRD:

See *Intelligent Resource Director*.

ISPF Shell (ISHELL):

The `ISHELL` command invokes the ISPF panel interface to z/OS UNIX System Services. ISHELL is a good starting point for users familiar with TSO and ISPF who want to use z/OS UNIX.

IT:

See *Information Technology*.

IWC:

See *Intelligent Write Caching*.

J

Java:

Is a general-purpose computer programming language that is concurrent, class-based, object-oriented, and specifically designed to have as few implementation dependencies as possible.

Java Virtual Machine (JVM):

A software implementation of a processor that runs compiled Java code (applets and applications).

Job Control Language (JCL):

JCL is the language used by a batch job to request resources and services from the operating system.

Job Entry System (JES):

In the z/OS operating system, JES manages the input and output job queues and data. Each JES2 processor controls its own job input, job scheduling, and job output processing. Centralized control over processing through a single global JES3 processor, which does job selection, scheduling, and device allocation on the other JES3 systems.

JVM:

See *Java Virtual Machine*.

K**KB:**

See *kilobyte*.

Kernel:

The kernel is the central module of an operating system. It is the part of the operating system that loads first, and it remains in main memory.

Kernel-based Virtual Machine (KVM):

Is a virtualization infrastructure for the Linux kernel that turns it into a hypervisor. It was merged into the Linux kernel mainline in kernel version 2.6.20, which was released on February 5, 2007. KVM requires a processor with hardware virtualization extensions.

See *kilobyte*.

Key field:

The second (optional) field of a count key data record. The key length is specified in the count field. The key length determines the field length. The program writes the data in the key field and uses the key field to identify or locate a given record. The subsystem does not use the key field.

Keyword operand (In UNIX):

Keyword operands are specific names or symbols that are recognized by the system. Therefore, keyword operands can be entered in any order following the positional operands. In the upcoming command descriptions, keyword operands are shown in uppercase characters. You can specify values with some keyword operands. Enclose the values in parentheses following the operand.

Kilobyte (KB):

- 1) For processor storage, real, and virtual storage, and channel volume, 2^{10} or 1024 bytes.
- 2) For disk storage capacity and communications volume, 1000 bytes.

Korn shell:

Interactive command interpreter and a command programming language.

L**Large Form Factor (LFF):**

3.5-inch hard disk drives (HDDs). The measurement represent the approximate diameter of the platter within the drive enclosures.

Large Volume Support (LVS):

Expands the CKD (Count Key Data) volumes to 65,520 cylinders using the existing 16-bit cylinder addressing.

LAN:

See *Local Area Network*.

LBA:

See *Logical Block Address*.

LCU:

See *Logical Control Unit*.

LDAP:

See *Lightweight Directory Access Protocol*.

Least Recently Used (LRU):

The LRU caching scheme is to remove the least recently used frame when the cache is full and a new page is referenced which is not there in cache.

LED:

See *Light-Emitting Diode*.

Legacy view:

A hardware or software view that has been superseded.

LFF:

See *Large Form Factor*.

Libvirt:

Is an open source API, daemon, and management tool for managing platform virtualization. It can be used to manage KVM, Xen, VMware ESX, QEMU, and other virtualization technologies. These APIs are widely used in the orchestration layer of hypervisors in the development of a cloud-based solution.

LIC:

See *License Internal Code*.

LICCC:

See *Licensed Internal Code Configuration Control*.

License key:

Is a data string that verifies authorized software product access. This type of software security helps prevent software piracy and gives organizations the ability to protect their software from unauthorized copying or sharing by unlicensed users.

License Internal Code (LIC):

Software that enables the hardware on a server. It is controlled by the System Flexible Service Processor (FSP). It initializes the hardware so that a system boots up and operates correctly and provides the interface for

the operating system to interact with the hardware.

Licensed Internal Code Configuration Control (LICCC):

Provides for server upgrades without hardware changes by activation of additional (previously installed) unused capacity.

Licensed Machine Code (LMC):

Microcode that IBM does not sell as part of a machine, but licenses to the customer. LMC is implemented in a part of storage that is not addressable by user programs. Some IBM products use it to implement functions as an alternate to hard-wired circuitry.

Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP):

Defines a standard method to access and update information in a directory.

Light-Emitting Diode (LED):

A semiconductor chip that displays visible or infrared light when activated.

Link address:

On an ESCON interface, the portion of a source or destination address in a frame that ESCON uses to route a frame through an ESCON director. ESCON associates the link address with a specific switch port that is on the ESCON director. Equivalently, it associates the link address with the channel subsystem or control unit link-level functions that are attached to the switch port.

Link-level facility:

The ESCON hardware and logical functions of a control unit or channel subsystem that allow communication over an ESCON write interface and an ESCON read interface.

Linux:

Is system software that manages computer hardware and software resources and provides common services for computer programs.

LinuxONE:

Built on IBM Z technology and designed for Linux-only environments. The LinuxONE

Emperor, which is built on the IBM z13 mainframe and its z13 CPU, and its little brother, Rockhopper, which uses the older z12 processor.

LISTALC command (In UNIX):

Use the `LISTALC` command to obtain a list of the currently allocated data sets. `LISTALC` without operands displays a list of all currently allocated data set names.

LISTCAT command (In UNIX):

Use the `LISTCAT` command to list entries from a catalog. The entries listed can be selected by name or entry type, and the fields to be listed for each entry can additionally be selected.

LISTDS command (In UNIX):

Use the `LISTDS` command to have the attributes of specific data sets displayed at your terminal. The `LISTDS` command works differently for VSAM than for non-VSAM data sets. A VSAM data set causes the `LISTDS` command to display only the data set organization, which is VSAM. Use the `LISTCAT` command to obtain more information about a VSAM data set.

Local Area Network (LAN):

A computer network located on a user's premises within a limited geographic area.

Log Structured File System (LFS):

LFS is a file system in which data and metadata are written sequentially to a circular buffer, called a log.

Logical Block Address (LBA):

The address assigned by DS8000 series to a sector of a disk.

Logical Control Unit (LCU):

An LCU is equivalent to a Logical SubSystem (LSS). Like an LSS, an LCU can have a maximum of 256 logical devices or volumes.

Logical device:

The facilities of a storage server (such as DS8000 series) associated with the processing of I/O operations directed to a single host-accessible emulated I/O device. The

associated storage is referred to as a logical volume. The logical device is mapped to one or more host-addressable units, such as a device on IBM Z I/O interface or a logical unit on a SCSI I/O interface, such that the host initiating I/O operations to the I/O-addressable unit interacts with the storage on the associated logical device.

Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP):

Is a protocol, which makes directory information available.

Logical Partition (LPAR):

For IBM Z, a set of functions that create the programming environment in which more than one Logical PARTition (LPAR) is established on a processor. An LPAR is conceptually like a virtual machine environment except that the LPAR is a function of the processor. Also, the LPAR does not depend on an operating system to create the virtual machine environment. (DS8000 series only).

Logical path:

1) The relationship between a channel image and a control-unit image that designates the physical path to be used for device-level communications between these images. The logical path is established as part of the channel and control-unit initialization procedures by the exchange of link-level frames.

2) With the Remote Mirror and Copy feature, the relationship between a source logical subsystem (LSS) and a target LSS that is created over a physical path through the interconnection fabric that is used for Remote Mirror and Copy functions. An LSS is a primary control unit, which performs the functions of a channel image.

Logical Subsystem (LSS):

A topological construct that consists of a group of up to 256 logical devices. A DS8000 storage system can have (if CDK only) up to 32 CKD-formatted logical subsystems (8192 CKD logical devices) or (if FBA only) up to 32

fixed-block logical subsystems (8192 fixed-block logical devices). If mixed CKD and FBA, DS8000 series can have up to 16 CKD-formatted logical subsystems (4096 CKD logical devices) and up to 16 fixed-block logical subsystems (4096 fixed-block logical devices). The logical subsystem facilitates configuration of DS8000 series and might have other implications relative to the operation of certain functions. There is a one-to-one mapping between a CKD logical subsystem and IBM Z control-unit image.

For IBM Z hosts, a logical subsystem represents a Logical Control Unit (LCU). Each control-unit image is associated with only one logical subsystem. See also *control-unit image*.

Logical unit:

In open systems, a logical disk drive.

Logical Unit Number (LUN):

In the SCSI protocol, a unique number that is used on a SCSI bus to enable it to differentiate between separate devices, each of which is a logical unit. The logical unit number reported to the host by the storage system. The host uses the LUN to identify the volume for SCSI commands.

Logical volume:

The storage medium that is associated with a logical disk drive. A logical volume typically resides on one or more storage devices. The DS8000 administrator defines this unit of storage. The logical volume, when residing on a RAID-formatted array, is spread over the drives in the array.

Logical Volume Manager (LVM):

A set of system commands, library routines, and other tools that allow the user to establish and control logical volume storage. The LVM maps data between the logical view of storage space and the physical drive module.

Longitudinal Redundancy Check (LRC):

1) A method of error checking during data transfer that involves checking parity on a row of binary digits that are members of a set that

forms a matrix. Longitudinal redundancy check is also called a longitudinal parity check.

2) A mechanism that DS8000 series uses for locating errors. The LRC checks the data as it progresses from the host, through the DS8000 controller, into the device adapter, and to the array.

Longwave cable:

Longwave laser has a wavelength of about 1300nm. Used for distances up to 10K between Fibre Channel switches and bridges.

Loop:

The physical connection between a pair of device adapters in the DS8000 storage system. See also *device adapter*.

LPAR:

See *Logical PARTition*.

LSS:

See *Logical SubSystem*.

LUN:

See *Logical Unit Number*.

LVM:

See *Logical Volume Manager*.

LXC (Linux Containers):

Is an operating-system-level virtualization method for running multiple isolated Linux systems (containers) on a control host using a single Linux kernel.

LXD:

Is a daemon, which provides a REST API to drive LXC containers. Its main goal is to provide a user experience that's similar to that of virtual machines but using Linux containers rather than hardware virtualization.

M

Machine Reported Product Data (MRPD):

Product data gathered by a machine and sent to a destination such as an IBM support server or RETAIN. These records might include such information as feature code information and product logical configuration information.

Machine code:

A set of instructions executed directly by a computer's Central Processing Unit (CPU).

MacVTap:

MacVTap is a new device driver meant to simplify virtualized bridged networking.

Mainframe:

A computer, usually in a computer center, with extensive capabilities and resources to which other computers may be connected so that they can share facilities. (T)

Management console:

See *Hardware Management Console*.

Management Information Base (MIB):

1) A collection of objects that can be accessed by means of a network management protocol.
2) The MIB record conforms to the Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) standard defined by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) for the exchange of information. See also *simple network management protocol*.

Master storage system:

The physical unit that controls the creation of consistency groups in a Global Mirror session. The master storage system sends commands to subordinate storage systems. A storage system can be a master for only one Global Mirror session. Contrast with *subordinate storage system*.

Maximum consistency group drain time:

The value in seconds that indicates the maximum time that writes from the local site are delayed to the remote site while the current consistency group is being formed at the remote site. When this time is exceeded, the current attempt to form a consistency group is ended and another attempt is started. If this time is exceeded five times, this maximum time is ignored on the next attempt to form a consistency group. The default value is the larger of four minutes or two times the consistency group interval time if this value is set to zero.

Maximum coordination time:

The value in milliseconds that indicates the maximum time that is allowed for host I/O to be delayed during the coordination of the primary volumes of an Global Mirror session. The default is 50 milliseconds if this value is set to zero.

MB:

See *megabyte*.

MC:

See *Hardware Management Console*.

MCM:

See *Multi-Chip Module*.

MCU:

See *Multicylinder Unit*.

Medium:

For a storage system, the disk surface on which data is stored.

Megabyte (MB):

1) For processor storage, real and virtual storage, and channel volume, 2^{20} or 1 048 576 bytes.
2) For disk storage capacity and communications volume, 1 000 000 bytes.

Memory:

Also called storage, is a technology consisting of computer components and recording media used to retain digital data. It is a core function and fundamental component of computers.

MFT:

See *Multiprogramming with a fixed number of tasks*.

Miscellaneous Equipment Specification (MES):

Any server hardware change (addition, improvement, removal, or any combination of these). The server's serial number does not change. Specific types include the following: Customer-Installable Feature (CIF) MES or Install-By-IBM (IBI) MES.

Metro Global Mirror:

A three-site, high availability, disaster recovery solution. Metro Global Mirror uses synchronous replication to mirror data between a local site and an intermediate site, and asynchronous replication to mirror data from an intermediate site to a remote site. A cascaded solution where Metro Mirror synchronously copies data to the target site. This Metro Mirror target is the source volume for Global Mirror that asynchronously copies data to a third site. This solution has the potential to provide a disaster recovery with no data loss at Global Mirror distances when the intermediate site does not participate in the disaster that occurs at the production site.

Metro Mirror:

A function of a storage server that maintains a consistent copy of a logical volume on the same storage server or on another storage server. All modifications that any attached host initiates on the primary logical volume are also processed on the secondary logical volume. See also *Remote Mirror and Copy* and *Global Copy*.

MIB:

See *Management Information Base*.

Microcode:

A technique that imposes an interpreter between the hardware and the architectural level of a computer. As such, the microcode is a layer of hardware-level instructions that implement higher-level machine code instructions or internal state machine sequencing in many digital processing elements. Microcode is used in general-purpose Central Processing Units (CPUs), as well as in more specialized processors. and in other hardware. Microcode typically resides in special high-speed memory and translates machine instructions, state machine data, or other input into sequences of detailed circuit-level operations. It separates the machine instructions from the underlying electronics so that instructions can be designed and altered more freely. It also facilitates the building of complex multi-step instructions,

while reducing the complexity of computer circuits.

Microsoft Hyper-V:

Code named Viridian and formerly known as Windows Server Virtualization, is a native hypervisor; it can create virtual machines on x86-64 systems running Windows.

Migration:

The replacement of a system or subsystem with a different type of system or subsystem, such as replacing a SCSI host adapter with a Fibre Channel host adapter. In the context of data migration regarding DS8000 series, the transfer of data from one storage system to another, such as from a 3390 to DS8000 series.

MIH:

See *Missing-Interrupt Handler*.

Million Service Units (MSUs):

Is a measurement of the amount of processing work a computer can perform in one hour. It reflects how IBM rates the machine in terms of charging capacity.

Mirrored pair:

Two units that contain the same data. The system refers to them as one entity.

Mirroring:

In host systems, the process of writing the same data to two disk units within the same auxiliary storage pool at the same time.

MLAG:

See *Multi-link Aggregation*.

MRPD:

See *Machine Reported Product Data*.

MSUs:

See *Million Service Units*.

MySQL:

Is a freely available open source Relational Database Management System (RDBMS) that uses Structured Query Language (SQL).

Multi-Chip Module (MCM):

Is an electronic assembly (such as a package with a number of conductor terminals or "pins") where multiple integrated circuits, semiconductor dies and/or other discrete components are integrated, usually onto a unifying substrate, so that in use it is treated as if it were a single component.

Multicylinder Unit (MCU):

This term refers to a fixed unit of disk space that is larger than a cylinder. Currently, on an EAV, a multicylinder unit is 21 cylinders and the number of the first cylinder in each multicylinder unit is a multiple of 21.

Multipath Subsystem Device Driver:

See *IBM DS8000 Multipath Subsystem Device Driver*.

Multi-link Aggregation (MLAG):

Enables arrangement of aggregated groups on two separate switchboards of the MLAG-domain.

Multiple allegiance:

A DS8000 hardware function that is independent of software support. This function enables multiple system images to concurrently access the same logical volume on DS8000 series as long as the system images are accessing different extents. See also *extent* and *parallel access volumes*.

Multiple relationship FlashCopy:

An option of DS8000 series that creates backup copies from one source to multiple targets by simultaneously establishing multiple FlashCopy relationships.

Multiplex:

The action of transmitting simultaneously.

Multiprocessor:

A computer that includes two or more processors that have common access to a main storage. For DS8000 series, the multiprocessors operate in parallel.

Multiprogramming with a fixed number of tasks (MFT):

Each job gets just the amount of memory it needs. That is, the partitioning of memory changes as jobs enter and leave. MFT is a more efficient user of resources.

Multiprogramming variable number of tasks (MVT):

Is a feature of large computers that allows more efficient operation by having multiple programs (tasks) present and operating in the mainframe computer simultaneously.

Multiple Virtual Systems (MVS):

Was the most commonly used operating system on the System/370 and System/390 IBM mainframe computers.

N

Name server:

A server that stores names of the participating DS8000 clusters.

NAS:

See *Network Attached Storage*.

NBD:

See *Network Block Device*.

Near-line:

A type of intermediate storage between online storage (which provides constant, rapid access to data) and off-line storage (which provides infrequent data access for backup purposes or long-term storage).

Network Attached Storage (NAS):

Is a file-level computer data storage server connected to a computer network providing data access to a heterogeneous group of clients. NAS is specialized for serving files either by its hardware, software, or configuration.

Network Block Device (NBD):

Is a device node whose content is provided by a remote machine. Typically, network block devices are used to access a storage device

that does not physically reside in the local machine but on a remote one.

Network File System (NFS):

Is a client/server application that lets a computer user view and optionally store and update files on a remote computer as though they were on the user's own computer.

Network Interface Card (NIC):

A network interface controller (NIC, also known as a network interface card, network adapter, LAN adapter or physical network interface, and by similar terms) is a computer hardware component that connects a computer to a computer network.

Network manager:

A program or group of programs that is used to monitor, manage, and diagnose the problems of a network.

Network Time Protocol (NTP):

Is a networking protocol for clock synchronization between computer systems over packet-switched, variable-latency data networks. In operation since before 1985, NTP is one of the oldest Internet protocols in current use.

Node:

The unit that is connected in a Fibre Channel network. DS8000 series is a node in a Fibre Channel network.

Non-removable medium:

A recording medium that cannot be added to or removed from a storage device.

NonVolatile Storage (NVS):

Memory that stores active write data to avoid data loss in the event of a power loss.

NVS:

See *NonVolatile Storage*.

N+1 redundancy:

Is a form of resilience that ensures system availability in the event of component failure. Components (N) have at least one independent backup component (+1).

O

Octal:

Octal, from Latin octo or “eight”) is a term that describes a base-8 number system. An octal number system consists of eight single-digit numbers: 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7.

OMVS:

The first implementation was known as MVS OpenEdition (or OE, or OMVS), then it became OS/390 UNIX System Services, and finally z/OS UNIX System Services, as we know it today.

OMVS command:

Is used to invoke the z/OS UNIX shell. Users whose primary interactive computing environment is a UNIX system should find the z/OS UNIX shell environment familiar. The OMVS command is used to invoke the z/OS UNIX shell. The shell is a command processor that invokes shell commands or utilities that request services from the system, writes shell scripts using the shell programming language and runs shell scripts and C-language programs interactively (in the foreground), in the background, or in batch.

OnLine Transaction Processing (OLTP):

A class of information systems that facilitate and manage transaction-oriented applications, typically for data entry and retrieval transaction processing. OLTP has also been used to refer to processing in which the system responds immediately to user requests.

OpenFlow:

Is a protocol that allows a server to tell network switches where to send packets. In a conventional network, each switch has proprietary software that tells it what to do. With OpenFlow, the packet-moving decisions are centralized, so that the network can be programmed independently of the individual switches and data center gear.

OpenStack:

Is a set of software tools for building and managing cloud computing platforms for public and private clouds. Backed by some of the biggest companies in software development and hosting, as well as thousands of individual community members, many think that OpenStack is the future of cloud computing.

Open source software:

Open source refers to a program or software in which the source code (the form of the program when a programmer writes a program in a particular programming language) is available to the general public for use and/or modification from its original design free of charge. Open source code is typically created as a collaborative effort in which programmers improve upon the code and share the changes within the community.

Open system:

A system whose characteristics comply with standards made available throughout the industry and that therefore can be connected to other systems complying with the same standards. Applied to DS8000 series, such systems are those hosts that connect to DS8000 series through SCSI or FCP protocols. See also *small computer system interface* and *Fibre Channel Protocol*.

Open System Adapter (OSA):

Is the only LAN (Local Area Network) attachment to the IBM Systems.

Open vSwitch (OVS):

Open vSwitch is a production quality, multilayer virtual switch licensed under the open source Apache 2.0 license. It is designed to enable massive network automation through programmatic extension, while still supporting standard management interfaces and protocols.

Operating System (OS):

Is system software that manages computer hardware and software resources and provides common services for computer programs.

Open Systems / 390: (OS/390):

Is an IBM operating system for the System/390 IBM mainframe computers.

P

PaaS:

See *Platform As A Service*.

PAM:

See *Pluggable Authentication Module*.

Panel:

The formatted display of information that appears on a display screen.

Parallel Access Volume (PAV):

A licensed function of DS8000 series that enables z/OS systems to issue concurrent I/O requests against a count key data logical volume by associating multiple devices of a single control-unit image with a single logical device. Up to eight device addresses can be assigned to a PAV. The PAV function enables two or more concurrent write operations to the same logical volume, as long as the write operations are not to the same extents.

Parallel Sysplex License Charge (PSLC):

Charges for Parallel Sysplex licenses.

Parity:

A data checking scheme used in a computer system to ensure the integrity of the data. The RAID implementation uses parity to re-create data if a disk drive fails.

Partitioned Data Set (PDS):

Is a data set containing multiple members, each of which holds a separate sub-data set, similar to a directory in other types of file systems.

Partitioned Data Set Extended (PDSE):

Is a data set type that is managed by DFSMS. Externally, a PDSE is very similar to a PDS. Internally, the PDSE has a different directory structure, member format, and record format. A PDSE is indistinguishable from a PDS through most interfaces used to access a PDS directory.

or member. All ISPF functions support the PDSE.

Path group:

In IBM Z architecture, a set of channel paths that are defined to a control unit as being associated with a single Logical PARTition (LPAR). The channel paths are in a group state and are online to the host. See also *logical partition*.

PAV:

See *Parallel Access Volumes*.

PCHID:

See *Physical Channel Path Identifier*.

PCI:

See *Peripheral Component Interconnect*.

PCle:

See *Peripheral Component Interconnect Express*.

PDF:

See *Program Development Facility*.

PDS:

See *Partitioned Data Set*.

PDSE:

See *Partitioned Data Set Extended*.

PDU:

See *Protocol Data Unit*.

PDU:

See *Power Distribution Unit*.

Peripheral Component Interconnect (PCI):

An architecture for a system bus and associated protocols that supports attachments of adapter cards to a system backplane.

Peripheral Component Interconnect Express (PCle or PCIe):

Is a serial expansion bus standard for connecting a computer to one or more peripheral devices. PCIe provides lower latency and higher data transfer rates than parallel busses such as PCI and PCI-X. Every device that's connected to a motherboard with a PCIe link has its own dedicated point-to-point

connection. This means that devices are not competing for bandwidth because they are not sharing the same bus.

Peer-to-Peer Remote Copy (PPRC):

Is a protocol to replicate a storage volume to another control unit in a remote site. Synchronous PPRC causes each write to the primary volume to be performed to the secondary as well, and the I/O is only considered complete when update to both primary and secondary have completed. Asynchronous PPRC will flag tracks on the primary to be duplicated to the secondary when time permits.

Performance Groups:

Are used to assign a numerical value to a performance policy.

Peripheral:

Is defined as any auxiliary device such as a tape drive, disk drive, mouse, or keyboard that connects to and works with the computer in some way.

Persistent FlashCopy:

A state where a FlashCopy relationship remains indefinitely until the user deletes it. The relationship between the source and target volumes is maintained after a background copy completes.

PFI:

See *Predictive Failure Analysis*.

Physical Channel Path Identifier (PCHID):

Specifies a physical channel identifier related to their physical location.

Physical path:

A single path through the I/O interconnection fabric that attaches two units. For Copy Services, this is the path from a host adapter on one DS8000 storage system (through cabling and switches) to a host adapter on another DS8000 storage system.

Pinned data:

Data that is held in cache until either an error condition is corrected and it can be moved to

disk storage or until the data is discarded by a host command. Pinned data conditions can only occur on an ESS Model 800 during fast-write or dual-copy functions.

PKI:

See *Public Key Infrastructure*.

Platform As A Service (PaaS):

Platform as a service (PaaS) or application platform as a service (aPaaS) is a category of cloud computing services that provides a platform allowing customers to develop, run, and manage applications without the complexity of building and maintaining the infrastructure typically associated with developing and launching an app. PaaS can be delivered in two ways: As a public cloud service from a provider, where the consumer controls software deployment with minimal configuration options, and the provider provides the networks, servers, storage, operating system, middleware, database, and other services to host the consumer's application; or as a private service (software or appliance) inside the firewall, or as software deployed on a public infrastructure as a service.

Pluggable Authentication Module (PAM):

A mechanism to integrate multiple low-level authentication schemes into a high-level API. It allows programs that rely on authentication to be written independently of the underlying authentication scheme.

Point-to-point connection:

A Fibre Channel topology that enables the direct interconnection of ports. See also *arbitrated loop* and *switched fabric*.

Port:

A physical connection on a host adapter to the cable that connects the DS8000 storage system to hosts, switches, or another DS8000 storage system. DS8000 series uses SCSI and ESCON host adapters that have two ports per adapter, and Fibre Channel host adapters that have one port. See also *ESCON*, *Fibre Channel*, *host adapter*, and *small computer system interface*.

Portable Operating System Interface (POSIX):

POSIX is a set of standard operating system interfaces based on the UNIX operating system.

Positional operands (In UNIX):

Positional operands follow the command name in a certain order. In the command descriptions within this topic, the positional operands are shown in lowercase characters. When you enter a positional operand that is a list of several names or values, you must enclose the list within parentheses.

PostgreSQL:

Often simply Postgres, is an object-relational database management system (ORDBMS) with an emphasis on extensibility and standards compliance. As a database server, its primary functions are to store data securely and return that data in response to requests from other software applications. It can handle workloads ranging from small single-machine applications to large Internet-facing applications (or for data warehousing) with many concurrent users; on macOS Server, PostgreSQL is the default database; and it is also available for Microsoft Windows and Linux.

Power Distribution Unit (PDU):

A type of electrical component that distributes and manages electricity supply to computers, servers, and networking devices within a data center environment. It provides a central unit to control and distribute electricity across the data center components. Power distribution units are also known as Main Distribution Units (MDUs).

Power Supply Unit (PSU):

Converts mains AC to low-voltage regulated DC power for the internal components of a computer.

PPS:

See *Primary Power Supply*.

Predictive Failure Analysis (PFA):

Can anticipate certain forms of failures by keeping internal statistics of read and write

errors. If the error rates exceed predetermined threshold values, the drive is nominated for replacement. Because the drive has not yet failed, data can be copied directly to a spare drive. This copy ability avoids the use of RAID recovery to reconstruct all of the data onto the spare drive.

Preventive Service Planning (PSP):

Information, which contains the latest information that is applicable to machine's hardware and software. PSP information should be reviewed before all system installs, hardware, and software updates. PSP information is provided by the IBM software support center to use when installing a licensed program, cumulative PTF packages, or hardware. It can also be used to order preventive service planning information and review the recommended High Impact PERvasive (HIPER) fixes periodically or to order the HIPER PTF group. The HIPER PTF group is updated every other week.

Primary control program (PCP):

The program which provides the sequential scheduling of jobs and basic operating systems functions.

Primary control unit:

The DS8000 storage system to which a Remote Mirror and Copy primary device is physically attached.

Primary Power Supply (PPS):

A wide range power supply that converts AC input voltage into DC voltage.

PRINTDS command (In UNIX):

Use the PRINTDS command to format and print data sets on any printer defined to the Job Entry Subsystem (JES).

Processor:

The key component of a computing device that contains the circuitry necessary to interpret and execute electrical signals fed into the device. Its basic job is to receive input and provide the appropriate output. Also referred to as CPU or core.

Processor complex:

The set of hardware that defines a mainframe, which includes the central processing units, memory, channels, controllers, and power supplies included in the box. Also known as 'Central Electronics Complex (CEC)'.

Processor node:

A partition of a storage server that is capable of performing all defined functions of the storage server. Multiple processor complexes provide redundancy.

Processor Resource System Manager (PR/SM):

Is a type-1 Hypervisor (a virtual machine monitor) that allows multiple logical partitions to share physical resources such as CPUs, I/O channels and direct access storage devices (DASD). It is integrated with all IBM Z mainframes.

PROFILE command (In UNIX):

The PROFILE command establishes, changes, or lists your user profile. The information in your profile tells the system how you want to use your terminal.

Program:

On a computer, a generic term for software that controls the operation of the computer. Typically, the program is a logical assemblage of software modules that perform multiple related tasks.

Program Development Facility (PDF):

Provides a panel-driven menu interface and a number of services through which users can work with source code and data stored on a host.

Program Temporary Fix (PTF):

A temporary solution to, or bypass of, a problem diagnosed by IBM as the result of a defect in a current unaltered release of a licensed program.

Promote:

To add a logical data unit to cache memory.

Protocol Data Unit (PDU):

A unit of data specified in the protocol of a given layer and consisting of protocol control information for the layer and, possibly, user data for the layer.

PR/SM:

See *Processor Resource System Manager*.

Pseudo host:

A host connection that is not explicitly defined to the DS8000 storage system and that has access to at least one volume that is configured on the DS8000 storage system. The FiconNet pseudo host icon represents the FICON protocol. The EsconNet pseudo host icon represents the ESCON protocol. The pseudo host icon labeled Anonymous represents hosts connected through the FCP protocol.

Anonymous host is a commonly used synonym for *pseudo host*. DS8000 series adds a pseudo host icon only when it is set to access-any mode. See also *access-any mode*.

PSP:

See *Preventive Service Planning*.

PSU:

See *Power Supply Unit*.

PTF:

See *Program Temporary Fix*.

Public Key Infrastructure (PKI):

Supports the distribution and identification of public encryption keys, enabling users and computers to both securely exchange data over networks such as the Internet and verify the identity of the other party.

PV Links:

Short for Physical Volume Links, an alternate pathing solution from Hewlett-Packard that provides for multiple paths to a volume, as well as static load balancing.

Q

qcow2 (QEMU Copy On Write):

Is a file format for disk image files used by QEMU, a hosted virtual machine monitor. It uses a disk storage optimization strategy that

delays allocation of storage until it is actually needed. Files in qcow format can contain a variety of disk images, which are generally associated with specific guest operating systems.

QEMU:

QEMU (short for Quick Emulator) is a free and open-source hosted hypervisor that performs hardware virtualization (not to be confused with hardware-assisted virtualization). QEMU is a hosted virtual machine monitor: it emulates CPUs through dynamic binary translation and provides a set of device models, enabling it to run a variety of unmodified guest operating systems. It also can be used together with KVM in order to run virtual machines at near-native speed (requiring hardware virtualization extensions on x86 machines). QEMU can also do CPU emulation for user-level processes, allowing applications compiled for one architecture to run on another.

Quality of Service (QoS):

An assessment of how well a delivered service conforms to the client's expectations. Service business operators often assess the service quality provided to their customers in order to improve their service, to quickly identify problems, and to better assess client satisfaction.

R

RACF:

See *Resource Access Control Facility*.

Rack Power Control (RPC) cards:

Manages the DS8000 power subsystem and provide control, monitoring, and reporting functions. RPC cards are responsible for receiving DC-UPS status and controlling DC-UPS functions.

Rack Unit:

Abbreviated as U or RU, is a unit of measure defined as 1.75 inches (44.45mm). It is most frequently used as a measurement of the overall height of 19-inch and 23-inch rack frames, as well as the height of equipment that mounts in these frames, whereby the height of

the frame or equipment is expressed as multiples of rack units.

RAID:

See *redundant array of independent disks*. RAID is also commonly expanded to redundant array of *inexpensive* disks. See also *array*.

RAID 5:

A type of RAID that optimizes cost-effective performance while emphasizing use of available capacity through data striping. RAID 5 provides fault tolerance for up to two failed disk drives by distributing parity across all the drives in the array plus one parity disk drive. DS8000 series automatically reserves spare disk drives when it assigns arrays to a Device Adapter pair (DA pair). See also *device adapter*, *RAID 10*, and *redundant array of independent disks*.

RAID 6:

Any form of RAID that can continue to process read and write requests to all virtual disks of an array in the presence of two concurrent failures. See also *device adapter*, *RAID 5*, *RAID 10*, and *redundant array of independent disks*.

RAID 10:

A type of RAID that optimizes high performance while maintaining fault tolerance for up to two failed disk drives by striping volume data across several disk drives and mirroring the first set of disk drives on an identical set. DS8000 series automatically reserves spare disk drives when it assigns arrays to a device adapter pair (DA pair). See also *device adapter*, *RAID 5*, and *redundant array of independent disks*.

Random access:

A mode of accessing data on a medium in a manner that requires the storage device to access nonconsecutive storage locations on the medium.

Random Access Memory (RAM):

A type of computer memory that can be accessed randomly; that is, any byte of memory can be accessed without touching the preceding bytes. RAM is the most common

type of memory found in computers and other devices, such as printers.

Rank:

One or more arrays that are combined to create a logically contiguous storage space.

RAS:

See *Reliability, Availability, and Serviceability*.

Reboot:

Booting is starting a computer's operating system, so rebooting is to start it for a second or third time. Rebooting is usually necessary after a computer crashes, meaning it stops working because of a malfunction. Rebooting allows the computer to restart and get back to working normally. After a crash, the computer is useless until it is rebooted.

Recovery Point Objective (RPO):

The maximum targeted period in which data might be lost from an IT service due to a major incident.

Recovery Time Objective (RTO):

The targeted duration of time and a service level within which a business process must be restored after a disaster (or disruption) in order to avoid unacceptable consequences associated with a break in business continuity.

RECEIVE command (In UNIX):

The **RECEIVE** command is used by the addressee of a file transmission to retrieve transmitted files and to restore them to their original format.

Reduced Instruction Set Computer (RISC):

Is one whose instruction set architecture (ISA) allows it to have fewer cycles per instruction (CPI) than a complex instruction set computer.

Redundant Array of Independent Disks (RAID):

A methodology of grouping disk drives for managing disk storage to insulate data from a failing disk drive.

Redundant Array of Independent Memory (RAIM):

Is a design feature found in certain computers' main random access memory. RAIM utilizes additional memory modules and striping algorithms to protect against the failure of any particular module and keep the memory system operating continuously.

Relative Record Data Set (RRDS):

Has fixed-length slots, predefined to VSAM, in which records can be stored. An RRDS record is always fixed length, equal to the slot size. A record that is in an RRDS is identified by the Relative Record Number (RRN) of the slot that holds it. When a new record is added to an RRDS, VSAM uses the number that you supply with the file control request.

Reliability, Availability, and Serviceability (RAS):

Is a computer hardware engineering term involving reliability engineering, high availability, and serviceability design. Computers designed with higher levels of RAS have many features that protect data integrity and help them stay available for long periods of time without failure, this data integrity and uptime is a particular selling point for mainframes and fault-tolerant systems.

Remote I/O loop (RIO loop):

I/O subsystems are connected to the processor subsystem through Remote I/O cable loops. The cable loops are connected to ports that are available from the rear of the processor subsystem. The RIO cables are connected in loops so that the system has two paths to each I/O subsystem. There are two typical RIO loops: 1) one port of a hub connected to the input port of an I/O drawer, and the output port of this I/O drawer connected to the companion port of the same hub; 2) one port of a hub connected to the input port of an I/O drawer, the output port of this I/O drawer connected to the input port of another I/O drawer, and the output port of the other I/O drawer connected to the companion port of the same hub.

Remote Mirror and Copy:

A feature of a storage server that constantly updates a secondary copy of a logical volume to match changes made to a primary logical volume. The primary and secondary volumes can be on the same storage server or on separate storage servers. See also *Global Mirror*, *Metro Mirror*, and *Global Copy*.

Remote Procedure Call (RPC):

In distributed computing, a remote procedure call (RPC) is when a computer program causes a procedure (subroutine) to execute in a different address space (commonly on another computer on a shared network), which is coded as if it were a normal (local) procedure call, without the programmer explicitly coding the details for the remote interaction.

Reporting task commands:

Used for creating reports.

Resource Access Control Facility (RACF):

A security system that provides access control and auditing functionality for the z/OS and z/VM operating systems.

Resource Management Facility (RMF):

IBM's strategic product for z/OS performance measurement and management. It is the base product to collect performance data for z/OS and sysplex environments to monitor systems' performance behavior and provides the ability to optimally tune and configure the system according to business needs.

REST API:

A REST API defines a set of functions which developers can perform requests and receive responses using HTTP protocol such as GET and POST. Because REST API's use HTTP, they can be used by practically any programming language and easy to test (it's a requirement of a REST API that the client and server are independent of each other allowing either to be coded in any language and improved upon supporting longevity and evolution).

Resource Group:

Define a collection of resources and associate a set of policies relative to how the resources are configured and managed.

RESTful API:

Is an application programming interface (API) that uses HTTP requests to GET, PUT, POST, and DELETE data.

Restructured Extended Executor (REXX):

REXX is an interpreted programming language developed at IBM. It is a structured, high-level programming language designed for ease of learning and reading. Proprietary and open source REXX interpreters exist for a wide range of computing platforms; compilers exist for IBM mainframe computers.

Revolutions Per Minute (RPM):

Used to help determine the access time on computer hard drives. RPM is a measurement of how many revolutions a computer's hard drive makes in a single minute. The higher the RPM, the faster the data will be accessed.

RIO loop:

See *Remote I/O loop*.

RISC:

See *Reduced Instruction Set Computer*.

R0:

See *track-descriptor record*.

Rotate extents:

Distributes the extents of each volume successfully across all ranks in a pool to achieve a well balanced capacity based distribution of the workload. See *Storage Pool Striping*.

Rotate volume:

Reduces the configuration effort compared to single rank extent pools by easily distributing a set of volumes to different ranks in a specific extent pool for workloads where the use of host based stripping methods is still present.

RPC:

See *Rack Power Control cards or Remote Procedure Call*.

RPM:

See *Revolutions Per Minute*.

RRDS:

See *Relative Record Data Set*.

RSA:

Is algorithm used by modern computers to encrypt and decrypt messages. It is an asymmetric cryptographic algorithm. Asymmetric means that there are two different keys. This is also called public key cryptography, because one of them can be given to everyone. The other key must be kept private. It is based on the fact that finding the factors of an integer is hard (the factoring problem). RSA stands for Ron Rivest, Adi Shamir, and Leonard Adleman, who first publicly described it in 1978.

S

SAF:

See *System Access Facility*.

SAID:

See *System Adapter Identification Number*.

SAM:

See *Sequential Access Method*.

SAN:

See *Storage Area Network*.

SARC:

See *Sequential Adaptive Replacement Cache*.

SAS:

See *Statistical Analysis System*.

SE:

See *Support Element*.

Screen:

The physical surface of a display device upon which information is shown to users.

Script command mode:

The main thing to remember here is that the script that DS CLI executes can only contain DS CLI commands.

SCSI:

See *Small Computer System Interface*.

SCSI device:

A disk drive connected to a host through an I/O interface using the SCSI protocol. A SCSI device is either an initiator or a target. See also *initiator* and *small computer system interface*.

SCSI-FCP:

Synonym for Fibre Channel Protocol, a protocol used to transport data between an open-systems host and a Fibre Channel adapter on a DS8000. See also *Fibre Channel Protocol* and *small computer system interface*.

SDD:

See *IBM Subsystem Multipathing Device Driver*.

SE:

See *Support Element*.

Secondary control unit:

The DS8000 to which a Remote Mirror and Copy secondary device is physically attached.

Secure Data Overwrite (SDO):

A method of securely overwriting sensitive data in a way that makes the data unreadable.

Secure Hash Algorithm 3 (SHA-3):

A cryptographic hash algorithm (alternatively, hash "function") is designed to provide a random mapping from a string of binary data to a fixed-size "message digest" and achieve certain security properties. Hash algorithms can be used for digital signatures, message authentication codes, key derivation functions, pseudo random functions, and many other security applications.

Sector:

An area of a disk that contains the smallest addressable unit of information. When a disk is formatted, the operating system divides it into sectors and tracks. A sector is the theoretically minimal region of the disk upon which data can be read or written at one time.

SEND command (In UNIX):

Use the **SEND** command to send messages to other users. To receive the messages, the recipient's profile setting must include **INTERCOM**.

Sequential access:

A mode of accessing data on a medium in a manner that requires the storage device to access consecutive storage locations on the medium.

Sequential Adaptive Replacement Cache (SARC):

Is a caching algorithm that allows you to run different workloads, such as sequential and random workloads, without negatively affecting each other.

Sequential Data Set:

In a sequential data set, records are data items that are stored consecutively.

Serial Attached SCSI (SAS):

Full-duplex. Uses the native SCSI command set, which has more functionality. A SAS drive uses SCSI error checking and reporting. This allows your storage system to collect richer information from the drive if errors are occurring (such as a failing or marginal disk). SAS drives are dual ported, which is vital in dual controller enclosures.

Serial connection:

A method of device interconnection for determining interrupt priority by connecting the interrupt sources serially.

Server:

A host that provides certain services to other hosts that are referred to as clients.

A functional unit that provides services to one or more clients over a network.

Server Time Protocol (STP):

Is a server-wide facility that is implemented in the Licensed Internal Code (LIC) and presents a single view of time to Processor Resource/Systems Manager (PR/SM).

Service clearance:

The area that is required to open the service covers and to pull out components for servicing.

Service Information Message (SIM):

A message sent by a storage server to service personnel through an IBM Z operating system.

Service personnel:

A generalization referring to individuals or companies authorized to service the DS8880. The terms *service provider*, *service representative*, and *IBM service representative* refer to types of service personnel. See also *System Services Representative*.

Service provider interface (SPI):

The set of public interfaces and abstract classes that a service defines. The SPI defines the classes and methods available to your application.

SES:

SCSI Enclosure Services.

Session:

A collection of volumes within a logical subsystem that are managed together during the creation of consistent copies of data. All volumes in a session must transfer their data successfully to the remote site before the increment can be called complete.

SFF:

See *Small Form Factor*.

SFI:

See *Storage Facility Image*.

SHA-3:

See *Secure Hash Algorithm 3*.

Shared storage:

Storage that is configured so that multiple hosts can concurrently access the storage. The storage has a uniform appearance to all hosts. The host programs that access the storage must have a common model for the information on a storage device. The programs must be designed to handle the effects of concurrent access.

Shortwave cable:

Shortwave laser uses a wavelength of approximately 850 nm. Typically used for medium and longer distance connections (up to 500m).

SIM:

See *Service Information Message*.

Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP):

In the Internet suite of protocols, a network management protocol that is used to monitor routers and attached networks. SNMP is an application layer protocol. Information on devices managed is defined and stored in the application's Management Information Base (MIB). See also *management information base*.

Simultaneous Multithreading (SMT):

Is a technique for improving the overall efficiency of superscalar CPUs with hardware multithreading. SMT permits multiple independent threads of execution to better utilize the resources provided by modern processor architectures.

Single-Byte Command Code Sets Connection (SBCON):

The ANSI standard for the ESCON I/O interface.

Single Point Of Failure (SPOF):

A potential risk posed by a flaw in the design, implementation, or configuration of a circuit or system in which one fault or malfunction causes an entire system to stop operating.

Single-shot mode:

Use the DS CLI single-shot command mode if you want to issue an occasional command but do not want to keep a history of the commands that you have issued. When typing the command, you can use the host name or the IP address of the DS HMC. Wait for the command to process and display the end results.

Single Virtual Storage (SVS):

An operating system from IBM. OS/VS2 R1 was known as SVS (Single Virtual Storage) as

it had a single 16 MB virtual address space.
Takes advantage of virtual memory.

Small Computer System Interface (SCSI):

A standard hardware interface that enables a variety of peripheral devices to communicate with one another.

Smart relay host:

A mail relay or mail gateway that has the capability to correct email addressing problems.

Small Form Factor (SFF):

2.5-inch hard disk drives (HDDs). The measurement represent the approximate diameter of the platter within the drive enclosures.

SMF:

See *System Management Facility*.

SMP:

See *Symmetrical MultiProcessor*.

SMT:

See *Simultaneous Multithreading*.

SNMP:

See *Simple Network Management Protocol*.

SNMP agent:

A server process that resides on a network node and is responsible for communicating with managers regarding that node. The node is represented as a managed object, which has various fields or variables that are defined in the appropriate MIB.

SNMP manager:

A managing system that runs a managing application or suite of applications. These applications depend on Management Information Base (MIB) objects for information that resides on the managed system. Managers generate requests for this MIB information, and an SNMP agent on the managed system responds to these requests. A request can either be the retrieval or modification of MIB information.

Software:

Is the part of a computer system that consists of encoded information or computer instructions.

Solid State Drive (SSD):

Are high-IOPS (Input/Output Operations Per Second) class enterprise storage devices targeted at business critical production applications that can benefit from high level of fast-access storage.

Source device:

One of the devices in a dual-copy or remote-copy volume pair. All channel commands to the logical volume are directed to the source device. The data on the source device is duplicated on the target device. See also *target device*.

Space efficient volumes:

A space efficient volume does not occupy physical capacity when it is created. Space gets allocated when data is actually written to the volume. The amount of space that gets physically allocated is a function of the amount of data changes that are performed on a volume. The sum of all defined space efficient volumes can be larger than the physical capacity available.

Spare:

A disk drive on the DS8000 that can replace a failed disk drive. A spare can be predesignated to allow automatic dynamic sparing. Any data preexisting on a disk drive that is invoked as a spare is destroyed by the dynamic sparing copy process.

SPI:

See *Service provider interface*.

SPOF:

See *Single Point Of Failure*.

SRM:

See *Storage Resource Management*.

SSD:

See *Solid State Drive*.

SSID:

See *SubSystem Identifier*.

SSPC:

See *System Storage Productivity Center*.

SSR:

See *System Services Representative*.

Staging:

To move data from an offline or low-priority device back to an online or higher priority device, usually on demand of the system or on request of the user.

Standard volume:

A volume that emulates one of several IBM Z volume types, including 3390-2, 3390-3, 3390-9, 3390-2 (3380-track mode), or 3390-3 (3380-track mode), by presenting the same number of cylinders and capacity to the host as provided by the native IBM Z volume type of the same name.

Statistical Analysis System (SAS):

Is a software suite developed by SAS Institute for advanced analytics, multivariate analyses, business intelligence, data management, and predictive analytics.

Storage:

Also called memory, is a technology consisting of computer components and recording media used to retain digital data. It is a core function and fundamental component of computers.

Storage Area Network (SAN):

A network that connects a company's heterogeneous storage resources.

Storage capacity:

The amount of data that a storage medium can hold; usually expressed in kilobytes, megabytes, or gigabytes.

Storage complex:

A configuration of one or more storage systems that is managed by a management console.

Storage device:

A physical unit that provides a mechanism to store data on a given medium such that it can be subsequently retrieved.

Storage Facility Image (SFI):

A storage facility image consists of two LPARs, one on each processor complex in a storage facility. A storage facility image is capable of performing all functions of a storage server from the host's perspective. More than one SFI can be configured on a storage facility. A storage facility image might also be referred to as a storage image.

Storage image:

A partitioning of a storage system that provides emulation of a storage server with one or more storage devices that provides storage capability to a host computer. You can configure more than one storage image on a storage system. (DS8000 series only)

Storage pool striping:

Improves overall performance and reduces the effort of performance management by evenly distributing data and workloads across a larger set of ranks, which reduces skew and hot spots. See *Rotate Extents*.

Storage Resource Management (SRM):

Is a proactive approach to optimizing the efficiency and speed with which available drive space is utilized in a Storage Area Network (SAN).

Storage server:

A physical unit that manages attached storage devices and provides an interface between them and a host computer by providing the function of one or more logical subsystems. The storage server can provide functions that the storage device does not provide. The storage server has one or more clusters. A storage server may also be called a file server.

Storage system:

A storage system can include facilities for host attachment, user role authentication, a Command-Line Interface (CLI), a graphical user interface (GUI), and storage devices that most often include Redundant Array of Independent Disks (RAID) controllers. It might also include agents for enabling third-party management software to monitor or manage the storage devices.

Storage unit:

DS8880 base frame plus installed expansion frames.

STP:

See *Server Time Protocol*.

Striping:

A data mapping technique for disk arrays in which fixed-length sequences of virtual-disk data addresses are mapped to sequences of member disk addresses in a regular rotating pattern.

SUBMIT command (In UNIX):

Use the `SUBMIT` command to submit one or more batch jobs for background processing.

Subordinate storage system:

The physical unit that receives commands from the master storage system and is specified when a Global Mirror session is started. The subordinate storage system forms consistency groups and performs other Global Mirror processing. A subordinate storage system can be controlled by only one master storage system. Contrast with *master storage system*.

SubSystem Identifier (SSID):

A number that uniquely identifies a logical subsystem within a computer installation.

SuperPAV (Parallel Access Volume):

SuperPAV extends upon the previous HyperPAV capabilities by enabling alias devices to be used across multiple Logical SubSystems (LSS). An alias device can be used for any base device on the same DS8000 server and in the same path group on the server. SuperPAV will enable performance to be sustained with fewer overall alias devices and offer greater parallelism for individual larger volumes, improving scalability and performance.

Super Zap (SZAP):

SPZAP can list, map, and modify load modules (executable programs) or patch or fix the Volume Table Of Contents (VTOC).

Support Element (SE):

A Support Element is a dedicated workstation used for monitoring and operating a system. It is attached to the central processor complex (CPC) of a system. The Support Element is located inside the same frame that the central processor complex (CPC) is located. An alternate support element is also provided to switch from your primary support element to the alternate Support Element if hardware problems occur.

Switched fabric:

A Fibre Channel topology in which ports are interconnected through a switch. Fabric switches can also be interconnected to support numerous ports on a single network. See also *arbitrated loop* and *point-to-point connection*.

System Access Facility (SAF):

Is an interface defined by z/OS that enables programs to use system authorization services to control access to resources, such as data sets and z/OS commands.

System Management Facility (SMF):

Is a component of IBM's z/OS for mainframe computers, providing a standardized method for writing out records of activity to a file.

Symmetric encryption:

Means that the encryption and decryption operations utilize the same key. For two communicating parties using symmetric encryption for secure communication, the key represents a shared secret between the two. Symmetric encryption is typically more efficient than asymmetric encryption, and is often used for bulk data encryption.

Symmetric MultiProcessing (SMP):

Is the processing of programs by multiple processors that share a common operating system and memory. In symmetric (or 'tightly coupled') multiprocessing, the processors share memory, and the I/O bus or data path. A single copy of the operating system is in charge of all the processors.

Synchronous write:

A write operation whose completion is indicated after the data has been stored on a storage device.

System Adapter Identification Number (SAID):

The unique identification number that is automatically assigned to each DS8000 host adapter for use by Copy Services.

System Data Mover (SDM):

A DFSMS component that interacts with data storage subsystems and with various advanced copy services functions to efficiently move large amounts of data. As updates occur to primary volumes, the SDM manages the process of copying those updates to secondary volumes. The SDM ensures that updates to secondary volumes are made in the same order in which they were made to the primary volumes, maintaining sequence consistency.

System Management Facilities (SMF):

A component of IBM's z/OS for mainframe computers, providing a standardized method for writing out records of activity to a file or data set.

System Modification Program:

A program used to install software and software changes on z/OS systems.

System p:

The IBM family of products, which emphasizes performance and includes System p5, eServer p5, eServer pSeries, eServer OpenPower, and RS/6000.

System Services Representative (SSR):

Responsible for performing basic technical services for IBM customers including some or all of the following: element exchange, minor repair, depot or bench maintenance, equipment refurbish, installation, relocation, discontinuance, upgrade and modification, and so on. Services are typically performed in a high volume environment with access to exchangeable units and parts requiring minimum, if any, problem determination activity. Services may be directed by a service call

management process or be performed as part of a team.

System Storage Productivity Center (SSPC):

IBM System Storage Productivity Center is an integrated offering that provides a consolidated focal point for managing IBM storage products as well as managing mixed-vendor storage environments. SSPC provides enhancements to daily storage administration by making available a broad set of configuration functions. System Storage Productivity Center's user-friendly interface provides utilities to configure storage devices, and enhancements that offer a wide range of management capabilities.

System x:

The IBM family of products, which emphasizes industry-standard server scalability and self-managing server technologies. It includes System x3nnn, eServer xSeries, and AMD processor-based eServer servers.

Systems Network Architecture (SNA):

SNA is IBM's proprietary networking architecture. It is a complete protocol stack for interconnecting computers and their resources.

T

Target:

A SCSI device that acts as a subordinate to an initiator and consists of a set of one or more logical units, each with an assigned Logical Unit Number (LUN). The logical units on the target are typically I/O devices. A SCSI target is analogous to an IBM Z control unit. See also *small computer system interface*.

Target device:

One of the devices in a dual-copy or remote-copy volume pair that contains a duplicate of the data that is on the source device. Unlike the source device, the target device might only accept a limited subset of data. See also *source device*.

TB:

See *terabyte*.

TCO:

See *Total Cost of Ownership*.

TCP/IP:

See *Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol*.

Telemetry:

OpenStack Telemetry provides user-level usage data for OpenStack-based clouds. The data can be used for customer billing, system monitoring, or alerts. Telemetry can collect data from notifications sent by existing OpenStack components such as Compute usage events, or by polling OpenStack infrastructure resources such as libvirt. Telemetry includes a storage daemon that communicates with authenticated agents through a trusted messaging system to collect and aggregate data. Additionally, the service uses a plug-in system that you can use to add new monitors. You can deploy the API Server, central agent, data store service, and collector agent on different hosts.

Terabyte (TB):

- 1) Nominally, 1 000 000 000 000 bytes, which is accurate when speaking of bandwidth and disk storage capacity.
- 2) For DS8000 cache memory, processor storage, real and virtual storage, a terabyte refers to 2^{40} or 1 099 511 627 776 bytes.

Total Cost of Ownership (TCO):

Is a financial estimate intended to help buyers and owners determine the direct and indirect costs of a product or system.

Tracks:

Are concentric circles around the disk. The operating system and disk drive keep track of where information is stored on the disk by noting the range of track and sector numbers.

Transport Control Word (TCW):

A TCW combines the functions of the Prefix CCW and the Read or Write CCW into a single entity that further reduces channel overhead. Used by z High Performance FICON (zHPF) channel programs.

Time Sharing Option (TSO):

An operating system option that provides interactive time sharing from remote terminals.

Thin provisioning:

A mechanism that provides the ability to define logical volume sizes that are larger than the physical capacity installed on the system. The volume allocates capacity on an as-needed basis as a result of host-write actions.

Tivoli Key Lifecycle Manager (TKLM):

JAVA software program that manages keys enterprise wide and provides encryption enable tape drives with keys for encryption and decryption.

Tivoli Productivity Center for Replication (TPC-R):

Provides support for Metro Mirror and Global Mirror configurations as well as three-site recovery management, supporting IBM System Storage DS8000 Metro Global Mirror and Metro Global Mirror with HyperSwap. It is designed to support fast failover and failback, fast reestablishment of three-site mirroring, data currency at the remote site with minimal lag behind the local site, and quick re-synchronization of mirrored sites using incremental changes only.

TKLM:

See *Tivoli Key Lifecycle Manager*.

Tivoli Storage Productivity Center (TPC):

The name of the suite of products comprising the Tivoli Storage Productivity Center.

TPF:

See *Transaction Processing Facility*.

Track:

A unit of storage on a CKD device that can be formatted to contain a number of data records. See also *home address*, *track-descriptor record*, and *data record*.

Track address:

This term refers to a 32-bit number that identifies each track within a volume. It is in the format hexadecimal CCCCcccH, where CCCC is the low order 16 bits of the cylinder number,

ccc is the high order 12 bits of the cylinder number, and H is the four-bit track number. For compatibility with older programs, the ccc portion is hexadecimal 000 for tracks in the base addressing space.

Track managed space:

This term refers to the space on a volume that is managed in tracks and cylinders.

Track-managed space ends at cylinder address 65519. Each data set occupies an integral multiple of tracks. Track-managed space also exists on all non-EAVs.

Track Space Efficient (TSE) volumes:

Are used as target volumes of a FlashCopy Space Efficient operation and require the definition of a repository from which tracks are gradually allocated.

Transaction Processing Facility (TPF):

A high-availability, high-performance IBM operating system, designed to support real-time, transaction-driven applications. The specialized architecture of TPF is intended to optimize system efficiency, reliability, and responsiveness for data communication and database processing. TPF provides real-time inquiry and updates to a large, centralized database, where message length is relatively short in both directions, and response time is typically less than three seconds. Formerly known as the Airline Control Program/Transaction Processing Facility (ACP/TPF).

Transmission Control Protocol (TCP):

A communications protocol used in the Internet and in any network that follows the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) standards for internetwork protocol. TCP provides a reliable host-to-host protocol between hosts in packet-switched communications networks and in interconnected systems of such networks. It uses the Internet Protocol (IP) as the underlying protocol.

Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol (TCP/IP):

1) A combination of data-transmission protocols that provide end-to-end connections between applications over interconnected networks of different types.

2) A suite of transport and application protocols that run over the Internet Protocol. See also *Internet Protocol* and *Transmission Control Protocol*.

TRANSMIT command (In UNIX):

Use the TRANSMIT command to send messages, data sets, or both, to another user. The TRANSMIT command converts this data into a special format so that it can be transmitted to other users in the network.

Transparency:

See *software transparency*.

Trusted Key Entry (TKE):

A feature that is a means for ensuring secure creation and management of key material and for managing the crypto adapters on the host.

TSE:

See *Track Space Efficient*.

TSO:

See *Time Sharing Option*.

U

UFS:

UNIX Filing System.

Universal Access Authority (UAA):

Each data set profile defined using RACF requires a universal access authority (UACC). The UACC is the default access authority that RACF gives to users and groups that are not defined in the profile's access list. If one of these users or groups requests access to a data set that is protected by the profile, RACF grants or denies the request based on the UACC.

Unit address:

For IBM Z, the address associated with a device on a given control unit. On ESCON interfaces, the unit address is the same as the device address. On OEMI interfaces, the unit

address specifies a control unit and device pair on the interface.

Unit Control Block (UCB):

z/OS control block used to define channel attached devices.

UNIX System Services (USS):

UNIX System Services (USS) is a required, included component of z/OS. USS is a certified UNIX operating system implementation optimized for mainframe architecture.

Upper-layer protocol:

The layer of the Internet Protocol (IP) that supports one or more logical protocols (for example, a SCSI-command protocol and an ESA/390 command protocol). Refer to ANSI X3.230-199x.

V

virsh:

Is a command line interface tool for managing guests and the hypervisor.

Virtual Ethernet Port Aggregator (VEPA):

Data from one endpoint to another endpoint on the same lower device gets sent down the lower device to external switch. If that switch supports the hairpin mode, the frames get sent back to the lower device and from there to the destination endpoint.

Virtualization:

The act of creating a virtual (rather than actual) version of something, including virtual computer hardware platforms, operating systems, storage devices, and computer network resources.

Virtual machine facility:

A virtual data processing machine that appears to the user to be for the exclusive use of that user, but whose functions are accomplished by sharing the resources of a shared data processing system. An alternate name for the VM/370 IBM operating system.

Virtual Local Access Network (VLAN):

Is any broadcast domain that is partitioned and isolated in a computer network at the data link layer. VLANs work by applying tags to network packets and handling these tags in networking systems - creating the appearance and functionality of network traffic that is physically on a single network but acts as if it is split between separate networks. In this way, VLANs can keep network applications separate despite being connected to the same physical network, and without requiring multiple sets of cabling and networking devices to be deployed.

Virtual Machine (VM):

Is an emulation of a computer system. Virtual machines are based on computer architectures and provide functionality of a physical computer.

Virtual Machine Monitor (VMM):

A Virtual Machine Monitor is a software program that enables the creation, management, and governance of virtual machines (VMs) and manages the operation of a virtualized environment on top of a physical host machine.

Virtual Memory:

Virtual memory, or virtual storage, is a feature of an operating system that allows a computer to compensate for shortages of physical memory by temporarily transferring pages of data from Random Access Memory (RAM) to disk storage.

Virtual Private Network (VPN):

is a network that is constructed using public wires, usually the Internet, to connect to a private network, such as a company's internal network.

Vital Product Data (VPD):

Information that uniquely defines the system, hardware, software, and microcode elements of a processing system.

Virtual Storage Access Method (VSAM):

VSAM is a file storage access method used in z/OS operating systems. It is a high

performance access method used to organize data in form of files in Mainframes.

Virtual Telecommunications Access Method (VTAM):

VTAM is the IBM subsystem that implements Systems Network Architecture (SNA) for mainframe environments. VTAM provides an application programming interface (API) for communication applications, and controls communication equipment such as adapters and controllers.

VM:

The root name of several IBM operating systems, such as VM/XA, VM/ESA, VM/CMS, and z/VM. See also *virtual machine facility*.

VMware:

VMware provides different software and applications for virtualization. It has become one of the key providers of virtualization software in the industry. VMware's products can be categorized in two levels: desktop applications and server applications.

VMware ESXi:

Formerly ESX, is an enterprise-class, type-1 hypervisor developed by VMware for deploying and serving virtual computers. As a type-1 hypervisor, ESXi is not a software application that one installs in an operating system; instead, it includes and integrates vital operating system components, such as a kernel.

Volume:

For IBM Z, the information recorded on a single unit of recording medium. Indirectly, it can refer to the unit of recording medium itself. On a non removable-medium storage device, the term can also indirectly refer to the storage device associated with the volume. When multiple volumes are stored on a single storage medium transparently to the program, the volumes can be referred to as logical volumes.

Volume group:

A collection of either physical or logical volumes.

Volume Table Of Contents (VTOC):

A table on a Direct Access Storage Device (DASD) volume that describes the location, size, and other characteristics of each data set on the volume.

VPD:

See *Vital Product Data*.

VSE/ESA:

An IBM operating system, the letters of which represent virtual storage extended/enterprise systems architecture.

VSAM:

See *Virtual Storage Access Method*.

VTAM:

See *Virtual Telecommunications Access Method*.

W

Warm demotion:

An operation of IBM Easy Tier automatic mode. The movement of an extent of moderately active data to a lower tier when its tier has exceeded its optimal bandwidth capacity.

Wavelength-Division Multiplexing (WDM):

Is a method of combining multiple signals on laser beams at various Infrared (IR) wavelengths for transmission along fiber optic media. Each laser is modulated by an independent set of signals. Wavelength-sensitive filters, the IR analog of visible-light color filters, are used at the receiving end.

WebSM (Web-based System Manager):

Is a client/server application that gives the user a powerful interface to manage UNIX systems. Web-based System Manager uses its graphical interface to enable the user to access and manage multiple remote machines.

Weight distribution area:

The area that is required to distribute the weight of the storage system.

Workload Manager (WLM):

Is a base component of the z/OS mainframe operating system. It controls the access to

system resources for the work executing on z/OS based on administrator-defined goals.

Worldwide Node Name (WWNN):

A unique 64-bit identifier for a host that contains a Fibre Channel port. See also *worldwide port name*.

Worldwide port name (WWPN):

A unique 64-bit identifier associated with a Fibre Channel adapter port. It is assigned in an implementation- and protocol-independent manner. See also *worldwide node name*.

WWNN:

See *Worldwide Node Name*.

WWPN:

See *Worldwide Port Name*.

X

XCF:

See *Cross-System Coupling Facility*.

Xen:

Xen Project is a hypervisor using a micro kernel design, providing services that allow multiple computer operating systems to execute on the same computer hardware concurrently.

XES:

See *Cross-System Extended Services*.

Extensible Markup Language (XML):

Is a markup language that defines a set of rules for encoding documents in a format that is both human-readable and machine-readable.

Y

Z

zDAC:

See *z/OS Discovery and Auto Configuration*.

zHPF:

See *High Performance FICON for IBM Z*.

IBM Z Hypervisor Performance Manager (zHPM):

Monitors virtual machines running on KVM to achieve goal-oriented policy based performance goals.

zKVM (KVM for IBM Z):

A virtualization infrastructure for the Linux kernel that turns it into a hypervisor. It simplifies configuration and operation of server virtualization, leverages common Linux administration skills to administer virtualization, supports flexibility and agility leveraging the open source community, and provides an Open Source virtualization choice.

Zoning:

In Fibre Channel environments, the grouping of multiple ports to form a virtual, private, storage network. Ports that are members of a zone can communicate with each other, but are isolated from ports in other zones.

zSeries File System (ZFS):

zFS is a z/OS UNIX file system that can be used like the Hierarchical File System (HFS). zFS file systems contain files and directories, including Access Control Lists (ACLs), that can be accessed with the z/OS HFS application programming interfaces (APIs).

z/OS:

An operating system for the IBM Z family of products.

z/OS Discovery and Auto Configuration (zDAC):

Designed to automatically run several I/O configuration definition tasks for new and changed disk and tape controllers that are connected to a switch or director, when attached to a FICON channel.

z/OS Global Mirror:

Remote mirror and copy feature for IBM Z environments. A function of a storage server that assists a control program to maintain a consistent copy of a logical volume on another storage system. All modifications of the primary logical volume by any attached host are presented in order to a single host. The host then makes these modifications on the

secondary logical volume. This function was formerly called *Extended Remote Copy* or *XRC*.

z/OS Management Facility (Z/OSMF):

Is a product for z/OS that simplifies, optimizes, and modernizes the z/OS system programmer experience

z/TPF:

Is an emulation of a computer system. Virtual machines are based on computer architectures and provide functionality of a physical computer.

z/VM:

A guest virtual machine (guest VM) is the software component of a virtual machine (VM), an independent instance of an operating system (called a guest operating system) and its associated software and information. A VM guest can be a Linux, z/OS, z/VSE, or another z/VM operating system.

z/VSE:

A general-purpose computer programming language that is concurrent, class-based, object-oriented, and specifically designed to have as few implementation dependencies as possible.



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