

# DataStage Essentials v8

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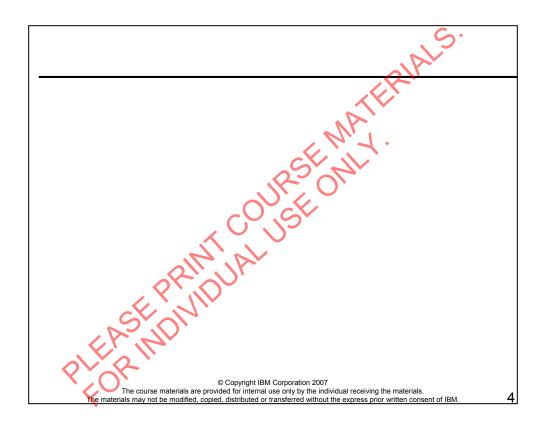
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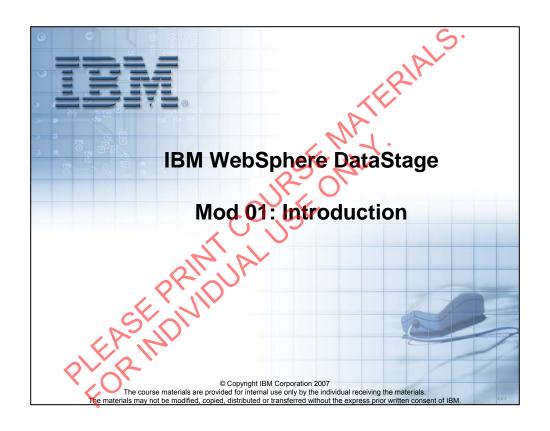
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# Unit objectives After completing this unit, you should be able to: List and describe the uses of DataStage List and describe the DataStage clients Describe the DataStage workflow List and compare the different types of DataStage jobs Describe the two types of parallelism exhibited by DataStage parallel jobs © Copyright IBM Corporation 2007 The course materials are provided for internal use only by the individual receiving the materials. Re materials may not be modified, copied, distributed or transferred without the express prior written consent of IBM.

### Notes:

# What is IBM WebSphere DataStage?

- Design jobs for Extraction, Transformation, and Loading (ETL)
- Ideal tool for data integration projects such as, data warehouses, data marts, and system migrations
- Import, export, create, and manage metadata for use within jobs
- Schedule, run, and monitor jobs, all within DataStage
- Administer your DataStage development and execution environments
- Create batch (controlling) jobs

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DataStage is a comprehensive tool for the fast, easy creation and maintenance of data marts and data warehouses. It provides the tools you need to build, manage, and expand them. With DataStage, you can build solutions faster and give users access to the data and reports they need.

With DataStage you can:

- Design the jobs that extract, integrate, aggregate, load, and transform the data for your data warehouse or data mart.
- Create and reuse metadata and job components.
- Run, monitor, and schedule these jobs.
- Administer your development and execution environments.

## **IBM Information Server**

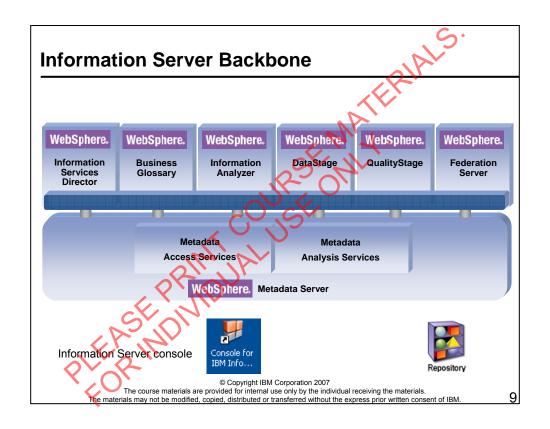
- Suite of applications, including DataStage, that:
  - Share a common repository
    - DB2, by default
  - Share a common set of application services and functionality
    - Provided by Metadata Server components hosted by an application
      - IBM WebSphere Application Serve
    - · Provided services include;
      - Security
      - Repository

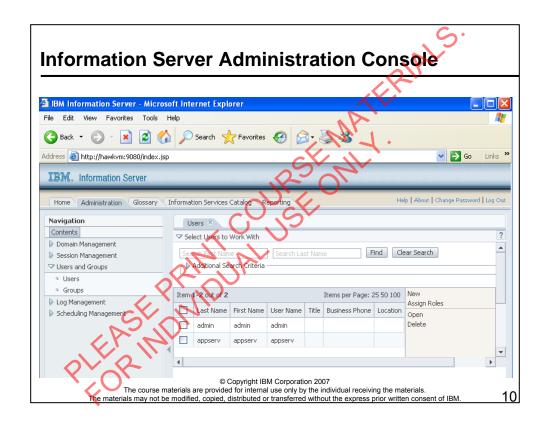
      - Logging and reportingMetadata management
- Managed using web console clients
  - Administration console
  - Reporting console

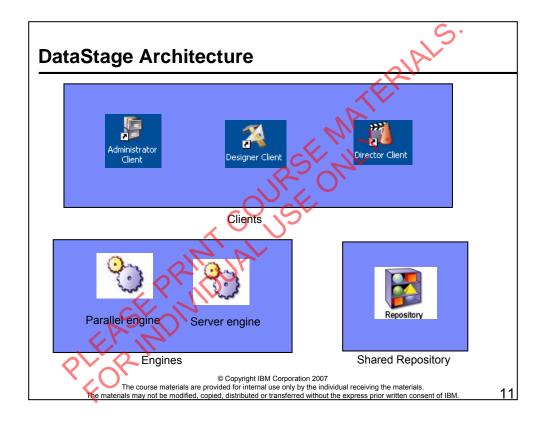
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The top half displays the Clients. Below there are two engines: The Server engine that runs DataStage server jobs and the parallel engine that runs parallel jobs. Our focus in this course is on Parallel jobs.

The DataStage client components are:

## **Administrator**

Administers DataStage projects and conducts housekeeping on the server

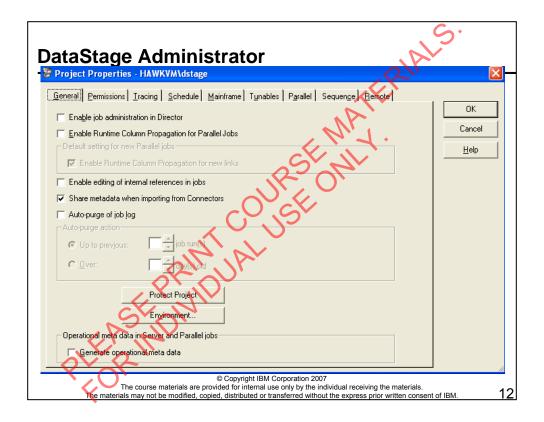
## **Designer**

Creates DataStage jobs that are compiled into executable programs

### **Director**

Used to run and monitor the DataStage jobs

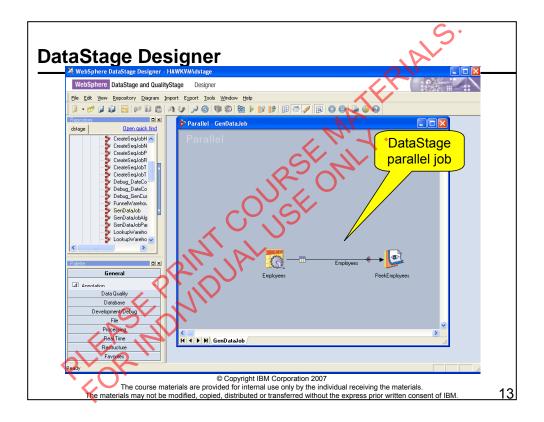
The Repository is used to store DataStage objects. The Repository is shared with other applications in the Suite.



Use the Administrator to specify general server defaults, add and delete projects, and to set project properties. The Administrator also provides a command interface to the DataStage repository.

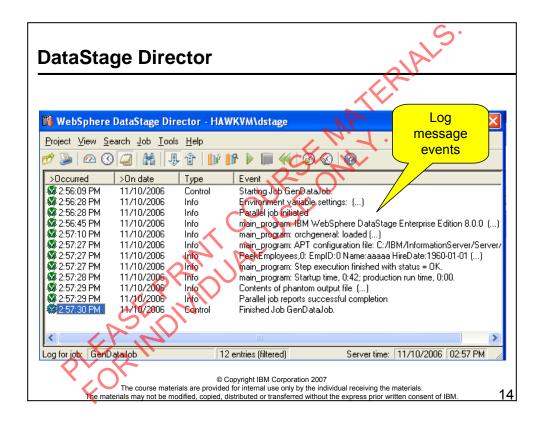
Use the Administrator **Project Properties** window to:

- Set job monitoring limits and other Director defaults on the **General** tab.
- Set user and group privileges on the Permissions tab.
- Enable or disable server-side tracing on the **Tracing** tab.
- Specify a user name and password for scheduling jobs on the **Schedule** tab.
- Specify parallel job defaults on the Parallel tab.
   Specify Job Sequencer defaults on the Sequence tab.



The **DataStage Designer** allows you to use familiar graphical point-and-click techniques to develop job flows for extracting, cleansing, transforming, integrating and loading data into target files and tables.

The Designer provides a "visual data flow" method to easily interconnect and configure reusable components.



Use the Director to validate, run, schedule, and monitor your DataStage jobs. You can also gather statistics as the job runs.

# **Developing in DataStage**

- Define global and project properties in Administrator
- Import metadata into the Repository
- Build job in Designer
- Compile job in Designer
- Run and monitor job log messages in Director
  - Jobs can also be run in Designer, but job lob messages cannot be viewed in Designer

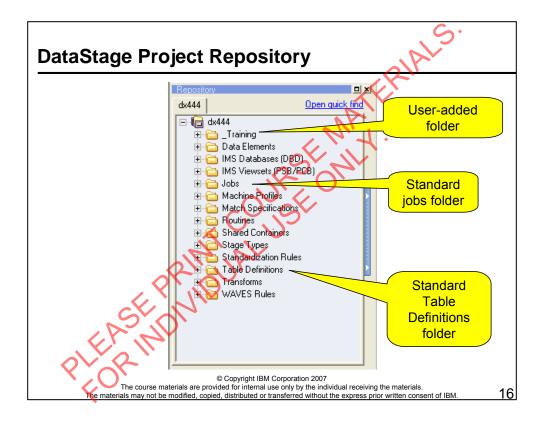
**Development Workflow:** 

- Define your project's properties: Administrator
- Open (attach to) your project
- Import metadata that defines the format of data stores your jobs will read from or write to

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- Design the job: Designer
  - Define data extractions (reads)
  - Define data flows
  - Define data integration
  - Define data transformations
  - Define data constraints
  - Define data loads (writes)
  - Define data aggregations
- Compile and debug the job: Designer
- Run and monitor the job: Director



All your work is stored in a DataStage *project*. Before you can do anything, other than some general administration, you must open (attach to) a project.

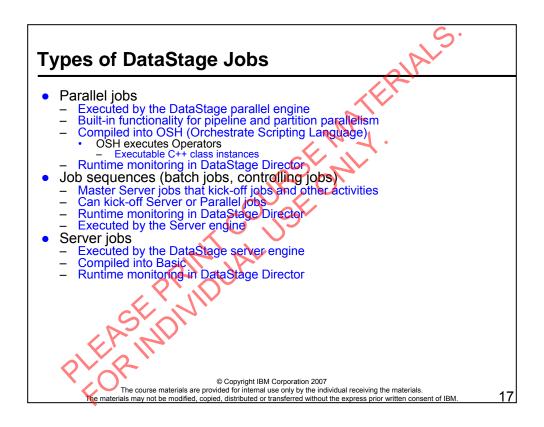
Projects are created during and after the installation process. You can add projects after installation on the **Projects** tab of Administrator.

A project is associated with a *directory*. The project directory is used by DataStage to store your jobs and other DataStage objects and metadata on your server.

You must open (attach to) a project before you can do any work in it.

Projects are self-contained. Although multiple projects can be open at the same time, they are separate environments. You can, however, *import* and *export* objects between them.

Multiple users can be working in the same project at the same time. However, DataStage will prevent multiple users from editing the same DataStage object (job, Table Definition, etc.) at the same time.



This course focuses on parallel jobs and job sequences that control parallel jobs. However, job sequences can include both server and parallel jobs in the same sequence.

# **Design Elements of Parallel Jobs**

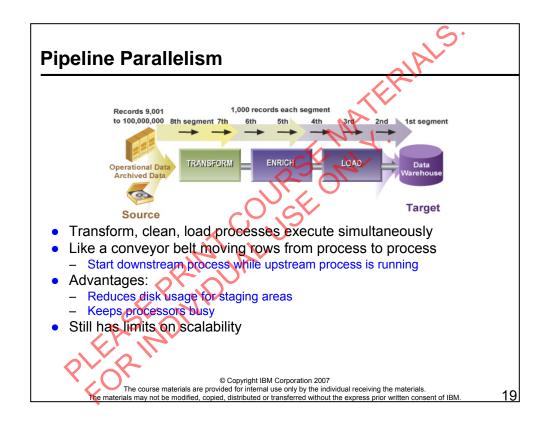
- Stages
  - Implemented as OSH operators (pre-built components)
  - Passive stages (E and L of ETL)
    - Read data
    - Write data
    - E.g., Sequential File, DB2, Oracle, Peek stages
  - Processor (active) stages (Tof ETC)
    - Transform data
    - Filter data
    - Aggregate data
    - Generate data
    - Split / Merge data
    - · E.g., Transformer, Aggregator, Join, Sort stages
- Links
  - "Pipes" through which the data moves from stage to stage

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## **Partition Parallelism**

- Divide the incoming stream of data into subsets to be separately processed by an operator
  - Subsets are called partitions
- Each partition of data is processed by the same operator
  - E.g., if operation is Filter, each partition will be filtered in exactly the same way
- Facilitates near-linear scalability
  - 8 times faster on 8 processors

  - 24 times faster on 24 processors
    This assumes the data is evenly distributed

Partitioning breaks a dataset into smaller sets. This is a key to scalability. However, the data needs to be evenly distributed across the partitions; otherwise, the benefits of partitioning are reduced.

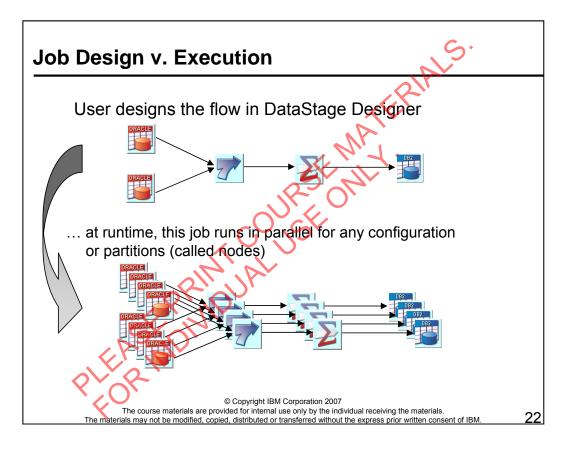
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It is important to note that what is done to each partition of data is the same. How the data is processed or transformed is the same.

# Three-Node Partitioning Node 2 Operation Node 3 Operation Here the data is partitioned into three partitions The operation is performed on each partition of data separately and in parallel If the data is evenly distributed, the data will be processed three times faster © Copyright IBM Corporation 2007 The course materials are provided for internal use only by the individual receiving the materials. The materials may not be modified, copied, distributed or transferred without the express prior written consent of IBM.



Much of the parallel processing paradigm is hidden from the programmer. The programmer simply designates the process flow, as shown in the upper portion of this diagram. The parallel engine, using definitions in a configuration file, will actually execute processes that are partitioned and parallelized, as illustrated in the bottom portion.

# Checkpoint

- 1. True or false: DataStage Designer is used to build and compile your ETL jobs
- True or false: User Director to monitor your job during execution
- 3. True or false: Administrator is used to set global and project properties

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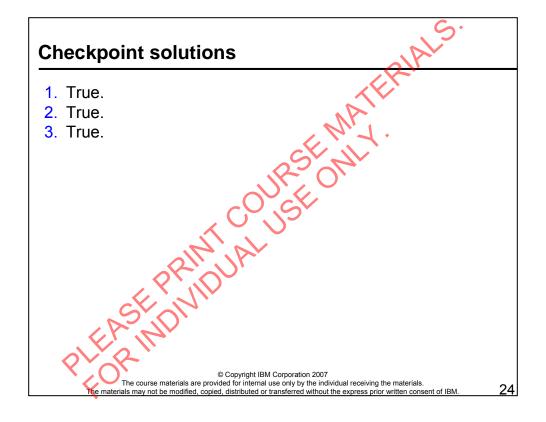
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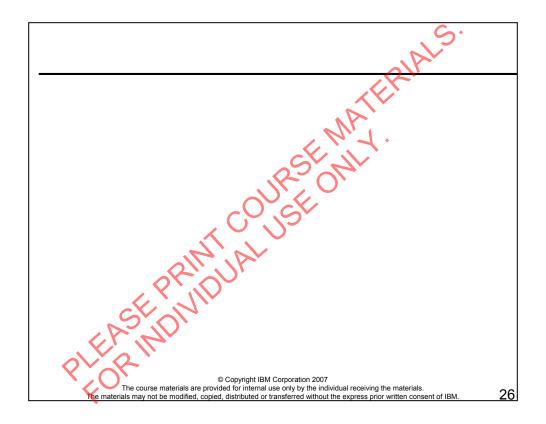
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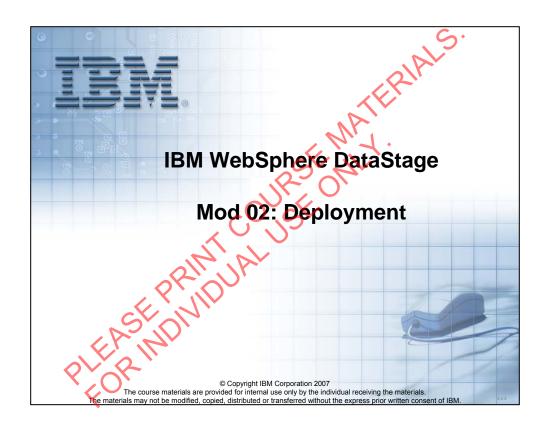
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- 2.
- 3.



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# **What Gets Deployed**

An Information Server domain, consisting of the following:

- MetaData Server, hosted by an IBM WebSphere Application Server instance
- One or more DataStage servers
  - DataStage server includes both the parallel and server engines
- One DB2 UDB instance containing the Repository database
- Information Server clients
  - Administration console
  - Reporting console
  - DataStage clients
    - Administrator
    - Designer
    - Director
- Additional Information Server applications
  - Information Analyzed
  - **Business Glossary**
  - **Rational Data Architect**
  - Information Services Director
    - **Federation Server**

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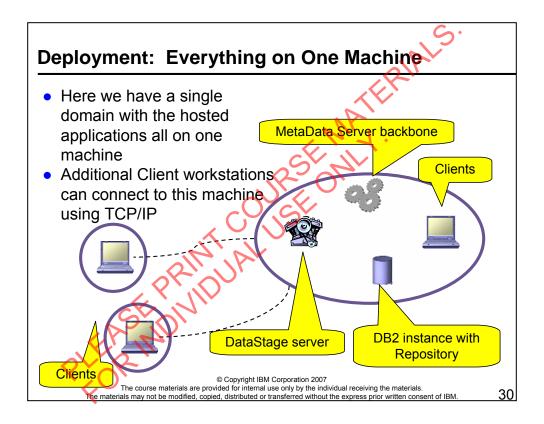
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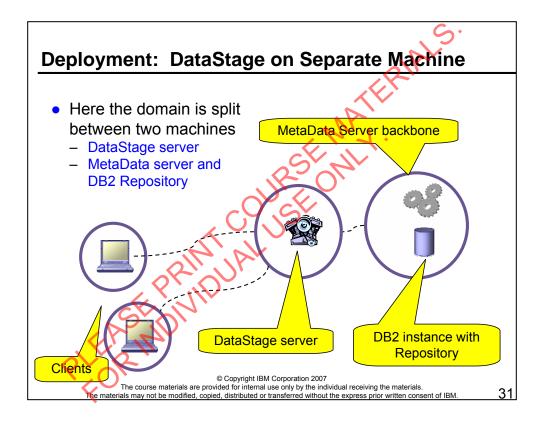
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Database servers other than DB2 can be configured and used. DB2, however, is available on the installation image.

Which additional applications are available for installation depends on which have been licensed.

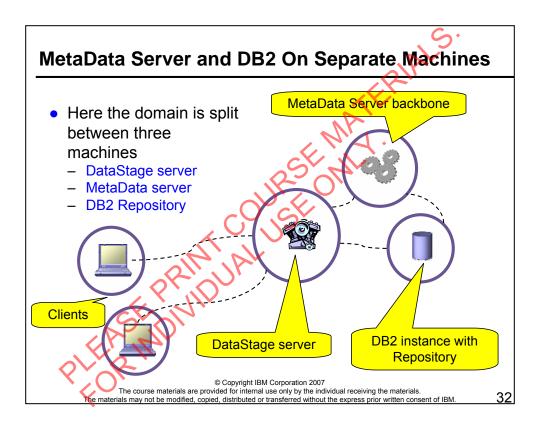


Not shown here and in later slides is the possibility of additional DataStage playernode machines connected to the DataStage server machine using a high-speed network. For simplicity in the diagram only the conductor node machine is displayed.

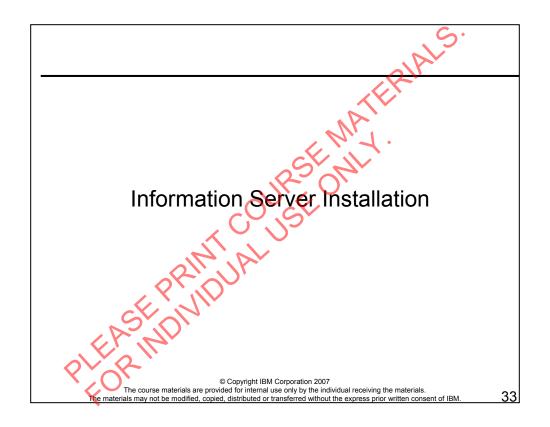


Additional DataStage servers can be part of this domain, but they would have to be on separate machines.

Here the Database is depicted as DB2, but additional databases are supported.



Additional DataStage Servers can be part of this domain, but they would have to be separate from one another.



# **Installation Configuration Layers**

- Configuration layers include:
  - Client
    - DataStage and Information Server clients
  - Engine
    - DataStage and other application engines
  - Domain
    - MetaData Server and hosted metadata server components
    - Installed products domain components
  - Repository
    - Repository database server and database
  - Documentation
- Selected layers are installed on the machine local to the installation
- Already existing components can be configured and used
  - E.g., DB2, WebSphere Application Server

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Selected configuration layers determine what gets installed on the machine local to the installation. If your domain is spread across multiple machines, you will select just the configuration types that are to be installed on the machine you are currently installing on.

# **Information Server Start-Up**

- Start the MetaData Server
  - From Windows Start menu, click "Start the Server" after the profile to be used (e.g., "default")
  - From the command line, open the profile bin directory
    - Enter "startup server1"
      - > server1 is the default name of the application server hosting the MetaData Server
- Start the ASB agent
  - From Windows Start menu, click "Start the agent" after selecting the Information Server folder
  - Only required if DataStage and the MetaData Server are on different machines
- To begin work in DataStage, double-click on a DataStage client icon
- To begin work in the Administration and Reporting consoles, double-click on the Web Console for Information Server icon

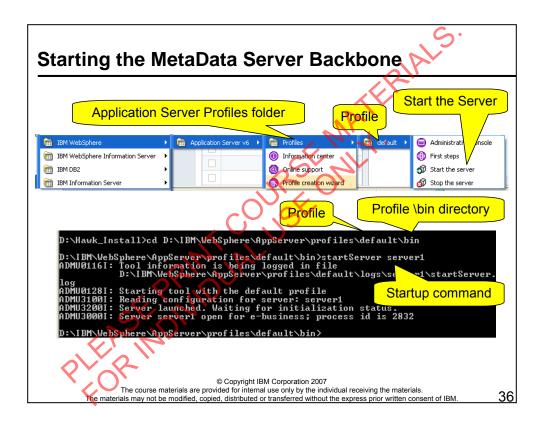
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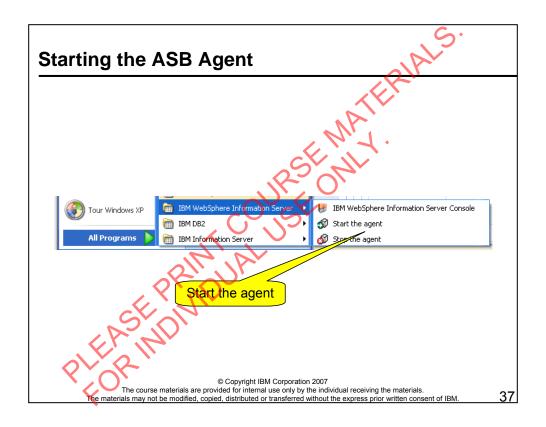
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By default upon installation in Windows, the application server and ASB agent are set to start upon system startup.





## Checkpoint

- 1. What application components make up a domain?
- 2. Can a domain contain multiple DataStage servers?
- 3. Does the DB2 instance and the Repository database need to be on the same machine as the Application Server?
- 4. Suppose DataStage is on a separate machine from the Application Server. What two components need to be running before you log onto DataStage?

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Write down your answers here:

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## **Checkpoint solutions**

- 1. Metadata server hosted by the Application Server. One or more DataStage servers. One DB2/UDB instance containing the Suite Repository database
- 2. Yes. The DataStage servers must be on separate machines. They can be on different platforms, e.g., one server running on Windows and another running on Linux
- 3. No. The DB2 instance with the Repository can reside on a separate machine/platform than the Application Server
- 4. The Application Server and the ASB agent

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## **Unit objectives**

After completing this unit, you should be able to:

- Open the Administrative console
- Create new users and groups
- Assign Suite roles and Product roles to users and groups
- Give users DataStage credentials
- Log onto DataStage Administrator
- Add a DataStage user on the Permissions tab and specify the user's role
- Specify DataStage global and project defaults
- List and describe important environment variables

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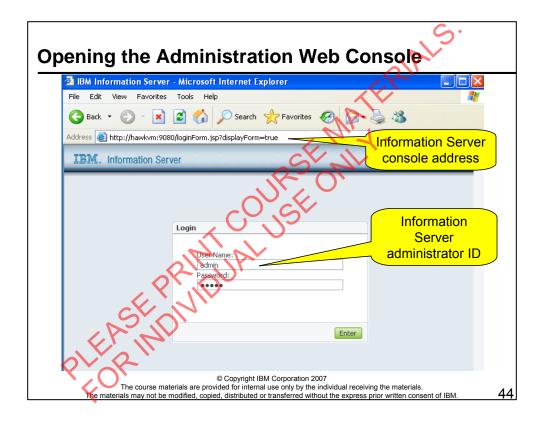
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### Notes:

# Information Server Administration Web Console • Web application for administering Information Server • Use for: - Domain management - Session management - Management of users and groups - Logging management - Scheduling management - Scheduling management - The course materials are provided for internal use only by the individual receiving the materials. The materials may not be modified, copied, distributed or transferred without the express prior written consent of IBM.

Our focus in this course is on the management of users and groups and domain management.



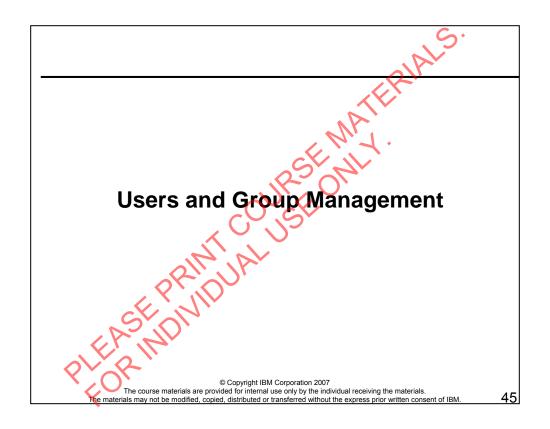
To open the Administrative Web Console, select Web Console for IBM Information Server Web Console.

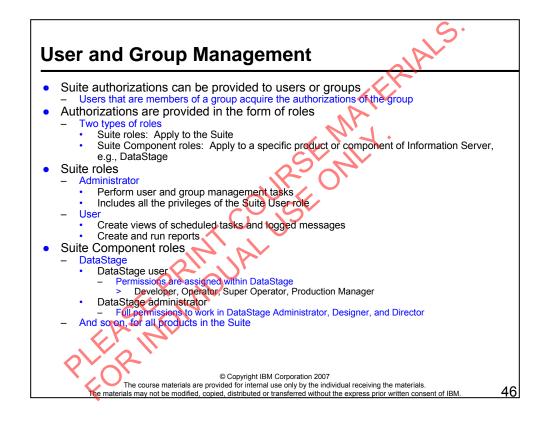
The console address is of the form: http://machine:nnnn.

Here **machine** is the host name of the machine running the application server that hosts MetaData Server.

**nnnn** is the port address of the console. By default, it is 9080.

The Information Server administrator ID and password is specified during installation. After installation, new administrator IDs can be specified.

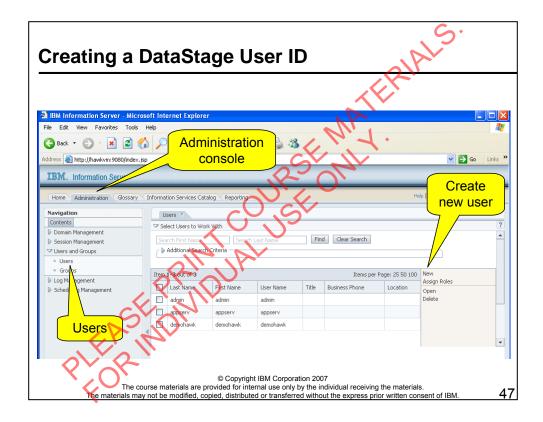




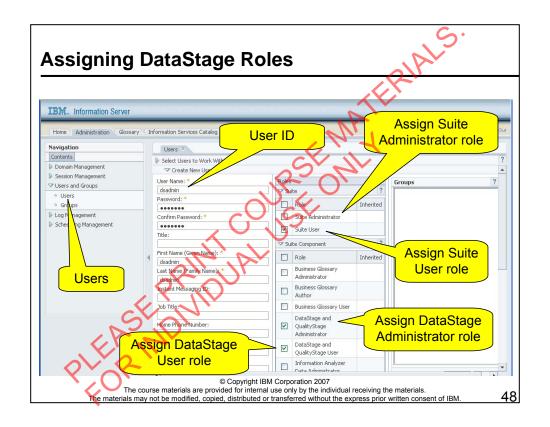
A user ID that is assigned Suite roles can immediately log onto the Information Server console.

What about a user ID that is assigned a DataStage Suite Component role? If the user ID is assigned the DataStage Administrator role, then the user will immediately acquire the DataStage Administrator permission for all projects.

If the user ID is assigned the DataStage User role, one more step is required for any DataStage project that user will log onto. A DataStage Administrator must assign a Developer role to that user ID on the Permissions tab. This is done within DataStage, as we will see later.



The process of creating a new group is similar to creating a new user. Users assigned to a group inherit the authorizations assigned to the group.



### **DataStage Credential Mapping**

- DataStage credentials
  - Required by DataStage in order to log onto a DataStage client
  - Managed by the DataStage Server operating system or LDAP
- Users given DataStage Suite roles in the Suite Administration console do not automatically receive DataStage credentials
  - Users need to be mapped to a user who has DataStage credentials on the DataStage Server machine
    - This DataStage user must have file access permission to the DataStage engine/project files or Administrator rights on the operating system
    - Even user IDs that have DataStage credentials must be so mapped
       Map the user ID to itself

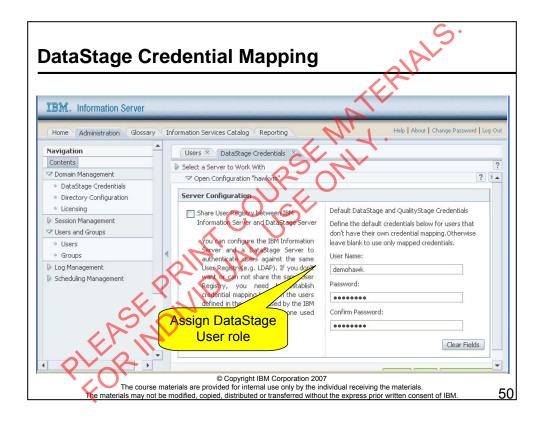
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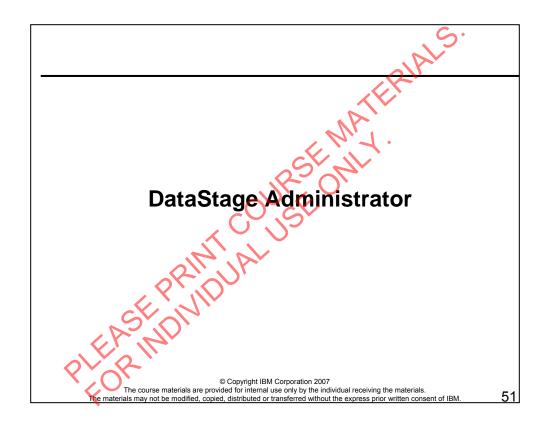
This assumes that when the DataStage Server was installed, the style of user registry selected for the installation was "Internal User Registry."

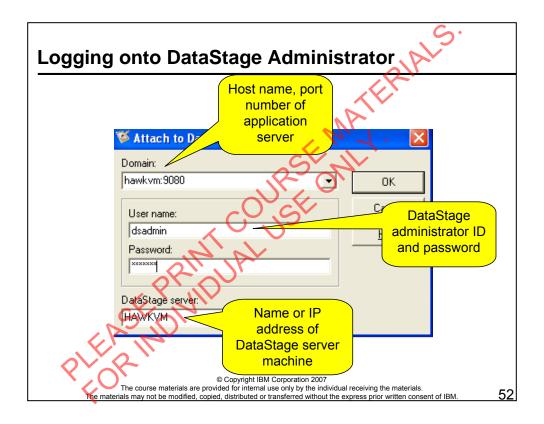


All Suite users without their own DataStage credentials will be mapped to this user ID and password. Here the user name and password are demohawk / demohawk. demohawk is assumed to be a valid user on the DataStage Server machine and has file permissions on the DataStage engine and projects directories.

Suite users can also be mapped individually to specific users.

Note that demohawk need not be a Suite administrator or user.

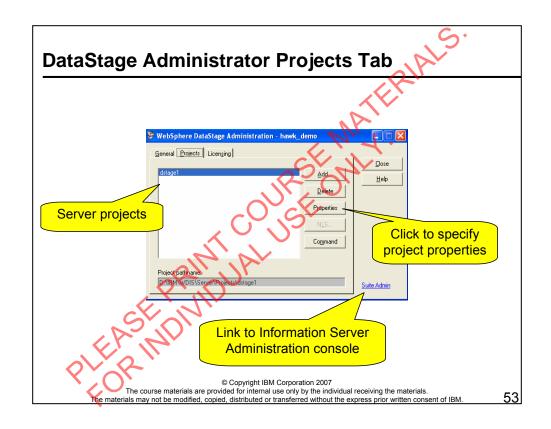


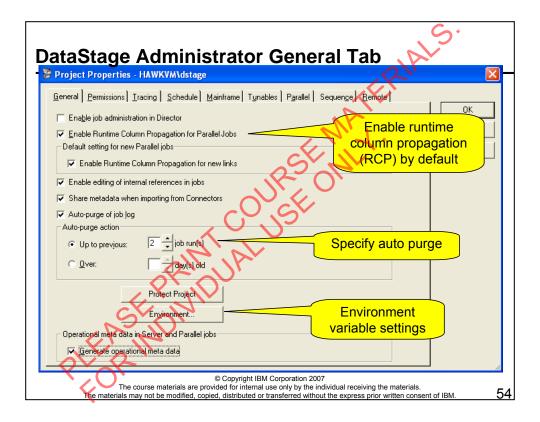


This port is also used when logging into the Information Server Administration console.

Recall that multiple DataStage servers can exist in a domain, although they must be on different machines. Here you select the server that has the DataStage projects you want to administer.

The user ID requires a DataStage Administrator or DataStage User product role. There are some limits as to what a DataStage User role provides. For example, a DataStage User cannot delete projects and cannot set permissions.

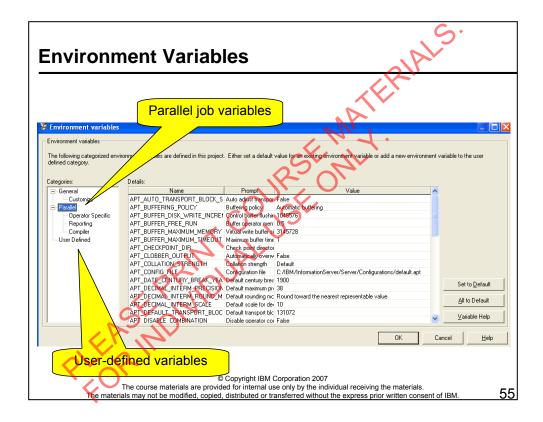




Runtime Column Propogation (RCP) is discussed in a later module.

A running job generates many messages in the Director job log. Here you can specify that you want old messages purged.

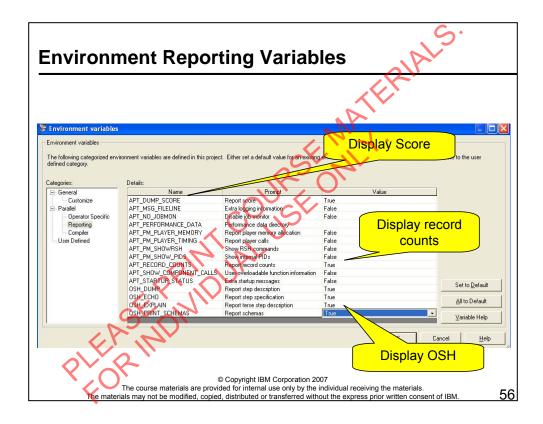
Click the Environment button to display environment variables settings.



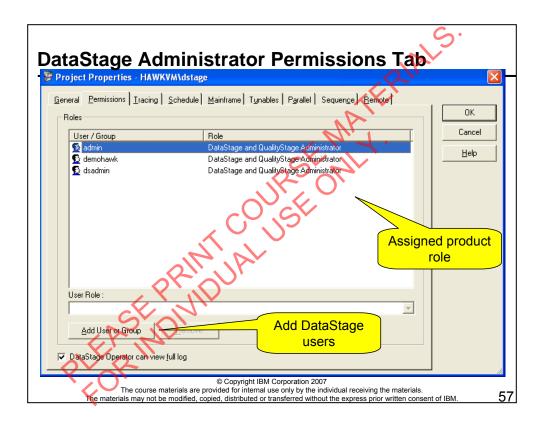
Click the Environment button on the General tab to specify environment variables. The variables listed under the Parallel branch apply to Parallel jobs.

You can also specify your own environment variables under the User Defined branch. These variables can be passed to jobs through their job parameters to provide project level job defaults.

There are also other environment variables that are hidden from the GUI. See the Parallel Job Advanced Developers Guide documentation for a list of the environment variables.



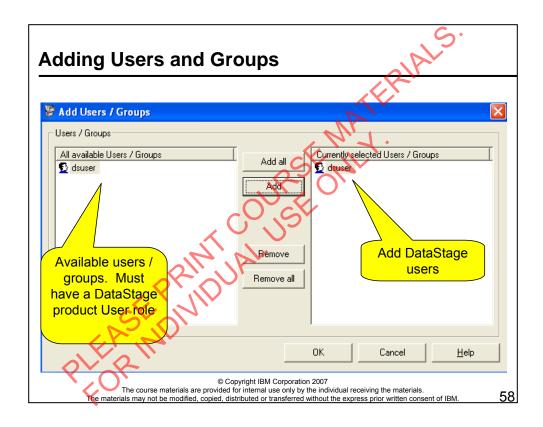
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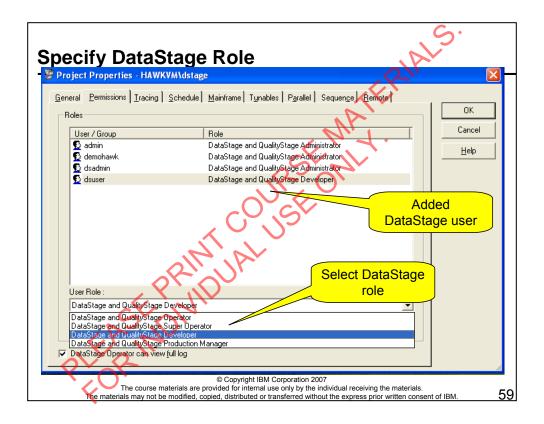
This lists Suite users and groups that have a DataStage User or Administrator role.

When Suite users or groups that have a DataStage Administrator role are added, they automatically they are automatically entered here and assigned the role of "DataStage Administrator".

Suite users or groups that have a DataStage User role need to be manually added. To accomplish this, click the Add User or Group button (which is hidden in this screen shot). Then you need to select the DataStage user role (Operator, Super Operator, Developer, Production Manager) that this user ID is to have.



Click the "Add User or Group" button to open this window. On the left are Information Server users and groups that have been given a DataStage User role.



Use this page to set user group permissions for accessing and using DataStage. All DataStage users must belong to a recognized *user role* before they can log on to DataStage. This helps to prevent unauthorized access to DataStage projects.

There are four roles that can be assigned to a DataStage user:

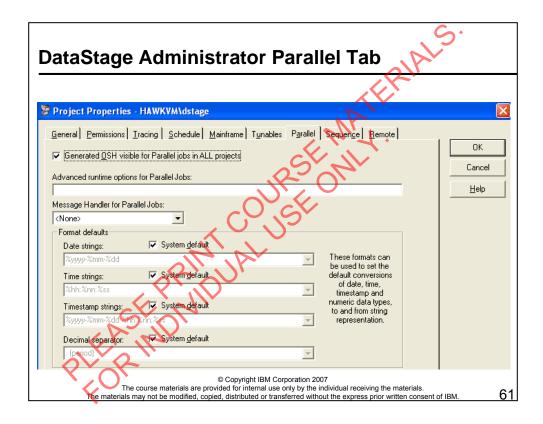
- DataStage Developer, who has full access to all areas of a DataStage project.
- DataStage Operator, who can run and manage released DataStage jobs.
- •DataStage Super Operator, who can open Designer and view the Repository in a read-only mode.
- DataStage Production Manager, who has create and manipulate protected projects.



This tab is used to enable and disable server-side tracing.

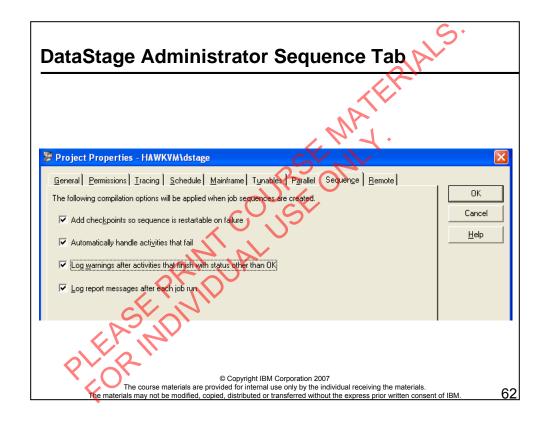
The default is for server-side tracing to be disabled. When you enable it, information about server activity is recorded for any clients that subsequently attach to the project. This information is written to trace files. Users with indepth knowledge of the system software can use it to help identify the cause of a client problem. If tracing is enabled, users receive a warning message whenever they invoke a DataStage client.

**Warning:** Tracing causes a lot of server system overhead. This should only be used to diagnose serious problems with the help of IBM DataStage customer support.



Use this tab to specify Parallel job defaults. In addition to displaying the OSH generated by DataStage from Parallel jobs, you specify default formats for dates and times.

In general, you should choose to display the OSH. This provides useful information about how your job works.



## Checkpoint

- 1. Authorizations can be assigned to what two items?
- 2. What two types of authorization roles can be assigned to a user or group?
- 3. In addition to Suite authorization to log onto DataStage what else does a DataStage developer require to work in DataStage

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Notes:

Write down your answers here:

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## **Checkpoint solutions**

- 1. Users and groups. Members of a group acquire the authorizations of the group.
- 2. Suite roles and Product roles.
- 3. Must be mapped to a user with DataStage credentials.

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## **Unit objectives**

Having completing this unit, you should be able to:

- Open the Administrative console
- Create new users and groups
- Assign Suite roles and Product roles to users and groups
- Give users DataStage credentials
- Log onto DataStage Administrator
- Add a DataStage user on the Permissions tab and specify the user's role
- Specify DataStage global and project defaults
- List and describe important environment variables

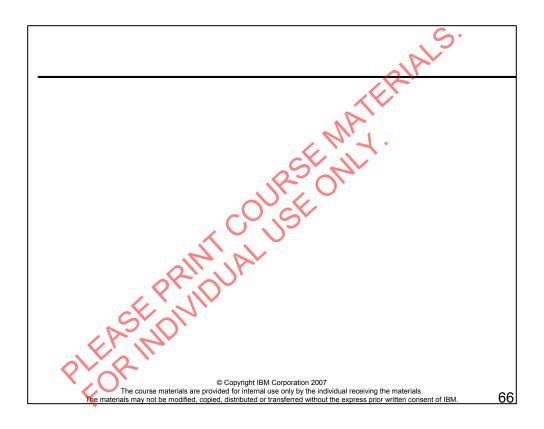
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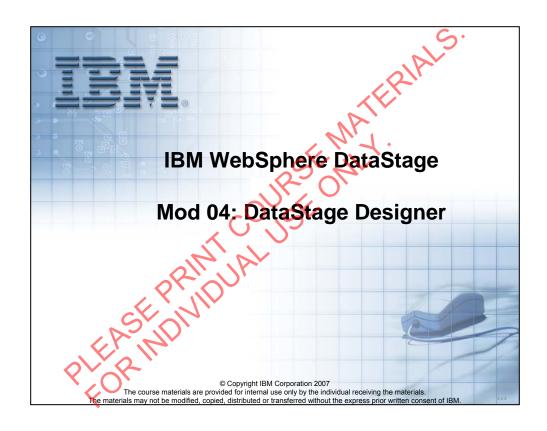
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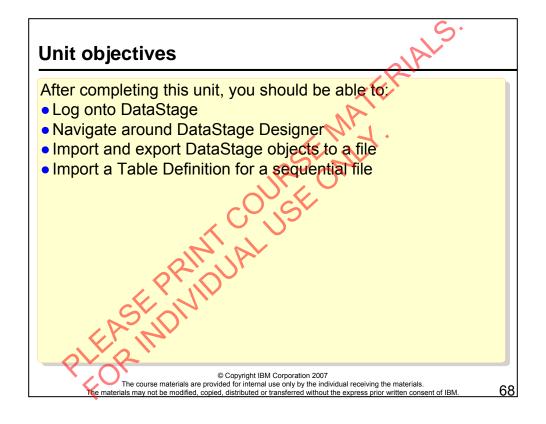
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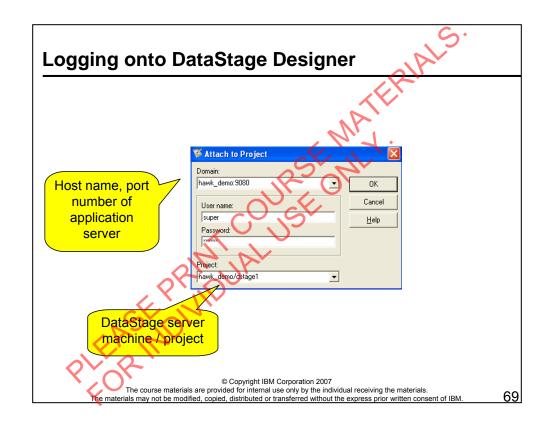
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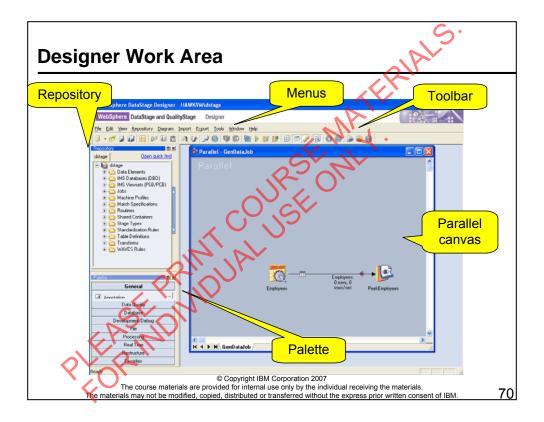






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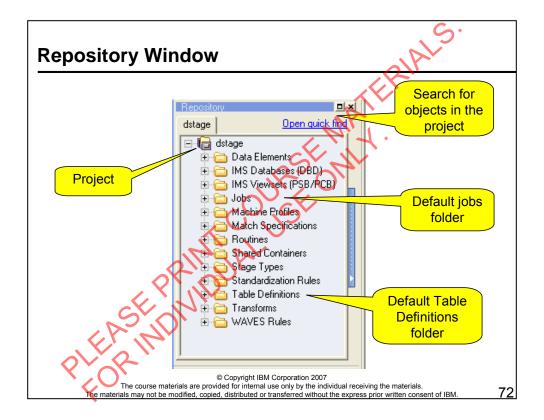


The appearance of the designer work space is configurable; the graphic shown here is only one example of how you might arrange components.

In the right center is the **Designer canvas**, where you create stages and links. On the top left is the **Repository** window. Items in the Repository, such as jobs and Table Definitions can be dragged to the canvas area. On the bottom left is the Tools Palette, which contains stages you can add to the canvas.

Click **View>Repository** to display the **Repository** window. Click **View>Palette** to display the **Palette** window.





The Repository window displays the folders of objects stored in the repository for the DataStage project logged into.

New folders can be created at any level in which to store repository objects.

### **Import and Export**

- Any object in the repository window can be exported to a file
- Can export whole projects
- Use for backup
- Sometimes used for version control
- Can be used to move DataStage objects from one project to another
- Use to share DataStage jobs and projects with other developers

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Any set of DataStage objects, including whole projects, which are stored in the Repository, can be exported to a file. This export file can then be imported back into DataStage.

Import and export can be used for many purposes, including:

- Backing up jobs and projects.
- Maintaining different versions of a job or project.
- Moving DataStage objects from one project to another. Just export the objects, move to the other project, then re-import them into the new project.
- Sharing jobs and projects between developers. The export files, when zipped, are small and can be easily emailed from one developer to another.

### Click "Export>DataStage Components" Select DataStage objects for export Specify type of export: DSX: Default format XML: Enables processing of export file by XML applications, e.g., for generating reports Specify file path on client machine

Click **Export>DataStage Components** to begin the export process.

Any object in Manager can be exported to a file. Use this procedure to backup your work or to move DataStage objects from one project to another.

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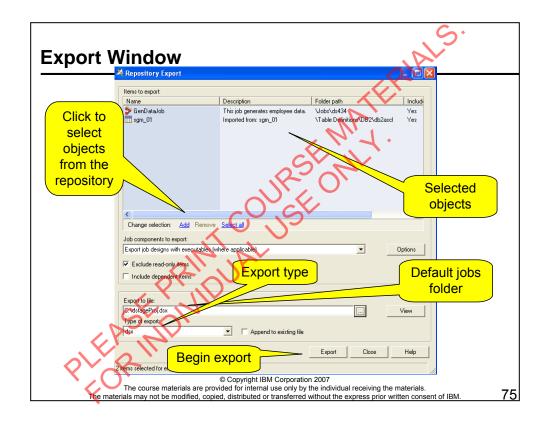
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Select the types of components to export. You can select either the whole project or select a portion of the objects in the project.

Specify the name and path of the file to export to. By default, objects are exported to a text file in a special format. By default, the extension is **dsx**. Alternatively, you can export the objects to an XML document.

The directory you export to is on the DataStage *client*, not the server.

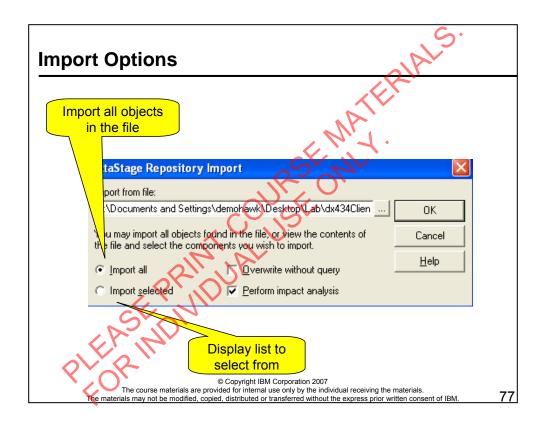
Objects can also be exported from the list of found objects of a search. This procedure is discussed later in the course.



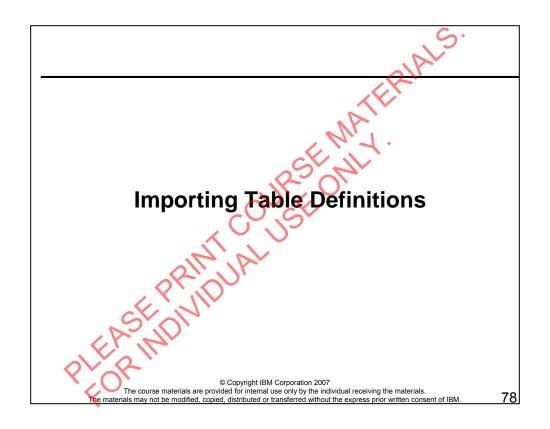
## Click "Import>DataStage Components" Or "Import>DataStage Components (XML) if you are importing an XML-format export file Select DataStage objects for import Copyright IBM Corporation 2007 The course materials are provided for internal use only by the individual receiving the materials. The materials may not be modified, copied, distributed or transferred without the express prior written consent of IBM.

To import DataStage components, click Import>DataStage Components.

Select the file to import. Click **Import all** to begin the import process or **Import selected** to view a list of the objects in the import file. You can import selected objects from the list. Select the **Overwrite without query** button to overwrite objects with the same name without warning.



For large imports, you may want to disable "Perform impact analysis." This adds overhead to the import process.



### **Importing Table Definitions**

- Table Definitions describe the format and columns of files and tables
- You can import Table Definitions for:
  - Sequential files
  - Relational tables
  - COBOL files
  - Many other things
- Table Definitions can be loaded into job stages

Table Definitions define the formats of a variety of data files and tables. These definitions can then be used and reused in your jobs to specify the formats of data stores.

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For example, you can import the format and column definitions of the **Customers.txt** file. You can then load this into the sequential source stage of a job that extracts data from the **Customers.txt** file.

You can load this same metadata into other stages that access data with the same format. In this sense the metadata is *reusable*. It can be used with any file or data store with the same format.

If the column definitions are similar to what you need you can modify the definitions and save the Table Definition under a new name.

You can import and define several different kinds of Table Definitions including: Sequential files and ODBC data sources.

### **Sequential File Import Procedure**

- Click Import>Table Definitions>Sequential File Definitions
- Select directory containing sequential file and then the file
- Select a repository folder to store the rable Definition in
- Examined format and column definitions and edit as necessary

To start the import, click **Import>Table Definitions>Sequential File Definitions**. The **Import Meta Data (Sequential)** window is displayed.

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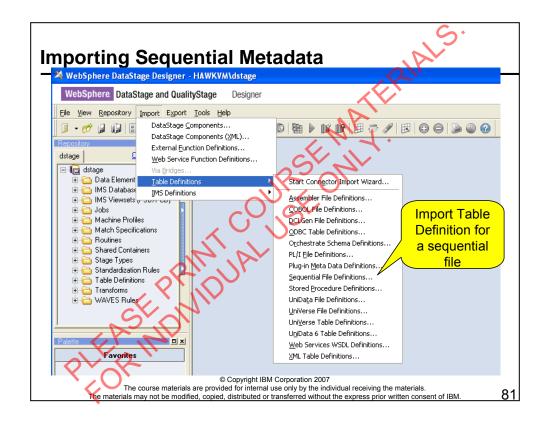
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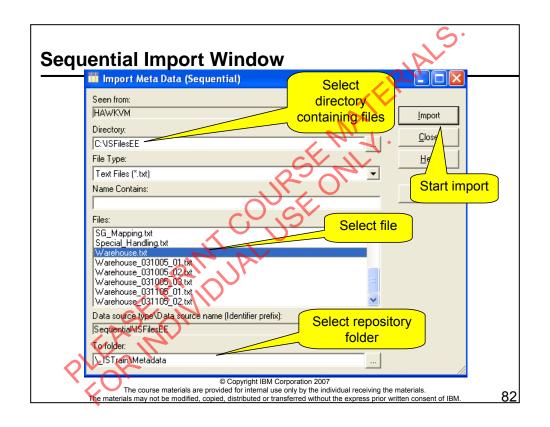
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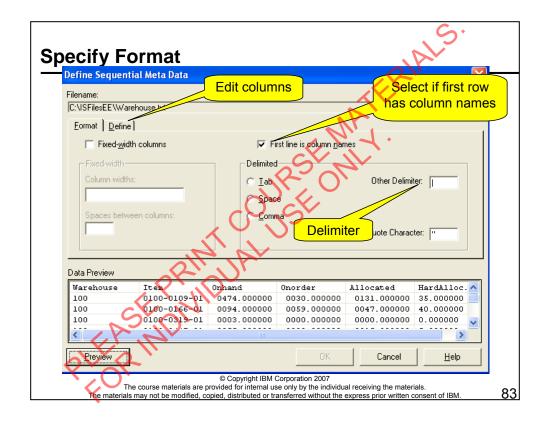
Select the directory containing the sequential files. The **Files** box is then populated with the files you can import.

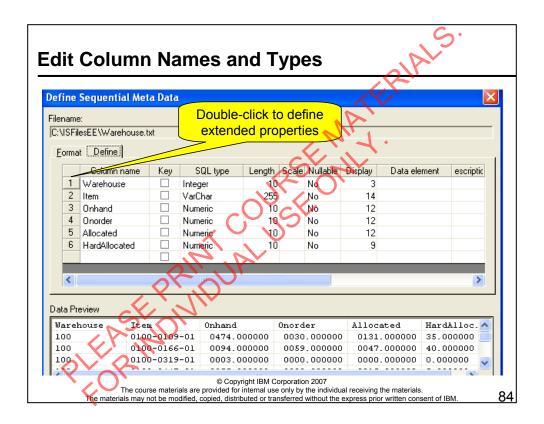
Select the file to import.

Select or specify a folder to import into.

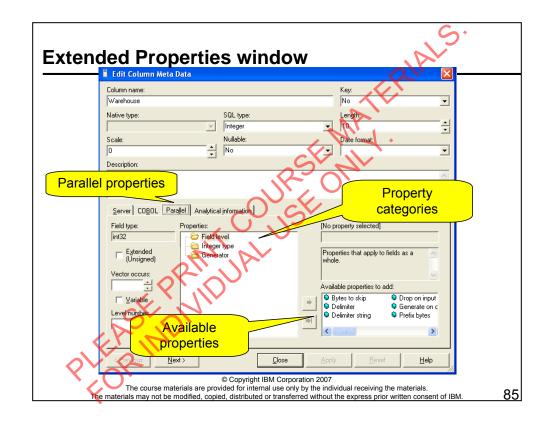


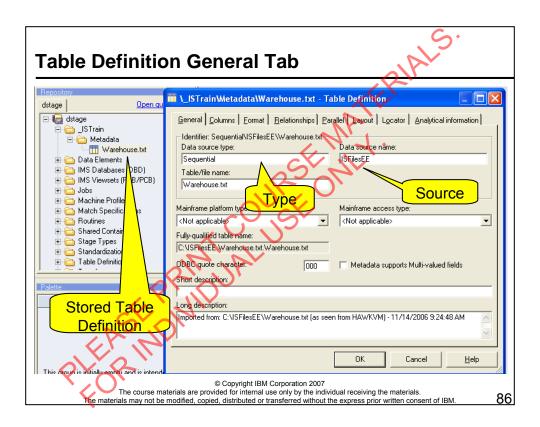






You can also add "Extended Properties". Double-click on the number to the left of the column name to open up a window in which you specify these extended properties. Extended properties are discussed later in this course.





In the Repository window, select the folder that contains the Table Definition. Double-click the Table Definition to open the **Table Definition** window.

Click the **Columns** tab to view and modify any column definitions. Select the **Format** tab to edit the file format specification. Select the Parallel tab to specify parallel format properties.

### Checkpoint

- True or False? The directory to which you export is on the DataStage client machine, not on the DataStage server machine.
- Can you import Table Definitions for sequential files with fixed-length record formats?

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Notes:

Write down your answers here:

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### **Checkpoint solutions**

- 1. True.
- True.
   Yes. Record lengths are determined by the lengths of the individual columns.

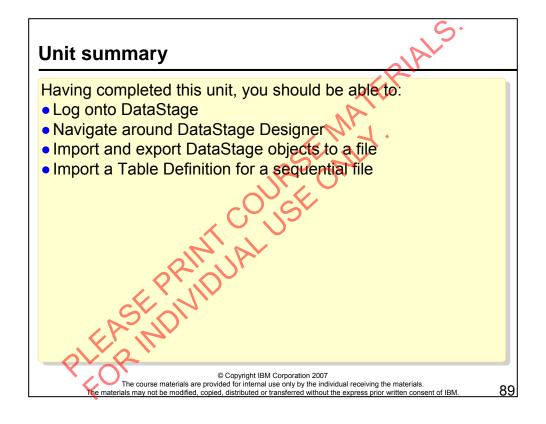
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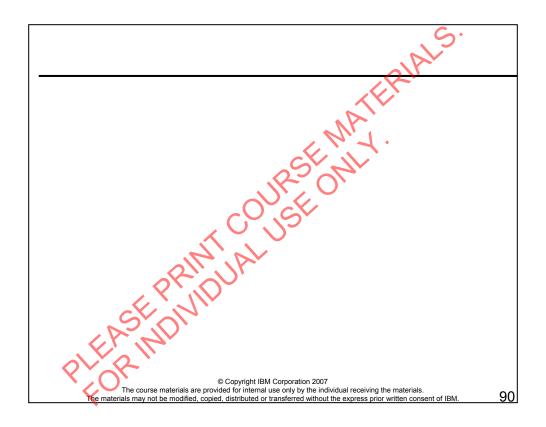
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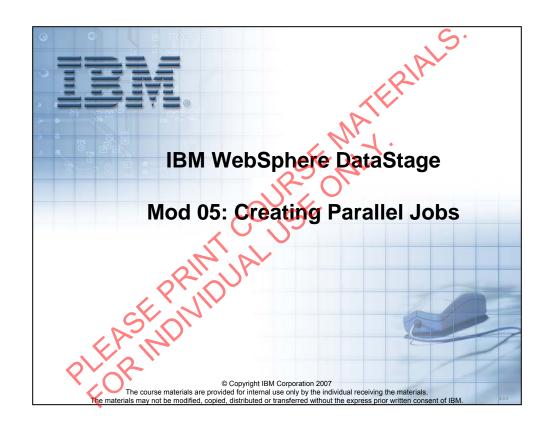
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## Unit objectives After completing this unit, you should be able to: Design a simple Parallel job in Designer Define a job parameter Use the Row Generator, Peek, and Annotation stages in a job Compile your job Run your job in Director View the job log Copyright IBM Coporation 2007 The course materials are provided for internal use only by the individual receiving the materials. The materials may not be modified, copied, distributed or transferred without the express prior written consent of IBM.

### Notes:

### What Is a Parallel Job? Executable DataStage program Created in DataStage Designer Can use components from Repository Built using a graphical user interface Compiles into Orchestrate script language (OSH) and object code (from generated C++) Copyright IBM Corporation 2007 The course materials are provided for internal use only by the individual receiving the materials. The materials may not be modified, copied, distributed or transferred without the express prior written consent of IBM.

A *job* is an executable DataStage program. In DataStage, you can design and run jobs that perform many useful data integration tasks, including data extraction, data conversion, data aggregation, data loading, etc.

### DataStage jobs are:

- Designed and built in Designer.
- Scheduled, invoked, and monitored in Director.
- Executed under the control of DataStage.

### **Job Development Overview**

- Import metadata defining sources and targets
  - Done within Designer using import process
- In Designer, add stages defining data extractions and loads
- Add processing stages to define data transformations
- Add links defining the flow of data from sources to targets
- Compile the job
- In Director, validate, run, and monitor your job
  - Can also run the job in Designer
  - Can only view the job log in Director

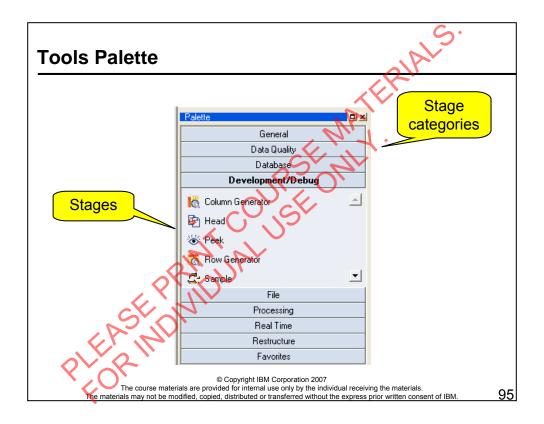
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In this module, you will go through the whole process with a simple job, except for the first bullet. In this module you will manually define the metadata.



The tool palette contains icons that represent the components you can add to your job design.

### **Adding Stages and Links**

- Drag stages from the Tools Palette to the diagram
  - Can also be dragged from Stage Type branch to the diagram
- Draw links from source to target stage
  - Right mouse over source stage
  - Release mouse button over target stage

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### **Job Creation Example Sequence**

- Brief walkthrough of procedure
- Assumes Table Definition of source already exists in the repository

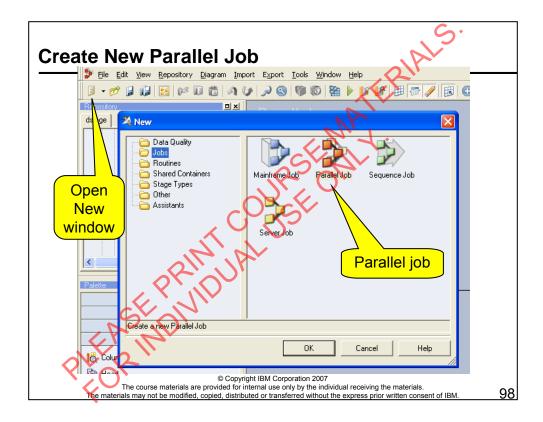
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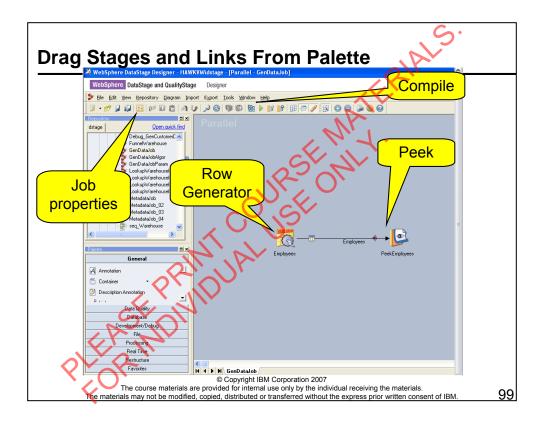
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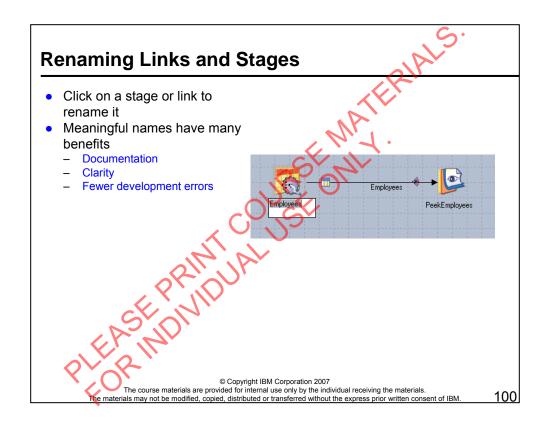
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Click the New button in the toolbar to open the New window. Click on the Parallel Job icon to create a new parallel job (the focus of this course).



The tools palette may be shown as a floating dock or placed along a border. Alternatively, it may be hidden and the developer may choose to pull needed stages from the repository onto the design work area.



### **RowGenerator Stage**

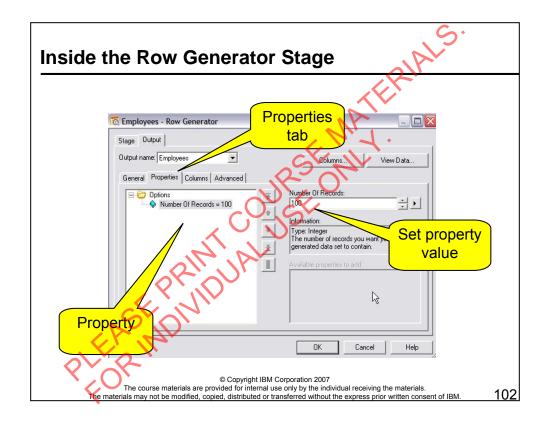
- Produces mock data for specified columns
- No inputs link; single output link
- On Properties tab, specify number of rows
- On Columns tab, load or specify column definitions
  - Open Extended Properties window to specify the values to be generated for that column
  - A number of algorithms for generating values are available depending on the data type
- Algorithms for Integer type
  - Random: seed, limit
  - Cycle: Initial value increment
- Algorithms for string type: Cycle, alphabet
- Algorithms for date type: Random, cycle

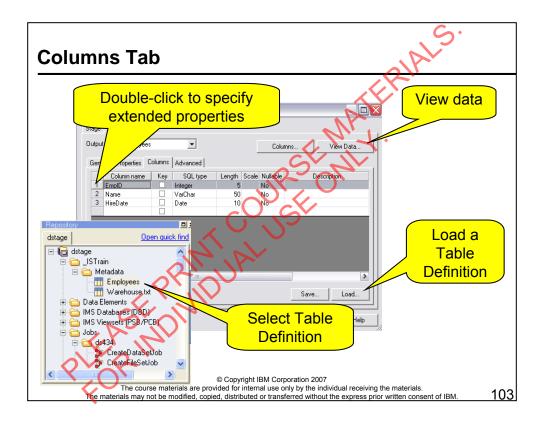
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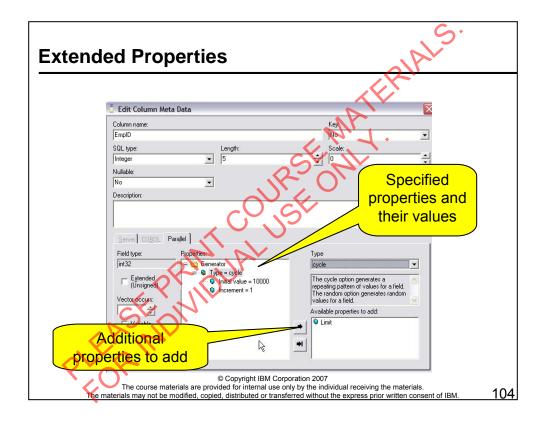
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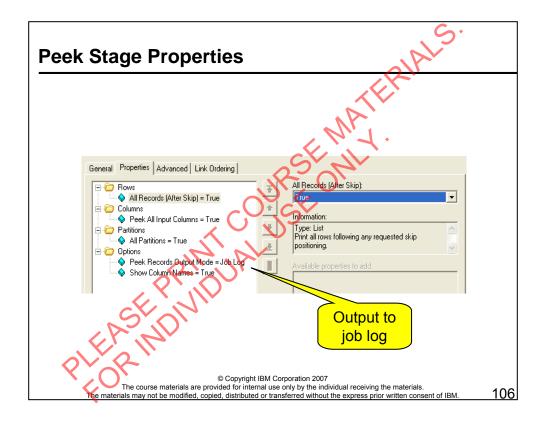
On the Columns tab, define the column definitions. Either manually specify the columns or load the column definitions from a Table Definition. A Table Definition can either be loaded, as shown here, or dragged from the Repository and dropped on the link.



Double-click on the column number to define the extended properties for the column

# Peek Stage Displays field values Displayed in job log or sent to a file Skip records option Can control number of records to be displayed Shows data in each partition, labeled 0, 1, 2, ... Useful stub stage for iterative job development Develop job to a stopping point and check the data Copyright IBM Corporation 2007 The course materials are provided for internal use only by the individual receiving the materials. The materials may not be modified, copied, distributed or transferred without the express prior written consent of IBM.

The peek stage will display column values in a job's output messages log.



You can also output from the Peek stage to a file.

### **Job Parameters**

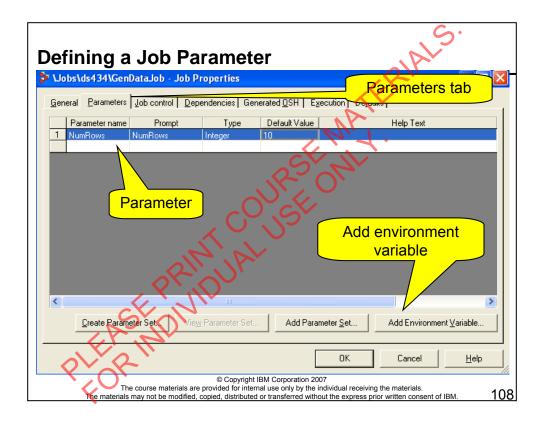
- Defined in Job Properties window
- Makes the job more flexible
- Parameters can be:
  - Used in directory and file names
  - Used to specify property values
  - Used in constraints and derivations
- Parameter values are determined at run time
- When used for directory and files names and property values, they are surrounded with pound signs (#)
  - E.g., #NumRows#
- Job parameters can reference DataStage environment variables
  - Prefaced by \$, e.g., \$APT\_CONFIG\_FILE

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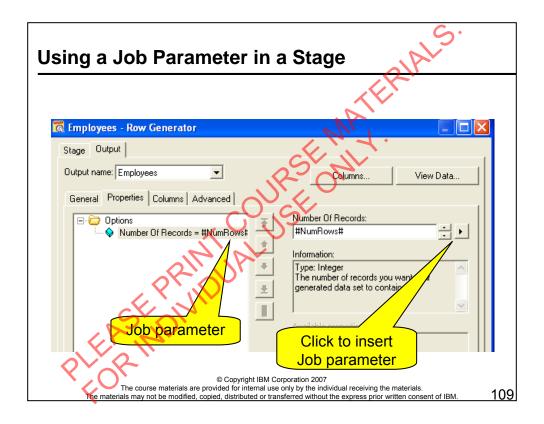
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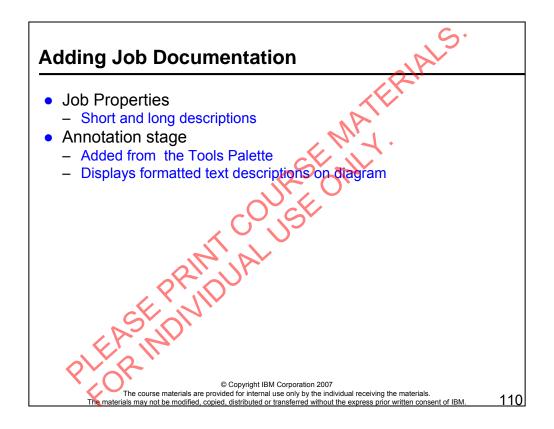
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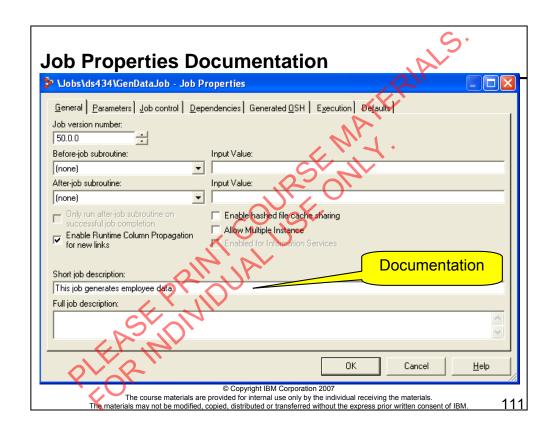
Click the Job Properties icon to open this window.

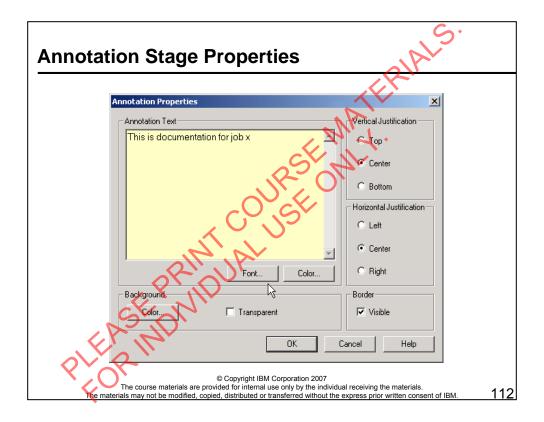


Select the property. Then enter the value in the text box. Click the button at the right of the text box to display a menu for selecting a job parameter.



This documentation is displayed in Manager and Director in addition to the job diagram.



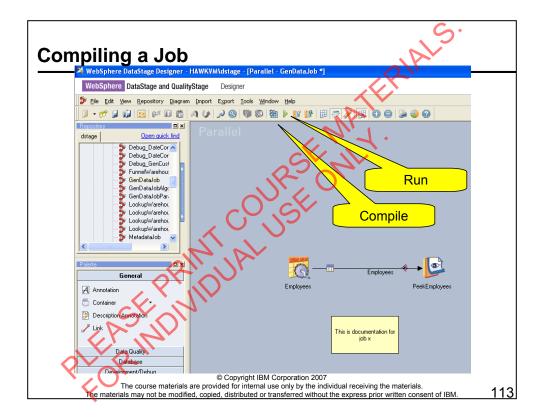


You can type in whatever you want; the default text comes from the short description of the jobs properties you entered, if any.

Add one or more Annotation stages to the canvas to document your job.

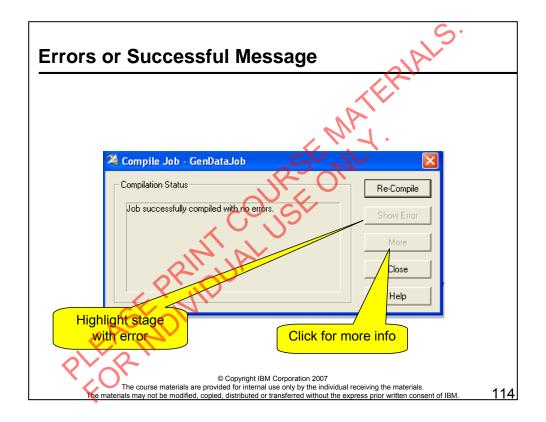
An Annotation stage works like a text box with various formatting options. You can optionally show or hide the Annotation stages by pressing a button on the toolbar.

There are two Annotation stages. The Description Annotation stage correlates its text with the Descriptions specified as part of the job properties.



Before you can run your job, you must compile it. To compile it, click **File>Compile** or click the **Compile** button on the toolbar. The **Compile Job** window displays the status of the compile.

A compile will generate OSH.

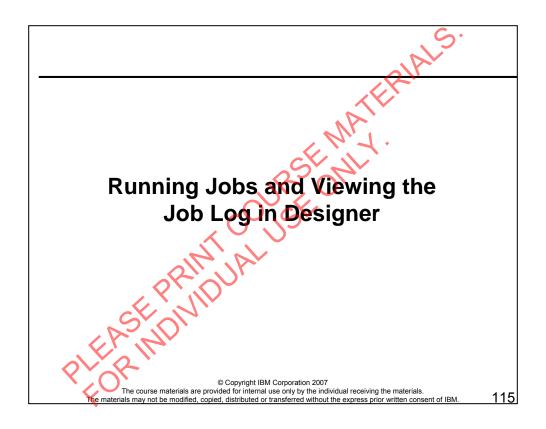


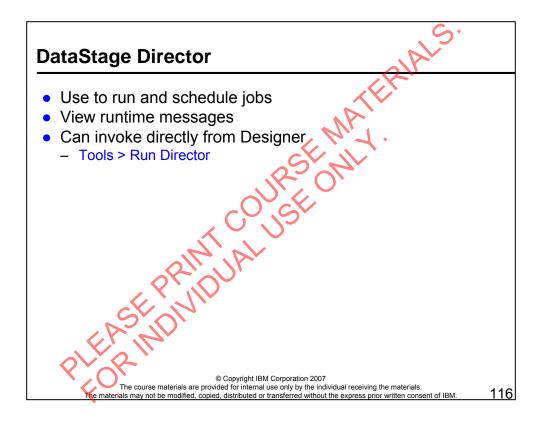
## If an error occurs:

Click **Show Error** to identify the stage where the error occurred. This will highlight the stage in error.

Click **More** to retrieve more information about the error. This can be lengthy for parallel jobs.

Many errors also show up on the diagram if "Show Stage Validation Errors" is turned on.





As you know, you run your jobs in Director. You can open Director from within Designer by clicking Tools>Run Director.

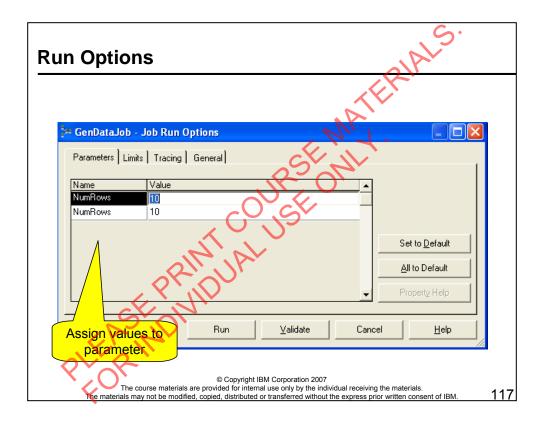
In a similar way, you can move between Director and Designer.

There are two methods for running a job:

- · Run it immediately.
- Schedule it to run at a later time or date.

To run a job immediately:

- Select the job in the Job Status view. The job must have been compiled.
- · Click Job>Run Now or click the Run Now button in the toolbar. The Job Run Options window is displayed.

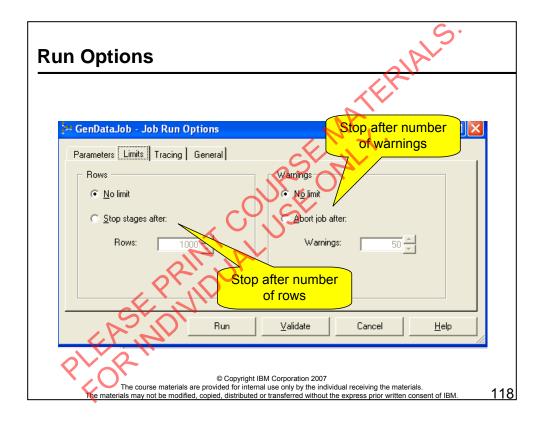


The Job Run Options window is displayed when you click Job>Run Now.

This window allows you to stop the job after:

- · A certain number of rows.
- · A certain number of warning messages.

Click Run to run the job after it is validated. The Status column displays the status of the job run.

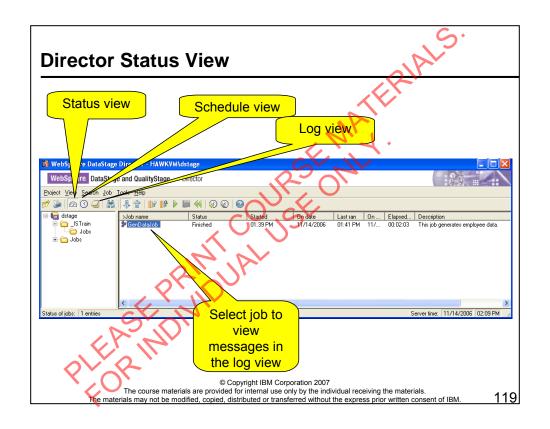


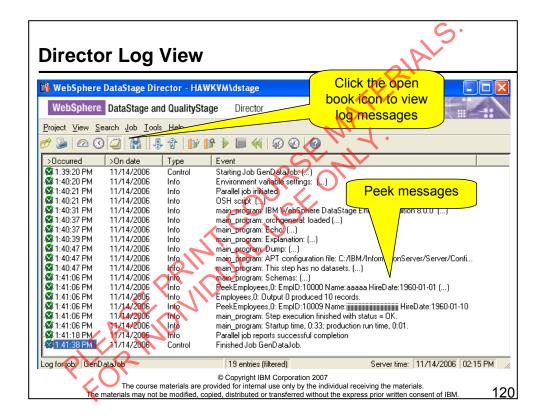
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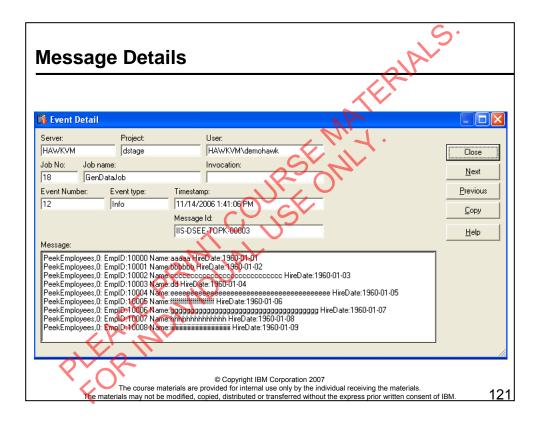
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Click the **Log** button in the toolbar to view the job log. The job log records events that occur during the execution of a job.

These events include *control events*, such as the starting, finishing, and aborting of a job; informational messages; warning messages; error messages; and program-generated messages.



Double-click on a message to open it up and read the details.

## **Other Director Functions**

- Schedule job to run on a particular date/time
- Clear job log of messages
- Set job log purging conditions
- Set Director options
  - Row limits
  - Abort after x warnings

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## **Running Jobs from Command Line**

- dsjob –run –param numrows=10 dx444 GenDataJob
  - Runs a job
  - Use -run to run the job
  - Use –param to specify parameters
  - In this example, dx444 is the name of the project
  - In this example, GenDataJob is the name of the job
- dsjob –logsum dx444 GenDataJob
  - Displays a job's messages in the log
- Documented in "Parallel Job Advanced Developer's Guide"

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## Checkpoint

- 1. Which stage can be used to display output data in the job log?
- 2. Which stage is used for documenting your job on the job canvas?
- 3. What command is used to run jobs from the operating system command line?

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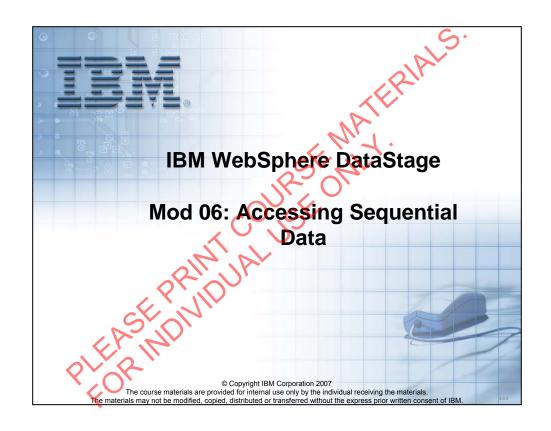
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# Unit summary Having completed this unit, you should be able to: Design a simple Parallel job in Designer Define a job parameter Use the Row Generator, Peek, and Annotation stages in a job Compile your job Run your job in Director View the job log Copyright IBM Corporation 2007 The course materials are provided for internal use only by the individual receiving the materials. The materials may not be modified, copied, distributed or transferred without the express prior written consent of IBM.

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## **Unit objectives**

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- Create Reject links
- Work with NULLs in sequential files
- Read from multiple files using file patterns
- Use multiple readers

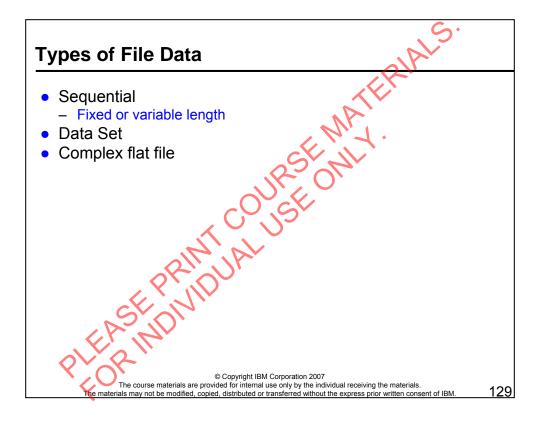
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Several stages handle sequential data. Each stage as both advantages and differences from the other stages that handle sequential data.

Sequential data can come in a variety of types -- including both fixed length and variable length.

## **How Sequential Data is Handled**

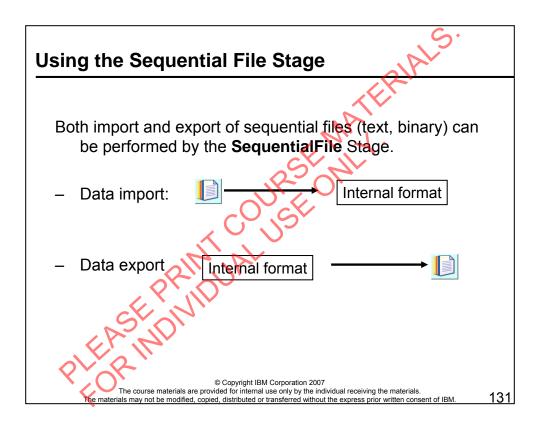
- Import and export operators are generated
  - Stages get translated into operators during the compile
- Import operators convert data from the external format, as described by the Table Definition, to the framework internal format
  - Internally, the format of data is described by schemas
- Export operators reverse the process
- Messages in the job log use the "import" / "export" terminology
  - E.g., "100 records imported successfully; 2 rejected"
  - E.g., "100 records exported successfully; 0 rejected"
  - Records get rejected when they cannot be converted correctly during the import or export

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When data is imported the imported operator translates that data into the framework internal format. The export operator performs the reverse action.

## **Features of Sequential File Stage**

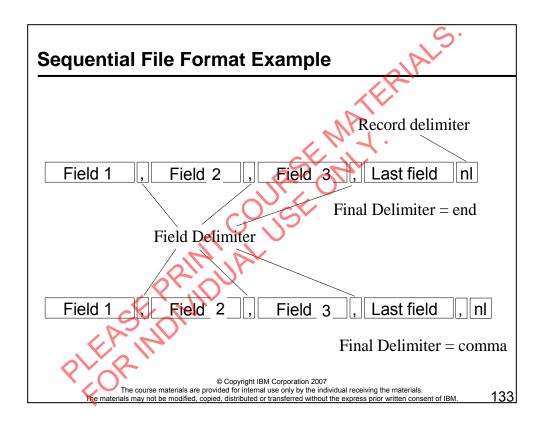
- Normally executes in sequential mode
- Executes in parallel when reading multiple files
- Can use multiple readers within a node
  - Reads chunks of a single file in parallel
- The stage needs to be told:
  - How file is divided into rows (record format)
  - How row is divided into columns (column format)

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This shows the format of one type of sequential file. Delimiters separate columns. Fields all columns are defined my delimiters. Similarly, records are defined by terminating characters.

## **Sequential File Stage Rules**

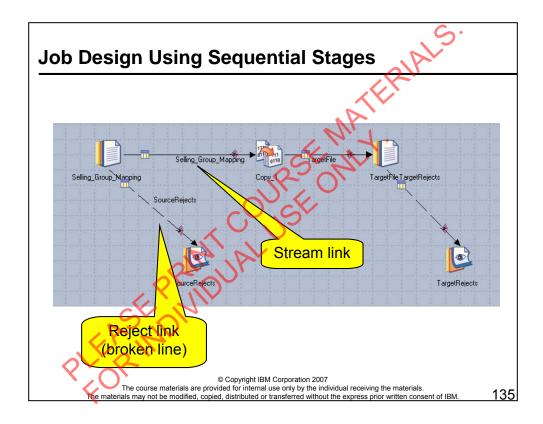
- One input link
- One stream output link
- Optionally, one reject link
  - Will reject any records not matching metadata in the column definitions
    - Example: You specify three columns separated by commas, but the row that's read had no commas in it
    - Example: The second column is designated a decimal in the Table Definition, but contains alphabetic characters

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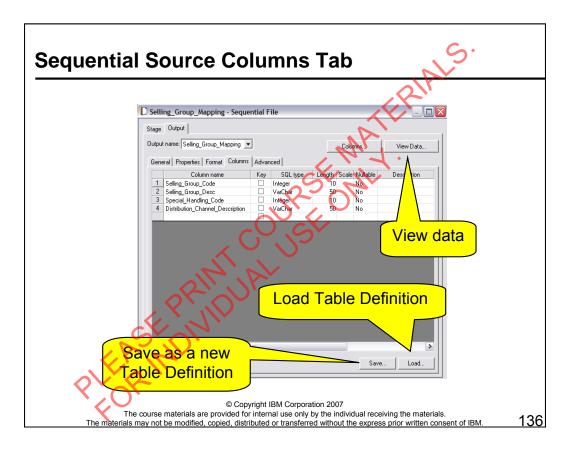
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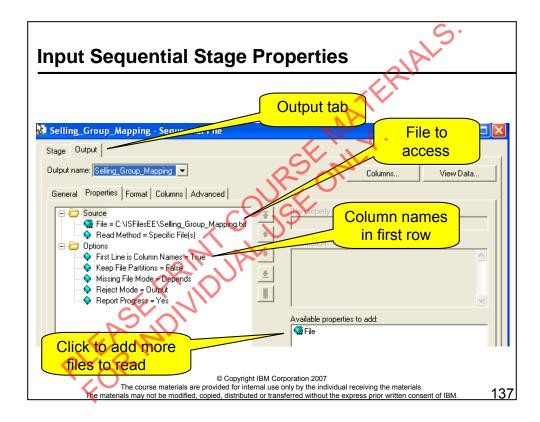
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The source Sequential stage has a stream output link and a reject output link. The target Sequential stage has an input link and a reject, output link.



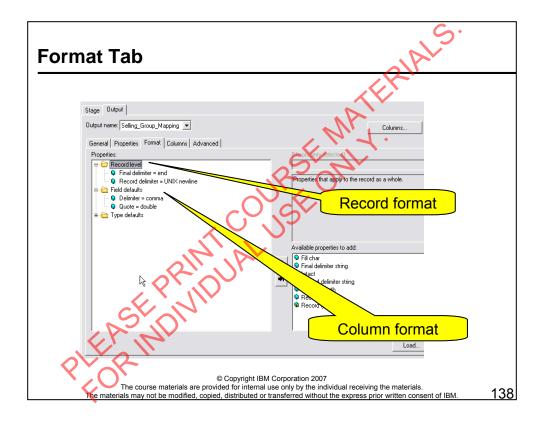
The Columns tab has these features: Column definitions, View Data, Load button. The Save button is used to save the column definitions into the Repository as a new Table Definition.



If specified individually, you can make a list of files that are unrelated in name.

If you select "read method" and choose file pattern, you effectively select an undetermined number of files.

Set the Report Progress property to Yes to show percent of processing during the job run.

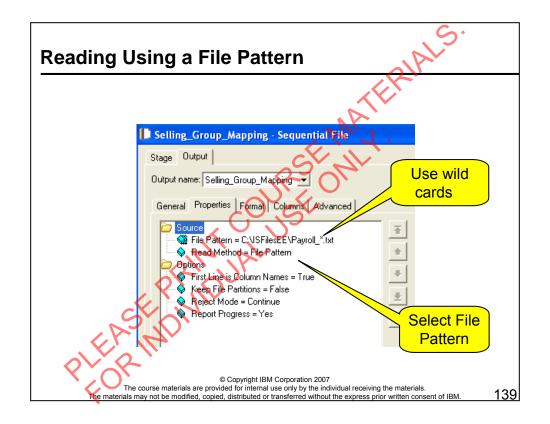


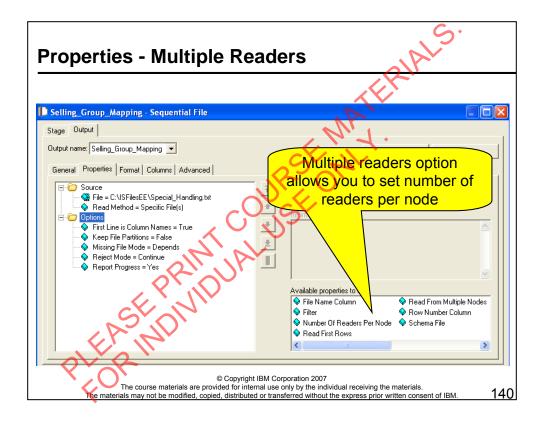
DataStage needs to know:

How a file is divided into rows

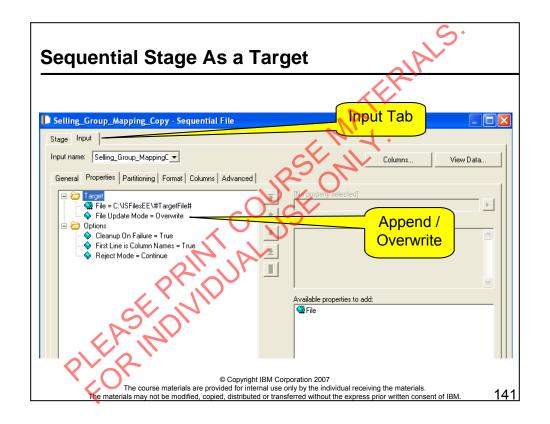
How a row is divided into columns

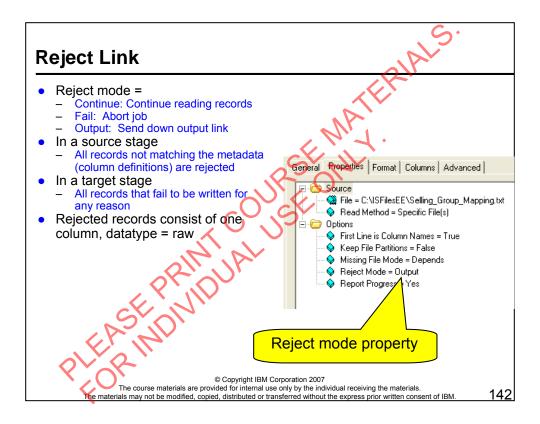
Column properties set on this tab are defaults for each column; they can be overridden at the column level (from columns tab).



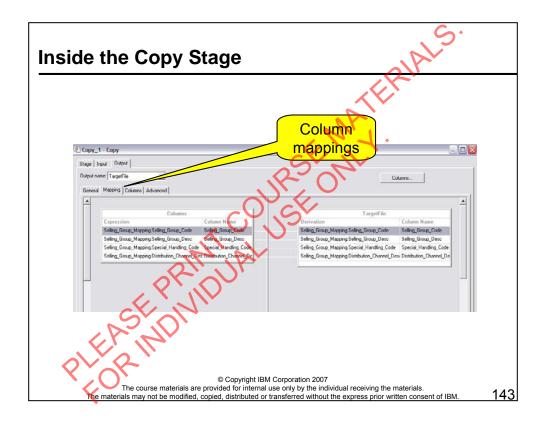


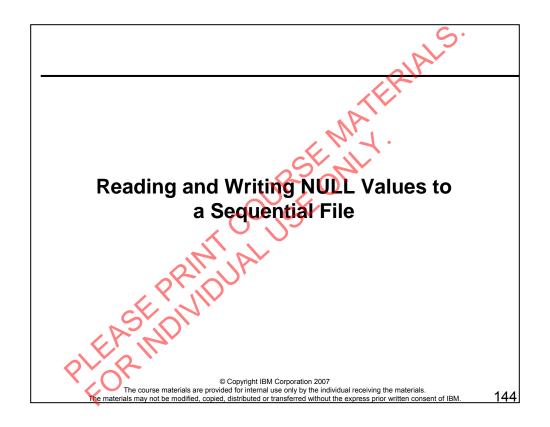
This option allows you to read a single sequential file in parallel. However, the row order is not maintained. Therefore if input rows need to be identified, this option can only be used if the data itself provides a unique identifier. This works for both fixed-length and variable-length records.





The sequential stage can have a single reject link. This is typically used when you are writing to a file and provides a location where records that have failed to be written to a file for some reason can be sent. When you are reading files, you can use a reject link as a destination for rows that do not match the expected column definitions.





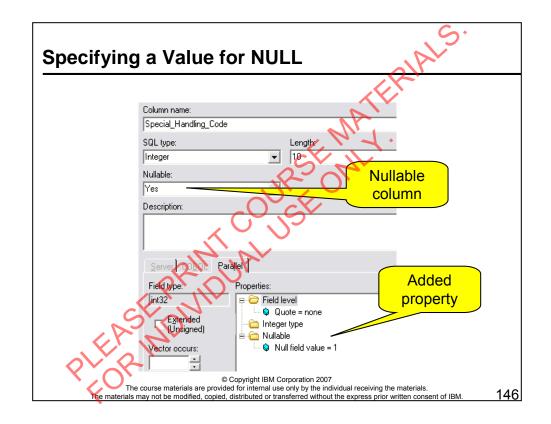
## **Working with NULLs**

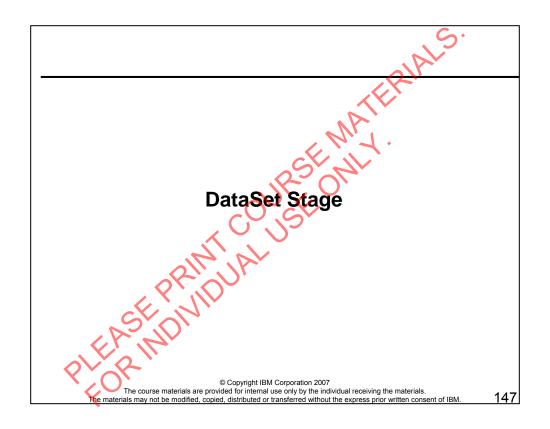
- Internally, NULL is represented by a special value outside the range of any existing, legitimate values
- If NULL is written to a non-nullable column, the job will abort
- Columns can be specified as nullable
  - NULLs can be written to nullable columns
- You must "handle" NULLs written to nullable columns in a Sequential File stage
  - You need to tell DataStage what value to write to the file
  - Unhandled rows are rejected
- In a Sequential File source stage, you can specify values you want DataStage to convert to NULLs

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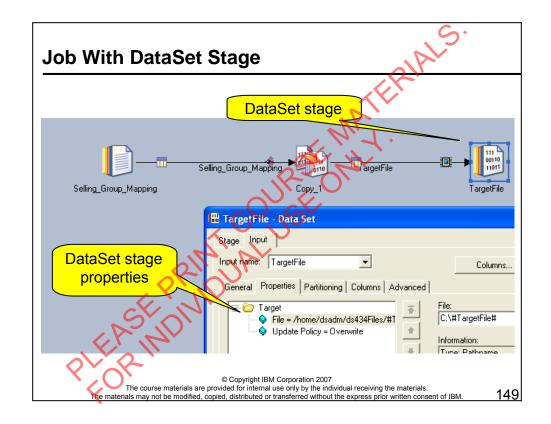
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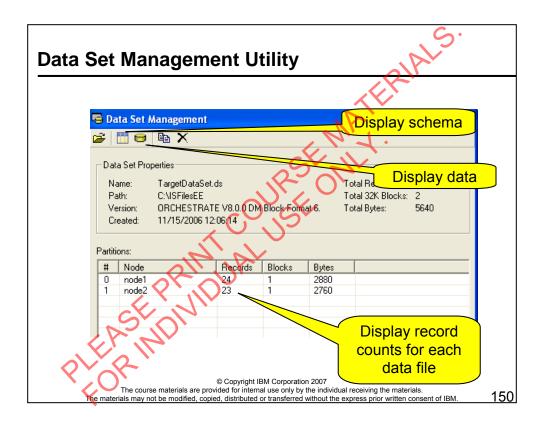




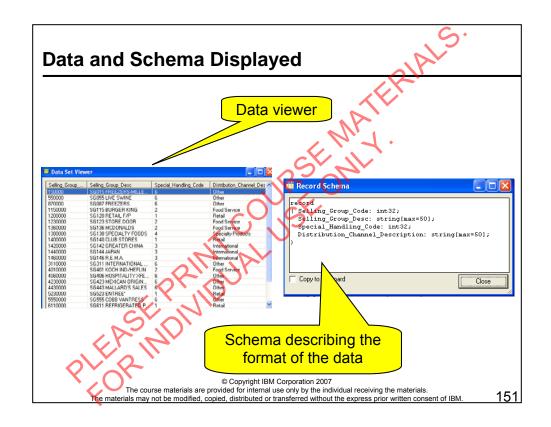
### **Data Set** Binary data file 00110 Preserves partitioning 11011 Component dataset files are written to each partition Suffixed by .ds Referred to by a header file Managed by Data Set Management utility from GUI (Manager, Designer, Director) Represents persistent data Key to good performance in set of linked jobs No import / export conversions are needed No repartitioning needed Accessed using DataSet stage Implemented with two types of components: Descriptor file: contains metadata, data location, but NOT the data itself Data file(s) contain the data multiple files, one per partition (node) © Copyright IBM Corporation 2007 The course materials are provided for internal use only by the individual receiving the materials. The materials may not be modified, copied, distributed or transferred without the express prior written consent of IBM. 148

Data sets represent persistent data maintained in the internal format.





The window is available (data sets management) from Designer and Director. In Designer, click Tools>Data Set Management to open this window.



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Number of raw data files depends on: the configuration file – more on configuration files later.

# Checkpoint

- 1. List three types of file data
- 2. What makes datasets perform better than other types of files in parallel jobs
- 3. What is the difference between a data set and a file set?

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# **Checkpoint solutions**

- 1. Sequential, dataset, complex flat files
- 2. They are partitioned and they store data in the native parallel format
- 3. Both are partitioned. Data sets store data in a binary format not readable by user applications. File sets are readable.

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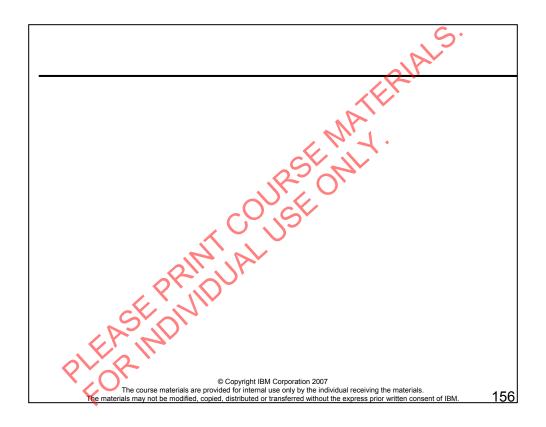
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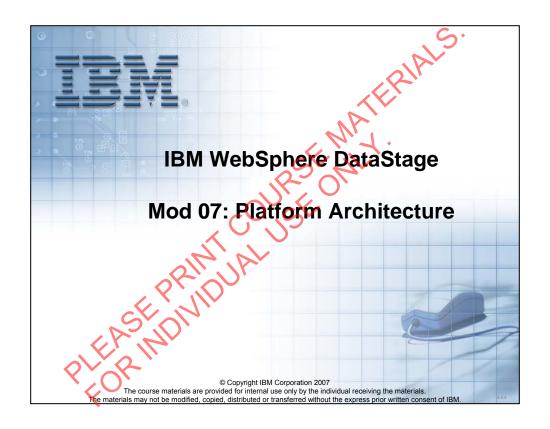
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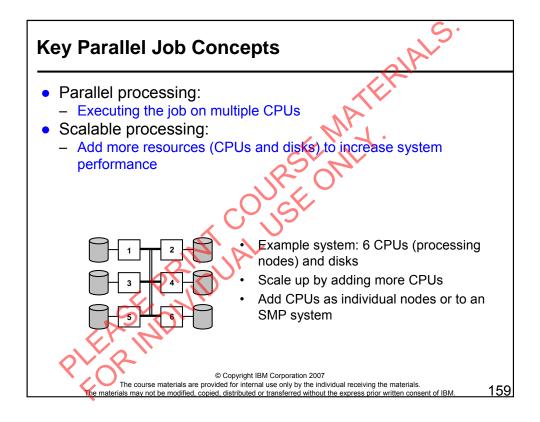
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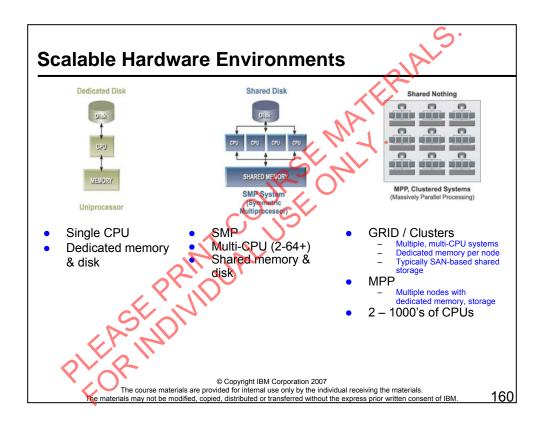
# Unit objectives After completing this unit, you should be able to: Describe parallel processing architecture Describe pipeline parallelism Describe partition parallelism List and describe partitioning and collecting algorithms Describe configuration files Describe the parallel job compilation process Explain OSH Explain the Score Copyright IBM Corporation 2007 The course materials are provided for internal use only by the individual receiving the materials. The materials may not be modified, copied, distributed or transferred without the express prior written consent of IBM.

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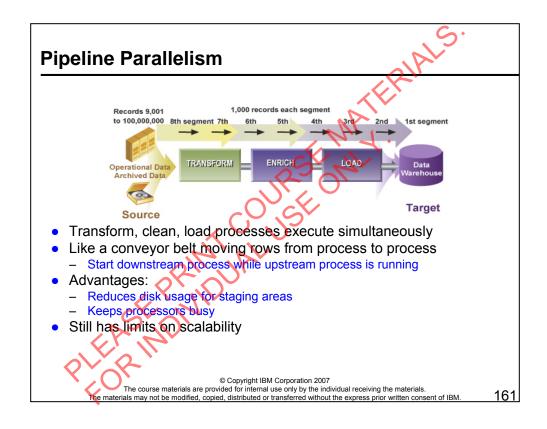
Parallel processing is the key to building jobs that are highly scalable.

The parallel engine uses the processing node concept. A processing node is a CPU or an SMP, or a board on an MPP.



DataStage parallel jobs are designed to be platform-independent – a single job, if properly designed, can run across resources within a single machine (SMP) or multiple machines (cluster, GRID, or MPP architectures).

While parallel jobs can run on a single-CPU environment, it is designed to take advantage of parallel platforms.



### **Partition Parallelism**

- Divide the incoming stream of data into subsets to be separately processed by an operation
  - Subsets are called partitions (nodes)
- Each partition of data is processed by the same operation
  - E.g., if operation is Filter, each partition will be filtered in exactly the same way
- Facilitates near-linear scalability
  - 8 times faster on 8 processors
  - 24 times faster on 24 processors
  - This assumes the data is evenly distributed

Partitioning breaks a dataset into smaller sets. This is a key to scalability. However, the data needs to be evenly distributed across the partitions; otherwise, the benefits of partitioning are reduced.

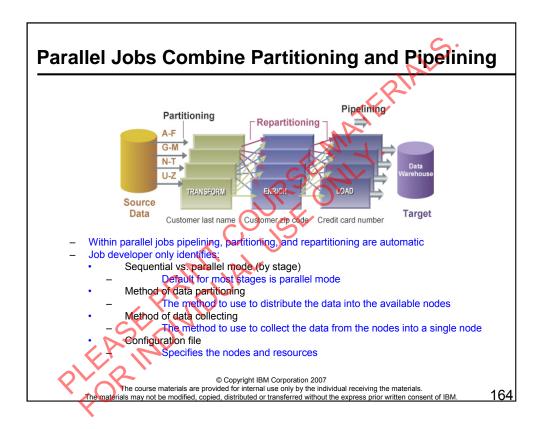
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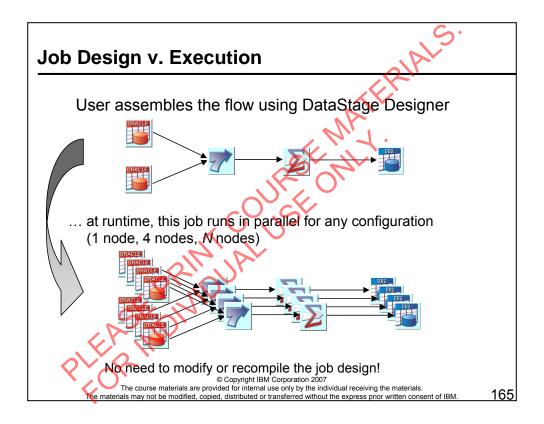
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It is important to note that what is done to each partition of data is the same. How the data is processed or transformed is the same.



By combining both pipelining and partitioning DataStage creates jobs with higher volume throughput.

The configuration file drives the parallelism by specifying the number of partitions.



Much of the parallel processing paradigm is hidden from the programmer. The programmer simply designates the process flow, as shown in the upper portion of this diagram. The parallel engine, using the definitions in the configuration file, will actually execute processes that are partitioned and parallelized, as illustrated in the bottom portion.

# **Configuration File**

- Configuration file separates configuration (hardware / software) from job design
  - Specified per job at runtime by \$APT\_CONFIG\_FILE
  - Change hardware and resources without changing job design
- Defines nodes with their resources (need not match physical CPUs)
  - Dataset, Scratch, Buffer disk (file systems)
  - Optional resources (Database, SAS, etc.)
  - Advanced resource optimizations
  - "Pools" (named subsets of nodes)
- Multiple configuration files can be used different occasions of job execution
  - Optimizes overall throughout and matches job characteristics to overall hardware resources
  - Allows runtime constraints on resource usage on a per job basis

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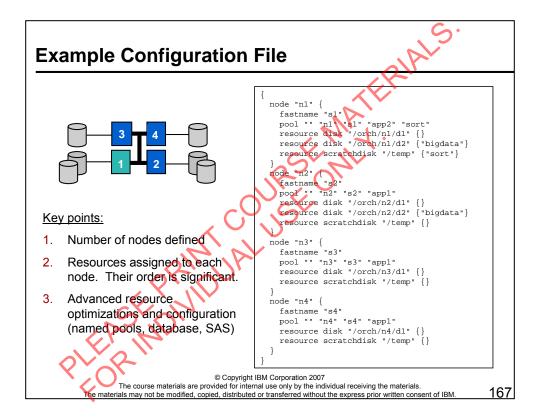
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DataStage jobs can point to different configuration files by using job parameters. Thus, a job can utilize different hardware architectures without being recompiled.

It can pay to have a 4-node configuration file running on a 2 processor box, for example, if the job is "resource bound." We can spread disk I/O among more controllers.



This example shows a typical configuration file. Pools can be applied to nodes or other resources. Note the curly braces following some disk resources.

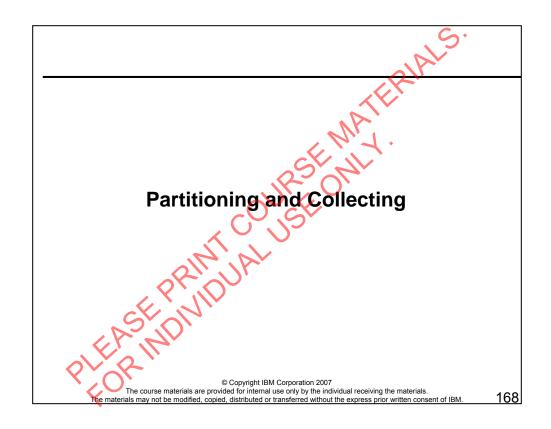
Following the keyword "node" is the name of the node (logical processing unit).

The order of resources is significant. The first disk is used before the second, and so on.

Keywords, such as "sort" and "bigdata", when used, restrict the signified processes to the use of the resources that are identified. For example, "sort" restricts sorting to node pools and scratchdisk resources labeled "sort".

Database resources (not shown here) can also be created that restrict database access to certain nodes.

Question: Can objects be constrained to CPUs? No, a request is made to the operating system and the operating system chooses the CPU.



# **Partitioning and Collecting**

- Partitioning breaks incoming rows into multiple streams of rows (one for each node)
- Each partition of rows is processed separately by the stage/operator
- Collecting returns partitioned data back to a single stream
- Partitioning / Collecting is specified on stage input links

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# **Partitioning / Collecting Algorithms**

- Partitioning algorithms include:
  - Round robin
  - Random
  - Hash: Determine partition based on ke
    - Requires key specification
  - Modulus
  - Entire: Send all rows down all partitions

  - Same: Preserve the same partitioningAuto: Let DataStage choose the algorithm
- Collecting algorithms include:
  - Round robin
  - Auto
    - Collect first available record
  - Sort Merge
    - Read in by key
    - Presumes data is sorted by the key in each partition
    - Builds a single sorted stream based on the key
  - Ordered
  - Read all records from first partition, then second, ...

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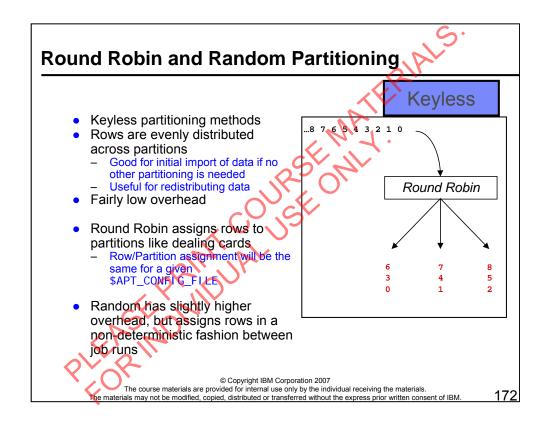
# Keyless V. Keyed Partitioning Algorithms

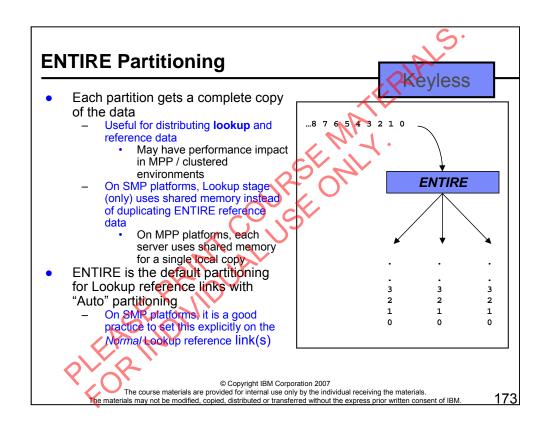
- Keyless: Rows are distributed independently of data values
  - Round Robin
  - Random
  - Entire
  - Same
- Keyed: Rows are distributed based on values in the specified key
  - Hash: Partition based on key
    - Example: Key is State. All "CA" rows go into the same partition; all "MA" rows go in the same partition. Two rows of the same state never go into different partitions
  - Modulus: Partition based on modulus of key divided by the number of partitions. Key is a numeric type.
    Example: Key is OrderNumber (numeric type). Rows with the same
    - Example: Key is OrderNumber (numeric type). Rows with the same order number will all go into the same partition.
  - DB2: Matches DB2 EEE partitioning

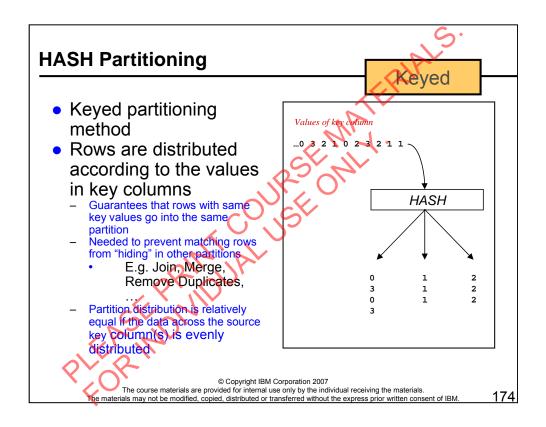
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For certain stages (Remove Duplicates, Join, Merge) to work correctly in parallel, the user must override the default (Auto) to Hash or a variant: Range, Modulus.

Here the numbers are no longer row IDs, but values of key column.

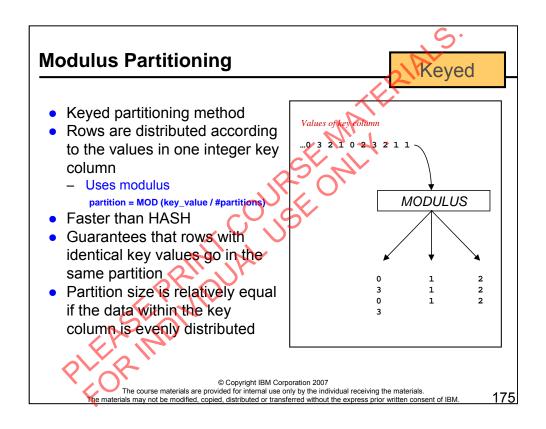
- •Hash guarantees that all the rows with key value 3 end up in the same partition.
- •Hash does not guarantee "continuity": here, 3s are bunched with 0s, not with neighboring value 2.

This is an expensive version of Hash, "Range," that guarantees continuity.

Hash does not guarantee load balance.

Make sure key column(s) takes on enough values to distribute data across available partitions.

("gender" would be a poor choice of key...)



# **Auto Partitioning**

- DataStage inserts partition components as necessary to ensure correct results
  - Before any stage with "Auto" partitioning
  - Generally chooses ROUND-ROBIN of SAME
  - Inserts HASH on stages that require matched key values (e.g. Join, Merge, Remove Duplicates)
  - Inserts ENTIRE on Normal (not Sparse) Lookup reference links
    - NOT always appropriate for MPP/clusters
- Since DataStage has limited awareness of your data and business rules, explicitly specify HASH partitioning when needed
  - DataStage has no visibility into Transformer logic
  - Hash is required before Sort and Aggregator stages
  - DataStage sometimes inserts un-needed partitioning

Check the log

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Auto generally chooses Round Robin when going from sequential to parallel. It generally chooses Same when going from parallel to parallel.

Since DataStage has limited awareness of your data and business rules, explicitly specify HASH partitioning when needed, that is, when processing requires groups of related records.

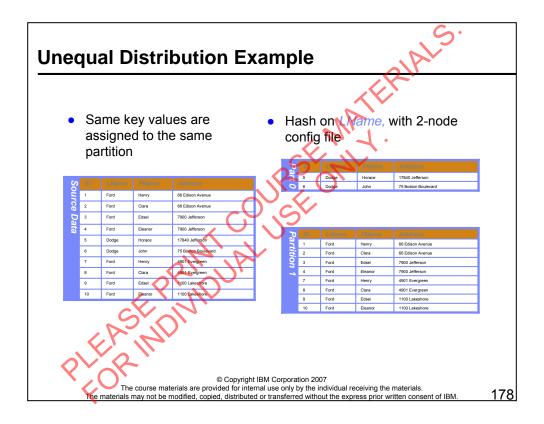
# Partitioning Requirements for Related Records

- Misplaced records
  - Using Aggregator stage to sum customer sales by customer number
  - If there are 25 customers, 25 records should be output
  - But suppose records with the same customer numbers are spread across partitions
    - This will produce more than 25 groups (records)
  - Solution: Use hash partitioning algorithm
- Partition imbalances
  - If all the records are going down only one of the nodes, then the job is in effect running sequentially

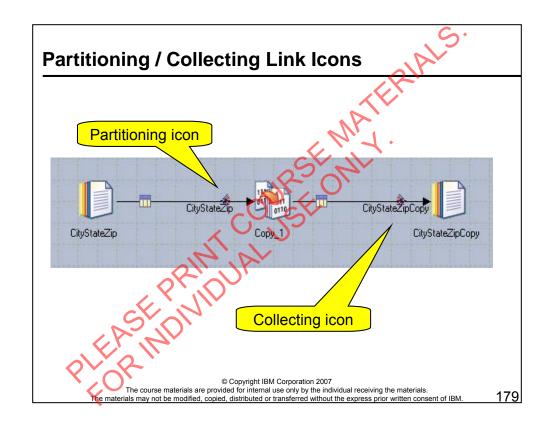
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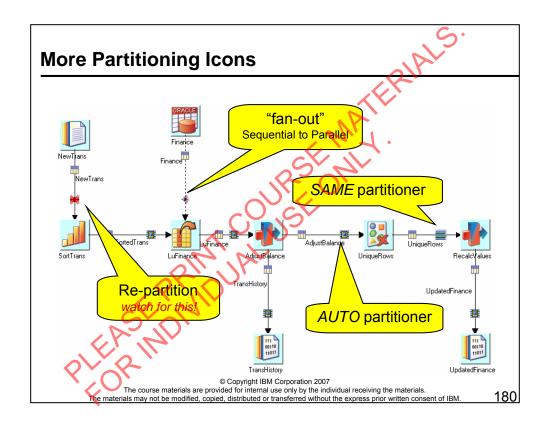
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This is an example of unequal distribution of rows down the different partitions. Partition distribution matches source data distribution. In this example, number of distinct hash key values limits parallelism!





Partitioners and collectors have no stage nor icons of their own.

They live live on input links of stages running in parallel / sequentially, respectively. Link markings indicate their presence.

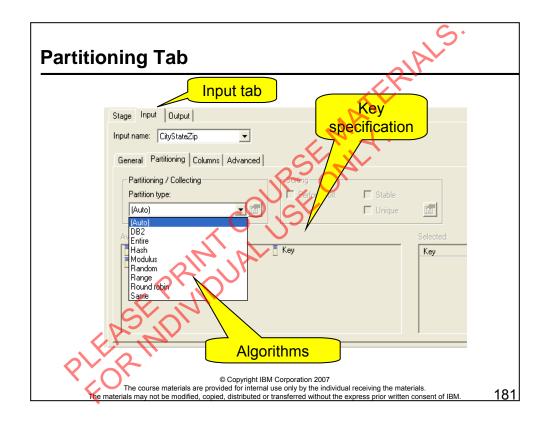
S----->S (no Marking)
S----(fan out)--->P (partitioner)
P----(fan in) ---->S (collector)
P----(box)----->P (no reshuffling: partitioner using "SAME" method)
P----(bow tie)--->P (reshuffling: partitioner using another method)

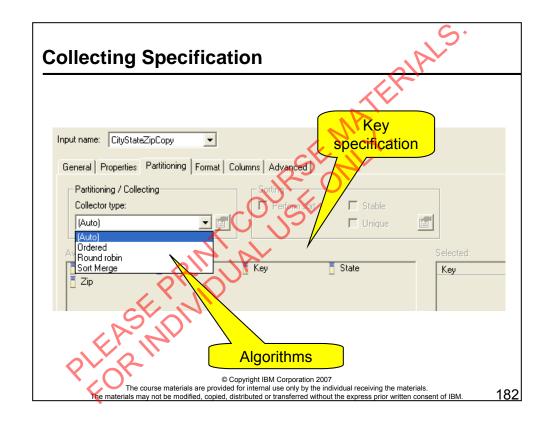
### Collectors = inverse partitioners

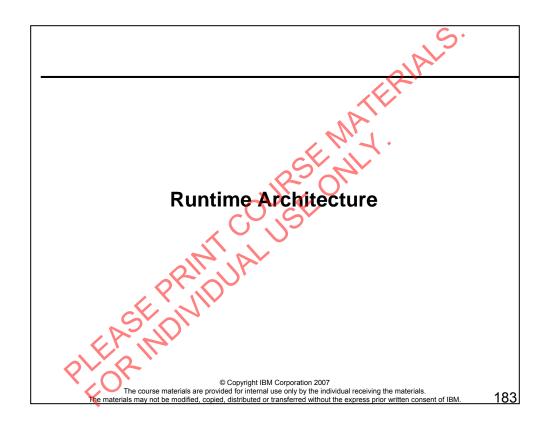
recollect rows from partitions into a single input stream to a sequential stage They are responsible for some surprising behavior:

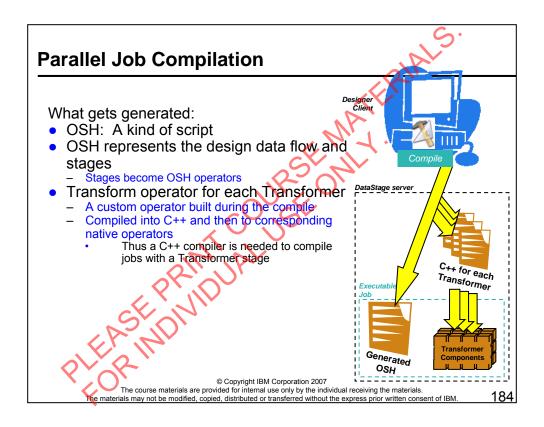
The default (Auto) is "eager" to output rows and typically causes non-determinism: row order may vary from run to run with identical input.

In the example of repartitioning, the NewTrans file is using multiple readers, so the data is being read into multiple partitions. Therefore, a reshuffling occurs at the Sort stage.



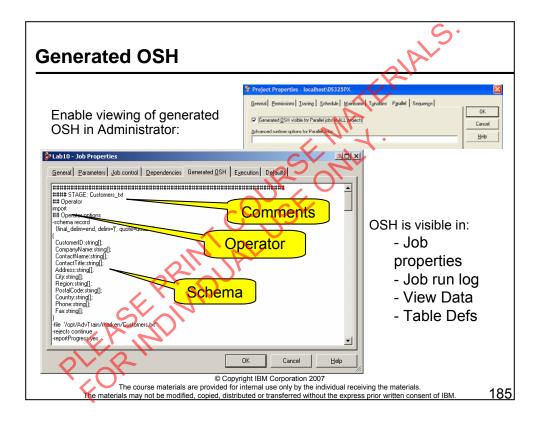




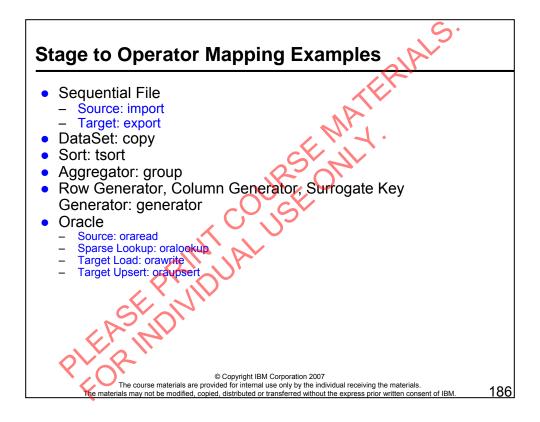


Compilation generates OSH (Orchestrate Shell Script) and also C++ code for any Transformer stages used.

For each Transformer, DataStage builds a C++ Framework operator that is then compiled. So when a job contains a Transformer, it takes longer to compile (but not to run).

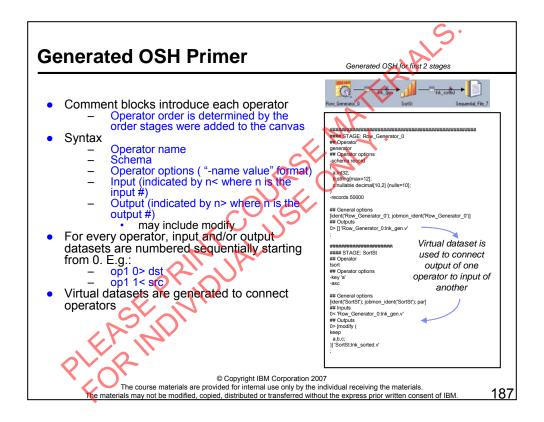


You can view generated OSH through DataStage Designer. This provides an overview of the OSH that will be generated. It is important to note, however, that this OSH will go through some changes for optimization and execution.



The stages on the diagram do not necessarily map one-to-one to operators. For example, the Sequential stage when used as a source is mapped to the import operator. When used as a target it is mapped to the export operator.

The converse is also true. Different stages can be mapped to a single operator. For example, Row Generator and Column Generator are both mapped to the generator operator.



The actual execution order of operators is dictated by input/output designators, not by placement on the diagram.

The datasets connect the osh operators. These are "virtual datasets", that is, inmemory data flows.

Link names are used in dataset names. So good practice is to name links meaningfully.

### Job Score

- Generated from OSH and configuration file
  Think of "Score" as in musical score, not game score
  Assigns nodes for each operator
- Inserts sorts and partitioners as needed
- Defines connection topology (virtual datasets) between adjacent operators

  Inserts buffer operators to prevent deadlocks

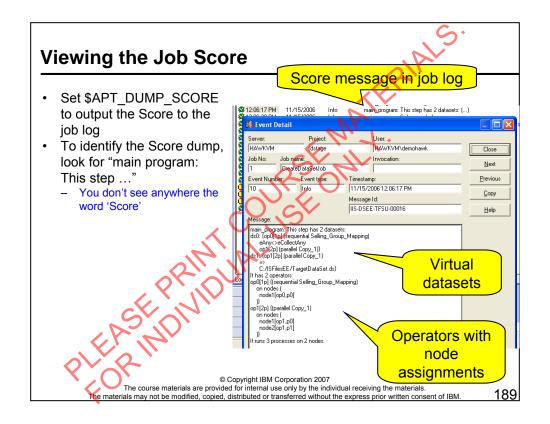
- Defines the actual processes

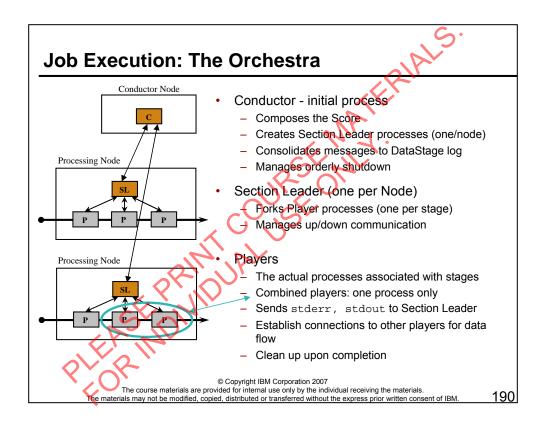
   Where possible, multiple operators are combined into a single process

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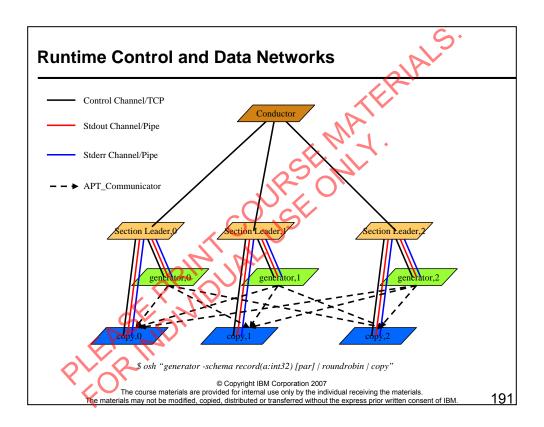
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The conductor node has the start-up process. Creates the score. Starts up section leaders.

Section leaders communicate with the conductor only. The Conductor communicates with the players.



Every player has to be able to communicate with every other player. There are separate communication channels (pathways) for control, messages, errors, and data. Note that the data channel does not go through the section leader/conductor, as this would limit scalability. Data flows directly from upstream operator to downstream operator using APT Communicator class.

## Checkpoint

- 1. What file defines the degree of parallelism a job runs under?
- 2. Name two partitioning algorithms that partition based on key values?
- 3. What partitioning algorithm produces the most even distribution of data in the various partitions?

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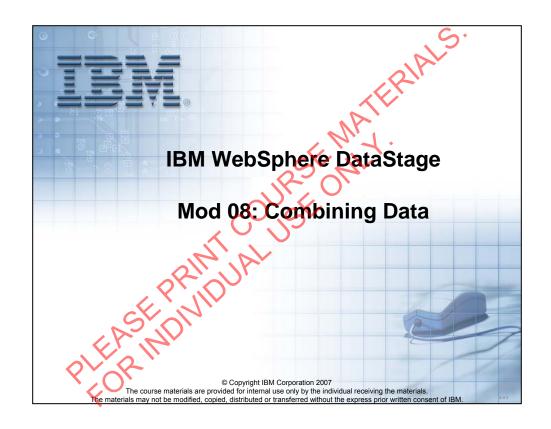
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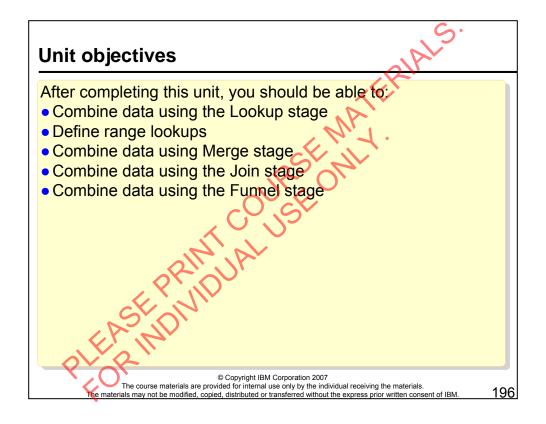
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## Checkpoint solutions 1. Configuration file 2. Hash, Modulus, DB2 3. Round robin. Or Entire © Copyright IBM Corporation 2007 The course materials are provided for internal use only by the Individual receiving the materials. The materials may not be modified, copied, distributed or transferred without the express prior written consent of IBM.

## Unit summary Having completed this unit, you should be able to: Describe parallel processing architecture Describe pipeline parallelism Describe partition parallelism List and describe partitioning and collecting algorithms Describe configuration files Describe the parallel job compilation process Explain OSH Explain the Score Copyright IBM Corporation 2007 The course materials are provided for internal use only by the Individual receiving the materials. The materials may not be modified, copied, distributed or trenaferered without the express prior written consent of IBM.

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### **Combining Data** Ways to combine data: Horizontally: Multiple input links One output link made of columns from different input links. Joins Lookup Merge Vertically: - One input link, one output link combining groups of related records into a single record Aggregator Remove Duplicates Funneling: Multiple input streams funneled into a single output stream Funnel stage © Copyright IBM Corporation 2007 The course materials are provided for internal use only by the individual receiving the materials. The materials may not be modified, copied, distributed or transferred without the express prior written consent of IBM. 197

This module discusses the horizontal way of merging data. The next module discusses the vertical way.

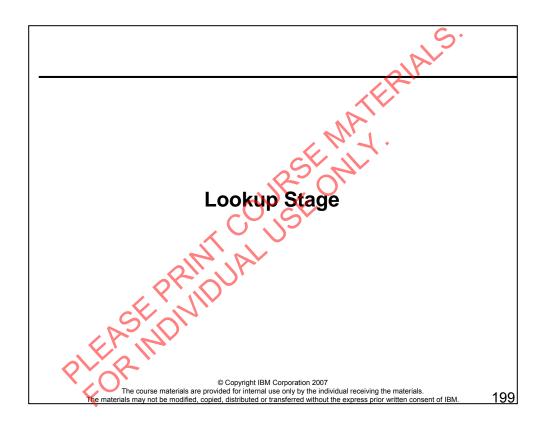
## Lookup, Merge, Join Stages

- These stages combine two or more input links
  - Data is combined by designated "key" column(s)
- These stages differ mainly in:
  - Memory usage
  - Treatment of rows with unmatched key values
  - Input requirements (sorted, de duplicated)

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# Lookup Features One stream input link (source link) Multiple reference links One output link Lookup failure options Continue, Drop, Fail, Reject Reject link Only available with Reject lookup failure option Can return multiple matching rows Hash file is built in memory from the lookup files Indexed by key Should be small enough to fit into physical memory

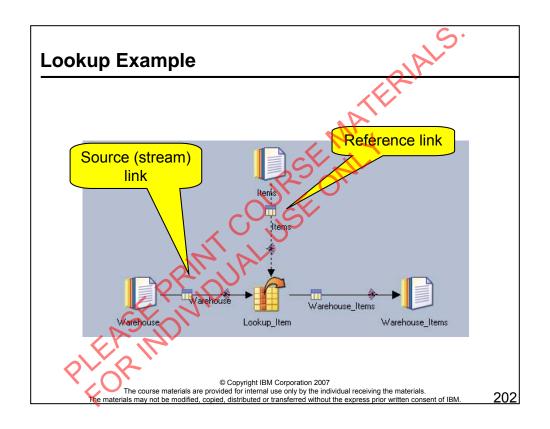
## **Lookup Types**

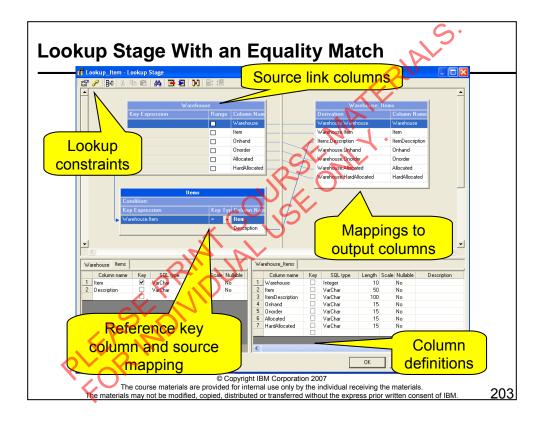
- Equality match
  - Match exactly values in the lookup key column of the reference link to selected values in the source row
  - Return row or rows (if multiple matches are to be returned) that match
- Caseless match
  - Like an equality match except that it's caseless
    - E.g., "abc" matches "AbC"
- Range on the reference link
  - Two columns on the reference link define the range
  - A match occurs when a selected value in the source row is within the range
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For an equality or caseless match lookup, one or more columns in the reference link are selected as keys (see lower left panel). Columns from the source link are matched to the key columns using drag and drop. To specify an equality match, select the equal sign (=) from the Key Type box of the reference link panel. To specify a caseless match, select the Caseless from the Key Type box of the reference link panel.

Output columns are specified in the top, right panel. Columns from the source and reference link are dragged to the front of these columns to specify the values to be mapped to the output columns.

## **Lookup Failure Actions**

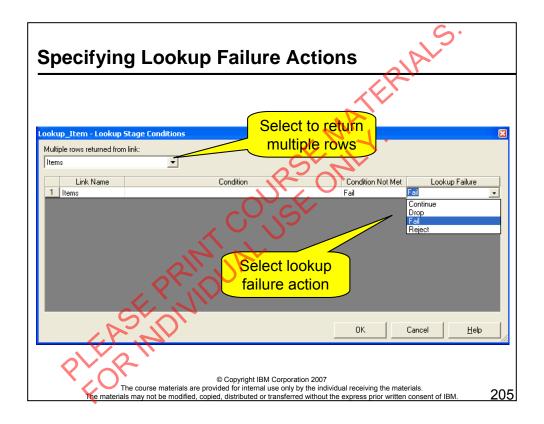
If the lookup fails to find a matching key column, one of several actions can be taken:

- Fail (Default)
  - Stage reports an error and the job fails immediately
- Drop
  - Input row is dropped
- Continue
  - Input row is transferred to the output. Reference link columns are filled with null or default values
- Reject
  - Input row sent to a reject link
  - This requires that a reject link has been created for the stage

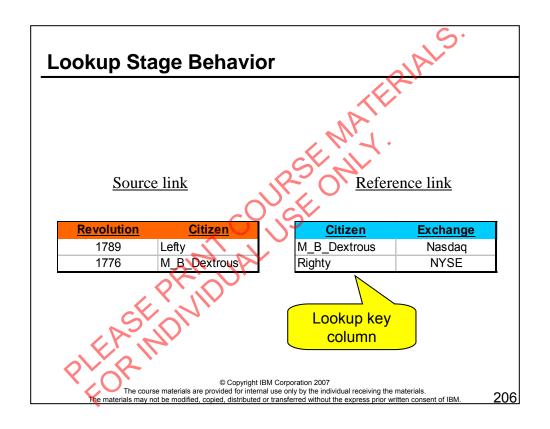
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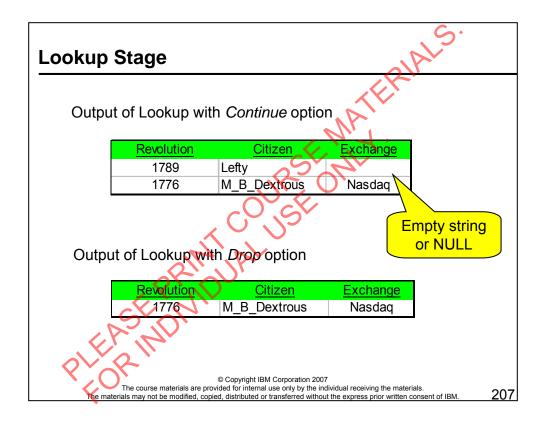
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Click the Constraints icon (top, second from left) to open this window.

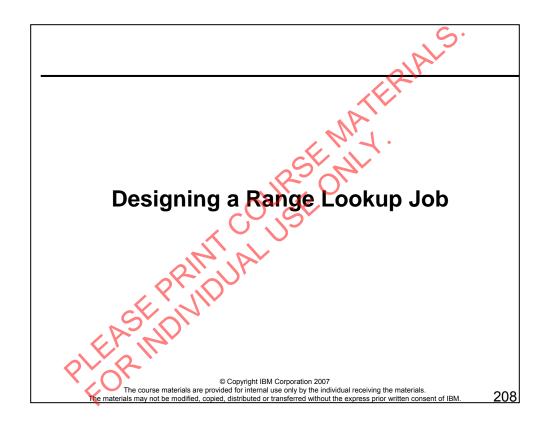


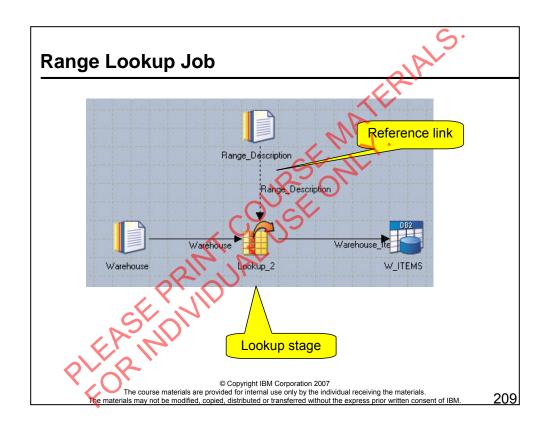


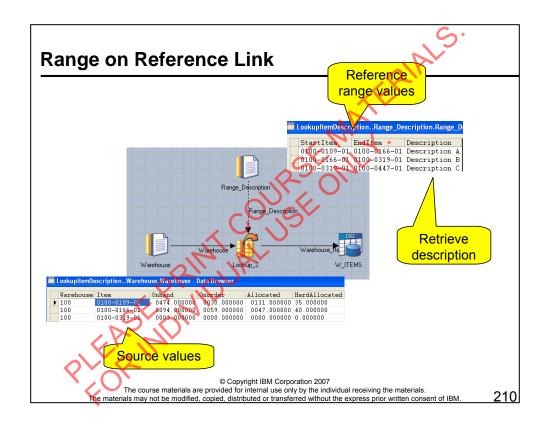
For the first source row (1789), the lookup fails to find a match. Since Continue is the lookup failure option, the row is output. The Exchange column is populated with NULL (if the column is nullable) or a default value, empty string (if the column is not nullable).

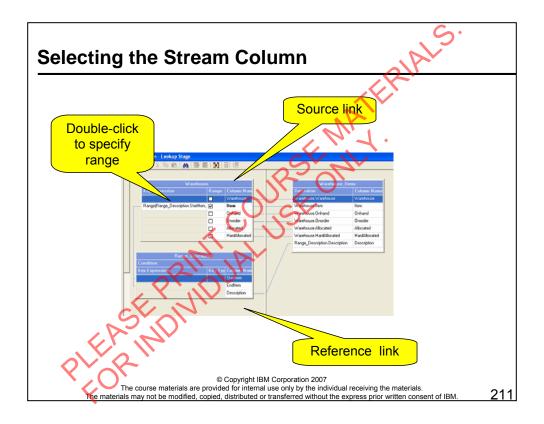
For the second source row (1776), the lookup finds a match, so the Exchange column gets a value from the lookup file.

When Drop is the lookup failure action, the first, unmatched row is dropped.

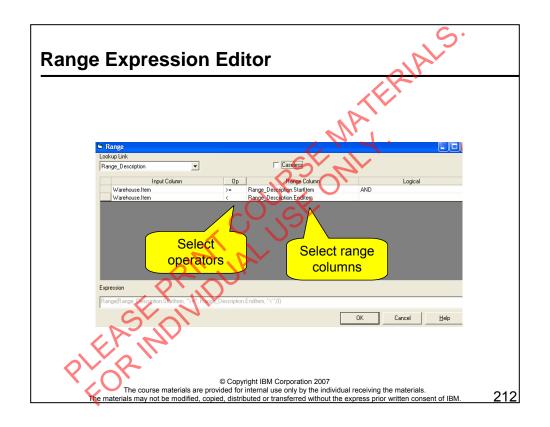


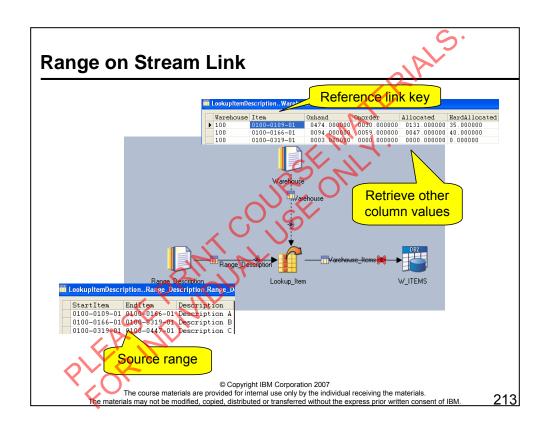


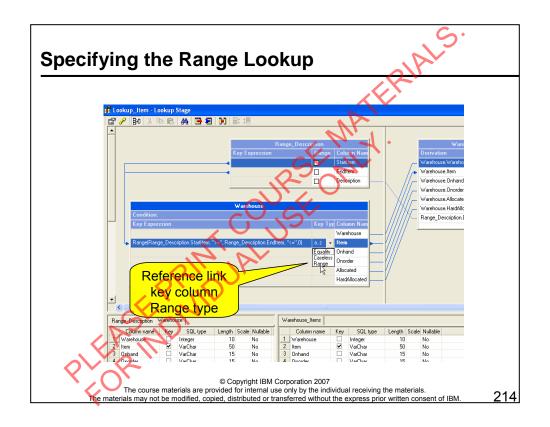


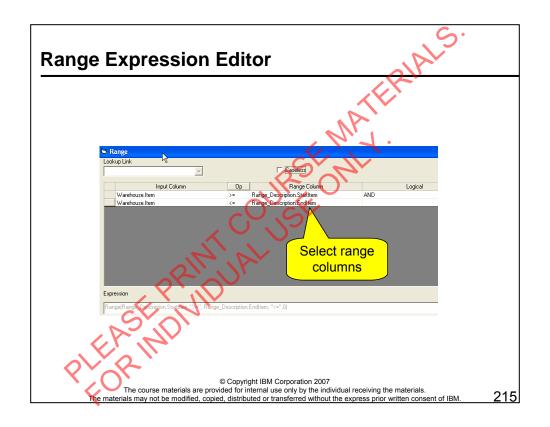


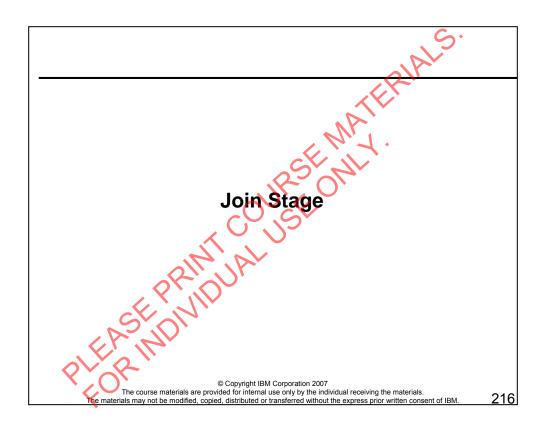
Select the column in the source link that contains the value to match to the range on the reference link.











### Join Stage

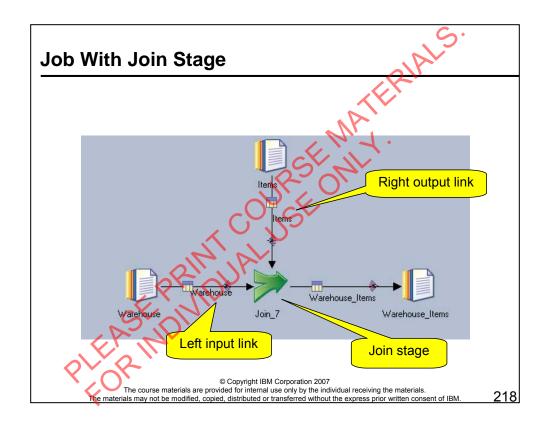
- Four types of joins
  - Inner
  - Left outer
  - Right outer
  - Full outer
- Input links must be sorted
  - Left link and a right link
  - Supports additional "intermediate" links
- Light-weight
  - Little memory required, because of the sort requirement
- Join key column or columns
  - Names for each input link must match

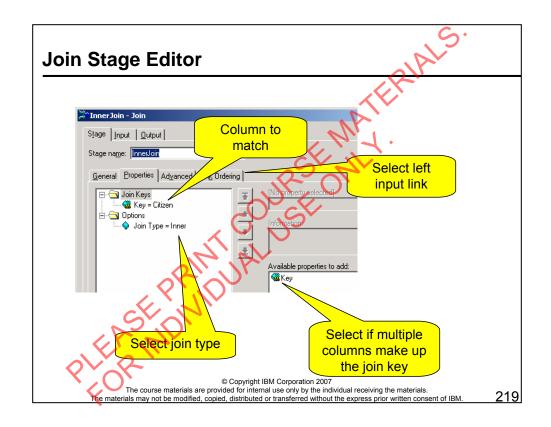
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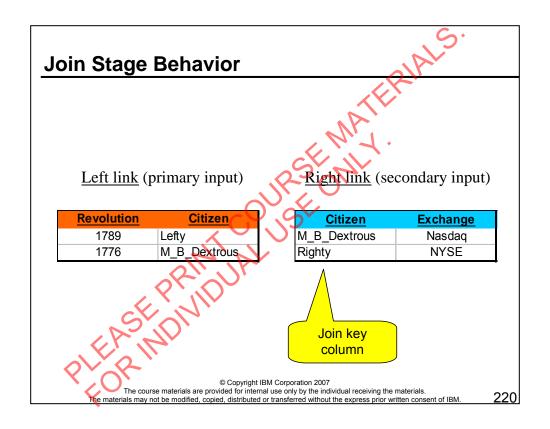
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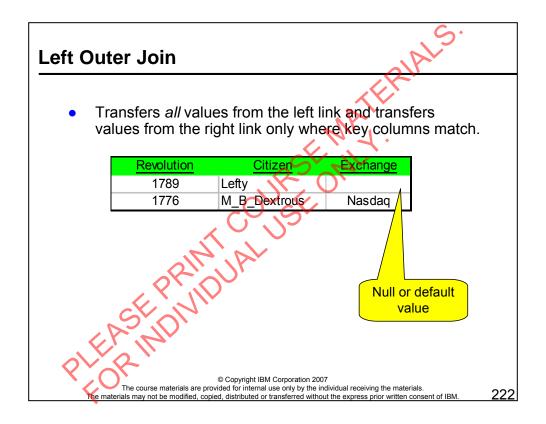
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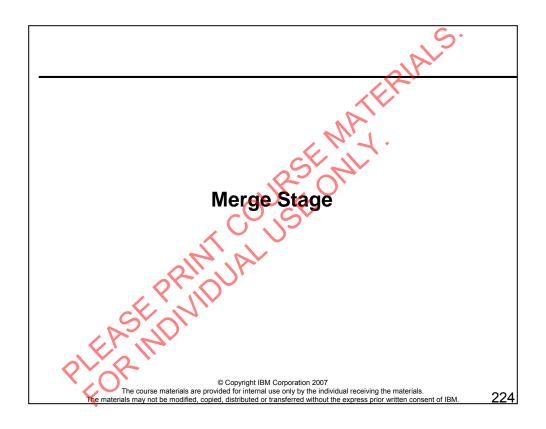




# Transfers rows from both data sets whose key columns have matching values Output of inner join on key Citizen Revolution Citizen Exchange 1776 M. B. Dextrous Nasdaq Copyright IBM Corporation 2007 The course materials are provided for internal use only by the individual receiving the materials. Revolution Copyright IBM Corporation 2007 The materials may not be modified, copied, distributed or transferred without the express prior written consent of IBM.



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### **Merge Stage**

- Similar to Join stage
- Input links must be sorted
  - Master link and one or more secondary links
  - Master must be duplicate-free
- Light-weight
  - Little memory required, because of the sort requirement
- Unmatched master rows can be kept or dropped
- Unmatched secondary links can be captured in a reject link

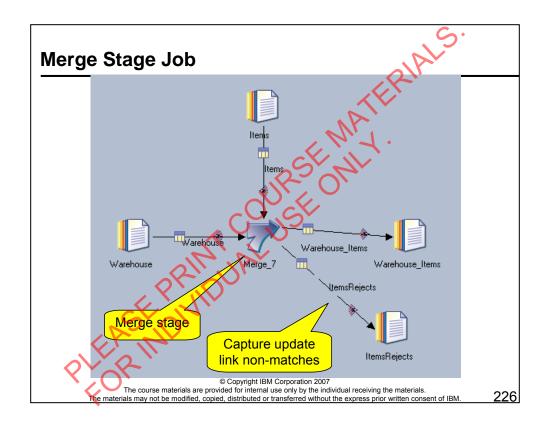
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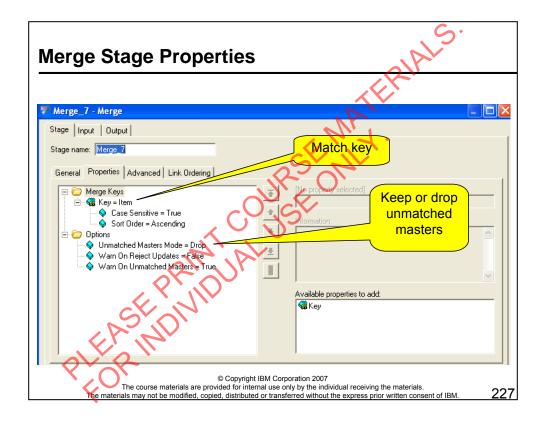
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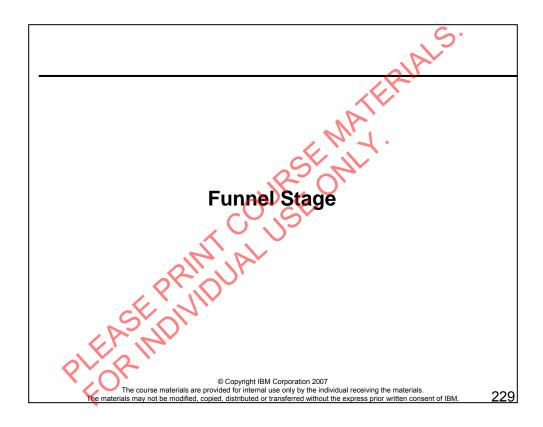
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Unmatched updates are captured by adding additional reject links (one for each update link).

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	Joins	Lookup	Merge
Model	RDBMS-style relational	Source - in RAM LU Table	Master -Update(s)
Memory usage	light	heavy	light
# and names of Inputs	2 or more: left, right	1 Source, N LU Tables	1 Master, N Update(s)
Mandatory Input Sort	all inputs	no	all inputs
Duplicates in primary input	ok-	ОК	Warning!
Duplicates in secondary input(s)	ok	Warning!	OK only when N = 1
Options on unmatched primary	Keep (left outer), Drop (Inner)	[fail]   continue   drop   reject	[keep]   drop
Options on unmatched secondary	Keep (right outer), Drop (Inner)	NONE	capture in reject set(s)
On match, secondary entries are	captured	captured	consumed
# Outputs	_ 1	1 out, (1 reject)	1 out, (N rejects)
Captured in reject set(s)	Nothing (N/A)	unmatched primary entries	unmatched secondary entries
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## What is a Funnel Stage?

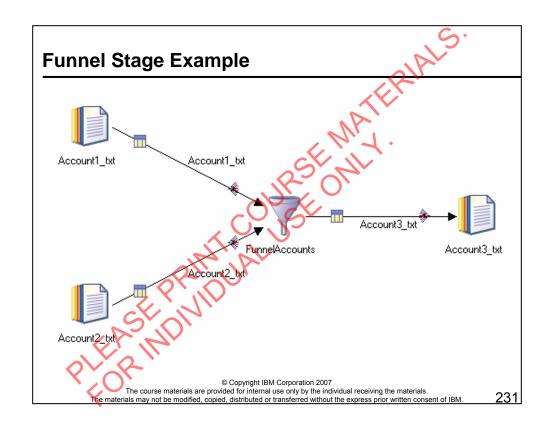
- Combines data from multiple input links to a single output link
- All sources must have identical metadata
- Three modes
  - Continuous
    - Records are combined in no particular order
      - First available record
  - Sort Funnel
    - Combines the input records in the order defined by a key
    - Produces sorted output if the input links are all sorted by the same key
  - Sequence:
    - Outputs all records from the first input link, then all from the second input link, and so on

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### Checkpoint

- 1. Name three stages that horizontally join data?
- 2. Which stage uses the least amount of memory? Join or Lookup?
- 3. Which stage requires that the input data is sorted? Join or Lookup?

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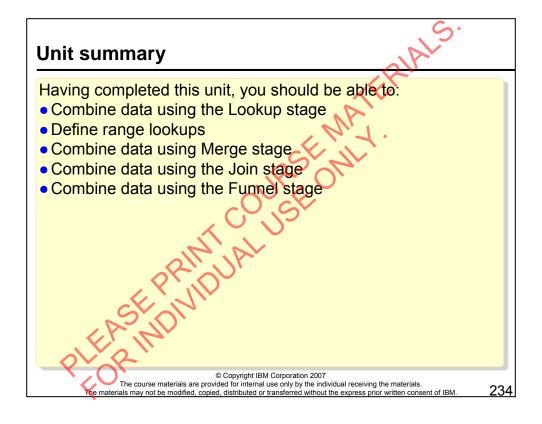
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## Checkpoint solutions 1. Lookup, Merge, Join 2. Lookup 3. Join © Copyright IBM Corporation 2007 The course materials are provided for internal use only by the individual receiving the materials. The materials may not be modified, copied, distributed or transferred without the express prior written consent of IBM.



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