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To Serve Man the continuing aftermath...

(Ed Jaffe)

- SMB is a Microsoft file sharing protocol that grew from IBM's NetBIOS. The current protocol version is 3.0. It is secure, highly functional, and is the basis for the Common Internet File System.
- Originally Apple didn't support it, but eventually changed their mind. MacOS now fully supports current SMB/CIFS protocols.
- Linux fully supports SMB via SAMBA/CIFS.
- The z/OS SMB server was (IMHO) one of IBM's best efforts, but it was never updated to protocol levels beyond SMB 1.0.
- When SMB 1.0 was diagnosed with serious vulnerabilities, it was quickly deprecated by Microsoft.
- The Windows client even unilaterally uninstalls itself if not used for two weeks!

- We vehemently expressed our disagreement with IBM's strategy:
 - NFS was originally designed for server-to-server remote mounts only.
 - Individual end-user authentication, etc. is very recent (NFS v4) and requires Kerberos single sign-on technology.
 - NFS v3 is the most popular protocol for NFS and Windows still uses it.
 - (MacOS supports NFS v4 for those that care about such things.)
- SMB/CIFS 3.0 works "out of the box" for Windows 10, MacOS, and Linux clients and so we "politely" suggested IBM's direction *should* be to upgrade its SMB server to support the SMB/CIFS 3.0 protocol like the other vendors.
- Kershaw Mehta promised me IBM would make NFS work "out of the box" for Windows 10 clients so, despite my skepticism, I offered to help out as a "sponsor user" and try to implement NFS in our environment.

Restrictions/Problems Discovered During Migration

Description

NFS does not support cascading mounts NFS does not turn on MntEntFSModeExport in BPXYMNTE NFS does not support the use of forward slashes in client pathnames NFS has no equivalent to the <u>\\MYHOME</u> support in SMB NFS does not support near-simultaneous updates by multiple clients NFS does not support v3 client SAF authentication with Kerberos NFS does not support v3 client SAF authentication without Kerberos NFS does not support AUTOMNT with SAF enabled NFS does not support creation of read-only files with SAF enabled NFS generates many extraneous ICH408I messages on Syslog NFS does not support running EXEs (executables) with SAF enabled NFS does not support z/OS UNIX ACLs without SAF enabled NFS does not support z/OS UNIX ACLs with SAF enabled NFS locking is "dog" slow

Workaround/Fix OA57493 (OPEN) None None/Microsoft Scripted mount H: Adjust Windows registry OA56224 OA56187 Export individual users OA57489 None Mapped file/Microsoft None (Understandable) OA57493 (OPEN) None

OA57493 (OPEN)

The WINPREFIX attribute specifies a z/OS UNIX file system **@LINA** # prefix to be used by Windows clients. The prefix value must # begin with a forward slash (/) followed by at least one and no **@LIPA** # more than six additional characters. Mount requests received GLIPA # by the Network File System beginning with this prefix value **Q**LINA # are identified as mount requests for z/OS UNIX but with **@LINA** additional customizations to enable the Windows native client @LINA to work smoothly. The prefix value is not part of the path name @LINA # on the z/OS system. @LINA QLINA

Customizations enabled by this prefix:

- # 1. showmount -e will list additional export entries under the given prefix: one additional winprefix'ed export for each entry in the exports data set prefixed with the hfsprefix.
- # 2. File mode reported to client is 777. This forces access checking on the server side which has two benefits for Windows clients:
- a. ACLs work correctly (Windows clients do not send ACCESS RPCs and thus do not attempt access to files where the UNIX file mode denies access, but an ACL allows access).
- b. File access is tolerated in environments with mis-matched @LINA UIDs/GIDs (Windows client sends request and server **Q**LINA handles permissions properly based on z/OS UID). QLINA
- 3. Crossing mount points is enabled.

- # Note: The file system must be mounted locally by z/OS UNIX. Otherwise, the client mount fails.
- # Note: This prefix is only valid and can only be enabled when security is SAFEXP or EXPORTS for HFS data access. # Note: This prefix is only exposed for NFSv3 accesses.
- winprefix(/win)

- 777 permissions are misleading @LIPC • and result in many extraneous ICH408I failures on the log
 - At least you can access the files you need and ACLs work

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- Cascading mounts works on the @LINA (surface, but available space values are always presented from the highest file system in the hierarchy
 - This leads to "out of space" conditions that are not legit
 - Cascading mounts unusable until this is resolved

OA57493 (OPEN)

 To unambiguously set permissions, you must check and uncheck every permission box, then set the desired permissions and press Apply.

:/u/edjx1/sharetest: >ls -l total 0

-rw-r--r--

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DEV

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154	00000281	ACCESS INTENT (R) ACCESS ALLOWED (OTHER)
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-) 154 Users are unaware of these failures and unaffected.
 - Auditing of such failures is ineffective
 - The hex FID (this one starting with LAN01) seems kinda useless even for real failures

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Other APARs

- OA56224 provides NFSv3 client SAF authentication with Kerberos
- OA56187 provides MVSLOGIN, MVSLOGOUT and SHOWATTR commands for use with Windows
 - Network traffic is not encrypted
 - IBM recommends the use of Kerberos
- OA56489 allow file owner read/write despite filemode

Allowing Near-Simultaneous Updates

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- This is obviously a Windows solution.
- Mac and Linux allow you to set the cache parameters on the mount itself.
- Recommend you use
 -noac and heed the following warning from the Linux man pages:

Using the noac option provides greater cache coherence among NFS clients accessing the same files, but it extracts a significant performance penalty. As such, judicious use of file locking is encouraged instead. The DATA AND METADATA COHERENCE section contains a detailed discussion of these trade-offs.

Mapped File Updates for EXE Execution

- In NFSATTR add:
 - mapped
- Create file called hlq.NFS.MAPPING with the following:
 - #NFS.MAPPING #NFS.MAPPING.MAPPED .exe binary nosaf
- This will prevent SAF access to EXE files in order to work around a Microsoft bug.

- We experienced unacceptably-slow performance for programs that perform a lot of locking.
- We wrote a test program that showed just how slow it was
- Unfortunately, this is an issue with NFS in general and not z/OS.
 - Same slowness observed on Linux for Z as well as Linux for Intel and across clients (Windows, Mac, Linux)

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Workload Placement and Future Considerations

- Unfortunately, this debacle has forced us to move some workload off the mainframe.
- That HURTS!
- We might be able to bring it back (in a sense) by leveraging SAMBA/CIFS under zCX once we upgrade to wunna them fancy new z15s (we're at z13s now).
- In the mean-time, we'll keep trying to help IBM improve z/OS NFS for the workload that hasn't yet left...

Workflow Woes (Mike Shorkend)

Get the XML from github

<u>https://github.com/IBM/IBM-Z-zOS/tree/master/zOS-</u> Workflow/zOS%20V2.4%20Upgrade%20Workflow

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Download the XML



This is a text file(xml) so text transfer(i.e. translate to EBCDIC).

Right?

Create the Workflow in z/OSMF

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Doing it Like a Millennial

- <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ejQRSYaxz9M</u> (for 2.1, thanks Marna, for the tweet)
- Downloaded zOS Upgrade from V2.2 to V2.4-Level1.0.xml
- Binary upload to z/OS unix
- Load into z/OSMF

More Problems

Workflow definition file "/u. /zosmf/fw/zOS24.upgrade.xml" was not IZUWF0102E added to the Workflows task because the user is not authorized to read the specified file.

- Look at the permission bits 640
- Changed to 755 fixed it
- Kind of strange because I was using the same user for the FTP and z/OSMF

Still More Problems

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Downloaded Missing Files

- discovery.txt
- HC_rexx.txt
- Binary upload to z/OS
- Chmod 755
- Try again

What Now?

Turns out that the rexx gets downloaded as html. I had to copy/paste from the website

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How To Do It Right

- Read the entire readme file on github!
- Download the xml, HC_rexx.txt, discovery.txt as raw
- Binary upload to USS
- Change permissions
- Load the workflow
- Define z/OSMF workflow

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HILITE Unavailable - Time for a New Requirement?

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HILITE Alternative

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RACFROD and RACFADM with a little zigi tossed in (Bill Smith)

"Spare the rod and spoil the admin."

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- The City & County of San Francisco (CCSF)
 \$\$ z13s, z/OS 2.3 managed by Trident Services, Inc. > 25 years
 \$\$ 3 LPARs: Production, Hall of Justice, and Test Sysprog Sandbox
- 25+ years of CA ACF2
 - Skill set and ongoing service/support becoming scarce/problematic
 Senior sysprog (principal ACF2 caretaker) is retiring March 2020
- Decision point spring 2019: Cut the cord and migrate to RACF

- ACF2 & RACF provide canned sets of batch reports: What is germane to the needs of the City? Replace 'what' with 'what'?
- Referred to Tom Conley's presentation "RACF Power Tools Using IRRICE and REXX on IRRADUOO and IRRDBUOO", June 2015
 - Wealth of RACF best practices and insightful guidance on the use of IBM's supplied audit and data base unload utilities
- Created GDGs and implemented daily, CA-Scheduler unloads of the RACF database
 - * SYS1.SAMPLIB(IRRICE) built all 43 jobs & successfully executed
 - * <u>FAR</u> too much output to reasonably review on a routine basis

- Third party vendor products: No can do, no budget, pricey
- Check out forums & CBT nothing surfaced
- Scour the internet: B I N G O!
- Moribund website in Italy: rizutto.IT (2000-2001) Nick Rizutto
 - * "ICERACF: Format RACF Database Information Extracted for IRRDBU00"
 - 13 batch DFSort ICETool reports clean and compact
 - * "ERA, Enhanced RACF Administration: ISPF-based facility for RACF administration"
 - Sadly, <u>DOA</u>: TSO session looped. Three evenings later: debugged, fixed
 - **<u>In real-time</u>**, populate ISPF tables with RACF data base content

- CCSF security admins: non-technical, infrequent TSO and JCL users – often need the watchful eyes of a systems programmer
- Created new ISPF dialog "RACFROD: RACF Reports On-Demand"
 - One panel using file tailored DFSort ICETool job streams/skeletons
 Specify any of 15 generation data sets by relative reference
 - * Can select all reports or any combination thereof: directly into EDIT
 - * PF3 submits the generated JCL
- Sec admin extremely pleased, best at 62x160, and each report selectable with SDSF "?" held output queue command
- Sam Golob is adding to CBT; Lionel Dyck has added to GitHub

Sample RACFROD ICETool Report Selection Display

COMMAND ===> Scroll ===> CSR_										
Type <mark>S</mark> or X to generate all reports or select reports by record number.										
Optionally, leave S/X fields blank and press Enter to generate all reports, or select any RecTyp text field using a mouse double click for one report choice.										
RACF Unload Data Set Name ===> SECURITP.RACF.UNLOAD(0)										
s∕x	RecTyp	IRRDBU00 Record Name / ICETool Report Headings - (SA23-2289)								
=	ALL	Generate all of the following 13 RACF record type reports.								
_	100	Group Basic Data - GPBD Group, Sup Group, Owner, Create Date, Description								
_	102	Group Members - GPMEM User, User Authorization, Group								
_	200	User Basic Data - USBD User, Name, DefGrp, Create/Logon/Revoke Date, Owner, Spec, Oper, Revoke								

- ERA renamed: RACFADM
- The Cabal kick starts enhancing RACFADM: <u>a collaborative effort</u>
 - * Significant logic errors resolved; REXX code consolidated
 - * Panels are using more consistent layouts
 - * Many human factors and functional/usability shortfalls addressed
 - * Tutorials added with KC hyperlinks
- Early demonstrations to security admins have been very optimistic with positive feedback.
- Goal: Eliminate altogether use of anachronistic IBM RACF panels.

Command ===>	(RACFADM - L	Jser Profile	es)	- Row 58 Scr	to 69 of 69 oll==> <mark>CSR</mark>
FILTER: TS* SELECT: S Show, SE	Search, L List, C (Chg, A Add,	R Remove	, RS Rese	t, RV Revoke
S Userid	Name	Group	Logon	Owner	Rev Att TSO
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- zigi: <u>z</u>/OS <u>ISPF</u> <u>G</u>it <u>Interface</u> is pure REXX & ISPF dialog services
- Collaborative, open source, international in scope, development
 - Henri Kuiper and Lionel Dyck, key contributors
 - Download here: https://github.com/wizardofzos/zigi
- Embraces <u>an ardent belief</u> that ISPF is here to stay and thrives among its adherents.
- GitHub: web-based hosting and software version control mgmt. with 40,000,000 users; free registration; developed by Linus Torvalds; managed/owned by Microsoft
- <u>https://zigi.rocks/</u>

Time to Git It On and Rock With zigi



Tutorial <mark>The z ISPF Git Interface (zigi)</mark> Tutorial Selection ===>											
Current Repository											
Commands available (select for more information or press Enter to see each):											
<u>AddDsn</u> <u>AddAll</u> Branch	Add dataset * Add all to Git Change Branch *	<u>Grep</u> <u>Merge</u> Network	Find Strings Merge Branches * Network Report		<u>Row</u> <u>Set</u> SnapShot	Options Set Defaults Escrow					
Commit Find	Record Changes Find in table	Pull Push	Pull from origin Push to origin		<u>Status</u> Tag	Git Status Git Tag					
<u>GitCmd</u> Githelp Gitlog	Git Commands Git Help Show git log	<u>Refresh</u> <u>Remote</u> <u>Rollbac</u>	Replace Datasets Add remote < Revert *	*	<u>TagList</u> View	List Tags OMVS Dir					

* not supported within subdirectories.

Use O to display a popup for commands if the menu has been hidden.

Press the Enter key to continue your zigi tutorial journey.

RACFROD and **RACFADM** are Live on GitHub

- RACFROD and RACFADM are available on GitHub and are updated solely using zigi (CBT is coming soon.)
 - https://github.com/lbdyck/racfrod
 - https://github.com/lbdyck/racfadm
- Git tutorial
 - https://www.atlassian.com/git/tutorials/learn-git-with-bitbucketcloud
- zigi introductory video
 - https://ldrv.ms/v/s!Ahj3V6TiD2BlsUrjAeiU_nZMvaI_

Doo Doo Diligence Snatching defeat from the jaws of victory

(Skip Robinson)

- Y2K was a monumental hurdle in the IT world
- No secret, it was known about forever
- The choice had been widely made to forego storing the two-digit year
- As the 90s wore on, unease morphed into concern into panic
- The ante was upped when liability Beckham-bended toward CxOs
- There was talk of jailing (!) top management in case of big-time failures
- So the game was to test EVERYTHING in sight whether it made sense or not

- At a sewage treatment facility north of LA, a major Y2K test was unleashed
- Wastewater flow was controlled by a series of motorized gates
- Which were in turn controlled by a cadre of wienie-ware computers
- The test plan was to force the date on each to 1 Jan 2000
- Of course this had never been done at that site before
- So much for the best laid plans

- The gate-controlling computers did not like the sudden date change
- They reacted by powering off!
- No one saw that coming
- Then the computers were all powered back on
- When they came up, all the waste-water gates went to open state
- No one saw that coming up either
- Within minutes gushing wastewater overflowed the treatment site
- Millions of gallons of untreated sewage flooded the adjacent public park
- The ultimate Y2K stink

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Tale Number 2: Cut the Red Wire or the Blue One

- A certain shop in LA had no mature disaster recovery process
- The general plan was to restore volumes from backup tapes stored offsite
- Meanwhile they were working on a robust DR process
- Volumes would be mirrored to a DR site
- In preparation, they acquired a new DASD subsystem for testing
- Big enough to hold the entire production farm on one side
- Plus a mirror of production on the other side
- The test side of the box was to be initialized on a Saturday night

Tale Number 2: Cut the Red Wire or the Blue One

- I got a call late that night asking if we had a "standalone restore tape"
- With divergent tape technology, you can't really swap tape media these days
- What's up?
- A consultant had been brought in to initialize the unused DASD
- Suddenly all production LPARs rolled over and died
- Somehow the consultant had initialized the in-use side of the box!
- All production volumes were instantly erased
- Backup tapes were available in Arizona, but no OS was running in LA
- Hence the need for a standalone restore tape

Tale Number 2: Cut the Red Wire or the Blue One

- Some sysprogs jumped in a car and drove to the AZ repository
- They obtained a restore tape and a whole passel of backups
- They drove back to LA and began restoring systems
- After some SA restores, they could IPL
- Then restore the remainder
- Most systems were back up and running by Tuesday
- (I don't know the rest of the story)

What Are the Morals of These Tales?

- We in IT believe fervently in planning, preparation, and testing
- The mantra is "You can't test too much"
- It turns out that testing CAN kill you
- What will YOU do when asked to perform career-threatening tests?

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