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# Problem Determination Guide



### Note

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# **Read This First**

### About this document

This guide describes how to isolate and resolve problems that involve IBM CL/SuperSession for z/OS. The manual presents procedures for using provided tools to gather problem documentation and for transmitting this material to IBM<sup>®</sup> Support.

**Note:** This document describes diagnostic approaches and diagnostic data gathering for CL/SuperSession operating system environments.

### **IBM documents**

Familiarity with IBM's *VTAM<sup>®</sup> Diagnosis* manual is assumed. Familiarity with the following IBM documentation for your operating system environment is also recommended:

- IBM utilities
- IBM service aids
- 3270 Programmer's Reference

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### Introduction

The following typographical conventions are used for command syntax in this documentation.

### **Panels and figures**

The panels and figures in this document are representations. Actual product panels may differ.

### **Revision bars**

Revision bars (|) may appear in the left margin to identify new or updated material.

### Variables and literals

In examples of command syntax, uppercase letters are actual values (literals) that the user should type; lowercase letters are used for variables that represent data supplied by the user. Default values are underscored.

LOGON APPLID(ccccccc)

In the above example, you type **LOGON APPLID** followed by an application identifier (represented by *cccccccc*) within parentheses. The application identifier can have at most eight characters.

Note: In ordinary text, variable names appear in italics.

### Symbols

The following symbols may appear in command syntax.

Symbol	Usage
I	The 'or' symbol is used to denote a choice. Either the argument on the left or the argument on the right may be used. Example:
	YES   NO
	In this example, YES or NO may be specified.
[]	Denotes optional arguments. Those arguments not enclosed in square brackets are required. Example:
	APPLDEST DEST [ ALTDEST ]
	In this example, DEST is a required argument and ALTDEST is optional.

Symbol	Usage
{}	Some documents use braces to denote required arguments, or to group arguments for clarity. Example:
	COMPARE {workload} - REPORT={SUMMARY   HISTOGRAM}
	The <i>workload</i> variable is required. The REPORT keyword must be specified with a value of SUMMARY or HISTOGRAM.
-	Default values are underscored. Example:
	COPY infile outfile - [COMPRESS={ <u>YES</u>   NO} ]
	In this example, the COMPRESS keyword is optional. If specified, the only valid values are YES or NO. If omitted, the default is YES.
b	The symbol b indicates a blank space, when needed for clarity.

**Documentation Conventions** 

# **Chapter 1. Problem Determination Overview**

This guide helps you to identify and document system problems that result from, or are related to, CL/ SuperSession. The guide is not an all-inclusive problem diagnosis handbook, but instead is designed to help you to provide the IBM Support team with the documentation and materials they need to efficiently diagnose and resolve a problem for you.

This chapter outlines the basic problem determination process. (Refer to "Isolating the Problem" and the map for problem determination in this chapter.) In addition, it describes the procedure for reporting a problem to IBM Support, including documentation requirements.

# Accessibility

Accessibility features help a user who has a physical disability, such as restricted mobility or limited vision, to use software products successfully. The major accessibility features in CL/SuperSession enable users to:

- Use assistive technologies such as screen readers and screen magnifier software. Consult the assistive technology documentation for specific information when using it to access z/OS<sup>®</sup> interfaces.
- Customize display attributes such as color, contrast, and font size.
- Operate specific or equivalent features using only the keyboard.

You can perform most tasks required to set up and run CL/SuperSession using a 3270 emulator logged on to TSO.

IBM Personal Communications for Windows provides 3270 emulation with accessibility features for people with disabilities. You can use this product to provide the accessibility features you need.

# **Isolating the Problem**

IBM categorizes system problems into 7 types:

- abends
- waits
- loops
- messages
- · incorrect output
- tuning
- documentation

These problem types are described in <u>Chapter 2</u>, "Solving Problems," on page 7. For any problem, noting problem symptoms and saving documentation (for example, message text and any output) are important in assisting you and IBM Support in identifying the failing component.

To isolate a problem, first determine if a relationship exists between the CL/SuperSession on your system and the occurrence of the problem. If the problem occurs when CL/SuperSession is first installed, try to recreate the problem outside of CL/SuperSession and note any symptom changes. As part of this initial diagnostic procedure:

- 1. Try to isolate the type of problem by considering any recent modifications to your system configuration.
- 2. Then, look at your CL/SuperSession installation and/or customization procedures.
  - a. Was the product installed correctly?
  - b. Have you modified any IBM-supplied dialogs as part of installation or customization?

Modifying IBM-supplied dialogs and introducing or modifying your own dialogs are common causes of installation/customization problems.

3. If you have added or modified a dialog or user exit and you suspect the modification is the source of the problem, try to isolate and resolve the problem before contacting IBM Support. Use the LOG statement to determine if a particular dialog or user exit is the source of the problem. (For a description of the LOG statement, refer to the *CL/SuperSession SSPL Reference Manual*.)

The steps to problem determination are presented in the next section.

# **Problem Determination Map**

The problem determination map that follows outlines the general approach and actions to take to isolate and resolve system problems. Note that several actions need to be completed before contacting IBM Support, and that specific documentation must be provided for problem analysis. Refer to <u>"Reporting a Problem to IBM Support" on page 4</u>. for procedures and documentation requirements when reporting a problem to IBM Support.

### **Installation related issues**

1. Is the problem associated with a recent installation of CL/SuperSession?

- If Yes. If possible, test the failing function outside the CL/SuperSession product environment. Continue to question 2. (Continue to question 2A (Review *IBM CL/SuperSession for z/OS Basic Configuration Guide 3.1*) if it is not possible to test the failing function without CL/SuperSession.)
- If No. Continue to section "Recently installed maintenance" on page 2, question 1.
- 2. Does the problem go away when CL/SuperSession is not used?
  - If Yes. The problem may be related to CL/SuperSession. Review Chapter 2. Configuration planning and procedures and Chapter 3. Installation verification in the *IBM CL/SuperSession for z/OS Basic Configuration Guide 3.1* to ensure that the product is properly installed. Continue to question 3.
  - If No. The problem is not related to CL/SuperSession. Refer to appropriate IBM or vendor documentation to continue diagnosis.
- 3. Are there any installation or customization problems?
  - If Yes. Correct the installation and / or customization problems and then retest the failing function. Continue to section *System or other product changes*, question 5.
  - If No. Continue to section "CL/SuperSession modifications" on page 3, question 1.

### **Recently installed maintenance**

- 1. Have you recently installed maintenance (for example, PTFs, APARs, etc.) or parameter changes (for example, RLSPARM, RLSCMDS, or KLSSYSIN changes)?
  - If Yes. The problem may be related to the recently installed product maintenance changes. Review the maintenance installation and any product changes (for example, new initialization parameters) associated with the maintenance. Continue to question 2.
  - If No. Continue to section "System or other product changes" on page 3, question 1
- 2. Are there any problems with the maintenance or change installation?
  - If Yes. Correct the maintenance/change installation problems and then retest the failing function. Continue to question 3.
  - If No. Continue to question 3A.
- 3. Did the problem recur?
  - If Yes. Back out the maintenance and/or changes and retest the failing function. Continue question 4.
  - If No. The problem was probably related to a maintenance/change installation error. The problem is solved.

- 4. Does the problem go away when CL/SuperSession is restored to the previous maintenance/change level?
  - If Yes. The problem is related to CL/SuperSession maintenance and/or changes. Continue to section "CL/SuperSession modifications" on page 3, question 2A.
  - If No. Continue to section "System or other product changes" on page 3, question 1.

### System or other product changes

- 1. Have you recently installed maintenance, tuning changes, network definition changes, or new product versions to the operating system or other system software (for example, VTAM, RACF, ACF2, DFP, CICS, IMS, PC 3270 emulators, TELNET server, etc)?
  - If Yes. Review the changes that were made to the other system software components. If necessary, contact other vendors to ensure that all appropriate maintenance is installed (for example, PTFs and/or APARs to resolve PEs). Continue to question 2.
  - If No. Continue to section "CL/SuperSession modifications" on page 3, question 1.
- 2. Are there problems with the installation of other system software changes?
  - If Yes. Correct the other system software changes and retest the failing function. Continue to question 3.
  - If No. Continue to question 3A.
- 3. Did the problem recur?
  - If Yes. Back out the other system software changes and retest the failing function. Continue to question 4.
  - If No. The problem was probably related to installation errors in the other system software. The problem is solved.
- 4. Does the problem go away when the other system software is restored to the previous maintenance/ change level?
  - If Yes. The problem may be with the other system software.

OR

The problem may be related to the interaction between the other system software and CL/ SuperSession. Continue to section <u>"CL/SuperSession modifications" on page 3</u>, question 2A.

- If No. Continue to section "CL/SuperSession modifications" on page 3, question 1
- 5. Did the problem recur?
  - If Yes. Continue to section "CL/SuperSession modifications" on page 3, question 1.
  - If No. The problem was probably related to an initial installation error. The problem is solved.

### **CL/SuperSession modifications**

1. Did you modify any CL/SuperSession dialogs or user exits?

• If Yes. The problem is possibly related to the modification:

Follow these steps:

- Use the SSPL LOG statement in one or more modified dialogs to locate the problem.
- Back out the modified dialog.
- Reinstall the previous working version.
- Review and correct your modifications.
- Retest the product using the modified dialog.

Continue to question 2.

• If No. Continue to question 2A.

- 2. Did the problem recur?
  - If Yes. Contact IBM Support for assistance.
    - Determine the problem type (see Chapter 2 Chapter 2, "Solving Problems," on page 7).
    - Begin to generate the required documentation (see <u>"Documentation Requirements Summary" on</u> page 4) and Chapter 3 Chapter 3, "Producing Documentation for IBM Support," on page 13.

Continue to section "Collecting trace information" on page 4.

• If No. The problem is solved.

### **Collecting trace information**

1. Is trace documentation required? (Refer to Chapter 4 Chapter 4, "Using Trace Facilities," on page 19)

- If Yes. Use the VSSTRACE command to invoke the General Trace Facility. Continue to question 2.
- If No. Contact IBM Support for further assistance.
- 2. Can you locate the problem on the trace? (Refer to "Sample Traces" on page 23.)
  - If No. Contact IBM Support for further assistance.
  - If Yes. Continue to question 3.
- 3. Does analysis of the trace indicate that CL/SuperSession is the cause of the problem?
  - If Yes. Contact IBM Support for further assistance.
  - If No. The problem is not related to CL/SuperSession. Refer to appropriate IBM or vendor documentation to continue diagnosis.

# **Reporting a Problem to IBM Support**

If you are unable to isolate a problem or resolve it yourself, the problem may be with the CL/ SuperSession. You need to report the problem to IBM Support. Before submitting a problem to IBM:

- 1. Gather as much information and documentation as you can about the problem. Refer to <u>"Documentation Requirements Summary" on page 4</u> and the appropriate chapters in this manual.
- 2. Contact IBM Support and report the problem.

### **Documentation Requirements Summary**

The following table lists the documentation that IBM Support needs to diagnose and resolve a problem.

Table 2. Documentation Requirements by Problem Type						
	Abend	Wait/Loop	Msg.	Output	Tuning	Doc.
SMP/E SYSMOD listing	•	•	•	•	•	
Ten Minutes of System Log	•	•	•	•	•	
Job Log	•	•	•	•	•	
Original Dialog Name		•		•		
Modified Dialog		•		•		
Unformatted Dump	•	•				
User exits	•	•				
Message Number and Text			•			•
Panel ID			*			

	Abend	Wait/Loop	Msg.	Output	Tuning	Doc.
Trace				•		
Screen Print				•		
Terminal Definitions				•		
User initialization library	٠	•	•	•	•	
User command library					•	
User panel library		•			•	
VTAMLST				•	•	
Tuning Data					•	
Manual Number and Pages						•

listing is sufficient if USERMODs are used.

**Documentation Requirements Summary** 

# **Chapter 2. Solving Problems**

This chapter provides procedures for identifying a problem and classifying it according to the seven problem types defined by IBM: abend, wait, loop, message, output, application tuning, or documentation. In addition, the chapter describes system problems associated with CL/SuperSession installation and customization and gives suggestions for resolving them. The system problems are noted by internal system diagnostics. Be sure to note exactly which message, return code, abend code, or tuning symptom occurs. This information is crucial in first classifying and then isolating and resolving the problem.

# **Abend Problems**

When an abend occurs, an operating system abend message, including an abend code, is usually issued. Possible abend codes are:

Code	Description
U0000	After CL/SuperSession termination is requested and confirmed, a program timer is set limiting the shutdown to 30 seconds. If the timer expires, user abend 0 is invoked to purge CL/SuperSession from the system. The unexpected halt of a component usually causes U0000. If the problem persists, contact IBM Support.
U0004	This is an initialization error. The CL/SuperSession load library could not be opened. This is usually the result of an invalid TLVLOAD DD statement in the supplied procedure KLS. z/OS messages in the system log indicate a specific reason that the library was not opened.
U0008	This is an initialization error. During startup, CL/SuperSession detected an exception condition and tried to issue a WTO to indicate the source of the error. However, the integrity of the CL/SuperSession address space was found to be corrupted. Contact IBM Support.
U0012	This is an initialization error. During startup, CL/SuperSession detected an exception condition. A message indicating the source of the error is written to the system and job logs. Refer to the error message to determine your course of action.
U0100	Invoked by the product and accompanied by a message written to the system and job logs. The reason for the abend is explained in the message. After a system dump is taken, the product attempts to recover from this failure automatically. Successful recovery is indicated by the message KLKER011.
	Note: After receiving this abend code, you should:
	1. bring down CL/SuperSession.
	2. inactivate the ACB major node.
	3. activate the ACB major node.
	4. start CL/SuperSession.
	Although recovery may be successful, the address space may be damaged.
U0200	Invoked by the product and accompanied by a message written to the system and job logs. The reason for the abend is explained in the message. These abends are generally caused by storage exhaustion or storage overlays and cannot be retried. If U0200 occurs, CL/ SuperSession terminates after a system dump is taken. This abend can also be forced by

Review the abend code and system logs. If you are unable to locate and resolve the problem, generate the documents described in <u>Table 2</u> and call IBM Support. An abend can also be caused by storage creep. Message KLKGM005 is issued when storage creep is the problem. Refer to <u>Chapter 3</u>, "Producing <u>Documentation for IBM Support," on page 13</u> for instructions on diagnosing the problem and producing documentation to send to IBM Support.

the SHUTDOWN ABEND operator command.

# Wait and Loop Problems

Wait problems and loop problems have similar symptoms and causes.

The symptoms of a wait problem might include:

- CL/SuperSession does not respond to an operator command.
- Terminal traffic or a subset of terminal traffic stops.
- CL/SuperSession cannot be terminated normally.
- Terminals and application programs are not communicating. (This symptom may also indicate a loop problem.)

The symptoms of a loop problem might include:

- CPU utilization is high.
- CL/SuperSession product does not respond to operator commands.
- A dialog repeats the same commands over and over.
- A dialog may have exceeded the loop counter.
- Commands or data cannot be entered at a terminal location.
- An application accessed under CL/SuperSession is in error or has a runaway condition.

A primary suspect for a wait or loop problem is user modification to a dialog. If you suspect a modified dialog is causing the problem, back out the change and reinitialize the system with an earlier, working version of the dialog. If this change resolves the problem, review and correct the modification. If the problem continues, call IBM Support and then generate the documentation summarized in Table 2.

## **Message Problems**

Messages unique to CL/SuperSession inform you of system status and possible problems. CL/ SuperSession-generated messages have the following prefixes:

Prefix	Message Type
CESC	CL/SuperSession SSPL Conversion Utility message
CG	CL/SuperSession GATEWAY panel message
CL	CL/SuperSession user interface panel message
CS	CL/SuperSession panel message
СТ	CL/SuperSession user interface table message
KLG	CL/SuperSession message
KLS	CL/SuperSession message
KLJ	CL/SuperSession virtual session support message
KLK	CL/SuperSession message
MIGR	Migration message

Refer to the *Messages Manual* for specific message descriptions and appropriate responses. If you are unable to resolve a problem identified by a system message, generate the documentation described in Table 2, and then call IBM Support for assistance.

## **Incorrect Output Problems**

The symptoms of an incorrect output problem are the following:

• An application works differently under CL/SuperSession than it does without CL/SuperSession.

- An application program message reports an unexpected result from a CL/SuperSession, such as a return code, sense code, or both.
- A terminal user cannot enter data to an application.
- A terminal user reports wrong or missing data at the terminal.
- The cursor is positioned incorrectly on the screen.
- A terminal user gets an unexpected response to a transaction.
- The output data is formatted incorrectly.

**Note:** The above symptoms can also result from an error in a host-based application program such as TSO or IMS.

Incorrect output problems are caused by:

### **Communication definition problems**

A terminal definition problem is the most common cause of incorrect output. Within a VTAM network, mode entry definitions (MODEENTs) define terminal characteristics, parameters and protocols. If these definitions are incorrect, they cause unexpected results at the terminal, including corrupted screens. Refer to the appropriate IBM documentation for help in resolving incorrect output problems relating to mode entry definitions.

#### **CL/SuperSession product installation and customization problems**

Incorrect output and wait problems are frequently associated with incorrect installation and customization of CL/SuperSession. Be sure to follow the instructions in the Program Directory for IBM CL/SuperSession for z/OS and the *IBM CL/SuperSession for z/OS Basic Configuration Guide 3.1* for IMS data communications definitions to help resolve terminal definition problems.

#### File transfer

Incorrect output problems can occur during file transfer. The file transfer problem may be caused by immediate broadcast which interrupts file transfer. To solve the problem, disable immediate broadcast with the dialog function VIGIBC (1). When the file transfer is complete, enable immediate broadcast with dialog function VIGIBC (0).

**Note:** If you have the file transfer dialog available (usually through the trigger, \ft), immediate broadcast is disabled and enabled automatically.

If the problem is not caused by immediate broadcast, check logmodes to ensure that the bind images for the physical and virtual session are the same, and that the binds match the bind that was used on the PC for the native file transfer.

Also check session options as described in *IBM CL/SuperSession for z/OS User's Guide 3.1* for the correct settings for file transfer. The session options are set automatically by the file transfer dialog.

If file transfer problems persist, get a trace of the file transfer without CL/SuperSession and a trace of the physical and virtual CL/SuperSession terminals during file transfer to the point when the problem occurs. Include the bind and the names and uses of logical units with the trace.

#### **Compression problems**

Compression problems can cause incorrect output. To correct the problem, try running the application in single-window display. (Running in single-window display allows the CL/SuperSession to automatically disable compression for file transfer and graphics output and other 3270 data stream facilities that do not work with data compression.)

If an incorrect output problem occurs, generate and review the documentation described in <u>Table 2</u>. Refer to <u>Chapter 4</u>, <u>"Using Trace Facilities," on page 19</u> when generating and reviewing trace documentation. When CL/SuperSession is involved, you may wish to obtain a trace of the application running without CL/SuperSession for comparison. If you are unable to locate the problem, contact IBM Support for assistance.

### **Tuning Problems**

Tuning problems are generally defined as problems involving job, network, and resource performance.

The symptoms of an application tuning problem include:

- Slow terminal response time
- Slow CL/SuperSession operator command execution
- Slow logon processing

Tuning problems can result from other operating system and subsystem components, such as z/OS, CICS<sup>®</sup>, or IMS. Access methods and their resources, such as VTAM and VSAM, can also introduce tuning problems. Performance measurement and tuning within your environment can substantially minimize or even eliminate such problems.

Another source of tuning problems can be dialogs that are implemented incorrectly. In such cases, looping uses valuable system resources, and the result is poor performance.

See the *IBM CL/SuperSession for z/OS Customization Guide 3.1* for more information on performance and tuning.

To pinpoint a CL/SuperSession tuning problem, obtain the documentation listed in <u>"Documentation</u> <u>Requirements Summary" on page 4</u>. Review the documentation. If you are unable to resolve the problem, contact IBM Support.

# **Documentation Problems**

The symptoms of a documentation problem are:

- CL/SuperSession does not perform as described in the manual.
- Information essential for installing, operating, or servicing CL/SuperSession is missing from the manual.
- Information in the manual is ambiguous and you cannot use CL/SuperSession effectively.
- Information in one CL/SuperSession manual does not agree with information in another CL/ SuperSession manual.

To resolve a documentation problem, contact IBM Support with the following information:

- Number of the manual containing the error
- Description of the error

If the problem has not been reported, IBM Support will create an incident record and ask you to send a copy of the page containing the error.

# **Installation and Customization Problems**

Many problems are caused by incorrect installation and customization. You can reduce the chances of introducing errors and make error isolation and resolution easier if you follow these simple guidelines:

- 1. Install products without customizing them, following the installation procedure described in the *Program Directory for IBM CL/SuperSession for z/OS 3.1* and the *IBM CL/SuperSession for z/OS Basic Configuration Guide 3.1*.
- 2. When the products are installed, use the installation verification tests to ensure that products *as delivered* are working. As part of installation testing of the products, you initialize them and log on and log off under installation verification tests. The *Program Directory for IBM CL/SuperSession for z/OS 3.1* and the *IBM CL/SuperSession for z/OS Basic Configuration Guide 3.1*. describe the steps for testing CL/ SuperSession installation.
- 3. Perform the appropriate customization on the installed products for your site. IBM strongly recommends that you copy IBM-supplied library members to user libraries before you perform any customization, and that you make no changes to the original IBM-supplied data.

The following paragraphs explain how to avoid installation errors. If you do make an error in your installation, back out the product or sysmod and install it again.

### **SMP/E Installation Errors**

The *Program Directory* details the step-by-step procedure for installing with SMP/E. The following list identifies common errors that occur while performing an SMP/E installation. In general, the most likely errors occur in your JCL. If an SMP/E install fails, be sure to check these probable causes:

- Errors in substituting symbolics
- · A prefix of more than 8 characters
- · Errors in typing the IBM tape volser or target disk allocation volser
- · Insufficient disk space
- Mismatch between the DSN in the JCL and the DSN on the volume
- · Attempt to receive an empty file

### **Customization Errors**

To determine if a problem is a customization error, review any recent changes to dialogs or to your system environment. Consider the following areas:

#### **Processing environment**

For example, was a new host processor or communication controller introduced?

#### **Operating system**

For example, was the operating system modified or was a new release installed?

### VTAM network

Were new terminals defined? If so, were their attributes and/or parameters set correctly?

#### Security system

Was CL/SuperSession newly defined to the security system or redefined to a new security system?

The *IBM CL/SuperSession for z/OS Customization Guide 3.1* contains information that is useful if the problem symptom is poor network performance or main storage utilization.

Ensure that the JCL REGION parameter is coded to create a larger enough region for your environment. Sites that use CA-ACF2, RACF<sup>®</sup>, or CA-TOP SECRET and have large numbers of users should review the RESERVE parameter in TLVPARM(KLSSYSIN). RESERVE storage in these environments must be below the 16-megabyte line. (Refer to the *IBM CL/SuperSession for z/OS Customization Guide 3.1.*)

If you suspect that a modification to a dialog is the problem:

- 1. Back out the modified dialog and replace it with an earlier, working version.
- 2. Check to see if the problem is resolved.
- 3. If removing the suspect dialog solves the problem, you can then use the LOG statement to locate and debug the dialog error problem. (Refer to the *IBM CL/SuperSession for z/OS Customization Guide 3.1* and the *CL/SuperSession SSPL Reference Manual*.)
- 4. If dialog modification is not the problem or if the problem persists, verify your installation procedures. (Refer to the *Program Directory for IBM CL/SuperSession for z/OS 3.1* and the *IBM CL/SuperSession for z/OS Basic Configuration Guide 3.1.*)

If you are unable to isolate the problem or resolve it yourself, the problem may be with the CL/ SuperSession product. In that case, report the problem to IBM Support. **Customization Errors** 

# **Chapter 3. Producing Documentation for IBM Support**

If you are unable to locate and resolve a problem associated with a CL/SuperSession product, contact IBM Support for assistance. You will be asked for a detailed description of the problem and any steps you have taken to resolve it. You will also be asked for the documentation described in this chapter and any documentation you produced in your initial problem isolation efforts. (See <u>Chapter 2</u>, "Solving Problems," on page 7.) Documentation requirements for each IBM-defined problem type are summarized in "Documentation Requirements Summary" on page 4. Be sure to forward required documentation to IBM in the form specified.

This chapter provides instructions for collecting documentation to provide to the IBM Support team.

Note: Trace procedures are described in Chapter 4, "Using Trace Facilities," on page 19.

# **Problem Documentation Guidelines**

Consider the following when creating problem documentation to be forwarded to IBM:

- Send standard IBM unformatted dumps for the following reasons:
  - An internal formatter is used to analyze dump data. If the data is already formatted, the IBM data formatter cannot process the data correctly.
  - Creating formatted dumps can require considerable system resources.
- Submit problem documentation according to the "Exchanging data with IBM" section of the IBM Software Handbook. For more information, see "Sending Problem Documentation to IBM" on page 15.
- Use IBM-supplied JCL to generate required documentation.
- CL/SuperSession supports creation of SVC dumps and traces. If you modify the installed product, you need to verify that your system is set up to produce the requested problem documentation.
- If ABEND-AID is installed, it must be disabled to produce usable, CL/SuperSession problem documentation. To disable ABEND-AID, add the following data definition statement to the job procedure:

#### //ABNLIGNR DD DUMMY

The remainder of this chapter:

- 1. Defines the types of documentation that IBM Support Services will request.
- 2. Describes how to create and format output created through IBM service aids.
- 3. Summarizes procedures for creating documentation media (for example, creating printed copies of dialogs).
- 4. Provides sample JCL for generating required documentation.

# **Documentation Requirements**

Regardless of the problem type, IBM Support always requests the following documentation:

- SMP/E SYSMOD listing
- System log for 10 minutes before the error occurred
- IBM JES job log
- IBM TLVLOG

These documents are described in the following paragraphs.

### **SMP/E SYSMOD Listing**

This listing shows the CL/SuperSession product level and the maintenance that was applied. See "Creating the SMP/E List" on page 16 for instructions on producing the listing.

### System Log

The IBM system log is frequently referred to as the console log. This log is written to by all system and subsystem programs. For several problem types, a partial system log is requested.

When you supply a system log, be sure to supply the 10 minutes immediately before the occurrence of the error .

### **IBM JES Job Log**

The job log contains all messages issued by a job (that is, a started task, a TSO user, or a batch job). Most operating system, JCL substitution, and allocation/deallocation messages appear only in the job log. The job log is always requested. A complete job log should always accompany a dump.

### **IBM TLVLOG**

The IBM TLVLOG contains CL/SuperSession product information. As shipped, the TLVLOG is part of the job log because a data definition (DD) statement in the started task command procedure assigns the TLVLOG to SYSOUT. However, if this default assignment is changed to another destination (through the DSN parameter), the TLVLOG is created as a separate dataset. All product messages are output to the TLVLOG DD.

### **Additional Documentation**

The following documentation may also be requested:

• Custom dialogs

From the TLVPNLS DD, typically in ...RLSPNLS.

• Configuration libraries

TLVCMDS and TLVPARM DD.

Miscellaneous helpful information

Dumps, VTAM configuration, screen shots.

### **Enabling Dumps**

The startup JCL contains dump-enabling DD statements. As currently shipped, the started task JCL provided by member KLS in the supplementary library (RLSSAMP) contains

dump-enabling statements.

Figure 1 on page 15 illustrates the JCL that enables dumps.

```
//KLS
        PROC PFX=' -thilev- '
||
||
              MEMORY=OM.
              SYSIN=KLSSYSIN,
              SOUT=A
//
//*
//IEFPROC EXEC PGM=KLK, REGION=&MEMORY, TIME=1440
//STEPLIB DD DISP=SHR,DSN=&PFX..LOADLIB
//TLSLOAD DD DISP=SHR,DSN=&PFX..LOADLIB
//TLSCMDS DD DISP=SHR,DSN=&PFX..RLSCMDS
                DISP=SHR, DSN=&PFX..TLSCMDS
            DD
//TLSPNLS DD DISP=SHR,DSN=&PFX..RLSPNLS
                DISP=SHR, DSN=&PFX..TLSPNLS
            DD
//TLSPARM DD
                DISP=SHR, DSN=&PFX..RLSPARM
                DISP=SHR, DSN=&PFX..TLSPARM
            DD
//SKLSSAMP DD
                DISP=SHR, DSN=&PFX..TLVPNENU
                DISP=SHR, DSN=&PFX..TLVPNENU
//TLVH0ENU DD
                SYSOUT=&SOUT
//TLVLOG
           חח
//ABNLIGNR DD
               DUMMY
//TLVSNAP DD SYSOUT=&SOUT <-- Enables IBM TLV SNAP dumps
//TLVSYSIN DD
                  DISP=SHR, DSN=&PFX..RLSPARM(&SYSIN), FREE=CLOSE
/*
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```

Figure 1. Enabling Dumps In z/OS

Note the following:

- IBM prefers that you provide SVC dumps if APF-authorized and TLVSNAP dumps if not APF-authorized. SVC dump is the default for systems that are APF-authorized. IBM encourages you to APF-authorize your job step to obtain an SVC dump. Refer to the *IBM CL/SuperSession for z/OS Customization Guide* 3.1 for information on the SDUMP option.
- When SVC dump support is used, be sure to allocate sufficient DASD. Specify 50 cylinders of 3380 for every 32 megabytes of storage specified above the line and 25 cylinders for 15 megabytes specified below the line.
- When SVC dumps are not enabled, dump output is directed to SYSOUT CLASS A in the TLVSNAP dataset as provided in the sample JCL. You may optionally create a DASD dataset to receive the TLVSNAP dump output resulting from an abend.
- Do not add a SYSUDUMP or SYSMDUMP to the provided JCL. The resulting dump processing introduces unnecessary overhead.

The TLVPARM(KLSSYSIN) member contains the CL/SuperSession startup parameters. KLSSYSIN contents and parameters are fully documented in the *IBM CL/SuperSession for z/OS Customization Guide 3.1*.

# **DEBUG** and the Internal Trace Table

In certain cases, you may need to provide IBM Support with an internal trace table included as part of the dump. This table reflects the flow of information through the system. For example, this data is crucial in isolating a problem involving a recurring abend.

The trace table is enabled by:

- 1. Adding parameter DEBUG (Y) to the KLSSYSIN parameters.
- 2. Setting TRACE on by issuing the command in CL/SuperSession or coding it in KLSSTART in TLSCMDS.

Contact IBM Support if you need assistance with the trace table. Once enabled, the trace table is automatically included in dumps. Trace table enabling remains in effect for the duration of a CL/ SuperSession execution. It is disabled by resetting the KLSSYSIN parameter to DEBUG (N) and recycling the product.

Note: Creating a trace table may affect system performance.

## **Sending Problem Documentation to IBM**

For copying different types of documentation, see the specified sections for procedures and JCL.

- Generate the list of current maintenance installed on your system: See <u>"Creating the SMP/E List" on</u> page <u>16</u>.
- Generate Storage Creep Data: See "Generating Storage Creep Data" on page 17.

Our software support specialists may request that you send IBM the problem information, systems data or test cases, etc., or that our support specialists be able to view it with you electronically. To accomplish this, you may be offered several options by the IBM support specialist. By the terms and conditions of the applicable support agreements: (i) this information will be non-confidential (for example, not labeled "your company confidential"); and (ii) you should not supply IBM with any personally-identifiable information (whether in data or other form). You will be responsible for reasonable costs and other amounts that IBM may incur relating to any such information mistakenly provided to IBM or the loss or disclosure of such information by IBM, including those arising out of any third party claims.

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• The following site discusses how to use ECURep and discusses different ways to send files to IBM: Enhanced Customer Data Repository (ECuRep).

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### **Creating the SMP/E List**

To accurately diagnose a problem, IBM Support must know the product level you are running and the maintenance you have applied.

The JCL in Figure 2 on page 16 creates a list of any maintenance applied.

```
//<jobname> JOB ...
//LIST EXEC PGM=GIMSMP,REGION=0M
//SMPCSI DD DISP=SHR,DSN=TDCLSS.V3R1M0.CSI
//SMPCNTL DD *
SET BDY(TZONE)
.
LIST SYSMODS
FORFMID(HKLS310)
.
//
```

Figure 2. JCL to Create an SMP/E List for FMID(HKLS310).

# **Generating Storage Creep Data**

You may suspect a storage creep problem if free storage decreases over a period of time. The STORAGE command can show such decreases. To provide the information for IBM Support to analyze the problem, do the following:

- 1. Run CL/SuperSession for at least one day.
- 2. Then, have all users log off CL/SuperSession.
- 3. Close all hostgate ACBs:

F klk,CLOSE hostgateacb

4. Create a dump:

```
DUMP COMM=(SS STORAGE CREEP)
R xx,JOBNAME=klk,SDATA=(RGN,CSA,PSA,TRT,SWA,LSQA,SUM,SQA),END
```

In the above example, *xx* is the reply number from the DUMP command.

## **Printed Copies of Dialogs**

Whenever you furnish a printed copy of a dialog, include a description of the dialog (what it is intended to do, any unusual coding, etc.), the dialog name, and all relevant notes.

Create the printed copy using an IBM-supplied copy formatting utility, such as IEBGENER or ISPF.

**Printed Copies of Dialogs** 

# **Chapter 4. Using Trace Facilities**

This chapter describes:

- IBM General Trace Facility and VSSTRACE, two service aids used to generate the documentation that IBM requires to analyze CL/SuperSession problems
- Procedures for using the trace facilities

This chapter also provides examples and detailed descriptions of trace output. Use these examples as a reference when analyzing your own trace data.

Startup JCL enables the standard IBM service aids used to gather problem documentation. The following paragraphs explain how to determine which service aid to use.

**Note:** For detailed explanations and procedures when using the standard IBM service aids, refer to the appropriate IBM documentation.

# **General Trace Facility**

CL/SuperSession incorporates an interface to the standard z/OS system trace capability provided by the IBM Generalized Trace Facility (GTF). General Trace Facility:

- Eliminates potential diagnostic data loss that can be caused by the wrapping action of the CL/ SuperSession internal trace table.
- Enables the full Request Unit (RU) to be seen (VTAM buffer trace facilities provide a maximum of approximately 200 bytes of RU data) when tracing session data.
- Provides operator commands to activate and deactivate buffer tracing on specified physical and virtual sessions.

Figure 3 on page 19 contains sample JCL to run GTF as a started task. Modify the JCL as needed, then store the modified procedure in a system procedure library (for example, SYS1.PROCLIB).

```
//GTF PROC
//IEFPROC EXEC PGM=AHLGTF,PARM='MODE=EXT,DEBUG=N0,TIME=YES',
// REGION=2000K,DPRTY=(15,15)
//IEFRDER DD DSNAME=tracedsn,UNIT=SYSDA,
// VOL=SER=tvol,SPACE=(TRK,(30)),
// DISP=(NEW,CATLG)
```

Figure 3. Sample GTF Started Task JCL

Modify the JCL as follows:

1. Change tracedsn to the dataset name for the trace dataset.

2. Change tvol to the volume serial (volser) number for the trace dataset.

The CL/SuperSession GTRACE command can activate tracing for a single physical or virtual session. The physical terminal node name or the virtual terminal APPL name is specified in the GTRACE command.

# **VSSTRACE** Facility

The VSSTRACE facility traces all physical and virtual session activity for all CL/SuperSession user IDs or specified groups of user IDs.

A single VSSTRACE command can initiate tracing for all sessions associated with a user or group of users. There is no need to know the physical terminal node name or virtual terminal APPL name. Only the user ID is specified in the VSSTRACE command. Trace command processing identifies the appropriate sessions to be traced.

# **Determining Which Trace Facility to Use**

For recreatable CL/SuperSession problems where an application acts differently under CL/SuperSession than it did without CL/SuperSession, include a VTAM buffer trace of the application functioning correctly (without CL/SuperSession) in addition to the appropriate CL/SuperSession trace of the failure.

To determine if an application is running under CL/SuperSession, enter the **i** action code next to the problem session ID on your CL/SuperSession menu. The resulting pop-up window indicates the session type:

- MULTI indicates that the application is running under CL/SuperSession. Refer to <u>"Tracing Multi-Session</u> Problems" on page 21.
- SINGLE indicate that the application is running under CL/SuperSession only. Refer to <u>"Tracing Single</u> Session Problems" on page 20.
- PASS indicate that the application is accessed through CL/SuperSession, but has passed contol to the application. Refer to "Tracing Pass Session Problems."

CL/SuperSession issues trace records (called USR records) to the GTF dataset. GTF must be started with the USR option for trace records to be recorded. You can then format the USR records for printing using the procedure described in "Formatting Trace Records for Printing (KLSUSR20 Formatter)" on page 22.

CL/SuperSession recording uses GTF in the same way that the VTAM TYPE=BUF trace does.

Note: In all cases, a trace that includes a VTAM Bind is required.

# **Starting and Stopping VTAM TRACES**

To start a buffer trace, enter the following:

### F procname,TRACE,TYPE=BUF,ID=termid,AMOUNT=FULL

In the example above, *procname* identifies the procedure name for VTAM. Procedure name differs for each operating system.

To stop a buffer trace, enter the following:

```
F procname,NOTRACE,TYPE=BUF,ID=termid
```

# **Tracing Pass Session Problems**

If the problem occurs before the selected application writes any data to the screen, obtain a trace as described in <u>"Tracing Single Session Problems"</u> on page 20.

If the problem occurs after the selected application writes data to the screen, obtain a VTAM buffer trace.

# **Tracing Single Session Problems**

Use the following procedure to generate a General Trace. (In the procedure, user entries and system responses are labeled appropriately.)

1. Enter the following commands at your system console:

Enter:	S GTF.GTF
Response:	XX AHL100SPECIFY TRACE OPTIONS
Enter:	R xx,TRACE=USR
Response:	AHL10I TRACE OPTIONS SELECTEDUSR yy AHL125A RESPECIFY TRACE OPTIONS OR REPLY U
Enter:	R yy,U
Response:	AHL01I GTF INITIALIZATION COMPLETE

where **XX** is the numerical response required by z/OS.

2. Initiate the General Trace Facility, as follows:

Enter:	F KLS,GTF ON
Response:	KLKOP971 GTF INTERFACE ENABLED GTRACEID: xxxx (3E8) INTERNAL: NO

3. Initiate GTRACE, as follows:

Enter:	F KLS,GTRACE pterm CLASS=TERM ON
Response:	KLKOP128 TRACE TERM(pterm) QUEUED

where *pterm* is the LU name of the physical terminal. In this example, *pterm* would be L615A70.

- 4. Recreate the problem. Make sure that the user initiates a logon to CL/SuperSession at this point so BINDs can be recorded.
- 5. Turn off tracing, as follows:

Enter:	F KLS,GTRACE pterm CLASS=TERM OFF
Response:	KLKOP128 TRACE TERM(pterm) DISABLED
Enter:	F KLS,GTF OFF
Response:	KLKOP972 GTF INTERFACE DISABLED
Enter:	P GTF
Response:	AHL006I GTF ACKNOWLEDGES STOP COMMAND

### **Tracing Multi-Session Problems**

The VSSTRACE procedure uses the CL/SuperSession commands GTF and VSSTRACE to activate the required trace(s). In the following procedure, information about the virtual and physical sessions for one user is written to GTF.

1. Start the trace by issuing the following commands. (In the procedure, user entries and system responses are labeled.)

Enter :	S GTF.GTF
Response:	XX AHL100A SPECIFY TRACE OPTIONS
Enter :	R xx,TRACE=USR
Response :	AHL103I TRACE OPTIONS SELECTEDUSR yy AHL125A RESPECIFY Trace options or Reply U
Enter :	R yy,U
Response :	AHL031I GTF INITIALIZATION COMPLETE

2. Initiate GTF tracing as follows:

Enter :	F KLS,GTF ON
Response:	KLKOP971 GTF INTERFACE ENABLED GTRACEID: xxxx (3E8) INTERNAL: No

3. Initiate the VSSTRACE facility as follows:

Enter :	F KLS,VSSTRACE	userid ON	
Response:	KLJOP202 TRACE	USER(userid)	QUEUED

- 4. Recreate the problem at this point. Make sure that the user initiates a logon to CL/SuperSession at this point so BIND images can be recorded.
- 5. Turn off tracing, as follows:

Enter :	F KLS,VSSTRACE userid OFF
Response:	KLJOP202 TRACE USER(userid) DISABLED
Enter :	F KLS,GTF OFF
Response:	KLKOP972 GTF INTERFACE DISABLED
Enter :	P GTF
Response:	AHL006I GTF ACKNOWLEDGES STOP COMMAND

Note the following:

- The command VSSTRACE can be followed by a *userid* or *userids*. If it is, trace activity is limited to physical and virtual session activity related to the specified user IDs.
- Specifying ON starts the trace. (Specifying OFF stops it.)
- The trace facility can also be started automatically as part of the CL/SuperSession initialization by incorporating the GTF and VSSTRACE commands in a startup command list.
- The user should not be logged on when the VSSTRACE command is issued. If the user is not logged on, the command is treated as a pending trace request; tracing begins when the user logs on. (Pending trace requests are discarded when the system is brought down.)

Once the trace is recorded, use the appropriate procedure in "Formatting Trace Records for Printing (KLSUSR20 Formatter)" to format the data for printing. You can then print the data and analyze it yourself using the sample traces in "Sample Traces" on page 23.)

# Formatting Trace Records for Printing (KLSUSR20 Formatter)

This section describes using the trace facilities to perform your own analysis of communications problems.

CL/SuperSession uses the GTF trace record format identifiers (FIDs) X'20'through X'4F'. All current CL/ SuperSession records are formatted by a single module named KLSUSR20. Due to the limited number of alias names that may be assigned to a load module, KLSUSR20 is replicated twice in the load library as KLSUSR30 and KLSUSR40. Each copy of the module is assigned fifteen alias names as follows:

KLSUSR20 alias KLSUSR21-KLSUSR2F KLSUSR30 alias KLSUSR31-KLSUSR3F KLSUSR40 alias KLSUSR41-KLSUSR4F

The load module and alias names were selected to meet IBM-specified naming requirements for IPCS format appendages. The formatting routine is distributed as an assembler language source module in member KLSUSR20 of the supplementary library (SKLSSAMP).

### z/OS IPCS Requirements

KLSUSR20 and its alias names must be available to IPCS when CL/SuperSession GTF trace records are to be formatted. This can be accomplished by using sample JCL member KLS@IPCS. The JCL and IPCS control statements needed to print CL/SuperSession trace records are demonstrated in Figure 4 on page 23.

```
//JOBCARD JOB (ACCOUNTING), 'CL/ENGINE GTF PRINT'
z/OS IPCS BATCH --- PRINT GTF TRACE RECORDS
//*
//*
//* 3E8 = CL/ENGINE TRACE RECORD DEFAULT ID (GTRACEID=1000)
1/*
//* FEF = VTAM BUFFER
//* FF1 = USER BUFFER
//* FF0 = SMS
//* FF2 = NCP LINE
//* FE1 = VTAM INTERNAL TRACE
//* FE2 = TSO/VTAM TGET/TPUT
//* FOR EXAMPLE: GTFTRACE DDNAME(TRACE),RNIO,USR(FF2,FEF)
//* GTFTRACE DDNAME(TRACE),RNIO,USR(FF2,FEF)
//*
//* NOTE: BEFORE USING THIS JOB YOU MUST ASSEMBLE THE GTF TRACE
        FORMATTING ROUTINE. SEE MEMBER KLS@AS20 IN THIS LIBRARY.
//*
        BEFORE SUBMITTING THIS JOB CHANGE ALL INSTANCES OF "-THILEV-"
TO THE VALUE SPECIFIED FOR THE TARGET DATASET NAME PREFIX
//*
//*
        DURING PRODUCT INSTALLATION.
//*
//IPCSBAT EXEC PGM=IKJEFT01,DYNAMNBR=20,REGION=1500K
//STEPLIB DD DSN=-THILEV-.TLVLOAD,DISP=SHR
//IPCSDDIR DD DSN=USER.IPCS.DIR,DISP=SHR
//IPCSPRNT DD SYSOUT=*
//TRACE
         DD DSN=SYS1.TRACE,DISP=SHR
//SYSUDUMP DD SYSOUT=*
//SYSTSPRT DD SYSOUT=*
//SYSTSIN DD *
IPCS
DROPDUMP DDNAME(TRACE)
SETDEF DDNAME(TRACE) NOCONFIRM
                                               /*QLV0075*/
GTFTRACE DDNAME(TRACE), USR(3E8), TERMINAL, NOPRINT
FND
```

Figure 4. Sample KLS@IPCS JCL

To use the JCL, change **-THILEV-** to the CL/SuperSession system target load library name. Change **USER.IPCS.DIR** to the IPCS dump directory name that conforms to your environment's IPCS dump datasets.

## **Sample Traces**

This section provides three sample traces with detailed explanations. For ease of reference, each trace is divided into segments. Use the examples when analyzing your own trace records.

Note: These traces are examples only and will not match your trace data.

### Sample Trace of CL/SuperSession Main Menu

Each CL/SuperSession GTF record has a GTRACEID of 3E8. Look for this identifier when locating the beginning of a record. Each record contains a GTF format appendage identifier, or FID (for example, USR4F), ASCB address (for example, 00F92900), and job name (for example, KLK). A record has associated sequence and segment numbers. Sequence numbers begin with SQ; segment numbers begin with SG. The first field of every CL/SuperSession trace record is labeled SQ *xxxx* and is a sequential counter of GTF recording requests within CL/SuperSession. It should not be confused with the SNA transmission sequence number that is also labeled SQ *xxxx* . The SNA transmission sequence number appears later on the same line, immediately after the Return/Feedback field RF *xxxx* .

Many trace records consist of only a single segment, SG0000. Additional segments for a particular record sequence number are numbered sequentially and are only used for message data (3270 data streams or SNA RU data) that could not fit within a single GTF record. GTF limits the record size to 256 bytes.

However, there is no limit to the number of Request Unit (RU) bytes provided by a CL/SuperSession buffer trace. In Figure 5 on page 24, the Main Menu consists of 928 bytes. This data resides in two CL/SuperSession buffers in memory. The first buffer has an address of 338F1AO and length of hexadecimal

1F8 (decimal 504) bytes. The second buffer has an address of 338F3A8 and length of hexadecimal 1A8 (decimal 424) bytes. Each GTF record has an associated time stamp (TIME:).

USR4F 3E8 ASCB 00F92900 JOBN KLK SQ008E SG0000 KLKVTAPI PTERM/GATEMAY SEND DATA REQ RF0000 SQ001E SN00000000 0C DR1 CD DAT 00000000 00000000 0338F1A0 000001F8 00000000 00000000 0338F3A8 00001A8 \*.....1...8.....3Y...Y\* TIME: A1A92907 C3EF4743 06:42:38.715636

### Figure 5. CL/SuperSession Main Menu Sent to the Physical Terminal

The following is an item-by-item description of the first (header) segment.

- USR4F is the GTF Format ID (FID).
- 3E8 is the GTRACEID.
- ASCB 00F92900 is the ASCB address.
- KLK is the job name.
- SQ008E, SG0000 identifies CL/SuperSession trace record X'008E', segment

0. This first line contains the SNA Transmission header and the Request/Response header related to the Main Menu RU data sent from the gateway to the physical terminal.

- The name KLKVTAPI identifies the CL/SuperSession module that created the record.
- PTERM/GATEWAY identifies the destination/origin VTAM LU names participating in this session. In this case, application GATEWAY originates the Main Menu RU, and the physical terminal PTERM receives the message.
- SEND identifies the VTAM macro that CL/SuperSession issues. Some other commonly used VTAM macros are RECEIVE and OPENSEC. Most SEND data and all RECEIVE data are contained within a single trace record sequence number. (There may be multiple segments.) CL/SuperSession uses VTAM's LMPEO to send large messages that are contained in multiple buffer areas. The first trace record of an LMPEO send contains the addresses and byte counts of each buffer that is part of the message. A subsequent trace record (there may be multiple segments) is created for each buffer that is part of the message. This particular trace record is for a SEND using LMPEO.
- DATA identifies the RU as a data request or response. For RUs which contain network commands (command requests) or responses to command requests, you see such things as BIND, SDT, BID, and UNBIND.
- REQ identifies this RU as an SNA request. In Figure 11 on page 25, item RSP identifies that particular Path Information Unit (PIU) as a response.
- RF0000 describes the Return Code (R) and Feedback (F) that VTAM returns in response to the SEND macro.
- SQ001E is the SNA sequence number that would appear in the SNA transmission header when the RU is in the network. Figure 11 on page 25 on

page 64 shows a sequence number of X'1E'for the response PIU. This PIU is a response to the Main Menu request RU sent by CL/SuperSession.

- SN00000000 is the Sense Code field. Figure 11 on page 25 also shows a value of SN00000000. When an SNA Exception Response or Exception Request is received, the sense code field contains the associated SNA sense information.
- OC identifies the chaining bits from the SNA Request/Response header. This Main Menu RU is an Only in Chain (OC) element. Other values could be MC (Middle in Chain), LC (Last in Chain), or FC (First in Chain).
- DR1 identifies the response type as carried in the second byte of the SNA Request/Response Header. In this case, GATEWAY requires a Definite Response Type 1 (DR1) from the terminal to the Main Menu PIU.
- CD indicates that GATEWAY set the Change Direction indicator for this RU. This, in conjunction with the keyboard reset indication in the 3270 data stream, frees the terminal for input.

The first buffer is divided into three segments: SG0000 (Figure 6 on page 25), SG0001 (Figure 7 on page 25), and SG0002 (Figure 8 on page 25).

USR4E 3E8 ASCB 00F92900 S0008F SG0000 KLKV				
BUF 0338F1A0 00000	-8		*18	*
DAT 7EC31140 401D40	5D 6D6D1DC8 40C183A3 899695A2	2 1DC840D6 97A3 8996	6 95A21DC8 *-CH ACTIONS	.H OPTIONS.H*
40C39694 948195	34 A21DC840 C1849489 954DD45D	) 1DC840C5 A789 A34D	<pre>D E75D1DC8 * COMMANDS.H ADMIN(M)</pre>	.H EXIT(X).H*
40C88593 971DE8	3C C150401D E8606060 60606060	0 60606060 6060 6060	0 60606060 * HELP.Y.A& .Y	*
60606060 606060	50 60606060 60606060 60606060	0 60606060 6060 6060	0 60606060 *	*
60606060 606060	50 60606060 60606060 60606060	0 60606060 6060 6000	0 1D60E2E5 *	KLS*
			4 81899540 *VSEL1.B9YCL/SUPERS	SESSION MAIN *
D48595A4 3CC361	00 1D60D496 99857A00 404E3CC3	3	*MENU.C/MORE:. +.C	
TIME: A1A929	07 C3F2D943 06:42:38.715693	3		

Figure 6. Main Menu First Buffer Segment SG0000

USR4E 3E8 ASCB 00F9290	JOBN KLK				
SQ008F SG0001					
					*?F&SELECT.SESSIONS.WITH.A*
					<pre>*.Y"/"OR.AN.ACTION.CODEHOY.*</pre>
0000E285 A2/	2A28996 9500C9C4 0000C485	A2839989 97A38996	953C C960	00E3A897	*SESSION.IDDESCRIPTION.ITYP*
					*E.IZ.STATUS + >*
3C4AF660 000	0003C4B C1603C4B 50001D40	6D1DE800 C1D4E2C3	C9D4 E23C	4B6000C3	*. 6A&Y.AMSCIMSC*
C9D4E23C 4BI	3E9404D D7C1E2E2 E3C8D9E4	61D4E4D3 E3E2C5E2	E25D 3C4C	4000D4A4	<pre>*IMSZ (SINGLE/MULTSESS).&lt; .MU*</pre>
93A3893C 4C	C60001D 406D1DE8 00C1D4E2	D5C5E3E5 C13C4CF0	00D5 C5E3	E5C9C5E6	*LTI. <y.amsnetva.<0.netview*< td=""></y.amsnetva.<0.netview*<>
C1404DD7 C18	LE2E2E3 C8D9E461 D4E4D3E3	E2C5E2E2 5D3C4D50	00D4 A493		*A (SINGLE/MULTSESS).(&.MUL *
TIME: /	A1A92907 C3F7BA43 06:42	2:38.715771			

Figure 7. Main Menu First Buffer Segment SG0001

USR4E 3E8 ASCB 00F92900 JOBN KLK SQ008F SG0002 DAT A3893C4D F0001D40 6D1DE800 C1D4E2D5 C5E3E5C2 3C4E4000 D5C5 E3E5 C9C5E6C2 \*TI.(0..\_.Y.AMSNETVB.+ .NETVIEWB\* 404DD7C1 E2E2E3C8 \* (PASSTH TIME: A1A92907 C3F99643 06:42:38.715801

#### Figure 8. Main Menu First Buffer Segment SG0002

The second buffer has a sequence number of SQ0090 and is divided into two segments: SG0000 (Figure 9 on page 25) and SG0001 (Figure 10 on page 25).

USR4E 3E8 ASCB 00F92900 JOBN KLK SQ0090 SG0000 KLKVTAPI PTERM /GATEWAY BUF 0338F3A8 000001A8 DAT D9E461D4 E4D3E3E2 C5E2E25D 3C4E6000 D4A493A3 893C4F40 001D 406D 1DE800C1 \*RU/MULTSESS).+-.MULTI.|...Y.A\* D4E2D6D7 C5D93C4F 5000D6D7 C5D9C1E3 D6D9404D D7C1E2E2 E3C8 D9E4 61D4E4D3 \*MSOPER.|&.OPERATOR (SINGLE/MUL\* E3E2C52 E25D3C4F F000D4A4 93A3893C 5050001D 406D1DE8 00C1 D4E2 E3E2D6C1 \*TSESS).|0.MULTI.&&..\_Y.AMSTSOA\* 3C506000 E3E2D6C1 3C5DE540 4DD7C1E2 E2E3C8D9 E461D4E4 D3E3 E2C5 E2E25D3C \*.&-.TSOA.&Z (SINGLE/MULTSESS).\* D14000D4 A493A389 3CD16000 1D40601D E800C10 4 E2E3E2D6 C73C D1F0 00E3E2D6 \*J .MULTI.J..\_\_Y.AMSTSOG.J0.TSO\* C73CD1F9 404DD7C1 E2E2E3C8 D9E461D4E4D3E3E 2C5E2E25D 3CD2 5000 D4A493A3 \*G.J9 (SINGLE/MULTSESS).K&.MULT\* 893CD2F0 001D406D 1DE800C1 D4E2E3E2 D6C23CD3 TIME: A1A92907 C3FC7043 06:42:38.715847

Figure 9. Main Menu Second Buffer Segment SG0000

USR4E		ASCB 00F		J	OBN KLK						
	SQ00	990 SG0001	1								
	DĂT										* .SE TSO.LMULTI.MY.AMSVT*
		C1D4C13C	D45000D6	D4E5E3C1	D4C14040	4DD7C1E2	E2E3C8D9	E461	D4E4	D3E3E2C5	*AMA.M&.OMVTAMA (SINGLE/MULTSE*
											*SS).MO.MULTI.N&Y .00Y.3&C*
		96949481	9584407E	7E7E6E1D	403CF44E	001D603C	F4D340E2	E8E2	C761	D9F2F0F1	*OMMAND>4+4L SYSG/R201*
											*B02ENTER F1-HELP F3-EXIT F*
		F57ED985	869985A2	884040C6	F87EC6A6	844040C6	F97ED985	A399	8985	A5854040	*5-REFRESH F8-FWD F9-RETRIEVE *
		C6F1F07E	C183A389	96954040	3C404000	114BD113					*F10=ACTIONJ. *
		TIM	E: A1A929	97 C3FE6C4	43 06:43	2:38.7158	78				

Figure 10. Main Menu Second Buffer Segment SG0001

The next trace entry, shown in Figure 11 on page 25, records the physical terminal's response to the Main Menu data.

USR4E 3E8 ASCB 00F92900 JOBN KLK SQ0091 SG0000 KLKVTXRP GATEWAY /PTERM READONLY DATA RSP RF00 00 SQ001E SN00000000 DR1 TIME: A1A92909 0E31AF43 06:42:40.068378

Figure 11. Physical Terminal Response to Main Menu

### Sample Trace of a Virtual Session Logon

This record traces the first SNA command that an application sends to the terminal during session initiation. This is a BIND from application VTAMPLUS to virtual terminal VTERM000 (this establishes a virtual session). In the example that follows, VTAMPLUS is the CL/SuperSession operator facility application. There is a concurrent session between GATEWAY and the physical terminal, PTERM (see

"Sample Trace of CL/SuperSession Main Menu" on page 23). Applications like the CL/SuperSession operator facility (and TSO, CICS, IMS, etc.) send screens to the virtual terminal on the virtual session. CL/ SuperSession then makes sure that these messages are delivered to the physical terminal on the physical session. The physical session is the session between GATEWAY and the physical terminal. The virtual session is the session between the host application (that is, CICS, TSO, etc.) and the virtual terminal.

**Note:** IBM Support requires BIND RUs containing bind images for the physical and virtual sessions in order to analyze VTAM-related problems. Make sure that you have captured BIND information in the trace data before you send it in. BINDs contain critical session rules that the virtual and physical sessions require in order to communicate.

Figure 12 on page 26 has a sequence number of 000E and a segment number of 0000.

USR4E 3E8 ASCB 00 SQ000E		MPLUS READONLY BIND REQ RF0000 S(	20000 SN00000000 OC DR1
RÚ 3101	L0303 B1903080 008087C7 80000	200 00000000 18502B50 7F00000 7 E	5E3C1D4 *VTAM*
D7D3	E400 05000003 002308E5 E3C5D	9D4 F0F0F060 1AD72B41 DB50CE9 E (	CB11D5C5 *PLUSVTERM000P&NE*
E3C9	C4F0 F0F14BE7 E7E7C4D9 D4F2F	50E 11F3D5C5 E3C9C4F0 F0F14BE 5 E	E3C1D4D7 *TID001.XXXDRM253NETID001.VTAMP*
D3E4	2C0A 01084040 40404040		*LUS
Т	IME: A1AA74D3 345A0143 07:27	:04.172960	

### Figure 12. Application Sends BIND to Virtual Terminal

Figure 13 on page 26 is a continuation of the first GTF record. It is segment 0001 of sequence number 000E. It contains the last 13 bytes of data that completes the BIND RU started in the previous record segment.

```
USR4E 3E8 ASCB 00F5B600 JOBN KLK
SQ000E SG0001
DAT 40402D09 08C4F4C1 F3F2F7F8 F4
TIME: A1AA74D3 34645E43 07:27:04.173125
```

\* ...D4A32784

### Figure 13. Application Sends BIND to Virtual Terminal (continued)

In Figure 14 on page 26, VTERM000 issues VTAM macro OPNSEC to accept the BIND. VTAM processes the OPNSEC request by creating an SNA positive response (+RSP) to the BIND.

```
USR4E 3E8 ASCB 00F58600 JOBN KLK
SQ000F SG0000 KLKVTAPI VTAMPLUS/VTERM000 OPNSEC DATA REQ RF0000 SQ0000 SN00000000 OC DR1
TIME: A1AA74D3 368FBA43 07:27:04.182011
```

### Figure 14. Virtual Terminal Accepts BIND and Starts Session

This record contains another common SNA command, Start Data Traffic (SDT), which the application sends after establishing the session. VTAM automatically issues an SNA +RSP to the SDT; no action by VTERM000 is necessary.

USR4E 3E8 ASCB 00F5B600 JOBN KLK SQ0010 SG0000 KLKVTXSC VTERM000/VTAMPLUS READONLY SDT REQ RF0000 SQ0000 SN00000000 DR1 TIME: A1AA74D3 38682641 07:27:04.189570

### Figure 15. Application Sends Start Data Traffic

The BIND request (Figure 12 on page 26) specified bracket protocol. Figure 16 on page 26 indicates that application VTAMPLUS sent a BID command requesting permission to begin a bracket. This RU carries an SNA sequence number of SQ0001.

USR4E 3E8 ASCB 00F5B600 JOBN KLK SQ0011 SG0000 KLKVTAPI VTERM000/VTAMPLUS RECEIVE BID REQ RF0000 SQ0001 SN00000000 OC DR1 TIME: A1AA74D3 413FEA43 07:27:04.225790

#### Figure 16. Application BIDs to Begin a Bracket

VTERM000 sends a positive response (+RSP) to the BID RU. (SNA sequence number SQ0001, which matches the sequence number in Figure 17 on page 27, identifies this as a response to the BID.) Essentially, VTERM000 is saying to VTAMPLUS, "OK, you can talk to me."

USR4E 3E8 ASCB 00F5B600 JOBN KLK SQ0012 SG0000 KLKVTAPI VTAMPLUS/VTERM000 SEND TIME: A1AA74D3 645C7A43 07:27:04.369607 BID RSP RF0000 SQ0001 SN00000000 OC DR1

#### Figure 17. Virtual Terminal Accepts BID

Figure 18 on page 27 is a three-segment (SQ0013-SG0000, SQ0013-SG0001, SQ0013-SG0002) data message that VTAMPLUS is sending to the virtual terminal. The request (REQ) has an SNA sequence number of SQ0002. It contains the Entry Validation panel, which asks the user to enter a user ID and password. This message is not forwarded to the physical terminal because the initial dialog for APPLDEF VTAMPLUS is in effect.

**Note:** Initial dialogs are specified in the APPLDEF commands; see commands library member(KLSCAPLD). One of their functions is to simulate certain user tasks, such as typing a user ID and password.

DĂT 7EC31D60 60606060 601DE800 C595A399 60606060 60606060	60606060 60606060 60606060 A800E581 93898481 A3899695		90000000 OC DR1 BB CD *-C* *Y.Entry.Validation* *
D5F6F0F0 F1112361 898381A3 899695A 6011D660 11D6F3D7 85A600D7 81A2A2A6 8489A389 96958193 1DE87E7E 7E651D05 5C6A1D60 115CF011	E3899485 7A00F0F7 7AF2F77A 11D55011 D5E5E4A2 85998984 81A2A2A6 9699841D E87E7E7E 9699841D E87E7E7E 6E1D4C11 00C99586 96999481 A3899695	F0F411D4 4DC98485 95A38986 1DE87E7E 7E6E1DC8 11D5F91D 6E1D4C11 D7C91D60 11D750D5 D76A1D60 11D94011 D9C5C184 7A115A50 115AE6C7 9996A497	*SG.BJDate:.02/15/90Device:.RGE* *N6001.C/Time:.07:27:04.H(Identif* *:otion:.NK.NVUserid',>.H.N9.* *003Password,Y>.C.FIP&N* *w.Password',Y>.C.FIR&REAd* *ditional.Information:.ls.!WGroup* *,Y>.H.j0S\$7Acct,Y>.H.* **!*0.)GProc.Y>.H.)R *
C595A385 994040C6	JOBN KLK F3501D60 C3969494 8195841D F37EC5A7 89A34040 11D5F113 561E7843 07:27:04.376807	607E7E7E 6E1D4011 F4601D60	*2A.3&Command===>4* *Enter F3=Exit .N1.

Figure 18. Logon Entry Validation Panel Sent by Application to Virtual Terminal

Figure 19 on page 27 is a +RSP from VTERM000 to VTAMPLUS. It carries an SNA sequence number of SQ0002, which matches the message in Figure 18 on page 27. This is a positive response to the Entry Validation panel.

```
USR4E 3E8 ASCB 00F5B600 JOBN KLK
SQ0014 SG0000 KLKVTAPI VTAMPLUS/VTERM000 SEND DATA RSP RF0000 SQ0002 SN00000000 0C DR1 BB
TIME: A1AA74D3 667AF943 07:27:04.378287
```

#### Figure 19. Virtual Terminal Acknowledges Receipt of Panel

Figure 20 on page 27 is a data request from VTERM000 to VTAMPLUS. It contains the user ID USER00 and password PSSWD1. The user at the terminal made no entries; the initial SSPL dialog issued a VSSTYPE command with USER00 and PSSWD1. The Change Direction (CD) bit is ON. This means that VTERM000 is locked for input until application VTAMPLUS unlocks it with another CD or End Bracket (EB).

USR4E 3E8 ASCB 00F58600 JOBN KLK SQ0015 SG0000 KLKVTAPI VTAMPLUS/VTERM000 SEND DATA REQ RF0000 SQ0001 SN00000000 OC XDR1 CD DAT 7DD7C711 D5F1E4E2 C5D9F0F0 11D7C1D7 E2E2E6C4 F1 \*'PG.N1USER00.PAPSSWD1 TIME: A1AA74D3 76DBAA43 07:27:04.445370

#### Figure 20. User ID and Password Sent to Application by Virtual Terminal

At this point, the initial dialog ends and messages from VTAMPLUS to VTERM000 must be delivered to the physical terminal. Figure 21 on page 27 contains a message from VTAMPLUS to the virtual terminal. The RU contains Only in Chain (OC) and End Bracket (EB) indications, and requests a positive response.

USR4E 3E8 ASCB 00F5B600 JOBN KLK SQ001A SG0000 KLKVTAPI VTERM000/VTAMPLUS RECEIVE DATAREQ RF0000 SQ0003 SN00000000 OC DR1 EB DAT F1C311F5 E51DE8C1 60E5E3C5 D9D4F0F0 F0 \*1C.5V.YA-VTERM000 TIME: A1AA74D4 92835643 07:27:05.607221

#### Figure 21. Logon Message From Application Received by Virtual Terminal

Figure 22 on page 28 indicates that VTERM000 sends a positive response to CL/SuperSession.

USR4E 3E8 ASCB 00F58600 JOBN KLK SQ001C SG0000 KLKVTAPI VTAMPLUS/VTERM000 SEND DATA RSP RF0000 SQ0003 SN00000000 OC DR1 EB TIME: A1AA74D5 A2930441 07:27:06.721584

#### Figure 22. Virtual Terminal Acknowledges Logon Message

In Figure 23 on page 28, the virtual terminal issues VTAM macro RESETSR to change the RECEIVE mode. The RESETSR entries that appear frequently in the traces are a VTAM application program interface convention and are not related to SNA data traffic in the network.

USR4E 3E8 ASCB 00F58600 JOBN KLK SQ0022 SG0000 KLKVTAPI VTAMPLUS/VTERM000 RESETSR NEXT 00000000 000000000 TIME: A1AA74D5 ACB0A141 07:27:06.763018

#### Figure 23. Receive Mode Change

Figure 24 on page 28 indicates that GATEWAY is preparing to send an output message to the PTERM. At this time, the PTERM's keyboard is unlocked and PTERM owns the SNA direction indicator. GATEWAY sends an SNA SIGNAL request to ask PTERM to relinquish the SNA direction indicator.

USR4E 3E8 ASCB 00F5B600 JOBN KLK SQ0023 SG0000 KLKVTAPI PTERM/GATEWAY SEND SIGNAL REQ RF0000 SQ0000 SN00000000 OC DR1 TIME: A1AA74D6 F41D8141 07:27:08.104152

#### Figure 24. GATEWAY SIGNALs for Send Direction

Figure 25 on page 28 indicates that the physical terminal sends a null RU (that is, no data) with the Change Direction (CD) indication, allowing GATEWAY to start sending data.

USR4E 3E8 ASCB 00F55600 JOBN KLK SQ0024 SG0000 KLKVTAPI GATEWAY/PTERM RECEIVE DATA REQ RF0000 SQ0003 SN00000000 OC XDR1 CD TIME: A1AA74D6 F42A8C41 07:27:08.104360

#### Figure 25. Physical Terminal Relinquishes Send Direction with Null RU

In Figure 26 on page 28, GATEWAY delivers the logon message received on the virtual session (Figure 21 on page 27) to the physical terminal.

USR4E 3E8 ASCB 00F58600 JOBN KLK SQ0025 SG0000 KLKVTAPI PTERM/GATEWAY SEND DATA REQ RF0000 SQ0008 SN00000000 OC DR1 CD DAT F1C311F5 E51DE8C1 60E5E3C5 D9D4F0F0 F0 \*1C.5V.YA-VTERM000 TIME: A1AA74D6 F6F87041 07:27:08.115847

Figure 26. GATEWAY SENDs Logon Message to Physical Terminal

### Sample Trace of a Virtual Session Logoff

In Figure 27 on page 28, the user types LOGOFF at the terminal to terminate the session with application VTAMPLUS. This is an Only in Chain (OC) RU with exception response (XDR1) requested and Change Direction (CD) indications. It originated at the physical terminal and its destination is GATEWAY (the physical terminal is always in session with a host PLU application in the CL/SuperSession address space, GATEWAY in this example).

USR4E 3E8 ASCB 00F5B600 JOBN KLK SQ0037 SG0000 KLKVTAPI GATEWAY/PTERM RECEIVE DATA REQ RF00 00 SQ0007 SN00000000 0C XDR1 CD DAT 7DF2C711 F2C19396 87968686 \*'2G.2Alogoff TIME: A1AA74E0 6CF97E41 07:27:18.036375

Figure 27. User Enters Logoff Request from Physical Terminal

In Figure 28 on page 29, GATEWAY issues VTAM macro RESETSR to change the RECEIVE mode.

USR4E 3E8 ASCB 00F5B600 JOBN KLK SQ0038 SG0000 KLKVTAPI PTERM/GATEWAY RESETSR NEXT 00000000 00000000 TIME: A1AA74E0 6E504C41 07:27:18.041871

#### Figure 28. Receive Mode Change

Figure 29 on page 29 shows the LOGOFF message being forwarded from the virtual terminal to the application. It requests an exception response (XDR1), along with Only in Chain (OC), Change Direction (CD), and Begin Bracket (BB) indications.

```
USR4E 3E8 ASCB 00F5B600 JOBN KLK
SQ0039 SG0000 KLKVTAPI VTAMPLUS/VTERM000 SEND DATA REQ RF000 0 SQ0002 SN00000000 0C XDR1 BB CD
DAT 7DF2C711 F2C19396 87668866 *'2G.2Alogoff *
TIME: A1AA74E0 7E994D43 07:27:18.108564
```

#### Figure 29. Logoff Request Sent to Application by Virtual Terminal

In Figure 30 on page 29, VTAMPLUS is sending the last message from its buffers to VTERM000 with Definite Response (DR1), End Bracket (EB), and Only in Chain (OC) indications.

USR4E 3E8 ASCB 00F58600 JOBN KLK SQ003A SG0000 KLKVTAPI VTERM000/VTAMPLUS RECEIVE DATA REQ RF0 000 SQ0008 SN00000000 0C DR1 EB DAT F1C311F2 401DC813 12F5E5 \*1C.2 .H.5V \* TIME: A1AA74E0 972D0343 07:27:18.209232

#### Figure 30. Final Application Message Received by Virtual Terminal

In Figure 31 on page 29, VTERM000 issues a positive response to the previous RU.

```
USR4E 3E8 ASCB 00F5B600 JOBN KLK
SQ003B SG0000 KLKVTAPI VTAMPLUS/VTERM000 SEND DATA RSP RF0000 SQ0008 SN00000000 OC DR1 EB
TIME: A1AA74E0 A7A65C43 07:27:18.276709
```

#### Figure 31. Virtual Terminal Positive Response

In <u>Figure 32 on page 29</u>, GATEWAY delivers the last message received by VTERM000 to the terminal. This RU carries the Change Direction (CD), and the keyboard reset indications which unlock the keyboard and remove the

X-CLOCK/X-SYSTEM message from the display.

USR4E 3E8 ASCB 00F58600 JOBN KLK SQ003C SG0000 KLKVTAPI PTERM/GATEWAY SEND DATA REQ RF0000 SQ000C SN00000000 OC DR1 CD DAT F1C311F2 401DC813 12F5E5 \*1C.2 .H..5V TIME: A1AA74E0 A8E30A43 07:27:18.281776

#### Figure 32. Final Application Message Sent to the Physical Terminal

In Figure 33 on page 29, VTAMPLUS sends the UNBIND request to VTERM000, which terminates the virtual session.

Figure 33. Virtual Session Termination

Sample Trace of a Virtual Session Logoff

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