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DB2 Automatic Storage

The Future of Storage Management In DB2 for LUW

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What are Auto-Resize Tablespaces ?

- DMS tablespaces with file containers that automatically extend
 - Introduced in DB2 V8.2.2 (V8 FP9)
 - Applies to DMS file tablespaces only; tablespaces with raw device containers cannot be enabled for auto-resize

- Instead of getting an "unable to allocate new pages" error, DB2 will automatically grow the last range of containers in the tablespace
 - Of course, if the underlying file system is full, auto-growth cannot occur and SQL0289N – unable to allocate new pages – will be returned



Auto-Resize Tablespaces Without Auto-Resize

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Tablespace A

- -289 returned from SQL
- 3. Page out administrator
- 4. Administrator RESIZEs container(s) 5.
 - Notifies users that space has been added
 - **Operations resume**



With Auto-Resize

DB2 automatically RESIZEs containers (no -289 returned)

Tablespace A

Tablespace A

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Aside : Why DMS File ?

- At a high-level, tradeoffs involved:
 - Outstanding performance of DMS Raw vs -
 - Very good performance and flexibility of DMS File
 - Outstanding manageability of SMS
- Technology Trend : significant advances are being made in file systems
 - Eg. Direct/concurrent I/O capabilities of many file systems
 - Performance gap between file systems and raw devices is narrowing
 - Over time, use of raw devices is likely to diminish in favor of file systems
 - Result: Ease of file system management but with the performance of raw
- Idea : get best of both worlds via DMS File
 - Near-raw performance with DIO/CIO
 - Flexibility of DMS functionality
 - Manageability of file systems
 - On-demand growth as in SMS



New CREATE/ALTER TABLESPACE Syntax

New syntax introduced for CREATE and ALTER TABLESPACE:

CREATE TABLESPACE <tsName> MANAGED BY DATABASE

USING (<listOfFileContainers>)

[AUTORESIZE {NO|YES}] [INCREASESIZE integer {PERCENT|K|M|G}]

[MAXSIZE {NONE | integer {K|M|G}}]

ALTER TABLESPACE <tsName>

[AUTORESIZE {NO|YES}] [INCREASESIZE integer {PERCENT|K|M|G}] [MAXSIZE {NONE | integer {K|M|G}}]

- Existing syntax is still supported
 - Default is auto-resize disabled

In multi-partition databases (DPF), values provided are per-partition



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New CREATE/ALTER TABLESPACE Syntax (cont.)

- INCREASESIZE specifies the amount of space to automatically add to the tablespace when it becomes full
 - Specified as an explicit size (e.g. 64 M) or as a percentage of the size of the tablespace when the growth occurs (e.g. 10 PERCENT)
- MAXSIZE specifies the maximum size that the tablespace is allowed to grow to
 - NONE means "unlimited growth" (practically, there are still DB2 limits on tablespace size and space available to the file system(s))
 - Also limits how much space can be added via user-initiated container operations
- If AUTORESIZE is enabled (YES) but no values are specified, the defaults are:

INCREASESIZE = 32 M, MAXSIZE = NONE ("unlimited")



Examples

CREATE TABLESPACE TS1 MANAGED BY DATABASE USING (FILE 'TS1' 1000) AUTORESIZE YES

CREATE TABLESPACE TS2 MANAGED BY DATABASE USING (FILE '/dir/TS2/C0' 100 M, FILE 'dir/TS2/C1' 100 M) AUTORESIZE YES INCREASESIZE 50 M MAXSIZE 1 G

CREATE TABLESPACE TS3 MANAGED BY DATABASE USING (FILE 'D:\TS3' 2000)

ALTER TABLESPACE TS3

AUTORESIZE YES INCREASESIZE 50 PERCENT MAXSIZE NONE

CREATE TABLESPACE TS4 MANAGED BY DATABASE USING (FILE 'TS4' 200 M) AUTORESIZE YES

ALTER TABLESPACE TS4 AUTORESIZE NO



How Growth Occurs

- Table space will auto-extend when it is full and more space is needed
 - Can use fast storage allocation where available (eg. AIX JFS2, Windows)
- Only those containers that are part of the last range in the tablespace map will grow (see next slide for an explanation of *ranges*)
 - Ensures that a rebalance will never take place as part of an auto-resize
- Auto-growth will stop when any of the following happen:
 - The value specified for MAXSIZE is reached
 - One of the containers in the last range cannot grow any further
 - To preserve the level of striping, DB2 will not automatically extend the other containers in the last range
 - To continue growth, can add space to file system, or a new stripe set



A Quick Primer On Ranges

- Every DMS tablespace has a "map" that describes the logical and physical layout of the tablespace
- A **range** is a region of this map where the striping involves a unique set of containers

CREATE TABLESPACE TS1 MANAGED BY DATABASE USING (FILE 'cont0' 60, FILE 'cont1' 60, FILE 'cont2' 40) EXTENTSIZE 10 (remember: 1 extent per container is used to hold a container 'tag')



recommended – this is simply shown as an example

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Example of Auto-Growth Stopping



1) 2) **C**0 C1-or-



Adding the new stripe set here results in a new range being created in the tables space map. Hence, autoresize will only extend these new containers from here on.



-or-

Extending C0 results in a new range being created that holds only that one container. Since all of the containers in the last range can grow, auto-resize will resume (on only that container).

auto-growth again?

available on the file

system holding C1

(recommended if #1

not possible)

by some amount

(reduces striping)

Explicit ALTER TABLESPACE ...

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What is Automatic Storage ?

- New storage management technique where storage for multiple tablespaces is automatically managed at the database level
 - Multiple tablespaces automatically draw increments of storage from a "database storage pool" on demand
 - Removes need to watch out for disk shortages in each individual tablespace
 - Removes need to manually enlarge containers or add stripe sets
 - Uses DMS infrastructure internally : combines performance benefits of DMS infrastructure with manageability benefits of SMS

Non-Automatic Storage

- Tablespaces retain their other properties which can be useful for logical grouping of tables and objects, eg:
 - Combining logically related tables in the same tablespace so that they can be recovered together
 - Separating logically unrelated tables in different tablespaces so they can be recovered independently
 - Placing the objects of a table (data, index, long) in separate bufferpools



Automatic Storage





Automatic Storage Functionality

Automatic Storage allows you to …

Create a database and associate a set of storage paths with it

- Add storage paths to the database after creation
- Create AUTOMATIC STORAGE tablespaces
 - No explicit container definitions are provided
 - Containers automatically created across the database storage paths
 - Growth of existing containers and addition of new ones managed by DB2
- Redefine database storage paths during a database restore



New CREATE DATABASE Syntax

```
CREATE DATABASE database-name
  [AT DBPARTITIONNUM | [AUTOMATIC STORAGE {NO | YES}]
  [ON path[{,path}...][DBPATH ON path]]
  [CATALOG TABLESPACE tblspace-defn] [USER TABLESPACE tblspace-defn]
  [TEMPORARY TABLESPACE tblspace-defn] [WITH "comment-string"]]
  [AUTOCONFIGURE [USING config-keyword value [{, config-keyword
 value }...]]
  [APPLY {DB ONLY | DB AND DBM | NONE}]]
  tblspace-defn:
    MANAGED BY { SYSTEM USING ('string' [ {, 'string'} ... ] ) |
    DATABASE USING ({FILE | DEVICE} 'string' number-of-pages
    [ {, {FILE | DEVICE} 'string' number-of-pages} ... ]) | AUTOMATIC
          STORAGE }
    [EXTENTSIZE number-of-pages] [PREFETCHSIZE number-of-pages]
    [OVERHEAD number-of-milliseconds] [TRANSFERRATE number-of-
 milliseconds]
    [NO FILE SYSTEM CACHING | FILE SYSTEM CACHING]
    [AUTORESIZE {NO | YES}] [INITIALSIZE integer {K|M|G}]
    [INCREASESIZE integer {PERCENT|K|M|G}] [MAXSIZE {NONE | integer
          \{K|M|G\}\}
(Existing (non-automatic storage) behavior is the default if the new syntax is not explicitly used)
```



New CREATE DATABASE Syntax (cont.)

 Automatic storage can be enabled explicitly using the AUTOMATIC STORAGE YES option:

CREATE DATABASE TESTDB1 AUTOMATIC STORAGE YES CREATE DATABASE TESTDB2 AUTOMATIC STORAGE YES ON /db2data

- Or it can be implicitly enabled:
 - By specifying more than one path with the ON option
 - By specifying the DBPATH ON option

```
CREATE DATABASE TESTDB3 ON C:,D:
CREATE DATABASE TESTDB4 /fs1,/fs2,/fs3 dbpath on /fs0
```



New CREATE DATABASE Syntax (cont.)

- The paths listed with the ON option are the database's storage paths.
 - If ON is not specified then the database has one storage path, determined by database manager configuration parameter *dftdbpath*
- The database path is determined in the following order:
 - Path specified with the DBPATH ON option
 - If that is not specified, the first path listed with the ON option
 - If that is not specified, the database manager configuration parameter *dftdbpath*
- By default, SYSCATSPACE, TEMPSPACE1, USERSPACE1 and any subsequently created tablespaces are created as *automatic storage tablespaces* (more on these later), in an automatic storage database

Note: can override this; can create any mix of automatic storage and "normal" SMS or DMS



CREATE DATABASE (cont.)

Examples:

CREATE DATABASE TESTDB1

-Automatic storage enabled: No

-Database path: *dftdbpath*

CREATE DATABASE TESTDB2 ON /testdb2

-Automatic storage enabled: No

-Database path: /testdb2

CREATE DATABASE TESTDB3 AUTOMATIC STORAGE YES

-Automatic storage enabled: Yes

-Database path: dftdbpath

-Storage path: *dftdbpath*

CREATE DATABASE TESTDB4 AUTOMATIC STORAGE YES ON /dbdir

-Automatic storage enabled: Yes

-Database path: /dbdir

-Storage path: /dbdir

CREATE DATABASE TESTDB5 ON /db2/dir1,/db2/dir2,/db2/dir3

-Automatic storage enabled: Yes

-Database path: /db2/dir1

-Storage paths: /db2/dir1, /db2/dir2, /db2/dir3

CREATE DATABASE TESTDB6 ON d:\db2_as1,e:\db2_as2 DBPATH ON c:

-Automatic storage enabled: Yes

-Database path: c:

-Storage paths: d:\db2_as1, e:\db2_as2



New ALTER DATABASE SQL Statement

- Adds storage paths to an existing automatic storage-enabled database
 - Note that these paths may not be used until the existing paths are consumed
- Transactional in nature
 - Log record is written and eligible for replay during a roll forward command

Syntax:

ALTER DATABASE [<dbName>] ADD STORAGE ON '<path1>' [,'<path2>',...]

Examples:

ALTER DATABASE ADD STORAGE ON '/dbpath3' ALTER DATABASE ADD STORAGE ON 'D:\NewPath1', 'E:\NewPath2'



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What is an Automatic Storage Tablespace ?

- A tablespace that will automatically manage it's storage by drawing storage from the database storage paths
 - Automatically assigns containers to itself upon creation
 - Automatically grows these containers
 - > Automatically adds new containers (as new stripe sets) when appropriate
- Selected via new MANAGED BY AUTOMATIC STORAGE clause (or by not specifying a MANAGED BY clause at all)
 - Not really a new tablespace type, more like a new "storage management style"
 - Still uses the DMS infrastructure (SMS for temps more on this later)
- Requires no containers to be specified when the tablespace is created
 - Containers will be defined and allocated by DB2
 - Explicit container operations cannot be performed against the tablespace
- Have all of the other tablespace attributes (extent size, prefetch size, etc.)
- Can only be created in Automatic Storage databases (ie. databases that have storage paths defined)



New CREATE TABLESPACE Syntax

New syntax introduced for CREATE TABLESPACE:

```
CREATE TABLESPACE <tsName> [MANAGED BY AUTOMATIC STORAGE]

[INITIALSIZE integer {K|M|G}]

Same as what

was shown for

auto-resize earlier { NO|YES } [INCREASESIZE integer { PERCENT | K | M | G } ]

[MAXSIZE { NONE | integer {K|M|G} }]
```

- Default initial size is 32 MB and auto-resize is enabled by default
- Examples:

```
CREATE TABLESPACE user1
CREATE TEMPORARY TABLESPACE tempts
CREATE TABLESPACE myts INITIALSIZE 100 M MAXSIZE 1 G
CREATE LARGE TABLESPACE lrgts INITIALSIZE 512 M AUTORESIZE NO
CREATE REGULAR TABLESPACE user2 INITIALSIZE 50 M
CREATE TABLESPACE user4 MANAGED BY DATABASE USING ...
```

Container Name Format

<storage path>/<instance>/NODE####/<dbname>/T######/C#######.<EXT>

<storage path=""></storage>	A storage path associated with the database
<instance></instance>	The instance under which the database was created
NODE####	The database partition number (always NODE0000)
<dbname></dbname>	The name of the database
T#######	The tablespace ID
C#######	The container ID
<ext></ext>	A three-letter extension based on the type of data being stored:
	CAT - System catalog tablespace TMP - System temporary tablespace UTM - User temporary tablespace USR - User or regular tablespace LRG - Large tablespace

Examples:

/db2data/path1/kschlamb/NODE0000/TESTDB/T0000002/C0000000.USR E:\Storage\db2\NODE0000\PRODDB\T000000\C0000000.CAT



Regular/Large Automatic Storage Tablespaces : Details

- Regular and Large table spaces are created using DMS as the underlying tablespace type
 - With file containers
- Differences between automatic storage and non-automatic storage tablespaces:

Regular/Large Non-auto Storage DMS Tablespaces	Regular/Large Automatic Storage Tablespaces		
Containers must be explicitly provided when the tablespace is created.	Containers cannot be provided when the tablespace is created; they will be assigned and allocated automatically by DB2.		
Automatic resizing of tablespaces is off (AUTORESIZE NO) by default.	Automatic resizing of tablespaces is on (AUTORESIZE YES) by default.		
Container operations can be performed using the ALTER TABLESPACE statement (ADD, DROP, BEGIN NEW STRIPE SET, and so on).	DB2 automatically creates new stripe sets when appropriate. Explicit Container operations cannot be performed because DB2 is in control of space management.		
The initial size for the tablespace is implied by the size of the list of containers it is created with.	The initial size for the tablespace can be specified using the INITIALSIZE clause.		
A redirected restore operation can be used to redefine the containers associated with the tablespace.	The storage paths for the database can be redefined via database restore and/or relocate DB (more on these later), since storage management occurs at the database level.		



Regular/Large Tablespaces Mechanics1/4

- How does DB2 automatically assign containers to tablespaces ?
 - DB2 will choose to create 0 or 1 container per database storage path
 - Attempts are made to create containers with equal sizes (where possible)
 - Storage paths with a relatively small amount of space will be avoided (where possible)
 - Allows a more consistent set of striping as the tablespace grows (i.e. avoids hitting disk full right away, necessitating a new stripe set)
 - E.g. Three storage paths with 5 MB, 500 MB, and 600 MB of free space respectively. Table space is created with an initial size of 800 MB
 - The tablespace will be created with one container on each of the last two paths (each 400 MB in size)



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Regular/Large Tablespaces Mechanics

- Recently added storage paths are not used until a new stripe set is needed
- As described earlier in the auto-resize section, growth occurs by extending all of the containers in the last range of the map
 - When one of the containers is no longer able to grow, a new stripe set of containers is added
 - This is different than the basic auto-resize case discussed earlier (which would fail at this point with an SQL0289N error)
 - It is at this time that recently added storage paths can be considered for new containers



Regular/Large Tablespaces Mechanics







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Regular/Large Tablespaces Mechanics

A More Typical/Recommended Scenario





Temporary Automatic Storage Tablespaces : Details

- Temporary automatic tablespaces use SMS as the underlying tablespace type
 - > The auto-resize options have no meaning and cannot be specified
 - Remember that SMS is already an auto-extend type of infrastructure (where objects grow by a page or extent at a time)
- Differences between automatic storage and non-automatic storage tablespaces:

SMS Temporary Non-automatic Storage	Temporary Automatic Storage		
Containers must be explicitly provided when the tablespace is created.	Containers cannot be provided when the tablespace is created, they will be assigned and allocated automatically by DB2.		
Containers cannot be added after the tablespace has been created.	DB2 will redefine the containers across the storage paths at database startup.		
A redirected restore operation can be used to redefine the containers associated with the tablespace.	The storage paths for the database can be redefined via database restore and/or relocate DB (more on these later), since storage management occurs at the database level.		



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Temporary Tablespaces Mechanics

- The choice of which storage paths to create the tablespace on is based on the most effective use of space
 - With SMS tablespaces, remember that the smallest container is the limiting factor
 - E.g. two containers with 10 MB and 100 MB tablespace will be full after using 20 MB (10 MB in each)



Temporary Tablespaces Mechanics

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Given the following four storage paths, what is the best choice for the temporary tablespace?



NOTE: This isn't saying that the tablespace will use this much space, just that it possibly could





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Displaying Automatic Storage Paths

- Storage paths are displayed as part of a DATABASE snapshot
- For databases not enabled for automatic storage:

Number of automatic storage paths = 0

For databases enabled for automatic storage:

```
Number of automatic storage paths= ##Automatic storage path= <1st path>Automatic storage path= <2nd path>...
```

Can access this information through snapshot UDFs as well:

select num_db_storage_paths from table(snap_get_db('DBNAME', -1)) as dbinfo select db_storage_path from table(snap_get_sto_paths('DBNAME', -1)) as stgpaths



Tablespace Snapshot Output

Tablespace name Tablespace ID Tablespace Type Tablespace Content Type Tablespace Page size (bytes) Tablespace Extent size (pages) Automatic Prefetch size enabled Buffer pool ID currently in use Buffer pool ID next startup Using automatic storage Auto-resize enabled File system caching Tablespace State Tablespace Prefetch size (pages) Total number of pages Number of usable pages Number of used pages Number of pending free pages Number of free pages High water mark (pages) Initial tablespace size (bytes) Current tablespace size (bytes) Maximum tablespace size (bytes) Increase size (bytes) Time of last successful resize Last resize attempt failed Rebalancer Mode Minimum Recovery Time Number of quiescers Number of containers

= TS1 = 3 = Database managed space = Any data = 4096 = .32= Yes = 1 = 1 = Yes = Yes = Yes $= 0 \times ' 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 '$ = 32 = 4608= 4576= 4512= 0 = 64 = 4512= 1048576= 18874368= 104857600= 1048576= 02/14/2005 15:32:17.355772= No = No Rebalancing = 02/14/2005 15:31:57.030410= 0 = 1

New fields that are applicable to auto-resize and/or automatic storage tablespaces.

Note: these are also accessible via SQL via the snap_get_tbsp() and snap_get_tbsp_part() UDFs.

Tablespace Snapshot Output (cont.)

New elements are accessible through the snapshot UDFs as well:

```
select tbsp name,
       tbsp id,
       tbsp using auto storage,
       tbsp auto resize enabled
  from table(snap get tbsp('TESTDB', -1)) as tbsinfo
select tbsp name,
       tbsp id,
       dbpartitionnum,
       tbsp initial size,
       tbsp current size,
       tbsp max size,
       tbsp increase size,
       tbsp increase size percent,
       tbsp last resize time,
       tbsp last resize failed
  from table(snap get tbsp part('TESTDB', -1)) as tbspartinfo
```



New Automatic Storage Health Indicators

Automatic Storage

- Database automatic storage utilization (db.db_auto_storage_util)
 - Tracks free space in the database storage path(s)
 - Calculation: (db.auto_storage_used / db.auto_storage_total) * 100

Auto-Resize DMS File Tablespaces

- Table space automatic resize status (ts.ts_auto_resize_status)
 - Tracks whether or not a tablespace has failed to resize automatically
 - Values: Normal, Resize failed
- Automatic resize tablespace utilization (ts.ts_util_auto_resize)
 - Tracks the consumption of storage and free space for each auto-resize tablespace on which a maximum size has been defined

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Backup & Restore

- The syntax and behavior of the BACKUP command has not changed
- The syntax of the RESTORE command has changed to allow the redefinition of storage paths:

```
RESTORE DATABASE source-database-alias { restore-options | CONTINUE | ABORT }
restore-options:
  [USER username [USING password]] [TABLESPACE [ONLINE]
  TABLESPACE (tblspace-name [ {,tblspace-name} ... ]) [ONLINE]
  HISTORY FILE [ONLINE] | LOGS [ONLINE] | COMPRESSION LIBRARY [ONLINE]]
  [INCREMENTAL [AUTOMATIC | ABORT]] [USE {TSM | XBSA} [OPEN num-sess
SESSIONS]
  [OPTIONS {options-string | options-filename}]
  FROM dir/dev [{,dir/dev} ... ] | LOAD shared-lib [OPEN num-sess SESSIONS]
  [OPTIONS {options-string | options-filename}]] [TAKEN AT date-time]
  [[TO target-directory] | [ON path[{,path}...][DBPATH ON path]]]
  [INTO target-database-alias] [LOGTARGET directory]
  [NEWLOGPATH directory] [WITH num-buff BUFFERS] [BUFFER buffer-size]
  [DLREPORT file-name] [REPLACE HISTORY FILE] [REPLACE EXISTING] [REDIRECT]
  [PARALLELISM n] [COMPRLIB lib-name] [COMPROPTS options-string]
  [WITHOUT ROLLING FORWARD] [WITHOUT DATALINK] [WITHOUT PROMPTING]
```



Restore : Rules for Determining DBPATH and Storage Paths

- RESTORE will determine the database path and storage paths as follows
 - The **database path** (which is where DB2 stores various control files for the database)
 - If the TO clause or the DBPATH ON clause is specified: it indicates the database path
 - Else, if the ON clause is used, then the first path listed in the ON clause is used as the database path
 - If none of the TO, ON, or DBPATH ON clauses are specified, the dftdbpath database manager configuration parameter determines the database path
 - However, if a database with the same name exists on disk, the above is all ignored and the database is restored into the same database path as the existing database.
 - The storage paths (where DB2 creates automatic storage tablespace containers)
 - If the ON clause is specified, all of the paths listed are considered storage paths, and these paths are used instead of the ones stored within the backup image.
 - If the ON clause is not specified, no change is made to the storage paths (the storage paths stored within the backup image are maintained).



Restore (cont.)

CREATE DATABASE TESTDB ON /fs1, /fs2, /fs3 DBPATH ON /fs4

{Database is then backed up and eventually dropped}





Rollforward

- If the storage paths associated with a database are changed during a restore:
 - Log records associated with ADD STORAGE are not replayed during a subsequent rollforward

(The assumption is that you are choosing a final storage configuration for the database)

- If the storage paths associated with a database are not changed during a restore:
 - Log records associated with ADD STORAGE are replayed

(The assumption is that after you restore and rollforward you wish the database to be in the same state it was in prior to the restore)



db2relocatedb

- Can be used to change the database name, database path, and the location of tablespace containers
 - Can also be done using backup/restore
 - Benefit of the tool is speed (can use OS/file system tools to do the moving)
- Changes for automatic storage databases:
 - CONT_PATH cannot be specified for an automatic storage tablespace
 - STORAGE_PATH can be used to change a storage path

CREATE DATABASE TESTDB ON /DIR1,/DIR2,/DIR3

{move /DIR1->/NEWDIR1}
{move /DIR2->/NEWDIR2}
{move /DIR3->/NEWDIR3}

db2relocatedb -f config.txt



config.txt

DB_NAME=TESTDB INSTANCE=db2inst DB_PATH=/DIR1,/NEWDIR1 STORAGE_PATH=/DIR1,/NEWDIR1 STORAGE_PATH=/DIR2,/NEWDIR2 STORAGE_PATH=/DIR3,/NEWDIR3

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Using New Functionality On Existing Databases

- Auto-resize can be enabled for existing DMS FILE tablespaces, regardless of when they were created
 - ALTER TABLESPACE <tsName> AUTORESIZE YES
 - Can only be enabled if all of the containers are file (no raw devices)
 - For tablespaces with raw device containers you can do the following:
 - Backup the database (or individual tablespaces)
 - Do a redirected restore, specifying a list of file containers (instead of raw device containers)
 - Once the database is online, use ALTER TABLESPACE to enable it
- Currently, Automatic Storage can only be invoked on new databases



Moving Back To A Pre-V8.2.2 Level of DB2

- Auto-resize tablespaces can be used on older levels of DB2 provided that auto-resize is disabled first
 - ALTER TABLESPACE <tsName> AUTORESIZE NO
 - If not disabled then the database will be unusable
- Automatic storage databases are not usable on pre-V8.2.2. levels of DB2
 - Automatic storage databases have a significant amount of meta-data stored within them that is not recognized on older levels of DB2
 - Includes moving an instance back and connecting, or trying to restore a database backup (both will fail with errors)

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Best Practices

- When adding new containers to an auto-resize DMS tablespace
 - Add them via a new stripe set
 - Add containers that are the same size
- When defining/adding database storage paths, try to ensure the file systems associated with the paths are approximately equal in capacity



- Use the DBPATH clause to keep the database directory control data on different storage than the storage paths, and avoid using the file systems associated with the database storage paths for anything but DB2 tablespace data
 - Depending on the non-DB2 activity that is occurring, it can cause strange growth patterns for the automatic storage tablespaces
 - When determining free space on a storage path, DB2 will not use the last nn MB of space if it shares a file system with the following:
 - The database path (32 MB)
 - The system directory (Windows only 64 MB)



Automatic Storage on DPF

Storage paths are, by default, homogeneous across database partitions :





Automatic Storage on DPF

If desired, non-homogeneous setups are possible:





Automatic Storage by Default

Examples:

CREATE DATABASE TESTDB1

-Automatic storage enabled: No YES

-Database path: dftdbpath

-Storage path: *dftdbpath*

CREATE DATABASE TESTDB3 AUTOMATIC STORAGE NO

-Automatic storage enabled: No

-Database path: dftdbpath

CREATE DATABASE TESTDB6 ON D:\DB2_AS1,E:\DB2_AS2 DBPATH ON C:

-Automatic storage enabled: Yes

-Database path: C:

-Storage paths: D:\DB2_AS1, E:\DB2_AS2

CREATE DATABASE TESTDB1

- -Automatic storage enabled: No YES
- -Database path: dftdbpath
- -Storage path: dftdbpath

CREATE TABLESPACE MYTS

-Automatic storage tablespace automatically drawing storage from dftdbpath

CREATE TABLESPACE MYTS2 MANAGED BY DATABASE USING (FILE `a' 40000)

- Of course, any scripts or procedures that explicitly create non-AS tablespaces will still work and will still create non-AS tablespaces



And Finally ... Sorting our your Tablespace Options

Tablespace Option	Single Point of Storage Mgt for Multiple Table- spaces ?	Auto Container Growth ?	Auto Stripe Set Addition ?	File System Buffering ?	Allows Different Tablespaces & Bufferpools for a Table's Data, Index, & Long Data ?	Underlying Infrastructure
SMS	Νο	Yes	Νο	Selectable (DIO/CIO)	Νο	SMS
DMS File	Νο	Νο	Νο	Selectable (DIO/CIO)	Yes	DMS
RAW	Νο	Νο	No	No	Yes	DMS
File Auto-Resize	No	Yes	Νο	Selectable (DIO/CIO)	Yes	DMS
Automatic Storage	Yes	Yes	Yes	Selectable (DIO/CIO)	Yes	DMS (perm) SMS (temp)