



Beyond DB2 Viper

Technology Trends and Directions





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Key Requirements that Drive Product Plans

Customer Feedback and Requirements

- Add features requested by customers
- Focus in on high maintenance activities
- ISV Enablement
 - Add facilities and features that ease the migration effort to DB2
- SAP Relationship
 - Continuing enhancing DB2 to support SAP applications
- XML Exploitation
 - New and improved XML functionality in the engine
- Warehousing
 - Faster algorithms and new optimization techniques for large query workloads





Product Requirements

- Installation
- Database Control and Administration
- Manageability
- XML
- Scalability and Performance
- Optimizer
- ISV Enablement
- Workload Management and Monitoring
- Regulatory Compliance
- Problem Determination
- Application Development



Installation Requirements

Non-root Installation

- Capability to install and service a non-root DB2 on Unix or Linux
- May still require that some root-based features (e.g. OS authentication) be enabled post-install by a root user

Fix Pack Installation

- Eliminate the instance update phase
- Two high-maintenance activities that need to be eliminated
 - Automatic execution of db2iupdt and dasupdt after a fix pack has been deployed
 - Automatic binding of packages against the database using auto rebind for all utilities

Fix Pack Only

- No migration from one point release to another via a fix pack
- Eliminate "side-effect" of moving to a new release just to get product fixes
- Continue a separate maintenance stream for each Version and Release level





Database Control Requirements

- Reduce Administrative Console Requirements
 - Move to a complimentary web based Operational Console model
 - Remove requirements for specific Operating System to run console
 - Decouple Console delivery from data server release
- Focus on Operation Administration and Problem Determination
 - Day to day operational tasks
 - Add common view and tools across all DB2 data servers including
 - DB2 for Linux, Unix, Windows, DB2 for z/OS, IDS
- Console Prototype

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Manageability Requirements



- Single system view for Database Partition Facility
 - Various commands need to "view" the database as one entity rather than multiple partitions
 - Backup database, Update configuration parameters

Simplify Backup Administration

- Automatically delete expired backup images and log files
- Add additional options for automated backup
 - Compression, incremental and delta backups, log files in backup

Support Fully integrated flash copy support

- Automate the manual steps currently required for backup and restore with flash copy

Automatic Storage Enhancements

- Allow user to free unused space at the end table
- Integrated High Availability and Disaster Recovery solution (automated takeover)
 - Support integrated install, setup, maintenance and uninstall of TSA with DB2
 - Allow DB2 to maintain the cluster configuration of TSA for both HADR and non-HADR failover scenarios

Manageability Requirements

- Enhance row compression
 - Automatically Compress a Table without DBA intervention
 - Once a predetermined table size is reached then automatically create a dictionary based on sampling and data
 - All data that is inserted or accessed after the dictionary creation will be compressed
 - Removes need for DBA to manually run INSPECT or reorganize all tables









XML Requirements

XML Functions

- A number of key functions still required for full XML support
 - XMLRow: Publish rows as a sequence of elements
 - XMLGroup: Publish table as a document
 - XSLTransform: Extensible Style sheet Language Transformation (XSLT)
- Check constraints on XML Column
 - Need to manage the validation of XML values and columns through the use of XML Schema(s)
- Parameter passing to SQLQuery
 - XQuery lacking the capability to call SQL with parameters





XML Requirements

XML Replication

- Support replication of XML data to other databases
- Trigger Support on XML columns
 - Enable before trigger on new XML data for validation against schema
 - Removes the requirement for explicit validation with every insert statement
- Sub-document update
 - New draft specification for Xquery Update language support
 - Provide more support for structural modifications to XML documents
 - Replace section, append section, add description, etc.
 - Use internal DB2 implementation rather than external stored procedures

```
update T set doc = XMLQuery ('
transform
   copy $r := $doc
   do
      delete {$r/score},
      replaceValue of {$r/salary} with $r/salary * 1.1,
      insert {<d>Ph.D.</d>} into $r//emp,
      rename ($r/status[1]) to "state"
      return $r'
passing doc as "doc",
   cast (? as double) as "raise",
   id as "i");
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Scalability and Performance Requirements

Remove Process-Model Limitations

- Move to a threaded engine architecture
 - Provide basic execution parallelism independent of server type
 - Provide a single memory parameter for an entire DB2 node
 - control total memory allocated in DBMS, DB, and private memory.
- Eliminate most agent-level configuration parameters and automate the remainder (i.e., maxagents, numpoolagents, numinitagents)
- Reduce agent memory consumption

Faster MDC Rollout

- Index maintenance for the deleted rows can take too long
- Do delete processing of indexes as a background process

Faster Offline Redistribute

- Improve overall end to end performance.
- Reduce active log space requirement without requiring extra container storage
- Introduce table level control and improve progress monitoring during redistribution.



Optimization Requirements

Just in Time Statistics

- Provide on-line statistics needed by query optimizer
- Analyze the query, discover statistics which are beneficial for the query which don't exist and collect them before optimizing the query to help optimizer to generate a good access plan

Improve Query Performance Stability

- Avoid risky plans through specific heuristics
 - Favor fully qualified unique indexes
 - Improve list prefetch planning
 - Avoid risky Nested-Loop Joins / Table Scan plans
 - Avoid risky Merge Join that account for the overlap of inner and outer streams
- Improved Cardinality Estimation





ISV Application Requirements

Improved performance of LOB management

- Improve the performance when returning many rows containing LOB data

Database Roles

- Role membership is assigned to a user or group and role privileges are available for use in any and all activities under taken by the connection user.
- The existence of roles will allow for SQL objects like views, packages, or triggers to be created by users who acquire the needed privileges through roles assigned to them.

Application Programming Support

- Support a ARRAY data type for use within Procedures and applications
 - Simplify parameter passing
- Global Variables
 - Use SET, SELECT INTO, and VALUES INTO statement to manipulate variables
- Larger Identifier Support
 - Increase all identifiers to 128 bytes accept for a few:
 - Bufferpool, table space, index extension, ADT transform group, type mapping



ISV Application Requirements



Identity Assertion

- Provide a means whereby the end-user identity in a three-tier environment can be easily and efficiently propagated to the database server
- Introduce concept of a trusted context between a database server and a specific application tier

Decimal Floating Point

- New data type to represent base10 numbers accurately
 - DECFLOAT(16) => 16 digits and 8 bytes of storage
- Encoding and operations on decimal float are specified by IEEE

Optimistic Locking

- Provide a means to avoid maintaining long lived locks to ensure updates are only made to rows which haven't changed since the original query
 - ROWID: will be used to return the same physical location in the table
 - ROW CHANGE TOKEN : will validate that the row has not change by comparison with the provided token
 - Can be used to quickly determine the target of an update



Workload Management Requirements



- Introduce concept of a Service Class, Workload, Work Action Set, Concurrency and Database Activity Limits
 - Service Class
 - User defined entity that acts as a point of resource control and activity monitoring for a set of database activities
 - Workload
 - User defined entity used to identify and manage a set of work
 - Work Action Sets
 - A user defined entity that is used to discriminate between database activities for service class mapping and activity limit assignment
 - Concurrency Thresholds
 - A user defined entity that controls how many database activities may be processing at any one time
 - Database Activity Thresholds
 - A user defined entity that controls the behavior of database activities based on predictive and reactive elements

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Monitoring Requirements



- Monitoring and Control
 - Need table functions to allow quick ad hoc access to internal information via SQL from service classes and workload occurrences
 - Can provide information from one or more database partitions with one invocation
 - Type of information: statistics and current activities
 - New event monitors required to:
 - allow capture of detailed information of SQL statements from database or service classes
 - allow capture of detailed information of SQL statements from activity limits
 - allow capture of service class statistical information at regular intervals
 - New stored procedures
 - To cancel a database activity
 - To capture detailed information on a database activity (i.e. SQL statement)



Regulatory Compliance

Enhance the Audit Facility

- Need new audit records for the actual execution of dynamic and static SQL statements complete with SQL text with compilation environment (where appropriate) and, optionally, input data values
- Improve the audit log file infrastructure to support configuration of location and maximum file size
- Implement Fine grained audit control based on
 - inclusion lists of user, group, or role authorization IDs
 - table object based audit indicators
 - trusted context audit indicator
- Improve audit performance
- Increase family compatibility with DB2 for zOS





Improve Problem Determination



- Focus on top 10 SQL Codes
 - Improve error messages, filtering and error information for top 10 SQL codes (e.g. SQL1042)
- Improve Diagnostic Messages
 - Improve message and information for top 50 db2diag and admin log messages
- Data Consistency Diagnostic Checks
 - Enhance INSPECT with additional data consistency checks
- Dramatically improve the Problem Determination Guide
 - Document investigation scenarios in detail (e.g. how to investigate a memory leak)
 - Document the basic OS based problem determination tools (e.g. truss, pstack)
- Consolidate data collection tools
 - Provide standard set of tools and enhance around investigation scenarios



Unicode Database Enhancements

Enhance Unicode

- Create Unicode databases by default
- provide collation compatibility for customers moving from non-Unicode databases to Unicode databases
- Character sensitive functions
 - Update many of the existing string based functions to understand character semantics



Common AD and Tooling Requirements

- Common Application Development and Tooling in support of DB2 LUW, DB2 for z/OS, IDS, but decoupled from the Data Server release schedules
- AD technologies included:
 - Java Common Client (JCC), .NET, LinQ, PHP, Ruby, EGL, WebSphere persistence, AD tooling, open source AD offerings, CLI common client

- Differentiate IBM databases in the market through common APIs and Tooling
- Foster portable customer skills across our products through common User Experience
 - Leverage Eclipse for client intense use cases (analysis, development)
- Lower cost of development and service through reuse and support of common components
- Uniform experience for IBM's Data Server customers and ISV's

Java Application Development Requirements

• Description:

Market

- Support application development and execution for the Java platform
- Provide the ability to ...
 - Update JDBC standard level
 - Improve on XML and SOA tooling support
 - Improve Java capabilities for all servers
- Key technology components:
 - Python server support and IDS integration
 - JDBC 4 Compliance
 - Integrated Xquery builder and SOA web services tooling support
 - Integrate new unified Visual Explain

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Non-Java Application Development Requirements

Description:

Market

- Support application development and execution for the Microsoft and Open Source specific models
- Provide the ability to ...
 - Extend support for Open Source programming languages
 - Improve .NET capabilities for all servers
- Key technology components:
 - 64 bit .NET enablement and support for all servers
 - Support new server data types
 - Ruby on Rails support and PHP enhancements
 - Python server support
 - Integrated XQuery builder and support for SOA







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