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# z/TPF OpenLDAP Overview

- Fall 2008 - [PJ34025/PJ34027/PJ34028](#)
- [OpenLDAP 2.4.6](#) and [Berkley DataBase 4.6.21](#)
- OpenLDAP server (daemon)
- OpenLDAP client library
  
- OpenLDAP command line tools
- OpenLDAP administrative tools
- OpenLDAP security

## Why use OpenLDAP on z/TPF ?

1. Provide z/TPF application programmers with open standard APIs.
2. Enterprise directories can be accessed by z/TPF applications.
3. Better availability OpenLDAP server.
4. Ability to make local OpenLDAP client calls on z/TPF. Local fast response time if server on z/TPF.
5. Potential to leverage z/TPF advantages with OpenLDAP – driven by customer requirements.

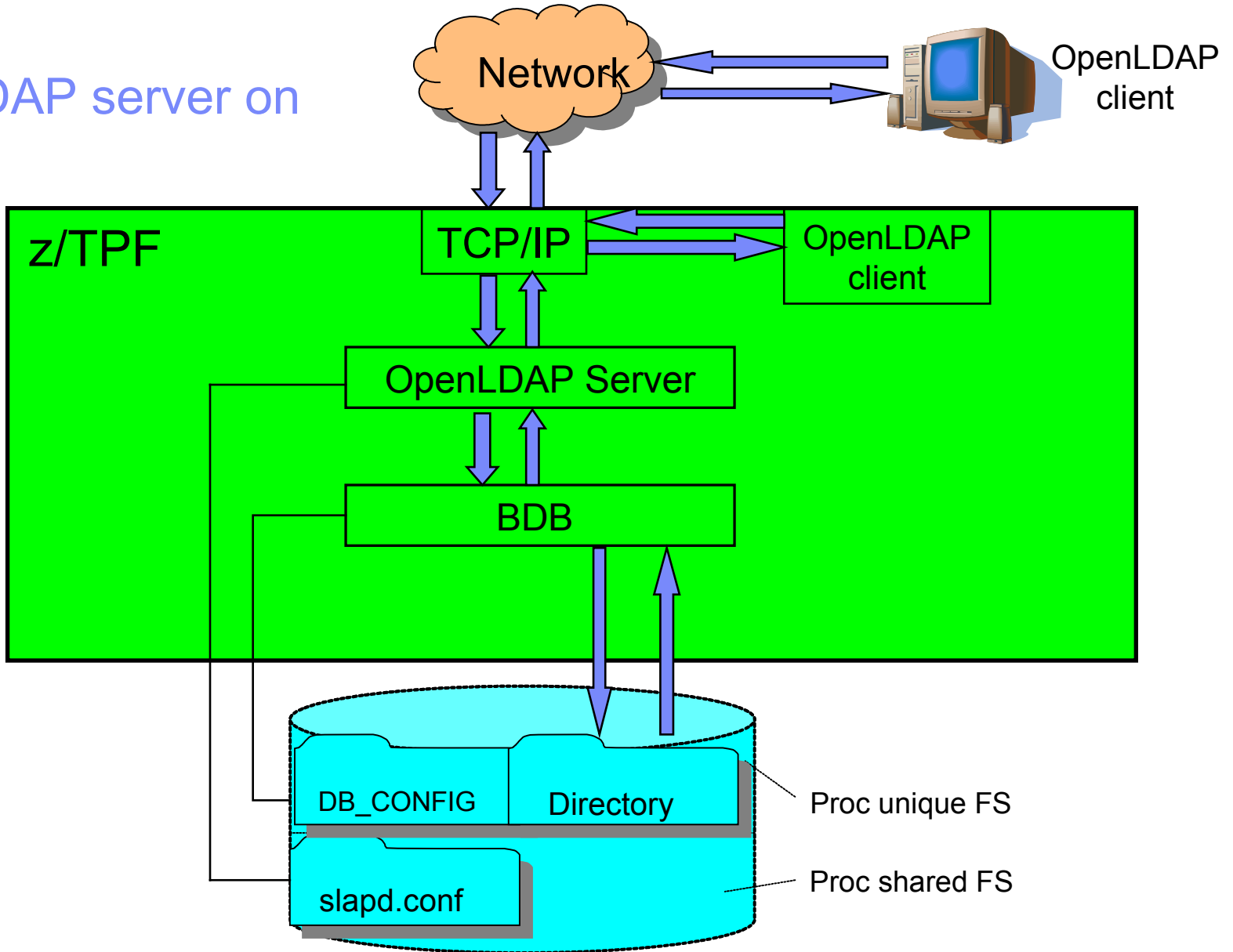
## Main ideas in this presentation

1. Since we ported OpenLDAP in 2008, we have not opened any APARs to fix bugs in OpenLDAP. There's been one enhancement APAR.
2. Good story about a customer wanting to use open source technology on z/TPF and IBM helping with an extended hand.
3. Hints/tips using OpenLDAP on z/TPF from TPF and customer experience.
4. Suggested tuning values based on TPF testing. These values may need to be modified based on specific implementations.

## OpenLDAP testing on z/TPF

- Large scale test effort on a single engine System z9 server
  - Over 1.5 million entries
  - Multiple indexes and caching used
  - Client and server on z/TPF
    - 200 writes/sec
    - 900 reads/sec
- Conclusion: OpenLDAP implementation on z/TPF was proven to be both reliable and scalable

# OpenLDAP server on z/TPF



## Where to find information

- [www.openldap.org](http://www.openldap.org): Lots of useful information. In particular, I often used the OpenLDAP Admin Guide and Manual Pages (both located in the middle of the initial web page).
- z/TPF Support for OpenLDAP User's Guide: z/TPF specific information for OpenLDAP including examples.
- Tools exist to create sample large databases. For example, slamd.



## General testing suggestions using OpenLDAP on z/TPF

- Run the same test on/off of z/TPF. I did this often with our testing and found it useful. Note there are 4 possible configurations:
  1. Client on z/TPF; server on another platform
  2. Client on z/TPF; server on z/TPF
  3. Client on another platform; server on z/TPF
  4. Client on another platform; server on another platform
- Run tests with smaller values and then try the same test with larger numbers. This helped understand how to better tune some values discussed in this presentation.
- If you do hit an issue, TCP/IP traces, OpenLDAP logs and dumps are useful.



## Sample client application

```
#include <ldap.h>

ldap_init("9.57.13.86", LDAP_PORT)

ldap_set_option(ld, LDAP_OPT_PROTOCOL_VERSION, &version );

ldap_simple_bind_s(ld, NULL, NULL );

ldap_search_ext_s(ld, "dc=example,dc=com", LDAP_SCOPE_SUBTREE,
"(sn=Curly)", NULL, 0, NULL, NULL, NULL, 0, &search_result );

for (current_entry = ldap_first_entry(ld, search_result); current_entry !=
NULL; current_entry = ldap_next_entry(ld, current_entry)) {
    if ((dn = ldap_get_dn( ld, current_entry )) != NULL)
        {printf( "dn: %s\n", dn ); ldap_memfree(dn);}    }

ldap_msgfree(search_result);

ldap_unbind(ld);
```

When building OpenDLAP (client or server), use correct version of ldap.h

- Want [/ztpf/cur/base/openldap/headers/ldap.h](#)
  - Contains define for LDAP\_DEPRECATED and e2a wrapper function prototypes
- Correct version automatically picked up when client .mak contains `makeupf_env += ldap_client`
- Do not want [/ztpf/cur/opensource/ldap/include/ldap.h](#)

# When running OpenLDAP, two configurations files are used

## OpenLDAP: slapd.conf

- A default OpenLDAP configuration file (opensource/ldap/servers/slapd/slapd.conf on the Linux system that you use for z/TPF system builds) is available and can be used as a sample but must be modified for use.
- This file needs to be FTP-ed to any location in the z/TPF file system.
- See <http://www.openldap.org/doc/admin24/slapdconf2.html> for more information how to modify this file.

## ... two configurations files are used

### Berkley DB: DB\_CONFIG

- Find the z/TPF sample version of the BDB configuration file (opensource/ldap/ztpf\_files/usr/local/var/openldap-data/DB\_CONFIG on the Linux system that you use for z/TPF system builds).
- This file needs to be FTP-ed to the z/TPF file system in the OpenLDAP directory (/usr/local/var/openldap-data/).
- If not present when OpenLDAP is started, will see following error in log:  
*FILE0002I 07.09.52 START OF ERROR DISPLAY FROM /usr/local/sbin/slapadd  
bdb\_db\_open: warning - no DB\_CONFIG file found in directory  
/usr/local/var/openldap-data: (129).*  
*Expect poor performance*
- See <http://www.openldap.org/doc/admin24/slapdconf2.html> for more information how to update this file. In addition, information about this file can be found at [http://docs.oracle.com/cd/E17276\\_01/html/programmer\\_reference/env\\_db\\_config.html](http://docs.oracle.com/cd/E17276_01/html/programmer_reference/env_db_config.html)

## Be careful to pick up the correct slapd.conf using command line tools

- ZINET ADD with the XPARM can be used to specify the location of the slapd.conf config file:

```
zinet add s-ldap pgm-clap model-daemon user-root act-oper xparm--  
/test/slapd.conf
```

- Some OpenLDAP commands can optionally take as input the configuration file. For example, a slapadd can be issued as follows:

```
zfile /usr/local/sbin/slapadd -v -l /test/myentries.ldif
```

This command will **not** use the slapd.conf specified by the ZINET ADD.

- The correct way to enter the OpenLDAP command is as follows:

```
zfile /usr/local/sbin/slapadd -v -f /test/slapd.conf -l /test/myentries.ldif
```

# OpenLDAP and BDB cache sizes

- **slapd.conf**

- **cache\_size** – Entries saved in this cache do not require parsing and can be used directly by OpenLDAP. This provides the fastest response time for queries. Parsed entries in memory are generally about twice as large compared to the unparsed entries in the BDB cache. Goal is to set to approximate working set of entries. We usually set to 10000 or 20000 entries in our testing.
- **idlcache** – Index Data Lookups. Holds the search results from a given query, so the IDL cache will end up holding the most frequently requested search results. A larger value will speed up frequent searches of indexed entries. For the BDB backend, it is recommended to use the same as cache\_size as a starting point.

- **DB\_CONFIG**

- **set\_cache\_size** – Entries saved in this cache always avoid an I/O but will require parsing, so this will be slower than the cache in slapd.conf. We usually set to a small value (1-meg) compared to the default (250-meg)

- **VFA**

- Entries in VFA can also avoid an I/O. This is unique to z/TPF and provides an extra layer of caching entries. Records are identified as VFA candidates in the record ID attribute table (RIAT). Can be defined as file immediate or file delay.

## BDB locks

Recommend increasing the default (1000) value for locks in DB\_CONFIG:

```
set_lk_max_locks 8000
```

```
set_lk_max_objects 8000
```

If not enough locks are defined, the following error will be displayed in the OpenLDAP log:

```
TPFTESTC CLAP[1735262242]: bdb(dc=example,dc=com): Lock table is out of available locks
```

# Threads

Important for threads running in a server process to have enough threads defined and a large enough thread stack to accommodate client calls to the server. In our testing, we ran with the following values:

- Twenty-five threads were sufficient to run the OpenLDAP server process (zctka alter mthd-25).
- A thread stack of at least 540 4-KB application stack frames was sufficient (zctka alter tstk-540).
  - If the thread stack is not large enough, you may see an OPR-4 dumps.



## ECB (process) Heap Storage – Recommend MAXXMMES be at least 200

Threads running in a process share heap storage. The OpenLDAP server will always be allowed to use the maximum number of 1-MB frames available to the process (In other words, `tpf_ebmaxc()` always called for the OpenLDAP server).

- Recommend the maximum number of 1-MB frames that an ECB (process) can use for 64-bit ECB heap be set to at least 200 1-MB frames (`zctka alter maxxmmes-200`)
- If the OpenLDAP server runs out of heap storage, the OpenLDAP server may detect the situation and write an error to the OpenLDAP log:  
*CLAP:/grss/put08/ibm/opensource/ldap/servers/slapd/ch\_malloc.c:57:  
ch\_malloc: Assertion `0' failed.*

# OpenLDAP messages in Data Collection/Reduction

1) Add counting to client code

```
#include <sys/socket.h>
```

```
tpf_tcpip_message_cnt(NSDB_INPUT_CNT, 389, NSDB_TCP_S, 1);
```

```
ldap_add_ext_s(ld,(char*)pAddEntryDn, mods, NULL, NULL);
```

```
tpf_tcpip_message_cnt(NSDB_OUTPUT_CNT, 389, NSDB_TCP_S, 1);
```

2) Update /etc/services to contain a line for ldap:

```
ldap 389/tcp weight-100 #LDAP
```

Note: Need to do a ZIPDB REFRESH after updating services file

## OpenLDAP server may get recycled when a new loadset is loaded

- Whenever one of the following programs is loaded (zldr), all OpenLDAP servers will get recycled:
  - CLAP, CATS, CLLB
  - CTOE, CSSL, CRYP, CSL5, CPKL, CRYK, USKC, USKP

## z/TPF Recovery Log Considerations

- The z/TPF recovery log is used as part of processing for OpenLDAP. The number of buffers should be increased to accommodate OpenLDAP usage. It is recommended to use values at least as large as 100 buffers (zctka alter rdbuf-100)
- If not enough buffers are defined, an OPR-I00C117 will result (Recovery log is full).

## Different ways to handle backup and restore of an OpenLDAP directory

1. OpenLDAP solution: slapcat utility will create a large LDIF file. Can recreate the whole database using the created file.
2. BDB solution using DB\_RECOVER:
  - Manually save the .bdb, log.xxxx and alock files from OpenLDAP directory (/usr/local/var/openldap-data/) at desired time intervals (.bdb files from time to time and log.xxxx files more frequently).
  - If there is an issue with the database, can run the DB\_RECOVER utility with the latest saved log.xxxx files to recover any lost entries. Alternatively, can remove all files from the directory, copy both .bdb and log.xxxx files and run the DB\_RECOVER utility.
  - I found it useful to have a snapshot of large systems that I built. A snapshot means copying all the .bdb, log.xxxx and alock files from the OpenLDAP directory (/usr/local/var/openldap-data/) at the same time. This set of files can then be used copy that directory to any system. For example, can run tests on linux with a copied directory.

## Displaying OpenLDAP server ECBs

- The best way to display the OpenLDAP server ECBs is to start with the CLAP ECB and show all the threads in the process with that ECB. The "M" after the ECB address means master (or initial) thread ECB.
- CLAP is the main OpenLDAP server program. CTHD is the thread library. Most threads in any process will display as CTHD. CTOE is the program for the ASCII/EBCDIC conversion routines.

```
zdecb thread 1016F000
```

```
CSMP0097I 12.11.45 CPU-B SS-BSS SSU-HPN IS-01
```

```
DECB0014I 12.11.45 DISPLAY ECB SUMMARY
```

ECB ADDR	SSU	IS	PGM	TRC	MIN	SC	ORIGIN	I	H	DSP	SVC
10136000	MHPN	1	CTHD	CTHD	999	51	CXFR	1		0	SAWNC
1016F000	HPN	1	CLAP	CLAP	999	51	CXFR	1		0	EVNWC
10181000	HPN	1	CTOE	CTOE	999	50	CXFR	1		0	SAWNC
10184000	HPN	1	CTHD	CTHD	999	47	CXFR	1		0	SAWNC
TOTAL		4									

## Memory usage in OpenLDAP

- **When running OpenLDAP, may see large spikes in 1-MB frame usage. This is normal. Worker threads get created as needed with dedicated heap storage. In addition, some of the frames can be related to having a small preallocated 64-bit system heap (contain heap control entries used by the system).**
- **Some sample numbers seen were spikes as follows: 28, 42, 55, 70**
- **Next two slides show how to monitor these values**

# Display to show 1-MB frames used by OpenLDAP

ZSTAT owner block-frm1mb

CSMP0097I 11.29.52 CPU-B SS-BSS SSU-HPN IS-01

STAT0023I 11.29.52 BLOCK OWNER DISPLAY

	IOB	FRAME	COMMON	SWB	ECB	FRM1MB
ALLOCATED	4096	5000	250	2048	150	500
AVAILABLE	4096	4727	247	1862	117	283

—

	IOB	FRAME	COMMON	SWB	ECB	FRM1MB
ISYSHEAP						93
ICRPA						69
<b>ILDAPD</b>						<b>70</b>
INETD						15
ISSL						10
ITCPIP						2
ISMP						1

END OF DISPLAY+



## Display to show preallocated heap and in-use heap

```

zstat sysheap name-ISYSHEAP.ISYSH64.*
CSMP0097I 04.46.38 CPU-C SS-BSS SSU-2V IS-01
STAT0026I 04.46.38 SYSTEM HEAP STORAGE OWNER DISPLAY
                                31-BIT HEAP    64-BIT HEAP
PREALLOCATED SIZE      (KB)          N/A          4096
PREALLOCATED IN USE    (KB)          N/A          4096
1MB FRAME STORAGE      (KB)          5120         31744
HEAP STORAGE IN USE    (KB)          4140         27856
AVAILABLE LIST SIZE    (KB)          980          7984
MAX STORAGE IN USE     (KB)          5176         34336
SIZE OF HEAP           (KB)          1044480      925696
                                TOTAL    31-BIT HEAP    64-BIT HEAP
CP                        15160          0          15160
CFVS                      28            0            28
END OF DISPLAY

```

# Enable the Socket Sweeper

If OpenLDAP client sockets are not closed properly (ie., application abends), they will not get cleaned up as demonstrated in this display. Use the Socket Sweeper (for example, znkey sockswp-1) to automatically clean up OpenLDAP client sockets regardless of errors in the client application.

zsock sum proto-tcp

SOCK0021I 05.57.57 SOCKET SUMMARY INFORMATION

SOCKET	LOCAL	LOCAL	REMOTE	REMOTE	PROT	STATE
DESC	IP	PORT	IP	PORT		
00C00002		21			TCP	LISTEN
00C00005		1000			TCP	LISTEN
00C00007		80			TCP	LISTEN
00C00008		1414			TCP	LISTEN
00C00009		8080			TCP	LISTEN
00C00015		389			TCP	LISTEN
00C00023	10.014.162.012	389	10.014.162.012	3961	TCP	ESTABLISHED
00C00022	10.014.162.012	3961	10.014.162.012	389	TCP	ESTABLISHED
SUMMARY TOTAL		8				

# PJ40275 – OpenLDAP enhancement

## **Abstract:**

OpenLDAP should not run in heap check mode and the db\_recover utility should be enabled

## **Comments:**

OpenLDAP servers use large amounts of ECB heap storage and could run out of available memory in the ECB heap when heap check mode is enabled.

Berkley DB (BDB), the recommended backend database for OpenLDAP, has a utility for catastrophic recovery when the OpenLDAP server cannot be started or data has been lost. The utility, db\_recover, should be enabled so that critical OpenLDAP data is not lost.

## **Solution:**

When the OpenLDAP server is started, a call to `tpf_eheap_heapcheck()` with the `TPF_EHEAP_HEAPCHECK_DISABLE` option has been added to disable heap check mode for that process.

A new program, CDBR, has been created to allow the db\_recover utility in BDB to be called from the command line.

# PJ40388 - ECB Heap Performance Enhancement

## Abstract:

ECB HEAP PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT

## Comments:

Testing has revealed that when a process has many ECB heap allocations (1000+ requests) there is a performance hit for free() processing. This is because control entries for each heap buffer are found using a hash mechanism. The number of hash buckets for a process is hard-coded to 97. As the number of heap allocations increase, the hash chains become large and chain-chasing becomes expensive.

As an experiment, we patched in code to ECB heap processing to keep track of the number of heap allocations. When the average hash chain reaches 10 (total number of control entries =  $10 * 97$ ), a 1MB of system heap storage is allocated for a new, "extended" hash table to set up 131071 hash buckets. The existing control entries are hashed into the new table setting up new, short hash chains.

## Solution:

The ECB heap control table structure and associated processing have been updated to track the number of in use ECB heap control table entries for a given process. When the number of control table entries reaches a threshold value (calculated with new equates  $IEHCT\_HASH\_CHAIN\_MAX * IEHCT\_HASH\_PRIME$ ), then a 1MB 64-bit system heap allocation is used as an extended hash table to reduce hash chain lengths and improve free()/FREEEC performance.

## Summary of z/TPF APARs recommended for OpenLDAP

- PJ39769 - An incorrect return code from z/TPF's select() API could cause LDAP server failures, or other unpredictable results from socket applications.
- PJ39766 - PFS filesystem may not correctly read and write FileSizeMax and DirSizeMax extended file attributes to the internal PFS inode record
- PJ39709 - CTL-2 may be issued when a time sliced ECB is testing its PSW against the hook branch table.
- PJ40420 - inet\_ntoa() function erroneously gets new malloc storage potentially causing memory leak
- PJ40388 - ECB Heap Performance Enhancement
- PJ40516 - Large PFS, FFS, MFS and VCFX files not supported correctly (file sizes greater than 1GB).
- PJ40275 – OpenLDAP enhancement: OpenLDAP should not run in heap check mode and the db\_recover utility should be enabled.
- PJ39806 - Locking problems such as CTL-571, CTL-572 or CTL-573 may occur when calling getpid() from a program that is marked as timesliceable.
- PJ39819 - memory leak using fopen() in a threaded environment.
- PJ40578 – syslog performance change

# Summary of configurable values used testing OpenLDAP

- **Sample storage allocation values (zctka alter):**

- mthd-25 tstk-600
- maxxmes-200
- frm1mb-500
- sha-30
- rlbuf-100

- **slapd.conf**

- cachesize 20000
- idlcachesize 20000
- searchstack 8
- threads 8
- loglevel 256 (default)
  - Command line option: -d 256 (for example, ZINET Alter S-ldap XPARAM--f /test/slapd.conf -d 256)

- **DB\_CONFIG**

- set\_cachesize 0 1048576 1
- set\_lk\_max\_locks 8000
- set\_lk\_max\_objects 8000
- set\_lg\_dir /usr/local/var/openldap-logs

## Upgrade of OpenLDAP under investigation

- Upgrade the versions of OpenLDAP and backend Berkely DataBase (BDB) for z/TPF
  - Multiple master support - allow a server to always remain active. This is important in the case where a server gets recycled when a new loadset is loaded.
- Add counting of OpenLDAP messages into the server for Data Collection/Reduction
- OpenLDAP update at the next TPFUG

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