Enhancements to z/TPF Support for MongoDB

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With z/TPF Support for MongoDB, you can access
existing z/TPFDF databases using standard MongoDB client
libraries from a wide variety of platforms and languages.





Filtered Collection ObjectID Queries (PJ45541, April 2019)

Background

- By default, MongoDB clients receive a document containing **all LRECs** in a subfile when querying z/TPF Support for MongoDB.
- Use filtered collections to provide a different view of the document that z/TPF Support for MongoDB sends to the client.



MongoDB clients must use a **different interface** to access the **same data**, depending on whether they are accessed using a filtered collection or not.

Pain Points

- MongoDB clients can locate documents in unfiltered collections by ObjectID (based on **prime file address**). Filtered collections require additional information to locate documents.
- Even if a MongoDB client knows the file address of a z/TPFDF subfile that is stored in a filtered collection, it will **not** be able to locate the subfile with that information alone.

With Filtered Collection ObjectID Queries (PJ45541), you can access different views of the same z/TPFDF subfile in a **uniform manner**.

Technical Details

- Use the new idType attribute in the z/TPFDF collection descriptor to identify documents in filtered collections by **prime file address**.
 - Setting the idType attribute allows both filtered and unfiltered collections to query documents using the same ObjectID value.
- Can only be used on collections that have filtering rules based on **static data**.
- You must explicitly set the idType option to use this support. Installing this APAR will **not** affect the current behavior of z/TPF Support for MongoDB.



Configurable Socket Buffer Sizes (PJ45541, April 2019)

Background

- z/TPF Support for MongoDB uses the system default size for TCP/IP **socket buffers**.
- Any MongoDB documents larger than the buffer size can **introduce latency** within requests.

With Configurable Socket Buffer Sizes (PJ45541), you can configure z/TPF Support for MongoDB to **reduce latency** when working with large documents.

Technical Details

- To change the send and receive buffer sizes on z/TPF Support for MongoDB, use the new --sbuf (send buffer) and --rbuf (receive buffer) parameters on the z/TPF Support for MongoDB ZINET server definition.
- MongoDB clients should be configured to use equivalent buffer sizes.
 - For example, if the client's receive buffer is smaller than the server's send buffer (or vice versa), this could introduce a bottleneck.
- Tune buffer sizes based on the size of your MongoDB documents to **minimize latency** between z/TPF and your MongoDB clients.



Persistent MongoDB Cursors (PJ45514, December 2019)

Background

- Cursors in MongoDB represent a list of documents in a collection that can be used across **multiple requests**.
- MongoDB clients can use a cursor to iterate through each item in a list and process the entire list in small batches.
- The original release of z/TPF Support for MongoDB managed cursors in **system heap**.
- Any MongoDB request could potentially be routed to **any processor** in a loosely-coupled complex.

MongoDB cursors **cannot be shared** among processors in a loosely-coupled complex.

Pain Points

 MongoDB cursors are managed in system heap. A processor in a loosely-coupled complex cannot use a cursor that was created in another processor.



With Persistent MongoDB Cursors (PJ45514), MongoDB clients can read items in a list of documents, **independent** of which processor handles the requests.

Technical Details

- MongoDB cursors are now maintained in the new z/TPFDF database IRMCUR.
 - To install this APAR, you must allocate #MONGOCR records in the FACE table.
- Allocating more #MONGOCR records allows for more total concurrent cursors. Tune to suit your workload.





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 - Filtered Collection Queries by ObjectID
 - Access different views of your data in a uniform manner
 - Configurable Socket Buffer Sizes
 - Fine-tune network operations for performance benefits
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 - Read a list of documents across multiple processors in a loosely-coupled complex

Learn More

- Knowledge Center: z/TPF Support for MongoDB
- <u>z/TPF Support for MongoDB Starter Kit</u>
- <u>MongoDB challenge in TPFUG Challenge 2019</u>
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Virtual TPFUG Q&A

Summary of Q&A from the virtual TPFUG event:

Question	Answer
Q: For filtered collections, where various clients see various views, where are those rules saved and what is the key to find them?	A: Those rules are kept in the <u>z/TPFDF collection descriptor</u> , which is a common deployment descriptor. Each filtered view that you want to use will require you to deploy a different collection descriptor. You cannot use one collection descriptor to represent multiple different filtered views.

Thank You

Questions? Comments?





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