CICS Transaction Server - Acronyms & Abbreviations



The most common acronyms and abbreviations used in an IBM CICS Transaction Server environment are listed on the following pages Please be aware there are lots more than just these!

Α

ACB Access Method Control Block

ACCE Accessor Environment Element

ACF Advanced Communications Function

ACTNDEF In real-time analysis, a definition of the type of external notification that

is to be issued when the conditions identified in an analysis definition are

true

ADS Area Data Set

ADSP Automatic Data Set Protection

AGN Application Group Name

AID Automatic Initiate Descriptor - a control block used internally by CICS for

scheduling purposes

AID Attention Identifier

AITM Autoinstall Terminal Model

AMODE Addressing Mode

AMS Access Method Services

ANSI American National Standards Institute

OR Application-Owning Region

APAR Authorized Program Analysis Report

APF Authorized Program Facility

API Application Programming Interface



APM Analysis Point Monitoring

APPC Advanced Program-to-Program Communication

APPLID Application Identifier

AR Access Register

ARM Automatic Restart Manager

AR mode Access Register mode

ASCII American Standard Code for Information Interchange

ATI Automatic Transaction Initiation

AXM The Authorized Cross-memory server environment

В

B byte

b binary digit

BAS Business Application Services

BMP program Batch Message Processing program

BMS Basic Mapping Support

bpi bits per inch

bps bits per second

BSAM Basic Sequential Access Method

BTAM Basic Telecommunications Access Method

BTS Business Transaction Services



C

CA Control Area

CART Command And Response Token

CCB Connection Control Block

CCB Connection Control Block

CCSID Coded Character Set Identifier

CCTL Coordinator Control Subsystem

CDB Conversation Data Block

CDSA CICS Dynamic Storage Area

CDT Class Descriptor Table

CEB Conditional End Bracket

CI Control Interval

CICS Customer Information Control System

CICS BTS CICS Business Transaction Services

CICSplex A set of CICS systems that are managed and manipulated as if they were

a single entity

CICS/TS CICS Transaction Server

CKD Count Key Data device

CLAUTH Class Authority

CMAS CICSPlex SM Address Space

COBOL Common Business Oriented Language

COMMAREA Communication Area



COS Class Of Service

CPC Central Processor Complex

CPI Common Programming Interface

CRC Command Recognition Character

CRL Certificate Revocation List

CSA Common System Area

CSD CICS System Definition Dataset

CSI Consolidated Software Inventory

CUA Common User Access

CVDA CICS-Value Data Area

CWA Common Work Area

D

DB Database

DBCTL Database Control

DBD Database Description

DB PCB Database Program Communication Block

DBRC Database Recovery Control

DRA Database Resource Adapter

DCB Data Control Block



ddname data definition name

DEDB Data Entry Database

DIB Data Interchange Block

DIP Data Interchange Program

DL/I Data Language/I

DMB Data Management Block

DOR Data-Owning Region

DSNAME block Data Set Name Block

DSNB Data Set Name Block

DB2 Data Base 2 - a family of IBM licensed programs for relational database

management

DBCS Double-Byte Character Set

DWE Deferred Work Element

DR Definite Response

DFH a 3-character prefix of all CICS modules

DFHDUP Dump Utility Program

DFHDYP Dynamic Transaction Routing Program

DFHMDF Field Definition Macro

DFHMDI Map Definition Macro

DFHMSD Map Set Definition Macro

DFHOSTAT Sample Statistics Program

DFHSIP SIP System Initialization Program





DFHSTUP STUP Statistics Utility Program

DIB DL/I Interface Block

DIB Data Interchange Block

DIP Data Interchange Program

DLA Discovery Library Adapter

DPL Distributed Program Link

DTP Distributed Transaction Processing

DUW Distributed Unit of Work

DLISAS DLI Separate Address Space

DNS Domain Name System

DPL Distributed Program Link

DSA Dynamic Storage Area

Ε

EBCDIC Extended Binary Coded Decimal Interchange Code

ECB Event Control Block

ECDSA Extended CICS Dynamic Storage Area

ECI External Call Interface

ECKD device Extended Count Key Data device

ECSA Extended Common Service Area



EDF Execution Diagnostic Facility

EEQE Extended Error Queue Element

EIB **EXEC Interface Block**

EJB Enterprise JavaBeans

ELPA Extended Link Pack Area

EMP Event Monitoring Point

EOC End-Of-Chain

EOF End-Of-File

EP adapter Event Processing adapter

EPI External Presentation Interface

EPR EndPoint Reference

ER **Exception Response**

ERDSA Extended Read-only Dynamic Storage Area

ESDS Entry-Sequenced Data Set

ESM External Security Manager

ESQA Extended System Queue Area

ESSS **Environment Services System Services**

EUDSA Extended User Dynamic Storage Area

EXCI External CICS Interface

F



FBA Fixed-Block Architecture

FCT File Control Table

FEPI Front-End Programming Interface

FFDC First-Failure Data Capture

DFHMDF Field Definition Macro

FCT File Control Table

FOR File-Owning Region

FRTE File Request Thread Element

FFDC First-Failure Data Capture

FME Function Management End

FMH Function Management Header

G

GCDSA Grande CICS Dynamic Storage Area

GDDM Graphical Data Display Manager

GDS Generalized Data Stream

GDSA Grande Dynamic Storage Area

GID Group ID

GRS Global Resource Serialization

GSAM Generalized Sequential Access Method

GTF Generalized Trace Facility



GWA Global Work Area

Н

HDAM Hierarchical Direct Access Method

HFS Hierarchical File System

HIDAM Hierarchical Indexed Direct Access Method

HLL High-Level Language

HPO High-Performance Option

HSSP High-Speed Sequential Processing

L

I/O Input/Output

ICE Interval Control Element

ICF Integrated Catalog Facility

ICP Interval Control Program

IDCAMS A multifunction utility that is used to manage catalogs, devices, and both

VSAM and non-VSAM data sets

IDL Interface Definition Language

IdML Identity Markup Language

IMS Information Management System

IMS/DB Information Management System/Data Base



IMS/DC Information Management System/Data Communications

IMS/TM Information Management System/Transaction Manager

IP Intellectual Property

IP Internet Protocol

IPCS Interactive Problem Control System

IPIC Internet Protocol interconnectivity

IPL Initial Program Load

IPv4 Internet Protocol version 4

IPv6 Internet Protocol version 6

IRC Inter Region Communication

IRLM IMS Resource Lock Manager

IRLM Internal Resource Lock Manager

IRN Intermediate Routing Node

ISAM Indexed Sequential Access Method

ISC Intersystem Communication

ISDN Integrated Services Digital Network

ISO International Organization for Standardization

ITR Internal Throughput Rate

ITU-T International Telecommunication Union Telecommunication

Standardization Sector; the part of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) that is responsible for developing recommendations for

telecommunications

IVP Installation Verification Procedure



J

J2EE Java Platform, Enterprise Edition

JAR Java Archive

Java EE Java Platform, Enterprise Edition

JCA Java EE Connector Architecture

JCL Job Control Language

JDBC Java Database Connectivity

JNDI Java Naming and Directory Interface

JSP JavaServer Pages

JVM Java Virtual Machine

K

KSDS Key-Sequenced Data Set

L

LAN See local area network

LE Language Environment - an element of z/OS that provides a common

runtime environment and common runtime services for C/C++, COBOL,

PL/I, and Fortran applications

LDAP Lightweight Directory Access Protocol

LDC Logical Device Component

LIFO Last-In First-Out - a queuing technique in which the next item to be

retrieved is the item most recently placed on the queue



LISTCAT A VSAM tool that provides information that interprets the actual situation

of VSAM data sets

LLA Library Lookaside

local CMAS The CICSPlex SM address space (CMAS) that a user identifies as the

current context when performing CMAS configuration tasks

local DL/I DL/I residing in the CICS address space

LSR Local Shared Resource

LP, LPAR Logical Partition

LPA Link Pack Area

LSQA Local System Queue Area

LU Logical Unit

LU type 62 An SNA logical unit type that converges functions from existing LU types

to provide a single, interchangeable communication protocol

LUW Logical Unit of Work

LUWID Logical Unit of Work Identifier

M

MAP Message Addressing Property

MAS Managed Application System

MDT Modified Data Tag

MLPA Modified Link Pack Area

MODB Major Object Descriptor Block



MOEB Major Object Environment Block

MRO Multi Region Operation

MSDB Main Storage Database

MTO Master Terminal Operator

MVS Multiple Virtual Storage

MVS/DFP MVS/Data Facility Product

N

NACP Node Abnormal Condition Program

NAU Network Addressable Unit

NCP Network Control Program

NEB Node Error Block

NEP Node Error Program

NET Node Error Table

NETNAME In CICS, the name by which a CICS terminal or a CICS system is known

to z/OS Communications Server

NLDM Network Logical Data Manager

NPDA Network Problem Determination Application

NSR Non-Shared Resource

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OASN Origin Application Schedule Number

OIDCARD A small card with a magnetic stripe encoded with unique characters and

used to verify the identity of a terminal operator to RACF

OLDS Online Log Data Set

OMG Object Management Group

open TCB Open Task Control Block

OPID Operator Identification

ORB Object Request Broker

OS Operating System

OSAM Overflow Sequential Access Method

OSI Open Systems Interconnection

P

RSM

PAM Page Allocation Map

PAPL Participant Adapter Parameter List

parm Parameter

partner LU partner Logical Unit

PCA Page Control Area

PCB Program Communication Block

PCP Program Control Program

PDI Primary Delay Interval



PDIR PSB directory

PDS Partitioned Data Set

PDSE Partitioned Data Set Extended

PEM requester Any APPC device or node capable of initiating a conversation with the

architected sign-on transaction

PEM server Any APPC LU that supports the receive side of APPC PEM, ie it can attach

(but not initiate) the signon transaction

PEP Program Error Program

PI Program Isolation

PIP Program Initialization Parameter

PIU Path Information Unit

PL/I Programming Language 1 - a procedure-oriented language designed for

solving complex scientific problems or for running complicated business

applications

PLPA Pageable Link Pack Area

PLT Program List Table

PLU Primary Logical Unit

POJO Plain Old Java Object

PSA Prefixed Save Area

PSB Program Specification Block

PST Partition Specification Table

PSW Program Status Word

PTF Program Temporary Fix



PV Persistent Verification

Q

QSAM Queued Sequential Access Method

R

RA Repeat to Address

RACE Receive-Any Control Element

RACF Resource Access Control Facility

RACHECK request In RACF, the issuing of the RACHECK macro or the RACROUTE macro

with REQUEST=AUTH specified The primary function of a RACHECK request is to check a user's authorization to a RACF-protected resource

or function See also RACROUTE

RACINIT request In RACF, the issuing of the RACINIT macro or the RACROUTE macro

with REQUEST=VERIFY or REQUEST=VERIFYX specified A RACINIT request is used to verify the authority of a user to enter work into the

system See also RACROUTE

RACROUTE In RACF, a macro that provides a means of calling RACF to provide

security functions See also RACHECK request, RACINIT request

RAIA See Receive-Any Input Area

RBA Relative Byte Address

RC Return Code

RDB Relational Database

RDM Resource Definition Macro

RDO Resource Definition Online



RDSA Read-only Dynamic Storage Area

RECON data sets Recovery Control Data Set

remote MAS A managed application system (MAS) that uses MRO or LU 62 to

communicate with the CICSPlex SM address space (CMAS) that controls it A remote MAS may or may not reside in the same MVS image as the

CMAS that controls it

RETAIN Remote Technical Assistance and Information Network - a database used

by IBM Support Centers to record all known problems with IBM licensed

programs

RH Request Header

RIS Recoverable In-doubt Structure

RLDS Recovery Log Data Set

RMF Resource Measurement Facility

RMI Remote Method Invocation

RMI Resource Manager Interface

RODM Resource Object Data Manager

RPL Request Parameter List

RRDS Relative Record Data Set

RRN Relative Record Number

RSCS Remote Spooling Communications Subsystem

RSD Restart Data Set

RSE Recoverable Service Element

RSS Really Simple Syndication

RTA Real-Time Analysis





RTO Recovery Time Objective

RU Request Unit

S

SAA Storage Accounting Area

SAF System Authorization Facility

SAM Sequential Access Method

SBA Set Buffer Address

SBCS Single-Byte Character Set

SCA Service Component Architecture

SCS SNA Character String

SDF Screen Definition Facility

SDLC Synchronous Data Link Control

SDSA Shared Dynamic Storage Area

SDT System Dump Table

SDUMP System Dump

SDWA System Diagnostic Work Area

SI Shift-in character

SIT System Initialization Table

SL Standard Label



SLA Service Level Agreement

SLDS System Log Data Set

SLU Secondary Logical Unit

SLU P An LU0 protocol defined by IMS as a protocol to communicate between

a programmable workstation and IMS IMS is the Primary Logical Unit (PLU) and the workstation is the Secondary Logical Unit (SLU) in the

connection

SLU2 a secondary logical unit that uses LU2 protocols

SMF System Management Facilities

SMF header Component of a CICS monitoring or statistics SMF record that describes

the system creating the output

SMP/E System Modification Program/Extended

SNA Systems Network Architecture

SNT Sign-on Table

SNTTE Sign-on Table Terminal Entry

SO Shift-out character

SOS Short-On-Storage

SP System Performance

SPI System Programming Interface

SQA System Queue Area

SRB Service Request Block

SRM System Resources Manager

SRM System Resources Manager



SRT System Recovery Table

SSA Segment Search Argument

STOKEN Security Token

STS Source Temporary Store

STSN Set and Test Sequence Number

STSN Handler A user-provided part of a FEPI application that handles STSN requests

SVC Supervisor Call

SWA Scheduler Work Area

SYSMOD System Modification

T

TACLE Terminal Abnormal Condition Line Entry

TCA Task Control Area

TCB Task Control Block

TCP Transmission Control Protocol

TCP/IP Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol

TCT Terminal Control Table

TCTE Terminal Control Table Terminal Entry

TCTLE Terminal Control Table Line Entry

TCTSE Terminal Control Table System Entry



TCTTE Terminal Control Table Terminal Entry

TCTUA Terminal Control Table User Area

TCU Transmission Control Unit

TD Iintrapartition Transient Data

TD Transient Data

TDT Transaction Dump Table

TEB Terminal Error Block

TEP Terminal Error Program

TID Transaction Identifier

TIOA Terminal Input/Output Area

TLT Terminal List Table

TOD clock Time-Of-Day clock

TOR Terminal-Owning Region

TPNS Teleprocessing Network Simulator

TS Temporary storage

TSO Time Sharing Option

TSO/E Time Sharing Option Extended

TST Temporary Storage Table

TUP Trace Utility Program

TUR Tie-Up Record

TVTOC Tape Volume Table Of Contents



TWA Transaction Work Area

TWX Teletypewriter Exchange Service

TRUE Task-Related User Exit

U

UACC Universal Access Authority

UDSA User Dynamic Storage Area

UIB User Interface Block

UMT User-Maintained Data Table

UNBIND Unbind Session

UOW Unit Of Work

URM User-Replaceable Module

V

VLF Virtual Lookaside Facility

VLVB Variable-Length Variable Blocked

VM Virtual Machine

VS Virtual Storage

VSAM Virtual Storage Access Method

VSAM RLS VSAM Record-Level Sharing



VSWA VSAM Work Area

VTAM Virtual Telecommunications Access Method

W

WADS Write-Ahead Data Set

WAN Wide Area Network

WAR Web Archive

WCC Write Control Character

WUI Web User Interface

X

XCF Cross-System Coupling Facility

X extent A separate extent, part of the system log During backout in emergency

restart, system log records are written to the X extent

XID Transaction Identifier

XLT Transaction List Table

XMI XML Metadata Interchange

XML Extensible Markup Language

XPI Exit Programming Interface

XPLINK Extra Performance Linkage

XRST See extended restart



Z

z/OS

Latest version of IBM's MVS Operating System running on z/Architecture