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# INTRODUCTION

The **VMS System Management I** course is designed to teach students how to manage a computer running the VMS operating system.

This Student Workbook is divided into a number of modules, each designed to cover a well-organized topic, or group of topics. Most modules include figures, tables and examples to enable students to better understand the material. A separate exercise book can be found at the back of this workbook to allow students to test their VMS system management skills.

This **About This Course** module describes the contents of the course and suggests ways to use its materials most effectively. The following topics are discussed here:

- Resources
- Course Description
- Prerequisites
- Course Organization
- Course Goals
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- Course Conventions
- Course Map

## RESOURCES

Students must have access to the following manuals to perform the recommended learning activities of this course. Students may be given their own copy of some of these manuals, and the instructor may provide others for reference during the week.

1. *Guide to Setting Up a VMS System*
2. *VMS SYSMAN Utility Manual*
3. *VMS Install Utility Manual*

4. *Guide to Maintaining a VMS System*
5. *VMS Analyze/Disk\_Structure Utility Manual*
6. *VMS Backup Utility Manual*
7. *VMS Mount Utility Manual*
8. *VMS Authorize Utility Manual*
9. *VMS Accounting Utility Manual*
10. *VMS Monitor Utility Manual*
11. *VMS License Management Utility Manual*

Instead of the individual manuals listed above, you may have a copy of the *VMS System Manager's Manual*.

At least one copy of the entire extended VMS documentation set should be available for reference.

## **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

**VMS System Management I** is designed to train the system manager or advanced system operator of a VAX computer running the VMS operating system.

The course gives a theoretical as well as a practical insight into system management. In addition to routine system management skills, it introduces tools for monitoring system performance and integrity. It discusses various techniques needed to assist users on the system, back up and restore system and user files, start up and shut down the system, manage system devices, and maintain data security.

# PREREQUISITES

To derive the greatest benefit from this course, students must be able to:

- Log in to a VMS system
- Use the appropriate VMS utilities and commands to:
  - Display on-line help text
  - Create and manage directories and files
  - Submit print and batch jobs
  - Define and use logical names and command synonyms
  - Display information about the system
  - Create and maintain private disk volumes
  - Communicate with other system users
- Develop DCL command procedures that:
  - Control I/O
  - Create and access sequential files
  - Use symbols to manipulate constants and variables
  - Use lexical functions
- Define virtual memory and virtual addressing, and describe how virtual memory and physical memory are related.
- Define a process and describe process concepts, including:
  - Working set
  - Paging
  - Types of processes
  - States
  - Priority
  - Privileges

These prerequisites can be satisfied by taking the following courses:

- VMS Utilities and Commands
- VMS System Architecture

## COURSE ORGANIZATION

This course is organized into a series of modules. Each module has its own learning objectives and covers a single topic or group of closely related topics. Each module consists of:

- An **Introduction**, which describes the purpose of the module, provides motivation for mastering its objectives, and outlines its contents.
- One or more **objectives**, which identify the skills taught in the module. Objectives are designed to focus your study efforts on a selected number of skills.
- The module **text**, which consists of:
  - Descriptive text organized in a list format
  - Illustrations, which clarify the relationships among various elements of a VMS system, or summarize steps of a particular process or command
  - Examples containing sample listings from actual interactive sessions on a VMS system
- A module **summary**, which reviews important concepts and skills taught in the module

Written and laboratory exercises are also provided with this course. Exercises help students to review and practice the skills learned during the lecture session.

# **COURSE GOALS**

After completing this course, students should be able to:

- **Manage system users, which requires:**
  - Maintaining such files as the User Authorization File and volume quota files
  - Creating user file directories (UFDs)
  - Controlling user processes
- **Manage system resources, which requires:**
  - Managing disk and tape volumes
  - Defining device characteristics
  - Creating and managing print and batch queues
  - Backing up and restoring files and volumes
- **Start up and shut down the system**
- **Customize the system**
- **Install maintenance updates and optional software**
- **Establish security measures on the system and audit security-related actions done by users**
- **Monitor the system for behavior and performance problems, and submit Software Performance Reports when appropriate**

## NONGOALS

- Programming using system services, run-time library routines, or other VMS features (taught in **Utilizing VMS Features** courses)
- Advanced VMS concepts or system programming (taught in **VMS Internals** courses)
- Details of layered product features and functions (taught in layered product courses)
- Installation under unusual circumstances
- Details of system performance management and tuning (taught in **VMS System Performance Management** course)
- Details of system security features (taught in **VMS System Security Features** course)
- VAXcluster management (taught in **VAXcluster System Management** course)
- Network management (taught in **DECnet Network Management** course)
- Creating new DCL commands, help files, and error messages (mentioned in this course, but covered in detail in **VMS System Management II** course)
- Troubleshooting error conditions (taught in **VMS System Management II** course)
- System configuration (taught in **VMS System Management II** course)
- The Files-11 structure of disk and tape volumes (discussed in **VMS System Management II** course)
- Converting software or data to the VMS system from another operating system

## COURSE CONVENTIONS

Table 1 describes the conventions used in the listings and command tables of the Student Workbook.

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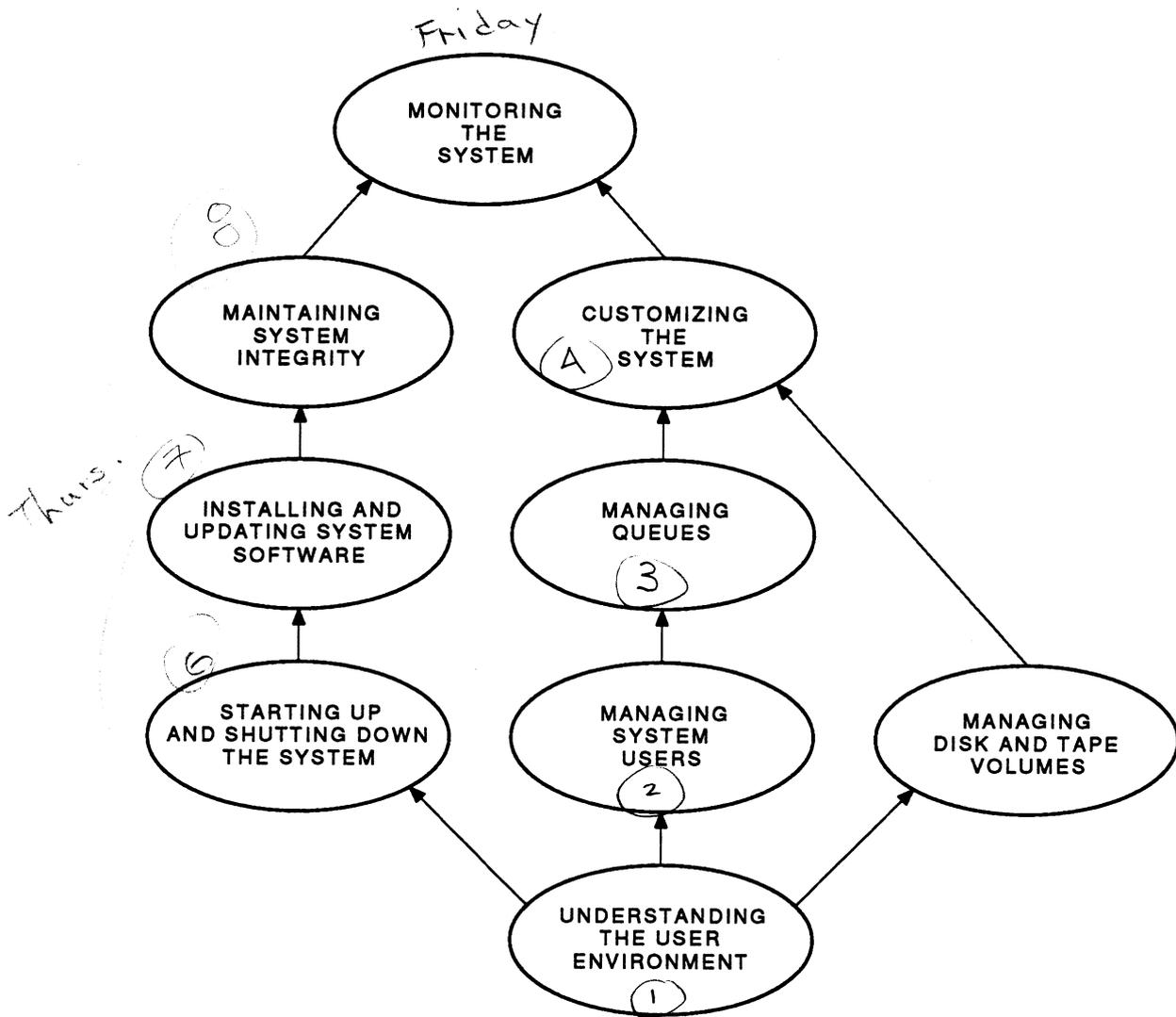
**Table 1: Course Conventions**

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Convention	Meaning
CTRL/X	Press and hold the key labeled CTRL while you press another key (X). Many control keys have special meanings.
UPPERCASE	In commands, uppercase characters indicate words you type exactly as they appear. For example, you would type the following commands as they appear:  \$ DIRECTORY \$ TYPE LOGIN.COM
lowercase	Lowercase characters represent elements that you must replace according to the description in the text. For example, you must follow certain rules when you replace "file-spec" in the following example:  \$ TYPE file-spec
Ellipsis (...)	Horizontal ellipses indicate that you can enter additional parameters, values, or information. For example, you can enter any number of file specifications in the following example:  \$ TYPE file-spec, . . .  Vertical series of periods or ellipses mean that not all of the data that the system would display in response to the particular command is shown, or that not all the data a user would enter is shown.  \$ TYPE MYFILE.DAT . . . \$
Square Brackets ([])	Square brackets indicate that the enclosed item is optional. (Square brackets are not optional, however, in the syntax of some file specifications.) For example, the logical name is optional in the following command:  \$ MOUNT/FOREIGN \$TAPE1
Quotation Marks and Apostrophes	Braces indicate that you must select from the included items.  The term quotation marks refers to double quotation marks ("). The term apostrophe refers to a single quotation mark (').

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# COURSE MAP



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**MODULE 1**  
**UNDERSTANDING THE**  
**USER ENVIRONMENT**

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# INTRODUCTION

When you begin work on a VMS system, you enter an environment consisting of devices, programs, and data. The devices that compose the physical computer are called **hardware**. The programs that control the hardware and process the data are called **software**. To perform job-related tasks on the system, you must use both the hardware and the software.

This module provides an introduction to VAX hardware, and an overview of the VMS software environment.

## OBJECTIVES

To maintain a VMS system, you should be able to:

- Identify the functions of each component of the hardware environment, namely:
  - The central processing unit (CPU)
  - The console subsystem
  - Main memory
  - The input/output subsystem
- Identify the purpose of an interconnect device, and list some common interconnect devices for VMS systems
- Recognize the peripheral devices supported by VMS systems
- Recognize the format for device names on a VMS system
- List the characteristics of the following types of system configurations:
  - Single processors
  - Tightly coupled systems (multiprocessors)
  - Loosely coupled systems (networks)
  - VAXcluster systems

- Identify the major software components of the VMS operating system
- Identify software tools and utilities distributed with VMS systems
- Identify some optional software products that can be used on VMS systems
- Identify important system directories, files, and logical names
  - Describe the concept and uses of concealed root directories
- Identify the components of a user's process

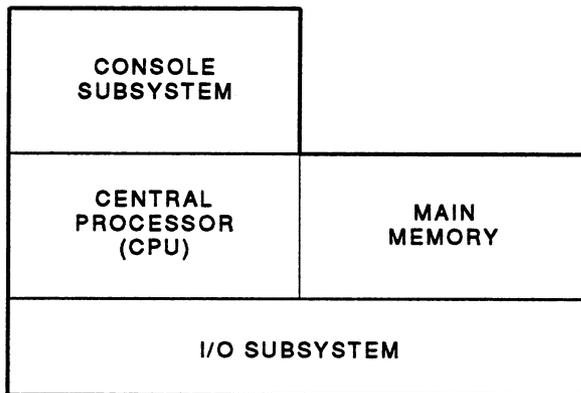
## RESOURCES

1. *VMS Installation and Operation Guide* for your particular VAX system
2. *VAX Systems and Options Catalog*
3. *VMS DCL Dictionary*
4. *VMS DCL Concepts Manual*
5. *Digital Terminals and Printers Handbook*
6. *Digital Networks and Communications Buyer's Guide*
7. *User's Guide* for each device in which you are interested

# COMPONENTS OF THE HARDWARE ENVIRONMENT

- VAX computer hardware is divided into four subsystems
- Each subsystem has a different function

**Figure 1-1: VAX Hardware Subsystems**



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## Central Processing Unit (CPU)

- Executes instructions one at a time
- Relative speeds and physical sizes vary

## Console Subsystem

- Communicates directly with the CPU
- Is primarily used for:
  - Starting up and shutting down the system
  - Installing software
  - Remote hardware diagnosis
- Components of the console subsystem include:
  - Indicators and controls (implemented in software on some VAX processors)
  - Console terminal
  - Console storage device (not present on some VAX processors)
- Console subsystem runs in:
  - **Console mode:** accepts console commands
  - **Program mode:** use as a normal VMS terminal

## **Main Memory**

- Main memory is used to store instructions and data
- Two types of memory on VAX systems:
  - READ-ONLY memory (ROM)
  - READ/WRITE memory
- Each VAX system supports a different amount of memory

## **Input/Output Subsystem**

- Consists of peripheral devices
- Provides input to, and output from, the system
- Common peripherals include:
  - Terminals
  - Printers
  - Disk drives
  - Tape drives

# INTERCONNECT DEVICES (BUSES)

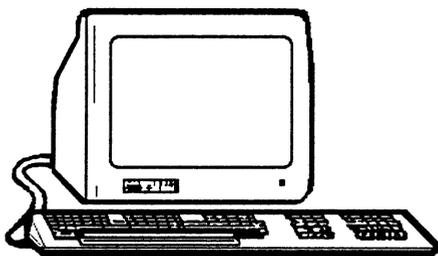
- Cables that connect various subsystems
  - Example: connect peripherals and memory to processor
- Types include:
  - MASSBUS bus
  - UNIBUS bus
  - Q-bus bus
  - VAXBI (VAX Backplane Interconnect bus)
- Different VAX processors support different buses
- Different buses support different peripherals

# PERIPHERAL DEVICES

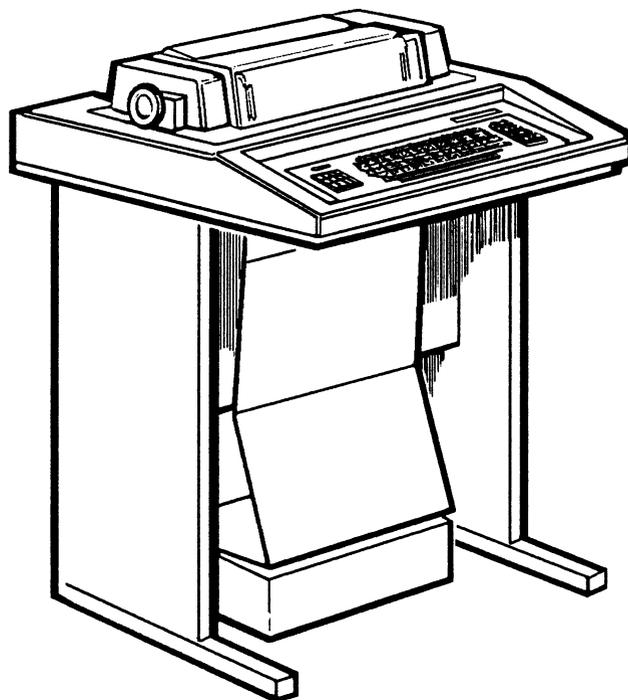
## Terminals

- Used by people to communicate with the computer
- Two types of terminals:
  - Hard-copy
  - Video

Figure 1-2: Hard-Copy and Video Terminals



A VIDEO  
TERMINAL



A HARD-COPY  
TERMINAL

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## Printers and Printer/Plotters

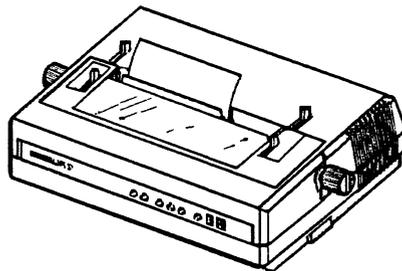
- Printers provide hard-copy output from the system
- Various sizes and types include:

Line printers	<i>High speed</i>
Letter quality printers	<i>High quality</i>
Laser printers	<i>High quality print and graphics</i>
- Printer/plotters are used for both hard-copy and graphic output

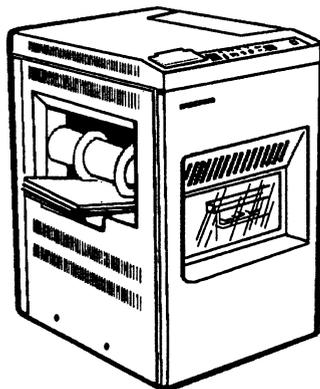
Figure 1-3: Printers and Printer/Plotter



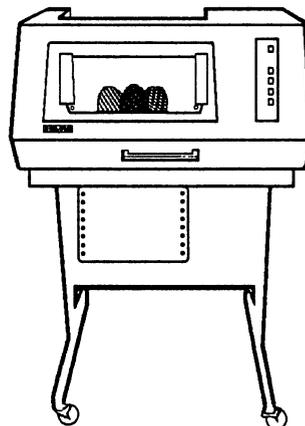
LINE PRINTER



LETTER-QUALITY PRINTER



LASER PRINTER



PRINTER/PLOTTER

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## Disk Drives

- Record and read data on magnetic or optical disks
- Often called **auxiliary memory**
- Sometimes called **mass storage devices**
- Disks used in the drives are called **storage media**
- Various types of disks include:
  - Cartridges
  - Disk packs
  - Diskettes (also called "floppies")
  - Two types of optical disks:

### Read-Only (CDROM)

Commonly called "compact disks"

Mastered by the manufacturer, read by the user

Small format (5.25 inches in diameter)

Typically used to provide large amounts of text information, such as reference manuals, abstracts, etc.

### Write-Once, Read-Many (WORM)

Commonly called simply "optical disks"

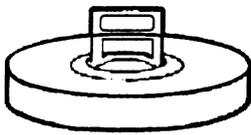
Available in both small and large (12 and 14 inch) format

The disk can be written one time, then read many times

Typically used for archival data storage, and large volume storage of data with slow retrieval requirements

- Disks can be:
  - Fixed
  - Removable

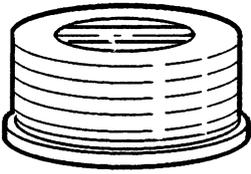
**Figure 1-4: Examples of Disks**



DISK CARTRIDGE  
(TOP LOADING)



DISK CARTRIDGE  
(FRONT LOADING)



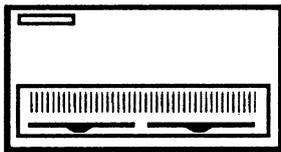
DISK PACK  
(TOP LOADING)



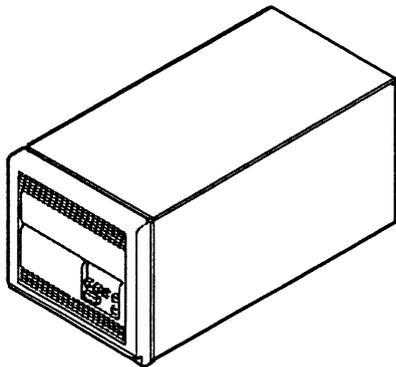
DISKETTE

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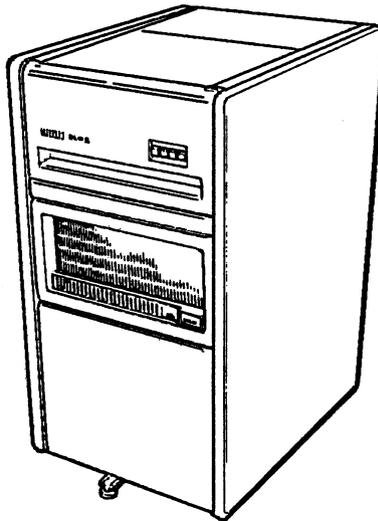
**Figure 1-5: Disk Drives**



DUAL DISKETTE DRIVE



DISK CARTRIDGE DRIVE



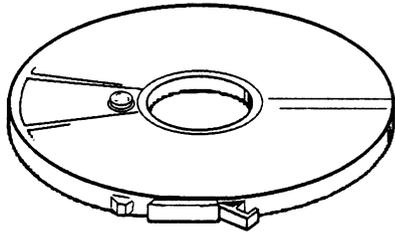
DISK PACK DRIVE

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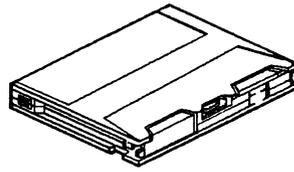
## **Tape Drives**

- Record and read data on magnetic tapes
- Tapes usually store:
  - Backup copies of data
  - Infrequently used data
- Reel tapes
  - Various lengths
  - Various densities
- Tape cartridges
  - Resemble cassette tapes
  - VMS systems treat TU58 cartridges as disks

**Figure 1-6: Tape Media**



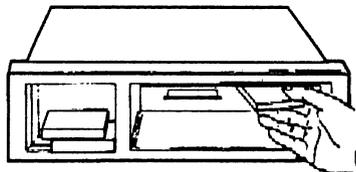
**REEL TAPE**



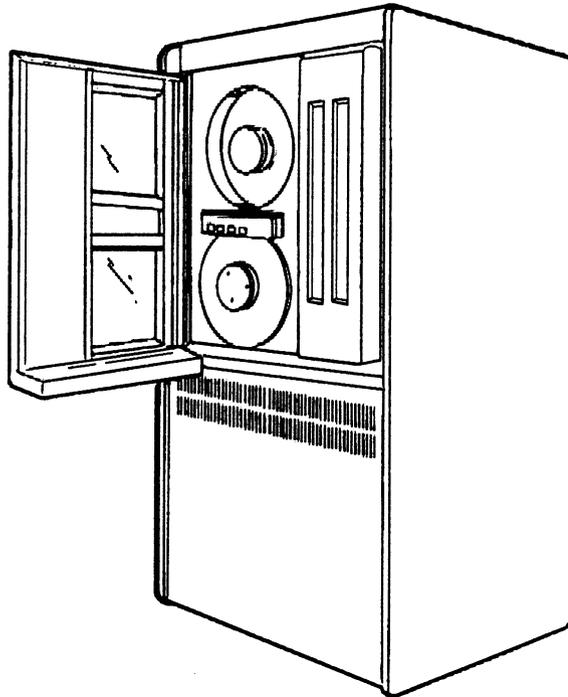
**TAPE CARTRIDGE**

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**Figure 1-7: Tape Drives**



**CARTRIDGE TAPE DRIVE**



**REEL-TO-REEL TAPE DRIVE**

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## **Hierarchical Storage Controller (HSC)**

- Intelligent disk and tape controller
- Performs all disk I/O operations
- Allows data sharing in a VAXcluster system
- Can also be used with single VAX systems
- Examples of HSCs:
  - HSC50 subsystems
  - HSC70 subsystems

# DEVICE NAMES

- All devices have a unique name in the format: **ddcu** :
  - dd** A two-letter device code.
  - c** A one-letter code that specifies the hardware controller for the device. (Controllers provide the interface between the bus and the device, or between two buses.)
  - u** The unit number of the device.
- Device code specifies device type
- The hardware controller number:
  - Identifies the device controller
  - Is represented by a letter from A to Z
  - Is assigned by the system
- The unit number:
  - Indicates the position of the device on the controller
  - Can be changed by:
    1. Setting a button or switch on the device
    2. Installing a unit plug on the device

**Table 1-1: Device Codes**

Code	Device
CS	Console storage device
DU	RA80 or RA81 disk drive
LP	Line printer
MF	TU78 tape drive

Character

Node \$ddcu:

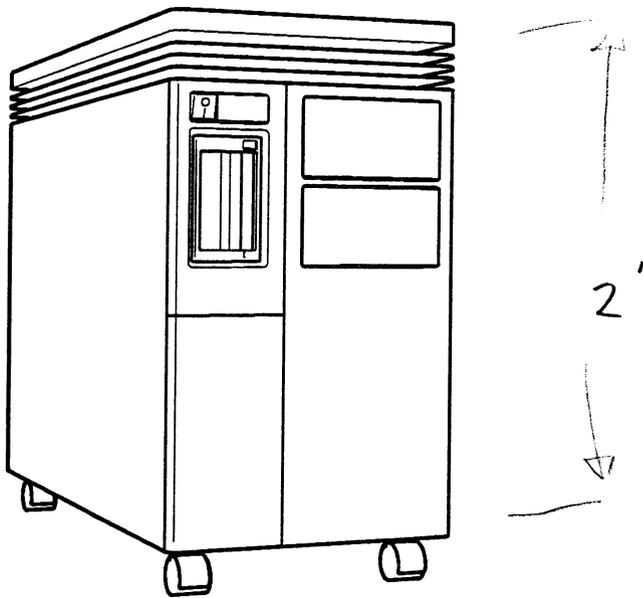
# SYSTEM CONFIGURATIONS

- You can build different configurations with:
  - VAX processors
  - Interconnects
  - Peripheral devices
- System configurations can be classified as:
  - Single processors
  - Multiple processors
- A system can be:
  - A single VAX processor and its peripheral devices
  - A collection of VAX processors

## Single Processor Configurations

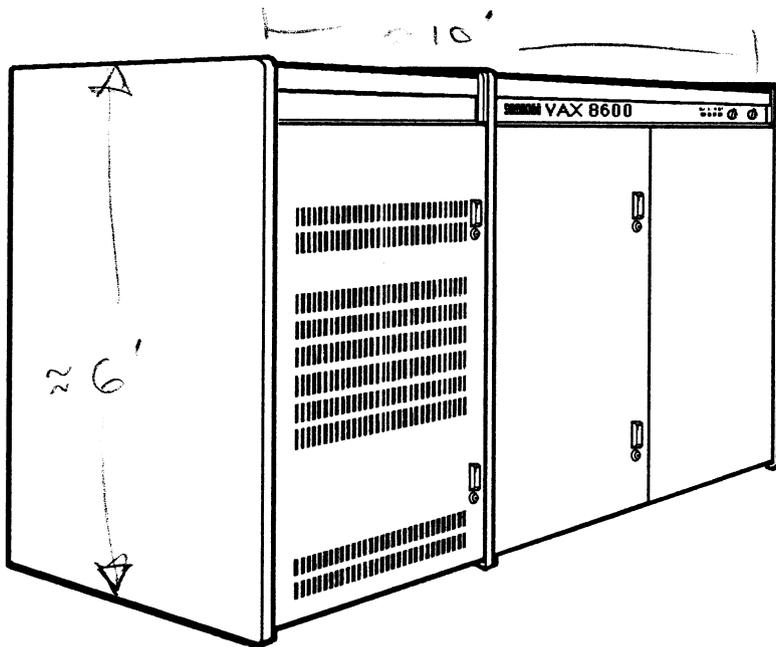
- Any single VAX processor and its peripheral devices
- The family of single VAX processors includes:
  - VAX 8810 processor
  - VAX 8600 processor
  - VAX 8500 processor
  - VAX 8200 processor
  - VAX-11/780 processor
  - VAX-11/750 processor
  - MicroVAX 3000 processor
  - MicroVAX II processor

**Figure 1-8: MicroVAX II System**



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**Figure 1-9: VAX 8600 System**



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## Multiple Processor Configurations

- Two or more communicating processors
- Three classifications:
  - Tightly coupled configurations (multiprocessors)
  - Loosely coupled configurations (networks)
  - VAXcluster systems

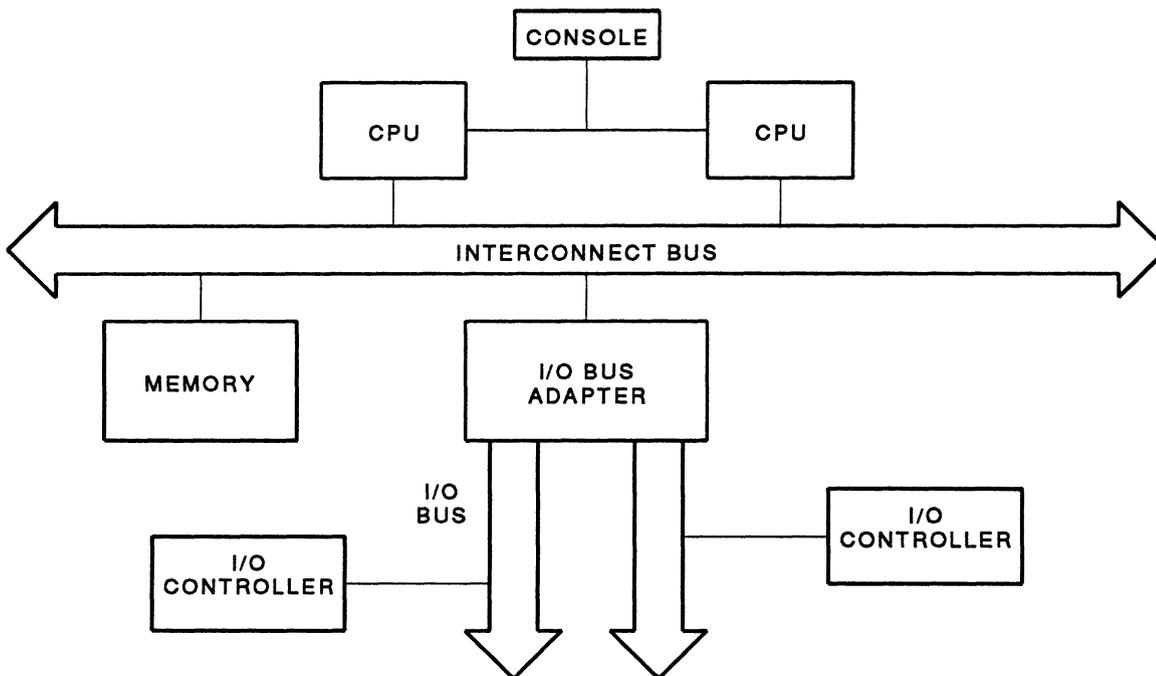
**Table 1-2: Comparing Multiple Processor Configurations**

System Characteristic	Tightly Coupled $\longleftrightarrow$ Loosely Coupled		
	Multiprocessor	VAXcluster	Network
CPU booting	Together	Separate	Separate
CPU failure	Together	Separate	Separate
CPU cabinet location	Single or adjacent	Same local area	Can be widely separated
Security domain	Single	Single	Multiple
Management domain	Single	Single	Multiple
Operating system	Shared (VMS)	Separate (all VMS)	Separate (some may not be VMS)
File system	Integrated	Integrated	Separate
Growth potential	Limited	Very great	Very great

## Tightly Coupled Configurations

- Share operating system code
- Cannot operate independently
- Operated and managed as single domains
- Provide high performance
- Used primarily in compute-intensive applications
- Example: VAX 8800 Series processors
  - Two or more CPUs share memory by means of a high speed bus
  - Multiple processors are transparent to the system users

Figure 1-10: Tightly Coupled System Configuration

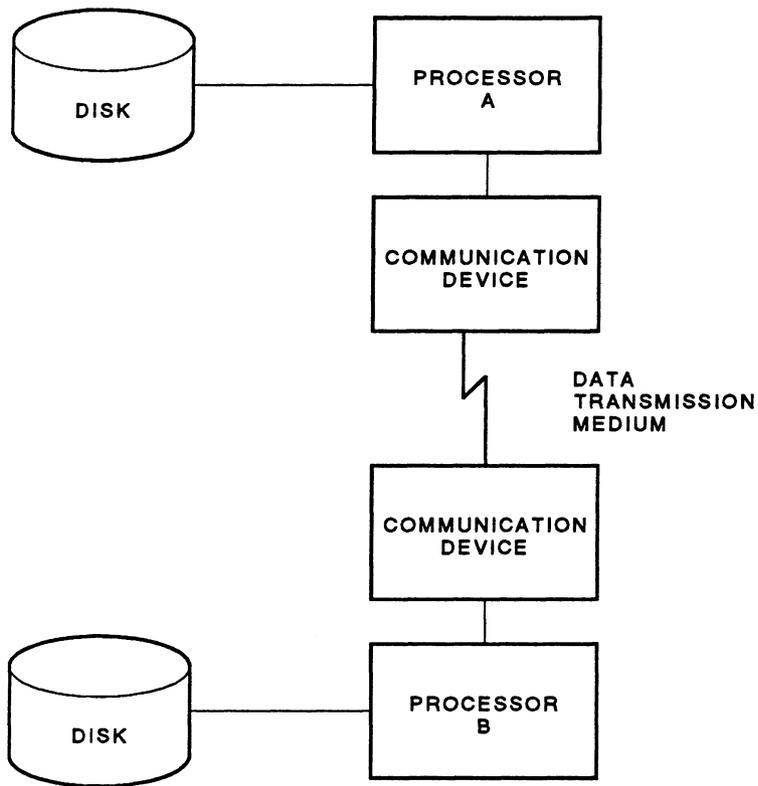


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## Loosely Coupled Configurations

- Example: Network
- Can consist of two or more communicating processors
- VMS systems can be connected to:
  - Other Digital systems
  - Other manufacturers' systems
- Local Area Network (LAN) - limited geographical area
- Wide Area Network (WAN) - larger area
- Digital-to-Digital networks are established using:
  - Two or more processors
  - Hardware communication devices
  - Data transmission devices
  - Terminal servers (optional)
  - DECnet software

**Figure 1-11: DECnet Network**



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## **Communication Devices**

- **Synchronous devices**
  - Provide communication between computers
  - Run at relatively high speeds
  - Examples: DEUNA, DELUA, DEQNA, and DMR11 devices
- **Asynchronous devices**
  - Typically provide communication between terminals and computers
  - Are slower than synchronous devices
  - Examples: DL11, DZ32, and DMZ32 devices
- **Synchronous/Asynchronous Devices**
  - Perform both synchronous and asynchronous communications
  - Example: DMF32 device
- **Different communication devices vary by:**
  - Characteristics
  - Function
  - Performance

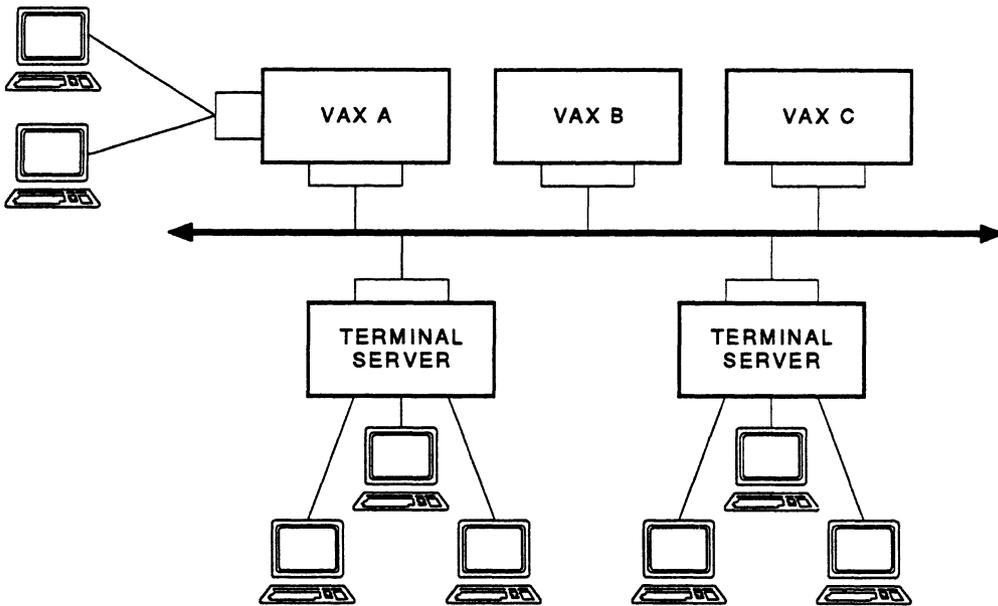
## **Data Transmission Media**

- Transmits data between communication devices
- Various types of media include:
  - Ethernet cable
  - Fiber optic cable
  - Telephone lines (twisted-pair)
  - Satellite links
- Different transmission media vary by:
  - Transmission speeds
  - Distances they can span
  - Operating and performance characteristics
  - Capabilities and services

## **Terminal Servers**

- Optional
- Provide increased flexibility
- Connect terminals to computers in a LAN
- Each terminal can access other systems connected to the same LAN
- Can also be used to make printers accessible to other systems on the LAN

**Figure 1-12: Configuration with Terminal Servers**



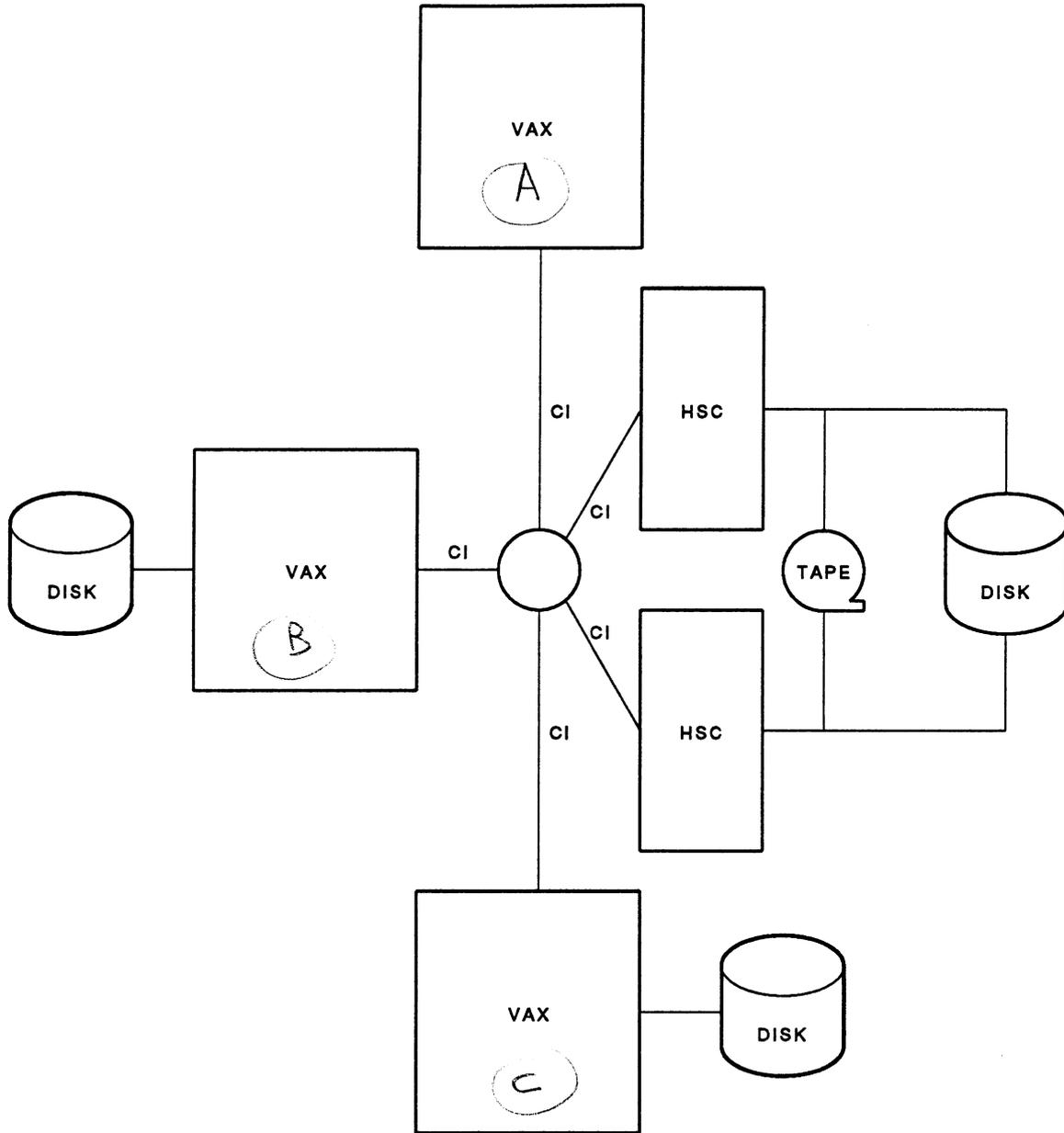
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## **Clustered Systems (VAXcluster Systems)**

- Flexible multiprocessing systems
- Have characteristics of both loosely and tightly coupled systems
- Managed as single domains
- VAXcluster nodes can share:
  - Disk and tape devices and printers
  - A common file system
- VAXcluster nodes can be configured:
  - To present an identical user environment on every node
  - So that each node boots and fails separately
- In addition to providing the functions of a network, a VAXcluster system provides:
  - Higher availability of system resources
  - Faster and easier sharing of information and resources between nodes
- May start with one or two VMS systems connected by way of a Computer Interconnect (CI) or Ethernet
  - Can be expanded as computing needs increase
- VAXcluster hardware components include:
  - VMS computer systems, composed of:
    - VAX processors
    - Local peripherals
  - HSC storage subsystems
  - A CI composed of:
    - A CI bus
    - An SC008 Star Coupler
    - An intelligent I/O port (a CI780, CI750, or CIBCI)
  - Ethernet hardware

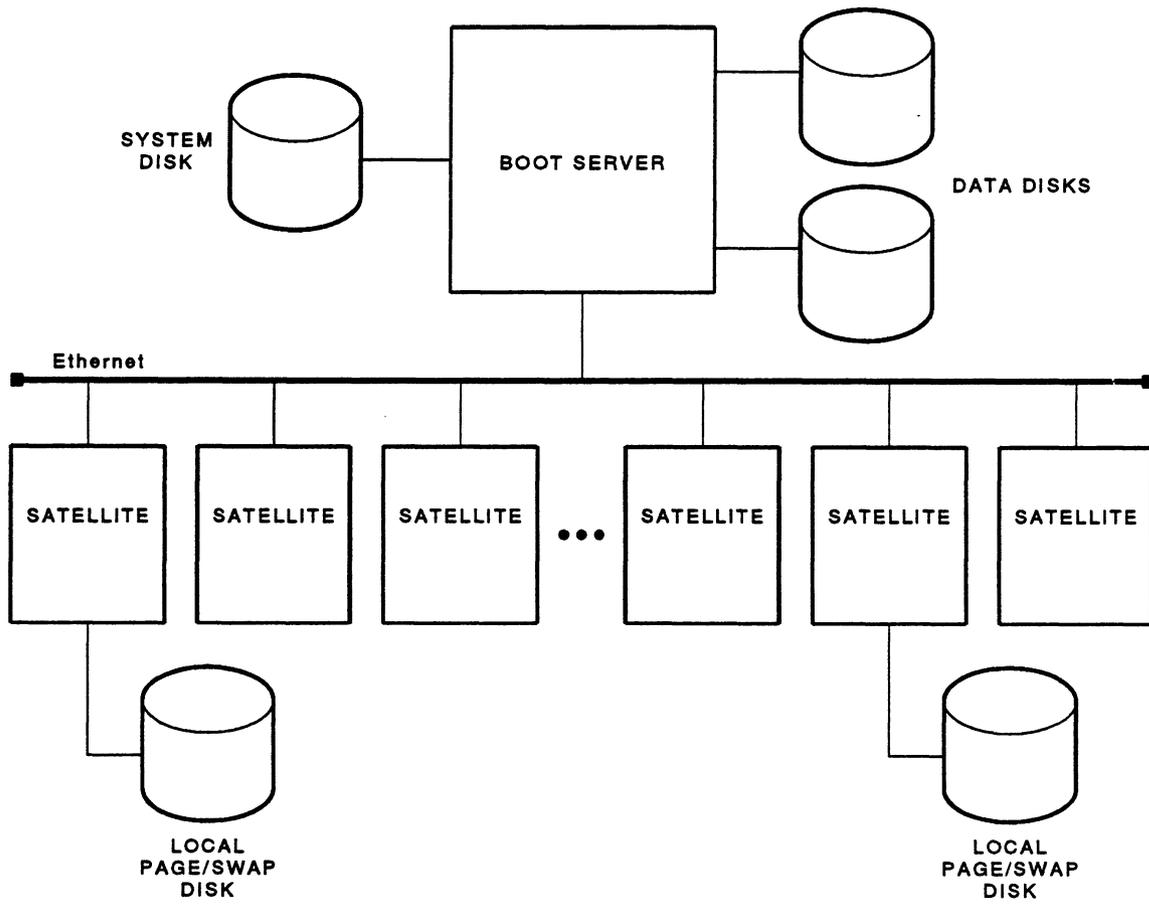
- A VAXcluster configuration:
  - Can be very similar to a network configuration
  - Can contain the same components as a network:
    - VAX processors
    - Communication devices
    - Transmission media
    - Terminal servers (optional)
    - DECnet software
  
- Major difference between a VAXcluster and a network:
  - VMS cluster software, which synchronizes access to shared resources

Figure 1-13: CI-Only VAXcluster Configuration



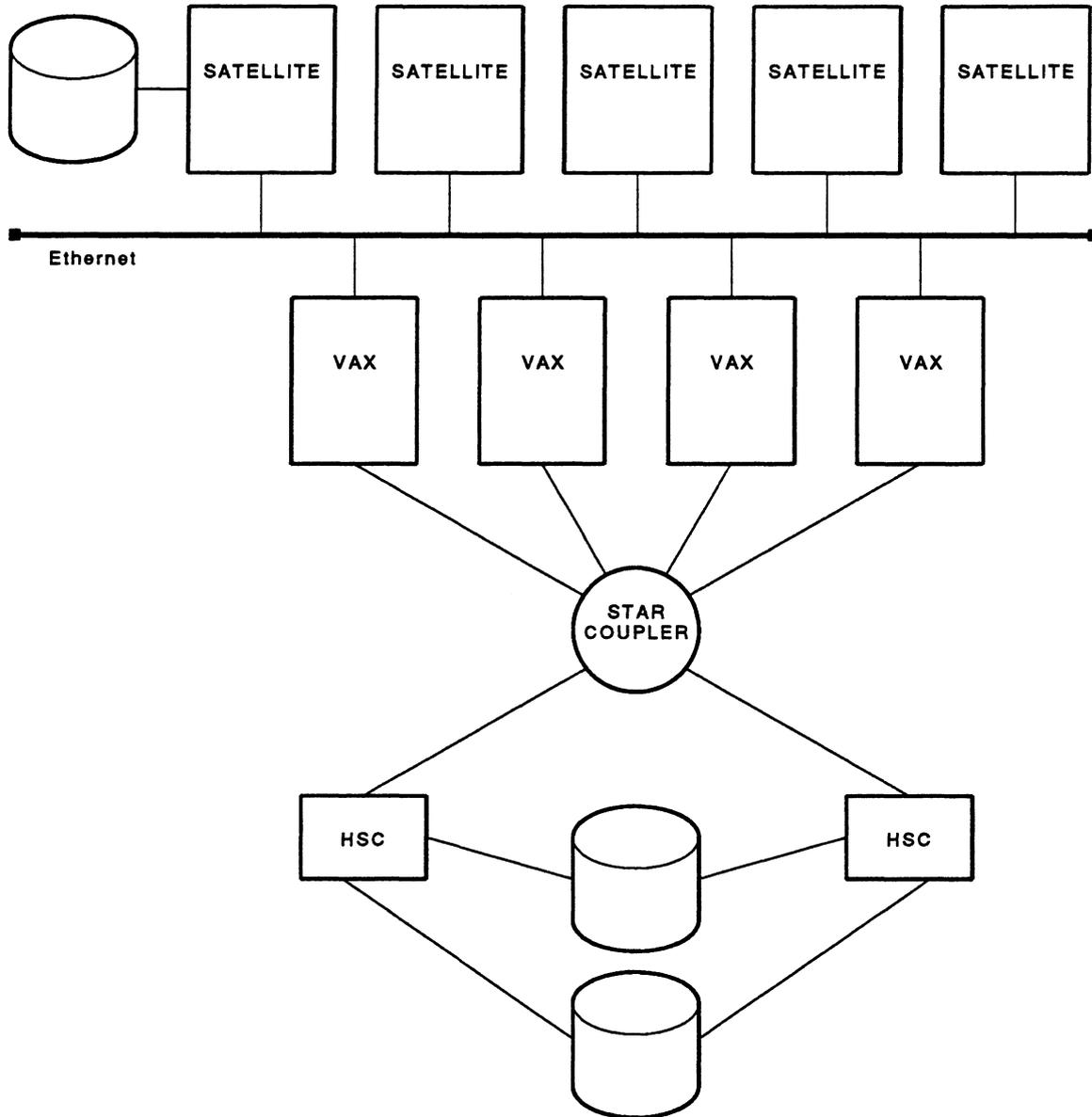
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**Figure 1-14: Local Area VAXcluster Configuration**



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**Figure 1-15: Mixed-Interconnect VAXcluster Configuration**



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# REVIEW OF VMS CONCEPTS

- Topics to be covered:
  - DCL and the VMS Operating System
  - Programs, Images, and Utilities
  - Processes
  - Hardware and Software Contexts
  - Virtual Address Space
  - Working Sets and Balance Set
  - Paging
  - Scheduling
  - Swapping
  - Processor Access Modes

## Digital Command Language (DCL) and the VMS Operating System

- The **VMS Operating System** performs three major functions:
  - Provides communications between users and devices
  - Creates a protected working environment for each user
  - Schedules the use of system resources among all users in a fair manner
- Many operating system activities are transparent to the user
  - Some activities initiated by the system
  - Other activities initiated by users through **commands**
- The **Digital Command Language (DCL)**
  - A language definition of English-like commands
  - A set of routines that executes user commands
- The **Command Language Interpreter (CLI)**
  - Translates English-like commands from a user
  - Dispatches translated commands for execution

## Programs, Images, and Utilities

- **A program:**
  - Also called a **source program**
  - A logical sequence of instructions
  - Written in human-readable form (computer language)
- **An object file:**
  - A collection of machine code (binary) instructions
  - Created as a result of **translating** (or **compiling**) the source program
- **An image:**
  - Also called an **executable image**
  - A sequence of machine code instructions with addressing information
  - Created as a result of **linking** object files together
- **A utility:**
  - Program supplied with VMS system
  - Sometimes has a command language all its own
  - Typically uses DCL to call (invoke) the utility

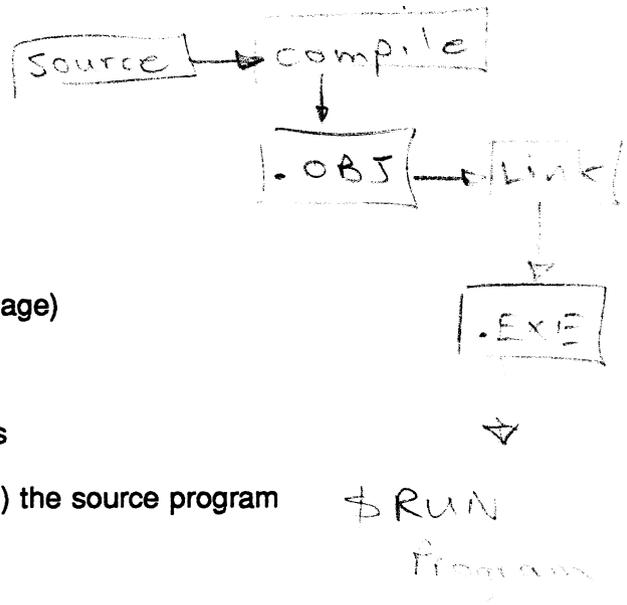
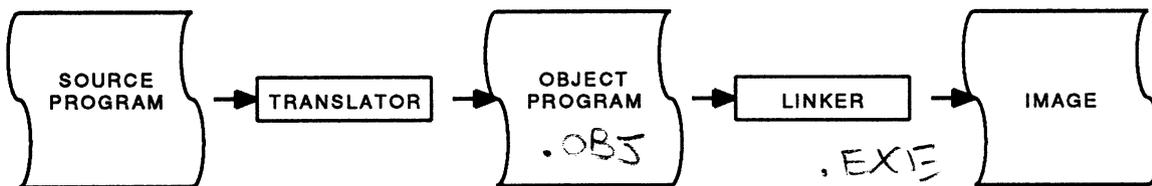


Figure 1-16: Translating a Program Into an Image



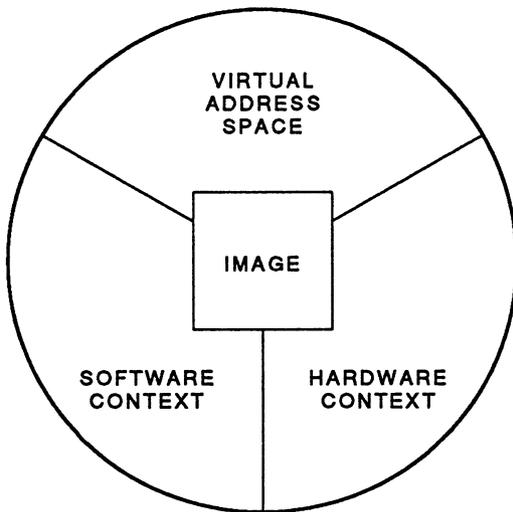
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## Processes

- A **process** is:
  - The total environment in which an image executes
  - The fundamental entity that the VMS system schedules for execution
- A process is composed of four parts:
  - Virtual address space
  - Hardware context
  - Software context
  - Image
- Hardware and software contexts are collectively called the **process context**
  - VMS needs this information to save/restore the process during **context switching**

DCL . EXE

**Figure 1-17: Components of a VMS Process**



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Limited: PRC LM

Determines number of subprocesses

• **A subprocess is:**

- Just another process
- Controlled by the parent process *share some quotas w/parent*
- Defined by the attributes and capabilities of the parent process (by default)
- Automatically deleted when the parent process is deleted
- Able to create subprocesses *To create: spawn*

• The total number of subprocesses a job can create depends on the job's **subprocess quota**, as authorized by the VMS system manager

**NOTE**

**A job is a unit of work performed by the CPU. In the VMS operating system environment a job is the accounting unit equivalent to a process and its subprocess.**

• Images come and go, but the process remains until:

- Deleted by the user logging out of the system
- Deleted by the parent process
- The parent process is deleted
- Deleted by invoking one of the following DCL commands:

- **STOP process\_name**
- **STOP/IDENTIFICATION=pid**

• A job possesses a **process structure**

- Arranged in a hierarchical ("tree") structure

Process

Detached → No parent Process

1) Interactive → Login → Logout

2) Batch → Submit → Finish

3) Network → File operation across Network → Net server ... Time out

4) \$ Run / UIC → Finish

\$ Run / Detach

Subprocess

see above ↑

## Hardware and Software Contexts

- The process **hardware context** is:
  - The state of the VAX processor at any given moment
  - Specifically the contents of the processor registers
  - What the VMS system requires to be able to restore a process so it can continue execution at exactly the point it was interrupted
- The process **software context** is:
  - Analogous to the hardware context
  - Identified by a unique process identification number (PID)
  - Accounting information
  - A collection of information about what the process can and cannot do
    - Priority
    - Privileges
    - Resource Limits (Quotas)
- The VMS system manager authorizes the priorities, privileges, and quotas associated with a process

VAX => Virtual Address Extension

PDP = 16 Bit  $\rightarrow 2^{16} = 64k$  bytes of address spaces

VAX = 32 Bits  $\rightarrow 2^{32} \approx 4,3$  billion byte " " "

VMS = Virtual Memory System

## Virtual Address Space

- **Virtual address:**
  - A symbolic or logical representation of a physical memory location in hardware
- **Virtual address space:**
  - Range of virtual addresses referenced by the image
- **Virtual memory system:** VMS
  - A way for a program to be written as if it had a very large number of contiguous memory locations available for use
- The VMS operating system manages the translation of virtual memory addresses to physical memory locations in hardware
  - Transparent to the user and program
- **Memory management subsystem:**
  - Part of the VMS operating system
  - Consists of three components:
    - Page fault handler
    - Modified page writer
    - Swapper

virtual pagecount  
virtual pagecnt

## Working Sets and Balance Set

- Managing virtual memory:
  - Involves moving pieces (called **pages**) of the image to and from auxiliary storage
- Process **working set**:
  - Pages of physical memory currently used by a process
  - Limited by various **working set quotas**:
    - Working set default
    - Working set quota
    - Working set extent
- The system **balance set**:
  - Set of processes whose working sets are resident in physical memory
  - Analogous to the **working set** of a process

Page = 512 bytes memory

Block = 512 bytes Disk Storage

working set = pages of physical memory allocated to a process.

page fault = reference to a page not in working set.

pages = per process memory mgmt.

[Example]

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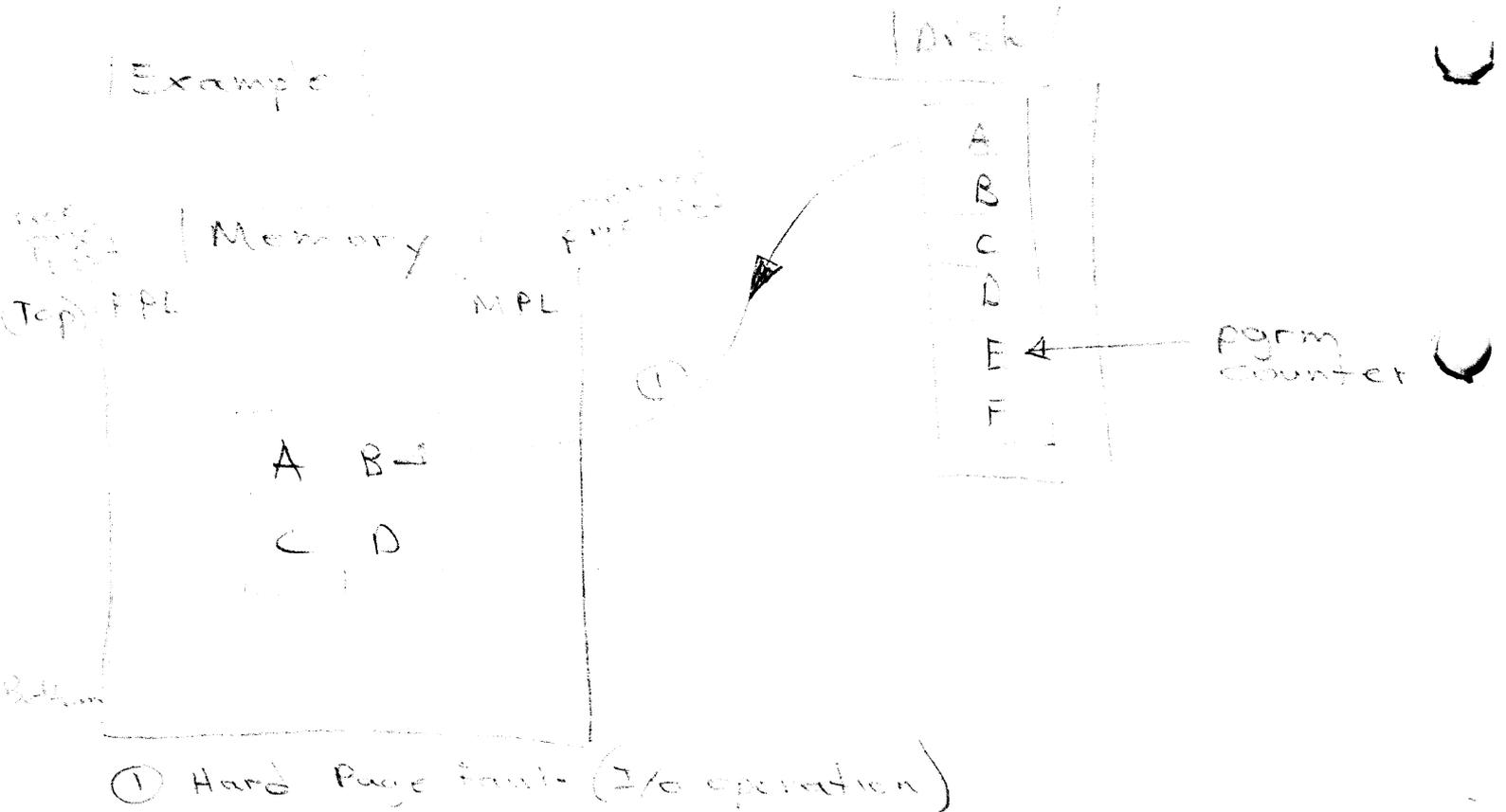
Swapper = system-wide memory mgmt.

## Paging

- **Page fault:**
  - Occurs when an image references a virtual address not currently in the working set
  - Handled by the memory management routine called the **page fault handler**
- Pages are **faulted** into the process' working set as the image executes
  - Called **paging on demand**, or **demand paging**
- **Working set extent:**
  - A kind of "overdraft" allowed when a process reaches its working set quota but still needs additional pages
  - Managed by the VMS system manager
  - When the working set extent is reached, the process must surrender pages from the working set if additional pages are needed
- Which pages are surrendered are determined by examining the **working set list**
  - Ordered list of pages in the working set
  - Pages in the list are ordered according to age
  - Old pages which have not been recently referenced are surrendered first
  - New pages are appended to the end of the list

## Free Page List

- List of unused (free) pages available for use by processes
- An ordered list of pages similar to the process working set list
  - Oldest pages are at the top of the list, given to processes when they request additional pages
  - Unmodified pages surrendered by processes are placed at the bottom of the list
- Controlled by the memory management subsystem
- Size of the list can be controlled by the VMS system manager
- When a process incurs a page fault for a page previously included in the working set:
  - The page fault handler retrieves the page from either:
    - The free page list
    - The image file (if the page has already been given to another process)
- This procedure is performed for **unmodified** pages only



\* cheap or... using FPL to get it into the working set.

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## Modified Page List

- Similar to the free page list, but for modified pages (those written into by a process)
- Controlled by the memory management subsystem
- When the free page list falls below a certain minimum limit:
  - The **modified page writer** takes pages away from the modified page list and writes them into a **paging file**
  - The pages taken from the modified page list are placed on the free page list
- A paging file:
  - A specially designated file in auxiliary storage
  - Created under the direction of the VMS system manager
  - Used to retain pages removed from the modified page list
  - Controlled by the memory management subsystem
  - There can be more than one paging file in a VMS system

Multiple paging files can improve system performance

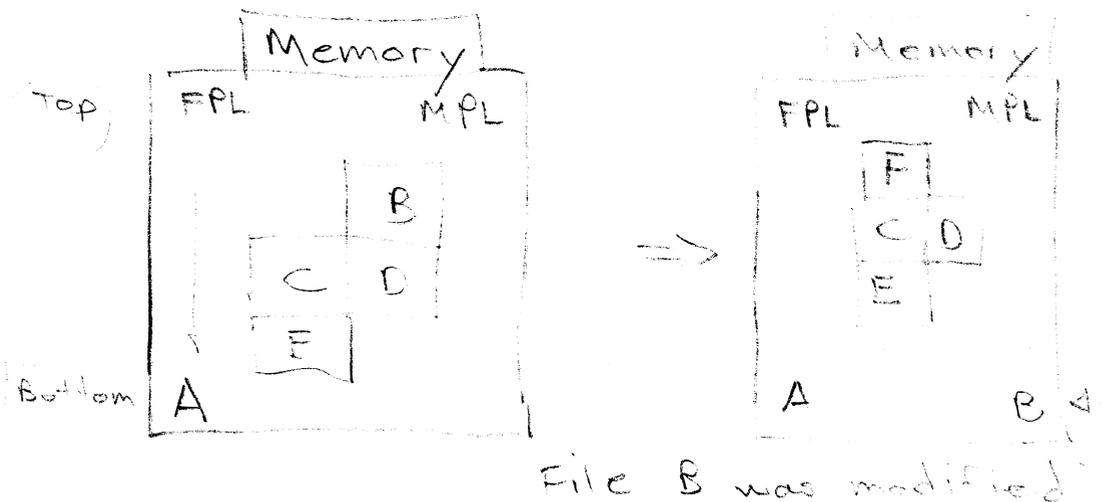
The memory management subsystem manages access between the files

- When a process incurs a page fault for a **modified** page:
  - The page fault handler finds the page in one of these locations:

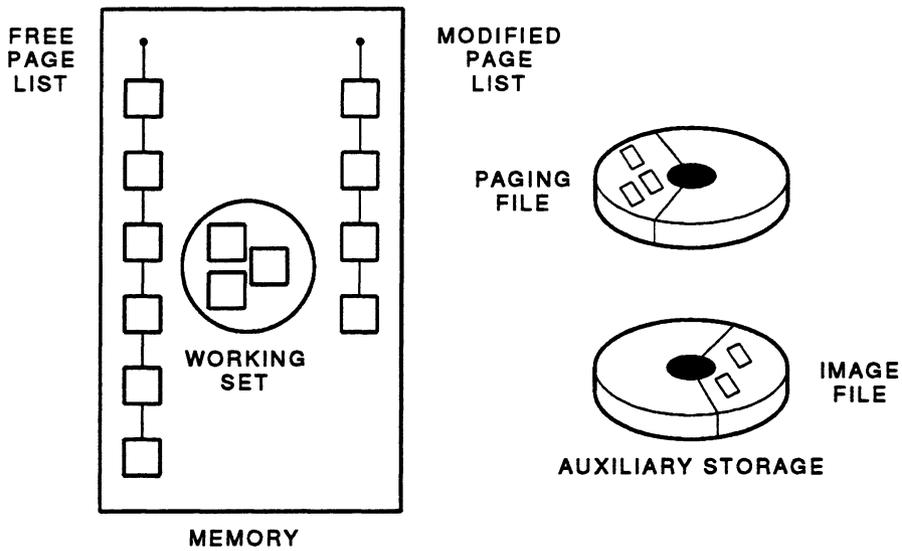
Modified page list

Free page list

Paging file



**Figure 1-18: Pages In Memory and In Auxilliary Storage**



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to show process

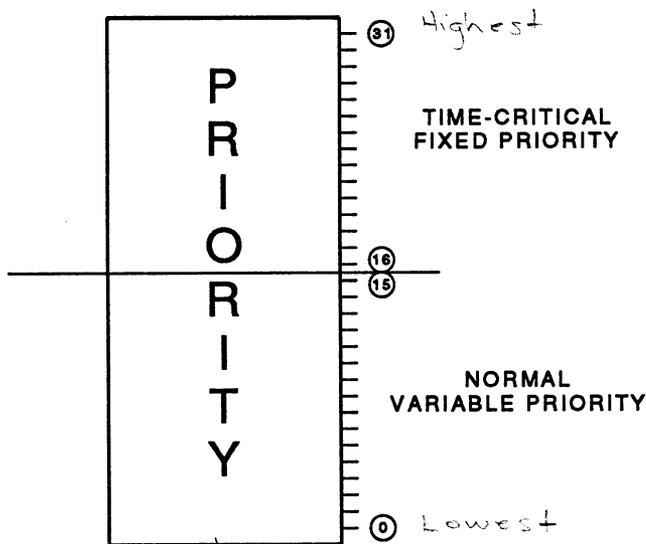
31	Real Time
	1) wait state
	2) No Quantum enforced
	3) Pre-empt
	4) Finish
16	
15	Normal $\rightarrow$ priority boosting
	1) wait state
	2) Quantum - Time slice = 0.2 sec
	3) Pre-empt
0	4) Finish

## Scheduling

- A technique for providing fair sharing of the processor among a number of competing processes
- This function is managed by the VMS scheduler
- Processes are scheduled for execution using a combination of two techniques:
  - Priority scheduling
  - Time-sliced ("round-robin") scheduling
- Priority levels:
  - Two groups of 16 levels each
    - Real-time priority levels (16-31)
    - Normal priority levels (0-15)

Quantum → .2 sec.

Figure 1-19: Priority Levels in a VMS Operating System



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## Swapping

- The technique used to move entire process working sets from physical memory to auxiliary storage
  - Required to allow a large number of processes to share the system
  - All process' working sets may not fit into the available system physical memory
  - Managed by the VMS **swapper**
  - Closely coordinated with scheduling
- The **swapping file**:
  - A special system file in auxiliary storage
  - Managed by the swapper
  - Created under the direction of the VMS system manager

\$ Show Memory System

| Swapper = system-wide memory mgmt.

1) write MPL

2) Trim WS's

3) outswap process WS

| Balance set = # memory resident processes

→ MAXPROCESSCNT  
→ BALSETCNT

## Processor Access Modes

- A mechanism to safeguard memory from:
  - Accidental actions (untested or faulty programs)
  - Malicious actions (reading or writing to memory not owned by the process)
- Four different access modes (in decreasing order of privilege):
  - # 1. Kernel
  - 2. Executive
  - 3. Supervisor
  - # 4. User
- A process can change modes during image execution
  - Implicitly, through execution of certain system service routines
  - Explicitly, by executing a VAX change mode instruction

Requires special privileges, the most common of which is CMKRNL  
Authorized by the VMS system manager on a per-user basis

page faults!

WS EXTENT

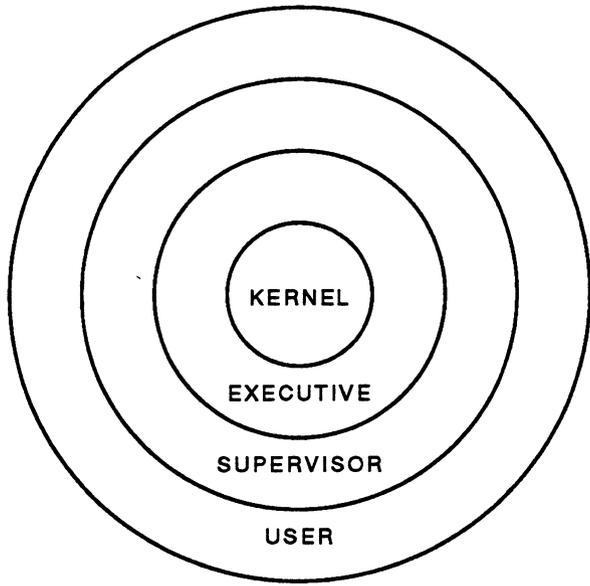
WS QUOTA

WS DEFAULT

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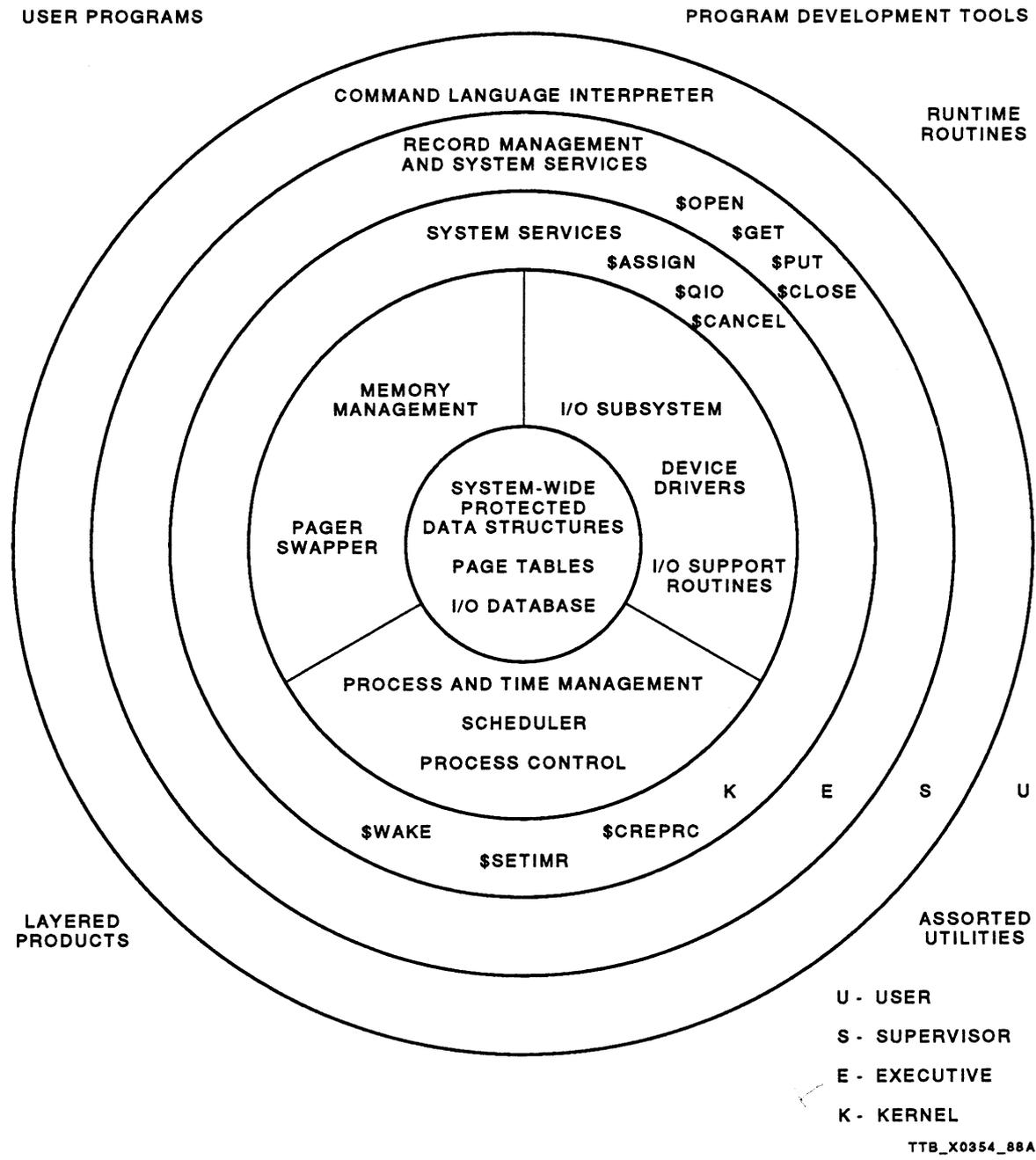
↑ ↓ ON LOAN

**Figure 1-20: Access Mode Hierarchy**



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**Figure 1-21: Layered Design of the VMS Operating System**



*Privileged  
\$change mode*

*AKS  
Record Management - System*

# SYSTEM FILES, DIRECTORIES, AND LOGICAL NAMES

## System Files

- VMS stores its image files, data files, and other files in special locations in auxiliary storage:

<b>System volume</b>	Disk volume, which holds system files
<b>System device</b>	Disk drive on which the system volume is mounted
<b>System directories</b>	Directories on the system volume that store the system files (see Table 1-3)

- A list of all the files distributed in the system directories can be found in the *VMS Installation and Operation Guide* for your particular VAX processor.

## System Directories

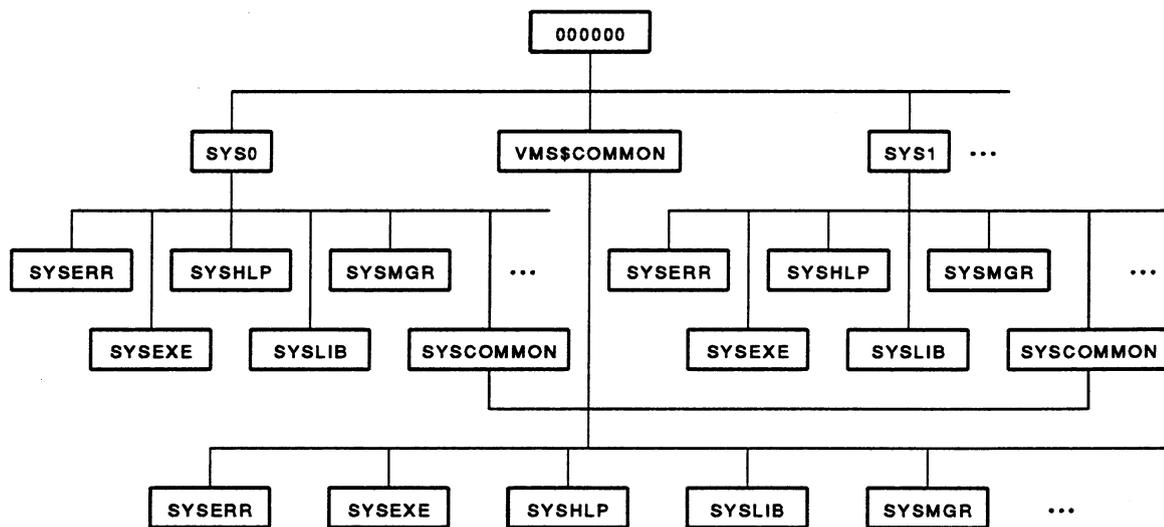
- Each system directory has its own logical name, specifying:
  - The system device
  - The specific system directory
- To use the directory name to refer to a file in a system directory, use the logical name SYS\$SYSROOT as the device name.
  - Defined as a **concealed root directory**

**Table 1-3: System Directories**

Directory Name Used in Combination with SYS\$SYSROOT:	Logical Name	Principal Contents
[SYSEXE]	SYS\$SYSTEM	Executable images, user authorization file, site-independent startup and shutdown command procedures, system parameter files, paging file, swap file, crash dump file
[SYSLIB]	SYS\$LIBRARY SYS\$SHARE	Macro libraries, object libraries, shareable image libraries, shareable images
[SYSHLP]	SYS\$HELP	Help libraries
[SYSMSG]	SYS\$MESSAGE	Error message files
[SYSMGR]	SYS\$MANAGER	Site-specific startup and shutdown command procedures, print forms definitions, operator's log, accounting file
[SYSMAINT]	SYS\$MAINTENANCE	Hardware diagnostics (not distributed with a VMS system)
[SYSTEST]	SYS\$TEST	UETP command procedures, images, data
[SYSERR]	SYS\$ERRORLOG	Error log file
[SYSUPD]	SYS\$UPDATE	Command procedures used for system installation, upgrade, and update
[SYSUPD.EXAMPLES]	SYS\$EXAMPLES	Sample source programs such as device drivers and system services
[SYSCBI]	SYS\$INSTRUCTION	Computer-based instruction software
[SYS\$LDR]	SYS\$LOADABLE_IMAGES	Loadable executive images and device drivers
[SYS\$STARTUP]	SYS\$STARTUP	Startup command procedures

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Figure 1-22: System Directory Tree Diagram



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[2nd Level Directories]

sys \$ system = sys \$ root [SYSEXE]

sys \$ Manager = sys \$ sysroot [SYSMGR]

sys \$ sysroot = disk : [sys \$.]  
= sys \$ common

sys \$ common = disk : [sys \$. syscommon]

## Concealed Root Directories

- Allows flexible handling of multiple versions of VMS software on the same system
- The system root directories are of the form: [SYSn]
  - Where “n” is a single hexadecimal digit from 0 through F
  - A typical VMS system will only have one system root directory: [SYS0]
- Be sure not to mix the use of root directory names and top-level directory names:

**Incorrect:**    `SYS$SYSROOT:[SYS0.SYSEXE]LINK.EXE`

**Correct:**     `SYS$SYSROOT:[SYSEXE]LINK.EXE`



# SOFTWARE AVAILABLE FOR VMS SYSTEMS

**Table 1-4: Programs and Utilities Distributed with a VMS System**

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## Editors and Word Processing Tools

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EDT editor	SOS Interactive Text Editor
TPU editor	RUNOFF Text Formatter
EVE editor	SLP Batch Text Editor

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## Program Development Tools

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VAX MACRO Assembler	VAX Librarian
VAX Linker	VAX Common Run-Time Library
VAX Debugger	

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## File Manipulation Tools

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VMS COPY Utility  
VMS DIRECTORY Utility  
VMS BACKUP Utility

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## Device and Volume Manipulation Tools

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VMS ALLOCATE Utility  
VMS INITIALIZE Utility  
VMS MOUNT Utility

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## Assorted Utilities

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File Sorting and Merging Utility (SORT/MERGE)	Personal Mail Utility (MAIL)
Information Utilities (SHOW)	Telephone Utility (PHONE)

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**Table 1-5: Some of the Optional Programs and Utilities Available for a VMS System**

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**Languages**

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VAX APL	VAX DSM
VAX BASIC	VAX FORTRAN
VAX BLISS-32	VAX LISP
VAX C	VAX PASCAL
VAX COBOL	VAX PL/I
VAX CORAL 66	VAX RPG II
VAX DIBOL	Professional Host Tool Kit Languages

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**Development Productivity Tools**

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VAX Code Management System (CMS)	VAX Module Management System (MMS)
VAX Language Sensitive Editor (LSE)	VAX Source Code Analyzer (SCA)
DEC Test Manager (DTM)	

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**Graphics Tools**

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VAX ReGIS Graphics Library (RGL)	VAX DECslide Graphic Presentation Utility
VAX DECgraph Plotting Package	VAX Graphics Kernel System (GKS)

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**Information and Data Management Products**

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VAX Common Data Dictionary (CDD)	VAX Forms Management System (FMS)
VAX DATATRIEVE Software	VAX Terminal Data Management System (TDMS)
VAX Database Management System (DBMS)	Rdb

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**Office Products**

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ALL-IN-1 Office Menu  
VAX DECalc Spreadsheet Calculator  
VAX DECspell Software

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**Networks and Communications Products**

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DECnet-VAX Software  
DECnet/SNA Gateway Products

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# USER WORKING ENVIRONMENT

- The software working environment (process) established with the User Authorization File (UAF)
- Each user has a record in the UAF
- Each process contains various **Informational** parameters, among these:
  - User name
  - Password
  - Account name
  - Process name
  - UIC
  - Process identification number (PID)
  - Interactive terminal specification (interactive processes only)
  - Default device and directory specification
- Each process also contains various **control** parameters:
  - Priority
  - Resource limits (Quotas)
  - Privileges
- Many parameters come from the user's UAF record; others are defined or recorded by the VMS system when the user logs in

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**Table 1-6: Parameters that Identify Interactive Processes**

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Parameter	Function	Syntax/ Examples
Account Name	Identifies a user whose computer usage is combined for billing purposes.	1-8 characters  GRP11
Default Device and Directory Specification	Names the device and directory where, by default, you keep your files.	(See Managing System Users module)  DISK\$USER: [SMITH]
Interactive Terminal/ Specification	Names the terminal you are using.	TXC3
Password	Confirms your right to log in.	1-31 characters  phantom
Process Identification Number (PID)	Identifies your process to the operating system.	8 hexadecimal digits  202002A2
Process Name	Identifies your process to other users.	1-15 characters  SMITH
User Identification Code (UIC)	Names the owner of a given mass storage volume (disk pack or tape reel), file, or other data structure; also used to name the owner of a given process.	1-15 alphanumeric characters, or 2 octal numbers separated by a comma, and enclosed by brackets. When using 2 octal numbers, the numbers lie between 0 and 37776, and 0 and 177776, respectively.  [SMITH] [11,2]
User Name	Names the record in the user authorization file through which you have gained system access.	1-12 characters  SMITH

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**Table 1-7: Parameters that Control Interactive Processes**

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Parameter	Function	Syntax/ Examples
Priority	Determines how soon operations are executed, relative to other processes present on the system.	Decimal integer between 0 and 31
Privileges	Determines which protected system operations you are allowed to perform.	Refer to the <i>VMS DCL Concepts Manual</i> for a complete list of privileges.  OPER GROUP GRPNAM
Resource Limits	Determines how much of certain system resources you can consume.	Decimal integers, the range of which depends on the parameter. See the <i>VMS DCL Dictionary</i> for a comprehensive list.  Open file quota: 20

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## Example 1-1: Displaying the Values of Your Process Parameters

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$
$ SHOW PROCESS/ALL

19-APR-1989 16:56:08.99   User: SMITH           Process ID: 202002A2
                          Node: BROWNY           Process name: SMITH_1

Terminal:                 LTA28: (ZK1123/LC-4-2)
User Identifier:         [ADMIN,SMITH]
Base priority:          4
Default file spec:     DISK$USER:[SMITH]

Devices allocated:     BROWNY$LTA28:

Process Quotas:
Account name:         PUBLIC
CPU limit:           Infinite   Direct I/O limit:         30
Buffered I/O byte count quota: 29872   Buffered I/O limit:      30
Timer queue entry quota: 20       Open file quota:        38
Paging file quota:   19538       Subprocess quota:       2
Default page fault cluster: 64     AST quota:              17
Enqueue quota:       600         Shared file limit:      0
Max detached processes: 0       Max active jobs:       0

Accounting information:
Buffered I/O count:   3655   Peak working set size:   737
Direct I/O count:    381   Peak virtual size:      3348
Page faults:        6658   Mounted volumes:        0
Images activated:    41
Elapsed CPU time:    0 00:01:00.12
Connect time:       0 08:12:40.83

Process privileges:
TMPMBX             may create temporary mailbox
NETMBX             may create network device

Process rights identifiers:
INTERACTIVE
LOCAL
SYS$NODE_BROWNY

Process Dynamic Memory Area
Current Size (bytes) 25600   Current Total Size (pages) 50
Free Space (bytes)  21984   Space in Use (bytes)       3616
Size of Largest Block 21872   Size of Smallest Block     8
Number of Free Blocks 4       Free Blocks LEQU 32 Bytes  1

Processes in this tree:
  Chocoholic
    SMITH_1 (*)

$
$ SHOW WORKING_SET
Working Set /Limit= 1024 /Quota= 2048 /Extent= 4096
Adjustment enabled Authorized Quota= 2048 Authorized Extent= 4096
$
$
```

# LEARNING AIDS

- Software documentation
  - Extensive documentation exists for every component of the VMS system
  - Places to search when looking for a particular topic:
    - Overview of VMS Documentation*
    - VMS Master Index*
  - Other major sources of information on VMS and optional software:
    - VMS System Software Handbook*
    - VMS Software Product Description (SPD)*
    - VMS Software Languages and Tools Handbook*
- Course offerings
  - Digital offers a wide variety of courses in two formats:
    - Lecture/Lab (at Digital facilities or on the customer's site)
    - Text-Based Instruction (TBI)
- Contact your nearest Digital Customer Training Center or your Digital sales representative for more information

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## SUMMARY

- VAX system configurations can be classified as:
  - Single processors
  - Multiple processor configurations
- A single processor configuration is any single VAX processor and its peripheral devices.
- There are three types of multiple processor configurations:
  - Tightly coupled configurations - multiprocessors
  - Loosely coupled configurations - networks
  - VAXcluster systems - configured midway between multiprocessors and networks
- Multiple processor configurations consist of:
  - Processors
  - Interconnects
  - Peripheral devices
  - Communication devices
  - Transmission media
  - Terminal servers (optional)
- Device names have the form: **ddcu**
- A local area network (LAN) spans a limited geographical area.
- A wide area network (WAN) spans a larger area.
- Important difference between a network and a VAXcluster system:
  - Sharing of information between nodes is much faster and easier in a cluster due to software-synchronized access to shared resources in a cluster

- Major software components of a VMS system
  - DCL
  - Processes
    - Software context
    - Hardware context
    - Virtual address space
    - Image
  - Memory management subsystem
    - Page fault handler
    - Modified page writer
    - Swapper
  - Scheduler
- Important memory-related system files
  - Paging files
  - Swap files
- Four processor access modes
  - Kernel
  - Executive
  - Supervisor
  - User
- System directories
  - Contain system files
  - Have system-wide logical names assigned to them
  - Concealed root directory, SYS\$SYSROOT, treated as a pseudo-device
  - Subdirectories of the system directory are top-level directories of SYS\$SYSROOT
  - Should be suitably protected to ensure security

**MODULE 2**  
**MANAGING SYSTEM USERS**

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# INTRODUCTION

The resources of a single VMS operating system are limited. A given configuration has a fixed amount of physical memory and disk storage. It also has a fixed number of peripheral devices. All system users must share these resources.

A VMS system restricts each user's access to system resources. By controlling these restrictions, the system manager can promote fair and effective resource sharing.

A VMS system also restricts each user's ability to affect other users and the system itself. The system manager and individual users can maintain system security by controlling these restrictions.

The principal VMS features that regulate individual processes are:

- Priority
- Privileges
- Limits
- Disk quotas
- Protection
- Access mode

To define restrictions on individual user processes and to record system activity, the system manager uses certain VMS utilities and DCL commands. These utilities and commands create and maintain the following files, which are discussed in this module:

- User authorization file (SYS\$SYSTEM:SYSUAF.DAT)
- Quota files on disk volumes ([000000]QUOTA.SYS)
- Login files (for example, SYS\$MANAGER:SYLOGIN.COM)
- Accounting file (SYS\$MANAGER:ACCOUNTING.DAT)

The system manager or operator must also respond to requests for assistance and send messages to users. The manager uses several utilities, including the MAIL and PHONE utilities, to accomplish this.



## OBJECTIVES

To divide limited system resources among users and processes, a system manager should be able to:

- Identify the relationships between process characteristics and the information stored in UAF records.
- Add a user account to the system by creating the necessary user authorization records, directories, and disk quotas.
- Remove a user account from the system.
- Regulate the use of system resources.
- Regulate processes running on the system.
- Restrict the abilities of certain users or applications.
- Communicate with system users and operators.

## RESOURCES

1. *VMS DCL Dictionary*
2. *VMS System Manager's Manual*
3. *Guide to Setting Up a VMS System*
4. *Guide to Maintaining a VMS System*
5. *VMS SYSMAN Utility Manual*
6. *VMS Authorize Utility Manual*
7. *Guide to VMS System Security*

# DEFINING THE USER ENVIRONMENT

## User Authorization File (UAF)

- Users are identified on VMS systems by **user names**
- The system manager defines user names in the user authorization file (UAF)
- User name records are often called **accounts**
- Each UAF record consists of a number of **fields**:
  - User name
  - Encoded password
  - Default device and directory
  - Access restrictions
  - Quotas and limits
  - Privileges
  - UIC and identifiers
- The system manager can modify any record field
- Field values should reflect the needs of users and system resources
- The AUTHORIZE utility is used to manage the UAF:
  - Specifies who may use the system
  - Defines the user's default device and directory
  - Limits the amount of space in memory for each user
  - Permits interaction between users by establishing groups
  - Runs a command procedure for any user at login time
  - Limits the number of files a user may have open at any one time
  - Sets limits on other resources

## Example 2-1: UAF Record

```
$
$ SET DEFAULT SYSS$SYSTEM
$ RUN AUTHORIZE
UAF> SHOW SMITH

① Username: SMITH
② Owner: MARY SMITH
③ Account: GRP11
④ UIC: [11,2] ([ADMIN,SMITH])
⑤ CLI: DCL
⑥ Tables: DCLTABLES
⑦ Default: WORK1:[SMITH]
⑧ LGICMD: SYSS$MANAGER:GRP11LOGIN
⑨ Login Flags: Diswelcome Disnewmail
⑩ Primary days: Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri
Secondary days: Sat Sun
Primary 000000000011111111112222 Secondary 000000000011111111112222
Day Hours 012345678901234567890123 Day Hours 012345678901234567890123
Network: -----#####-----
Batch: -----#####-----
Local: ##### Full access #####
Dialup: -----#####-----
Remote: -----#####-----
Expiration: (none) Pwdminimum: 6 Login Fails: 0
Pwdlifetime: 180 00:00 Pwdchange: (pre-expired)
Last Login: (none) (interactive), (none) (non-interactive)
⑪ Maxjobs: 0 Fillm: 20 Byt1m: 4096
Maxacct jobs: 0 Shrfillm: 0 Pbyt1m: 0
Maxdetach: 0 BIO1m: 6 JTquota: 1024
Prclm: 2 DIO1m: 6 WSdef: 1024
Prio: 4 AST1m: 10 WSquo: 2048
Queprio: 4 TQElm: 10 WSextent: 4096
CPU: (none) Enqlm: 10 Pgflquo: 10000
⑫ Authorized Privileges:
GROUP TMPMBX NETMBX
Default Privileges:
TMPMBX NETMBX

UAF> EXIT
%UAF-I-NOMODS, no modifications made to system authorization file
%UAF-I-NAFNOMODS, no modifications made to network authorization file
%UAF-I-RDBNOMODS, no modifications made to rights database
$
$
```

**Table 2-1: Fields in a UAF Record Usually Unique to Each User**

Field	Meaning	AUTHORIZE Qualifier	Key †
User Name	Identifies user for whom the VMS system creates process. Typed in response to <b>Username:</b> prompt.	User name is a parameter, not a qualifier.	①
Password	Confirms identity of user. Typed in response to <b>Password:</b> prompt. Note that it is possible to create an OPEN account by specifying a null password ( <b>NOPASSWORD</b> ). The <b>Password:</b> prompt is not output for OPEN accounts.	/PASSWORD	‡
UIC	Used to enforce protection of devices, volumes, and files. Also used to regulate ability of process to communicate with and affect other processes. (UIC may be displayed in a numerical or character string form.)	/UIC	④
Owner	Records full name of user, for convenience of the system manager. Not used by the VMS system. To allow spaces in the name, enclose it in quotation marks.	/OWNER	②
Device Directory	Used by the VMS system to establish both initial default device and initial default directory at login time.  Note that it is preferable to identify the default device by a logical name based on the volume label (such as WORK1) rather than by a physical device name (such as DUA1).	/DEVICE /DIRECTORY	⑦

† Refer to Example 2-1 for key numbers.

‡ Not displayed, to preserve integrity.

*/Flags = Disuser  
Disables an Account*

*/Flag = NO Disuser / password = xxxr*

**Table 2-2: Fields in a UAF Record Usually Common to Groups of Users**

Field	Meaning	AUTHORIZE Qualifier	Key †
Account	Used by ACCOUNTING utility to identify processes whose activities are billed in common. To include spaces in the account name, enclose it in quotation marks.	/ACCOUNT	3
CLI	Command language interpreter. Usually, DCL.	/CLI	5
Tables	Specifies which CLI table the process will use. (Create a new CLI table by using the Command Definition utility to copy an existing CLI table. Then use the same utility to modify the new table by removing or adding commands to it.)	/CLITABLES	6
LGICMD	Specifies a system-wide or group-wide login command file. Commands in this file are executed before the user can issue commands interactively or through a batch command file. The manager typically assigns the same login file to all members of a group, or to all users on the system. (If this field is left blank, the VMS system executes the LOGIN.COM file in the user's default directory before executing user commands.)	/LGICMD	8
Login flags	Special restrictions during and after logging in to the system.	/FLAGS	9
Primary days	Access allowed during specific times and days, and with specific access modes.	/ACCESS	10
Secondary days		/PRIMARY	
		/INTERACTIVE	
		/NETWORK	
		/BATCH	
		/LOCAL	
		/DIALUP	
		/REMOTE	
Limits	Used to restrict use of various resources by process.	One qualifier for each limit. For example: /TQELM /ASTLM	11
Privileges	Privileges to add to user record or remove from user record. Default privileges are given to user at login. Authorized privileges are given when user enters the SET PROCESS/PRIVILEGE command.	/PRIVILEGES /DEFPRIVILEGES Qualifiers have a keyword for each privilege. For example, GRPNAM (to add this privilege) and NOGRPNAM (to delete it).	12

† Refer to Example 2-1 for key numbers.

## AUTHORIZE Utility

- Standard UAF file shipped with a VMS system
  - SYS\$SYSTEM:SYSUAF.DAT
- Contains four Digital-supplied UAF records:
  - SYSTEM
  - FIELD
  - SYSTEST and SYSTEST\_CLIG
  - DEFAULT

**Table 2-3: Standard User Records in the User Authorization File**

User Name (and Initial Password) of UAF Record	Purpose of This Record
SYSTEM (MANAGER) †	For software installation, system bootstrapping, and system problem diagnosis  Do not log in as SYSTEM for routine system management functions. There are too many dangerous privileges, particularly BYPASS. Create a UAF record with UIC [1,4] and SETPRV, but without dangerous privileges, to use for routine system management functions. NOTE: You should substitute the READALL privilege for BYPASS.
FIELD (SERVICE) ‡	For running hardware diagnostics
SYSTEST (UETP) ‡ SYSTEST_CLIG	For running the User Environment Test Package (UETP), which tests VMS hardware and software
DEFAULT (USER) ‡	Not possible to log in as DEFAULT  The AUTHORIZE command ADD uses this record to supply default values for new UAF records.

† These records are present whenever a UAF is created. They cannot be removed or renamed. The password of DEFAULT cannot be changed. System security requires that you change the password of SYSTEM.

‡ These records are present in the UAF that is distributed with a VMS system. It is possible to remove them, but removal is not recommended. System security requires that you change the passwords of SYSTEST and FIELD.



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**Table 2-4: Starting the AUTHORIZE Utility**

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Step	DCL Commands	Comments
1	Log in as SYSTEM	You need to be in a system account (group number 0-10) to run the AUTHORIZE utility. To accomplish this, log in using the SYSTEM user name or another user name that specifies a system UAF record, or give yourself the SYSPRV privilege while in a nonsystem process. The SYSPRV privilege allows you to do the same things you can do in a system process.
2	<code>\$ SET DEFAULT SYS\$SYSTEM</code>	The AUTHORIZE utility always manages the SYSUAF.DAT file stored in the current default directory for your process. To affect the system-wide UAF file, SYS\$SYSTEM:SYSUAF.DAT, set your default to SYS\$SYSTEM.
3	<code>\$ RUN AUTHORIZE</code>	<p>If the SYSUAF.DAT file does not exist, AUTHORIZE asks whether you want to create a SYSUAF.DAT. If you answer "yes," it creates one.</p> <p>If you know SYS\$SYSTEM:SYSUAF.DAT really does exist, answer "no." Then:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Make sure that the system logical name SYSUAF points to SYS\$SYSTEM:SYSUAF.DAT, if the logical name exists. The module <b>Customizing the System</b> discusses how to display and modify system logical names in more detail.</li><li>2. Follow steps 1-3 again.</li></ol>

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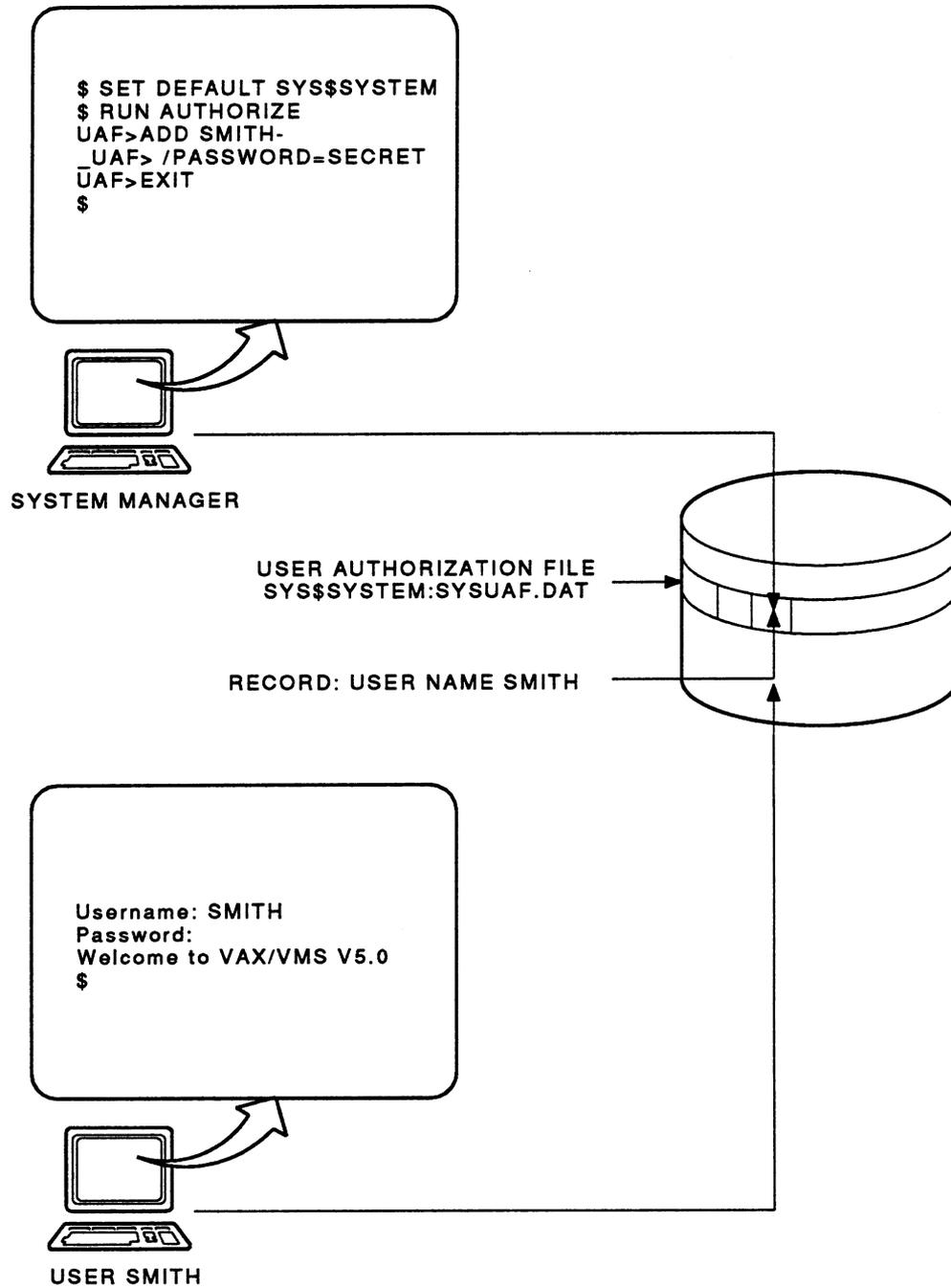
**Table 2-5: Summary of AUTHORIZE Commands**

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Command	Function
ADD	Add a user
MODIFY	Modify a user record
REMOVE	Remove a user
RENAME	Rename a user record
COPY	Copy one user record to another
LIST	Create a file of user names that can be printed
SHOW	Display user records
HELP	List commands and qualifiers available
EXIT	Return to DCL

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**Figure 2-1: Adding and Using a UAF Record**



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**Table 2-6: Managing the User Authorization File with the AUTHORIZE Utility**

Operation on the UAF	Command Format and Examples
Displays the complete UAF record for account JONES on your terminal	UAF> SHOW user-name UAF> SHOW JONES
Displays an abbreviated list of all accounts in the UAF file on your terminal	UAF> SHOW/BRIEF *
Displays an abbreviated list on your terminal of all accounts starting with the letter B	UAF> SHOW/BRIEF B*
Writes a brief list of all accounts to the file SYSUAF.LIS	UAF> LIST user-name UAF> LIST *
Writes a list of complete values for all accounts starting with the letter B to the file SYSUAF.LIS	UAF> LIST/FULL B*
Adds a new user record, copying all values not specified by qualifiers from the DEFAULT record (If the /PASSWORD qualifier is omitted, the password USER is supplied.)	UAF> ADD new-user-name [/qualifier...] UAF> ADD SMITH /PASSWORD=SECRET
Adds a new user record, copying all values (except password) not specified by qualifiers from an existing user record (You must specify the password, even if it is to remain the same.)	UAF> COPY existing-user-name new-user-name - _UAF> /PASSWORD=password [/qualifier][,...] UAF> COPY SMITH JONES /PASSWORD=FRANK
Modifies an existing user record	UAF> MODIFY user-name /qualifier[,...] UAF> MODIFY SMITH /DEVICE=WORKDISK
Modifies all existing user records	UAF> MODIFY * /qualifier[,...] UAF> MODIFY * /PRCLM=5
Modifies all existing user records with the same group UIC	UAF> MODIFY [group-number,*] /qualifier[,...] UAF> MODIFY [310,*] /LGICMD=GRP310:LOGIN.COM
Renames an existing user record (You must specify the password, even if it is to remain the same.)	UAF> RENAME existing-user-name - _UAF> new-user-name /PASSWORD=password UAF> RENAME PRAUSS MASON /PASSWORD=JAR
Modifies the DEFAULT record (The qualifier /PASSWORD does not affect the default password, which is always USER.)	UAF> MODIFY DEFAULT /qualifier[,...] UAF> MODIFY DEFAULT - _UAF> /DEV=DISK_SCRATCH /DIR=[GUEST]
Removes an existing user record	UAF> REMOVE user-name UAF> REMOVE MASON

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The AUTHORIZE utility lists UAF records alphabetically by user name.

**Example 2-2: Brief List of UAF Records**

```

$
$ SET DEFAULT SYSSYSTEM
$ RUN AUTHORIZE
UAF> LIST
%UAF-I-LSTMSG1, writing listing file
%UAF-I-LSTMSG2, listing file SYSUAF.LIS complete
UAF> EXIT
%UAF-I-NOMODS, no modifications made to system authorization file
%UAF-I-NAFNOMODS, no modifications made to network proxy data base
%UAF-I-RDBNOMODS, no modifications made to rights data base

$ TYPE SYSUAF.LIS
      Owner                Username                UIC                Account  Privs Pri Directory
Amy Becker                BECKER                [11,35]                Normal  4 SYSSYSDEVICE:[BECKER]
Carolyn                   COVERDALE            [101,6]                All     4 SYSSYSDEVICE:[COVERDALE]
                          DEFAULT              [200,200]              Normal  4 Disuser
John                      DUFFY                [101,5]                All     4 SYSSYSDEVICE:[DUFFY]
FAL$SERVER DEFAULT      FAL$SERVER            [376,373]              DECNET  Normal  4 Disuser
FIELD SERVICE           FIELD                 [1,10]                 FIELD   All     4 SYSSYSROOT:[SYSMAINT]
Holly                     HENDRICKS            [200,1]                All     4 SYSSYSDEVICE:[HENDRICKS]
Joanne                    HOWELL               [101,4]                All     4 SYSSYSDEVICE:[HOWELL]
PrintServer 40           LPS$SERVER            [477,477]              LPS40  Normal  4 SYSSYSDEVICE:[LPS$SERVER]
MAIL$SERVER DEFAULT    MAIL$SERVER            [376,374]              DECNET  Normal  4 SYSSCOMMON:[MAIL$SERVER]
Fred                      MARSH                [11,40]                All     4 CACAO$DUA0:[MARSH]
Val                       MATTHEWS             [101,1]                All     4 SYSSYSDEVICE:[MATTHEWS]
NOTES SERVER            NOTES$SERVER          [376,377]              DECNET  Normal  4 SYSSYSDEVICE:[NOTES$SERVER]
PHONE$SERVER DEFAULT   PHONE$SERVER          [376,372]              DECNET  Normal  4 SYSSSPECIFIC:[PHONE$SERVER]
Mel                       REGNELL              [101,3]                All     4 SYSSYSDEVICE:[REGNELL]
Kristin                  ROUNDS              [101,7]                All     4 CACAO$DUA0:[ROUNDS]
VAX SPM                  SPM                  [1,100]                SYSTEM  All     4 SYSSYSDEVICE:[SPM]
SYSTEM MANAGER          SYSTEM                [1,4]                  SYSTEM  All     4 SYSSYSROOT:[SYSMGR]
SYSTEST-UETP            SYSTEST              [1,7]                  SYSTEST All     4 SYSSYSROOT:[SYSTEST]
SYSTEST-UETP            SYSTEST_CLIG         [1,7]                  SYSTEST All     4 Disuser
VPM$SERVER DEFAULT     VPM$SERVER            [376,375]              DECNET  Normal  4 SYSSPECIFIC:[VPM$SERVER]
Elinor                   WOODS                [101,10]               All     4 SYSSYSDEVICE:[WOODS]
Julie Ywoskus           YWOSKUS              [200,2]                3F4    Normal  4 SYSSYSDEVICE:[YWOSKUS]
$

```

**NOTE**

**The privileges listed in Example 2-2 are categories of privileges, not actual privileges. The category of the highest privilege owned by the user is listed, even if the user does not have all the privileges in that category.**

## Creating a User Account

- Creating accounts for your user environment requires advanced considerations:
  - Variety of user categories
  - Security and sharing
  - Management of auxiliary storage (disks)

## Preparing to Create the Account

- Primary considerations when going to add a new user:
  - How should the user be categorized?
  - Where should the user's disk files reside by default?
- When the user's requirements are understood, determine nondefault field values:
  - User name and password
  - User identification code (UIC)
  - Default device and directory
  - Special resource quotas
  - Additional security parameters
  - Login command procedures to be executed

## Creating the Default Disk Directory

- When a user logs in, the VMS system uses the UAF record to define the default device and directory
  - Called the user file directory (UFD)
  - Usually named similar to the user name
  - The logical name SYS\$LOGIN created to point to the UFD
- AUTHORIZE does **not** create the default directory
  - System manager creates the default directory using DCL commands (or a DCL procedure)
- Each disk volume contains a master file directory (MFD)
  - The “top-level” directory on the volume
  - Contains UFDs (and possibly other files)
- A corresponding entry in the volume's disk quota file must be created
  - Only if disk quotas are enabled on the volume

## Setting the Disk Quotas

- The System Management (SYSMAN) Utility contains DISKQUOTA commands
  - Creates and maintains disk quota files
  - Assigns disk quotas to users
  - Monitors disk usage
- SYSMAN performs operations on the device name by the /DEVICE qualifier
- SYSMAN requires OPER privilege. The DISKQUOTA commands generally require SYSPRV, in addition.
- The DISKQUOTA functions of SYSMAN are introduced now. Further discussion of SYSMAN continues later in the course.

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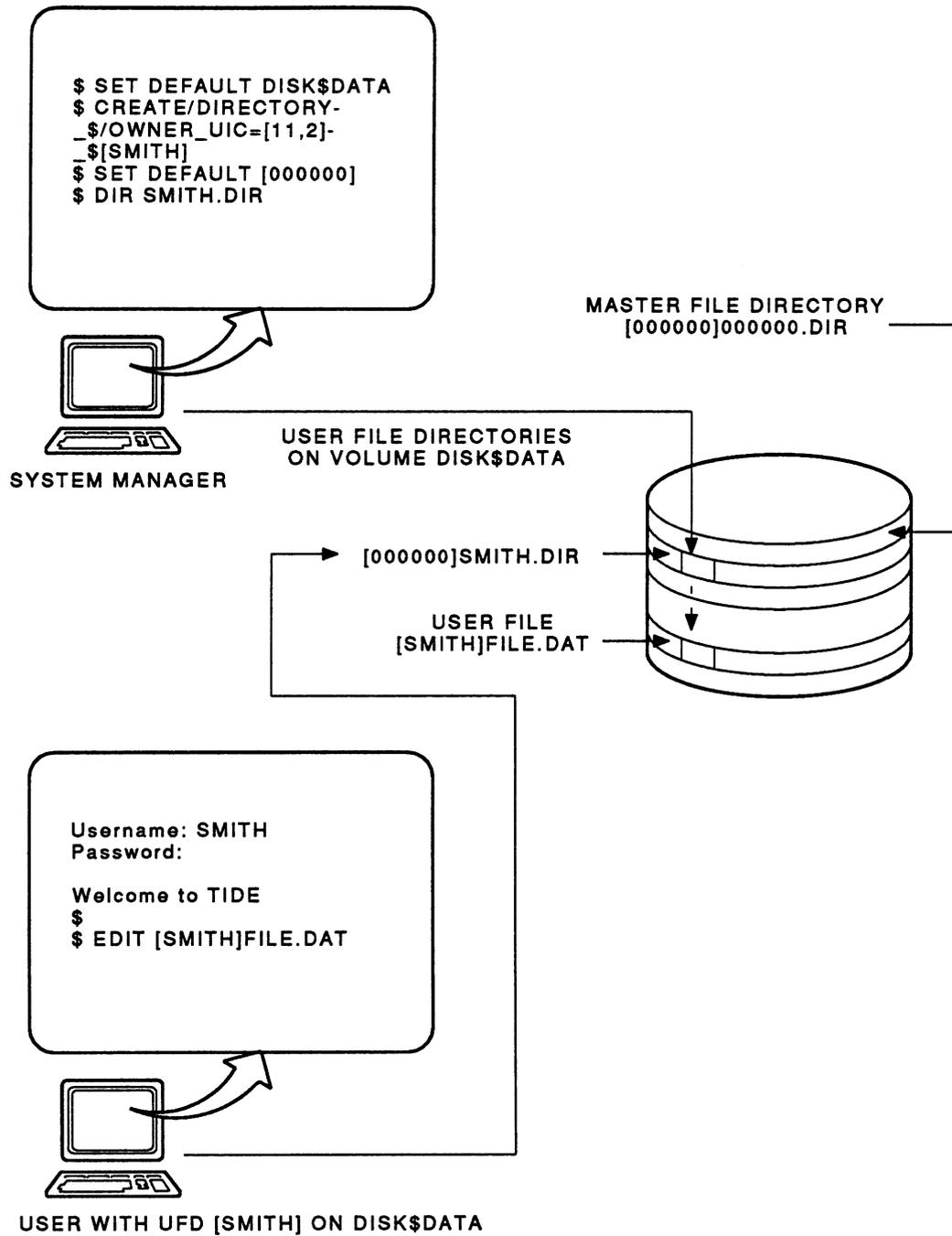
**Table 2-7: Creating a User's Default Directory or Other UFD**

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Step	Commands	Comments
1	<code>\$ SET DEFAULT volume-name</code>	If the volume is not mounted, follow the instructions for mounting it. Use the name of the device where the volume is loaded or the logical name of the volume for the volume-name part of this command. More detailed information on device names and volumes are presented in the <b>Managing Disk and Tape Volumes</b> module.
2	<code>\$ CREATE/DIRECTORY - _ \$ /OWNER=uic ufd-name - _ \$ /PROTECTION=(prot-mask)</code>	The UIC supplied with the <b>/OWNER</b> qualifier should be the user's own UIC, as recorded in the UAF. A user should always own a private UFD (one that is not shared with anyone else). The <b>/OWNER</b> qualifier requires SYSPRV. (See Figure 2-2) NOTE: Users may not create their own UFD unless they have write access to the Master File Directory (MFD) for the volume. Also, be sure to protect the new UFD with the appropriate protection mask.
3	<code>\$ DIR volume-name: [000000]</code>	List the contents of the MFD to check that you did create a User File Directory in it, or set your default to [000000] on the volume and list the name of the directory, as shown in Figure 2-2.

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Figure 2-2: Creating a User File Directory (UFD)



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**Table 2-8: Basic Steps to Add a New User to the System**

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Command †	Comments
<pre>\$ SET DEFAULT SYS\$SYSTEM</pre>	Set your default disk directory to the system directory in which SYSUAF.DAT resides.
<pre>\$ RUN SYSMAN SYSMAN&gt; DISKQUOTA ADD [11,2] -   _SYSMAN&gt; /DEVICE=DISK\$USER /PERMQUOTA=200 -   _SYSMAN&gt; /OVERDRAFT=50</pre>	Invoke the System Management (SYSMAN) utility to assign the user disk quota. (SYSMAN is discussed later in this module.)
<pre>\$ RUN AUTHORIZE</pre>	Invoke the AUTHORIZE utility.
<pre>UAF&gt; ADD SMITH/PASSWORD=PERCHANCE -   _UAF&gt; /DEVICE=DISK\$USER/DIRECTORY=[SMITH] -   _UAF&gt; /UIC=[ADMIN, SMITH]</pre>	Add the new account SMITH, using the default UAF record values for those fields not specified in the <b>ADD</b> command. ADMIN and SMITH identifiers must exist in order for /UIC qualifier to work.
<pre>UAF&gt; EXIT</pre>	Exit from the AUTHORIZE utility and return to DCL.
<pre>\$ CREATE/DIRECTORY USER1:[SMITH] -   _\$ /OWNER=[ADMIN, SMITH] -   _\$ /PROTECTION=(S:RWED,O:RWE,G:RE,W:E)</pre>	Create the user's default disk directory on the default device as specified when the UAF record was created. Note that the disk directory can be created before the UAF record is created. The protection mask given to the new directory is only an example; the exact protection mask should reflect your particular system's security policy.

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† You must be logged in to either the SYSTEM account or an account with the OPER and SYSPRV privileges enabled.

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## Steps for Adding a User

### Example 2-3: Adding a System User

```
$
$ SET DEFAULT SYS$SYSTEM
$
$ RUN SYSMAN
SYSMAN> DISKQUOTA ADD [11,2] /DEVICE=DISK$USER /PERMQUOTA=500 /OVERDRAFT=100
SYSMAN> EXIT
$
$ CREATE/DIRECTORY /OWNER_UIC=[11,2] DISK$USER:[SMITH]
$
$ RUN AUTHORIZE
UAF> ADD SMITH /PASSWORD=ENIGMA /UIC=[11,2] -
_UAF> /DEVICE=DISK$USER /DIRECTORY=[SMITH] -
_UAF> /OWNER="Mary Smith" /ACCOUNT=GRP11
%UAF-I-ADDMSG, user record successfully added
%UAF-I-RDBADDMSGU, identifier SMITH value: [000011,000002] added to RIGHTS.LIST.DAT
UAF> EXIT
%UAF-I-DONEMSG, system authorization file modified
%UAF-I-RDBDONEMSG, rights database modified
$ LOGOUT
```

(Now try logging into the new SMITH account)

Username: SMITH

Password:

Welcome to VMS Version 5.2

\$ SHOW PROCESS

```
19-APR-1989 16:55:20.37   User: SMITH           Process ID:   20200263
                          Node: BROWNY             Process name: "Smith"
```

```
Terminal:                TTC1:
User Identifier:         [ADMIN, SMITH]
Base priority:           4
Default file spec:      DISK$USER:[SMITH]
```

Devices allocated: BROWNY\$TTC1:

\$

```
$ SHOW DEFAULT
DISK$USER:[SMITH]
```

\$

```
$ SHOW QUOTA
User [SMITH] has 6 blocks used, 494 available, of 500
authorized and permitted overdraft of 100 blocks on DISK$USER
```

\$

\$

## Modifying the DEFAULT Record

- The AUTHORIZE **ADD** command is similar in function to the **COPY** command.
  - Simulates copying of the DEFAULT record for the new user
- The DEFAULT record is used as a template to specify most field values.
  - The password field should **always** be specified when using the **ADD** command.
- Modify the DEFAULT record to reflect typical user account requirements.

## Tailoring User Accounts

UAF record fields fall into four basic categories:

1. Identification and environment
2. Access and security
3. Quotas and resource limits
4. Privileges

## Example 2-4: UAF Record Field Categories

```

1 Username: SMITH                               Owner: MARY SMITH
    Account: GRP11                               UIC: [11,2] ([ADMIN,SMITH])
    CLI: DCL                                     Tables: DCLTABLES
    Default: DISK$USER:[SMITH]
    LGICMD: SYS$MANAGER:GRP11LOGIN

2 Login Flags: Diswelcome Disnewmail
    Primary days: Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri
    Secondary days:                               Sat Sun
    Primary 000000000011111111112222          Secondary 000000000011111111112222
    Day Hours 012345678901234567890123          Day Hours 012345678901234567890123
    Network: -----#####-----              ----- No access -----
    Batch: -----#####-----                 ----- No access -----
    Local: ##### Full access #####              ##### Full access #####
    Dialup: -----#####-----               ----- No access -----
    Remote: -----#####-----                ----- No access -----
    Expiration: (none)                          Pwdminimum: 6 Login Fails: 0
    Pwdlifetime: 90 00:00                       Pwdchange: (pre-expired)
    Last Login: (none) (interactive),            (none) (non-interactive)

3 Maxjobs: 0 Fillm: 20 Byt1m: 4096
    Maxacct jobs: 0 Shrfillm: 0 Pbyt1m: 0
    Maxdetach: 0 BIO1m: 6 JTquota: 1024
    Prclm: 2 DIO1m: 6 WSdef: 1024
    Prio: 4 AST1m: 10 WSquo: 2048
    Queprio: 4 TQElm: 10 WSextent: 4096
    CPU: (none) Enqlm: 10 Pgflquo: 10000

4 Authorized Privileges:
    GROUP TMPMBX NETMBX
    Default Privileges:
    TMPMBX NETMBX
  
```

### Notes on Example 2-4

In Example 2-4, each of the following field categories are grouped together, starting with a numbered identifier:

- 1** Identification and environment fields
- 2** Access and security fields
- 3** Quotas and resource limits fields
- 4** Privileges fields

## Identification and Environment Fields

- Certain UAF record fields are used for:
  - Accounting
  - User identification
  - Environment initialization

**Table 2-9: AUTHORIZE Qualifiers for Identification and Environment Fields**

Qualifier	Function
/ACCOUNT=account-name	A 1 to 8 alphanumeric character string identifying the account
/CLI=cli-name	Name of the default command language interpreter
/CLITABLES=table-name	Specifies user-defined CLI tables for the account
/DEVICE=device-name	Specifies the default disk device at login
/DIRECTORY=directory-name	Specifies the default disk directory at login
/LGICMD=file-spec	Specifies the name of the login command procedure to be executed after the system-wide login procedure is executed (if one exists)
/OWNER=owner-name	Specifies a 1 to 31 character string identifying the owner of the account
/UIC=uic	Specifies the user identification code (UIC) for the account

## Login Command Procedures

- Define the user environment using **login command procedures**
  - System-wide login command procedure
  - Other login command procedures (created by system manager or user)
- Login command procedures are executed each time an interactive process or batch job is created
- The VMS system finds these command procedures in:
  - System logical name SYS\$SYLOGIN (system-wide procedure)
  - LGICMD field in each user's UAF record
  - Default user login file LOGIN.COM
- VMS login command procedure execution sequence:
  - If SYS\$SYLOGIN defined, execute command file it designates
  - If LGICMD contains name of command procedure, execute it
  - If LGICMD blank, execute SYS\$LOGIN:LOGIN.COM
- Four common uses of login command procedures:
  - Personal login only
  - System and personal login
  - System and group login
  - Captive login

```
$ sys$login = sys$manager:sys$login  
                .com
```

```
$ if F$search ("login.com").NES. ""  
    then @login.
```

```
uaf > modify USERNAME /LGICMD = sys$manager.  
                GRPLGIN
```

**Table 2-10: Typical Login Command Procedures (DCL)**

Function of Login Command Files	Definition of System Logical Name SYS\$SYLOGIN and UAF Record Field LGICMD
<p><b>Personal login only:</b> DCL users create the file LOGIN.COM in their own login default directories to customize their own environments.</p>	<p>SYS\$SYLOGIN undefined LGICMD undefined</p>
<p><b>System and personal login:</b> The system manager creates the DCL command file SYS\$MANAGER:SYLOGIN.COM to customize a common user environment for all users on the system, and users each create a file, LOGIN.COM, in their own login default directories to customize their own environments.</p>	<p>SYS\$SYLOGIN defined as SYS\$MANAGER:SYLOGIN  LGICMD undefined</p>
<p><b>System and group login:</b> The system manager creates the DCL command file SYS\$MANAGER:SYLOGIN.COM to customize a common user environment for all users on the system, and group managers create a DCL command file to customize a common user environment for all users in their group.</p>	<p>SYS\$SYLOGIN defined as SYS\$MANAGER:SYLOGIN  LGICMD defined as the file created for the group that the user belongs to (see Example 2-4).</p>
<p><b>Captive login:</b> The system manager creates a file in the SYS\$MANAGER directory, such as SYS\$MANAGER:CAPTIVE.COM, to customize the user environment and prevent a user from changing it. Typically, the command procedure examines each DCL command the user enters, to decide whether or not to allow it to be executed. It may even implement a private command language for the user. Turnkey accounts may also use the captive login method. Typically, more than one person uses a turnkey account. When users log in to a turnkey account, the login procedure runs a program for them, and they communicate with that program. Normally, a user of a turnkey account never sees the DCL prompt (see Example 2-5).</p>	<p>SYS\$SYLOGIN definition optional; affects captive and non-captive users.  LGICMD contains the name of a captive command procedure, such as SYS\$MANAGER:CAPTIVE, or a logical name translating to the captive command procedure name. A captive command procedure must contain a loop to prevent it from exiting, and the FLAGS field of the UAF record must specify the CAPTIVE, DISCTLY, and LOCKPWD flags. Table 2-13 discusses the FLAGS field of the UAF record further.</p>

## Example 2-5: Using a Turnkey Account

Username: SPECULATE  
Password:

Welcome to SPECULATE

Speculate> USE INVESTMENT DATA  
Spec: Consider it done.  
Speculate> COMPUTE FOR NEXT 10 YEARS  
SPEC: Please specify commodity.  
Speculate> GOLD  
Spec: \$933,999,456,657.32  
Speculate>

.  
.  
.

*(User continues to interact with the SPECULATE program)*

.  
.  
.

Speculate> BYE  
SPECULATE logged out at 20-OCT-1988 16:00:15.16

## Access and Security Fields

- Used to limit the use of the account according to time/day or access mode
- Used to limit certain capabilities once logged into the system
- Used to authenticate user requests for access to files and other resources

## Access Times and Modes

- You can limit an account's access to the system in three ways:
  - Time of the day
  - Day of the week
  - Access mode
- You can combine these values to further specify the account's ability to gain access to the system:

```
UAF> MODIFY SMITH/LOCAL=(PRIMARY, 8-17, SECONDARY, 8-17)
UAF> MODIFY SMITH/DIALUP=(PRIMARY, 18-7, SECONDARY, 0-23)
```



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**Table 2-11: Login Access Modes**

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Mode	Description
INTERACTIVE	Any kind of interactive login
LOCAL	Directly connected terminals (no LATs or modems)
DIALUP	Modem connections using telephone services (or network services emulating telephone services)
REMOTE	Virtual terminal connection across DECnet
BATCH	Batch jobs (noninteractive access method)
NETWORK	DECnet noninteractive network access, for example: file transfers, electronic mail to/from other nodes, etc.

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**Table 2-12: AUTHORIZE Qualifiers for Access Fields**

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Qualifier	Function
/ACCESS [= (range [, ...])	Specifies hours of access for all modes of access
/BATCH [= (range [, ...])	Specifies hours of access permitted for batch jobs
/DIALUP [= (range [, ...]) †	Specifies hours of access permitted for dialup jobs
/INTERACTIVE [= (range [, ...])	Specifies hours of access permitted for interactive logins
/LOCAL [= (range [, ...]) †	Specifies hours of access permitted for interactive logins initiated on local terminals
/PRIMEDAYS = ([NO] day [, ...])	Specifies the primary and secondary days of the week for logins. Specify primary days as MON, TUE, WED, THU, FRI, SAT, and SUN. Specify secondary days as NOMON, NOTUE, NOWED, etc.
/NETWORK [= (range [, ...])	Specifies hours of access permitted for network batch jobs
/REMOTE [= (range [, ...]) †	Specifies hours of access permitted for interactive logins initiated by network remote terminals

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† These are interactive logins, so you can use the /INTERACTIVE qualifier to specify all three interactive access methods.

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## Login Flags

Login flags are used to restrict certain activities of the user job.

**Table 2-13: Login Flag Parameters**

/FLAG Parameter †	Purpose
AUDIT	Audits all security-relevant actions
AUTOLOGIN	Restricts this account to autologins only
CAPTIVE	Prevents user from changing any defaults at login
DEFCLI	Prevents user from changing default CLI or CLI table
DISCTLY	Disables CTRL/Y interrupts
DISFORCE_PWD_CHANGE	Disables forced user expired password changes
DISMAIL	Prevents mail delivery to this user
DISNEWMAIL	Suppresses "New Mail..." announcements
DISRECONNECT	Disables automated reconnections
DISREPORT	Disables time of last login and other security reports
DISUSER	Disables this account completely
DISWELCOME	Suppresses "Welcome to..." login message
GENPWD	Requires user to use generated passwords
LOCKPWD	Prevents user from changing password
PWD_EXPIRED	Marks password as expired
PWD2_EXPIRED	Marks second password as expired

† Any flag can be prefixed with NO to turn off the flag's intended purpose, for example:  
**/NOLOCKPWD**

## Security Fields

Security fields are used to authenticate user requests for access to files and other resources.

**Table 2-14: AUTHORIZE Qualifiers for Security Fields**

Qualifier	Function
/ADD_IDENTIFIER	Adds identifiers for the user name and account name to the rights database
/EXPIRATION=time	Expiration date and time of the account
/GENERATE_PASSWORD [=keyword]	Invokes the password generator to generate user passwords. Details of the possible keywords are discussed in the module <b>Maintaining System Integrity</b> .
/MODIFY_IDENTIFIERS	Specifies whether the identifier associated with a user record is to be modified in the rights database
* /PASSWORD= (pwd1 [,pwd2])	Specifies the primary and optional secondary passwords
/PWDEXPIRED	Specifies whether a password is valid only for the first login
/PWDLIFETIME=time	Specifies the length of time a password is valid, entered as a delta-time value
/PWDMINIMUM=value	Specifies the minimum number of characters allowed for a password
/REMOVE_IDENTIFIER	Specifies whether the user name and account name identifiers should be removed from the rights database when the UAF record is removed from SYSUAF.DAT. Works only for the <b>REMOVE</b> command.

For an account requiring two (2) operators

/Expiration = "25-MAY-1990 12:00"

UAF > modify USERNAME / generate\_password [= keyword]

/NO PASSWORD

## Quotas and Resource Limits

**Table 2-15: AUTHORIZE Qualifiers for Quota Fields**

Qualifier	Function
/ASTLM=value	Number of ASTs the user can have queued at any one time
/BIOLM=value	Maximum number of buffered I/O operations the user can have outstanding at any one time
/BYTLM=value	Maximum number of bytes of nonpaged system dynamic memory that the user's job may consume at any one time
/CPUTIME=time	The maximum CPU time a user's process can take per session, specified as a delta-time value
/DIOLM=value	Maximum number of direct I/O operations (usually disk) that the user can have outstanding at any one time
/ENQLM=value	Maximum number of locks that can be queued at any one time
/FILLM=value	Maximum number of files that can be open at one time
/JTQUOTA=value	The initial maximum number of bytes with which the job-wide logical name table is to be created
/MAXACCTJOBS=value	Maximum number of batch, interactive, and detached processes that may be active at any one time for all users of the account. The default value of 0 represents an unlimited number
/MAXDETACH=value	Maximum number of detached processes allowed at any one time
/MAXJOBS=value	Maximum number of batch, interactive, detached, and network processes that may be active at any one time
/PGFLQUOTA=value	Maximum number of pages the user's process can use in the system paging files
/PRCLM=value	Maximum number of subprocesses that can exist at one time for the user's process
/PRIORITY=value	The default base priority for all processes created by the user
/SHRFILLM=value	Maximum number of shared files the user may have open at any one time
/TQELM=value	Total number of entries in the timer queue, plus the number of temporary common event flag clusters the user can have at any one time
/WSDEFAULT=value	The number of pages in the user's default working set
/WSEXTENT=value	The number of pages in the user's working set extent
/WSQUOTA=value	The number of pages in the user's working set quota

## Privileges

- Two sets of privileges are specified in each UAF record:
  - **Authorized** privileges
  - **Default** privileges
- Authorized privileges
  - Privileges enabled only by explicit use of the DCL command  
**SET PROCESS/PRIVILEGE**
- Default privileges
  - Privileges automatically enabled once the user has logged in

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**Table 2-16: AUTHORIZE Qualifiers for Privilege Fields**

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Qualifier †	Function
/DEFPRIVILEGES=([NO]privname[,...])	Specifies the list of privileges that are enabled at login time. The keyword <b>[NO]ALL</b> disables or enables all user privileges.
/PRIVILEGES=([NO]privname[,...])	Specifies the list of privileges granted (but not enabled) at login time.

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† Any privilege keyword used with either qualifier may be prefixed with **NO** to turn off the privilege.

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**Table 2-17: VMS Privileges**

Privilege	Description
ACNT	May suppress accounting message
ALLSPOOL	May allocate spooled device
ALTPRI	May set any priority value
BUGCHK	May make bugcheck log entries
→ BYPASS	Bypasses UIC checking
CMEXEC	May change mode to exec
CMKRNL	May change mode to kernel
DETACH	May create detached processes
DIAGNOSE	May diagnose devices
EXQUOTA	May exceed quota
GROUP	May affect other processes in same group
GRPNAM	May insert in group logical name table
GRPPRV	Group access by system protection
LOG_IO	May do logical I/O
MOUNT	May execute mount ACP function
NETMBX	May create network device
OPER	Operator privilege
PFNMAP	May map to specific physical pages
PHY_IO	May do physical I/O
PRMCEB	May create permanent common event clusters
PRMGBL	May create permanent global sections
PRMMBX	May create permanent mailbox
PSWAPM	May change process swap mode
READALL	May read anything as the owner

*will give user all privileges*

```
# set process/priv = all
```

**Table 2-17: VMS Privileges (Cont.)**

Privilege	Description
SECURITY	May perform security functions
SETPRV	May set any privilege bit
SHARE	May assign channels to nonshared device
SHMEM	May create/delete objects in shared memory
SYSGBL	May create system-wide global sections
SYSLCK	May lock system-wide resources
SYSNAM	May insert in system logical name table
SYSPRV	May access objects by system protection
TMPMBX	May create temporary mailbox
VOLPRO	May override volume protection
WORLD	May affect other processes in the world

# set process / suspend / ID =  
# set process / suspend USERNAME  
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## Removing a User Account

- Basic steps for most systems:
  - Remove the UAF record
  - Dispose of any remaining disk files
  - Remove the user's entries in volume quota files (if any)
  - Remove associated mail information for the account
- All steps require that the SYSPRV privilege be enabled
- Removing the UAF record:
  - Use the AUTHORIZE **REMOVE** command
- Disposing of remaining disk files:
  - Save any necessary files using the BACKUP utility (or any other acceptable method, based on your site's data management policies)
  - Delete all files
- Removing quota file entries on volumes used by the user:
  - Use the SYSMAN utility to remove entries from each volume (requires OPER privilege)

```
$ SET DEFAULT SYS$SYSTEM
$ RUN SYSMAN
SYSMAN> DISKQUOTA REMOVE uic /DEVICE=volume-name
SYSMAN> EXIT
$
```

- Removing mail information:
  - Use the MAIL utility to remove the user's mail address

```
$ MAIL
MAIL> REMOVE username
MAIL> EXIT
$
```

## Example 2-6: Command Procedure to Delete a UFD and Its Subdirectories

```
$! DELTREE.COM (P1 = name of device, P2 = name of directory)
$!
$! Command procedure to delete a UFD and all its subdirectories.
$! Procedure deletes files from bottom of specified directory
$! structure to top of structure.
$! Requires SYSPRV privilege or a system UIC
$! Back up all useful files before running this procedure.
$!
$ SET NOON
$!
$! Get name of directory structure to delete if not already known
$!
$ IF P1 .EQS. "" THEN INQUIRE P1 "Device, omit colon"
$ IF P2 .EQS. "" THEN INQUIRE P2 "Directory (UFD, omit brackets)"
$!
$! Set protection to allow deletion of all files in structure
$!
$ SET PROTECTION=(S:RWED) 'P1':['P2...]*.*;*
$!
$! Set up counter and loop label
$!
$ COUNTER=8
$LOOP:
$!
$! Delete files
$!
$ DELETE/LOG 'P1':['P2...]*.*;*
$!
$! If more files, delete them also
$!
$ COUNTER=COUNTER-1
$ IF COUNTER .GT. 0 THEN GOTO LOOP
$!
$! Delete UFD from MFD
$!
$ SET PROTECTION=(S:RWED) 'P1':[000000]'P2.DIR
$ DELETE/LOG 'P1':[000000]'P2.DIR;1
$
```

## Steps for Removing a User

To remove a user, log in as SYSTEM, or be sure you process the SYSPRV privilege enabled. If you employ disk quotas, then you will also need OPER privilege. The following comments are keyed to Example 2-7.

- 1 Remove Mary Smith's UAF record. (NOTE: If Mary is just on a long vacation, you should instead disable her account by entering the MODIFY command with the qualifier /FLAGS=DISUSER, rather than removing it using these instructions.)
- 2 Remove Mary Smith's UFD and subdirectory files on her default volume, using the command procedure DELTREE.COM shown in Example 2-6. (Before this step, you should examine her files and back up those you want to save, or transfer them to another user's directory.)
- 3 Remove Mary Smith's record in her default volume's quota file.

### NOTE

**If Mary has quota records in quota files on other volumes, you should also remove those records. However, do not remove any quota records if Mary's UIC is not unique; if you remove the record, then other users of that UIC will not be able to use space on that volume.**

- 4 Remove Mary Smith's mail information.

### Example 2-7: Removing a System User

```
$
$ SET DEFAULT SYS$SYSTEM
$
$ RUN AUTHORIZE
1 UAF> REMOVE SMITH
%UAF-I-REMSG, record removed from SYSUAF.DAT
%UAF-I-RDBREMSGU, identifier SMITH value: [000011,000002] removed from RIGHTSLIST.DAT
UAF> EXIT
%UAF-I-DONEMSG, system authorization file modified
%UAF-I-RDBDONEMSG, rights database modified
$
2 $ @DELTREE DISK$USER SMITH
$
$ RUN SYSMAN
3 SYSMAN> DISKQUOTA REMOVE [11,2] /DEVICE=DISK$USER
SYSMAN> EXIT
$ MAIL
4 MAIL> REMOVE SMITH
MAIL> EXIT
$
```

# MANAGING USERS ON A DAILY BASIS

- Common daily management activities:
  - Managing user processes
  - Managing disk space
  - Communicating with users

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**Table 2-18: Methods of Regulating VMS Processes**

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Method of Regulation	Comments
<b>Access to CPU</b>	
Priority	<p>A VMS system uses process priority to schedule process execution.</p> <p>Priority ranges from 0 (lowest) to 31 (highest).</p> <p>Timesharing processes have priorities 0-15. A VMS system can automatically adjust the priorities of timesharing processes to promote greater CPU sharing.</p> <p>Real-time processes have priorities 16-31. A VMS system does not automatically adjust the priorities of real-time processes.</p>
<b>Ability to affect VMS and system users</b>	
Privileges	<p>In many cases, exercising a privilege results in the use of physical memory or other system resources.</p> <p>There is no restriction on the number of times a process can exercise a privilege.</p>
<b>Ability to use certain system resources</b>	
Limits	<p>Limits restrict the amount of a system resource a process can use at a given time.</p> <p>Limits are expressed numerically.</p> <p>Limits are also called quotas in some documentation. Do not confuse limits with disk quotas described below.</p>
<b>Ability to store files on a disk volume</b>	
Disk quotas	<p>Disk quotas restrict the number of blocks of storage a process can use on a volume.</p> <p>Disk quotas are established on volumes (which can be moved from device to device) rather than on devices.</p> <p>Disk quotas do not have to be established for every volume on a system; you can select which volumes have this restriction.</p>

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**Table 2-18: Methods of Regulating VMS Processes (Cont.)**

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Method of Regulation	Comments
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**Access to devices, volumes, files, and interprocess communications**

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Protection	Every process has a UIC.
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Devices, volumes, files, and interprocess communication structures have an owner UIC and a protection code.

One type of VMS protection compares the process UIC with the owner UIC and protection code of the protected structure.

Another type of VMS protection compares a user's access rights list with the access control list that belongs to the protected structure.

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**Ability to modify or delete certain data structures, such as logical names**

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Access mode	Data structures created at more powerful access modes can be used at less powerful access modes; however, they cannot be modified or deleted at less powerful access modes.
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**Ability to use or not use certain DCL commands**

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CLI tables	If a command is listed in the default DCL command table for the system, SYS\$LIBRARY:DCLTABLES.EXE, all users on the system can use the command. However, you may create additional CLI tables and assign them to particular users to broaden or restrict their use of DCL commands.
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## Restricting User Activity Using DCL Commands

- A process can always control itself and its subprocesses
- Process control over subprocesses might be used for:
  - Handling several subprocesses simultaneously
  - Exception handling for subprocess problems
- Processes can be restricted by:
  - Changing their execution priority
  - Suspending their execution
  - Resuming their execution
  - Stopping execution and deleting the process

**Table 2-19: Controlling Processes**

Operation	Command Format and Examples	Comments
Suspending a process	<pre>\$ SET PROCESS/SUSPEND - _ \$ [/ID=pid] [process-name] \$ SET PROCESS/SUSPEND/ID=21A \$ SET PROCESS/SUSPEND JONES</pre>	Every process has a unique process identification (PID), a hexadecimal number. To refer to a process by PID, as shown in the example, use the <b>/IDENTIFICATION</b> qualifier. The command <b>SHOW SYSTEM</b> displays PIDs. You are not required to enter leading zeros.
Resuming a suspended process	<pre>\$ SET PROCESS/RESUME - _ \$ [/ID=pid] [process-name] \$ SET PROCESS/RESUME/ID=21A \$ SET PROCESS/RESUME JONES</pre>	
Changing the base priority of a process	<pre>\$ SET PROCESS/PRIORITY=n - _ \$ [/ID=pid] [process-name] \$ SET PROCESS/PRIORITY=4 /ID=21A</pre>	Every process has a process name, unique within its UIC group. To refer to a process in your UIC group by process name, supply the name as the command parameter. To refer to a process not in your UIC group, you must use its PID, not its process name. <b>\$ SET PROCESS/PRIORITY</b> requires <b>ALTPRI</b> privilege.
Stopping and deleting a process	<pre>\$ STOP [/ID=pid] [process-name] \$ STOP/ID=21A</pre>	

## Restricting the Use of Disk Space

- UAF restricts use of many system resources
- No value in the UAF record restricts use of disk space
- Disk space restriction is handled through **disk quotas**
  - Quotas are based on UICs, not individual user names
- Disk quotas are managed through use of the SYSMAN utility
  - **DISKQUOTA** command subset
- Disk quotas are enabled on a volume-by-volume basis
  - Default is no disk quotas enabled
- Quota files
  - One file per enabled volume: [000000]QUOTA.SYS
  - Contains **quota entries**, one per UIC
  - Created and manipulated by SYSMAN

## SYSMAN Utility and DISKQUOTA Functions

- SYSMAN serves many system management functions
  - Used primarily for VAXcluster systems
- SYSMAN **DISKQUOTA** command subset
  - Used to create, enable, disable, and delete quota files
  - Used to add, modify, and remove quota entries
- To run SYSMAN (must have OPER privilege enabled):

```
$ RUN SYS$SYSTEM:SYSMAN
SYSMAN>
```
- To get help on SYSMAN **DISKQUOTA** commands:

```
SYSMAN> HELP DISKQUOTA
```

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**Table 2-20: DISKQUOTA Commands Within the SYSMAN Utility**

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Command Format †	Description
DISKQUOTA ADD <i>uic</i>	Adds an entry to a disk quota file and initializes its usage count to zero
DISKQUOTA CREATE	Creates and enables a quota file for a disk volume that does not currently contain one. It is strongly recommended that you do <b>not</b> create and enforce quotas on the system disk.
DISKQUOTA DISABLE	Suspends the maintenance and enforcement of disk quotas on a volume
DISKQUOTA ENABLE	Resumes quota enforcement on a disk volume containing an existing quota file
DISKQUOTA MODIFY <i>uic</i>	Changes an entry in a quota file, or adjusts default values for quotas and overdrafts. Default values for entries on the volume are taken from the entry [0,0].
DISKQUOTA REBUILD	Updates a quota file, adding new UICs and correcting usage counts for each user on the volume
DISKQUOTA REMOVE <i>uic</i>	Deletes an entry from the quota file
DISKQUOTA SHOW	Displays quotas, overdrafts, and usage counts
EXIT	Exits user from the SYSMAN utility
HELP DISKQUOTA	Obtains help information on the DISKQUOTA commands

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† For all of these commands, be sure to use the qualifier **/DEVICE=volume-name** to specify the proper volume; otherwise SYSMAN will use either the last volume specified with the most recent **/DEVICE=volume-name**, or the volume associated with your current default directory (if you had not yet used **/DEVICE=volume-name** in a **DISKQUOTA** command.) Most of these commands require **SYSPRV**.

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## Establishing Quotas on a Volume

- A quota file must be created in the volume's MFD (directory [000000]).
- Exact steps for properly creating the quota file depend on whether:
  - The volume has just been created (no user files exist yet)
  - The volume has been in use for a while (user files already exist)
- One entry must be created for each UIC allowed to use the volume.
- Each quota entry contains the following fields:
  - UIC
  - Usage
  - Permanent Quota
  - Overdraft
- **Quotas should not be enabled on the system disk.**

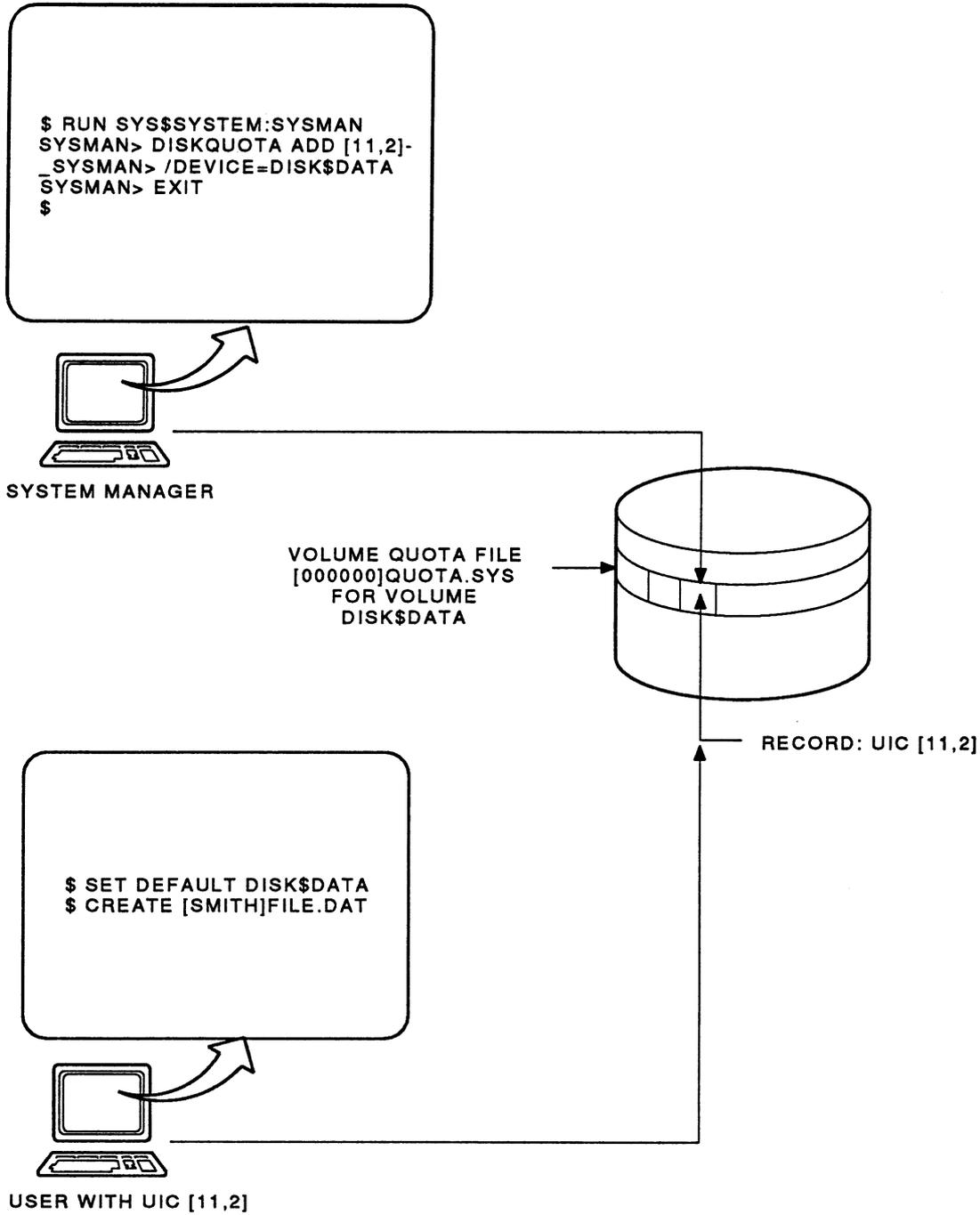
**Table 2-21: Fields in a Quota File Record**

Field	Meaning	DISKQUOTA Qualifier
UIC	Identifies the user who is permitted to use the volume. Note that files are owned by UICs, not by user names. Therefore, if more than one user shares the same UIC, all of them have the same access to files. They also share the quota assigned to that UIC for the volume. When you log in, the VMS system reads your UAF record to determine your UIC.	Specify the UIC as a parameter, not as a qualifier, in DISKQUOTA commands.
Usage	Shows the number of blocks of storage this UIC owns.	None. This value is updated by the VMS system as files are created by the UIC. It is not assigned by the system manager.
Permanent Quota	Determines the number of blocks of storage this UIC can own before the VMS system refuses to create new files or extend existing files. If the UIC has an Overdraft value greater than 0, a user with this UIC can retry the file operation (create or extend).	/PERMQUOTA
Overdraft	Determines the number of blocks above the permanent quota this UIC can own before the VMS system refuses to create new files or extend existing files. Therefore, the permanent quota plus the overdraft define the total number of blocks available to a user on a volume.	/OVERDRAFT

**Table 2-22: Establishing Quotas on a New Volume Called DISK\$DATA**

Steps	Commands	Comments
1	Log in as SYSTEM	You can alternatively give your current process the OPER privilege to use the SYSMAN utility.
2	\$ RUN SYS\$SYSTEM:SYSMAN	Invoke the SYSMAN utility.
3	SYSMAN> DISKQUOTA CREATE - _SYSMAN> /DEVICE=DISK\$DATA	Creates the file DISK\$DATA:[000000]QUOTA.SYS and automatically enables quotas on the volume.

**Figure 2-3: Adding a Quota Record to a Volume Quota File**



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**Table 2-23: Displaying the Contents of a Volume Quota File**

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<b>Operation</b>	<b>SYSMAN Command Format</b>
Displaying the entry of a particular user	DISKQUOTA SHOW [uic]
Displaying the entries of all users with UICs in a particular group	DISKQUOTA SHOW [group-number, *]
Displaying the entries for all users	DISKQUOTA SHOW [*, *]
Displaying DISKQUOTA commands	HELP DISKQUOTA

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**NOTE**

**The disk volume usage recorded by the VMS system and displayed by SYSMAN includes some overhead. Therefore, the disk usage displayed by the SYSMAN command DISKQUOTA SHOW and the DCL command SHOW QUOTA is usually different than the disk usage displayed by the DCL command DIRECTORY/SIZE=ALLOCATED.**

## Example 2-8: List of Volume Quota File Records

```
$ RUN SYS$SYSTEM:SYSMAN
```

```
SYSMAN> DISKQUOTA SHOW [*,*] /DEVICE=DISK$USER
```

UIC	Usage	Permanent Quota	Overdraft Limit
[0,0]	0	690	200
[SYSTEM]	12047	13000	200
[VMS,BEYER]	11685	15000	200
[11,2]	56	56	200
[VMS,CLARK]	16233	20000	200
[VMS,DORSEY]	13510	20000	200
[VMS,HARKINS]	18221	20000	200
[VMS,HUNT]	21060	30000	200
[11,340]	22905	30000	200
[VMS,DISALVO]	9021	18000	200
[VMS,TARGONSKI]	2425	4000	200
[12,1]	4	690	200
[BEYER2]	142	144	200
[GROUP21,ALBERT]	14137	20000	200
[21,10]	10	690	200
[21,20]	2	690	200
[GROUP21,EBERT]	5962	12000	200
[GROUP21,GALVIN]	3295	5000	200
[GROUP21,TATAR]	32	2000	200
[31,5]	2	2	200
[GROUP31,HARBO]	6117	10000	200
[GROUP31,CONNOR]	3261	8000	200
[PAPISON]	666	690	200
[CHERPAS]	19	690	200
[GROUP101,ALCOCK]	29806	30000	200
[GROUP101,LUCAS]	27257	30000	200
[GROUP101,MASORS]	125	690	200
[GROUP101,WILSON]	20968	25000	200
[123,321]	20	690	200
[DATA_COMM,DELLA]	12931	20000	200
[DATA_COMM,LENTZ]	6341	20000	200
[200,3]	2	690	200
[200,200]	60	690	200
[DECNET]	78	690	200
[J65,DOE]	4	100	100

```
SYSMAN> EXIT
```

```
$
```

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**Table 2-24: Managing Individual Records in the Volume Quota File**

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Operation †	SYSMAN Command Format
Adds a new entry, specifying values different from the default entry ([0,0])	<pre>SYSMAN&gt;DISKQUOTA ADD uic - _SYSMAN&gt; [/PERMQUOTA=blks1] [/OVERDRAFT=blks2]</pre>
Modifies an existing entry	<pre>SYSMAN&gt;DISKQUOTA MODIFY uic - _SYSMAN&gt; [PERMQUOTA=blks1] [/OVERDRAFT=blks2]</pre>
Modifies the entry for [0,0], used to supply default values for Permquota and Overdraft ([0,0] should never own any files.)	<pre>SYSMAN&gt;DISKQUOTA MODIFY [0,0] - _SYSMAN&gt; [/PERMQUOTA=blks1] [/OVERDRAFT=blks2]</pre>
Modifies all entries for UICs in a particular group	<pre>SYSMAN&gt;DISKQUOTA MODIFY [group-number, *] - _SYSMAN&gt; [/PERMQUOTA=blks1] [/OVERDRAFT=blks2]</pre>
Modifies all entries, including the default entry, [0,0]	<pre>SYSMAN&gt;DISKQUOTA MODIFY [*,*] - _SYSMAN&gt; [/PERMQUOTA=blks1] [/OVERDRAFT=blks2]</pre>
Removes an existing entry	<pre>SYSMAN&gt;DISKQUOTA REMOVE uic</pre>

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† The SYSMAN utility performs all operations on the current QUOTA.SYS file. The current file is the one on your current default device if you did not specify one with the /DEVICE qualifier. Be sure to specify the proper volume for your command; otherwise, the most recently used /DEVICE qualifier sets the current file specification.

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**Table 2-25: Establishing Quotas on an Existing Volume Called DISK\$USER**

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Steps	Commands	Comments
1	Notifies users that DISK\$USER will be unavailable	There are a number of ways to notify users of the volume. See the <b>Communicating with User Processes</b> section in this module.
2	<code>\$ RUN SYS\$SYSTEM:SYSMAN</code>	Invoke the SYSMAN utility. Make sure your current process has the OPER (to use the SYSMAN utility) and SYSPRV (to issue DISKQUOTA commands) privileges.
3	<code>SYSMAN&gt; DISKQUOTA -</code> <code>_SYSMAN&gt; CREATE /DEVICE=DISK\$USER</code>	Creates a quota file on the DISK\$USER volume (DISK\$USER:[000000]QUOTA.SYS) and automatically enables quotas on that volume.
4	<code>SYSMAN&gt; DISKQUOTA MODIFY [0,0] -</code> <code>_SYSMAN&gt; /PERMQUOTA=10000 -</code> <code>_SYSMAN&gt; /OVERDRAFT=1000</code>	Sets the default entry values for the quota file on DISK\$USER. Use appropriate values for /PERMQUOTA and /OVERDRAFT to reflect your management policy on the volume. Note that the /DEVICE=DISK\$USER qualifier need not be specified, as the qualifier was properly specified in Step 3.
5	<code>SYSMAN&gt; DISKQUOTA REBUILD</code>	Updates the newly created quota file to add existing UICs that own files on the DISK\$USER volume. Note again that /DEVICE=DISK\$USER qualifier need not be specified in this case.
6	<code>SYSMAN&gt; EXIT</code>	Exit from the SYSMAN utility.
7	Notifies users that DISK\$USER is available for use	See the section <b>Communicating with User Processes</b> for possible techniques of user notification.

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## Disabling and Enabling Quotas on a Volume

- To disable quotas, use the SYSMAN command **DISKQUOTA DISABLE**
- Use the SYSMAN command **DISKQUOTA REBUILD** to properly assess user space on a volume if:
  - The volume previously had a quota file created
  - Quotas were once enabled on the volume
  - Quotas were later disabled
- An automatic **DISKQUOTA REBUILD** performed when a volume is mounted after being improperly dismounted
  - Typical situation after a system failure (crash)

## Managing Disk Space Using DCL Commands

**Table 2-26: Controlling Files with DCL Commands**

Operation	Command Format and Examples	Comments
Changing the ownership of a file	<code>\$ SET FILE/OWNER_UIC=uc - _ \$ file-spec</code>	This operation requires SYSPRV privilege or a system UIC. One reason for using this would be if you forget the <b>/OWNER</b> qualifier when copying a file to a user's directory.
Remember that VMS records the use of disk space on a UIC basis, so changing the owner UIC of a file changes which disk quota entry the space is recorded under.	<code>\$ SET FILE/OWNER_UIC=[320, 63] - _ \$ INVENTORY.DAT</code>	
Establishing automatic version deletion for a particular file	<code>\$ SET FILE/VERSION_LIMIT=n - _ \$ file-spec \$ SET FILE/VERSION_LIMIT=2 - _ \$ [MARTIN...]*.*</code>	The VMS system automatically deletes the file with the lowest version number when you create a new version to keep the total number of versions equal to the version limit for the file.
Adding an ACL to a file or modifying an existing ACL on a file	<code>\$ EDIT/ACL/... filespec ; or \$ SET ACL/OBJECT_TYPE=FILE - _ \$ /qualifiers - _ \$ file-spec \$ SET ACL/OBJECT_TYPE=FILE - _ \$ /ACL=(IDENTIFIER=DEVELOPERS, - _ \$ ACCESS=WRITE) - _ \$ [ADMIN]PAYROLL.DAT</code>	Use the ACL editor or make a direct change. The keyword <b>FILE</b> specifies that the ACL being added or modified belongs to a file. <b>/OBJECT_TYPE=FILE</b> is the default.
Deleting unwanted versions of files	<code>\$ PURGE filespec /KEEP=n \$ PURGE TEMP.DAT /KEEP=1</code>	The <b>/KEEP</b> qualifier is used to specify how many versions to retain. If no parameter is specified, the qualifier defaults to 1.

**Table 2-27: Controlling Directories and Volumes with DCL Commands**

Operation	Command Format and Examples	Comments
Changing the ownership of a directory	<pre>\$ SET DIRECTORY/OWNER_UIC=uic - _\$ directory-spec \$ SET DIRECTORY/OWNER_UIC=[ENG] - _\$ DISK\$DESIGNS:[PRODUCT_X]</pre>	This operation requires SYSPRV privilege or a system UIC. One reason for using this would be if you forget the /OWNER qualifier when creating the directory for a user.
Changing the UIC changes which quota file entry the space is recorded under	<pre>\$ SET DIRECTORY/VERSION_LIMIT=n - _\$ directory-spec \$ SET DIRECTORY/VERSION_LIMIT=3 - _\$ DISK\$MFG:[INVENTORY]</pre>	This sets a version limit on all files subsequently created in the directory. It does not affect previously created files. You can also use the SET FILE command to set a different limit for a particular file.
Establishing automatic version deletion for all files in a directory	<pre>\$ EDIT/ACL/... directory-spec ; or \$ SET ACL/... - _\$ directory-spec \$ EDIT/ACL WORK1:[USERS]SMITH.DIR</pre>	SETs new values in an existing ACL or invokes the ACL editor, discussed in the <b>Maintaining System Integrity</b> module. The values set for the directory affect access to the files within and are inherited by files added to the directory.
Adding an ACL to a directory file or modifying an existing ACL on a directory file	<pre>\$ SET FILE/NODIRECTORY file-spec \$ SET FILE/NODIRECTORY - _\$ [USERS]SMITH.DIR</pre>	This command enables you to delete a corrupted directory file. It is not intended for use on normal (valid) directory files.
Disabling special protection on a directory file	<pre>\$ SET VOLUME/OWNER_UIC=uic - _\$ device-spec \$ SET VOLUME/OWNER_UIC=[ADMIN] - _\$ DISK\$DATA</pre>	This operation requires the VOLPRO privilege.
Changing the ownership of a volume	<pre>\$ SET VOLUME/OWNER_UIC=[ADMIN] - _\$ DISK\$DATA</pre>	Like files, volumes have protection masks. A user who does not pass the volume protection mask cannot access any directories or files on the volume. If you change the owner UIC of a volume, you affect who will be able to access space on that volume.

# COMMUNICATING WITH USER PROCESSES

- System managers must be fluent in user communication methods
- Communication methods on a VMS system:
  - Common directory for collecting and distributing information
  - VMS utilities and commands

**Table 2-28: Communication Methods**

Communication	Method
Operator/user direct dialogue	PHONE utility
System-wide distribution of messages and information	MAIL utility
User requests to the operator	REQUEST command MOUNT command
Operator responses to user requests, or short messages to users	REPLY command

## Handling Requests for Operator Assistance

- The **operator communication process**: OPCOM
  - Coordinates all requests by users for operator assistance
  - Coordinates all operator responses to users
- Requests for operator assistance come from:
  - **MOUNT** or **REQUEST/REPLY** commands
  - I/O events
- Requests are sent to **operator terminals**:
  - Based on the **category** of the request
  - Operator terminals must be enabled for requests
- Use the **REPLY/ENABLE** command to enable operator terminals (OPER privilege required)  

```
$ REPLY/ENABLE=(PRINTER,TAPES) TXG6
```
- Use the **REPLY/DISABLE** command to disable operator terminals (OPER privilege required)  

```
$ REPLY/DISABLE=PRINTER TXG6
```
- Use the **REPLY/STATUS** command to determine request categories enabled on your terminal

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**Table 2-29: Operator Categories Enabled/Disabled with the REPLY Command**

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Category Keyword	Description
CARDS	Displays messages sent to the card readers
CENTRAL	Displays messages sent to the central system operator
CLUSTER	Displays messages from the connection manager pertaining to cluster state changes
DEVICES	Displays messages pertaining to mounting disks
DISKS	Displays messages pertaining to mounting and dismounting disk volumes
NETWORK	Displays messages pertaining to networks; the keyword CENTRAL must also be specified to inhibit network messages when disabling network messages with qualifier <b>/DISABLE=NETWORK</b> .
OPER1 through OPER12	Displays messages sent to operators identified as OPER1 through OPER12
PRINTER	Displays messages pertaining to print requests
SECURITY	Allows messages pertaining to security events. Requires SECURITY privilege
TAPES	Allows messages pertaining to mounting and dismounting tape volumes

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**Table 2-30: Events Requiring Operator Assistance**

Event Causing Request	Category of Operator Notified	Operator Action	Comments
MOUNT commands	DISKS or TAPES	Mount a disk or tape volume.	By default, all <b>MOUNT</b> commands request operator assistance unless the appropriate volume is already loaded on the drive.
REQUEST/REPLY commands	All operators or only the group(s) of operators you specify. Group names include DISKS, TAPES and OPER1.	Perform the operation (or not), then respond to the user.	The user is waiting for a reply from the operator, and can do no other work until a reply is received.
I/O event: any command that reads a file on a tape	TAPES	Mount a new tape reel for the file system when it is reading a multireel volume set. Mount a new tape reel for the file system when it is writing a multireel volume set.	The operator receives a message from the MOUNT utility to mount another volume. The message looks similar to the message received from the <b>MOUNT</b> command when a user is attempting to mount a tape that is not loaded.

### Example 2-9: Using REQUEST/REPLY

```
$
$ REQUEST/REPLY "Please respond to this message"
%OPCOM-S-OPRNOTIF, operator has been notified, waiting... 20:18:40.03
%OPCOM-S-OPREPLY,
Hold on just a minute, please.
20:20:46.88, request 13578 is pending by operator _SUPER$TTD6:
%OPCOM-S-OPRNOTIF, operator has been notified, waiting... 20:20:46.99
*CANCEL*
%OPCOM-I-RQST_PROMPT, REQUEST - Enter message or cancel request with control/Z.
REQUEST - Message? *EXIT*
%OPCOM-S-OPREPLY,
*****% OPCOM 24-APR-1989 20:21:03.89 *****%
Request 13578 was canceled
$
$
```

### Example 2-10: Operator Aborts a Request

```
$ REQUEST/REPLY "Please mount the tape labeled MYBACKUP"
%OPCOM-S-OPENOTIF, operator has been notified, waiting... 20:25:58.64
%OPCOM-S-OPREPLY,
There is no such tape
20:26:20.81, request 14602 was aborted by operator _SUPER$TTD6:
$
$
```

### Example 2-11: Operator Receives Message from REQUEST/REPLY Command

```
***** OPCOM 24-APR-1989 19:00:15.00 *****
Request 5377, from user JONES on CACAO
_CACAO$TWA18:, Please connect remote sensor 3A
$
```

### Example 2-12: Operator Receives Message from MOUNT Program

```
***** OPCOM 24-APR-1989 19:00:57.60 *****
Request 6401, from user SMITH on FUDGE
_FUDGE$TWA16:, Please mount volume DATA15 in device_MUA0:
$
```

### Example 2-13: Operator Receives Message from REQUEST Command, No Reply Required

```
***** OPCOM 24-APR-1989 19:01:15.00 *****
Message from user GREEN on TRUFFL
_TRUFFL$TTB2:, Please check the line printer
$
```

### Example 2-14: Operator Receives Two Messages from AUTHORIZE Utility

```
***** OPCOM 24-APR-1989 19:02:16.92 *****
Message from user AUDIT$SERVER on SUPER
Security alarm (SECURITY) and security audit (SECURITY) on SUPER,
system id: 64063 / System UAF record modification
Event time: 24-APR-1989 19:02:16.82
PID: 21E0009A
Username: DUFFY
Image name: SUPER$DUA0:[SYS10.SYSCOMMON.][SYSEXE]AUTHORIZE.EXE
Object name: SYS$COMMON:[SYSEXE]SYSUAF.DAT;1
Object type: file
User record added: SMITH
Fields modified: FLAGS,PWDLIFETIME,UIC
```

```
***** OPCOM 24-APR-1989 19:02:37.41 *****
Message from user AUDIT$SERVER on SUPER
Security alarm (SECURITY) and security audit (SECURITY) on SUPER,
system id: 64063 / System UAF record modification
Event time: 24-APR-1989 19:02:37.32
PID: 21E0009A
Username: DUFFY
Image name: SUPER$DUA0:[SYS10.SYSCOMMON.][SYSEXE]AUTHORIZE.EXE
Object name: SYS$COMMON:[SYSEXE]SYSUAF.DAT;1
Object type: file
User record modified: SMITH
Fields modified: PASSWORD
$
```

**Table 2-31: Providing Operator Assistance**

Circumstance	Command Format	Comments
User-requested function	\$ REPLY/TO=request-id - _ \$ "message-text"	Users request various functions. Use the <b>REPLY</b> command with an appropriate message to respond.
User enters <b>MOUNT</b> command without loading a disk or tape volume in drive	No command required. Just load the volume requested on the drive.	The <b>MOUNT</b> utility sends a message to the operator terminal(s). The message includes the name of the volume requested.
User enters <b>MOUNT</b> command without the volume first being loaded. You attempt to load the volume on the drive, but fail. You decide to load the volume on an alternate drive (MUA2).	\$ REPLY/TO=request-id - _ \$ "Reissue mount using MUA2"	Tell the user where you are loading the volume. The user must enter the <b>MOUNT</b> command again.
User needs to read information that spans more than one volume. You must load the next volume when the system requests it.	\$ REPLY/TO=request-id - _ \$ "volume-label"	Respond to the system message after you have loaded the volume. Specify the volume's label in the message.
User needs to write more information than one volume can contain. You must load another volume when the system requests it.	\$ REPLY - _ \$ /INITIALIZE_TAPE=request-id - _ \$ "tape-label"	Use the <b>/INITIALIZE_TAPE</b> qualifier if the tape has been initialized before. The VMS system checks the tape's protection code. If you are not allowed access according to the code, you need the <b>VOLPRO</b> privilege to gain access.
	\$ REPLY - _ \$ /BLANK_TAPE=request-id - _ \$ "tape-label"	Use the <b>/BLANK_TAPE</b> qualifier for new tapes. You need <b>VOLPRO</b> privilege because it bypasses volume protection checking.
Cannot perform user-requested function; must abort request	\$ REPLY/ABORT=request-id - _ \$ "message-text"	Typically used when you cannot locate or use a resource requested by the user, (such as a volume, a drive, paper, or ribbon). You abort the request to cancel the repeated messages sent to the operator terminal. Then find the resource or use the <b>REPLY</b> command or the <b>MAIL</b> utility to explain the situation more completely.
May be able to perform requested function; want to notify interactive user, but leave request pending	\$ REPLY/PENDING=request-id - _ \$ "message-text"	Since the request is pending, the user can regain control of the terminal (returns to the DCL prompt) only by cancelling the request or by waiting until the operator completes it.

## Example 2-15: Request-Reply Interaction Between User JONES and User TAPES

```
Tapes: $ REPLY/ENABLE=(TAPES,OPER1)
***** OPCOM 24-APR-1989 19:28:18.57 *****
Operator _SUPER$TTA1: has been enabled, username TAPEOPR

***** OPCOM 24-APR-1989 19:28:18.73 *****
Operator status for operator _SUPER$TTA1:
TAPES, OPER1

$

Jones: $ REQUEST/TO=TAPES/REPLY "Please mount tape 362F"
%OPCOM-S-OPRNOTIF, operator has been notified, waiting... 19:31:18.65

Tapes: $
***** OPCOM 24-APR-1989 19:31:18.67 *****
Request 9482, from user JONES on SUPER
_SUPER$TTA2:, Please mount tape 362F

$
***** OPCOM 24-JUL-1984 19:31:18.67 *****
Request 9482, from user JONES on SUPER
_SUPER$TTA2:, Please mount tape 362F

$ REPLY/PENDING=9482 "You are second in line"

Jones: %OPCOM-S-OPREPLY,
You are second in line
19:31:48.82, request 9482 is pending by operator _SUPER$TTA1:

%OPCOM-S-OPRNOTIF, operator has been notified, waiting... 19:31:49.05

Tapes: $ REPLY/TO=9482 "Tape 362F is now mounted"
Tape 362F is now mounted
19:39:18.48, request 9482 was completed by operator _SUPER$TTA1:

$

Jones: %OPCOM-S-OPREPLY,
Tape 362F is now mounted
19:39:18.48, rquest 9482 was completed by operator _SUPER$TTA1:

$ REQUEST/TO=TAPES "Thank you"

Tapes: $
***** OPCOM 24-APR-1989 19:39:43.16 *****
Message from user JONES on SUPER
_SUPER$TTA2:.. Thank you

$ REPLY/DISABLE=(TAPES)
***** OPCOM 24-APR-1989 19:40:02.16 *****
Operator status for operator _SUPER$TTA1:
OPER1

$
```

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**Table 2-32: Sending Messages to Users**

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Operation †	Command Format and Examples
Sending a message to all terminals on the system	\$ REPLY/ALL "message-text" \$ REPLY/ALL/BELL "DISK\$USER will be unavailable at noon."
Sending a message to all terminals where users are logged on	\$ REPLY/USERNAME "message-text" \$ REPLY/USERNAME "Policy Meeting in 10 minutes"
Sending a message to specified users	\$ REPLY/USERNAME=(name [,...]) "message-text" \$ REPLY/USERNAME=(JKMARTIN,BECKER) "DISK\$DATA is available"
Sending a message to a specified terminal or terminals	\$ REPLY/TERMINAL=(term [,...]) "message-text" \$ REPLY/TERMINAL=(TXQ2,TXQ3) "Terminal repairperson due at 3pm!"
Sending a message about system shutdown ‡	\$ REPLY/SHUTDOWN "message-text" \$ REPLY/SHUTDOWN "System will be down for PM at 2."
Sending an urgent message‡	\$ REPLY/URGENT "message-text" \$ REPLY/URGENT "Everyone off the system NOW!!"

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† To ring or buzz the terminal receiving the message, use the additional **/BELL** qualifier. More bells ring for **URGENT** and **SHUTDOWN** messages than for other types of messages.

‡ Use the **/ALL** qualifier. **URGENT** and **SHUTDOWN** messages are **NOT** sent to user terminals that have done **SET TERMINAL/NOBROADCAST**.

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## REPLY Command

**Table 2-33: Qualifiers to the REPLY Command**

Function	Qualifier
<b>Responding to Requests</b>	
Lists the requests that have not been sent a final message	/STATUS
Sends a final response to a request	/TO=request-id
Sends a response to a request, but not the final response	/PENDING=request-id
Cancels the request	/ABORT=request-id
Sends the label of an initialized tape as the final response	/INITIALIZE_TAPE=request-id
Sends the label of a blank tape as the final response	/BLANK_TAPE=request-id
<b>Sending Messages and Information</b>	
Sends a message to a specific terminal	/TERMINAL=(term [, ...])
Sends a message to all users presently logged in to the system, or to specific users	/USERNAME /USERNAME=(name [, ...])
Sends a message to all terminals whether a user is logged in or not	/ALL
Sends an urgent message to all users	/URGENT
Sends a shutdown message to all users	/SHUTDOWN
Causes the terminal receiving the message to buzz or ring (add this to any of the above qualifiers)	/BELL
Requests that the originating terminal be notified when the message is successfully received	/NOTIFY
<b>Controlling Operator Terminals and the Log File</b>	
Sets up a nonconsole terminal as an operator's terminal	/ENABLE
Stops a terminal from being an operator's terminal	/DISABLE
Closes the current OPERATOR.LOG file and opens a new file with a higher version number	/LOG
Designates this terminal to be an operator's terminal only for the current interactive session	/TEMPORARY
Lists the categories enabled for this terminal	/STATUS

## Operator's Log File

- SYS\$MANAGER:OPERATOR.LOG
- Entries made by OPCOM process
- Logs operator requests and replies
- Controlled by the system manager

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**Table 2-34: Controlling the Operator's Log**

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Operation	Command Format	Comments
Closing the operator's log and opening a new one	\$ REPLY/LOG	Requires OPER privilege
Closing the operator's log but not opening a new one	\$ REPLY/NOLOG	Requires OPER privilege
Printing the operator's log file	\$ SET DEFAULT SYS\$MANAGER \$ PRINT OPERATOR.LOG;n	In this command format, "n" indicates the version number

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# SUMMARY

- The system manager is responsible for the management of key system databases and command procedures
  - User authorization file (SYS\$SYSTEM:SYSUAF.DAT)
  - Quota files on disk volumes ([000000]QUOTA.SYS)
  - Login files (for example, SYS\$MANAGER:SYLOGIN.COM)
- Many process characteristics are defined by values in the corresponding UAF record
- Add a user account to the system by creating
  - UAF record, specifying:
    - Identification and environment information
    - Access and security constraints
    - Quotas and resource limits
    - Privileges
  - Default disk device and directory
  - One or more disk quota entries
- To remove a user from the system
  - Remove the UAF record
  - Remove remaining disk files
  - Remove quota entries (if unique to user's UIC)
- Establish and maintain disk quotas on volumes using SYSMAN utility
  - **DISKQUOTA** subcommands
- Use DCL commands to regulate resources and processes running on the system

<b>SET PROCESS</b>	Set process characteristics
<b>STOP</b>	Stop a process
<b>PURGE</b>	Delete old versions of files
<b>SET FILE</b>	Set file characteristics
<b>SET DIRECTORY</b>	Set directory characteristics
<b>SET VOLUME</b>	Set volume characteristics

- Respond to user requests and send messages using
  - **REPLY** command
  - **MAIL** utility
  - **PHONE** utility
- Define operator terminals using **REPLY/ENABLE=(class,...)**
  - Set reception of certain operator-related messages by specifying appropriate class keywords with the **/ENABLE** qualifier
- Manage the operator log file using
  - **REPLY/[NO]LOG**
  - **PURGE**

**MODULE 3**  
**MANAGING QUEUES**

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# INTRODUCTION

When you issue the **PRINT** command to print a file, all the system printers may already be in use. Because this condition occurs often, the VMS system maintains a list of all print requests in the order in which they occur. This ordered list is called a **print queue**, and the requests are called **print jobs**. The **PRINT** command places your job in the queue. When the system is ready to process your job, it passes it to the printer associated with the queue or the first available printer, which prints the file. Similarly, when you issue the **SUBMIT** command to execute a command procedure in a batch process, system resources may not be sufficient to support the immediate creation of a **batch process** for you. Therefore, VMS maintains a list of all batch requests in the order in which they occur. This ordered list is called a **batch queue**, and the requests are called **batch jobs**. When the system is ready to process your batch job, it creates a batch process and executes your command procedure in the context of that batch process.

System managers customize batch and print queues on their systems. They attempt to maximize the performance of the system by matching the system queue structure to the workload and resources of their system. Usually, the system manager includes queue customization commands in startup procedures, so queues are created automatically when he or she starts the system. The module **Customizing the System** contains a more detailed discussion on startup procedures.

As the queues are used, various problems may require the system manager's intervention. For example, paper can get jammed in a line printer, printers can run out of paper, or a batch job may need to be aborted. In these and other cases, the system manager must enter queue management commands to control the jobs in a queue while fixing the problem.

# OBJECTIVES

To share limited printing and CPU resources among users and processes, a system manager must be able to:

- Describe how the VMS operating system handles print and batch jobs
- Assess user requirements for batch and print facilities
- Perform the following queue management tasks:
  - Select proper queue attributes and characteristics to match user requirements
  - Create print and batch queues
  - Restrict access to queues
  - Modify the attributes and characteristics of queues
  - Control queues
  - Handle queue problems

# RESOURCES

To complete this module, you must have access to the following documents:

1. *VMS System Manager's Manual*
2. *Guide to Using VMS Command Procedures*
3. *VMS DCL Dictionary*
4. *Guide to VMS System Security*
5. *VMS Access Control List Editor Manual*
6. *Guide to Maintaining a VMS System*

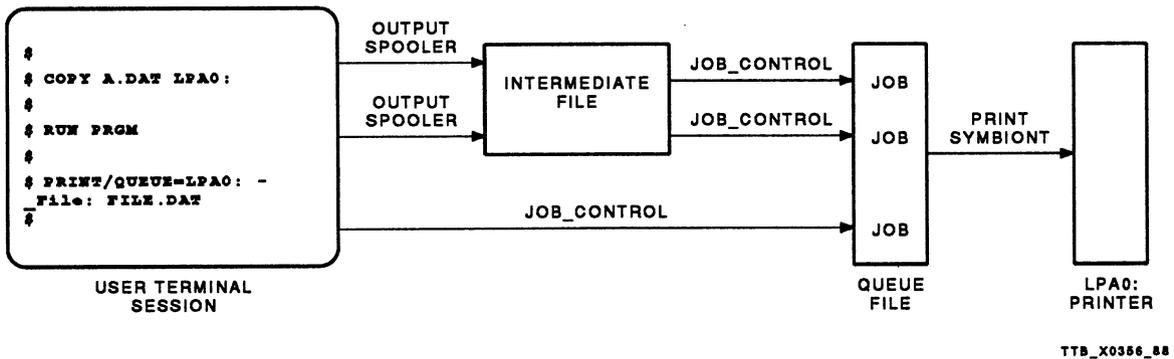
# OVERVIEW OF QUEUE FACILITIES AND OPERATIONS

- The queue manager process (JOB\_CONTROL)
- The system queue file (SYS\$SYSTEM:JBCSYSQUE.DAT)
- Types of queues

## Queue Manager and the System Queue File

- Queue information stored in SYS\$SYSTEM:JBCSYSQUE.DAT
- **START/QUEUE/MANAGER**
  - Creates SYS\$SYSTEM:JBCSYSQUE.DAT (if it does not already exist)
  - Starts the queue manager function of the JOB\_CONTROL process
  - Should be included in the startup command procedure (SYSTARTUP\_V5.COM)
  - Should use the qualifier **/RESTART** if the command must be used interactively to restart the queue manager

Figure 3-1: JOB\_CONTROL Process Handles All Print Jobs



## Types of Queues

- Two **classes** of queues:
  - Execution  
Accepts either batch or print jobs for processing, depending on how the queue was initialized (created)
  - Generic  
Holds jobs until they are transferred to an assigned execution queue
- Queue classes are further categorized into **types** of queues, depending on:
  - The kind of job the queue accepts
  - The type of device to which output is directed
- Three types of queues: execution, generic, and logical

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**Table 3-1: Types of Queues**

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Queue Type	Action
<b>Execution</b>	Executes the job
<b>Generic</b>	Moves jobs to specified execution queues when resources for executing the job are available
<b>Logical</b>	Moves jobs to execution queues when the manager sets up an association between a logical queue and an execution queue. The association does not have to be permanent and it does not always have to be made with the same execution queue.

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## Execution Queues

- Performs the actual processing of the job
- Two types of execution queues:

- Batch

Can only accept (process) batch jobs  
Executes as a **detached** process

- Output

Accepts (typically) print jobs for processing by an independent process called a **symbiont**

Three types of output execution queues:

<b>Printer</b>	Directs output to line printers
<b>Terminal</b>	Directs output to terminal printers (printers attached to terminal lines)
<b>Server</b>	Processes files in the queue using a specially created symbiont

Symbionts for server execution queues are user-written

Not necessarily used for print output operations  
Not covered in this course

## Generic Queues

- Used to hold a job until an associated execution queue becomes available
- The list of associated execution queues is defined when the generic queue is initialized
- When an execution queue becomes available, the job is **requeued** from the generic queue to the execution queue
- Two types of generic queues:

Generic batch queue	Directs jobs only to batch execution queues. These are typically used in VAXcluster systems to distribute the workload across several systems.
Generic output queue	Directs jobs to any of the three types of output execution queues: printer, terminal, or server.

## Logical Queues

- Specially defined output execution queue
- Not really an output execution queue
  - Has its output redirected to another execution queue
  - Holds a job until it can be transferred to the execution queue
- Appears as a sort of “holding” queue
- Logical queues and generic queues are somewhat similar:
  - A logical queue is usually associated with a single output execution queue (“one-to-one” relationship)
  - Multiple logical queues can be associated with a single execution queue (“many-to-one” relationship)
  - A generic queue can be associated with one or more execution queues (“one-to-one” or “one-to-many” relationship)
- Both the logical and associated execution queues must be started for jobs to be processed
- Can only be used with output execution queues, not with batch queues

# HOW THE VMS SYSTEM HANDLES PRINT JOBS

- Print queues solve waiting and scheduling problems
- **PRINT** command places a job in the queue
- **Print symbionts** execute print jobs
- **JOB\_CONTROL** sends jobs to print symbionts

## Example 3-1: JOB\_CONTROL and Print Symbiont Processes

\$ SHOW SYSTEM

```
VAX/VMS 5.2 on node BROWNY 19-APR-1989 16:55:43.02 Uptime 10 03:36:27
  Pid  Process Name  State  Pri  I/O      CPU      Page flts Ph.Mem
20200021 SWAPPER      HIB    16    0    0 00:00:21.96    0    0
202002A2 Chocoholic   HIB    9    4000  0 00:01:00.00   6658   328
20200263 DUFFY         CUR    4    328    0 00:00:10.49   1057   299
20200185 VPA_DC       HIB    15   4623  0 00:13:00.43  1374  1333
20200027 ERRFMT     HIB    8   9995  0 00:02:59.54    82   118
20200028 CACHE_SERVER HIB   16   152  0 00:00:00.75    62    93
20200029 CLUSTER_SERVER HIB    8    39  0 00:00:02.20   151   314
2020002A OPCOM      HIB    8   4321  0 00:02:13.76   645   211
2020002B AUDIT_SERVER HIB   10    54  0 00:00:54.84  1300   223
① 2020002C JOB_CONTROL  HIB    8   3320  0 00:00:42.08   201   348
2020002D CONFIGURE  HIB   10    122  0 00:00:12.96   111   159
② 2020002E SYMBIONT_0001 HIB    6    85  0 00:00:03.92   670    46
2020002F SMISERVER  HIB    9   104  0 00:00:03.07   406   437
20200251 NETACP     HIB   10  1493  0 01:24:58.28 2321834 3500
20200112 EVL       HIB    5  1390  0 00:00:39.21  49642    38  N
202001B3 REMACP    HIB    9    59  0 00:00:00.56    80    50
20200075 WOODS      LEF    4  14551  0 00:09:09.52  37853   170
20200079 _RTA1:      HIB    6  22780  0 00:20:36.65  10459  4096
2020029A SPM_CAPACITY LEF   24   1975  0 00:00:40.75   217   170
```

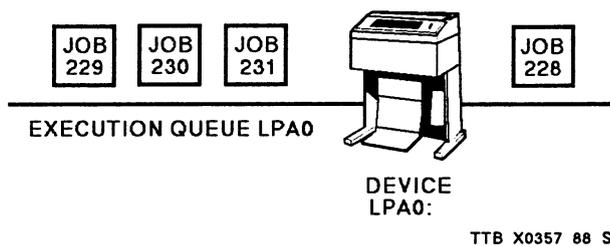
### Notes on Example 3-1

- ① The JOB\_CONTROL process
- ② A print symbiont process

## Print Job Scheduling

- Job with highest queue priority executed first
- Smaller jobs executed before larger jobs (within the same priority group)
  - This is the default action
- Jobs executed in order of submission if they are same size and have same priority
- Priority of jobs in queues limited by two system parameters:
  - DEFQUEPRI
  - MAXQUEPRI
- Scheduling can be changed to "first-come-first-served" with the qualifier `/SCHEDULE=NOSIZE`

Figure 3-2: Print Queue



## Example 3-2: Scheduling Print Jobs

```
$  
$ SHOW QUEUE LPAO/FULL  
Printer queue LPAO  
/BASE_PRIORITY=4 /DEFULAT=(FLAG) /FORM=DEFAULT Lowercase  
/OWNER=[SYSTEM] /PROTECTION=(S:E,O:D,G:R,W:W)
```

Jobname	Username	Entry	Blocks	Status
① ACTION	JONES	228	6	Printing
Submitted 13-DEC-1987 12:02 /FORM=DEFAULT /PRIO=100 _DRA1:[JONES]ACTION.COM;1 /COPIES=2				
NOTES	JONES	231	12	Pending
Submitted 13-DEC-1987 12:15 /FORM=DEFAULT /PRIO=120 _DRA1:[JONES]NOTES.TXT;1 ②				
MEMO	JONES	230	1	Pending
Submitted 13-DEC-1987 12:08 /FORM=DEFAULT /PRIO=100 _DRA1:[JONES]MEMO.MEM;1 ③				
④ MATH	JONES	229	6	Pending
Submitted 13-DEC-1987 12:04 /FORM=DEFAULT /PRIO=100 _DRA1:[JONES]MATH.LIS;1				

```
$  
$
```

### Notes on Example 3-2

- ① Job 228 is currently executing. The JOB\_CONTROL process examines the parameters of the pending jobs to determine which job it will print next.
- ② Since Job 231 has the highest priority of the pending jobs, it will be printed next.

### NOTE

The priority of a job in a queue is limited by two system parameters:

- DEFQUEPRI - the default queue priority assigned to all print jobs
  - MAXQUEPRI - the maximum queue priority any user can assign to a job (range is 0-255) (Regardless of the values of these parameters, users with OPER or ALTPRI privilege can submit jobs at any priority using the /PRIORITY qualifier.)
- ③ Job 230 is smaller than Job 229, and they have the same priority, so Job 230 will be printed third.
  - ④ Finally, Job 229 will be printed. However, if another job is submitted before Job 229 begins printing, the JOB\_CONTROL process will examine the parameters of Job 229 and the new job to determine which job it will print first.

# PRINT QUEUE OPERATIONS

## Types of Print Queues

- Four types of print queues:

<b>Printer execution queue</b>	Feeds a physical printer
<b>Terminal execution queue</b>	Feeds a physical printer attached to a terminal line
<b>Generic queue</b>	Feeds execution queues enabled with <b>/ENABLE_GENERIC</b> attribute
<b>Logical queue</b>	Feeds execution queue associated with <b>ASSIGN/QUEUE</b> command

- System moves jobs from generic and logical queues to execution queues
  - Will not move jobs from generic queues to execution queues initialized with **/NOENABLE\_GENERIC** qualifier
  - Execution queues given **/ENABLE\_GENERIC** attribute by default

## Creating Print Queues

- To establish a print execution queue (requires OPER privilege):
  - Set physical attributes of device
  - Spool device
  - Initialize and start an execution queue for device
- Queues can be created either:
  - Interactively
  - Automatically
- Can create and start queues using one or more commands

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**Table 3-2: Initializing and Starting Queues**

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Command	Comments
<code>\$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE [/qualifiers] - _ \$ queue-name</code>	Creates the queue. If the queue is already running, this command has no effect. If a queue exists but is stopped, you can use this command to modify queue parameters. Jobs listed in the queue and new jobs will execute under the new parameters.
<code>\$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/TERMINAL/ON=TXC2 - _ \$ LASER</code>	
<code>\$ START/QUEUE [/qualifiers] queue-name \$ START/QUEUE/FORM=WIDE LPA0</code>	Starts a stopped queue. If the queue is already running, the system displays an error message.
<code>\$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/START [/qualifiers] - _ \$ queue-name \$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/START SYS\$PRINT</code>	Creates and starts a queue. Include this command for each queue in the procedure SYSTARTUP_V5.COM. If the queue is already running, this command has no effect.

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**Table 3-3: Creating and Using Print Execution Queues**

Operation	Creating a Printer Queue	Creating a Terminal Queue	Comments
Determine the device	\$ SHOW DEVICE L	\$ SHOW DEVICE T	List the devices and select one.
Set the device attributes	\$ SET PRINTER - _ \$ /UPPER LPAO	\$ SET TERMINAL - _ \$ /PERMANENT - _ \$ /NOTYPE_AHEAD - _ \$ /SPEED=2400 - _ \$ /NOBROADCAST - _ \$ TTA3	Set the attributes of the printer or terminal to match its physical attributes or to force the printer to produce specific output. (For example, /UPPER causes all jobs to be printed in uppercase.) Terminals must have certain attributes set as shown (speed should be specified to match the terminal speed)
Spool the device	\$ SET DEVICE - _ \$ /SPOOLED LPAO	\$ SET DEVICE - _ \$ /SPOOLED=WORK1 - _ \$ TTA3	Enables COPY commands and write statements for that device; you can specify an intermediate device or use the current default device (SYS\$DISK).
Create and start the queue	\$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE - _ \$ /START/ON=LPAO - _ \$ SYS\$PRINT	\$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE - _ \$ /TERMINAL - _ \$ /START/ON=TTA3 - _ \$ SYS\$PRINT	Assign it a different name than its device name if desired by using the /ON qualifier. (By default, the name of the queue matches the name of the printer.)
List the device queues	\$ SHOW QUEUE/ALL - _ \$ /DEVICE	\$ SHOW QUEUE/ALL - _ \$ /DEVICE	Displays all execution queues.
Use the queue	\$ PRINT FILE.DAT	\$ PRINT FILE.DAT	Since the PRINT command sends files to the SYS\$PRINT queue by default, and the name of the print execution queue for the LPA0 printer is SYS\$PRINT, the first command prints FILE.DAT on LPA0. The second command is similar, but the SYS\$PRINT queue is defined to print on TTA3.

## Creating Generic Print Queues

Establish generic print queues when you have more than one printer set up in the same fashion, and want to share the processing among the printers.

**Table 3-4: Creating and Using Generic Print Queues**

Operation	Command	Comment
Create an execution queue for a printer	\$ SET PRINTER/UPPER LPA0 \$ SET DEVICE/SPOOLED LPA0 \$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/START - _ \$ LPA0	For example, the printer device LPA0.
Create an execution queue for another printer	\$ SET PRINTER/UPPER LPB0 \$ SET DEVICE/SPOOLED LPB0 \$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/START - _ \$ LPB0	For example, the printer device LPB0.
Create a generic print queue	\$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/START - _ \$ /GENERIC SYS\$PRINT	This queue will receive default print jobs and dispense them to any execution print queues that do not use the /NOENABLE_GENERIC qualifier.
Create a generic print queue with specific execution queues	\$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/START - _ \$ /GENERIC=(LPA0,LPB0) - _ \$ SYS\$PRINT	This queue will receive default print jobs and dispense them to LPA0 or LPB0.
Use the generic print queue	\$ PRINT FILE.DAT	SYS\$PRINT is the default queue for the PRINT command. In this example, SYS\$PRINT is a generic print queue. The file will be printed on LPA0 if it is available. If LPA0 is not available, and LPB0 is available, the file will be printed on LPB0.

## Creating Logical Print Queues

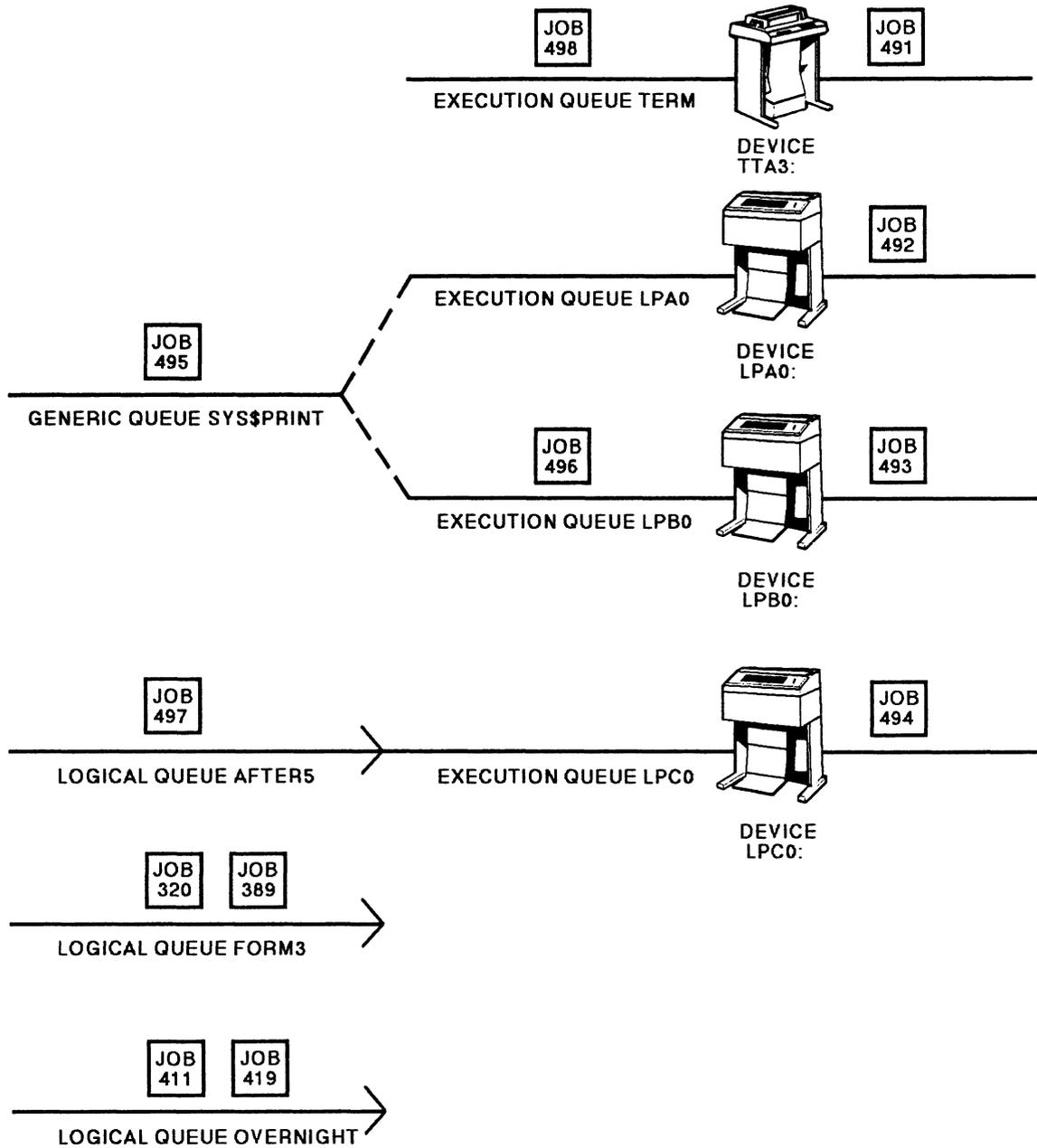
- Establish logical queues to hold jobs
  - Requiring special paper or printer attributes
  - Requiring the presence of an operator or other authorized personnel to print
  - When you want to control which printer is used

**Table 3–5: Creating and Using Logical Queues**

Operation	Command	Comment
Create an execution queue	<pre>\$ SET PRINTER/UPPER LPC0 \$ SET DEVICE/SPOOLED LPC0 \$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/START LPC0</pre>	For example, use LPC0 as the execution queue. Set the device to be spooled and to print only in UPPERCASE.
Create a logical queue	<pre>\$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE AFTER5</pre>	Note that the /START qualifier is not valid for logical queues.
Use the logical queue	<pre>\$ PRINT/QUEUE=AFTER5 FILE.DAT</pre>	Jobs are listed in the queue but are not executed.
Associate the logical queue with the execution queue †	<pre>\$ ASSIGN/QUEUE LPC0 AFTER5</pre>	This tells JOB_CONTROL to “feed” LPC0 jobs from the AFTER5 queue once the AFTER5 queue is started.
Start the logical queue	<pre>\$ START/QUEUE AFTER5</pre>	The listed jobs will be executed on the LPC0 printer.
Use the logical queue	<pre>\$ PRINT/QUEUE=AFTER5 TEXT.DAT</pre>	The job is listed in the AFTER5 queue, and is moved to the LPC0 queue to be printed as soon as the printer is available. Jobs will continue to be processed in this way until the association is broken (by using the command <b>DEASSIGN/QUEUE</b> ).

† A logical queue does not have to be associated with an execution queue. It can be used simply as a holding queue for large jobs, jobs requiring special paper, or other types of jobs. The operator moves these jobs to specific execution queues to be printed when it is appropriate (see Table 3–17).

**Figure 3-3: Current, Pending, and Holding Jobs**



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### Example 3-3: Queue Status Display of Current, Pending, and Holding Jobs

```
$
$ SHOW QUEUE/DEVICE/GENERIC
Logical queue AFTER5, assigned to LPCO

  Jobname      Username      Entry  Blocks  Status
  -----      -
  LATER        JONES         497    1      Pending

Printer queue FORM3, stopped

  Jobname      Username      Entry  Blocks  Status
  -----      -
  MATH         JONES         389    5      Pending
  TEST        JONES         320    7      Pending

Printer queue LPA0

  Jobname      Username      Entry  Blocks  Status
  -----      -
  MEMO         JONES         492    1      Printing

Printer queue LPB0

  Jobname      Username      Entry  Blocks  Status
  -----      -
  ACTION       JONES         493    1      Printing
  TABLES     JONES         496    21     Pending

Printer queue LPC0

  Jobname      Username      Entry  Blocks  Status
  -----      -
  FORTEST     JONES         494    1      Printing

Printer queue OVERNIGHT, stopped

  Jobname      Username      Entry  Blocks  Status
  -----      -
  LONG         JONES         419    400    Pending
  BIGJOB       JONES         411    478    Pending

Generic printer queue SYS$PRINT

  Jobname      Username      Entry  Blocks  Status
  -----      -
  MEMO         JONES         495    1      Pending

Terminal printer queue TERM, on TTA3:

  Jobname      Username      Entry  Blocks  Status
  -----      -
  PROG         JONES         491    10     Printing
  NOTES       JONES         498    9      Pending

$
$
```

## Automatic Queue Creation

- Include queue commands in SYSS\$MANAGER:SYSTARTUP\_V5.COM to create and start queues at system startup
  - Even better to include a line in SYSS\$MANAGER:SYSTARTUP\_V5.COM to invoke a separate command procedure to start up queues
- System shutdown procedure stops all queues (SYSS\$SYSTEM:SHUTDOWN.COM)
  - More detail on queue shutdown found in the module **Starting Up and Shutting Down the System**

### Example 3-4: Startup Commands In SYSTARTUP\_V5.COM

```
$ SET NOON
$ !
$ ! Start up the queue manager before issuing any other queue commands
$ !
$ START/QUEUE/MANAGER
$ !
$ ! Define and start up printer queues
$ !
$ SET PRINTER/LOWER LPA0
$ SET DEVICE/SPOOLED LPA0
$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/START/DEFAULT=(BURST,FLAG) LPA0
$ !
$ SET PRINTER/LOWER LPB0
$ SET DEVICE/SPOOLED LPB0
$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/START LPB0
$ !
$ SET PRINTER/LOWER LPC0
$ SET DEVICE/SPOOLED LPC0
$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/NOENABLE_GENERIC LPC0
$ !
$ ! Define and start up a generic print queue
$ !
$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/GENERIC/START SYSS$PRINT
$ !
$ ! Define a special logical queue and assign it
$ ! to execution queue LPC0, but don't start it yet
$ !
$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE AFTER5
$ ASSIGN/QUEUE LPC0 AFTER5
$ !
$ Define other logical queues
$ !
$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE OVERNIGHT
$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE FORM3
$
```

## Monitoring Print Queues

- Use the **SHOW QUEUE** command to monitor an entire queue:

```
$ SHOW QUEUE [/qualifiers] [queue-name]
$ SHOW QUEUE/SUMMARY/DEVICE=(PRINTER,TERMINAL)
```

- Default action is to display status of all queues and all jobs owned by you
- Queues are displayed in alphabetical order
- Qualifiers provide selection of the type and amount of queue information to be displayed
- Queue status codes indicate current state of the queue (see Table 3–8)

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**Table 3–6: SHOW QUEUE Qualifiers for Displaying Types of Queues**

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Qualifier	Description
/BY_JOB_STATUS=status-type	Displays queues that contain jobs of a specified type of status. If no keyword is specified, the jobs of all status-types are displayed. The types are EXECUTING, HOLDING, PENDING, RETAINED, and TIMED_RELEASE.
/BATCH	Displays the status of batch execution queues.
/DEVICE=execution-type	Displays the status of output execution queues. If no keywords are specified, all types of output queues are displayed.
/GENERIC	Displays the status of generic queues.

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**Table 3–7: SHOW QUEUE Qualifiers for Displaying the Amount of Queue Information**

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Qualifier	Description
/ALL_JOBS or /ALL_ENTRIES	Displays information about all jobs for the selected queue.
/BRIEF	Displays a brief listing of information about job entries in the queue. The brief listing is the default when no qualifier is specified with the <b>SHOW QUEUE</b> command.
/FULL	Displays complete queue and job information, including any ACLs set for the queue.
/SUMMARY	Displays the total number of executing, pending, holding, retained, and time-released jobs.

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**Table 3-8: Queue Status Codes**

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Status Code	Description
Aligning	The queue manager is processing a <b>START/QUEUE/ALIGN</b> command.
Device unavailable	Device to which the print symbiont is assigned is not available.
Pausing	The queue manager is processing a <b>STOP/QUEUE</b> command.
Paused	A <b>STOP/QUEUE</b> command has been executed.
Resuming	The queue manager is processing a <b>START/QUEUE</b> command on a <b>paused</b> queue.
Resetting	The queue manager is processing a <b>STOP/QUEUE/RESET</b> command.
Operator service	A <b>PRINT/OPERATOR</b> command has been executed.
Stalled	Print symbiont processing is temporarily halted due to a device related problem.
Stopping	The queue manager is processing a <b>STOP/QUEUE</b> command specified with either a <b>/NEXT</b> , <b>REQUEUE</b> , or <b>RESET</b> qualifier.
Stop pending	Queue will be <b>stopped</b> when current jobs have finished executing.
Stopped	A <b>STOP/QUEUE</b> command specified with either a <b>/NEXT</b> , <b>REQUEUE</b> , or <b>RESET</b> qualifier has been executed.
Starting	Queue has been started, but the print symbiont process is not yet active.

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## Monitoring Print Jobs

- Use the **SHOW ENTRY** command to monitor individual jobs:

```
$ SHOW ENTRY [/qualifiers] [entry-number]
$ SHOW ENTRY 228
$ SHOW ENTRY/USER=JONES
```

- Most **SHOW QUEUE** qualifiers can be used to select the type and amount of queue information to be monitored.
- Queue status codes indicate current state of the job.

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**Table 3-9: Job Status Codes**

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Status Code	Description
Aborting	Executing job is terminating.
Executing	Job is executing from a batch queue.
Holding	Job is being held until explicitly released.
Holding until	Job is being held until a specified time.
Pending	Job is in a wait state, typically waiting to be processed.
Printing	Job is executing from a printer or terminal execution queue.
Processing	Job is executing from a server queue.
Retained on completion	Job remains in the queue upon completion.
Retained on error	Job remains in the queue upon encountering an error.
Waiting	Symbiont refuses the job.

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## Setting Print Queue Attributes

- Some attributes can be modified
  - Owner (defaults to the user of the process creating the queue)
  - Base priority
  - Printer form definition
  - Protection code
  - Number of separation pages for print jobs
  - Maximum and minimum allowed sizes of print jobs
  - Printer characteristics

**Table 3-10: Commands to Modify Queue Attributes at Certain Times**

Command	When to Use
INITIALIZE/QUEUE	When the queue is being created (does not currently exist)
SET QUEUE START/QUEUE INITIALIZE/QUEUE	After the queue has been created, but is currently <b>stopped</b>
SET QUEUE	When the queue exists and is currently <b>running</b> . Note that not all parameters can be changed while the queue is running.

### Example 3-5: Modifying a Running Queue

```
$  
$ SHOW QUEUE/FULL LPAO  
Printer queue LPAO  
  /BASE_PRIORITY=4 /FORM=DEFAULT Lowercase /OWNER=[SYSTEM]  
  /PROTECTION=(S:E,O:D,G:R,W:W)  
$  
$ SET QUEUE/SEPARATE=(BURST,TRAILER) LPAO  
$  
$ SHOW QUEUE/FULL LPAO  
Printer queue LPAO  
  /BASE_PRIORITY=4 /FORM=DEFAULT Lowercase /OWNER=[SYSTEM]  
  /PROTECTION=(S:E,O:D,G:R,W:W) /SEPARATION=(BURST,TRAILER)  
$  
$ PRINT/HEADER MEMO.TXT  
Job MEMO (queue SYS$PRINT, entry 349) started on SYS$PRINT  
$
```

## Specifying Separation Pages

- **Separation pages** are used to delineate between individual jobs and individual files within the jobs
  - Job separation pages
  - File separation pages
- Defaults can be set for separation pages on a queue (system default is **no separation pages**)
  - Use **/SEPARATE=option** for job separation pages
  - Use **/DEFAULT=option** for file separation pages
  - Users can override defaults set for file separation pages
  - Users **cannot** override defaults set for job separation pages
- Order of printed pages when all possible file and job separation page defaults are set:
  1. Job burst page (/SEPARATE=BURST)
  2. Job flag page (/SEPARATE=FLAG)
  3. File burst page (/DEFAULT=BURST)
  4. File flag page (/DEFAULT=FLAG)
  5. File contents are printed
  6. File trailer page (/DEFAULT=TRAILER)
  7. System repeats previous four steps until all files in job are printed
  8. Job trailer page (/SEPARATE=TRAILER)
- Separation page attributes can be viewed with **SHOW QUEUE/FULL**

### Example 3-6: SHOW QUEUE - Job and File Separation Page Defaults

```
$  
$ SHOW QUEUE/FULL LPC0  
Printer queue LPC0  
  /BASE_PRIORITY=4 /DEFAULT=(FLAG)  
  /FORM=DEFAULT Lowercase /OWNER=[SYSTEM] /PROTECTION=(S:E,O:D,G:R,W:W)  
  /SEPARATE=(BURST,FLAG,TRAILER)  
$  
$
```

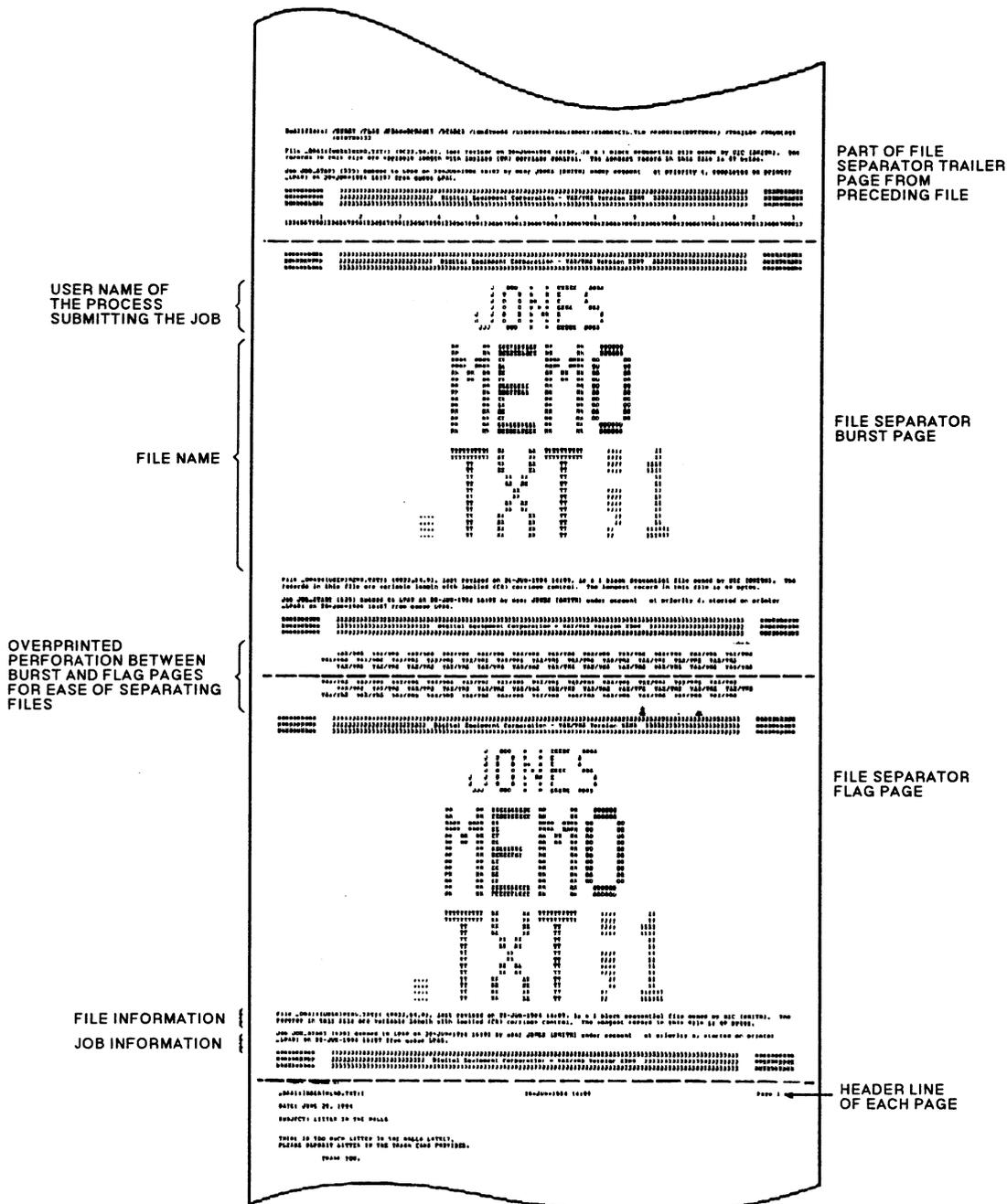
**Table 3-11: Job Separation Page Options for the /SEPARATE Qualifier**

Option	Description
[NO] BURST	Specifies a copy of the flag page printed in such a way as to overprint the perforation between the preceding flag page. This makes it possible to determine job breaks in a stack of paper when viewed from the edge side of the paper. Note that if you specify a burst separation page, you do not need to specify a flag page, as it is printed automatically with the burst page.
[NO] FLAG	Specifies a page is printed preceding the job with the name of the user printed in large letters.
[NO] TRAILER	Specifies that a single summary sheet is printed following a job, with the name of the user printed in large letters.

**Table 3-12: File Separation Page Options for the /DEFAULT Qualifier**

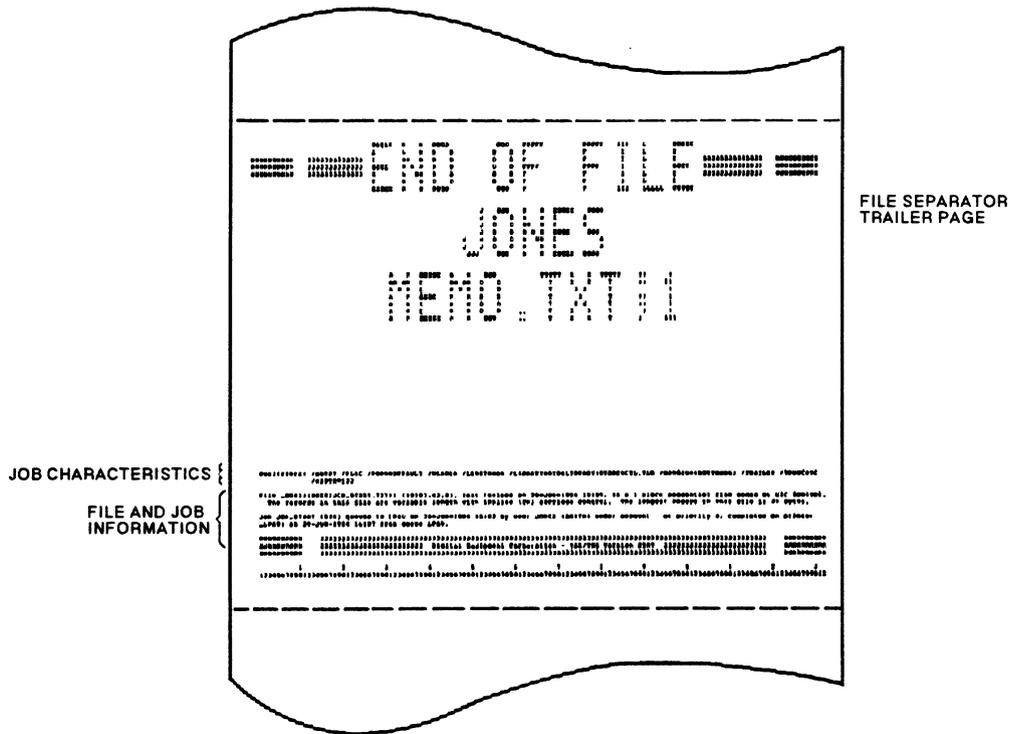
Option	Description
[NO] BURST [=keyword]	Specifies whether file burst pages will be printed. If the keyword is ALL (the default), a burst page is placed before each file in the print job. If the keyword is ONE, a burst page is placed before the first copy of the first file in the job. Note that if you specify a burst separation page, you do not need to specify a flag page, as it is printed automatically with the burst page.
[NO] FLAG [=keyword]	Specifies whether file flag pages will be printed. If the keyword is ALL (the default), a flag page is placed before each file in the print job. If the keyword is ONE, a flag page is placed before the first copy of the first file in the job.
[NO] TRAILER [=keyword]	Specifies whether file trailer pages will be printed. If the keyword is ALL (the default), a trailer page is placed at the end of each file in the print job. If the keyword is ONE, a trailer page is placed after the last copy of the last file in the job.

Figure 3-4: File Separation Burst and Flag Pages



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Figure 3-5: File Separation Trailer Page

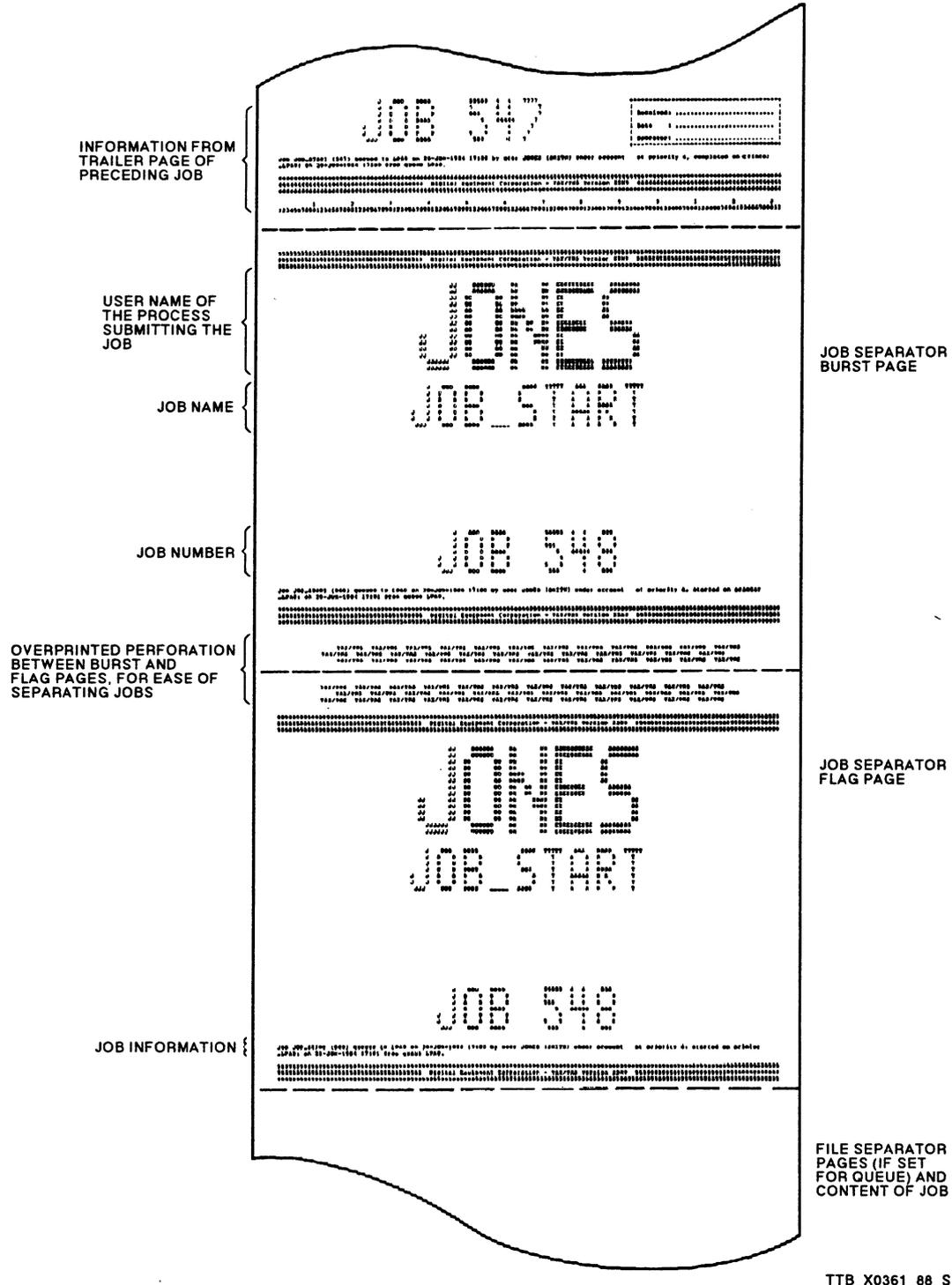


FILE SEPARATOR  
TRAILER PAGE

JOB CHARACTERISTICS {  
FILE AND JOB  
INFORMATION

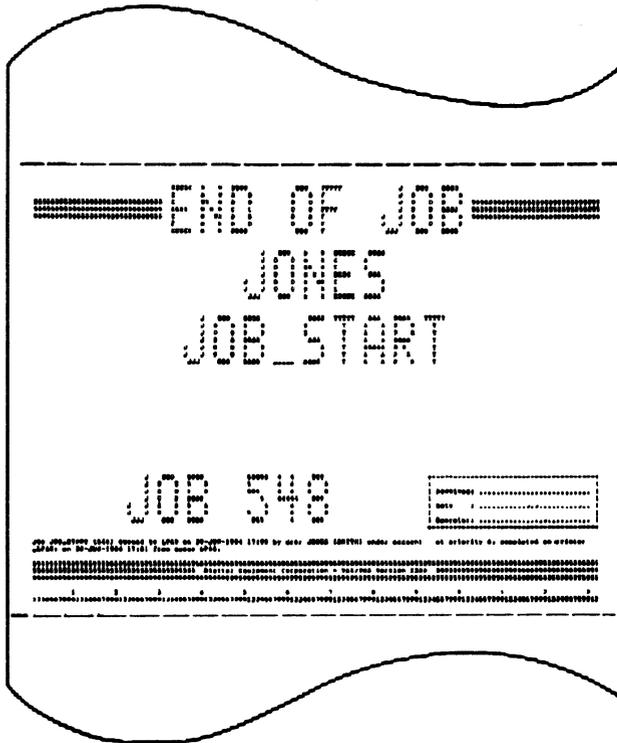
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**Figure 3-6: Job Separation Burst and Flag Pages**



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Figure 3-7: Job Separation Trailer Page



FILE TRAILER PAGE  
(IF SET FOR QUEUE)  
OR LAST PAGE OF  
JOB CONTENT

JOB SEPARATOR  
TRAILER PAGE

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## Limiting Print Job Sizes

Limiting the size of print jobs can establish different queues for different job sizes.

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**Table 3-13: Setting Block Limits on Print Queues**

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Qualifier/Example	Comments
<code>/BLOCK_LIMIT=(minimum, maximum)</code>	Size of jobs submitted to queue must be within specified range.
<code>\$ INITIAL/QUEUE/ON=LPA0 - _ \$ /BLOCK=(100, 500) MEDIUM</code>	Jobs smaller than 100 blocks or larger than 500 blocks will not execute from the queue.
<code>\$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/ON=LPB0 - _ \$ /BLOCK=(500, "") LARGE</code>	Jobs smaller than 500 blocks will not execute from this queue. It is reserved for jobs larger than 500 blocks.
<code>\$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/ON=LPC0 - _ \$ /BLOCK=100 SMALL</code>	Jobs larger than 100 blocks will not execute from this queue. It is reserved for jobs smaller than or equal to 100 blocks. Notice that you do not need to include parentheses when you only specify an upper limit.

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## Controlling Print Queues

- Can stop or requeue currently executing job without adversely affecting other jobs in queue
- Sometimes you need to stop a queue to fix problems or make modifications
- Change the assignment of a logical queue
- Keep jobs from being entered in a queue
- Move jobs from one queue to another
- Delete a queue

**Table 3-14: Aborting and Requeuing Jobs**

Possible Reason for Abort/Requeue	Command	Comments
Job contains unprintable characters and is using excessive amounts of paper.	<code>\$ STOP/ABORT queue-name</code>	Aborts currently executing print job. Next job begins printing.
Current job is not as important as job recently queued. Requeue it to execute later.	<code>\$ STOP/REQUEUE queue-name</code>	Current print job is aborted and moved to the end of the same queue. Next job begins printing.
Job is too large for this queue or its attributes are wrong. Move it to a more appropriate queue.	<code>\$ STOP/REQUEUE=new-queue-name - _ \$ queue-name</code>	Current job is aborted and moved to the end of the new queue. Next job begins executing on the original queue.
Current job is not as important as more recently submitted job. Requeue current job to be executed later.	<code>\$ STOP/ENTRY=job-number - _ \$ /REQUEUE queue-name</code>	Current job is stopped and placed at the end of the queue. The job with the next highest priority will begin executing. (The more important job should have been submitted with sufficiently higher priority to be the next job to execute.)

## Stopping Queues

Table 3-15: Stopping Queues

Possible Reasons for Stopping a Queue	Command	Comments
<b>Temporarily Suspend Queue Execution</b>		
Paper is jammed in printer. Printer needs paper. Printer needs new ribbon.	<code>\$ STOP/QUEUE -</code> <code>_\$ queue-name</code>	Pauses queue. Suspends execution of current job. No new jobs can be initiated until queue is restarted with the <b>START/QUEUE</b> command.
<b>Orderly Shutdown of a Queue</b>		
Queue must be deleted or reassigned, or the jobs in it must be moved to another queue.	<code>\$ STOP/QUEUE/NEXT -</code> <code>_\$ queue-name</code>	Stops queue after the currently executing jobs are completed. Queue must be stopped before being deleted or reassigned, or before jobs can be moved.
<b>Immediate Shutdown of a Queue</b>		
You cannot stop or delete the current job. A previous queue control command did not produce the desired effect.	<code>\$ STOP/QUEUE/RESET -</code> <code>_\$ queue-name</code>	Abruptly stops queue and stops all currently executing jobs. After this command, you have complete control over the queue and the jobs in it.
<b>Close a Queue</b>		
No more jobs should be entered into a queue.	<code>\$ SET QUEUE/CLOSE -</code> <code>_\$ queue-name</code>	Prevents jobs from being entered in the queue through the commands <b>PRINT</b> or <b>SUBMIT</b> , or as a result of requeue operations. To allow jobs to be entered, use the command <b>SET QUEUE/OPEN</b> .

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**Table 3-15: Stopping Queues (Cont.)**

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Possible Reasons for  
Stopping a Queue

Command

Comments

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**Orderly Shutdown of All Queues**

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All queue processing  
and execution must  
stop.

`$ STOP/QUEUE/MANAGER`

Performs an orderly shutdown of all  
queues. Use **START/QUEUE/MANAGER**  
to restart the queue manager, then  
restart all queues, either manually or  
through a command procedure.

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## Change the Assignment of a Logical Queue

- When the queue's associated execution queue fails and you can process the jobs on another printer
- When a different printer is desired for processing existing jobs

**Table 3-16: Assigning and Deassigning Logical Queues**

Operation	Command	Example
Change the assignment of the queue †	<pre>\$ STOP/QUEUE/NEXT - _ \$ logical-queue-name \$ ASSIGN/QUEUE - _ \$ execution-queue-name - _ \$ logical-queue-name</pre>	<pre>\$ STOP/QUEUE/NEXT MEMOS \$ ASSIGN/QUEUE LASER2 MEMOS</pre>
Remove the assignment of the queue	<pre>\$ STOP/QUEUE/NEXT - _ \$ logical-queue-name \$ DEASSIGN/QUEUE - _ \$ logical-queue-name</pre>	<pre>\$ STOP/QUEUE/NEXT - _ \$ SPECIAL_PRINTS \$ DEASSIGN/QUEUE SPECIAL_PRINTS</pre>

† You can assign a logical queue to only one execution queue at any time, but you can assign it to a different execution queue at any time.

## Keep Jobs from Being Entered in a Queue: \$ SET QUEUE/CLOSE

- Use **SET QUEUE/OPEN** to allow jobs to be entered in queue

### Moving Jobs from One Queue to Another

- Stop queue with **STOP/QUEUE/NEXT** before moving jobs so that no more jobs will be executed
- Requeue current job if queue is an execution queue
- Use **SET QUEUE/CLOSE** to keep additional jobs from being entered in the queue, if desired

**Table 3-17: Moving Jobs from One Queue to Another**

Operation	Command Format	Example: LPA0 needs repair, LPB0 is still operational
Move all jobs from one queue to another.	\$ ASSIGN/MERGE - _ \$ destination-queue-name - _ \$ source-queue-name	\$ STOP/QUEUE LPA0 \$ STOP/QUEUE/REQUEUE=LPB0 LPA0 \$ ASSIGN/MERGE LPB0 LPA0

## Deleting a Queue

- Issue **STOP/QUEUE/NEXT** before deleting the queue

**Table 3–18: Deleting a Queue**

Command Format	Example
\$ DELETE/QUEUE queue-name	\$ STOP/QUEUE/NEXT LPA0 \$ DELETE/QUEUE LPA0

- Deleting jobs in queues
  - Can delete jobs when queue is running or when queue is stopped
  - Can delete jobs when restarting queue

**Table 3–19: Deleting a Job In a Queue**

Operation	Command Format	Example
Delete a job in a queue.	\$ DELETE/ENTRY=job-number	\$ DELETE/ENTRY=715
Delete the current job when restarting a print execution queue.	\$ START/QUEUE/NEXT queue-name	\$ START/QUEUE/NEXT LPA0

## Managing Printer Forms and Characteristics

- A print queue has a print **form** associated with it describing aspects of the paper (called **stock**) and the print image area:
  - Stock name
  - Left, right, top, and bottom margins
  - Width of each line (in printable character columns)
  - Length of the print image area (in lines)
- A print queue can also have one or more **characteristics**
  - Further specifies the intended use of the queue, or other special attributes

## Creating Print Forms and Characteristics

- Use the **DEFINE** command:

```
$ DEFINE/FORM form-name form-number [/qualifiers]
$ DEFINE/FORM CHECK 43 /DESCRIPTION="Company Bank Check" /LENGTH=24 /WIDTH=95
$ DEFINE/CHARACTERISTIC characteristic-name characteristic-number
$ DEFINE/CHAR RED 3
```

- Form and characteristic names
  - Arbitrary strings of between 1 and 31 characters
  - Characters include both uppercase and lowercase letters, digits, dollar sign, underscore
  - String must contain at least one nonnumeric character
  - Name must be unique on the system
- Form and characteristic numbers
  - Arbitrary, unique numbers
  - Form numbers can range from 0 to 999
  - Characteristic numbers can range from 0 to 127
- Use the **SHOW QUEUE/FORM** and **SHOW QUEUE/CHARACTERISTIC** commands to monitor existing form and characteristic definitions

### Example 3-7: Displaying Queue Forms and Characteristics

```
$
$ SHOW QUEUE/FORM
Form name          Number  Description
-----
ALLIN1 (stock=DEFAULT)  99    ALLIN1 Memos
BORDER (stock=DEFAULT)   4     Border Outline
DEFAULT              0     System-defined default
FRAME (stock=DEFAULT)   3     Overhead Frame
TEMP                  6     Special temporary
WSPPLUS (stock=DEFAULT) 1101  WSPPLUS Documentation
$
$
$ SHOW QUEUE/CHARACTERISTICS
Characteristic name  Number
-----
PEN_010             5
PEN_020             6
PEN_050             7
RED_INK             74
$
```

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**Table 3–20: Qualifiers for the DEFINE/FORM Command**

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Qualifier	Description
<code>/DESCRIPTION=string</code>	Assigns a description to the form. Can be as long as 255 characters, with the default being the name of the form.
<code>/LENGTH=n</code>	The physical form length in lines. The default is 66 lines.
<code>/MARGIN=(option[,...])</code>	Specifies one or more of the following four margin options:
<code>LEFT=n</code>	The number of columns to be left blank between the left-most printing position and the actual print image area.
<code>RIGHT=n</code>	The number of columns to be left blank between the <code>/WIDTH</code> setting and the actual print image area.
<code>TOP=n</code>	The number of blank lines to leave between the top of the physical page of paper and the start of the print image.
<code>BOTTOM=n</code>	The number of blank lines to leave between the end of the print image on a page and the end of the physical page of paper.
<code>/PAGE_SETUP=(module[,...])</code>	Specifies one or more modules that set up the printer before every page.
<code>/SETUP=(module[,...])</code>	Specifies one or more modules that set up the printer before a file is printed.
<code>/SHEET_FEED</code>	Tells the print symbiont associated with the queue to pause at the end of every physical page so that a new piece of paper can be inserted.
<code>/STOCK=string</code>	The name of the paper stock associated with the form. The string can be from 1 to 31 characters, including all letters, digits, the dollar sign, and the underscore. The default for string is the form name.
<code>/TRUNCATE</code>	Tells the printer to discard all characters that would exceed either the <code>/WIDTH</code> value or the <code>/MARGIN=RIGHT</code> value. You cannot specify both <code>/TRUNCATE</code> and <code>/WRAP</code> for the same form. Specify <code>/NOTRUNCATE</code> and <code>/NOWRAP</code> for special graphics output devices.
<code>/WRAP</code>	Tells the printer to print all characters exceeding either the <code>/WIDTH</code> value or the <code>/MARGIN=RIGHT</code> value on the next line.
<code>/WIDTH=n</code>	Specifies the physical width of the paper in terms of columns or character positions.

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## Using Forms and Characteristics with Printer Queues

Once a form or characteristic is defined, you can use the `/FORM_MOUNTED` qualifier with the following commands to associate it with a queue:

**INITIALIZE/QUEUE**  
**START/QUEUE**  
**SET QUEUE**

**Table 3–21: Defining Printer Forms and Characteristics**

Command †	Comments
<pre>\$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE - _ \$ /CHARACTERISTICS=(number or name, [, ...]) †</pre>	Characteristics of jobs must match or be a subset of queue characteristics for the job to execute. The command <b>DEFINE/CHARACTERISTICS</b> sets up a correspondence between the characteristic name and number. Note that a characteristic must already be defined before it can be used with a queue.
<pre>\$ DEFINE/CHAR REDINK 2 \$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/START/CHAR=REDINK PLOTTER \$ PRINT/CHAR=REDINK/QUEUE=PLOTTER FILE.DAT</pre>	Set up the characteristic name REDINK to correspond to the number 2. Specify the REDINK characteristic as a characteristic of the PLOTTER queue. Only jobs sent to this queue that specify the REDINK characteristic by name (or number) will be executed from this queue. Other jobs will be placed on hold.
<pre>\$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/FORM=(number or name, [, ...])</pre>	Limits jobs to those whose form name (or number) matches that of the queue. Note that a form must already be defined before it can be used with a queue.
<pre>\$ DEFINE/FORM WIDE 2 \$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/START/FORM=WIDE LPA0</pre>	Define a new form called WIDE and initialize (and start) the LPA0 queue with this new form.
<pre>\$ PRINT/FORM=WIDE/QUEUE=LPA0 FILE.DAT</pre>	Submit a request to print FILE.DAT on the LPA0 queue with the WIDE form.

† It is generally considered a bad practice to specify forms or characteristics by their numbers. You should strive to use the form or characteristic name to better document the intended action and to keep from inadvertently specifying the wrong form or characteristic.

## Handling Print Queue Problems

- Problems can arise with printers:
  - Paper jams
  - Paper runs out
  - Ribbon tears or poor print density
- You might have to reprint part or all of the job
- The commands needed to reprint problem jobs can also be used to set up a printer for special print situations
  - Bank check printing
  - Invoices
- Use positioning and alignment qualifiers to handle these situations

**Table 3-22: Positioning a Print Job**

Qualifier to <b>START/QUEUE</b>	Comments
<code>/BACKWARD=n</code>	File is backspaced n pages before printing is resumed.
<code>/FORWARD=n</code>	File is forward spaced n pages before printing is resumed.
<code>/SEARCH=string</code>	Resumes printing with page containing string. (Search direction is forward. Other qualifiers processed first.)
<code>/TOP_OF_FILE</code>	Printing begins at top of interrupted file (not top of job).

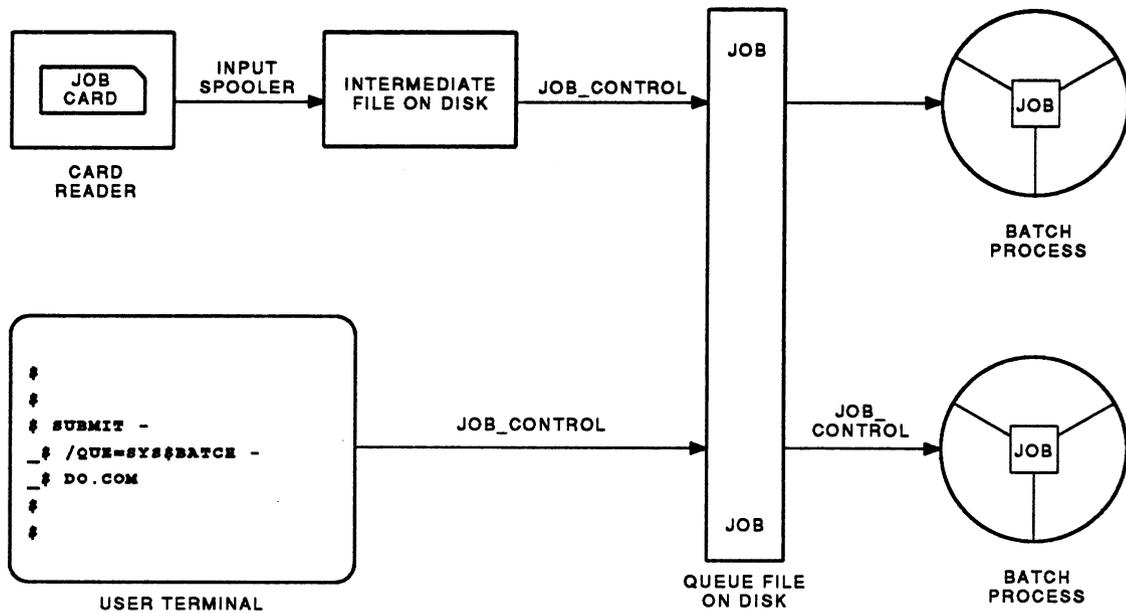
**Table 3-23: Aligning Printer Paper**

Command Format/Examples	Comments
<code>\$ START/QUEUE/ALIGN -</code> <code>_\$ queue-name</code>	One page of the job is printed. The queue stops. Adjust the paper and restart the queue.
<code>\$ START/QUEUE/BACKWARD=2 -</code> <code>_\$ /ALIGN=2 LPAO</code> <code>\$ START/QUEUE LPAO</code>	You can back up several pages before beginning the reprint. In this example, the symbiont backs up two pages in the job, then prints two alignment pages and stops. The user adjusts the paper and restarts the queue. The system begins printing the next page in the job.

# HOW THE VMS SYSTEM HANDLES BATCH JOBS

- Batch queues solve waiting problems and make best use of terminal and card reader resources
- **SUBMIT** command places batch job in queue
- Batch queues must exist for the VMS system to execute batch jobs
- Batch queue information stored in `SY$SYSTEM:JBCSYSQUE.DAT`

Figure 3-8: **JOB\_CONTROL** Process Handles All Batch Jobs



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When the JOB\_CONTROL process schedules a batch job to execute, it creates a batch process in which to execute the job

- Name of process composed of word BATCH and job's queue entry number
- Jobs listed in queue as currently executing
- Batch process appears in **SHOW SYSTEM** display with "B" in right hand column

**Example 3-8: JOB\_CONTROL, Input Symbiont, and Batch Job Processes**

```

$ SHOW SYSTEM
VAX/VMS 5.2 on node BROWNY 19-APR-1989 16:55:43.02 Uptime 10 03:36:27
  Pid  Process Name  State  Pri  I/O      CPU      Page flts Ph.Mem
2020021 SWAPPER      HIB    16    0    0 00:00:21.96    0    0
202002A2 Chocoholic    HIB    9    4000 0 00:01:00.00   6658   328
20200263 DUFFY        LEF    4    328 0 00:00:10.49   1057   299
20200185 VPA DC      HIB    15   4623 0 00:13:00.43  1374  1333
20200027 ERRFMT    HIB    8   9995 0 00:02:59.54    82   118
20200028 CACHE_SERVER HIB    16   152 0 00:00:00.75    62    93
20200029 CLUSTER_SERVER HIB    8    39 0 00:00:02.20   151   314
2020002A OPCOM      HIB    8   4321 0 00:02:13.76   645   211
① 202001B8 BATCH_103  CUR    3    80 0 00:00:02.93   588   259  B ②
2020002B AUDIT_SERVER HIB    10   54 0 00:00:54.84  1300  223
③ 2020002C JOB_CONTROL HIB    9   1875 0 00:00:14.57   207   412
2020002D CONFIGURE  HIB    10   122 0 00:00:12.96   111   159
2020002E SMISERVER  HIB    9   104 0 00:00:03.07   406   437
20200251 NETACP     HIB    10  1493 0 01:24:58.28 2321834 3500
④ 202001A3 _CRA0:    LEF    4   2501 0 00:00:58.87    50    41
20200112 EVL      HIB    5   1390 0 00:00:39.21  49642   38  N
202001B3 REMACP    HIB    9    59 0 00:00:00.56    80    50
20200075 WOODS      LEF    4  14551 0 00:09:09.52  37853  170
20200079 _RTA1:    HIB    6  22780 0 00:20:36.65  10459  4096
2020029A SPM_CAPACITY LEF    24   1975 0 00:00:40.75   217   170
$
$

```

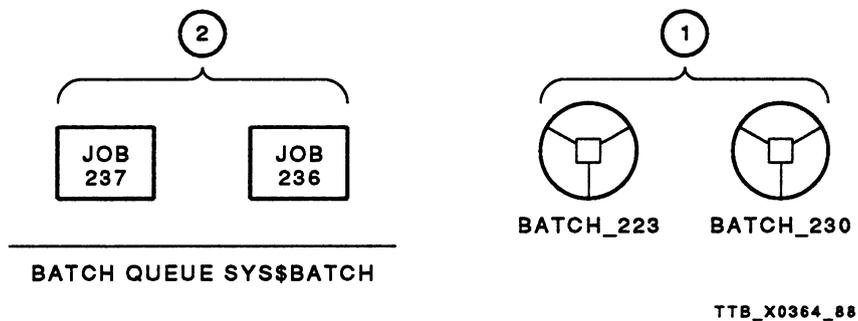
**Notes on Example 3-8**

- ① Batch process.
- ② The letter "B" indicates that this process is executing a batch job.
- ③ The JOB\_CONTROL process.
- ④ The input symbiont process name is the same as the device name of the card reader from which the job is read.

## Batch Job Scheduling

- System manager limits number of jobs that can run concurrently from batch queue
- JOB\_CONTROL schedules batch jobs according to priority and submission time:
  - Jobs with highest queue priority execute first
  - Jobs execute in order of submission if they have the same queue priority
- Queue priority of job affects when job is scheduled to execute
- Base priority of batch process defined either by:
  - BASE\_PRIORITY queue attribute
  - DEFPRI system parameter (if BASE\_PRIORITY not specified)

Figure 3–9: Jobs on a Batch Queue



### Example 3-9: Current and Pending Jobs on a Batch Queue

```
$
$ SHOW QUEUE/FULL SYS$BATCH
Batch queue SYS$BATCH
  /BASE_PRIORITY=3 /JOB_LIMIT=2 /OWNER=[SYSTEM] /PROTECTION=(S:E,O:D,G:R,W:W)

Jobname      Username      Entry  Status
-----      -
ACTION       JONES         223    Executing
① Submitted 13-DEC-1987 12:44 /PRIORITY=100
   _DJA0:[JONES]ACTION.COM;2 (executing)

MATH         JONES         230    Executing
Submitted 13-DEC-1987 12:57 /PRIORITY=100
   _DJA0:[JONES]MATH.COM;1 (executing)

② COMPUTE     JONES         237    Pending
Submitted 13-DEC-1987 13:41 /PRIORITY=120
   _DJA0:[JONES]COMPUTE.COM;7 (pending)

③ ACTION      JONES         236    Pending
Submitted 13-DEC-1987 13:10 /PRIORITY=100
   _DJA0:[JONES]ACTION.COM;3 (pending)

$
$
```

#### Notes on Figure 3-9 and Example 3-9

- ① Jobs 223 and 230 are currently executing. The JOB\_LIMIT attribute of the queue has a value of two, limiting the number of concurrent batch processes from this queue to two. Because the number of concurrent batch processes running from SYS\$BATCH equals its job limit, Job 236 and Job 237 must wait to execute. Their status is **pending**. The JOB\_CONTROL process examines the parameters of the pending jobs to determine which job it will execute next.
- ② Since Job 237 has a higher queue priority than Job 236, (see note 2 of Example 3-2) it will be executed next.

#### NOTE

Although the queue priority of a batch job helps to determine when it will be scheduled, the queue priority does not affect the base priority of the batch process. The base priority of batch processes is defined by:

- The value of the BASE\_PRIORITY queue attribute. In this case, three (3).
  - The value of the system parameter DEFPRI. The system uses this value if you do not set the BASE\_PRIORITY attribute for a queue.
- ③ Finally, Job 236 will execute. However, if a user submits another job before Job 236 begins executing, the JOB\_CONTROL process will compare the parameters of the new job with those of Job 236 to determine which job it will execute next.

# BATCH QUEUE OPERATIONS

- Very similar to print queue operations
- Differ only slightly in creating and stopping queues

## Types of Batch Queues

- Two types of batch queues:
  - Execution**     Executes batch job
  - Generic**       Feeds execution queues

## Creating Batch Queues

- Default system batch queue called SY\$\$BATCH
  - Default queue for **SUBMIT** command
  - Default queue for spooled jobs from card readers
- You must create all batch queues (none are automatically created)
- The **/BATCH** qualifier is **required** to create a batch queue
- Different kinds of batch queues can be created for different kinds of environments

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**Table 3-24: Batch Queue Names and Parameter Values**

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Suggested Name and Purpose of the Queue	Parameters and Comments
<b>GROUP360</b> To be used by those whose group UIC is 360 because they are working on a high-priority project.	Set the owner UIC of the queue to [360,000]. Give GROUP users READ and WRITE access only. Give WORLD users no access. Set larger working set extent, CPU limits, and priority. Possibly increase the job limit.
<b>FASTQUE</b> To be used by all who need a job done quickly.	Set the base priority at 5. Use default queue protection or possibly restrict use to a certain group, UIC, or ACL. Set job limit at 2, but limit the maximum CPU to a low value to keep the queue from taking over the system. Optionally use higher working set limits.
<b>SLOWQUE</b> To be used by all who want to run a batch job that affects system performance as little as possible.	Set the priority at 3. DO NOT set to 0 or 1, as jobs may get very little CPU time and finish too slowly. Use default queue protection. Set job limit to 1. Use default working set limits.
<b>ZOOMQUE</b> Very fast queue that you only start after hours or during lunch.	Set the base priority at 6 or higher, but definitely set a low CPU limit. Use default queue protection. Set job limit to 2. Set high working set limits. You should note, however, that setting a batch queue's default BASE_PRIORITY to a value higher than the normal interactive value is generally considered somewhat dangerous to system response time. You should carefully monitor any batch queue running in this fashion to avoid system degradation.
<b>CADCAM</b> To be used by large, compute-intensive applications, such as engineering, manufacturing, or modeling programs.	Set up as shown with SLOWQUE, but increase working set limits to large values. Set CPU limit to very large value, or infinite. Optionally protect the queue for access by only specific user groups.

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**Table 3–25: Qualifiers to INITIALIZE/QUEUE for Batch Queues**

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Qualifiers	Examples	Comments
<b>/JOB_LIMIT</b>	<code>\$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/BATCH - _ \$ /JOB_LIM=2 FASTBAT</code>	Sets a limit on the number of batch processes that can run concurrently from one batch queue. The default is 1.
<b>/BASE_PRIORITY</b>	<code>\$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/BATCH - _ \$ /BASE=5 FASTBAT</code>	Defines the base priority of a batch process. The system parameter DEFPRI sets the default. The higher the priority, the sooner it will be scheduled to run. If many batch processes have priorities as high as, or higher than, interactive process priorities (default 4), they can degrade the performance for interactive users and the whole system.
<b>/PROTECTION /OWNER_UIC</b>	<code>\$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/BATCH - _ \$ /OWN=[ENG,PROJ5] - _ \$ /PROT=(S:RWED)</code>	Limits access to a queue.
<b>/WSDEFAULT /WSQUOTA /WSEXTENT /DISABLE_ SWAPPING</b>	<code>\$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/BATCH - _ \$ /WSDEF=500 - _ \$ /WSQUOT=800 - _ \$ /WSEXT=2000 - _ \$ /DISABLE_SWAP - _ \$ FASTBAT</code>	Defines memory management parameters for the batch process (limits working set size and adjustment allowed; sets swap or noswap). UAF values are the default. If you set high values for these and disable swapping of processes for the queue, you can use so much memory that system performance is degraded (because paging and swapping increases for interactive jobs).
<b>/CPUMAXIMUM</b>	<code>\$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/BATCH - _ \$ /CPUMAX=INFINITE - _ \$ BIGJOBAT</code>	Sets the maximum CPU limit to be assigned to a batch process from the queue. The default maximum is the CPU limit in the owner's UAF record.

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**Table 3-25: Qualifiers to INITIALIZE/QUEUE for Batch Queues (Cont.)**

Qualifiers	Examples	Comments
<b>/CPUDEFAULT</b>	\$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/BATCH - _ \$ /CPUDEF=00:03:00 - _ \$ 3MINBAT	Sets default CPU limit assigned to batch processes from this queue. Otherwise, the default is the CPU limit in the user's UAF record or the value of <b>/CPUMAXIMUM</b> for the queue.

## Stopping Batch Queues

- Can stop or requeue currently executing job without adversely affecting other jobs in queue
  - Need entry number for batch jobs:

```
$ STOP/ENTRY=job-number queue-name  
$ STOP/ENTRY=205 SYS$BATCH
```

- Suspend current jobs when stopping queue: **\$ STOP/QUEUE**
- Complete current jobs before stopping queue: **\$ STOP/QUEUE/NEXT**

### Example 3-10: Stopping Batch Queues

```
$
$ SUBMIT ACTION.COM
Job ACTION (queue SYSS$BATCH, entry 911) started on SYSS$BATCH
$
$ STOP/QUEUE SYSS$BATCH
$
$ SHOW QUEUE/ALL SYSS$BATCH
Batch queue SYSS$BATCH, paused

  Jobname      Username      Entry  Status
  -----      -
  ACTION       JONES        911    Executing
$
$ SHOW SYSTEM/BATCH
VAX/VMS V5.0 on node BROWNY 13-DEC-1987 13:30:24.38 Uptime 12 22:30:54
  Pid  Process Name  State Pri  I/O  CPU  Page flts Ph.Mem
202003C5 BATCH_911  SUSP  4    25   0 00:00:00.71 143 171 B
$
$ START/QUEUE SYSS$BATCH
$
$ STOP/QUEUE/NEXT SYSS$BATCH
$
$ SHOW QUEUE/ALL SYSS$BATCH
Batch queue SYSS$BATCH, stop pending

  Jobname      Username      Entry  Status
  -----      -
  ACTION       JONES        911    Executing
$
$ SHOW SYSTEM/BATCH
VAX/VMS V5.0 on node BROWNY 13-DEC-1987 13:31:46.62 Uptime 12 22:31:33
  Pid  Process Name  State Pri  I/O  CPU  Page flts Ph.Mem
202003C5 BATCH_911  LEF   4    25   0 00:00:00.71 143 171 B
$
$ SHOW QUEUE/ALL SYSS$BATCH
Batch queue SYSS$BATCH, stopped
$
$ SHOW SYSTEM/BATCH
$
```

## Restricting Access and Control of Queues

- Two methods to specify access and control of queues:
  - UIC-based protection
  - ACL-based protection
- By default, UIC-based protection is used
- Default protection code for queues: (S:E,O:D,G:R,W:W)

### UIC-Based Queue Protection

- System uses queue protection mask and owner UIC of queue to restrict access and control
- Users placed in categories according to their UIC
- Each user category has all privileges assigned to lower categories

**Table 3–26: Categories of User**

Category	Comments
System	User has a system UIC
Owner	User UIC matches queue's owner UIC
Group	Group UIC number of user matches group UIC number of queue owner UIC
World	User UIC does not match queue's owner UIC

**Table 3–27: Access to Queues**

Access Codes	Access Allowed
Read	Can list the attributes of a job
Delete	Can modify or delete any job, or delete the queue
Write	Can submit jobs to the queue
Execute	Can affect the queue and/or all jobs in the queue (users with OPER privilege have E access to all queues)

## ACL-Based Protection

- In addition to UIC-based protection, a queue can be assigned ACLs
  - Provides finer specification of access and control
  - Allows access to specific users who cross UIC groups
- Works in much the same manner as ACLs for files
- Offers additional capability through the **Execute** right
  - Provides for "local" operator capabilities

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**Table 3–28: Preparing a Privately Controlled Printer Queue**

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Operation	Command	Comments
Create identifiers	<pre>\$ SET DEFAULT SYS\$SYSTEM \$ RUN AUTHORIZE UAF&gt; ADD/ID MFG_PRT UAF&gt; ADD/ID MFG_PRT_OPER</pre>	Create the MFG_PRT identifier for users allowed to submit jobs to the print queue, and the MFG_PRT_OPER for users responsible for management of the queue.
Grant identifiers to proper users	<pre>UAF&gt; GRANT/ID MFG_PRT MFG_USER1 UAF&gt; GRANT/ID MFG_PRT MFG_USER2 UAF&gt; GRANT/ID MFG_PRT MFG_USER3 UAF&gt; GRANT/ID MFG_PRT ENG_USER1 UAF&gt; GRANT/ID MFG_PRT ENG_USER2 UAF&gt; GRANT/ID MFG_PRT_OPER MFG_USER1 UAF&gt; EXIT</pre>	Associate the MFG_PRT identifier with the five users, and give MFG_USER1 the additional MFG_PRT_OPER identifier.
Set queue protection †	<pre>\$ SET QUEUE/PROTECTION=(S,O,G,W) MFG_LN03  \$ SET ACL/ACL=(IDENTIFIER=MFG_PRT_OPER, - _\$ ACCESS=READ+WRITE+DELETE+EXECUTE) - _\$ /ACL=(IDENTIFIER=MFG_PRT, - _\$ ACCESS=READ+WRITE+DELETE) - _\$ /OBJECT=QUEUE MFG_LN03</pre>	First, set the printer queue for NO ACCESS by any user by specifying a UIC mask with no access parameters. Next, associate the two previously created identifiers with the MFG_LN03 printer queue. Note that the EXECUTE access type is what gives the MFG_USER1 special queue control capabilities, such as starting and stopping the queue, modifying or deleting jobs, and so on.

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† This example assumes the MFG\_LN03 printer queue has already been created using one of the previously described queue creation procedures.

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# OVERVIEW OF QUEUE COMMANDS

Most queue commands require either OPER privilege or Execute (E) access to the target queue.

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**Table 3-29: Summary of Queue-Related DCL Commands**

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DCL Command	Command Description
<b>Creating/Controlling/Deleting Queues</b>	
INITIALIZE/QUEUE	Creates and initializes a queue
ASSIGN/QUEUE	Assigns a queue to a device
ASSIGN/MERGE	Moves jobs from one queue to another
START/QUEUE	Starts or restarts a queue
STOP/QUEUE	Controls queue or current entry in it
DEASSIGN/QUEUE	Deassigns a queue from a device
DELETE/QUEUE	Deletes a queue and all its entries
<b>Setting Queue Attributes</b>	
SET QUEUE	Sets various queue parameters
SET ACL/OBJECT=QUEUE	Sets the access rights of a queue
EDIT/ACL/OBJECT=QUEUE	Edits the access rights of a queue
DEFINE/FORM	Sets the characteristics of a form
DEFINE/CHARACTERISTIC	Defines the characteristic name and number in the system table
<b>Setting Job Attributes</b>	
PRINT	Places an entry in a print queue
SUBMIT	Places an entry in a batch queue
SET ENTRY	Changes the status of a pending entry in a queue
DELETE/ENTRY	Deletes a pending entry from a queue
<b>Monitoring Queue and Entry Status</b>	
SHOW QUEUE	Displays status of entries in a queue
SHOW ENTRY	Displays status of an individual job entry

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# SUMMARY

- Queue facilities managed by JOB\_CONTROL process
  - Started with **START/QUEUE/MANAGER**
- Queue information is kept in SYS\$SYSTEM:JBCSYSQUE.DAT
- Two classes of queues
  - Execution
  - Generic
- Three types of queues
  - Execution
  - Generic
  - Logical
- Two types of execution queues
  - Output
    - Printer
    - Terminal
    - Server
  - Batch
- Two types of generic queues
  - Output
  - Batch
- Logical queues
  - A type of output execution queue
  - Has its output redirected to another execution queue
- Queues are created (and optionally started) with **INITIALIZE/QUEUE**
- Queues are started with **START/QUEUE**
  - Typically done in system startup command procedure

- Monitor queues and jobs with **SHOW QUEUE** and **SHOW ENTRY**
- Set queue attributes with **INITIALIZE/QUEUE**, **SET/QUEUE**, and **START/QUEUE**
- Control queues with **STOP/QUEUE** and **SET QUEUE**
- Use separation pages to better distinguish between print jobs and their owners
  - Job separation pages are controlled by the system manager
  - File separation pages are specified by the system manager, controlled by the user
- Limit print job sizes to better control printer usage
- Use printer forms and characteristics to better manage printers and control output format
- Use several batch queues with varying parameters to improve turnaround time and minimize system degradation
- Use UIC and ACL protection to improve queue security and management

**MODULE 4**  
**MANAGING DISK AND TAPE VOLUMES**

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# INTRODUCTION

System managers must decide how to allocate the disk and tape devices on their systems. They normally allocate some for public use and some for private use.

Public volumes are disk volumes that all users on the system can access. They contain system code, system data, and files useful to all users. Private volumes are disk and tape volumes that only a single user or group of users can access. Private volumes typically contain user-specific or group-specific code or data.

The system manager coordinates disk and tape management with the system's users and operators. The manager decides whether a volume will be public or private. The manager loads, initializes, mounts, unloads, and maintains public volumes. Users (possibly with the help of the manager or an operator) do the same for private volumes.

Maintenance of public volumes includes:

- Allocating disk space to users
- Tracking the use of disk space (with the **SYSMAN** utility)
- Scheduling backups
- Installing system software and layered product software on the volume
- Monitoring device errors, (The **Maintaining System Integrity** module discusses monitoring device errors in more detail.)

The manager also helps maintain private volumes by:

- Scheduling a disk or tape device for private use
- Training users to use the equipment properly (loading volumes, starting the drive, using the volume, and unloading it when the job is done)
- Responding to **REQUEST/REPLY** commands in system environments where users are not allowed access to the equipment

# OBJECTIVES

To share limited disk resources among users and processes, a system manager should be able to:

- Describe the uses of public disk and tape volumes
- Manage volumes, including:
  - Prepare volumes for use
  - Obtain and modify volume information
  - Use public volumes properly
  - Control the allocation of public volumes
  - Create a volume set
  - Maintain public and private volumes
  - Use the BACKUP utility to back up and restore information on volumes
- Use the VERIFY utility to check the validity of the file structure on a disk
- Transfer files between the VMS system and PDP-11 systems

## RESOURCES

To complete this module, you must have access to the following documents:

1. *Guide to Maintaining a VMS System*
2. *VMS DCL Dictionary*
3. *Guide to Setting Up a VMS System*
4. *VMS Exchange Utility Manual*
5. *VMS Backup Utility Manual*
6. *VMS Bad Block Locator Utility Manual*
7. *VMS Analyze/Disk\_Structure Utility Manual*
8. *VMS Mount Utility Manual*

To complete the Laboratory Exercises in this module, you must have access to at least one of the following:

- A blank tape volume and a tape device
- A blank disk volume and a corresponding disk device

## RESOURCES (OPTIONAL)

The following documents contain information related to the material presented in this module:

1. *VMS Installation and Operation Guide* for your specific VAX processor
2. *Guide to VMS Files and Devices*
3. *Guide to Using VMS Command Procedures*
4. *VMS I/O User's Reference Manual: Part I*
5. *VMS I/O User's Reference Manual: Part II*
6. *RMS-11 User's Guide*



## **PRIVATE DISK AND TAPE VOLUMES**

- Owned by a single user or group of users
- Used to:
  - Preserve files
  - Transfer files
  - Provide a private storage environment to work in

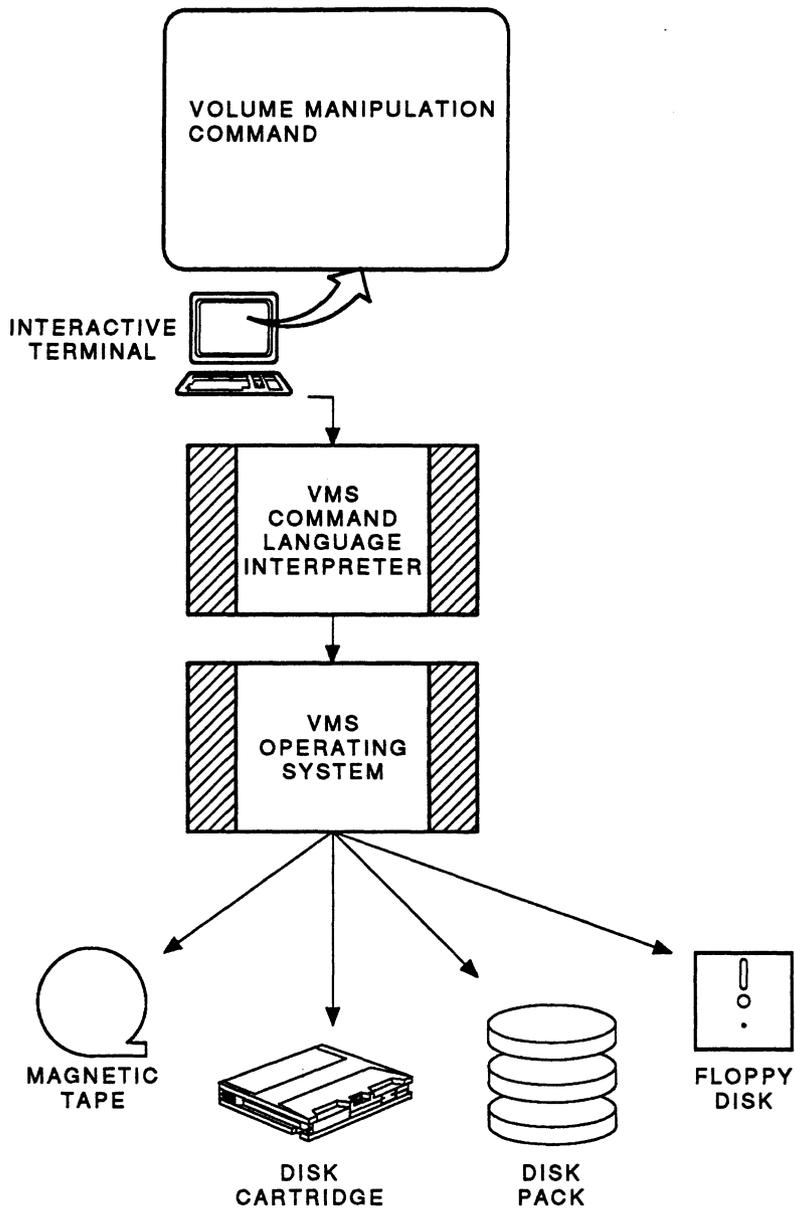
## **PUBLIC VOLUMES**

- Normally owned by SYSTEM
- Provides storage space for system files and user files
- Accessible to all users on system

# DCL COMMANDS FOR USING DISK AND TAPE VOLUMES

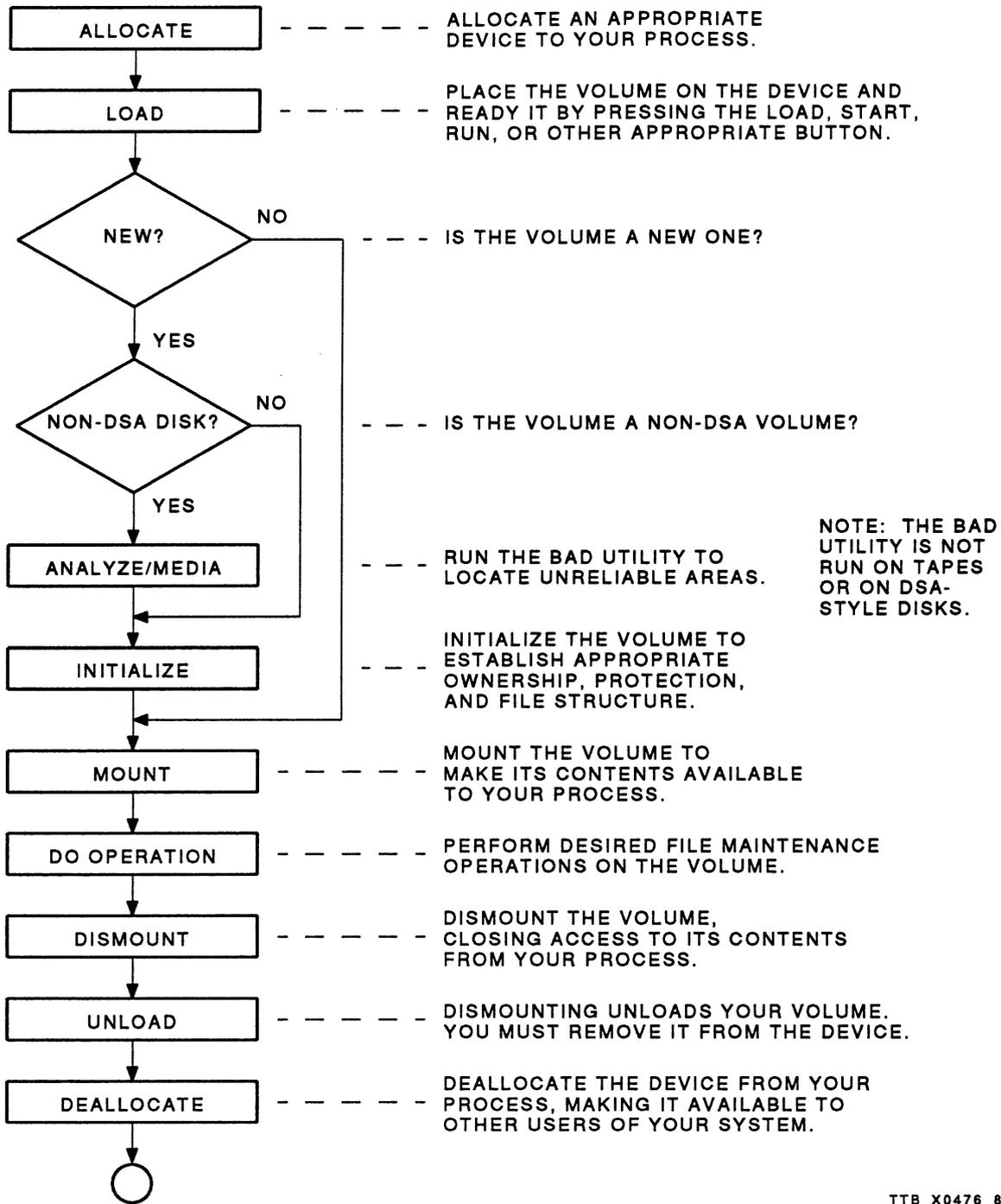
- Manage disk and tape volumes using DCL commands
  - ALLOCATE
  - DEALLOCATE
  - ANALYZE/MEDIA
  - ANALYZE/DISK\_STRUCTURE
  - INITIALIZE
  - MOUNT
  - DISMOUNT
  - SET VOLUME
  - BACKUP

**Figure 4-1: Volume Manipulation Commands**



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**Figure 4-2: Preparing and Using a Disk or Tape Volume**



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# PREPARING VOLUMES FOR USE

## Locating Bad Blocks

- Bad Block Locator utility (BAD)
  - Run on each new disk (ANALYZE/MEDIA)
    - Locates unreliable disk areas (bad blocks)
    - Records locations of bad blocks
    - Allocates bad blocks to [000000]BADBLK.SYS
  - Not run on disks with revectoring capability (DSA disks)
  - Not run on tapes

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**Table 4-1: The BAD Utility**

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Command	Comment
\$ MOUNT/FOREIGN DBA1:	The volume must be mounted with the <b>/FOREIGN</b> qualifier.
\$ ANALYZE/MEDIA/OUTPUT=BAD.LOG DBA1:	You can produce an output listing of the bad blocks on the volume without affecting the information stored on the volume.
\$ ANALYZE/MEDIA/EXERCISE/LOG DBA1:	The <b>/EXERCISE</b> qualifier causes read/write checks to be performed on the volume. All previously stored data is destroyed. As it detects each bad block, the utility sends a message to the user because the <b>/LOG</b> qualifier was included.

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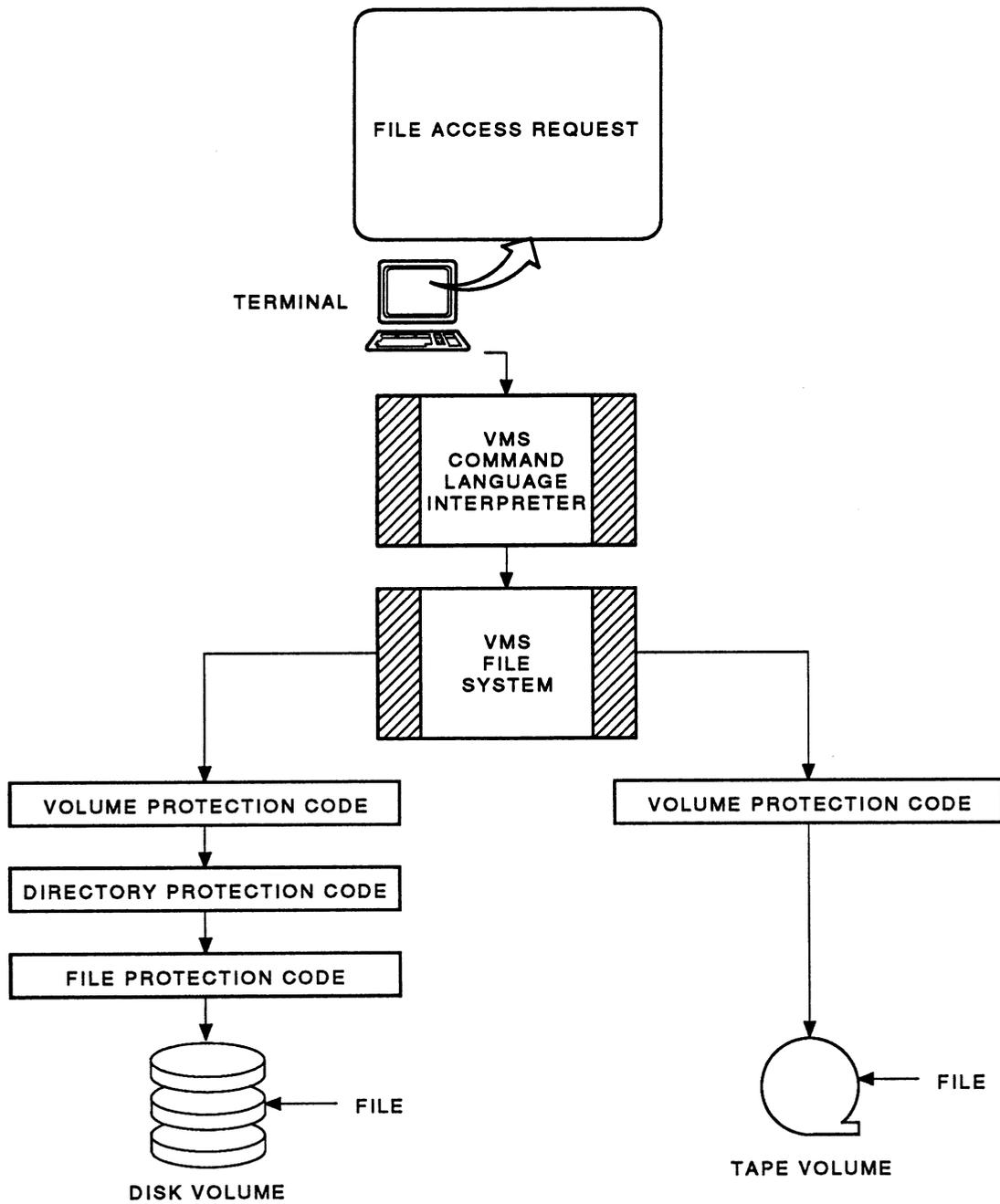
## Initializing and Mounting the Volume

- **INITIALIZE** defines volume parameters
  - Owner
  - Label
  - Protection code
  - Cluster size
- **MOUNT** identifies volumes to system
  - Makes volumes available for processing
  - Enables disk and tape operations

## Defining User Access to Volumes

- Operations limited by volume protection code
  - Default for disk volumes: (S:RWED, O:RWED, G:RWED, W:RWED)
  - No default protection for tape volumes
  - Specify UIC and protection code for volume when initializing volume
- Users with VOLPRO privilege can gain access to any volume regardless of its owner UIC and protection code.

Figure 4-3: User Access to Files on Disk and Tape Volumes



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**Table 4-2: Summary of Effects of Access Rights to Files**

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<b>(R)ead</b>	<b>(W)rite</b>	<b>(E)xecute</b>	<b>(D)elete</b>	<b>(C)ontrol †</b>
<b>Disk Volumes</b>				
Can read files on the volume	Can modify files on the volume	Can create files on the volume	Can delete files from volume	Does not apply
<b>Disk Directories</b>				
Can list files in directory with or without using wildcards	Can write to the directory file (Requires READ access to create or remove files or do other operations that would change the directory)	Can list files by name only (Cannot use wildcards to list files)	Can delete the directory, if it is empty	Can change the characteristics of the directory ( <b>SET DIRECTORY</b> )
<b>Disk Files</b>				
Can read contents of file (Read access implies execute access)	Can modify the contents of a file	Can execute executable files	Can delete or rename the file	Can change the characteristics of the file ( <b>SET FILE</b> )
<b>Tape Volumes</b>				
Can read list of files on tape	Can add files on the volume (Write access implies read access)	Does not apply	Does not apply	Does not apply

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† Control access does not appear in the protection mask for a file. It is never granted to the GROUP or WORLD categories of users; it is always granted to SYSTEM and OWNER users.

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- To establish protection during initialization process, one of the following must apply:
  - Volume must be blank (new)
  - You must own the volume
  - You have VOLPRO privilege

- Define volume protection with the **INITIALIZE** command:

```
$ INITIALIZE [/qualifier,...] device-spec label
```

**Table 4-3: Defining Specific Volume Protection Codes During Initialization**

Qualifier	Effects	Comments
None	Owner UIC for disk: none  Owner UIC for tape: UIC of current user  Protection on disk: (S:RWED,O:RWED,G:RWED,W:RWED)  Protection on tape: none	On disks, the owner UIC field is empty.  The default protection code allows access to all users.  System does not record a protection code on tape unless you specify one.
/PROTECTION=code	Owner UIC: UIC of current user  Protection: specified in code	The code is in the same format as file protection codes. For tapes, only Read and Write access are meaningful. Also, System and Owner always have R and W access to a tape regardless of what is specified. For disks, E access allows create access. Unless you specify protection for tapes, all users have access.
/OWNER_UIC=uic	Owner UIC: UIC specified  Protection: no effect on code	The VMS system compares the UIC of the process attempting access to the owner UIC and protection code of the volume.

**Table 4-4: Establishing Predefined Volume Protection Codes During Initialization**

Qualifier †	Effects	Comments
/NOSHARE	Owner UIC: UIC of current user Protection: (S:RWED,O:RWED,G,W)	Only system and owner have access
/GROUP/NOSHARE	Owner UIC: [g,0] ‡ Protection: (S:RWED,O:RWED,G:RWED,W)	Expands access to group members as well
/GROUP	Owner UIC: [g,0] ‡ Protection: (S:RWED,O:RWED,G:RWED,W:RWED)	Expands access to all users
/SYSTEM	Owner UIC: [1,1] Protection: (S:RWED,O:RWED,G:RWED,W:RWED)	Gives all users access, but only system users can create top-level directories. Public volumes are typically mounted using the /SYSTEM qualifier so the manager can govern the use of disk space.

† Cannot combine qualifiers except as shown

‡ g = group number of current user

- To specify protection during mount process, one of the following must apply:
  - You own the volume
  - You have VOLPRO privilege

- Override established volume protection with the **MOUNT** command:

```
$ MOUNT [/qualifier,...] device-spec label logical-name
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**Table 4-5: Overriding Volume Protection Codes Established at Initialization**

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Purpose	MOUNT Command Qualifier	Effects/Required Privilege
To override volume parameters as volume is mounted:		
Override owner UIC of tape or disk	/OWNER_UIC=uic	Specified UIC is owner while volume is mounted (does not modify UIC written on volume)  Volume ownership or VOLPRO privilege required
Override disk protection code	/PROTECTION=code	Specified code is protection code while volume is mounted (does not modify protection code written on volume)  Volume ownership or VOLPRO privilege required

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**Table 4-6: Qualifiers to the MOUNT Command Specifying User Access to a Volume**

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Qualifier	Comments
<hr/> <b>Mount a disk for private use</b> <hr/>	
None	<p>The user must own the volume or have VOLPRO privilege.</p> <p>If the user has VOLPRO privilege but does not own the volume or know the label, he or she must include the <b>/OVERRIDE=IDENTIFICATION</b> qualifier with the <b>MOUNT</b> command to access the volume.</p> <p>If a qualifier is not included in the <b>MOUNT</b> command to allow access to other users, only the owner can access the volume while it is mounted regardless of the protection code.</p>
<hr/> <b>Make a disk accessible to your group</b> <hr/>	
/GROUP	<p>If the volume was initialized as a GROUP volume to set the protection code, but is not mounted <b>/GROUP</b>, group users cannot access it.</p> <p>Assigns logical name in group table (GRPNAM privilege required).</p> <p>Group members can gain access to the volume without mounting it because name is in group logical name table.</p> <p>Group members must still pass the volume protection code.</p>
<hr/> <b>Make disk accessible to all users on the system</b> <hr/>	
/SYSTEM	<p>If the volume was initialized as a SYSTEM volume to set the protection code, but is not mounted <b>/SYSTEM</b>, users cannot access it.</p> <p>Assigns logical name in system table (SYSNAM privilege required).</p> <p>All users can gain access to the volume without mounting it.</p> <p>Users must still pass the volume protection code.</p> <p>Example 4-2 uses the <b>/SYSTEM</b> qualifier.</p>
<hr/> <b>Make disk available to all users on condition</b> <hr/>	
/SHARE	<p>Other users must issue a <b>MOUNT/SHARE</b> command.</p> <p>Other users must still pass the volume protection code.</p>

# OBTAINING AND MODIFYING VOLUME INFORMATION

- List characteristics of a volume

```
$ SHOW DEVICE/FULL
```

- Modify characteristics of a volume

```
$ SET VOLUME
```

**Table 4-7: Obtaining and Modifying Volume Information**

Operation	Command/Example	Comments
Displaying the characteristics of the volume	\$ SHOW DEVICE/FULL device \$ SHOW DEVICE/FULL MYDISK	Displays the characteristics of the volume currently mounted on the device
Modifying the characteristics of the volume	\$ SET VOLUME/qualifier volume-name \$ SET VOLUME/LABEL=MAY10BCK MYDISK	Requires VOLPRO privilege or volume ownership to change the characteristics

## Example 4-1: The SHOW DEVICE/FULL Command

```
$ SHOW DEVICE/FULL DUA0
```

```
Disk BROWNY$DUA0:, device type RA81, is online, mounted, file-oriented device, shareable, served to cluster via MSCP Server, error logging is enabled.
```

```

Error count          0      Operations completed      612665
Owner process        ""      Owner UIC                  [1,1]
Owner process ID    00000000  Dev Prot   S:RWED,O:RWED,G:RWED,W:RWED
Reference count     72      Default buffer size       512
Total blocks        891072  Sectors per track        51
Total cylinders     1248    Tracks per cylinder       14

Volume label        "VAXVMSRL052"  Relative volume number    0
Cluster size        3      Transaction count         153
Free blocks         72309   Maximum files allowed     111384
Extend quantity     5      Mount count                6
Mount status        System  Cache name                 "_BROWNY$DUA0:XQPCACHE"
Extent cache size   64      Maximum blocks in extent cache 7230
File ID cache size  64      Blocks currently in extent cache 5313
Quota cache size    0      Maximum buffers in FCP cache 129

```

```
Volume status: subject to mount verification, file high-water marking, write-through caching enabled.
```

```
Volume is also mounted on CACAO, WIZTOO, CABALA, STRAD, GREEBY.
```

```
$
```

# CREATING A PUBLIC VOLUME

- Initializing a disk with the **/SYSTEM** qualifier
  - Sets owner UIC to [1,1]
  - Sets volume protection to: (S:RWED, O:RWED, G:RWED, W:RWED)
- Mounting a disk with the **/SYSTEM** qualifier
  - Deallocates the device
  - Places logical name specified in system logical name table
  - Allows all users to access volume

## Example 4-2: Initializing and Mounting a Public Disk

```
$ SHOW DEVICE DRA2

Device          Device      Error      Volume      Free Trans Mnt
Name           Status      Count      Label       Blocks Count  Cnt
DRA2:         Online      0
$
$ ALLOCATE DRA2 PUBDISK
%DCL-I-ALLOC, _DRA2: allocated
$ MOUNT/FOREIGN PUBDISK
%MOUNT-I-MOUNTED, USER_DISK mounted on _DRA2:
$ ANALYZE/MEDIA/EXERCISE PUBDISK
$ DISMOUNT/NOUNLOAD PUBDISK
$ INITIALIZE/SYSTEM PUBDISK MYVOL
$ MOUNT/SYSTEM PUBDISK MYVOL
%MOUNT-I-MOUNTED, MYVOL mounted on _DRA2:
$ SHOW LOGICAL/SYSTEM D*

(LNM$SYSTEM_TABLE)

"DBG$INPUT" = "SYS$INPUT:"
"DBG$OUTPUT" = "SYS$OUTPUT:"
"DDP$DIS" = "SYS$MANAGER:DDP.DIS"
"DISK$MYVOL" = "DRA2:"
"DISK$VAXVMSRLO52" = "DUA0:"
"DTR$LIBRARY" = "SYS$SYSROOT:[DTR]"
$
```

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**Table 4-8: Commands for Creating and Accessing Private Disk and Tape Volumes**

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**Command/Example**

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**Comments**

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**Allocating a device**

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\$ ALLOCATE device [logical-name]  
\$ ALLOCATE DU DISK

Finds the first available disk drive of type DU and allocates it to your process. The system places the logical name DISK in your process logical name table, equating it to the name of the allocated device. Other users cannot gain access to this device. Since you used the **ALLOCATE** command, you must use the **DEALLOCATE** command when you are done to make the device available to other users.

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**Finding unreliable areas on an unused disk**

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\$ MOUNT/FOREIGN device  
\$ ANALYZE/MEDIA/EXERCISE device

Finds unreliable areas of the disk and records their locations in a special block. The process destroys all previous data on the disk. If the disk is not your own, VOLPRO privilege is required.

\$ DISMOUNT/NOUNLOAD device

Since the volume is mounted as a foreign volume, you must dismount it so you can initialize it as a Files-11 volume.

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**Creating a file structure on a tape or disk**

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\$ INITIALIZE device label  
\$ INITIALIZE DUA2: TESTDISK

Builds Files-11 On-Disk Structure on the volume loaded on the DUA2: device. The volume is labeled TESTDISK. You are declared owner of the disk; all user groups are allowed all types of access (RWED). You must own the disk, or possess VOLPRO privilege to initialize it.

\$ INITIALIZE MUA0: TSTTAP

Builds current ANSI level tape structure on the volume located on device MUA0. The volume receives the label TSTTAP. By default, you are declared the owner; all user groups are allowed all types of access (RWED).

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**Creating a link between the volume and your process**

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\$ MOUNT device label [logical-name]

The system allocates the device to your process until you issue the **DISMOUNT** command.

\$ MOUNT DUA2: TESTDISK DISK

Mounts TESTDISK on the device DUA2. The logical name DISK is assigned the equivalence name DUA2.

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**Table 4–9: Commands for Removing Private Disk and Tape Volumes**

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Command/Example

Comments

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**Breaking the link between the volume and your process**

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\$ DISMOUNT [/NOUNLOAD] device

If you want the VMS system to keep the volume on-line when you dismount it, use the qualifier **/NOUNLOAD**.

\$ DISMOUNT DUA2:

The **DISMOUNT** command does not deallocate a device that you have allocated with the **ALLOCATE** command.

Dismounts and automatically unloads the volume on DUA2. Deletes the logical name DISK assigned by the **MOUNT** command.

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**Deallocating a device**

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\$ DEALLOCATE device

\$ DEALLOCATE DUA2:

Deallocates device DUA2. Frees the device for use by other users. Does not delete a logical name assigned by the **ALLOCATE** command.

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## Defining Space Allocation on Public Volumes

**Table 4-10: INITIALIZE Command Qualifiers that Affect Space Allocation**

Qualifier	Comment
<code>/CLUSTER_SIZE=n</code>	The minimum number of contiguous blocks to be allocated to each file
<code>/EXTENSION=n</code>	The number of blocks to give to a file when it is extended (ODS-1 disks only)
<code>/MAXIMUM_FILES=n</code>	The maximum number of files the disk volume can contain (once set, can only be changed by reinitializing the volume)
<code>/DENSITY=n</code>	The density (800, 1600 or 6250 bits/inch) at which a tape is to be written. If writing RX02 floppies, density is SINGLE or DOUBLE.

# ALLOCATION OF DEVICES

- System manager decides which devices hold private volumes and which hold public volumes

## Private Volumes

- One or more drives set aside for private volumes
- When using a drive for more than one private volume:
  - Run BAD utility on each volume while volume is in drive before initializing it
  - Periodically align and check drive for malfunctions
  - Load/unload all volumes properly
  - Back up volume before removing it from the drive (when practical)

## Public Volumes

- Can contain system and user software
- Can provide space for user files
- Allocate space on volume using the SYSMAN utility
  - Strive to keep system disk less than three-quarters full for maximum performance
  - When obtaining optional software, check to see how many blocks of disk space it requires (Some configurations, due to lack of disk space, cannot support all optional products desired.)
- Maintain security of system files by using protection codes and access control lists judiciously

## Creating Volume Sets

- Create when database or user directories are too large for one volume
  - Consists of one or more disk volumes
  - System treats as one large volume
  - VMS stores files on any volume in the set with available space, attempting to use space evenly over all volumes in the set
  - Creates from new or existing volumes
- To create volume sets
  - Allocate the necessary devices
  - Physically load the volumes
  - Initialize each new volume
  - Use the **MOUNT/BIND** command to create volume set from initialized volumes

### Example 4-3: Creating a Volume Set from an Existing Volume

```
$ ALLOCATE DRA2 DEV1
%DCL-I-ALLOC, _DRA2: allocated
$ ALLOCATE DRA3 DEV2
%DCL-I-ALLOC, _DRA3: allocated
$ INITIALIZE/SYSTEM DEV2 USER2
$ MOUNT/SYSTEM/BIND=USER_SET DEV1,DEV2 USER1,USER2
%MOUNT-I-MOUNTED, USER1      mounted on _DRA2:
%MOUNT-I-MOUNTED, USER2      mounted on _DRA3:
$ SHOW LOGICAL/SYSTEM D*
```

```
(LNM$SYSTEM_TABLE)
```

```
"DBG$INPUT" = "SYS$INPUT:"
"DBG$OUTPUT" = "SYS$OUTPUT:"
"DDP$DIS" = "SYS$MANAGER:DDP.DIS"
"DISK$USER1" = "DRA2:"
"DISK$USER2" = "DRA3:"
"DISK$USER_SET" = "DRA2:"
"DISK$VAXVMSRLO52" = "DUA0:"
"DTR$LIBRARY" = "SYS$SYSROOT:[DTR]"
```

```
$
$ COPY WORK1:[BROWN]EXAMP5.COM
_To: DISK$USER_SET:[SMITH]EXAMP5.COM
$ DIRECTORY DISK$USER_SET:[SMITH]
```

```
Directory DISK$USER_SET:[SMITH]
```

```
EXAMP5.COM;1
```

```
Total of 1 file.
```

```
$ DISMOUNT DEV1
$ SHOW LOGICAL/SYSTEM D*
```

```
(LNM$SYSTEM_TABLE)
```

```
"DBG$INPUT" = "SYS$INPUT:"
"DBG$OUTPUT" = "SYS$OUTPUT:"
"DDP$DIS" = "SYS$MANAGER:DDP.DIS"
"DISK$VAXVMSRLO52" = "DUA0:"
"DTR$LIBRARY" = "SYS$SYSROOT:[DTR]"
```

```
$
```

# MAINTAINING PRIVATE AND PUBLIC VOLUMES

- Regular maintenance improves performance
  - Back up public disks
  - Look for lost files
- Use **MOUNT/OVERRIDE** command to mount volume with unknown label (need VOLPRO privilege unless you own the volume)

## Example 4-4: Mounting a Disk with an Unknown Label

```
$ MOUNT/OVERRIDE=IDENTIFICATION DRA2 UNKNOWN MYDISK
%MOUNT-I-MOUNTED, PROGRAM_DISK mounted on _DRA2:
$ SHOW DEVICE/FULL MYDISK
```

Disk DRA2:, device type RM03, is online, allocated, deallocate on dismount,  
mounted, error logging enabled.

Error count	6	Operations completed	2643
Owner process	"BIERLY"	Owner UIC	[11,340]
Owner process ID	00000094	Dev Prot S:RWED,O:RWED,G:RWED,W:RWED	
Reference count	2	Default buffer size	512
Volume label	"PROGRAM_DISK"	Relative volume no.	0
Cluster size	3	Transaction count	1
Free blocks	131589	Maximum files allowed	16460
Extend quantity	5	Mount count	1
Mount status	Process	Cache name	"_DRA0:XQPCACHE"
File ID cache size	64	Extent cache size	64
Quota cache size	0		

Write-thru caching enabled

Volume is subject to mount verification, file high-water marking.

```
$ DISMOUNT MYDISK
$
```

## On-Line BACKUP

- Use on-line BACKUP from any terminal
- Use on-line BACKUP commands to save:
  - Individual files and their locations in a directory structure
  - A directory structure and the files in it
  - All directory structures and files on a volume
- To back up an entire volume, first mount it privately
- Normally, do not use on-line BACKUP to back up system volume
- Use standalone BACKUP to back up system volume
- **BACKUP** command line structure:

```
$ BACKUP [/qualifier...] input-specifier output-specifier
```



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**Table 4-11: BACKUP Terms**

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Term	Definition	Comments/Examples
Save set	A file in BACKUP format, created by the BACKUP utility	Can create save sets on tape or disk volumes. †
Save-set-name	Any legal VMS file name, file type ‡, and version number	SAVE.BCK;2
Save-set-specifier	A device name and a save-set-name. The format is device:save-set-name.	MUA0:SAVE.BCK;2
Input-specifier	The input file specification (what you are saving) or save-set-specifier (what you are restoring from) in the BACKUP command	\$ BACKUP - _ \$ [BROWN]FILE.DAT - _ \$ output-specifier  \$ BACKUP - _ \$ MUA0:SAVE.BCK;2 - _ \$ output-specifier
Output-specifier	The output save-set-specifier (where you are saving to) or file specification (where you are restoring to) in the BACKUP command	\$ BACKUP - _ \$ input-specifier - _ \$ MUA0:SAVE.BCK  \$ BACKUP - _ \$ input-specifier - _ \$ DBA1:[BROWN]

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† If you are creating or using a save set on a disk volume, you must follow the name of the save set with the **/SAVE\_SET** qualifier. **/SAVE\_SET** is the default when working with tape.

‡ There is no default file type. However, the .BCK file type is used by convention. The examples in this module use the file type .BCK.

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## BACKUP Qualifiers

- Five types of qualifiers
  - Command qualifiers
  - Input file-selection qualifiers
  - Input save-set qualifiers
  - Output file qualifiers
  - Output save-set qualifiers
- Some qualifiers exist in more than one qualifier-type category

**Table 4-12: BACKUP Qualifier Types**

Qualifier Type	Description
Command qualifier	Modifies the default action of a BACKUP command. You can place this type of qualifier anywhere on the command line. The qualifier acts upon every file in the input or output specifier. (See Table 4-13)
Input file-selection qualifier	Selects files from the input specifier. Place immediately after the input specifier. (See Table 4-15)
Input save-set qualifier	Affects the way BACKUP handles an input save set during a restore operation. Place immediately after the input specifier. (See Table 4-16)
Output file qualifier	Changes the way output files are restored. Place them immediately after the output specifier. (See Table 4-17)
Output save-set qualifier	Affects the way BACKUP processes an output save set during a save operation. Place immediately after the output specifier. (See Table 4-18)

# Backup from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

**Table 4-13: BACKUP Command Qualifiers**

Qualifier	Description
/[NO]ASSIST	Allows operator or user intervention if a request to mount a magnetic tape fails during a BACKUP process
/BRIEF	Used with /LIST to produce an abbreviated listing of files in the save set
/BUFFER_COUNT=n	Specifies the number of I/O buffers to be used in the BACKUP operation
/COMPARE	Compares the save set, device, file, or files specified by the input specifier with the save set, device, file, or files specified by the output specifier and displays an error message if it finds a difference. Can be used with the qualifiers /IMAGE and /PHYSICAL
/DELETE	Specifies that a BACKUP save or copy operation is to delete the selected input files from the input volume after <u>all</u> files have been processed
/FAST	Processes the input specifier using a fast file scan to reduce processing time. The input specifier must be a Files-11 disk.
/FULL	Lists the file information produced by the command qualifier /LIST in the format provided by the DCL command DIRECTORY/FULL
/IGNORE=option	Specifies that a BACKUP save or copy operation is to override certain restrictions. See Table 4-14 for list of options.
/IMAGE	Directs BACKUP to process an entire volume or volume set (all files)
/INCREMENTAL	Allows you to restore an incremental save set
/[NO]INITIALIZE	Initializes an output disk volume, destroying all previous contents
/INTERCHANGE	Directs BACKUP to process files in a manner suitable for data interchange with utilities and systems that are incompatible with the standard BACKUP format
/JOURNAL[=file-spec]	Specifies that a BACKUP save operation is to create a BACKUP journal file, or append information to an existing BACKUP journal file
/LIST[=file-spec]	Lists information about a BACKUP save set and its contents
/[NO]LOG	Directs BACKUP to display the file spec of each file processed
/PHYSICAL	Directs BACKUP to ignore any file structure on the input volume and to process the volume in terms of logical blocks
/RECORD	Directs BACKUP to write the current date and time in the BACKUP date field of each file header record once a file is successfully saved or copied
/[NO]TRUNCATE	Controls whether a copy or restore operation truncates a sequential output file at the end-of-file (EOF) when restoring it
/VERIFY	Specifies that the contents of the output specifier be compared with the contents of the input specifier after a save, restore, or copy operation is completed
/VOLUME=n	Indicates that a specific disk volume in a disk volume set is to be processed (Only valid with the /IMAGE qualifier)

Backup / Image / Verify / Record / Ignore = Interlock

DUAP : — MUAP : 20 JUL 90 Sys. Ful / Save / Rewind

EX: date

**Table 4-14: BACKUP/IGNORE Qualifier Options**

Option	Description
INTERLOCK	<p>Processes files that otherwise could not be processed because of file access conflicts. This option can be used to save or copy files currently open for writing, such as when doing a backup save operation on a disk actively being used. Note that no synchronization is made with the process writing the file, so the file data that is copied to the output specifier might be inconsistent with the input file, depending on the circumstances. When a file open for writing is processed, BACKUP issues the message:</p> <p><code>%BACKUP-W-ACCONFLICT, "filename" is open for write by another user</code></p> <p>The INTERLOCK option is especially useful if you have files that are open so much of the time that they might not otherwise be saved. The use of this option requires the SYSPRV privilege, a system UIC, or ownership of the volume.</p>
LABEL_PROCESSING	<p>Saves or copies the contents of files to the specified magnetic tape volume regardless of the information contained in the volume header record. BACKUP will not verify the volume label or expiration date before writing information to the tape volume.</p>
NOBACKUP	<p>Causes BACKUP to save files marked with the NOBACKUP flag by the DCL command <b>SET FILE/NOBACKUP</b>. If you do not specify this option, BACKUP saves only the file header record of files marked with the NOBACKUP flag.</p>

★ Always Do a Image Backup.  
(Functional Backup)  
equivalent

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**Table 4-15: BACKUP Input File-Selection Qualifiers**

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Qualifier	Description
/BACKUP	Selects files according to the BACKUP date written in the file header record by the <b>BACKUP/RECORD</b> command.
/BEFORE=date	Selects files dated earlier than the specified date and time.
/BY_OWNER=uic	Selects files for processing according to the specified UIC.
/CONFIRM	Prompts for confirmation to process the input file.
/CREATED †	Selects files according to the value of the creation date field in each file header record.
/EXCLUDE=(file-spec, ...)	Does not process files that otherwise meet the selection criteria.
/EXPIRED †	Selects files according to the value of the expiration date field in each file header record.
/MODIFIED †	Selects files according to the value of the modified date field in each file header record.
/SINCE=date	Selects files dated equal to, or later than, the specified date and time.

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† Must also specify either the /BEFORE or /SINCE qualifiers.

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**Table 4-16: BACKUP Input Save Set Qualifiers**

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Qualifier	Description
/[NO]CRC	Specifies that the software Cyclic Redundancy Check (CRC) is to be performed.
/[NO]REWIND	Rewinds the input tape reel to the beginning-of-tape (BOT) marker before reading the input volume.
/SAVE_SET	Directs BACKUP to treat the input file as a BACKUP save set and not as an input file to be saved.
/SELECT=(file-spec, ...)	Selects the specified files for processing.

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**Table 4-17: BACKUP Output File Qualifiers**

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Qualifier	Description
<code>/BY_OWNER[=option]</code>	Redefines the owner UIC for restored files. Options include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Default — Sets the owner UIC to the user's current default UIC.</li><li>• Original — Retains the owner UIC of the file being restored.</li><li>• Parent — Sets the owner UIC to the owner UIC of the directory to which the file is being restored or copied.</li><li>• [uic] — Sets the owner UIC to the UIC specified.</li></ul>
<code>/NEW_VERSION †</code>	Creates a new version of a file if a file with an identical specification already exists at the output location
<code>/OVERLAY †</code>	Writes the input file over a file with an identical specification at the output location
<code>/REPLACE †</code>	Replaces a file on the output specifier with an identically named file from the input specifier

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† If you do not specify `/NEW_VERSION`, `/OVERLAY`, or `/REPLACE`, and the version number of the file being restored is identical to that of an existing file, BACKUP reports an error and does not restore the file.

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**Table 4-18: BACKUP Output Save Set Qualifiers**

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Qualifier	Description
<code>/BLOCK_SIZE=n</code>	Specifies the output block size in bytes for data records in a BACKUP save set
<code>/BY_OWNER=uc</code>	Specifies the owner UIC of the save set
<code>/COMMENT=string</code>	Places a comment of up to 1024 characters in an output save set
<code>/[NO]CRC</code>	Specifies that the software Cyclic Redundancy Check (CRC) is to be computed and stored in the data blocks of the output save set
<code>/DENSITY=n</code>	Specifies the recording density of the output magnetic tape. Note that <b>/REWIND</b> is required with this qualifier.
<code>/GROUP_SIZE=n</code>	Defines the number of blocks BACKUP places in each redundancy group
<code>/LABEL=(string[, ...])</code>	Specifies the one- to six-character volume labels for magnetic tapes to which the save set is written
<code>/OWNER_UIC=uc</code>	Specifies the owner UIC of the save set
<code>/PROTECTION=code</code>	Specifies the protection to be applied to the save set
<code>/[NO]REWIND</code>	Rewinds the output tape to the beginning-of-tape (BOT) marker and initializes the output tape. Specifying <b>/NOREWIND</b> causes the tape to wind forward to the logical end-of-tape (EOT) and to begin writing the save set there.
<code>/SAVE_SET</code>	Directs BACKUP to treat the output file as a BACKUP save set. Required for disk, default for tape.
<code>/TAPE_EXPIRATION[=date]</code>	Writes the date on which the tape will expire to the volume header record. <b>/REWIND</b> must also be specified with this qualifier.

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**Table 4-19: Saving Files and Directories with On-Line BACKUP**

Example	Comments
<pre>\$ BACKUP [BROWN]FILE.DAT - _ \$ MUA0:SAVE.BCK</pre>	<p>You must include the name of a save set as either the input-specifier or the output-specifier.</p> <p>To create a save set on a tape volume, mount the volume with the <b>MOUNT/FOREIGN</b> command first, so the BACKUP utility can format the tape.</p>
<pre>\$ BACKUP [BROWN]*.*;*, - _ \$ [SMITH]PRGM.FOR - _ \$ MUA0:SAVEALL.BCK</pre>	<p>You can save several files by including wildcards and/or listing the names (separated by commas). However, you can only specify one save set in the output-specifier.</p>
<pre>\$ BACKUP [BROWN]FILE.DAT - _ \$ DRA1:[ARCHIVE]BROWN.BCK/SAVE_SET</pre>	<p>Include the <b>/SAVE_SET</b> qualifier after the save-set-name if the save set is on a disk volume. You can create save sets on any disk volume where you can create other files. You do not have to mount the volume as a foreign volume first.</p>

ONLINE Backup/

# Mount / Foreign MUAΦ :

# Backup / Image / Record / Ignore =  
Interlock / Log / verify

DuaΦ : MUAΦ : Full . BCK

Full  
Image  
Backup

List contents of a save set using the BACKUP utility.

```
$ BACKUP/LIST device-spec:save-set-name
```

#### Example 4-5: Listing the Contents of a Save Set

```
$ ALLOCATE MUAO
%DCL-I-ALLOC, _MUA0: allocated
$ MOUNT/OVERRIDE=ID MUAO
%MOUNT-I-MOUNTED, SAVE mounted on _MUA0:
$ DIRECTORY MUA0:

Directory MUA0:[]

SAVE.BCK;1

Total of 1 file.
$DISMOUNT/NOUNLOAD MUAO
$ MOUNT/FOREIGN MUAO
%MOUNT-I-MOUNTED, SAVE mounted on _MUA0:

$ BACKUP/LIST MUA0:SAVE.BCK
Listing of save set

Save set:          SAVE.BCK
Written by:        BROWN
UIC:               [011,340]
Date:              19-APR-1989 16:59:50.53
Command:           BACKUP WORK1:[BROWN]*.*;* MUA0:SAVE.BCK
Operating system: VAX/VMS version 5.2
BACKUP version:    V5.2
CPU ID register:   0138700D
Node Name:         _SUPER::
Written on:        _MUA0:
Block size:        8192
Group size:        10
Buffer count:      26

[BROWN]A.LOG;6          3 15-NOV-1988 11:43
[BROWN]FILE.DAT;1      1 17-OCT-1988 13:02
[BROWN]FILE.DAT;2      1 17-OCT-1988 14:00
[BROWN]JUNK.DAT;9      1 28-JUL-1988 09:00
[BROWN]MEMO.DAT;2      2  4-FEB-1989 10:49

Total of 5 files, 8 blocks
End of save set

$ DISMOUNT MUAO
$ DEALLOCATE MUA0:
```

When restoring save sets, enter the directory name (in acceptable format) as the output-specifier.

**Table 4-20: Output-Specifier Formats Used to Restore Save Sets with On-Line BACKUP**

Output-Specifier Format/Example †	Comments
[*...]	Restores the directory structure and files in the save set to the output volume in their original form.
\$ BACKUP MUA0:SAVE.BCK - _ \$ DRA1:[*...]	Restores the files in the save set to DRA1:[BROWN] and DRA1:[BROWN.FILES], respectively. If these directories do not exist on the volume in DRA1, the BACKUP utility creates them.
[...]	Restores the files in the save set to the current default directory and subdirectories of the current default directory.
\$ SHOW DEFAULT DRA1:[SMITH] \$ BACKUP MUA0:SAVE.BCK [...]	Restores the files from the [BROWN] directory to DRA1:[SMITH]. Restores the files from [BROWN.FILES] to [SMITH.FILES]. The utility creates subdirectories as needed.
[directory...]	Restores the files in the save set to the named directory and subdirectories of the named directory.
\$ BACKUP MUA0:SAVE.BCK - _ \$ DRA1:[JONES...]	Restores the files from the [BROWN] directory to DRA1:[JONES]. Restores the files from [BROWN.FILES] directory to [JONES.FILES]. The utility creates the [JONES] and [JONES.FILES] directories if they do not exist.
[directory]	Restores the files in the save set to the named directory. If the save set contains files within subdirectories, the subdirectories are not created; instead, all files in all subdirectories will be restored to the single named directory.
\$ BACKUP MUA0:SAVE.BCK - _ \$ DRA1:[JONES]	Restores the files from the save set to the [JONES] directory. All files in the directory and its subdirectories in the save set are restored as well. The utility does not create any subdirectories.
[ ] or no directory	Restores the files in the save set to the current default directory.
\$ SHOW DEFAULT DRA1:[SMITH] \$ BACKUP MUA0:SAVE.BCK [ ] \$ BACKUP MUA0:SAVE.BCK *.*	Either command restores all the files in the save set to the DRA1:[SMITH] directory. The utility does not create subdirectories.

† You are restricted to these formats when you restore save sets. For all examples in this table, the save set contains the directory [BROWN], the subdirectory [BROWN.FILES], and several files in each.

## Example 4-6: Restoring Specific Files from a Save Set

```
$ ALLOCATE MUA0
%DCL-I-ALLOC, MUA0: allocated
$ INITIALIZE MUA0 BROWN
$ MOUNT/FOREIGN MUA0
%MOUNT-I-MOUNTED, BROWN mounted on MUA0:
$ SET DEFAULT DRA1:[BROWN]
$ BACKUP *.*;* MUA0:BROWN.BCK
$ BACKUP/REWIND/LIST MUA0:BROWN.BCK
Listing of save set
```

```
Save set:          BROWN.BCK
Written by:       BIERLY
UIC:             [011,340]
Date:            19-APR-1989 17:09:50.53
Command:         BACKUP *.*;* MUA0:BROWN.BCK
Operating system: VAX/VMS version 5.2
BACKUP version:  V5.2
CPU ID register: 0138700D
Node name:       _SUPER::
Written on:      MUA0:
Block size:     8192
Group size:     10
Buffer count:   26
```

```
[BROWN]EXAMP5.COM;2          1 17-NOV-1988 14:19
[BROWN]EXAMP5.COM;1          1 17-NOV-1988 14:18
[BROWN]EXAMP5.DAT;4          4 17-NOV-1988 14:24
[BROWN]EXAMP5.DAT;3          4 17-NOV-1988 14:23
[BROWN]EXAMP5.DAT;2          4 17-NOV-1988 14:19
[BROWN]EXAMP5.DAT;1          4 17-NOV-1988 14:19
[BROWN]MAIL.MAI;1           29 28-MAR-1989 17:06
```

```
Total of 7 files, 47 blocks
End of save set
```

```
$ DIRECTORY DRA2:[SMITH]
%DIRECT-W-NOFILES, no files found
$ BACKUP/REWIND MUA0:BROWN.BCK/SELECT=EXAMP5.COM DRA2:[SMITH]
$ DIR DRA2:[SMITH]
```

```
Directory DRA2:[SMITH]
```

```
EXAMP5.COM;2          EXAMP5.COM;1
```

```
Total of 2 files.
$
```

Improve performance of volume with image backup.

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**Table 4–21: Image Backups**

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Command/Example	Comments
<hr/> <b>Save a disk volume to a save set on tape</b> <hr/>	
<code>\$ BACKUP/IMAGE device-name - _ \$ save-set-specifier</code>	Create a save set on tape so you can restore data if failures occur, or so you can temporarily store data on a less expensive medium. (Tape volumes must be mounted with the <b>/FOREIGN</b> qualifier first.)
<code>\$ BACKUP/IMAGE DBA1: - _ \$ MUA0:MAR24.BCK</code>	
<code>\$ BACKUP/IMAGE/RECORD DBA1: - _ \$ MUA0:FULL.BCK</code>	The <b>/RECORD</b> qualifier causes the utility to record the current date and time in the backup field of the file header of every file on DBA1 as it saves them. The BACKUP utility checks this field when it does an incremental backup (see Table 4–22).
<hr/> <b>Restore a disk volume from an image save set</b> <hr/>	
<code>\$ BACKUP/IMAGE save-set-specifier - _ \$ device-name</code>	Restore a save set after a failure occurs and the data on the original disk volume is destroyed, or move data from temporary storage back to a disk volume.
<code>\$ BACKUP/IMAGE MUA0:MAR24.BCK - _ \$ DBA1:</code>	Copy the contents of the MUA0:MAR24.BCK save set to the disk volume, DBA1. Since you include the <b>/IMAGE</b> qualifier, BACKUP creates the directories and subdirectories named in the save set to duplicate the original volume on the output volume.
<hr/> <b>Copy a disk volume to another disk and create a more efficient volume</b> <hr/>	
<code>\$ BACKUP/IMAGE input-device - _ \$ output-device</code>	Make a copy of the volume loaded in the input device to the volume loaded in the output device.
<code>\$ BACKUP/IMAGE DBA1: DBA2:</code>	Copy the contents of the volume in device DBA1 to the volume in device DBA2. In the new volume, the files are made contiguous, making I/O more efficient.

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Perform incremental backups in between full image backups.

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**Table 4-22: Incremental Backup and Restore**

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**Command/Example**

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**Comments**

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**Incremental Backup**

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```
$ BACKUP/RECORD -  
_ $ device-name/SINCE=BACKUP -  
_ $ save-set-specifier
```

Back up those files that were created or modified since the last save operation. **BACKUP** finds out whether a file was created or modified since the last backup by comparing the backup field in the file header with the modified field. The **/RECORD** qualifier causes the utility to write the current date and time to the file header of each file it saves. This information is used for incremental restoration.

```
$ BACKUP/RECORD -  
_ $ DRA1:[*...]/SINCE=BACKUP -  
_ $ MUA0:JUN19F
```

Copies all files in all directories on the DRA1 volume which were created or modified since the last **BACKUP**. Files are copied to the save set MUA0:JUN19F with date and time information recorded in their file header. You must mount the volume with the **/FOREIGN** qualifier before entering this command.

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**Incremental Restore**

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```
$ BACKUP/INCREMENTAL -  
_ $ save-set-specifier -  
_ $ output-device -  
_ $ /BY_OWNER=ORIGINAL
```

Restore incremental backup save sets in reverse order (that is, restore the save set made on Friday, then Thursday's, then Wednesday's, etc.) after you restore the most recent full image save set. Include the **/INCREMENTAL** qualifier when restoring incremental save sets to enable the utility to restore the files correctly. In **/INCREMENTAL** backups the **/BY\_OWNER=ORIGINAL** qualifier is the default and ensures that each file is given the UIC of its original owner, rather than the UIC of the process entering the **BACKUP** command.

```
$ BACKUP/IMAGE -  
_ $ MUA0:WEDFULL.BCK -  
_ $ DRA1:
```

Restores the full image backup done on Wednesday to the device DRA1. The incremental save sets update the volume until it is in the same state it was in at the time of the last incremental backup (done on Friday).

```
$ BACKUP/INCREMENTAL -  
_ $ MUA0:FRIINC.BCK -  
_ $ DRA1:[*...]/BY_OWNER=ORIGINAL
```

```
$BACKUP/INCREMENTAL -  
_ $ MUA0:THUINC.BCK -  
_ $ DRA1:[*...]/BY_OWNER=ORIGINAL
```

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## Operator Action During Multivolume Disk or Tape Set Backups

- The VMS system automatically intervenes to create multivolume set
- Operator receiving request to load next volume in set should:
  - Unload current volume
  - Load next volume
  - Respond to request with **REPLY/INITIALIZE** or **REPLY/BLANK\_TAPE** command

Partial Backup      day after initial backup

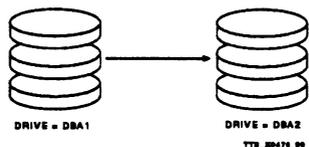
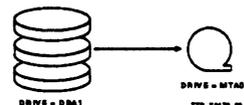
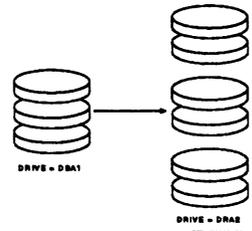
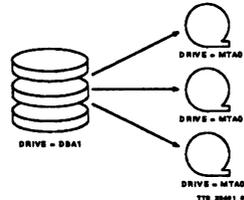
\$ Backup/since = Backup/record

/ignore = interlock

DuA  $\phi$  : [ \* . . . ]      MuA  $\phi$  : Part 1. BCK

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P  
Next day  
: Part 2, BCK

Figure 4-4: Output Media Used for Backups

OPERATION/COMMAND	COMMENTS
<p>Backup Disk to Disk -</p> <pre>\$ BACKUP/IMAGE DBA1 DBA2</pre> 	<p>Copy all of the information from the input disk to the output disk. If the output disk is large enough to hold all of the information from the input disk, you can store the input disk and use the output disk. Performance improves because the information on the output disk is compressed and is faster to access. Note that if the input disk was bootable, the output disk will also be bootable.</p>
<p>Backup Disk to Tape -</p> <pre>BACKUP/IMAGE DBA1 MUA0:FULL.BCK/SAVE_SET</pre> 	<p>Copy all of the information from the disk to a save set on the tape. To improve performance, load a scratch disk and restore the information to it from the tape. Then use the newly created disk and store the previous one.</p>
<p>Backup Disk to Multiple Disks -</p> <pre>\$ BACKUP/IMAGE DBA1: - _\$ DRA2:SAVE.BCK</pre> 	<p>Create a save set on the output volumes. When the first output volume is full, the system notifies the operator by sending a message to the operator console. The operator removes the volume and loads the next one. The operator is prompted to load each successive volume until the backup is complete. Improve performance with the same method used in disk to tape backups (see previous section of figure). These output disks are called a multivolume disk set. To restore them, you must begin with the first volume.</p>
<p>Backup Disk to Multiple Tapes -</p> <pre>\$ BACKUP/IMAGE DBA1: - _\$ MUA0:SAVE.BCK</pre> 	<p>Create a save set. When the first volume is full, the system notifies the operator to load the next volume. This continues until the backup is complete. Improve performance using the same method described for disk to tape backups (See previous section of figure). The output tapes are called a multivolume tape set. To restore them, you must begin with the first volume.</p>

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## Example 4-7: Creating a Multivolume Tape Set on One Drive

```
$ ALLOCATE MU: TAPE
%DCL-I-ALLOC, _MUA0: allocated
$ INITIALIZE TAPE BACKUP1
$ MOUNT TAPE BACKUP1
%MOUNT-I-MOUNTED, BACKUP1 mounted on _MUA0:
$ SHOW DEVICE/FULL TAPE

Magtape MUA0:, device type TK50, is online, allocated, mounted, file-
oriented device, error logging enabled.

      Error count          0      Operations completed          25
      Owner process      "Chocoholic"  Owner UIC                    [11,340]
      Owner process ID   20C000AF      Dev Prot S:RWED,O:RWED,G:RWED.W:RWED
      Reference count    2            Default buffer size          2048

      Volume label       "BACK1 "      Relative volume no.          1
      Record size        0            Transaction count            1
      Mount status       Process       Mount count                   1
      ACP process name   "MUA0CACP"
      Density            833 (normal)   Format                        Normal-11
```

Volume status: beginning-of-tape, odd parity.

```
$ COPY SYS$SYSTEM:SYSDUMP.DMP TAPE
$ COPY/EXCLUDE=*.DAT SYS$LIBRARY:*. * TAPE

$
*****% OPCOM 4-MAY-1989 14:35:20.47 *****
Request 1, from user BIERLY
MOUNT new relative volume 2 (BACK1_2) on _MUA0:

$ SET PROCESS/PRIVILEGE=OPER
$ REPLY/INITIALIZE=1 "BACK2"
$
BACK2
14:41:16.86, request 1 was completed by operator _OPA0:
$
```

```
$ SHOW DEVICE/FULL TAPE

Magtape MUA0:, device type TK50, is online, allocated, mounted, file-
oriented device, error logging enabled.

      Error count          3      Operations completed          14110
      Owner process      "Chocoholic"  Owner UIC                    [11,340]
      Owner process ID   20C000AF      Dev Prot S:RWED,O:RWED,G:RWED.W:RWED
      Reference count    1            Default buffer size          2048

      Volume label       "BACK2 "      Relative volume no.          2
      Record size        0            Transaction count            1
      Mount status       Process       Mount count                   1
      ACP process name   "MUA0CACP"
      Density            833 (normal)   Format                        Normal-11
```

Volume status: end-of-file, odd parity.

```
$ DISMOUNT TAPE
$ DEALLOCATE TAPE
$ DEASSIGN TAPE
$
```

## Creating Multivolume Tape Sets on More than One Drive

- Initialize the first volume, assigning it some volume label
- List names of drives in **MOUNT** command and include **/INITIALIZATION=CONTINUATION** qualifier
- System will then:
  - Initialize and mount subsequent volumes on drives you specified in the **MOUNT** command if you have loaded the volumes on the drives
  - Generate label names automatically based on user-specified label and relative volume number
  - Subsequent labels are created by using the first four characters of the specified label
    - Underscore (“\_”) used to pad labels specified with fewer than four characters (see Table 4-23)

**Table 4-23: Generating Labels Automatically**

Specified Label (First Volume)	Corresponding Generated Label (Second and Subsequent Volumes)
MAIN	MAIN02, MAIN03,... MAIN99
T15	T15_02, T15_03,... T15_99
DAN	DAN_02, DAN_03,... DAN_99
BACKUP	BACK02, BACK03,... BACK99

## BACKUP Tape Label Processing

- BACKUP checks the tape label for expiration before attempting to write to it
  - BACKUP will not allow writing to a tape that has not yet expired
  - Use the **/IGNORE=LABEL\_PROCESSING** qualifier to override this situation
- Always set an appropriate expiration date when creating a BACKUP save set on tape
- Be sure to specify the **/REWIND** qualifier when setting the expiration date

```
$ BACKUP /RECORD/SINCE=YESTERDAY DISK$USER:[*...] -  
_ $ MUA0:MAY0688.BCK /REWIND/TAPE_EXPIRATION=13-MAY-1988
```

## BACKUP Journal Files

- BACKUP can create a *journal file* when creating a save set
  - Contains BACKUP operations and file specifications
  - Provides an efficient way to retain and list "directories" of multivolume tape save sets
  - Useful for quickly determining the location of files that must be restored
- Use the **/JOURNAL=file-spec** qualifier to create a journal file

```
$ BACKUP /RECORD/JOURNAL=MAY0688.BJL -  
_ $ DISK$USER:[PAYROLL...] -  
_ $ MUA1:MAY0688.BCK /REWIND/TAPE_EXPIRATION=13-MAY-1988
```

- Default file specification for journal files: **SYS\$DISK:[ ]BACKUP.BJL**
- Journal files are written in a binary format
  - Use **/LIST/JOURNAL=file-spec** to list contents
  - Do not specify an input- or output-specifier when listing a journal file

```
$ BACKUP /LIST/JOURNAL=MAY0688.BJL
```

**Table 4-24: Examples of Common BACKUP Operations**

Operation	Save Command	Restore Command
<b>Full backup operations</b>		
Physical backup	\$ BACKUP/PHYSICAL DUA0: DUA1:	
Image, disk to tape	\$ BACKUP/IMAGE/RECORD - _ \$ DUA0: - _ \$ MUA0:01JAN1990.BCK- _ \$ /INITIALIZE/REWIND/BUFFER=5 - _ \$ /TAPE_EXPIRATION=8-JAN-1990 - _ \$ /DENSITY=1600/BLOCK=32768	\$ BACKUP/IMAGE - _ \$ MUA0:01JAN1990.BCK/BUFFER=5 - _ \$ DUA0:
Image, disk to disk	\$ BACKUP/IMAGE/RECORD - _ \$ DUA0: - _ \$ DUA1:	
Image, disk to save set in disk directory	\$ BACKUP/IMAGE/RECORD - _ \$ DUA0: - _ \$ DUA1:[BACKUP]01JAN1990.BCK - _ \$ /SAVE_SET	\$ BACKUP/IMAGE - _ \$ DUA1:[BACKUP]01JAN1990.BCK - _ \$ /SAVE_SET - _ \$ DUA0:
Image, disk to save set on multiple disks	\$ BACKUP/IMAGE/RECORD - _ \$ DUA0: - _ \$ DUA1:01JAN1990.BCK/SAVE_SET	\$ BACKUP/IMAGE - _ \$ DUA1:01JAN1990.BCK/SAVE_SET - _ \$ DUA0:
<b>Incremental backup operations</b>		
Disk to tape	\$ BACKUP/SINCE=BACKUP/RECORD - _ \$ DUA0:[000000...]*.*.* - _ \$ MUA0:01JAN1990.BCK - _ \$ /INITIALIZE/REWIND/BUFFER=5 - _ \$ /TAPE_EXPIRATION=8-JAN-1990 - _ \$ /BLOCK=32768/DENSITY=1600	\$ BACKUP/INCREMENTAL - _ \$ MUA0:01JAN1990.BCK/BUFFER=5 - _ \$ DUA0:
Disk to save set in disk directory	\$ BACKUP/SINCE=BACKUP/RECORD - _ \$ DUA0:[000000...]*.*.* - _ \$ DUA1:[BACKUP]01JAN1990.BCK - _ \$ /SAVE_SET	\$ BACKUP/INCREMENTAL - _ \$ DUA1:[BACKUP]01JAN1990.BCK - _ \$ /SAVE_SET - _ \$ DUA0:
Disk to save set on multiple disks	\$ BACKUP/SINCE=BACKUP/RECORD - _ \$ DUA0:[000000...]*.*.* - _ \$ DUA1:01JAN1990.BCK/SAVE_SET	\$ BACKUP/INCREMENTAL - _ \$ DUA1:01JAN1990.BCK/SAVE_SET - _ \$ DUA0:

**Table 4-24: Examples of Common BACKUP Operations Cont.**

Operation	Save Command	Restore Command
<b>Partial backup operations</b>		
Disk to tape	<pre>\$ BACKUP/RECORD - _ \$ DUA0:[SMITH...]*.*.* - _ \$ MUA0:SMITH.BCK - _ \$ /INITIALIZE/REWIND/BUFFER=5 - _ \$ /TAPE_EXPIRATION=1-JAN-1993 - _ \$ /DENSITY=1600/BLOCK=32768</pre>	<pre>\$ BACKUP - _ \$ MUA0:SMITH.BCK/BUFFER=5 - _ \$ DUA0:</pre>
Disk to disk copy, preserving directory tree	<pre>\$ BACKUP - _ \$ DUA0:[SMITH...]*.*.* - _ \$ DUA1:[SMITH_DUP...]*.*.*</pre>	
Disk to save set in disk directory	<pre>\$ BACKUP/RECORD - _ \$ DUA0:[SMITH...]*.*.* - _ \$ DUA1:[BACKUP]SMITH.BCK - _ \$ /SAVE_SET</pre>	<pre>\$ BACKUP - _ \$ DUA1:[BACKUP]SMITH.BCK - _ \$ /SAVE_SET - _ \$ DUA0:</pre>
Disk to save set on multiple disk	<pre>\$ BACKUP/RECORD - _ \$ DUA0:[SMITH...]*.*.* - _ \$ DUA1:SMITH.BCK/SAVE_SET</pre>	<pre>\$ BACKUP - _ \$ DUA1:SMITH.BCK/SAVE_SET - _ \$ DUA0:</pre>

## Standalone BACKUP

- Use standalone BACKUP to back up system disk, since system disk is constantly being used while the VMS system is running
- To back up system disk
  - Shut down the VMS system
  - Boot standalone BACKUP kit to copy system disk
  - Enter **BACKUP/IMAGE** command
  - Reload console media and boot the system when backup is complete

Restoring after a crash

\$ Backup / Image / Record

MUA  $\phi$  : Full.Bck      DU A  $\phi$

# Backup / Record / Incremental

MUA  $\phi$  : Part 2.Bck

DU A  $\phi$  : [\*...]

# VERIFY UTILITY

- Checks readability and validity of file structure
- Modes of operation
  - Error reporting with no repairs
  - Error reporting with repairs
  - Error reporting with user-controlled selective repairs
- To run on data disk, mount it privately
- To run on system disk, first force all users to log out
- DCL command format:

```
$ ANALYZE/DISK_STRUCTURE device-name [/qualifier...]
```

**Table 4-25: Using the VERIFY Utility**

Function	Command/Example	Comments
Running VERIFY to find errors in the file structure	<pre>\$ ANALYZE/DISK_STRUCTURE device-name</pre> <pre>\$ ANALYZE/DISK_STRUCTURE MYDISK</pre>	Using no parameter qualifier invokes VERIFY in the error-reporting mode.
Running VERIFY to report and repair errors	<pre>\$ ANALYZE/DISK_STRUCTURE -</pre> <pre>_\$ device-name/REPAIR</pre> <pre>\$ ANALYZE/DISK_STRUCTURE -</pre> <pre>_\$ MYDISK/REPAIR</pre>	The <b>/REPAIR</b> qualifier causes automatic repair of all errors located in the file structure.
Running VERIFY to report errors and allow the user to decide what gets repaired	<pre>\$ ANALYZE/DISK_STRUCTURE -</pre> <pre>_\$ device-name/REPAIR/CONFIRM</pre> <pre>\$ ANALYZE/DISK_STRUCTURE -</pre> <pre>_\$ MYDISK/REPAIR/CONFIRM</pre>	The qualifiers <b>/REPAIR</b> and <b>/CONFIRM</b> cause the utility to display errors, ask the user if the error should be corrected, and carry out the user's response.

## Example 4-8: Using the VERIFY Utility

```
$ MOUNT DRA2 PROGRAM_DISK MYDISK
%MOUNT-I-MOUNTED, PROGRAM_DISK mounted on _DRA2:
$ ANALYZE/DISK_STRUCTURE MYDISK
%VERIFY-I-OPENQUOTA, error opening QUOTA.SYS
-SYSTEM-W-NOSUCHFILE, no such file
%VERIFY-I-LOSTHEADER, file (11,2,1) UTLIST.DAT;1
    not found in a directory
%VERIFY-I-LOSTHEADER, file (12,2,1) UTLIST.COM;1
    not found in a directory
$
$ ANALYZE/DISK_STRUCTURE/REPAIR/CONFIRM MYDISK
%VERIFY-I-OPENQUOTA, error opening QUOTA.SYS
-SYSTEM-W-NOSUCHFILE, no such file
%VERIFY-I-LOSTHEADER, file (11,2,1) UTLIST.DAT;1
    not found in a directory
Repair this error (D to delete)? (D, Y or N): Y
%VERIFY-I-LOSTHEADER, file (12,2,1) UTLIST.COM;1
    not found in a directory
Repair this error (D to delete)? (D, Y or N): Y
$
$ DIRECTORY MYDISK:[SYSLOST]
Directory MYDISK:[SYSLOST]
UTLIST.COM;1          UTLTST.DAT;1
Total of 2 files.
$
```

# TRANSFERRING FILES BETWEEN VAX AND PDP-11 SYSTEMS

- Utilities that can be used
  - EXCHANGE
  - RMSBCK
  - RMSRST

**Table 4-26: Transferring Files Between VAX and PDP-11 Systems**

System	Operation	Comments
RSX	Preparing a volume on a VMS system for use on RSX system	The only special action needed to prepare a volume for use on RSX is to initialize the volume using the <code>/STRUCTURE_LEVEL=1</code> qualifier. See the description of the <b>INITIALIZE</b> command in the <i>VMS DCL Dictionary</i> .
	Preparing a volume on an RSX system for use on a VMS system	THE VMS system understands the RSX file structure. You can create RSX volumes and use them on a VMS operating system without taking special action.
RSTS	Transferring RMS files between systems	Use RMSBCK to create a tape volume containing the files you want to transfer. Transfer the files from the tape to the target system using RMSRST. See the <i>RMS-11 User's Guide</i> for more information.
	Transferring non-RMS files between systems	Use the EXCHANGE utility to transfer the files from the transportable medium to the target system. See the <i>VMS Exchange Utility Manual</i> for more information.
RT-11	Transferring files between RT-11 and VMS systems	Use the EXCHANGE utility. See the <i>VMS Exchange Utility Manual</i> .

# SUMMARY

- A system manager should be able to prepare and maintain volumes
- Volume preparation includes
  - Locating bad blocks (**ANALYZE/MEDIA**)
  - Initializing the volume (**INITIALIZE**)
  - Mounting the volume (**MOUNT**)
  - Defining access to the volume (**INITIALIZE** and **MOUNT**)
- Obtain volume information with **SHOW DEVICE**
- Modify volume information with **SET VOLUME**
- Create volume sets when files or directories are too large to fit on a single volume
- Use **BACKUP** to save
  - An entire volume
  - Only modified files since last backup
  - Specific files
- Use **BACKUP** to restore
  - An entire save set
  - Specific files
- Use standalone **BACKUP** to save/restore the system volume
- Use the **VERIFY** utility (**ANALYZE/DISK\_STRUCTURE**) to check integrity of disk volumes
  - Can choose to locate errors and optionally repair them
- Utilities to transfer files between VAX and PDP-11 systems
  - **EXCHANGE**
  - **RMSBCK**
  - **RMSRST**

**MODULE 5**  
**CUSTOMIZING THE SYSTEM**

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# INTRODUCTION

Essentially, every VMS system is a customized system. Not only does the choice of hardware vary between installations, this hardware can be configured many ways. The **Understanding the User Environment** module discussed many of these hardware options, along with a number of software choices for VMS systems.

From these choices, you should configure your system and install software to meet the needs of your users. However, standard hardware and software may not entirely satisfy users' needs. Typically, you must also customize the software on your system. You can customize the software by:

- Creating user accounts
- Establishing disk quotas as needed
- Creating user directories
- Initializing queues
- Mounting disk volumes
- Modifying system parameters
- Changing passwords
- Setting up files and directories for standalone BACKUP and for copying the console volume

Previous modules covered many of the skills you use to customize the VMS environment, such as creating user accounts and queues. This module discusses some other customizing skills, such as creating site-specific command procedures and modifying the DCL environment for a user. As you customize the system using all of the skills discussed in this course, you can improve its performance and efficiency. The **Monitoring the System** module discusses performance improvement in greater detail.

## OBJECTIVES

To customize a system, the system manager should be able to modify the site-specific startup files and/or enter DCL commands interactively to perform tasks discussed in earlier modules of this course (such as creating batch and print queues) as well as:

- Identifying the functions of the different system startup files
- Setting device characteristics
- Mounting site-specific volumes
- Creating system logical names
- Installing images
- Defining and starting queues
- Creating reports about the last system failure
- Starting local DECnet software
- Announcing system availability

## RESOURCES

To complete this module, you must have access to the following documents:

1. *VMS System Generation Utility Manual*
2. *VMS Install Utility Manual*
3. *Guide to Setting Up a VMS System*
4. *VMS I/O User's Reference Manual: Part I*
5. *VMS Installation and Operation Guide* for your particular VAX system

# USER ENVIRONMENT

- Principal methods of defining default process environment
  - Setting system parameters
  - Issuing DCL commands
- Process default environment is established in two stages
  - At system startup
    - System-wide default is established
  - When a process is created
    - Individual process environment is customized
- Process environment can also be customized interactively

**Table 5-1: Files Controlling the VMS Environment**

File	Information in File Used to Control VMS Environment	When Information in File is Automatically Used
SYS\$SYSTEM:VAXVMSSYS.PAR	System parameters	System startup
SYS\$SYSTEM:STARTUP.COM	DCL commands	System startup
SYS\$MANAGER:SYPAWSWPFILES.COM	DCL commands and possibly SYS-GEN commands	System startup
SYS\$MANAGER:SYCONFIG.COM	DCL commands	System startup
SYS\$MANAGER:SYLOGICALS.COM	DCL commands	System startup
SYS\$MANAGER:SYSTARTUP_V5.COM	DCL commands and possibly INSTALL commands	System startup
SYS\$MANAGER:SYLOGIN.COM	DCL commands	Interactive or batch process creation
SYS\$LOGIN:LOGIN.COM	DCL commands	Interactive or batch process creation

# SYSTEM STARTUP FILES

There are five startup command procedures distributed as part of the VMS operating system:

1. SYS\$SYSTEM:STARTUP.COM

Site-independent  
Commands supplied by Digital  
Do not modify

2. SYS\$MANAGER:SYPAWSWFILES.COM

Site-specific  
Initially empty  
Used to install page and swap files on any disk

3. SYS\$MANAGER:SYCONFIG.COM

Site-specific  
Initially empty  
Connects various devices to system and loads their I/O drivers  
If left empty, system automatically configures all devices

4. SYS\$MANAGER:SYLOGICALS.COM

Site-specific  
Template file supplied by Digital  
Used to define system-wide logical names

5. SYS\$MANAGER:SYSTARTUP\_V5.COM

Site-specific  
Template file supplied by Digital  
General location for site-specific customization commands not addressed by other  
site-specific startup command files  
Overrides commands in STARTUP.COM

## **SYSSYSTEM:STARTUP.COM**

- Executes immediately after the VMS operating system is booted
- Uses a series of component files that:
  - Defines system-wide logical names for standard system software
  - Starts up system processes, such as:
    - JOB\_CONTROL
    - OPCOM
    - ERRFMT
  - Connects all standard devices
  - Installs known images (standard and layered software products)
  - Calls site-specific startup command procedures in this order:
    1. SYSSMANAGER:SYNAGSWPFILES.COM
    2. SYSSMANAGER:SYCONFIG.COM
    3. SYSSMANAGER:SYLOGICALS.COM
    4. SYSSMANAGER:SYSTARTUP\_V5.COM
- Component files are located according to the logical name SYSSSTARTUP
  - Actually a search list that includes:
    - SYSSSYSROOT:[SYSMGR] (SYSSMANAGER)
    - SYSSSYSROOT:[SYSSSTARTUP]
- STARTUP.COM starts up the system in **phases**
  - Four basic phases
  - Three data files involved in the phased startup (all located in SYSSSTARTUP):
    - VMS\$PHASES.DAT (**do not modify**)
    - VMS\$VMS.DAT (**do not modify**)
    - VMS\$LAYERED.DAT (managed through use of the SYSMAN utility)

## **SY\$MANAGER:SY\$PAGSWPFILES.COM**

- Invoked by `SY$SYSTEM:STARTUP.COM`
- Used to install page and swap files on disks other than the system disk
- Before invoking `SY$PAGSWPFILES.COM`, the system activates the following files if they exist in `SY$SYSTEM`:
  - `PAGEFILE.SYS`
  - `SWAPFILE.SYS`
  - `SYSDUMP.DMP`
- `STARTUP.COM` then invokes `SY$PAGSWPFILES.COM`
- Place whatever commands are needed to install additional page and swap files
  - **INITIALIZE**
    - Needed to initialize a new disk volume (rare situation)
  - **MOUNT**
    - Disks containing additional page and swap files are not yet mounted
  - **SYSGEN Commands**
    - To create and/or install additional page and swap files

## **SY\$MANAGER:SYCONFIG.COM**

- Invoked by SY\$SYSTEM:STARTUP.COM
- Used to connect special devices and load their I/O drivers
  - Only necessary for nonstandard devices or unusual device settings
- SYSGEN commands are typically placed in this file
- You can optionally place **MOUNT** commands in this file
  - Most sites mount remaining disks in SYSTARTUP\_V5.COM (described later)
- When SYCONFIG.COM completes, control is returned to STARTUP.COM
  - STARTUP.COM automatically connects all remaining devices and loads their I/O drivers
  - Connecting and loading is accomplished by SYSGEN **AUTOCONFIGURE ALL** command

## **SYSS\$MANAGER:SYLOGICALS.COM**

- Invoked by `SYSS$SYSTEM:STARTUP.COM`
- Used to create system-wide logical names
- Define system components as executive mode logical names
- To create system logical names:
  - `$ ASSIGN/SYSTEM`
  - `$ DEFINE/SYSTEM`
- To delete system logical names:
  - `$ DEASSIGN/SYSTEM`
- Typically use the `/NOLOG` qualifier when defining logical names during system startup

### **Executive Mode Logical Name Requirements**

- Logical names for system components and files must be executive mode
- Examples of components and files requiring executive mode logical names:
  - Public disks and directories
  - `SYSUAF.DAT`
  - `RIGHTSLIST.DAT`
  - `VMSMAIL.DAT`
  - `NETPROXY.DAT`
- To define an executive mode logical name:
  - `$ DEFINE/SYSTEM/EXECUTIVE/NOLOG logical-name equivalence-name`

**Table 5-2: Assigning System Logical Names**

Operation	Command Format/Example (Requires SYSNAM privilege)
Create or replace a system logical name	<pre>\$ ASSIGN/SYSTEM eqv-name log-name \$ DEFINE/SYSTEM log-name eqv-name \$ ASSIGN/SYSTEM SYS\$SYSTEM:NOTICE.TXT NOTICE</pre>
Delete a system logical name	<pre>\$ DEASSIGN/SYSTEM log-name \$ DEASSIGN NOTICE</pre>

**Table 5-3: Some Standard Logical Names to Define in SYLOGICALS.COM**

Name	Definition	Function
SYS\$SYLOGIN	Name of system manager's login command procedure	The system executes this procedure when it creates a process.
SYS\$ANNOUNCE	Line of text or name of file containing text	The system displays this line or the contents of the file when the user presses the RETURN key to log in.
SYS\$WELCOME	Line of text or name of file containing text	The system displays this line or the contents of the file after a user successfully logs in (by default, "Welcome to VMS V5.2")

**Example 5-1: Assigning Site-Specific System Logical Names (SYLOGICALS.COM)**

```
$!
$! Assign site-specific logical names
$!
$ ASSIGN /SYSTEM /EXEC /NOLOG DISK$USER:[PUBLIC]          SYS$PUBLIC
$ ASSIGN /SYSTEM /EXEC /NOLOG DISK$USER:[TOOLS]           SYS$TOOLS
$ ASSIGN /SYSTEM /EXEC /NOLOG "This is the MENTOR system"  SYS$ANNOUNCE
$ ASSIGN /SYSTEM /EXEC /NOLOG "@SYS$MANAGER:WELCOME.TXT"  SYS$WELCOME
$!
```

## **SY\$MANAGER:SYSTARTUP\_V5.COM**

- The last site-specific startup command procedure invoked by STARTUP.COM
- Functions performed by SYSTARTUP\_V5.COM
  - Mounts public disks
  - Sets device characteristics
  - Initializes and starts batch and print queues
  - Installs known images
  - Starts up DECnet software (if it exists)
  - Analyzes most recent system failure
  - Purges unwanted operator log files
  - Starts up the LAT network (if it exists)
  - Defines the maximum number of interactive users
  - Announces system is up
  - Allows users to log in
- Use separate command procedures for major functions
  - Keeps SYSTARTUP\_V5.COM small and manageable
  - Allows clean, separate execution of functions after system has been started

Sometimes needed when certain failures occur and the function needs to be reactivated (example: print and batch queues)

## Example 5-2: SYSTARTUP\_V5.COM Command Procedure

```
$ SET NOON
$ SET NOCONTROL_Y
$ ! ++
$ ! SYS$MANAGER:SYSTARTUP_V5.COM
$ !
$ ! This is a sample site-specific system startup command file
$ !--
$ !
$ ! Create logical name for supporting command procedures
$ DEFINE/NOLOG STARTUP_PROCS SYS$SYSROOT:[SYSMGR.STARTUP]
$ !
$ ! Mount site-specific volumes
$ @STARTUP_PROCS:MOUNTDSK.COM
$ !
$ ! Set device characteristics
$ @STARTUP_PROCS:DEVICES.COM
$ !
$ ! Start the queue manager
$ START/QUEUE/MANAGER
$ !
$ ! Define and start print queues
$ @STARTUP_PROCS:START_PRNT_QUEUE.COM
$ !
$ ! Define and start batch queues
$ @STARTUP_PROCS:START_BATCH_QUEUE.COM
$ !
$ ! Install known images
$ @STARTUP_PROCS:INSTALL.COM
$ !
$ ! Start DECnet
$ @SYS$MANAGER:STARTNET.COM
$ !
$ ! Start LAT network
$ @SYS$MANAGER:LTLOAD.COM
$ !
$ ! Create reports about the last system failure
$ @STARTUP_PROCS:REPORT_FAILURE.COM
$ !
$ ! Purge old versions of system log files
$ PURGE/KEEP=3 SYS$MANAGER:*.LOG
$ !
$ ! Set the maximum number of interactive users
$ STARTUP$INTERACTIVE_LOGINS == 40
$ !
$ ! Announce availability of the system to all terminals
$ SUBMIT STARTUP_PROCS:START_ANNOUNCE.COM
$ !
$ ! End of SYS$MANAGER:SYSTARTUP_V5.COM
$ !
$ EXIT
```

## Mounting Site-Specific Volumes

- Mount volumes in site-specific startup command procedure
  - `$ MOUNT/SYSTEM device-spec volume-label logical-name`
- Do not mount volumes in site-independent startup command procedure (not even the system disk)
- By default in SYSTARTUP\_V5.COM, **MOUNT** implies **MOUNT/NOASSIST**
- **/SYSTEM** qualifier:
  - Makes volume public (available to all users)
  - Stores specified logical name in system logical name table
  - Assigns concealed and terminal attributes to logical name
- Specifying a logical name with each mounted disk improves the user interface for:
  - Issuing commands
  - Displaying file specifications in listings
- If no logical name is specified, a default logical name is created
  - Format: DISK\$volume-label
- **WAIT** statement needed prior to mounting the first DSA disk
  - Wait time is controller-dependent
  - Refer to *VMS I/O User's Reference Manual: Part I* for details on time value

### Example 5-3: Mounting Site-Specific Volumes (MOUNTDSK.COM)

```
$!  
$! Mount public disk volumes  
$!  
$ MOUNT /SYSTEM DBA2: DATA13 DATADISK  
$ MOUNT /SYSTEM DBA3: USER
```

## Setting Device Characteristics

- Most common situation is setting terminal characteristics
- **SYSGEN AUTOCONFIGURE ALL** command in **STARTUP.COM** determines the number of terminal lines the system can support
- Other commands in **SYSTARTUP\_V5.COM** set physical characteristics of attached terminals
  - Best done with a separate command procedure called by **SYSTARTUP\_V5.COM**
- Can modify permanent characteristics interactively, but effective only until next startup
- Can also set physical characteristics for such devices as printers, tape drives, and card readers
  - Many sites prefer to set printer and card reader characteristics in command procedure called to establish print and batch queues

Makes it easier to match queues with physical devices

**Table 5-4: Setting Permanent Characteristics of Terminals**

Characteristic	SET TERMINAL/PERMANENT Command Qualifiers and Examples †	Comments
Line speed, for direct lines	/SPEED/NOMODEM  \$ SET TERMINAL/PERMANENT - _ \$ /SPEED=9600/NOMODEM TTF5	By default, all lines have the speed specified by system parameter TTY_SPEED.
Line speed, for lines connected through modems	/AUTOBAUD/MODEM  \$ SET TERMINAL/PERMANENT - _ \$ /AUTOBAUD/MODEM TTA1	The VMS system does not send broadcast messages to autobaud lines unless the terminal is logged in.
Terminal type, for direct lines	/DEVICE_TYPE=type  \$ SET TERMINAL/PERMANENT - _ \$ /DEVICE_TYPE=VT200 TTC2	Among the recognized device types are: LA36, LA120, VT52, and VT200. This one qualifier is a substitute for many individual qualifiers, each specifying only one characteristic. To list the available device types, enter the command <b>HELP SET TERMINAL/DEVICE_TYPE</b> . Many characteristics of the terminal are modified when you specify a device type, saving you from having to enter each one separately.

† Requires LOG\_IO or PHY\_IO privilege.

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**Table 5-5: Establishing Ownership and Protection of Terminals and Other Nonshareable Devices**

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Operation	Command Examples (Requires OPER Privilege)	Comments
Establishing protection ownership	\$ SET PROTECTION=code/DEVICE - _ \$ /OWNER_UIC=uic device  \$ SET PROTECTION=(S:R,O:R,G,W) - _ \$ /DEVICE/OWNER=[JONES] TTA3	If you give Read access to a category of user, users in that category can allocate the terminal from a program. Other users can log in to the terminal.
Allowing all users access to a device	\$ SET PROTECTION/DEVICE device \$ SET PROTECTION/DEVICE TTA3	If you omit a user category, users in that category are allowed all types of access to the device.

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- Control device ownership and protection
  - \$ SET PROTECTION/DEVICE
- Commonly used protection on terminals
  - Owner: [1,4]; protection: (S:R,O:R)
  - Prevents nonprivileged users from allocating terminals
  - Does not prevent nonprivileged users from logging in
  - Default ownership and protection established by system parameters

#### Example 5-4: Setting Device Characteristics (TERMINALS.COM)

```

$ SET TERMINAL/PERMANENT/DEVICE=LA120/NOLOWER          TTC0:  !HARDCOPY
$ SET TERMINAL/PERMANENT/NOMODEM/SPEED=9600/DEVICE=VT100  TTA0:  !M.BROWN
$ SET TERMINAL/PERMANENT/NOMODEM/SPEED=1200/DEVICE=LA120  TTA1:  !R. JONES
$ SET TERMINAL/PERMANENT/AUTOBAUD/MODEM                 TTA2:  !DIAL-UP

```

#### Initializing and Starting Queues

- Establish all queues (print and batch) in one or more separate command procedures
  - Invoked by SYSTARTUP\_V5.COM
  - Use commands and techniques described in the **Managing Queues** module.

## Installing Known Images

- Reasons for installing
  - Reduces time required for image activation
  - Enables image to execute with privileges that the process running the image lacks
  - Promotes sharing of physical memory
  - Can add user-written system service
- Use the INSTALL utility
- Can use INSTALL to “undo” what STARTUP.COM has installed
  - Remove some images
  - Reinstall some images with different privileges or attributes

### NOTE

**Do not confuse the two different VMS uses of the word “install.”**

1. Install known images (discussed here)
2. Install VMS operating system or optional software (discussed in the Installing and Updating System Software module)

**Table 5-6: Functions of the INSTALL Utility**

Operation	Command Format and Example(s)	Comments
Installing a known image and specifying optional characteristics	INSTALL> CREATE[/qualifier(s)] file-spec INSTALL> CREATE/OPEN/SHARED EDT	Qualifiers used to specify optional characteristics are shown in Table 5-7.
Installing a new version of a known image with the same characteristics as the existing version	INSTALL> REPLACE file-spec INSTALL> REPLACE EDT	Note that INSTALL uses the following file specifier defaults:  Device and directory: SYS\$SYSTEM File type: .EXE Version number: highest  Specifying a version number will produce unpredictable results when you use the known image. Therefore, never specify a version number in the file specification.
Installing a new version of a known image with different characteristics than the existing version	INSTALL> REPLACE[/qualifier(s)] file-spec INSTALL> REPLACE/OPEN/SHARED/HEADER EDT	
Removing a known image	INSTALL> DELETE file-spec INSTALL> DELETE EDT	
Displaying information about a known image or about INSTALL	INSTALL> LIST[/qualifier(s)] [file-spec] INSTALL> LIST/FULL INSTALL> LIST/GLOBAL INSTALL> HELP LIST INSTALL> HELP ADD INSTALL> HELP REPLACE/OPEN	If you omit the file specification, INSTALL displays all known file entries. Qualifiers used to display information include:  /FULL /GLOBAL /STRUCTURE

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**Table 5-7: INSTALL Command Qualifiers**

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Qualifier	Description
<code>/ACCOUNTING</code>	Activates image level accounting for the installed image. (Discussed in the <b>Monitoring the System</b> module).
<code>/EXECUTE_ONLY</code>	Installs the image with execution-only access permitted.
<code>/HEADER_RES</code>	The header of the image file (native images only) remains permanently resident in memory, saving one disk I/O operation per file access. The image is implicitly declared permanently open ( <b>/OPEN</b> ).
<code>/LOG</code>	Lists the newly created known file entry along with any associated global sections created by the installation.
<code>/NOPURGE</code>	Specifies that this image will not be deleted by the <b>INSTALL</b> command <b>PURGE</b> .
<code>/OPEN</code>	Directory information on the image file remains permanently resident in memory, eliminating the usual directory search required to locate a file.
<code>/PRIVILEGED=(priv,...)</code>	Amplified privileges are temporarily assigned to any process running the image (executable images only), permitting the process to exceed its UAF privilege restrictions during execution of the image.
<code>/PROTECTED</code>	A shareable image contains protected code (code that runs in kernel or executive mode) but that can be called by a user-level image. Protected images must be declared <b>/SHARED</b> .
<code>/SHARED</code>	More than one user can access the read-only and noncopy-on-reference read/write sections of the image concurrently. Therefore, only one copy of those sections ever needs to be in physical memory. The image is implicitly declared permanently open ( <b>/OPEN</b> ).
<code>/WRITEABLE</code>	Shared noncopy-on-reference writeable sections are written back to the image file when removed from physical memory (for paging reasons or because no processes are referencing it). The image must also be declared <b>/SHARED</b> .

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### Example 5-5: Installing Known Images (INSTALL.COM)

```
$!  
$! Install known images, most frequently activated LAST  
$!  
$ INSTALL  
CREATE SYS$SYSTEM:REPLY /PRIV=OPER  
CREATE SYS$SYSTEM:BLISS32 /OPEN /SHARED  
CREATE SYS$SYSTEM:MACRO32 /OPEN /SHARED  
CREATE SYS$SYSTEM:NCP /OPEN /SHARED  
!  
! Reinstall SHOW with WORLD privilege  
!  
REPLACE SYS$SYSTEM:SHOW /OPEN /SHARED /HEADER_RES -  
 /PRIV=(CMKRNL,WORLD,NETMBX)  
!  
! Reinstall the linker to be shared in memory  
!  
REPLACE SYS$SYSTEM:LINK /OPEN /SHARED /HEADER_RES  
!
```

### Starting Local DECnet Software

- Optional product required to communicate with other systems
- Single-node DECnet software included with VMS system
- File: STARTNET.COM
  - VMS operating system installation procedure copies STARTNET.COM into SYSS\$MANAGER directory
  - Invoke STARTNET.COM from SYSTARTUP\_V5.COM or submit it as a batch job

## Creating Reports About the Last System Failure

- System failure may be due to:
  - Power loss
  - Hardware errors
  - Software errors
  - Intentional actions by system manager
- When the system fails, contents of memory are written to the crash dump file
  - To analyze the crash dump file:
    1. Invoke System Dump Analyzer (SDA) utility

```
$ ANALYZE/CRASH_DUMP
```
    2. Create listing of information in the dump file using SDA commands
  - Should include commands in SYSTARTUP\_V5.COM to create SDA listing file

### Example 5-6: System Failure Report Procedure (REPORT\_FAILURE.COM)

```
$ !
$ ! User-written procedure to
$ ! analyze the most recent crash.
$ ! Invoked from SYSTARTUP_V5.COM.
$ !
$ ! Copy the dump file and create listing
$ !
$ ANALYZE/CRASH_DUMP SYS$SYSTEM:SYSDUMP.DMP
  COPY LIB$DISK:[SYSMGR.CRASH]SYSDUMP.DMP      ! Save dump file
  SET OUTPUT LIB$DISK:[SYSMGR.CRASH]SYSDUMP.LIS ! Create listing file from:
    SHOW CRASH                                ! Display crash information
    SHOW STACK/ALL                            ! Show current stack
    SHOW SUMMARY                              ! List active processes
    SHOW PROCESS/PCB/PHD/REGISTERS           ! Display all current processes
    SHOW SYMBOL/ALL                           ! Display system symbol table
EXIT
$ !
$ ! Get rid of old system dump files
$ PURGE/KEEP=2 LIB$DISK:[SYSMGR.CRASH]*.*
$ PRINT LIB$DISK:[SYSMGR.CRASH]SYSDUMP.LIS
$ EXIT
```

## Setting the Maximum Number of Interactive Logins

- VMS default number is 64
- Changeable by setting the symbol `STARTUP$INTERACTIVE_LOGINS`

```
$ STARTUP$INTERACTIVE_LOGINS == 40
```
- Cannot set the maximum number above the number specified in your VAX processor license

## Announcing System Availability

Use the `REPLY` command to announce system availability.

### Example 5-7: Announcing System Availability (START\_ANNOUNCE.COM)

```
$!  
$! Announce that the system is available  
$!  
$ WAIT 00:00:45.00 ! Let things settle down a bit...  
$!  
$ REPLY/ALL/BELL "ISHAM is now available for use."
```



# SUMMARY

- Customize the system by:
  - Establishing paging and swap files
  - Modifying device characteristics
    - SET DEVICE**
    - SET TERMINAL**
    - SYSGEN parameters
  - Defining logical names
  - Installing images (INSTALL utility)
  - Establishing queues
  - Creating system-wide login procedure (SYLOGIN.COM)
- The VMS system is distributed with several system startup command procedures
  - Never modify these files
  - SYS\$SYSTEM:STARTUP.COM invokes site-specific command procedures
- System startup site-specific command procedures
  - SYS\$MANAGER:SYPAWSWPFILES.COM
  - SYS\$MANAGER:SYCONFIG.COM
  - SYS\$MANAGER:SYLOGICALS.COM
  - SYS\$MANAGER:SYSTARTUP\_V5.COM
- Most terminal characteristics must be set each time the system is rebooted
  - Use SYCONFIG.COM to set characteristics
  - Use **/PERMANENT** qualifier on **SET TERMINAL** command
  - Typical characteristics set at startup
    - Speed
    - Protection
    - Local/remote
    - Device type (LA120, VT200, etc.)

- Use the **INSTALL** utility to:
  - Install an image for
    - Performance improvement
    - Privilege requirements
  - Replace an existing installed image to change installation characteristics
  - Remove an installed image
- Create reports about system failures using **SDA ANALYZE/CRASH\_DUMP**
  - SDA commands typically executed at system startup to report on last failure
  - System dump information placed in **SYS\$SYSTEM:SYSDUMP.DMP**
- Define **STARTUP\$INTERACTIVE\_LOGINS** to maximum number of interactive users
- Use **REPLY** command to announce system availability

**MODULE 6**  
**STARTING UP AND SHUTTING**  
**DOWN THE SYSTEM**

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# INTRODUCTION

A VMS system usually remains running for long periods of time. Under certain circumstances, however, you must shut the system down. Such circumstances include:

- Performing hardware or software maintenance
- Backing up the system disk
- Moving or reconfiguring system hardware
- Upgrading or reconfiguring system software
- Losing electrical power or air conditioning
- Losing operating system response

A VMS system provides a command procedure that shuts the system down at a time you specify, and notifies system users as that time approaches. Other shutdown methods are also available. You can use them when the usual procedure is not effective.

There are many methods of starting up a VMS system. Because you can record your standard system configuration, starting up your system can be as simple as pressing a button. Using other startup methods, you can specify alternate system configurations. Also, if you want to change to a different standard system configuration, you can modify the configuration information the VMS system reads on startup.

This module assumes that VMS software has already been configured to run on your system, by following the procedures outlined in the **Customizing the System** and **Installing and Updating System Software** modules.

## OBJECTIVES

To use a VMS system, a system manager should be able to do one or more of the following:

- Describe the phases of system startup
- Describe the functions of the various components of the console subsystem
- Boot the system from the default system device or from an alternate device
- Run standalone utilities or diagnostics
- Use console commands at system startup and while the VMS system is running
- Use system parameters to build data structures, configure devices, or customize the user interface
- Customize the system configuration, using system parameters, boot command procedures, and startup command procedures

## RESOURCES

To complete this module, you must have access to the following documents:

1. *VMS System Manager's Manual*
2. *Guide to Setting Up a VMS System*
3. *VMS System Generation Utility Manual*
4. *VMS Installation and Operation Guide* for your specific VAX processor

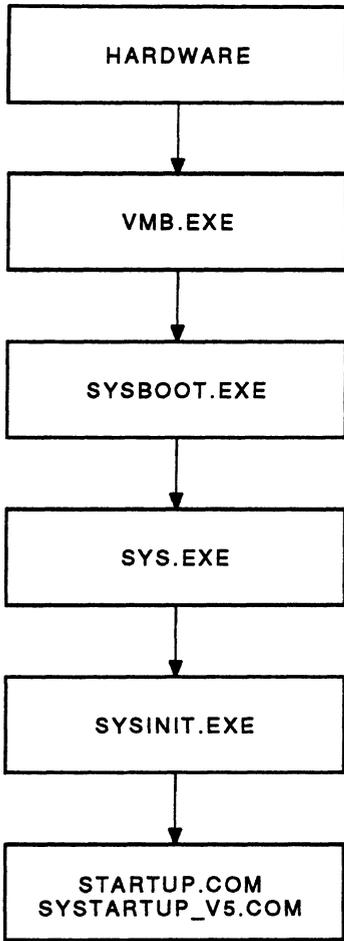
# STARTING UP A VMS SYSTEM

## Phases of Startup

1. Hardware loads VMB.EXE, primary bootstrap program
2. VMB.EXE loads SYS\$SYSTEM:SYSBOOT.EXE, secondary bootstrap program
3. SYSBOOT.EXE loads SYS\$SYSTEM:SYS.EXE and other executive images
4. The VMS executive initializes the VMS database, and creates process running SYS\$SYSTEM:SYSINIT.EXE
5. SYSINIT.EXE continues system initialization, and creates detached process executing DCL commands in SYS\$SYSTEM:STARTUP.COM
6. The STARTUP.COM command procedure:
  - Executes its own DCL commands
  - Executes DCL commands in nested command procedures, including SYS\$MANAGER:SYSTARTUP\_V5.COM
  - Completes system initialization

★ conversational boot

Figure 6-1: Startup Phases of a VMS System



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## VAX Console Subsystem

- Enables you to exercise control over the remaining VAX hardware
- Consists of six parts:
  - Console processor
  - Console command language (CCL)
  - Console terminal
  - Console device
  - Front panel switches and lights
  - Remote diagnosis port (optional)

**Table 6-1: VAX Console Subsystem**

Component	Function
Console processor	Interprets and executes console commands affecting VAX hardware. It does not require the presence of VMS software.
Console command language (CCL)	Used to express console commands affecting VAX hardware.
Console terminal	Printing terminal used to enter CCL commands and display responses (console I/O mode). When the VMS system is running, it can also serve as an interactive user terminal (program I/O mode).
Console device	Holds console volume, which may contain console processor microcode, VAX microcode and/or CCL command files. Used to update the VMS system, install optional VAX software, and run diagnostics.
Front panel switches and lights	Used to control system startup, recover from system failure, display system status, and perform remote diagnosis. Keyswitch turns power on and off.
Remote diagnosis port	Enables a terminal at the Digital Diagnosis Center to function as a remote console terminal.

## Front Panel Switches and Lights

- Used to start up system
- Switches control processor
- Lights indicate processor status

## Console Processor and Console Device

- Console processor
  - A small processor that “front-ends” the VAX processor
  - Used to monitor the overall operation of the VAX processor
  - Accomplishes first startup phase
- Console device
  - Contains console volume
  - Console volume contains files needed by console processor
    - Processor microcode
    - Primary bootstrap program
    - CCL command files
  - Console volume usually required for startup
  - Console volume must be mounted in console device

## Default System Device

- Each VAX processor supports a method of specifying a default system device
- If system volume is mounted on default system device, startup is almost automatic
- Steps for startup:
  1. Prepare the system for booting (by setting switches)
  2. If the power is off, turn it on
  3. Boot the system
  4. Prepare system for automatic restart (optional)

## **Automatic Restart**

- Battery backup makes system recovery possible after power failure
  - An optional hardware component
- Recovery can occur immediately
- If memory is valid after recovery, all processes and batch jobs resume where they left off
- If memory is not valid after recovery, system is initialized

## **Alternate System Devices**

- Can specify system device explicitly at system startup
  - If console volume is not customized for default startup
  - To override customized default
- Device codes used at startup are NOT necessarily standard VMS device codes

## Standalone Utilities and Diagnostics

- Can run on VAX processor without VMS software
  - Hardware diagnostics
  - VMS utilities
- Start up like a VMS system, using console
  - Larger selection of startup devices
  - Typically use console device
- Example: standalone BACKUP

## CONSOLE COMMANDS

- Each VAX processor has its own CCL.

## Issuing Console Commands at System Startup

- For the startup methods discussed in this module, issue CCL commands after receiving ">>>" prompt
- Console terminal serves as CCL command terminal at startup

>>> B RTN

>>> B / 1

(For conversational)

## Issuing Console Commands While the VMS System is Running

- Use the console terminal
  - Program mode: Interactive VMS terminal
  - Console mode: CCL command terminal
- When console terminal is in console mode
  - Most VAX processors continue to run
  - Some VAX processors are halted

### Example 6-1: Using the Console Terminal Interactively After Startup

```
%SET-I-INTSET, login interactive limit = 64, current interactive value = 0
SYSTEM          job terminated at 18-MAY-1989 20:16:46.67
```

```
Username: SYSTEM
Password:
```

```
Welcome to VAX/VMS Version 5.2
```

```
$
```

### Example 6-2: Using the Console Terminal in Console Mode

```
$ SHOW DEFAULT
WORK1: [BIERLY]
```

```
$ SHOW TERMINAL
```

```
Terminal:  _OPA0:      Device_Type:  LA36      Owner:  _OPA0:
Username:  BIERLY

Input:   300   LFill:    0   Width:  132   Parity:  None
Output:  300   CRfill:   0   Page:   24
```

```
Terminal Characteristics:
```

Interactive	Echo	Type-ahead	No Escape
No Hostsync	TTsync	Lowercase	No Tab
Wrap	Hardcopy	No Remote	No Eightbit

```
^P
```

```
>>>
```

```
>>>SET TERMINAL PROGRAM
```

Broadcast	No Readsnc	No Form	Fulldup
No Modem	No Local_echo	No Autobaud	No Hangup
No Brdcstmbx	No DMA	No Altypeahd	Set_speed
Line Editing	Overstrike editing	No Fallback	No Dialup
No Secure server	No Disconnect	No Psthru	No Syspassword
No SIXEL Graphics	No Soft Characters	No Printer Port	Numeric Keypad
No ANSI_CRT	No Regis	No Block_mode	No Advanced_video
No Edit_mode	No DEC_CRT	No DEC_CRT2	No DEC_CRT3

```
$
```

```
^P
```

```
>>>SET TERMINAL PROGRAM
```

```
$
```

## Customizing Startup and Automatic Restart

- Setting the default system device
  - System dependent
  - Can be set by hardware or software (depending on the VAX processor)
- Digital provides many command files on the console volume that can be chosen for DEFBOO.COM
  - Use command procedure SYS\$UPDATE:SETDEFBOO.COM

# SYSTEM PARAMETERS

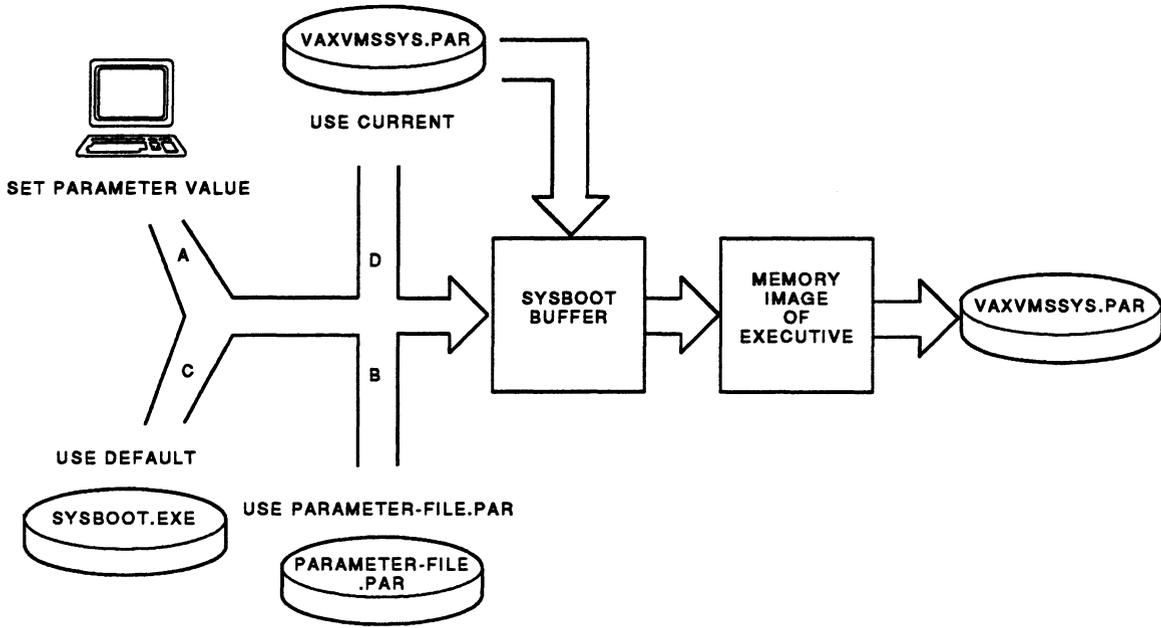
- Stored in SYS\$SYSTEM:VAXVMSSYS.PAR
- Used to build data structures, configure peripheral devices, and customize user interface each time the system starts up
- If modifications are required, they are usually accomplished by the SYSGEN utility or the command procedure SYS\$UPDATE:AUTOGEN.COM while the VMS system is running
- To make modifications while starting up, use the SYSBOOT program during conversational startup
  - Specify a minimum startup
  - Select an alternate file as the source of system parameter values
  - Set and show individual parameter values
  - Specify an alternate site-independent startup procedure

**Table 6-2: Using SYSBOOT During Conversational Startup**

Function	Command Format and Examples
Examining a system parameter or group of parameters	<pre> SYSBOOT&gt; SHOW parameter SYSBOOT&gt; SHOW /parameter-group SYSBOOT&gt; SHOW MAXPROCESSCNT SYSBOOT&gt; SHOW /ALL           </pre>
Modifying a system parameter	<pre> SYSBOOT&gt; SET parameter value SYSBOOT&gt; SET UAFALTERNATE 1           </pre>
Modifying a group of system parameters (.PAR files should be in SYS\$SYSTEM)	<pre> SYSBOOT&gt; USE parameter-file.PAR SYSBOOT&gt; USE CURRENT SYSBOOT&gt; USE DEFAULT SYSBOOT&gt; USE ALTPARAM.PAR           </pre>
Using an alternate DCL startup file	<pre> SYSBOOT&gt; SET/STARTUP SYS\$SYSTEM:startup-file SYSBOOT&gt; SET/STARTUP SYS\$SYSTEM:ALTSTART           </pre>
Exiting SYSBOOT to continue the startup procedure	<pre> SYSBOOT&gt; CONTINUE           </pre>

*SYSBOOT [SYSGEN] VAXVMSSYS.PAR ; 1*

**Figure 6-2: Effect of VMS Startup on System Parameters**



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r 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
 ↑  
 Root

⊙ = Nonstop  
 1 = conversational Boot

>>> B / 1 (for conversational Boot)

# SPECIFYING THE SYSTEM CONFIGURATION

- At each startup
  - System device is selected
  - System parameters determine how VMS database is constructed
  - DCL commands create system environment
- Files determine default system configuration
  - Must be customized

**Table 6-3: Customizing the System Configuration**

Customize	Contents of File	Location of File	Utility Used for Customization
DEFBOO.COM	CCL (or BOOT58) commands	Console volume	SYS\$UPDATE: SETDEFBOO.COM
VAXVMSSYS.PAR	System parameters	SYS\$SYSTEM	SYSBOOT, SYS- GEN, or AUTOGEN
SYSTARTUP_ V5.COM SYCONFIG.COM	DCL commands	SYS\$MANAGER	Text editor (such as EDT)

## Controlling Multiprocessing

- **Symmetric multiprocessing (SMP)**
  - Introduced with VMS Version 5.0
  - Two or more CPUs in one physical cabinet
    - Tightly coupled (equal access to VMS code and resources)
    - Address a common pool of memory
    - Capable of executing instructions simultaneously
    - All CPUs must be at same hardware and firmware level
  - Each CPU has a CPU ID
  - Jobs can run on any CPU (dynamic load leveling)
- **Primary processor**
  - Logically or physically attached to the console device
  - Performs initialization activities at system startup
  - Serves as system timekeeper
- **Secondary processor(s)**
  - All processors other than the primary processor
- **Available set**
  - Processors that have passed power-on hardware diagnostics
  - May or may not be actively involved in system operations
- **Active set**
  - Processors in the available set that are actively participating in system operations

SYSGEN parameters control processor membership and character.

**Table 6-4: SYSGEN Parameters for Multiprocessing Systems**

Parameter	Function
MULTIPROCESSING	Determines which synchronization image is loaded into the operating system at boot time
SMP_CPUS	Determines which processors are brought into the multiprocessing environment at boot time

DCL commands for SMP systems (require CMKRNL privilege).

**Table 6-5: DCL Commands to Control Multiprocessing Systems**

Command †	Function
START/CPU [cpu-id, ...]	Starts the specified secondary processor or processors
STOP/CPU [cpu-id, ...]	Stops the specified secondary processor or processors
SHOW CPU [cpu-id, ...]	Displays the current state of the processors

† Requires CMKRNL privilege.

# SHUTDOWN

- Three methods of system shutdown
  - Orderly shutdown
  - Emergency shutdown from DCL
  - Emergency shutdown from CCL

## Orderly Shutdown

- Preferred method
  - Warns users of approaching shutdown
  - Preserves all system and user data
- Command procedures used
  - SYS\$SYSTEM:SHUTDOWN.COM (site-independent)
  - SYS\$MANAGER:SYSHUTDWN.COM (site-specific)
- Steps to follow
  1. Log in as SYSTEM
  2. Issue: @SYS\$SYSTEM:SHUTDOWN
  3. Respond to message prompts
  4. Wait until the following message is displayed on console terminal:

```
SYSTEM SHUTDOWN COMPLETE -- USE CONSOLE TO HALT THE SYSTEM
```
  5. Use the console terminal to type:
    - a. CTRL/P
    - b. >>> H
- Canceling shutdown
  - CTRL/Y cancels remaining shutdown functions
  - Shutdown functions already accomplished must be manually reversed

## Functions of SHUTDOWN.COM

- Displays a notice on all terminals that a shutdown is planned
  - Reminds interactive users periodically as shutdown time approaches
- Prevents users from logging in (unless they have OPER privilege)
- Shuts down DECnet software
- Stops batch and print queues
- Executes site-specific DCL commands in SYSHUTDOWN.COM
- Stops user processes
- Removes installed images
- Dismounts mounted volumes other than the system disk (and, if requested, spins down the volumes)
- Closes the operator's log file
- Writes error log entries to disk
- Causes the VMS paging mechanism to record on disk any file changes that have occurred in memory
- Writes a dump header and error log allocation buffers to the dump file
- Shuts down secondary processors for multiprocessor systems
- Dismounts the system disk

## Automatic Reboot After Orderly Shutdown

- For automatic rebooting
  - Set the processor for auto-reboot (processor-dependent)
  - Answer YES to the automatic reboot question in the shutdown procedure

### Example 6-3: User View of Orderly System Shutdown

Username: JONES  
Password:

Welcome to VAX/VMS version 5.2 on node SUPER  
Last interactive login on Friday, 21-APR-1989 08:47  
Last non-interactive login Sunday, 23-APR-1989 00:01

\$

\$ SHOW DEFAULT  
WORK1:[JONES]

\$

SHUTDOWN message from user SYSTEM at \_OPA0: 08:23:36  
SUPER will shut down in 10 minutes; back up AT 10:00.  
PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE

\$ SHOW DEFAULT  
WORK1:[JONES]

\$

SHUTDOWN message from user SYSTEM at \_OPA0: 08:29:03  
SUPER will shut down in 5 minutes; back up AT 10:00. Please log out.  
PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE

\$

SHUTDOWN message from user SYSTEM at \_OPA0: 08:31:09  
SUPER will shut down in 3 minutes; back up AT 10:00. Please log out.  
PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE

\$

SHUTDOWN message from user SYSTEM at \_OPA0: 08:32:15  
SUPER will shut down in 2 minutes; back up AT 10:00. Please log out.  
PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE

\$

SHUTDOWN message from user SYSTEM at \_OPA0: 08:33:24  
SUPER will shut down in 1 minutes; back up AT 10:00. Please log out.  
PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE

\$

SHUTDOWN message from user SYSTEM at \_OPA0: 08:34:30  
SUPER will shut down in 0 minutes; back up AT 10:00. Please log out.  
PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE

\$ SHO

*(The system has logged out the user's process)*

*shut the system down*

*| @ sys \$ system : shut-down*

*always do a reboot - check*

*(power down system)*

## Emergency Shutdown with DCL Commands

- Use if orderly shutdown fails
- Use in emergency for speed
- For speed when no emergency exists, usually suffices to use orderly shutdown
  - Specify "0" as the number of minutes until shutdown
- Steps to follow:
  1. Log in as SYSTEM (procedure requires CMKRNL privilege)
  2. Issue: `$ RUN SYS$SYSTEM:OPCCRASH`
  3. Wait until the following message is displayed on console terminal:

```
SYSTEM SHUTDOWN COMPLETE -- USE CONSOLE TO HALT THE SYSTEM
```
  4. Use the console terminal to type:
    - a. CTRL/P
    - b. >>> H
- Functions of OPCCRASH
  - Writes error log entries to disk
  - Causes the VMS paging mechanism to record on disk any file changes that have occurred in memory
  - Writes a dump header and errorlog allocation buffers to the dump file
  - Dismounts the system disk

## Forcing a Shutdown with CCL Commands

- Use if no system response to interactive terminal input
- Console terminal only
- Functions
  - Writes crash dump file
  - Displays register contents on console terminal

## Automatic Reboot After Forcing a Shutdown

- For automatic rebooting
  - Set the processor for auto-reboot (processor-dependent)

1

2

3

4

5

# SUMMARY

- System is started in phases
- Console system exercises control over the remainder of the system
  - A fundamental component of startup activities
  - Console configuration and commands vary depending on processor type
  - Console commands are issued on the console terminal
    - At boot time (conversational boot)
    - While the VMS system is running
  - Used to change default system parameters
    - Default system device
    - Other system parameters
- Use standalone SYSBOOT utility to change system parameters
- Three types of system shutdown situations
  - Orderly shutdown
    - Preferred method
    - Warns users of impending shutdown
    - Preserves all system and user data
  - Emergency shutdown from DCL
  - Emergency shutdown from CCL
- Automatic restart
  - Selected by front panel switches or system parameter
  - Complete recovery can be achieved with battery backup hardware



## APPENDIX

This appendix contains processor-specific information and examples of terminal output, specifically for:

- VAX-11/730 systems
- VAX-11/750 systems
- VAX-11/780 systems

Information on other processors can be found in the *VMS Installation and Operation Guide* for the particular processor.

**Table 6-6: VAX Front Panel Switches**

Function	Switch		
	VAX-11/780	VAX-11/750	VAX-11/730
Turns power on and off. Enables and disables console terminal and remote diagnosis port.	Keyswitch	Keyswitch	Keyswitch
Affects recovery from system failure.	AUTORESTART	POWER ON ACTION †	AUTORESTART/BOOT
Requests system initialization	BOOT	INITIALIZE	AUTORESTART/BOOT
Selects system device at system startup and automatic restart.	Not done by switch for this processor	BOOT DEVICE	Not done by switch for this processor

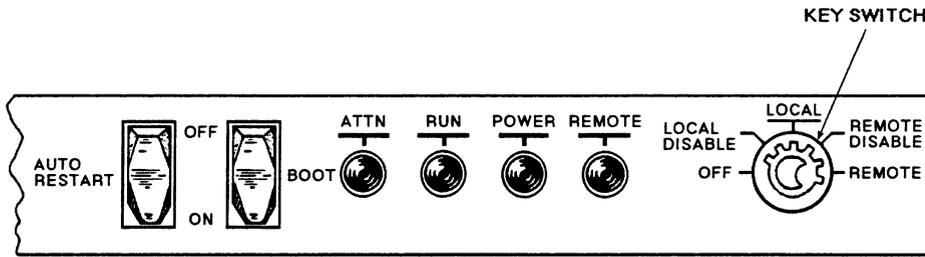
† Action taken on recovery is a choice of four, read counterclockwise from the top of the switch: BOOT, RESTART/BOOT, HALT, RESTART/HALT.

**Table 6-7: VAX Front Panel Lights**

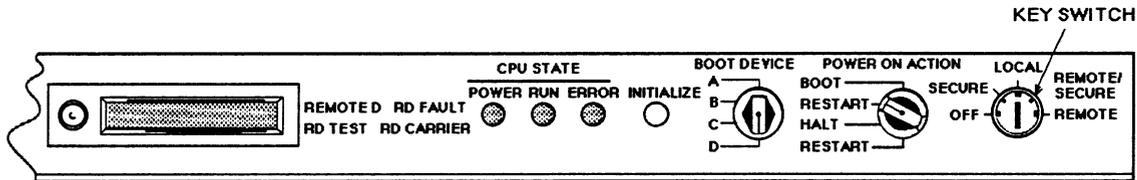
Function When Lit	Panel Light		
	VAX-11/780	VAX-11/750	VAX-11/730
Processor is not running. (May indicate a problem)	ATTN (red)	ERROR (red)	—
Processor is running.	RUN (green)	RUN (green)	RUN (red)
Processor is powered on. (Not lit when keyswitch is in the OFF position)	POWER (green)	POWER (green)	DC ON (red)
Remote diagnosis operation is in progress.	REMOTE (red)	See footnote †	R/D (red)

† For the VAX-11/750, remote diagnosis is indicated by the lighting of one or more labels to the left of the lights mentioned in this table. Figure 6-3 shows these block letter labels.

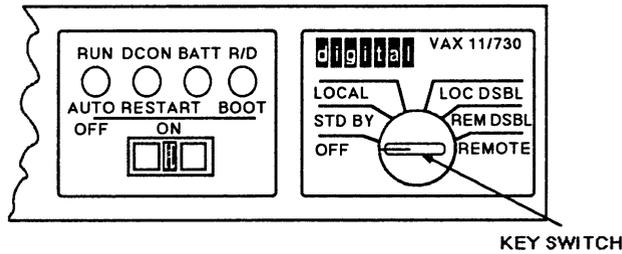
**Figure 6-3: VAX Console Control Panels**



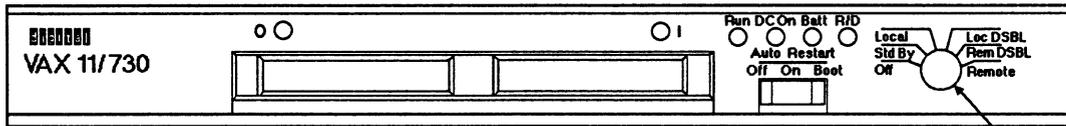
VAX-11/780



VAX-11/750



IDC-Configured VAX-11/730



UDA-Configured VAX-11/730

KEY SWITCH

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**Table 6-8: VAX Console Devices**

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Processor	Console Device	Location	Device
VAX-11/780	RX01 diskette drive	Inside right door of processor cabinet, at bottom. Pivots out for access.	CSA1:
VAX-11/750	TU58 cartridge tape drive	On console front panel.	CSA1:
VAX-11/730	Dual TU58 cartridge tape drive	On console front panel.	CSA1:
		On one type of VAX-11/730 processor, the second drive is inside the processor cabinet. You must slide the processor out of the cabinet to reach it.	CSA2:
		On the other type of VAX-11/730 processor, the second drive is located on the console front panel next to the first drive.	
		Both types of processors boot from the second console drive by default.	

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**Table 6-9: Starting Up a VMS System from Power Off Using the Default System Device**

Step	VAX-11/780	VAX-11/750	VAX-11/750 (using BOOT58)	VAX-11/730
1	Set AUTORESTART switch to OFF. Place console volume in console device.	Set POWER ON ACTION switch to HALT. Set BOOT DEVICE switch to default setting for system device (B, C, or D). The default setting is normally D, but this depends on your configuration.	Set POWER ON ACTION switch to HALT. Place console volume in console device. Set BOOT DEVICE switch to setting for console device, A.	Set AUTORESTART/BOOT switch to OFF. Place the console volume in the console device. †
2	Set keyswitch from OFF to LOCAL.	Set keyswitch from OFF to LOCAL.	Set keyswitch from OFF to LOCAL.	Set keyswitch from OFF to LOCAL.
3	When the >>> prompt appears on console terminal, toggle BOOT switch.	When the >>> prompt appears on console terminal, set POWER ON ACTION switch to BOOT. Press INITIALIZE button.	When the >>> prompt appears on console terminal, set POWER ON ACTION switch to BOOT. Press INITIALIZE button. When the BOOT58> prompt appears, type BOOT RETURN.	When the >>> prompt appears on console terminal, toggle AUTORESTART/BOOT switch from OFF to BOOT.
4	Set keyswitch from LOCAL to LOCAL DISABLE. Set AUTORESTART switch to ON.	Set keyswitch from LOCAL to SECURE. Set POWER ON ACTION switch to RESTART/BOOT.	Set keyswitch from LOCAL to SECURE. Set BOOT DEVICE switch to default setting for system device (B, C, or D), and set POWER ON ACTION switch to RESTART/BOOT.	Set keyswitch from LOCAL to LOC DSBL. (AUTORESTART/BOOT switch is set to ON.)

† For one type of VAX-11/730, the console volume (CSA2:) is always loaded in the console drive located inside the processor cabinet. You do not have to load the console volume on this type of processor.

#### Example 6-4: Default Startup of a VAX-11/780 from Power Off

```
CPU HALTED, SOMM CLEAR, STEP=NONE, CLOCK=NORM
RAD=HEX, ADD=PHYS, DAT=LONG, FILL=00, REL=00000000
INIT SEQ DONE
HALTED AT 000000

(RELOADING WCS)
LOAD DONE, 0800 MICROWORDS LOADED
VER: PCS=01 WCS=OE-10 FPLA-OE CON=V07-00-L

** >>>

CPU HALTED
INIT SEQ DONE
HALT INST EXECUTED
HALTED AT 200034F9

G 00000000E 00000200
LOAD DONE, 00005000 BYTES LOADED

VAX/VMS Version 4.6 23-JUN-1986 10:00
***** OPCOM 3-JUN-1987 08:36:03 *****
Logfile has been initialized by operator _OPAO:
Logfile is SYS$SYSROOT:[SYSMGR]OPERATOR.LOG;9

%SET-I-INTSET, login interactive limit = 64, current interactive value = 0
SYSTEM      job terminated at 3-JUN-1987 08:36:40.72

@
```

#### Example 6-5: Default Startup of a VAX-11/750 Using the Default System Disk from Power Off

```
%%
00000000 16
** >>>
%%

VAX/VMS Version 4.6 23-JUN-1986 10:00
***** OPCOM 11-JUL-1987 10:21:34.36 *****
Logfile has been initialized by operator _OPAO:
Logfile is SYS$SYSROOT:[SYSMGR]OPERATOR.LOG;2

%SET-I-INTSET, login interactive limit = 50, current interactive value = 0
SYSTEM      job terminated at 11-JUL-1987 10:21:53.85

$
```

## Example 6-6: Default Startup of a VAX-11/730 from Power Off

```
CONV011
?27 READ ERROR DD1
VERSION 03.00
>>>@POWER.CMD
>>>L/C CONSOLE.CPU           !Version 55
>>>L/C/S:0800 MMIE.CPU       !Version 55
>>>L/C/S:0E00 POWER.CPU     !Version 55
>>>S/C OB
>>>W
>>>@CODE01.CMD
>>>L/C/S:0E00 FP.CPU         !Version 55
>>>L/C/S:1A00 BITFLD.CPU    !Version 55
>>>L/C/S:1D00 CM.CPU        !Version 55
>>>L/C/S:2200 BASIC.CPU     !Version 55
>>>L/C/S:3B00 QUEUE.CPU     !Version 55
>>>L/C/S:4000 IDC.CPU       !Version 55
>>>I
** >>>
>>>@DD0:DEFBOO.CMD
>>>I
>>>D/G/L 0 00A80003
>>>D/G/L 1 3
>>>D/G/L 2 3FB86
>>>D/G/L 3 0
>>>D/G/L 4 0
>>>D/G/L 5 0
>>>E SP
G 0000000E 00000200
>>>L/P/S:@ VMB.EXE
>>>S @

VAX/VMS Version 4.6 23-JUN-1986 10:00

PLEASE ENTER DATE AND TIME (DD-MMM-YYYY HH:MM) 07-JUL-1987 18:55
***** OPCOM 7-JUL-1987 18:55:59.65 *****
Logfile has been initialized by operator _OPA0:
Logfile is SYS$SYSROOT:[SYSMGR]OPERATOR.LOG;50

%SET-I-INTSET, login interactive limit = 64, current interactive value = 0
SYSTEM      job terminated at 7-JUL-1987 18:57:40.34
$
```

**Table 6-10: Starting Up a VMS System from Power On Using the Default System Device**

Step	VAX-11/780	VAX-11/750	VAX-11/750 (using BOOT58)	VAX-11/730
1	Set AUTORESTART switch to OFF. Place console volume in console device.	Set POWER ON ACTION switch to HALT. Set BOOT DEVICE switch to default setting for system device (B, C, or D). The default setting is normally D, but this depends on your configuration.	Set POWER ON ACTION switch to HALT. Place console volume in console device. Set BOOT DEVICE switch to setting for console device, A.	Set AUTORESTART/BOOT switch to OFF. Place the console volume in the console device. †
2	Set keyswitch to LOCAL.	Set keyswitch to LOCAL.	Set keyswitch to LOCAL.	Set keyswitch to LOCAL.
3	Toggle BOOT switch. If nothing happens at console terminal, type CTRL/P. When >>> prompt appears, type HALT RETURN. When >>> prompt appears again, type BOOT RETURN.	Set POWER ON ACTION switch to BOOT. Press INITIALIZE button.	Set POWER ON ACTION switch to BOOT. Press INITIALIZE button. When the BOOT58> prompt appears, type: BOOT RETURN.	Toggle AUTORESTART/BOOT switch from OFF to BOOT. If nothing happens at console terminal, type CTRL/P. When >>> prompt appears, type B RETURN.
4	Set keyswitch from LOCAL to LOCAL DISABLE. Set AUTORESTART switch to ON.	Set keyswitch from LOCAL to SECURE. Set POWER ON ACTION switch to RESTART/BOOT.	Set keyswitch from LOCAL to SECURE. Set BOOT DEVICE switch to default setting for system device (B, C, or D) and set POWER ON ACTION switch to RESTART/BOOT.	Set keyswitch from LOCAL to LOC DSBL. Set AUTORESTART/BOOT switch to ON.

† For one type of VAX-11/730, the console volume (CSA2:) is always loaded in the console drive located inside the processor cabinet. You do not have to load the console volume on this type of processor.

**Table 6-11: Automatic Powerfall Recovery**

Restart Response After Power Failure	VAX-11/780 AUTORESTART Switch Setting	VAX-11/750 POWER ON ACTION Switch Setting	VAX-11/730 AUTORESTART/ BOOT Switch Setting
If memory is valid, try to recover from system failure. Otherwise, perform fresh startup.	ON	RESTART/BOOT	ON
If memory is valid, try to recover from system failure. Otherwise, halt processor.	—	RESTART/HALT	—
Halt processor.	OFF	HALT	OFF
Perform fresh startup.	—	BOOT	—

**Table 6-12: Starting Up a VMS System, Explicitly Specifying the System Device**

VAX-11/780	VAX-11/750	VAX-11/750 (using BOOT58)	VAX-11/730
<p>Step 1: Set AUTORESTART switch to OFF. Place console volume in console device.</p>	<p>Set POWER ON ACTION switch to HALT.</p>	<p>Set POWER ON ACTION switch to HALT. Place console volume in console device. Set BOOT DEVICE switch to setting for console device, A.</p>	<p>Set AUTORESTART/BOOT switch to OFF. Place the console volume in the console device. †</p>
<p>Step 2: Set keyswitch to LOCAL.</p>	<p>Set keyswitch to LOCAL.</p>	<p>Set keyswitch to LOCAL.</p>	<p>Set keyswitch to LOCAL.</p>
<p>Step 3: If &gt;&gt;&gt; prompt is not displayed on console terminal, obtain it by typing CTRL/P. Type HALT RETURN. Then, type BOOT ddu RETURN, where ddu is the startup code for system device.</p>	<p>If &gt;&gt;&gt; prompt is not displayed on console terminal, obtain it by typing CTRL/P. Type B ddcu RETURN, where ddcu is the startup code for the system device. (You must have the ROM for this device installed first.)</p>	<p>Set POWER ON ACTION switch to BOOT. Press INITIALIZE button. When the BOOT58&gt; prompt appears on console terminal, type BOOT ddcu RETURN, where ddcu is the startup code for the system device.</p>	<p>If &gt;&gt;&gt; prompt is not displayed on console terminal, obtain it by typing CTRL/P. Type B ddu RETURN, where ddu is the startup code for the system device.</p>
<p>Step 4: Set keyswitch from LOCAL to LOCAL DISABLE. Set AUTORESTART switch to ON.</p>	<p>Set keyswitch from LOCAL to SECURE. Set BOOT DEVICE switch to default setting for system device (B, C, or D), and set POWER ON ACTION switch to RESTART/BOOT.</p>	<p>Set keyswitch from LOCAL to SECURE. Set BOOT DEVICE switch to default setting for system device (B, C, or D), and set POWER ON ACTION switch to RESTART/BOOT.</p>	<p>Set keyswitch from LOCAL to LOC DSBL. Set AUTORESTART/BOOT switch to ON.</p>

† For one type of VAX-11/730, the console volume (CSA2:) is always loaded in the console drive located inside the processor cabinet. You do not have to load the console volume on this type of processor.

**Table 6-13: Device Codes Used at System Startup**

Device and Controller <sup>1</sup>	VAX-11/780 Support <sup>2</sup>	VAX-11/750 Support <sup>3</sup>	VAX-11/730 Support <sup>2</sup>	Device Code
<b>UNIBUS</b>				
RA60	S	S	S	DU
RA80	S	S	S	DU
RA81	S	S	S	DU
RL02		D	D	DL
RK06	D			DM
RK07	S	S	D	DM
<b>MASSBUS</b>				
RP05	S			DB
RP06	S	D		DB
RP07	S			DB
RM03	S	S		DB
RM05	S	S		DB
RM80	S	S		DB
<b>IDC</b>				
RL02			S	DQ
R80			S	DQ
<b>Console device</b>				
RX01	D			CS
TU58		D	D	CS <sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Letter codes:

S = device supported as system device or data device.

D = device supported as data device.

<sup>2</sup> For VAX-11/780, VAX-11/730: the format is **ddu**, where **dd** is the device code and **u** is the unit number.

<sup>3</sup> For the VAX-11/750, the full device code format is **ddcu**, where **dd** is the code in the above table, **c** is the channel letter, and **u** is the unit number. The channel letter, which is hardware-dependent, is usually A.

<sup>4</sup> On VAX-11/750: specify CS when using BOOT58; otherwise, specify DD when using CCL.

### Example 6-7: Startup of a VAX-11/780 Specifying an RM05 as System Device from Power On

```
>>>BOOT DB0

CPU HALTED
INIT SEQ DONE
HALT INST EXECUTED
HALTED AT 20003552

G 0000000E 00000200
LOAD DONE, 00005000 BYTES LOADED

VAX/VMS Version 4.6 23-JUN-1986 10:00

***** OPCOM 23-MAY-1987 08:38:22.82 *****
Logfile has been initialized by operator _OPA0:
Logfile is SYS$SYSROOT:[SYSMGR]OPERATOR.LOG;9

%MOUNT-I-MOUNTED, BIG_BIRD    mounted on _DRA1:
%MOUNT-I-MOUNTED, BERT      mounted on _DRA2:
%MOUNT-I-MOUNTED, ERNIE     mounted on _DRA3:
Job STARTNET (queue SYS$BATCH, entry 1166) started on SYS$BATCH
%RUN-S-PROC_ID, identification of created process is 00000089
***** OPCOM 23-MAY-1987 08:39:33.82 *****
Message from user SYSTEM
VAXsim E1.4 startup - Using SYS$SYSROOT:[SYSERR]VAXSIMDAT.DAT;1

Reply received from user SYSTEM at Batch 08:39:42
-- Ready for use.

%SET-I-INTSET, login interactive limit = 64, current interactive value = 0
***** OPCOM 23-MAY-1987 08:39:48.60 *****
Message from user DECNET
DECnet starting

SYSTEM      job terminated at 23-MAY-1987 08:39:48.90
```

### Example 6-8: Startup of a VAX-11/750 Specifying an RM03 as System Device from Power On

```
>>>B DBA0
%%

VAX/VMS Version 4.6 23-JUN-1986 10:00

***** OPCOM 3-JUN-1987 09:28:33.96 *****
Logfile has been initialized by operator _MOTHER$OPA0:
Logfile is SYS$SYSROOT:[SYSMGR]OPERATOR.LOG;32

%MOUNT-I-MOUNTED,CSSDISK    mounted on _DRB1:
%RUN-S-PROC_ID, identification of created process is 00000048
Job STARTNET (queue SYS$BATCH, entry 152) started on SYS$BATCH
%SET-I-INTSET, login interactive limit = 50, current interactive value = 0

Reply received on MOTHER from user SYSTEM at MOTHER Batch 09:30:12
VAX-11/750 System initialized

SYSTEM      job terminated at 3-JUN-1987 09:30:12.52
***** OPCOM 3-JUN-1987 09:30:34.07 *****
Message from user DECNET on MOTHER
DECnet starting
```

**Example 6-9: Startup of a VAX-11/730 Specifying an RL02 as System Device from Power On**

```
>>B DMO
>>>@DD1:D, OBOO.COMD
>>>I
>>>D/G 0 1
>>>D/G 1 3
>>>D/G 2 3FF20
>>>D/G 3 0
>>>D/G 4 0
>>>D/G 5 0
>>>E SP
G 0000000E 00000200
>>>L/P/S:@ VMB.EXE
>>>S@
```

VAX/VMS Version 4.6 23-JUN-1986 10:00

```
***** OPCOM 3-JUN-1987 09:21:10.93 *****
Logfile has been initialized by operator _OPA0:
Logfile is SYS$SYSROOT:[SYSMGR]OPERATOR.LOG;4
```

```
%SET-I-INTSET, login interactive limit = 64, current interactive value = 0
SYSTEM job terminated at 3-JUN-1987 09:21:24.59
```

**Table 6-14: Typical Console Commands**

Command Function	VAX-11/780	VAX-11/750	VAX-11/750 (BOOT58)	VAX-11/730
Starting up a VMS system or a standalone utility or diagnostic	BOOT	B	BOOT	B
Examining a processor register or memory location	EXAMINE	E	EXAMINE	E
Placing data in a processor register or memory location	DEPOSIT	D	DEPOSIT	D
Initializing state of VAX processor	INITIALIZE	I	N/A	I
Executing commands in a file	@file-spec	N/A	@file-spec	@file-spec
Reloading and restarting the console processor	REBOOT	N/A	N/A	N/A

**Table 6-15: Issuing Console Commands While the VMS System is Running**

Command Function	VAX-11/780 CCL	VAX-11/750 CCL	VAX-11/730 CCL
Changing mode of console terminal from program mode to console mode	CTRL/P (does not halt VAX processor)	CTRL/P (halts VAX processor)	CTRL/P (halts VAX processor)
Changing mode of console terminal from console mode to program mode	SET TERMINAL PROGRAM	C (restarts halted VAX processor)	C (restarts halted VAX processor)
Halting VAX processor	HALT	CTRL/P	CTRL/P
Restarting halted VAX processor without taking console terminal out of console mode	CONTINUE	Not possible on this processor	Not possible on this processor

**Table 6-16: Disabling the Use of Console Mode**

Function of Keyswitch Setting	VAX-11/780	VAX-11/750	VAX-11/730
Enables CTRL/P	LOCAL	LOCAL	LOCAL
Disables CTRL/P	LOCAL DISABLE	SECURE	LOC DSBL

**Table 6-17: CCL Command Files Used at Startup**

Device Code Used at System Startup (See Table 6-13)	Command Files on Console Volume Executed by BOOT Command
DB (VAX-11/750 and VAX-11/780 only)	DBnBOO.CMD (n = 0,1,...,7,A,B)
DM (VAX-11/750 and VAX-11/780 only)	DMnBOO.CMD (n = 0,1,2,3,A,B,)
DQ (VAX-11/730 only)	DQnBOO.CMD (n = 0,1,2,3)
DU (VAX-11/780 and VAX-11/730 only)	DU0BOO.CMD
CS	CS1BOO.CMD

## Example 6-10: File DB0BOO.COMD from a VAX-11/780 Console Volume

```
$ @SYS$UPDATE:DXCOPY
      Command file to copy files to/from the system
      console storage medium and the current directory.

Is system console storage medium mounted (Y/N)?: N
Please place the system console medium in the console drive
and type RETURN when ready:
%MOUNT-I-MOUNTED, VAX console mounted on _CSA1:
Copy from console medium (Y/N)?: Y
Enter console file name: DB0BOO.COMD
%EXCHANGE-S-MOUNTED, th RT-11 volume _CSA1: has been mounted
%EXCHANGE-S-COPIED, _CSA1:DB0BOO.COMD copied to SYS$SYSROOT:[SYSMGR]DB0BOO.COMD;3,
  20 records
%MOUNT-I-MOUNTED, VAX console mounted on _CSA1:
$
$ TYPE SYS$MANAGER:DB0BOO.COMD
!
!       DB0 BOOT COMMAND FILE - DB0BOO.COMD
!
HALT           ! HALT PROCESSOR
UNJAM          ! UNJAM SBI
INIT           ! INIT PROCESSOR
DEPOSIT/I 11 20003800 ! SET UP SCBB
DEPOSIT R0 0   ! DISK PACK DEVICE TYPE
DEPOSIT R1 8   ! MBA TR=8
DEPOSIT R2 0   ! ADAPTER UNIT = 0
DEPOSIT R3 0   ! CONTROLLER UNIT = 0
DEPOSIT R4 0   ! BOOT BLOCK LEN (UNUSED)
DEPOSIT R5 4000 ! SOFTWARE BOOT FLAGS
DEPOSIT FP 0   ! SET NO MACHINE CHECK EXPECTED
START 20003000 ! START ROM PROGRAM
WAIT DONE     ! WAIT FOR COMPLETION
!
EXAMINE SP    ! SHOW ADDRESS OF WORKING MEMORY+2X200
LOAD VMB.EXE/START:@ ! LOAD PRIMARY BOOTSTRAP
START @       ! AND START IT
$
```

## Example 6-11: Customizing the Console Volume

```
$ @SYSSUPDATE:SETDEFBOO
```

```
Command file to set default boot command file.
```

```
Please place the system console medium in the console drive.
```

```
Is the console medium ready to be mounted? (Y/N): Y
```

```
%MOUNT-I-MOUNTED, VAX console mounted on _CSA1:
```

```
Enter name of default boot command file: DBOBOO.CMD
```

```
%EXCHANGE-S-MOUNTED, the RT-11 volume _CSA1: has been mounted
```

```
%EXCHANGE-S-DELETEPREV, previous copy of _CSA1:DEFBOO.CMD deleted
```

```
%EXCHANGE-S-COPIED, _CSA1:DBOBOO.CMD copied to _CSA1:DEFBOO.CMD, 2 blocks
```

```
Default boot command file now replaced with DBOBOO.CMD.
```

```
Are you satisfied with this file as the default boot command file? (Y/N): Y
```

```
%MOUNT-I-MOUNTED, VAX console mounted on _CSA1:
```

```
$ DISMOUNT CSA1
```

```
$
```

## Example 6-12: File RESTAR.CMD from a VAX-11/780 Console Volume

```
$ @SYS$UPDATE:DXCOPY
    Command file to copy files to/from the system
    console storage medium and the current directory.

Is system console storage medium mounted (Y/N)? : N
Please place the system console medium on the console drive
and type RETURN when ready:
%MOUNT-I-MOUNTED, VAX console mounted on _CSA1:
Copy from console medium (Y/N)? : Y
Enter console file name: RESTAR.CMD
%EXCHANGE-S-MOUNTED, the RT-11 volume _CSA1: has been mounted
%EXCHANGE-S-COPIED, _CSA1:RESTAR.CMD copied to SYS$SYSROOT:[SYSMGR]RESTAR.CMD;1,
  20 records
%MOUNT-I-MOUNTED, VAX console mounted on _CSA1:
$
$ TYPE RESTAR.CMD
!
!   RESTART COMMAND FILE - RESTAR.CMD
!
!   THIS COMMAND FILE IS INVOKED IN THE EVENT OF POWER RECOVERY AND
!   OTHER CONSOLE DETECTED RESTART CONDITIONS IF THE AUTO RESTART SWITCH
!   IS SET.  IT CAN ALSO BE INVOKED MANUALLY WITH THE COMMAND:
!
!                               @RESTAR.CMD
!
HALT                               ! HALT PROCESSOR
UNJAM                              ! UNJAM SBI
INIT                               ! INITIALIZE PROCESSOR
DEPOSIT/I 11 20003800              ! SET ADDRESS OF SCB BASE
DEPOSIT R0 0                       ! CLEAR UNUSED REGISTERS
DEPOSIT R1 3                       ! UBA TR=3
DEPOSIT R2 0                       ! CLEAR UNUSED REGISTER
DEPOSIT R3 0                       ! CLEAR UNUSED REGISTER
DEPOSIT R4 0                       ! CLEAR UNUSED REGISTER
DEPOSIT R5 0                       ! CLEAR UNUSED REGISTER
DEPOSIT FP 0                      ! NO MACHINE CHECK EXPECTED
START 20003004                    ! START RESTART REFEREE
$
$ DISMOUNT CSA1
$
```

**Table 6-18: Starting Up a VMS Operating System Conversationally**

VAX-11/780 System	VAX-11/750 System	VAX-11/750 System (using BOOT58)	VAX-11/730 System
<p>Step 1: Set AUTORESTART switch to OFF. Place console volume in console device.</p>	<p>Set POWER ON ACTION switch to HALT. Set BOOT DEVICE switch to default setting for system device (B, C, or D).</p>	<p>Set POWER ON ACTION switch to HALT. Place console volume in console device. Set BOOT DEVICE switch to setting for console device, A.</p>	<p>Set AUTORESTART/BOOT switch to OFF. Place the console volume in the console device. †</p>
<p>Step 2: Set keyswitch to LOCAL.</p>	<p>Set keyswitch to LOCAL.</p>	<p>Set keyswitch to LOCAL.</p>	<p>Set keyswitch to LOCAL.</p>
<p>Step 3: If &gt;&gt;&gt; prompt is not displayed on console terminal, obtain it by typing CTRL/P. Type HALT RETURN. Then, type @dduGEN RETURN where ddu is the startup code for the system device.</p>	<p>If &gt;&gt;&gt; prompt is not displayed on console terminal, obtain it by typing CTRL/P. Type B/1 RETURN.</p>	<p>Set POWER ON ACTION switch to BOOT. Press INITIALIZE button. When the BOOT58&gt; prompt appears on console terminal, type D/G 3 u RETURN, @ddcGEN RETURN, where ddcu is the startup code for the system device.</p>	<p>If &gt;&gt;&gt; prompt is not displayed on console terminal, obtain it by typing CTRL/P. Type @dduGEN RETURN, where ddu is the startup code for the system device.</p>
<p>Step 4: Set keyswitch from LOCAL to LOCAL DISABLE. Set AUTORESTART switch to ON.</p>	<p>Set keyswitch from LOCAL to SECURE. Set POWER ON ACTION switch to RESTART/BOOT.</p>	<p>Set keyswitch from LOCAL to SECURE. Set BOOT DEVICE switch to default setting for system device (B, C, or D), and set POWER ON ACTION switch to RESTART/BOOT.</p>	<p>Set keyswitch from LOCAL to LOC DSBL. Set AUTORESTART/BOOT switch to ON.</p>

† For one type of VAX-11/730, the console volume (CSA2:) is always loaded in the console drive located inside the processor cabinet. You do not have to load the console volume on this type of processor.

### Example 6-13: Typical Conversational Startup

```
>>>@DBOGEN
!
!       DBO CONVERSATIONAL BOOT COMMAND FILE - DBOGEN.
!       BOOT FROM DBO AND STOP IN SYSBOOT TO ALTER PARAMETERS
!
HALT                ! HALT PROCESSOR
                   CPU HALTED
UNJAM               ! UNJAM SBI
INIT                ! INIT PROCESSOR
                   INIT SEQ DONE
DEPOSIT/I 11 20003800 ! SET UP SCBB
DEPOSIT R0 0        ! DISK PACK DEVICE TYPE
DEPOSIT R1 8        ! MBA TR=8
DEPOSIT R2 0        ! ADAPTER UNIT = 0
DEPOSIT R3 0        ! CONTROLLER UNIT = 0
DEPOSIT R4 0        ! BOOT BLOCK LBN (UNUSED)
DEPOSIT R5 4001     ! SOFTWARE BOOT FLAGS (CONVERSATIONAL BOOT)
DEPOSIT FP 0        ! SET NO MACHINE CHECK EXPECTED
START 20003000      ! START ROM PROGRAM
WAIT DONE          ! WAIT FOR COMPLETION
                   HALT INST EXECUTED
                   HALTED AT 20003552
                   !
EXAMINE SP         ! SHOW ADDRESS OF WORKING MEMORY +2X200
                   G 0000000E 00000200
LOAD VMB.EXE/START:@ ! LOAD PRIMARY BOOTSTRAP
                   LOAD DONE, 00005000 BYTES LOADED
START @           ! AND START IT
<@EOF>
<@EXIT>
SYSBOOT> USE ALTPARAM.PAR
SYSBOOT> SET UAFALTERNATE 1
SYSBOOT> SET/STARTUP SYS$SYSTEM:ALTSTART
SYSBOOT> CONTINUE
```

## Example 6-13: Typical Conversational Startup (Cont.)

```
VAX/VMS Version 5.2 3-JUN-1989 20:16
***** OPCOM 26-JUN-1989 20:17:24.90 *****
Logfile has been initialized by operator _OPA0:
Logfile is SYS$SYSROOT:[SYSMGR]OPERATOR.LOG;13

%MOUNT-I-MOUNTED, BIG_BIRD      mounted on _DRA1:
%MOUNT-I-MOUNTED, BERT         mounted on _DRA2:
%MOUNT-I-MOUNTED, ERNIE       mounted on _DRA3:
%MOUNT-F-VOLINV, volume is not software enabled
Job STARTNET (queue SYS$BATCH, entry 259) started on SYS$BATCH
%RUN-S-PROC_ID, identification of created process is 0000008A

Reply received from user SYSTEM at Batch 20:18:52
The 13th VAX -- THE SUPERSTITION -- Ready for use.

%SET-I-INTSET, login interactive limit = 64, current interactive value = 0
SYSTEM      job terminated at 26-JUN-1989 20:18:59.26
***** OPCOM 26-JUN-1989 20:19:05.73 *****
Message from user DECNET
DECnet starting
```

## Example 6-14: Performing an Orderly System Shutdown on a VAX-11/780 System

Username: SYSTEM  
Password:

Welcome to VAX/VMS version V5.2 on node SUPER  
Last interactive login on Saturday, 23-APR-1989 08:20  
Last non-interactive login on Saturday, 23-APR-1989 01:24

You have 7 new Mail messages.

\$ @SYSS\$SYSTEM:SHUTDOWN

SHUTDOWN -- Perform an Orderly System Shutdown

How many minutes until final shutdown [0]: 10  
Reason for shutdown [Standalone]: PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE  
Do you want to spin down the disk volumes [NO]? YES  
Do you want to invoke the site-specific shutdown procedure [YES]? YES  
Should an automatic system reboot be performed [NO]? NO  
When will the system be rebooted [later]: AT 10:00  
Shutdown options (enter as a comma-separated list):  
SAVE\_FEEDBACK Saves feedback data for AUTOGEN calculations  
REMOVE\_NODE Remaining nodes in the cluster should adjust quorum  
CLUSTER\_SHUTDOWN Entire cluster is shutting down  
REBOOT\_CHECK Check existence of basic system files  
Shutdown options [NONE]: NONE

SHUTDOWN message from user SYSTEM at \_OPA0: 08:23:36  
SUPER will shut down in 10 minutes; back up AT 10:00.  
PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE

44 terminals have been notified.

%SHUTDOWN-I-OPERATOR, This terminal is now an operator's console.

\*\*\*\*\* OPCOM 23-APR-1989 08:28:44.11 \*\*\*\*\*

Operator status for operator \_OPA0:

CENTRAL, PRINTER, TAPES, DISKS, DEVICES, CARDS, NETWORK, CLUSTER, SECURITY,  
REPLY, SOFTWARE, OPER1, OPER2, OPER3, OPER4, OPER5, OPER6, OPER7, OPER8, OPER9,  
OPER10, OPER11, OPER12

%SHUTDOWN-I-DISLOGINS, Interactive logins will now be disabled.

%SET-I-INTSET, login interactive limit = 0, current interactive value = 3

%SHUTDOWN-I-SHUTNET, The DECnet network will now be shut down.

SHUTDOWN message from user SYSTEM at \_OPA0: 08:29:03  
SUPER will shut down in 5 minutes; back up AT 10:00. Please log out.  
PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE

3 terminals have been notified.

SHUTDOWN message from user SYSTEM at \_OPA0: 08:31:09  
SUPER will shut down in 3 minutes; back up AT 10:00. Please log out.  
PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE

3 terminals have been notified.

## Example 6-14: Performing an Orderly System Shutdown on a VAX-11/780 System (Cont.)

```
SHUTDOWN message from user SYSTEM at _OPA0: 08:32:15
SUPER will shut down in 2 minutes; back up AT 10:00. Please log out.
PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE

3 terminals have been notified.
%SHUTDOWN-I-STOPQUEMAN, The queue manager will now be stopped.

SHUTDOWN message from user SYSTEM at _OPA0: 08:33:24
SUPER will shut down in 1 minutes; back up AT 10:00. Please log out.
PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE

3 terminals have been notified.

SHUTDOWN message from user SYSTEM at _OPA0: 08:34:30
SUPER will shut down in 0 minutes; back up AT 10:00. Please log out.
PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE

3 terminals have been notified.
%SHUTDOWN-I=SITESHUT, The site-specific shutdown procedure will now be invoked.
%SHUTDOWN-I-STOPUSER, All user processes will now be stopped.
%SHUTDOWN-I-REMOVE, All installed images will now be removed.
***** OPCOM 23-APR-1989 08:34:44.22 *****
Message from user DECNET
DECnet shutting down

%SHUTDOWN-I-DISMOUNT, All volumes will now be dismantled.
%SHUTDOWN-I-DISMOUNTDEV, Dismounting device _DRA1:.
%SHUTDOWN-I-DISMOUNTDEV, Dismounting device _DRA2:.
%SHUTDOWN-I-DISMOUNTDEV, Dismounting device _DRA3:.
***** OPCOM 23-APR-1989 08:35:03.13 *****
Message from user SYSTEM
_OPA0:, SUPER shutdown was requested by the operator.

***** OPCOM 23-APR-1989 08:35:03.69 *****
Logfile was closed by operator _OPA0:
Logfile was SYS$SYSROOT:[SYSMGR]OPERATOR.LOG;8

***** OPCOM 23-APR-1989 08:35:03.82 *****
Operator _OPA0: has been disabled, username SYSTEM

SYSTEM SHUTDOWN COMPLETE - USE CONSOLE TO HALT SYSTEM

^P
>>>H
      HALTED AT 80008CE8
>>>
```

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**Table 6-19: Forcing a Shutdown Using CCL Commands**

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VAX-11/780 System	VAX-11/750 System	VAX-11/730 System
CTRL/P	CTRL/P	CTRL/P
>>>HALT	>>>E/G F	>>>@CRASH
>>>@CRASH	>>>E P	
	>>>E/I 0	
	>>>E/I 1	
	>>>E/I 2	
	>>>E/I 3	
	>>>E/I 4	
	>>>D/G F FFFFFFFF	
	>>>D P 1F0000	
	>>>C	

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**MODULE 7**  
**INSTALLING AND UPDATING**  
**SYSTEM SOFTWARE**

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# INTRODUCTION

The system manager of a VMS system must install and customize the software on the system before users can log in and work. This module focuses on the skills needed to install, upgrade, and add maintenance updates or optional software to your VMS system. Software installation, whether you are installing the operating system or an optional product, involves two basic steps:

- Registering a Product Authorization Key (PAK). This key represents your software license and allows the software to run.
- Installing the software itself. This means copying the software from a distribution volume onto the system disk.

After you install the operating system, customize it using the skills discussed in the other modules in this course. Finally, you should run the User Environment Test Package (UETP) and make backup copies of your system disk and console volume.

## OBJECTIVES

- Use the License Management Facility to manage the software license database
- Install VMS system software
- Upgrade VMS system software
- Install optional software and maintenance updates
- Customize and save the contents of the system volume and the console volume
- Run the User Environment Test Package (UETP) to test the hardware and the software

## RESOURCES

1. *VMS Installation and Operation Guide* for each processor
2. *VMS Release Notes* for latest version of the operating system
3. *VMS License Management Utility Manual*

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# MANAGING PRODUCT LICENSES USING THE LICENSE MANAGEMENT FACILITY (LMF)

## Overview of the LMF

- Most Digital products now require a **license key** to be installed in order to operate VMS V5.0 and later systems. You install the key by copying information from a paper Product Authorization Key (PAK).
- These product keys are entered into a cluster-wide database.
- As each node is started up, licenses are loaded into a volatile LMF database in memory.
- Products on any node in the cluster check the volatile database to determine whether a particular use of the product is licensed or not.
- There are two basic types of licenses:
  - Availability License: Allows the use of a product on a host
  - Activity License: Allows a specific number of concurrent users to access a product.
- It is also possible to combine the two licenses:
  - Compound License: Requires a host license and further licenses for each concurrent user.
- Products can also be grouped together under a single license so that a single key will enable the use of several products.

## **LMF Features and Benefits**

- Centralized license management, administration, and tracking
- Managed by the manipulation of license keys
- Ability to INCLUDE or EXCLUDE nodes for subcluster licensing
- Concurrent user licensing distributed over the cluster
- Allows generous copying; focuses on use
- Spans the VAX family
- Allows combination of license keys
- Supports possible future technologies such as distribution of software and documentation on CD-ROM

## Components of the LMF

- License Unit Requirement Tables (LURT)
  - LURTs contain the number of units required for each VAX model number.
  - The LURTs are specified by a letter table code in the PAK in either the availability field, activity field, or both.
- The License Management Utility

Format:

```
$ LICENSE subcommand parameter
```

The License Management Utility (LICENSE) is a DCL-level interface to the License Management Facility (LMF) on the VMS operating system.

- The LICENSE database
  - Holds all information about keys. The database is managed by the LICENSE utility.
  - SYS\$COMMON:[SYSEXE]LMF\$LICENSE.LDB is the default location.
  - If there is more than one system disk in the cluster, logical name LMF\$LICENSE should point to a single database for the cluster containing all product licenses for all cluster hosts.
  - If there is no disk accessible to all hosts, separate databases should be maintained **identically** (see the *VMS License Management Utility Manual*).
- SYS\$UPDATE:VMSLICENSE.COM
  - A command procedure to assist you in registering your keys in the LICENSE database.

## License Units and License Unit Requirement Tables

### License Units

- Basic element by which Digital specifies how much product use a license authorizes.
- Each license key specifies the number of units purchased with the corresponding license.
- Each processor has a series of license unit requirements, with higher performance processors requiring more license units.
- Products query the LMF to determine if there are sufficient units available to activate the product. If the number of units available are greater or equal to the units required, then the product may be used.

### License Unit Requirement Tables (LURTs)

- LURTs are lists of the unit requirements for each supported processor for particular types of products.
- A LURT for availability licenses specifies the number of units required to load a product's license key on a specific VAX system for unlimited use.

Example: Unlimited use of a product RETRIEVE on a VAX 6230 might require 1500 license units, while unlimited use of RETRIEVE on a MicroVAX II might require only 200 units.

- A LURT for activity licenses specifies the number of units required for each concurrent user on a specific VAX system model using the product.
  - The user can be anywhere in the cluster.
  - Different hosts in the cluster might require different numbers of units per user.
  - As each user activates the product, the number of available units decreases according to the processor they are accessing the product from.
  - If there are not enough available units for another user on a particular host, that user gets an error message.
  - When a user stops using the product, the units they were using again become available.
  - Activity licenses are useful when you expect to use a product infrequently and by a small number of users on a large machine.
  - Additional activity licenses can be purchased to add more users.
  - Products licensed by activity licenses can also be licensed by availability licenses at your discretion if product usage increases beyond the point where an activity license is cost effective.

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**Table 7-1: Values for an Activity License LURT**

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VAX Model	Number of License Units Required per User
VAX 8650 system	75
VAX 8350 system	60
VAXstation 2000 system	30

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### **Product Usage with Activity License in a Cluster**

A product QUERY has an activity license for 1000 units in a cluster consisting of a VAX 8650, VAX 8350, and three VAXstation 2000 systems. For this discussion, the activity license LURT will have values as shown above.

As each user anywhere in the cluster accesses QUERY, the number of units required per user by that host will be subtracted from the number of units available to all other hosts in the cluster.

If there were eight users on the VAX 8650, that would require  $8 \times 75 = 600$  units. If there were five users on the VAX 8350 at the same time, that would require an additional  $5 \times 60 = 300$  units. This leaves only 100 units. This would allow each of the three VAXstation 2000s to have one user of QUERY, that would require  $3 \times 1 \times 30 = 90$  units. The next user anywhere in the cluster would receive an error message because the 10 units remaining are not enough for any users.

Note that the three VAXstation 2000 users could not all have accessed QUERY from either the VAX 8650 or the VAX 8350. With 100 units remaining, only one additional user could have used the product from either VAX system.

# LICENSE UTILITY

## LICENSE Subcommand Overview

**Table 7-2: LICENSE Subcommands**

Command	Function
AMEND	Changes a license currently in the LICENSE database
CANCEL	Specifies a new termination date for a product currently in the LICENSE database
CREATE	Creates a LICENSE database with no license records
DISABLE	Disables an existing license in the LICENSE database
ENABLE	Enables an existing license in the LICENSE database so it can be activated with the LICENSE LOAD command
ISSUE	Produces a replica of a PAK that is sent to a file or displayed on your terminal (the default). <i>This command disables the license in the database.</i>
LIST	Displays information from the LICENSE database about the specified license or licenses
LOAD	Activates a license or licenses making them available for product authorization for the current node
MODIFY	Modifies a license for system management and license sharing purposes
REGISTER	Adds a new license to the LICENSE database
START	Sets up an in-memory table for your system, and activates all licenses that are registered and enabled in the LICENSE database
UNLOAD	Deactivates a license, making the product unavailable from the current node

## AMEND

- Amends a license currently in the LICENSE database.
- Use the LICENSE AMEND command only when the software vendor provides amendment information. (Currently, Digital does not issue amendments to licenses.)
- Use the LICENSE MODIFY command for all other changes to a license.

Format: LICENSE AMEND product-name

Example:

```
$ LICENSE AMEND GIZMO /PRODUCER=DEC /ISSUER=DEC -  
_ $ /AUTHORIZATION=USA4321 -  
_ $ /CHECKSUM=1-GEAD-ODA-HIDN-PLAC /VERSION=9.3
```

This command amends the license for the Digital software product named GIZMO. Entering this command upgrades an existing GIZMO license to Version 9.3. The producer name, issuer name, authorization number, and checksum number are typed exactly as they appear in the amendment information.

## CANCEL

Specifies a new termination date for a product currently in the LICENSE database. You must use the /TERMINATION=date qualifier.

Format: LICENSE CANCEL /TERMINATION=date product-name

Example:

```
$ LICENSE CANCEL/AUTHORIZATION=USA1776 -  
_ $ /TERMINATION=04-JUL-1989 VAX-VMS
```

Unless an earlier termination date exists, this command sets a new cancellation date of July 4, 1989 for the license on the VMS system.

Note that the product name is entered with a hyphen (-) character as it was specified on the PAK.

## CREATE

Creates a LICENSE database with no license records. LMF creates a default LICENSE database in SYS\$COMMON:[SYSEXE]LMF\$LICENSE.LDB. Therefore, you need not specify this command.

Format: LICENSE CREATE

Example:

```
$ LICENSE CREATE/DATABASE=SYS$MANAGER:LMF$LICENSE.LDB
```

## DISABLE

Disables an existing license in the LICENSE database. A disabled license cannot be activated to authorize product use. The LICENSE DISABLE command does not immediately affect any active processes. Active processes are affected only if you enter a LICENSE UNLOAD command or if the system shuts down.

Format: LICENSE DISABLE product-name

Example:

```
$ LICENSE DISABLE VAXset /PRODUCER=DEC
```

This command disables the license for VAXset software, produced by Digital. Because no database is specified, LMF uses the default database.

## ENABLE

Enables an existing license in the LICENSE database so that it can be activated with the LICENSE LOAD command. This command cancels the effect of the LICENSE DISABLE command. Newly registered licenses are enabled by default.

Format: LICENSE ENABLE product-name

Example:

```
$ LICENSE ENABLE VAXSET /PRODUCER=DEC
```

## ISSUE

Produces a replica of a PAK that is sent to a file or displayed on your terminal (the default). If the terms and conditions of your license contract allow it, you can then enter this PAK replica in the LICENSE database of another processor. When you enter a LICENSE ISSUE command, LMF disables the license in the current LICENSE database and marks the license ISSUED. To enable a license that has been marked ISSUED, enter the LICENSE ENABLE command.

Format: LICENSE ISSUE product-name

Example:

```
$ LICENSE ISSUE /OUTPUT=SYSS$MANAGER:FORTTRAN.PAK -  
_ $ /PRODUCER=DEC FORTTRAN
```

## LIST

Displays information from the LICENSE database about the specified license or licenses. You can control the form, content, and location of information displayed with the /BRIEF, /FULL, /HISTORY, and /OUTPUT qualifiers.

Format: LICENSE LIST [product-name]

Example

```
$ LICENSE LIST  
Press CTRL/Z to exit, use arrow keys to scroll.  
.  
.  
.  
-----  
FORTTRAN          DEC  
COBOL             DEC  
PASCAL            DEC  
[End of List]
```

History records are written by every command that changes any fields in a license record. These commands are AMEND, CANCEL, ENABLE, DISABLE, ISSUE, and MODIFY.

## Example 7-1: \$ LICENSE LIST/FULL/HISTORY Output

\$ LICENSE LIST /FULL /HISTORY FORTRAN

Press CTRL/Z to exit, PF3-PF4 for Previous-Next Screen and Arrow Keys to Scroll.

### License Management Facility

LICENSE database File: ART::SYSS\$COMMON:[SYSEXE]LMF\$LICENSE.LDB  
Created on: 17-AUG-1988  
Created by user: MONET  
LMF Version: V1.0

-----  
Issuer: DEC  
Authorization: USA-2468  
Product Name: FORTRAN  
Producer: DEC  
Units: 2000  
Version: V4.7  
Date: (none)  
Termination Date: 10-DEC-1990  
Availability: F (Layered Products)  
Activity: 0  
Options:  
Hardware ID:

Revision Level: 2  
Status: Active  
Command: AMEND  
Modified by user: DEGAS  
Modified on: 19-AUG-1989 14:32:23.41  
Include: ART

-----  
Issuer: DEC  
Authorization: USA-2468  
Product Name: FORTRAN  
Producer: DEC  
Units: 2000  
Modified Units: 9999  
Date: (none)  
Version: V4.5  
Termination Date: 20-AUG-1989  
Availability: F (Layered Products)  
Activity: 0  
Options: MOD\_UNITS  
Hardware ID:

Revision Level: 1  
Status: History  
Command: AMEND  
Modified by user: DEGAS  
Modified on: 29-AUG-1988 12:12:27.33  
[End of List]

## LOAD

Activates a license or licenses making them available for product authorization for the current node. The product license or licenses must currently exist and be active in the LICENSE database. If the license is already loaded, the LMF returns an error message and makes no changes.

To use this command you need the privileges to change mode to kernel (CMKRNL), to create system logical names (SYSNAM), and system privileges (SYSPRV).

Format: LICENSE LOAD [product-name]

Example:

```
$ LICENSE UNLOAD FORTRAN
$ LICENSE MODIFY/INCLUDE=MUSIC FORTRAN
$ LICENSE LOAD FORTRAN
```

Whenever a load is successful, the utility displays a message showing the number of license units loaded. You can also use the DCL command SHOW LICENSE to see what licenses are loaded.

## MODIFY

Modifies a license for system management and license-sharing purposes. The LICENSE MODIFY command changes data in the LICENSE database immediately, but the modifications do not affect a running system until you activate the modified license with a LICENSE LOAD command.

Before using this command, refer to your software license agreement to determine whether the modifications you want to make are valid under the terms of the license.

Format: LICENSE MODIFY product-name

Example:

```
$ LICENSE MODIFY /EXCLUDE=(DANCE,THEATR) -
_$ /COMMENT="Modified to exclude nodes DANCE & THEATR 10/23/89" -
_$ FORTRAN
```

## REGISTER

Adds a new license to the LICENSE database. A Product Authorization Key (PAK) provides the product name and information you need to register the license. You must enter all information provided by your PAK exactly as specified.

Often the command procedure SYS\$UPDATE:VMSLICENSE.COM is used to register a new product license. This provides a prompt-based interface to the LICENSE REGISTER command.

Format: LICENSE REGISTER product-name

Example:

```
$ LICENSE REGISTER FORTRAN /ISSUER=DEC /AUTHORIZATION=USA-10 -  
_ $ /PRODUCER=DEC /UNITS=400 /VERSION=4.6 -  
_ $ /AVAILABILITY=F /CHECKSUM=1-HIDN-INDA-COMP-DAH
```

```
$ LICENSE REGISTER DVNETRTG /ISSUER=DEC -  
_ $ /AUTHORIZATION=USA-15 -  
_ $ /PRODUCER=DEC /UNITS=1000 /VERSION=4.0 -  
_ $ /AVAILABILITY=E /CHECKSUM=1-COOD-AGON-EFIC-HING
```

## START

Sets up the License Unit Requirement Table (LURT) for your system, and activates all licenses that are registered and enabled in the LICENSE database. Because the VMS operating system issues a LICENSE START command during system startup, you should need this command only if startup fails.

To use this command, you need the privileges to change mode to kernel (CMKRNL), to create system logical names (SYSNAM), and system privileges (SYSPRV).

Format: LICENSE START

Example:

```
$ LICENSE START
```

This command sets up the LURT for your system and activates all the licenses that are registered and enabled in the LICENSE database.

## UNLOAD

Deactivates a license, making the product unavailable from the current node. The product license or licenses must be registered in the LICENSE database and must have been previously activated with an interactive or automatic LICENSE LOAD command. The LICENSE UNLOAD command has no effect on active processes.

To use this command you need the privileges to change mode to kernel (CMKRNL), to create system logical names (SYSNAM), and system privileges (SYSPRV).

Format: LICENSE UNLOAD product-name

Example:

```
$ LICENSE UNLOAD/PRODUCER=DEC FORTRAN
```

## Messages

To ensure that LMF messages are displayed through the Operator's Communication Facility (OPCOM), you must define the logical name LMF\$DISPLAY\_OPCOM\_MESSAGE as follows:

```
$ DEFINE/EXEC/SYSTEM LMF$DISPLAY_OPCOM_MESSAGE TRUE
```

**Example 7-2: Product Authorization Key**

```

- - - - -
| | | | | | | |
| d | i | g | i | t | a | l |
| | | | |
- - - - -

```

LICENSE SOFTWARE PRODUCT  
 PRODUCT AUTHORIZATION KEY

DOCUMENT ISSUE DATE
18-MAY-1989

Digital Equipment Corporation  
 Maynard, MA.

LICENSE ADMINISTRATION LOCATION:
Digital Equipment Corporation
Maynard, Massachusetts

ORDERED BY: Newton Scientific Inst.  
 Mr. Isaac Newton  
 128 Main St.  
 Newton, MA 03300

\*\*\*\*\*

PAK ID:

                  Issuer: DEC  
 Authorization Number: USA000877

PRODUCT ID:

                  Product Name: FORTRAN  
                   Producer: DEC

NUMBER OF UNITS:

                  Number of units: 5000

KEY LEVEL:

                  Version: 5.0  
                   Product Release Date: 18-APR-1989

KEY TERMINATION DATE:

                  Key Termination Date:

RATING:

                  Availability Table Code: F  
                   Activity Table Code:

MISCELLANEOUS:

                  Key Options: MOD\_UNITS  
                   Product Token:  
                   Hardware-Id:  
                   Checksum: 1-CCLB-MNBO-KNNG-CBEH

\*\*\*\*\*

### Example 7-3: VMSLICENSE Session

```
$ SET DEF SYSS$UPDATE
$ @VMSLICENSE.COM
```

VMS License Management Utility Options:

1. Register a Product Authorization Key
2. Amend an existing Product Authorization Key
3. Cancel an existing Product Authorization Key
4. List Product Authorization Keys
5. Modify an existing Product Authorization Key
  
9. Exit this procedure

Type '?' at any prompt for a description of the information requested.

Enter one of the above choices [1]: 1

Do you have your Product Authorization Key? [YES]: y

The REGISTER option allows you to add a new license to a license database. A Product Authorization Key (PAK) provides the product name and information you need to register the license. You must enter all the information provided by your PAK exactly as specified.

PAK ID:

                  Issuer [DEC]:  
                  Authorization Number []: USA000877

PRODUCT ID:

                  Product Name []: FORTRAN  
                  Producer [DEC]:

NUMBER OF UNITS:

                  Number of Units []: 5000

KEY LEVEL:

                  Version []: 5.0  
                  Product Release Date []: 18-APR-1989

KEY TERMINATION DATE:

                  Key Termination Date []:

RATING:

                  Availability Table Code []: F  
                  Activity Table Code []:

### Example 7-3: VMSLICENSE Session Cont.

MISCELLANEOUS:

```
Key Options []: MOD_UNITS
Product Token []:
Hardware-Id []:
Checksum []: 1-CCLB-MNBO-KNNG-CBEH
```

```
License Database File: SYSSCOMMON:[SYSEXE]LMF$LICENSE.LDB
Issuer: DEC
Authorization: USA000877
Producer: DEC
Product Name: DOCUMENT
Units: 5000
Date: 18-APR-1989
Version: 5.0
Termination Date:
Availability: F
Activity:
Options: MOD_UNITS
Token:
Hardware ID:
Checksum: 1-CCLB-MNBO-KNNG-CBEH
```

Is this information correct? [YES]:

Registering DOCUMENT license in SYSSCOMMON:[SYSEXE]LMF\$LICENSE.LDB...

Do you want to LOAD this license on this system? [YES]:

%LICENSE-I-LOADED, DEC DOCUMENT was successfully loaded with 0 units

VMS License Management Utility Options:

1. Register a Product Authorization Key
- .
- . <other options omitted from this listing>
- .
9. Exit this procedure

Enter one of the above choices [1]: 9

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### LICENSE MANAGEMENT FACILITY AND LICENSE AGREEMENTS

The terms and conditions of your product contract determine your legal use of software. The LMF is a management tool that can help you comply with your license agreement. However, the LMF offers options for many kinds of license agreements. Using some of these options can be illegal for your specific contract. You must read your contract carefully to determine which LMF options you can use legally.

For more information on your legal responsibilities, contact your Digital representatives.

# SOFTWARE INSTALLATION

## Installing a Major Release of the Operating System

- Instructions for installing the system are in *VMS Installation and Operation* guides.
- There is one guide for each family of systems, for example:
  - *VMS Installation and Operation Guide: VAX 8820, VAX 8830, VAX 8840*
  - *VMS Installation and Operation Guide: VAX 6200 Series*
  - *VMS Installation and Operation Guide: VAX 8200, VAX 8250, VAX 8300, VAX 8350*
  - *VMS Installation and Operation Guide: VAX-11/780, VAX-11/785*

### Basic Steps in Installation

1. Build a VMS system volume on the new disk.
  - a. If system device is removable, load scratch system volume in system device.
  - b. Use standalone BACKUP to copy portion of VMS software from distribution medium to disk, to form kernel VMS system.
  - c. Start kernel VMS system.
  - d. BACKUP utility automatically copies remainder of VMS software from distribution medium to scratch volume (during this step, you may need to answer some questions).
  - e. Complete VMS system should exist on new system disk volume.
2. Boot system using new system disk.
3. Use `SYS$UPDATE:VMSINSTAL.COM` to install the mandatory update.
4. Use the LICENSE utility to register the VMS license.

#### NOTE

**In a new installation, it is not necessary to use the procedure `SYS$UPDATE:VMSINSTAL.COM` to install updates or the LICENSE utility step. These operations are performed automatically.**

5. Customize the new system volume and console volume for your site.

- Use SYS\$UPDATE:VMSTAILOR.EXE to remove unwanted files from the system volume.
- Use AUTHORIZE to add UAF records, proxy records, and rights database information to the UAF.
- Use SYSMAN to set up disk quotas on data volumes.
- Modify site-specific startup command procedure files.
- Decompress the system libraries.
- If necessary, change default boot file on console volume, following instructions in the appropriate *VMS Installation and Operation Guide*.
  - On some systems, you use console commands.
  - On other systems, you use SYS\$UPDATE:SETDEFBOO.COM. boot file.
- Run the User Environment Test Package (UETP).
- If necessary, create a spare console volume, following instructions in the appropriate *VMS Installation and Operation Guide*.
- Use standalone BACKUP to make a copy of the system volume.

## Upgrading the Operating System

- Perform an upgrade to convert an existing system to a new major release of VMS software, leaving all user files intact.
- The upgrade procedure is documented in a single place, generally the *VMS Release Notes* for that version.
- Before upgrading, use standalone BACKUP to back up the system disk.
- Following the directions in the release notes, use SYS\$UPDATE:VMSINSTAL.COM to perform the upgrade. The upgrade procedure:
  - Purges and deletes some VMS files to make room for the upgrade
  - Transfers VMS files from the distribution medium to the system disk
  - Merges the old system files and the new system files
  - Cleans up files and structures used only during the upgrade
- After the upgrade:
  - Use SYS\$UPDATE:VMSINSTAL to install the mandatory update.
  - Run UETP to test installation.
  - Use BACKUP to make a copy of the new system volume.
  - If the console volume was modified during the upgrade procedure, make a spare copy of the console volume.

## Installing Maintenance Updates

- Two situations in which you update the VMS operating system:
  - After an installation or upgrade, you must apply a mandatory update.
  - Some releases of the VMS operating system do not require a full upgrade, merely an update.
- The update procedure is documented in the VMS *Release Notes* for that version.
- Before the update, use standalone BACKUP to back up the system disk.
- Following the directions in the release notes, use SYS\$UPDATE:VMSINSTAL.COM to perform the update. The update procedure:
  - Applies patches to some system files
  - Replaces some system files
- After the update:
  - Run UETP to test system integrity.
  - Use BACKUP to make a copy of the new system volume.

### NOTE

**Maintenance updates MUST be installed in the proper sequence.**

## Running UETP

- The User Environment Test Package (UETP) tests:
  - All standard peripheral devices
  - Various commands and operating system functions
  - The system's multiuser capability
  - DECnet-VAX software
- Instructions for running UETP are in the *VMS Installation and Operation Guide* for your processor.
- Basic steps in using UETP:
  - Log in with user name SYSTEST.
  - Prepare devices for testing.
  - Execute UETP.
    1. \$@UETP
    2. At UETP prompts, press RETURN key to request default action.
    3. By default, UETP runs all possible tests.
  - If UETP does not complete successfully, see the chapter on UETP in your *VMS Installation and Operation Guide*.
  - If you are unable to correct an error by following directions in the manual, get help from your Digital Field Service representative.

## Installing Optional (Layered) Products

- Install optional products after installing the VMS system and running UETP.
- Use SYS\$UPDATE:VMSLICENSE.COM to register Product Authorization Key (PAK) for the product.
- Consult optional product's software installation guide for additional steps and further instructions.
  - Some optional software is part of the VMS kit and requires no further installation. These *System Integrated Products* include:

DECnet-VAX  
VAXcluster Software  
VAX Volume Shadowing  
RMS Journaling

- For most products, you use SYS\$UPDATE:VMSINSTAL to copy the product software to the system disk.

### Example 7-4: Using the VMSINSTAL Command Procedure to Install FORTRAN

```
$ @SYS$UPDATE:VMSINSTAL FORT050 MUA0:
```

```
VAX/VMS Software Product Installation Procedure V5.0
```

```
It is 12-MAY-1988 at 12:11.
```

```
Enter a question mark (?) at any time for help.
```

```
* Are you satisfied with the backup of your system disk [YES]? 
```

```
The following products will be processed:
```

```
FORT V5.0
```

```
Beginning installation of FORT V5.0 at 12:12
```

```
%VMSINSTAL-I-RESTORE, Restoring product saveset A ...
```

```
%VMSINSTAL-I-REMOVED , The product's release notes have been successfully moved to SYS$HELP.
```

```
Product:      FORTRAN  
Producer:     DEC  
Version:      5.0  
Release Date: 1-FEB-1988
```

```
* Does this product have an authorization key registered and loaded? YES
```

```
* Do you want to purge files replaced by this installation [YES]? 
```

```
* Do you want to install the VAX FORTRAN compiler [YES]? 
```

```
This kit contains an Installation Verification Procedure (IVP) to verify the correct installation of the VAX FORTRAN compiler. The IVP will be left in:
```

```
SYS$SYSROOT:[SYSTEST.FORTRAN]FORTRAN$IVP.COM.
```

```
After the installation is complete, you can invoke the command file at any time to reverify that VAX FORTRAN is installed and working correctly.
```

## Example 7-4: Using the VMSINSTAL Command Procedure to Install FORTRAN Cont.

- \* Do you want to run the IVP after the installation [YES]?  RETURN

This kit contains a file summarizing the new features, changes, restrictions, and compatibility issues in this release of VAX FORTRAN. The name of this file is FORT050.RELEASE\_NOTES and it is placed in SYS\$HELP:.

This file contains information valuable to VAX FORTRAN programmers. Please inform your user community of this file's existence.

This kit also contains the file, FORTRANFIXES050.MEM, summarizing the bug fixes made to the VAX FORTRAN compiler since its last release. This file will be placed in SYS\$HELP:.

- \* Would you like a copy of it printed now? [NO]?  RETURN

In order to build your FORSYSDEF library, this procedure requires at least 6000 blocks of available disk space, most of which is used for temporary work files. The FORSYSDEF library itself will take approximately 1900 blocks of disk space upon completion of this procedure and will be placed in your SYS\$LIBRARY area.

### NOTE

Before installing FORSYSDEF, be sure to have read the appropriate section of the installation guide which addresses the question of when a new FORSYSDEF should be built.

- \* Do you want to build a new FORSYSDEF.TLB [NO]? YES

- \* Do you want to install FORTRAN help [YES]?

This kit contains two separate HELP files, a large version (approximately 600 blocks) including information on FORTRAN language features, and a smaller version (approximately 100 blocks) describing only the FORTRAN command.

★

Do Not Do software updates while other users are on the system.

## Example 7-4: Using the VMSINSTAL Command Procedure to Install FORTRAN Cont.

\* Do you want to install the larger version of FORTRAN help [YES]?

All questions regarding the installation of VAX FORTRAN have now been asked. Depending upon your configuration, time estimates for the installation(s) have been provided.

VAX FORTRAN compiler: 3 to 60 minutes  
FORSYSDEF.TLB: 10 to 120 minutes  
FORTRAN HELP: 1 to 15 minutes

%VMSINSTAL-I-SYSDIR, This product creates system disk directory VMI\$ROOT:[SYSTEST.FORTRAN].  
%CREATE-I-EXISTS, VMI\$ROOT:[SYSTEST.FORTRAN] already exists

```
+-----+
|           Installing the VAX FORTRAN V5 Compiler           |
+-----+

+-----+
|           Installing FORSYSDEF.TLB                         |
+-----+

+-----+
|           Installing VAX FORTRAN HELP                     |
+-----+
```

Your VMS system will now be updated to include the following new and modified file(s):

```
SYSS$HELP:FORT050.RELEASE_NOTES [new]
SYSS$SYSTEM:FORTTRAN.EXE [new]
SYSS$MESSAGE:FORTERR1.EXE [new]
SYSS$MESSAGE:FORTERR2.EXE [new]
SYSS$LIBRARY:FORTV5CLD.CLD [new]
SYSS$LIBRARY:DCLTABLES.EXE [modified]
SYSS$HELP:FORTTRANFIXES050.MEM [new]
SYSS$TEST:FORTTRAN$IVP.COM [new]
SYSS$LIBRARY:FORSYSDEF.TLB [new]
SYSS$TEST:FORSYSDEFTST.COM [new]
SYSS$HELP:HELPLIB.HLB [modified]
```

%VMSINSTAL-I-MOVEFILES, Files will now be moved to their target directories...

```
+-----+
|           Verification Command Procedure for               |
|                               VAX FORTRAN                 |
+-----+
```

VAX FORTRAN V5.0-34 TEST PASSED

VMSINSTAL procedure done at 12:36

# CUSTOMIZING AND BACKING UP THE CONSOLE VOLUME

- If your system has a console volume, you must customize the boot environment to match the system configuration. If necessary, modify:
  - The default bootstrap command procedure
  - Any other command procedure on console volume
- Back up the console volume
  - For systems with a removable console volume, (for example, VAX 8250, VAX 8350, VAX 8650, VAX-11/780, VAX-11/750, and VAX-11/730 systems) use `SYS$UPDATE:CONSCOPY.COM` to copy the console volume. Follow directions in your *VMS Installation and Operation Guide*.

First use `CONSCOPY.COM` to copy the console files to a directory on the VAX system.

Then use `CONSCOPY.COM` to copy the files from the directory on the VAX system to a new console volume.
  - For systems with a fixed console disk, (for example, VAX 8810, VAX 8820, VAX 8830, and VAX 8840 systems) the tape cartridges or diskettes shipped with your system serve as a backup copy of the console volume. Follow directions in the *Console User's Guide* should you need to reinstall the console files.

## Example 7-5: Saving the Contents of the Console Volume

```
$ @sys$update:conscopy
```

```
  SYS$UPDATE:CONSCOPY.COM
```

```
  Save or restore a VMS console medium.
```

Which CPU kit do you want to build?

78X includes 11/780, 11/782 and 11/785

8600 includes 8650

8200 includes 8300

[8600, 8200, 78X, 750 or 730, default 8200]:

A SAVE operation involves copying the console medium to an RT-11 virtual volume, which is a Files-11 file that is an image of the RT-11 console volume.

A RESTORE operation involves copying the entire contents of a virtual volume to a console medium.

Do you want to SAVE or RESTORE your console RX50?: SAVE

Enter file name of virtual disk [default SYS\$DISK:CONSOLE.DSK]:

Do you want log messages as files are copied? [Y/N, default Yes]: YES

Enter console device drive (DDCU): CSA1:

Put your console RX50 into drive CSA1:

and type <RETURN> when ready:

%MOUNT-I-MOUNTED, VAX console mounted on \_CSA1:

%EXCHANGE-S-INITIALIZED, the RT-11 volume WORK3:[MATTHEWS]CONSOLE.DSK;1 has been initialized

%EXCHANGE-S-MOUNTVIR, the RT-11 virtual volume CONSOLE\_SAVE: has been mounted using the file WORK3:[MATTHEWS]CONSOLE.DSK;1

%EXCHANGE-S-MOUNTED, the RT-11 volume \_CSA1: has been mounted

%EXCHANGE-S-COPIED, \_CSA1:FG81.VF0 copied to CONSOLE\_SAVE:FG81.VF0, 0 blocks

%EXCHANGE-S-COPIED, \_CSA1:BOOT58.EXE copied to CONSOLE\_SAVE:BOOT58.EXE, 23 blocks

%EXCHANGE-S-COPIED, \_CSA1:VMB.EXE copied to CONSOLE\_SAVE:VMB.EXE, 55 blocks

%EXCHANGE-S-COPIED, \_CSA1:CI780.BIN copied to CONSOLE\_SAVE:CI780.BIN, 36 blocks

%EXCHANGE-S-COPIED, \_CSA1:CIBCA.BIN copied to CONSOLE\_SAVE:CIBCA.BIN, 65 blocks

%EXCHANGE-S-COPIED, \_CSA1:CSABOO.CMD copied to CONSOLE\_SAVE:CSABOO.CMD, 1 block

%EXCHANGE-S-COPIED, \_CSA1:CIBOO.CMD copied to CONSOLE\_SAVE:CIBOO.CMD, 2 blocks

%EXCHANGE-S-COPIED, \_CSA1:KDBBOO.CMD copied to CONSOLE\_SAVE:KDBBOO.CMD, 2 blocks

%EXCHANGE-S-COPIED, \_CSA1:CONSOL.HLP copied to CONSOLE\_SAVE:CONSOL.HLP, 5 blocks

%EXCHANGE-S-COPIED, \_CSA1:CI78V5.BIN copied to CONSOLE\_SAVE:CI78V5.BIN, 36 blocks

%EXCHANGE-S-COPIED, \_CSA1:CI78V6.BIN copied to CONSOLE\_SAVE:CI78V6.BIN, 36 blocks

%EXCHANGE-S-COPIED, \_CSA1:DEFBOO.CMD copied to CONSOLE\_SAVE:DEFBOO.CMD, 1 block

Directory of RT-11 volume CONSOLE\_SAVE: 11-MAY-1988 12:13

using WORK3:[MATTHEWS]CONSOLE.DSK;1

Volume ID: 8200 console Volume Owner: MATTHEWS System ID: DECVMSXCHNG

FG81.VF0	0	11-May-1988	BOOT58.EXE	23	11-May-1988
VMB.EXE	55	11-May-1988	CI780.BIN	36	11-May-1988
CIBCA.BIN	65	11-May-1988	CSABOO.CMD	1	11-May-1988
CIBOO.CMD	2	11-May-1988	KDBBOO.CMD	2	11-May-1988
CONSOL.HLP	5	11-May-1988	CI78V5.BIN	36	11-May-1988
CI78V6.BIN	36	11-May-1988	DEFBOO.CMD	1	11-May-1988

Total of 12 files, 262 blocks. Free space 526 blocks, largest 526.

## Example 7-5: Saving the Contents of the Console Volume Cont.

The SAVE of your console RX50 is complete.

Since the console device is now accessible to users, the console should be remounted write-locked for protection. Please place your console medium back in the console device, and it will be mounted with /SYSTEM /NOWRITE protection to prevent access by unprivileged users.

Type <RETURN> when ready:

%MOUNT-I-MOUNTED, VAX console mounted on \_CSA1:

\$ @SYS\$UPDATE:CONSCOPY

S Y S \$ U P D A T E : C O N S C O P Y . C O M

Save or restore a VMS console medium.

Which CPU kit do you want to build?

78X includes 11/780, 11/782 and 11/785

8600 includes 8650

8200 includes 8300

[8600, 8200, 78X, 750 or 730, default 8200]:

A SAVE operation involves copying the console medium to an RT-11 virtual volume, which is a Files-11 file that is an image of the RT-11 console volume.

A RESTORE operation involves copying the entire contents of a virtual volume to a console medium.

Do you want to SAVE or RESTORE your console RX50?: RESTORE

Enter file name of virtual disk [default SYS\$DISK:CONSOLE.DSK]:

Do you want log messages as files are copied? [Y/N, default Yes]: YES

Enter console device drive (DDCU:): CSA1:

Put your console RX50 into drive CSA1:,

and type <RETURN> when ready:

%MOUNT-I-MOUNTED, VAX console mounted on \_CSA1:

%EXCHANGE-S-INITIALIZED, the RT-11 volume \_CSA1: has been initialized

%EXCHANGE-S-MOUNTVIR, the RT-11 virtual volume CONSOLE\_RESTORE: has been mounted using the file WORK3:[MATTHEWS]CONSOLE.DSK;1

%EXCHANGE-S-MOUNTED, the RT-11 volume \_CSA1: has been mounted

%EXCHANGE-S-COPIED, CONSOLE\_RESTORE:FG81.VF0 copied to \_CSA1:FG81.VF0, 0 blocks

%EXCHANGE-S-COPIED, CONSOLE\_RESTORE:BOOT58.EXE copied to \_CSA1:BOOT58.EXE, 23 blocks

%EXCHANGE-S-COPIED, CONSOLE\_RESTORE:VMB.EXE copied to \_CSA1:VMB.EXE, 55 blocks

%EXCHANGE-S-COPIED, CONSOLE\_RESTORE:CI780.BIN copied to \_CSA1:CI780.BIN, 36 blocks

%EXCHANGE-S-COPIED, CONSOLE\_RESTORE:CIBCA.BIN copied to \_CSA1:CIBCA.BIN, 65 blocks

%EXCHANGE-S-COPIED, CONSOLE\_RESTORE:CSABOO.CMD copied to \_CSA1:CSABOO.CMD, 1 block

%EXCHANGE-S-COPIED, CONSOLE\_RESTORE:CIBOO.CMD copied to \_CSA1:CIBOO.CMD, 2 blocks

%EXCHANGE-S-COPIED, CONSOLE\_RESTORE:KDBBOO.CMD copied to \_CSA1:KDBBOO.CMD, 2 blocks

%EXCHANGE-S-COPIED, CONSOLE\_RESTORE:CONSOL.HLP copied to \_CSA1:CONSOL.HLP, 5 blocks

%EXCHANGE-S-COPIED, CONSOLE\_RESTORE:CI78V5.BIN copied to \_CSA1:CI78V5.BIN, 36 blocks

%EXCHANGE-S-COPIED, CONSOLE\_RESTORE:CI78V6.BIN copied to \_CSA1:CI78V6.BIN, 36 blocks

%EXCHANGE-S-COPIED, CONSOLE\_RESTORE:DEFBOO.CMD copied to \_CSA1:DEFBOO.CMD, 1 block

### Example 7-5: Saving the Contents of the Console Volume Cont.

Directory of RT-11 volume \_CSA1: 11-MAY-1988 12:15  
Volume ID: 8200 console Volume Owner: MATTHEWS System ID: DECVMSXCHNG

FG81.VF0	0	11-May-1988	BOOT58.EXE	23	11-May-1988
VMB.EXE	55	11-May-1988	CI780.BIN	36	11-May-1988
CIBCA.BIN	65	11-May-1988	CSABOO.CMD	1	11-May-1988
CIBOO.CMD	2	11-May-1988	KDBBOO.CMD	2	11-May-1988
CONSOL.HLP	5	11-May-1988	CI78V5.BIN	36	11-May-1988
CI78V6.BIN	36	11-May-1988	DEFBOO.CMD	1	11-May-1988

Total of 12 files, 262 blocks. Free space 526 blocks, largest 526.

The RESTORE of your console RX50 is complete.

Since the console device is now accessible to users, the console should be remounted write-locked for protection. Please place your console medium back in the console device, and it will be mounted with /SYSTEM /NOWRITE protection to prevent access by unprivileged users.

Type <RETURN> when ready:

%MOUNT-I-MOUNTED, VAX console mounted on \_CSA1:

# CREATING A NEW SYSTEM DISK FROM ANOTHER SYSTEM DISK

- Ways to create a new VMS system disk:
  - Perform a VMS installation onto the disk.
  - Use SYS\$UPDATE:VMSKITBLD.COM to copy VMS files from an existing system disk to the new disk.
  - Use SYS\$MANAGER:CLUSTER\_CONFIG.COM to copy VMS files.

## Example 7-6: Building a System Disk with VMSKITBLD.COM

```
$ @SYS$UPDATE:VMSKITBLD
$! Copyright (c) 1988 Digital Equipment Corporation. All rights reserved.
Operation [BUILD,ADD,COPY,COMMON]? BUILD
Enter mounted SOURCE disk name (ddcu:): SYS$SYSDEVICE:
Enter SOURCE top level system directory [default = SYS0]: VMS$COMMON
Enter TARGET disk name (ddcu:): KNIFE$DUA0:
Enter the TARGET disk's label [default = VAXVMSRL052]:
Enter TARGET disk top level system directory [default = SYS0]:
%DCL-I-ALLOC, _KNIFE$DUA0: allocated
The target disk will be initialized.
Target disk, _KNIFE$DUA0:, ready to be initialized? (Y/N): Y
Target disk, _KNIFE$DUA0:, has been initialized.
%MOUNT-I-MOUNTED, VAXVMSRL052 mounted on _KNIFE$DUA0:
Creating directories for system.
Creating SYSGEN files.
%SYSGEN-I-CREATED, _KNIFE$DUA0:<SYS0.SYSEXE>SWAPFILE.SYS;1 created
%SYSGEN-I-CREATED, _KNIFE$DUA0:<SYS0.SYSEXE>PAGEFILE.SYS;1 created
%SYSGEN-I-CREATED, _KNIFE$DUA0:<SYS0.SYSEXE>SYSDUMP.DMP;1 created
Copying files from source disk.
Writing a boot block.
$IF ((EXIT_STATUS .EQ. 1) .AND. (.NOT. KIT)) THEN SAY "System disk complete."
System disk complete.
$EXIT EXIT_STATUS
```

# STANDALONE BACKUP

- Use standalone BACKUP, not on-line BACKUP, to back up the system disk.
  1. Shut down the system.
  2. Boot the system using standalone BACKUP kit on console volume or system volume. Generally, booting from the system volume is faster.
  3. Use standalone BACKUP to copy the system volume to disk or tape.

## Creating a Standalone BACKUP Kit

- On console media
  - SYS\$UPDATE:STABACKIT.COM
  - Requires at least:
    - Five RX01 floppy diskettes
    - Four RX50 floppy diskettes
    - One TK50 tape cartridge
- On system volume
  - SYS\$UPDATE:STABACKIT.COM
  - Procedure copies kit into root directory [SYSE.]

## Example 7-7: Creating a Standalone BACKUP Kit on the System Disk

```
$ @SYS$UPDATE:STABACKIT
```

```
STABACKIT-I-SYMDL, all global symbols deleted
```

```
Enter the name of the device on which to build the kit: SYS$SYSDEVICE:
```

```
Sysgen parameters for standalone VMS have been placed in file
```

```
    SYS$SYSROOT:<SYSUPD>VAXVMSSYS.PAR-TEMP-2080023D;1
```

```
%COPY-S-COPIED, SYS$COMMON:<SYSEXE>STASYSGEN.EXE;1 copied to  
_BROWNY$DJA0:<SYSE.SYSEXE>SYSINIT.EXE;1 (92 blocks)
```

```
%COPY-S-COPIED, SYS$COMMON:<SYSEXE>SYSEBOOT.EXE;2 copied to  
_BROWNY$DJA0:<SYSE.SYSEXE>SYSEBOOT.EXE;1 (117 blocks)
```

```
%COPY-S-COPIED, SYS$SYSROOT:<SYSUPD>VAXVMSSYS.PAR-TEMP-2080023D;1 copied to  
_BROWNY$DJA0:<SYSE.SYSEXE>VAXVMSSYS.PAR;1 (15 blocks)
```

```
%SET-I-ENTERED, BROWNY$DJA0:<SYS0>SYSCOMMON.DIR;1 entered as  
_BROWNY$DJA0:<SYSE>SYSCOMMON.DIR;1
```

```
%COPY-S-COPIED, SYS$COMMON:<SYS$LDR>DUDRIVER.EXE;1 copied to  
_BROWNY$DJA0:<SYSE.SYS$LDR>DSDRIVER.EXE;1 (35 blocks)
```

```
%COPY-S-COPIED, SYS$COMMON:<SYSEXE>STABACKUP.EXE;1 copied to  
_BROWNY$DJA0:<SYSE.SYSEXE>STANDALON.EXE;1 (429 blocks)
```

```
%DELETE-I-FILDEL, SYS$SYSROOT:<SYSUPD>VAXVMSSYS.PAR-TEMP-2080023D;1 deleted  
(16 blocks)
```

```
Ending time    4-MAY-1988 16:49:07.89
```

```
Starting time  4-MAY-1988 16:48:20.82
```

```
The kit is complete.
```

```
$
```

## Using a Standalone BACKUP Kit

- To boot standalone BACKUP from the system disk, see your *VMS Installation and Operation Guide*.
  - Some systems already have a console command procedure that boots standalone BACKUP.
  - On other systems, you must create a new command procedure to boot the system from root [SYSE.]
- To boot standalone BACKUP from the console device:
  - If you are booting from a removable console volume, load the first standalone BACKUP volume into the console drive.
  - Enter the appropriate boot command. See the *VMS Installation and Operation Guide*.
  - If you are booting from a removable console volume, standalone BACKUP directs loading operation. Load appropriate volumes into the console drive as requested.
- After standalone BACKUP is loaded, the DCL prompt appears on console terminal.
- At the DCL prompt, enter BACKUP commands.

# SUMMARY

- Software installation involves two steps:
  - Installing the Product Authorization Key (PAK)
  - Transferring the software from the distribution medium to the system disk
- The VMS License Management Facility (LMF) provides software for managing PAKs. The LMF consists of:
  - License Unit Requirement Tables (LURTs), which specify the number of units required for each type of VAX system
  - The LICENSE database LMF\$LICENSE.LDB, which contains information about installed keys
  - The License Management utility, which maintains the LICENSE database
  - SYS\$UPDATE:VMSLICENSE.COM, which helps you use the License Management utility
- To run VMS software on a new system, you perform an installation. Instructions for installing the system are in *VMS Installation and Operation Guides*. There is a different manual for each series of processors.
- To install a new major release of VMS software on an existing system, you perform an upgrade. The upgrade procedure is documented in the *VMS Release Notes* for that version.
- To install a minor release or a mandatory update of VMS software, you perform an update. The update procedure is documented in the *VMS Release Notes* for that version.
- After installing, upgrading, or updating, run the User Environment Test Package (UETP) to test system integrity.
- If your system has a console volume, you must customize boot procedures for your system configuration. Make a backup copy of the console volume after changing it.
- To install VMS upgrades or updates or optional (layered) software products, use the command procedure SYS\$UPDATE:VMSINSTAL.
  - For a layered product, there may be additional steps in installation. These steps are documented in the product's *Installation Guide*.
- Use VMSKITBLD.COM if you need to create a new VMS disk on an existing system.
- Use standalone BACKUP to back up the system disk. You can use SYS\$UPDATE:STABACKIT.COM to build standalone backup on the system disk or on console media.

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**MODULE 8**  
**MAINTAINING SYSTEM INTEGRITY**

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# INTRODUCTION

The system manager is responsible for coordinating both the maintenance and security of the hardware and software on a system to establish system integrity. Users should be able to modify data files, access devices, and run long programs without fear that their work will be corrupted or will need to be repeated.

The manager has several tools to maintain system integrity. Some tools analyze the error data that the system collects, others establish security of data files and programs. The manager must define the level of integrity required, choose tools to maintain that level of integrity, and use these tools effectively.

When a problem occurs on a system, the manager must try to determine whether a software error or a hardware error has caused it. To determine this, the manager should analyze recent error logs and run simple diagnostics. Some problems require more intensive diagnostics that a field service specialist should run.

The system manager is not expected to identify and solve every VMS system problem that may arise. Rather, he or she should be able to:

- Investigate problems and collect information
- Use system documentation to research and solve elementary problems
- Pass more difficult problems on to Digital Field Service personnel or to experienced Digital Software Services personnel

This module covers the tools that the system manager needs to maintain the hardware and software, establish security, and diagnose problems.

## OBJECTIVES

To collect information useful for troubleshooting, the system manager should:

- Perform regular hardware and software maintenance checks
- Ensure system security
  - For physical security of the computer
  - In the software environment on the computer
- Be able to use the AUTHORIZE utility
- Read system dump files using the System Dump Analyzer

## RESOURCES

To complete this module, you must have access to the following documents:

1. *Guide to Maintaining a VMS System*
2. *Guide to VMS System Security*
3. *VMS System Generation Utility Manual*
4. *VMS DCL Dictionary*
5. *VMS Error Log Utility Manual*
6. *VMS System Dump Analyzer Utility Manual*
7. *VMS Audit Analysis Utility Manual*
8. *DIGITAL Site Preparation Guide*
9. *Self-Maintenance Handbook*

# **HARDWARE MAINTENANCE**

- Hardware maintenance involves
  - Care of devices (CPU, disks, terminals)
  - Care of media (tapes, disks, line printer paper)

## **Handling and Storing Media**

- Devices and media are sensitive to:
  - Rough treatment
  - Dust
  - Sudden impact
  - Electrical noise
- Handling media
  - Only trained personnel should handle and load media
  - Store unused media in closed metal cabinets
  - Media containing valuable information should be stored off site in a fireproof vault

## **Cleaning Media**

- Cleaning and maintenance tasks usually performed by customers include:
  - Cleaning heads, rollers, and vacuum area of tape drive
  - Cleaning outside cover of disk drive
  - Changing printer ribbons
  - Wiping terminal screen
- Digital Field Service tasks include:
  - Aligning heads of disk and tape drives
  - Cleaning interiors of disk and tape drives
  - Fixing print heads
- Unsafe media is "rejected" at cleaning time
  - Back up all media before having it cleaned

## Maintaining the Environment

- System manager should set up and control
  - Temperature
  - Humidity
  - Power
  - Flooring
  - Dust
  - Electrical noise
  - Lighting
  - Fire and safety precautions

## Preventive Maintenance

- Regular hardware maintenance is vital
  - Disk and tape head misalignment can result in loss of data
- Digital Field Service can satisfy maintenance needs
- *Self-Maintenance Handbook* contains useful maintenance instructions

# SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE

- Software maintenance includes:
  - Maintenance of system files
  - Maintenance of user programs and data files
- To perform maintenance:
  - Install updates and upgrades correctly
  - Run appropriate utilities regularly to observe contents of certain system files
  - Back up system and user files regularly

# SYSTEM SECURITY

## Physical Security

- Security issues
  - Physical security of computer
    - Access to console terminal
    - Availability of dial-up lines
  - Media storage

## Software Security

- For minimum security, system manager should
  - Keep SYSUAF.DAT and NETPROXY.DAT up to date
  - Use flags and hourly restrictions with AUTHORIZE
  - Insist on nontrivial passwords
  - Not publicize dial-up numbers
  - Not permit WORLD access to SYSUAF.LIS
  - Encourage use of file protection codes and ACLs
  - Request secondary passwords
  - Restrict user privileges
  - Create ACCOUNTING reports to check system usage
  - Label disks and tapes in systematic manner
- For additional security, manager can include
  - Erase-on-delete and erase-on-allocate for files
  - Login security
  - Break-in detection
  - Security auditing

## Erase-On-Delete and Erase-On-Allocate

- Erase-on-delete (EOD) refers to activity of file system when files are deleted
  - File system overwrites blocks with zeros
  - Blocks unavailable for allocation until overwritten
  - Users implement EOD on file-by-file basis
  - Managers implement EOD on volume-by-volume basis
- Erase-on-allocate (EOA, also known as highwater marking) refers to activity of file system when files are created or extended
  - File system overwrites blocks with zeros (or pattern of your choice) before allocating them
  - Set automatically for each volume at initialization
  - For less security-sensitive volumes, disable highwater marking

§ SET VOLUME/NOHIGHWATER\_MARKING

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**Table 8-1: Setting Erase-On-Delete for a File or Volume**

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Command/Qualifier and Example	Comments
\$ SET FILE/ERASE_ON_DELETE - _ \$ file-name	Sets characteristic of file so file system performs an EOD when you delete it
\$ SET FILE/ERASE_ON_DELETE - _ \$ GOVERNMENT_SECRETS.DAT	
\$ DELETE/ERASE_ON_DELETE - _ \$ file-name	Tells the file system to perform an EOD as you delete the specified file or files
\$ DELETE/ERASE_ON_DELETE - _ \$ MY_SECRETS.DAT	
\$ PURGE/ERASE_ON_DELETE - _ \$ file-name	Tells the file system to perform an EOD on each file it deletes during the purge
\$ PURGE/ERASE_ON_DELETE - _ \$ COMPANY_SECRETS.*	
\$ INITIALIZE/ERASE_ON_DELETE - _ \$ volume-name	Tells the file system to perform an EOD for every file on this volume that users delete
\$ INITIALIZE/ERASE_ON_DELETE - _ \$ SECURE_VOLUME:	
\$ SET VOLUME/ERASE_ON_DELETE - _ \$ SECURE_VOLUME:	Modifies the volume's characteristic so the file system now performs an EOD on every file deleted from it

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## Login Security

### AUTHORIZE and UAF Record Controls

- Use the AUTHORIZE utility to set
  - Expiration date on UAF records
  - Minimum password length
  - Expiration date for password
  - Passwords that must be changed when user logs in for the first time
- Can define secondary password for accounts
- Can have the VMS system automatically provide a list of randomly generated passwords

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**Table 8-2: Defining User Passwords**

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Commands	Comments
<pre>\$ RUN AUTHORIZE UAF&gt; MODIFY SMITH /PASSWORD=MARY</pre>	Modifies any user password with the AUTHORIZE utility.
<pre>\$ RUN AUTHORIZE UAF&gt; MODIFY SMITH /PASSWORD=("", SECOND)</pre>	To add a secondary password to a UAF record, use the <b>/PASSWORD</b> qualifier with the <b>MODIFY</b> command. This command does not affect the current value of the primary password if you properly specify a null first password string.
<pre>\$ SET PASSWORD</pre>	Modifies your own primary password.
<pre>\$ SET PASSWORD/SECONDARY</pre>	Modifies your own secondary password.
<pre>\$ SET PASSWORD/GENERATE</pre>	You can request or require (using the <b>/FLAG=GENPWD</b> qualifier in AUTHORIZE) that the VMS system generate a random list of passwords to choose from. If you enter the <b>/GENERATE</b> qualifier and receive a list, you must choose a password from that list, or request another list. (You do not need the <b>/GENERATE</b> qualifier if password generation has been set in your UAF record.)

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- Can require system password for terminals
- System password kept as a special UAF record
- System password can be set
  - At DCL: **\$ SET PASSWORD/SYSTEM**
  - Within AUTHORIZE: **UAF> MODIFY /SYSTEM\_PASSWORD**

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**Table 8-3: Defining a System Password for a Terminal**

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Step/Function	Comments
<p><b>Step 1:</b></p> <pre>\$ SET PASSWORD/SYSTEM Old password: New password: Verification: \$</pre>	<p>Enter the old password in response to the first prompt. Then enter the new password in response to the next two prompts. None of the passwords are echoed while being entered. This command requires SECURITY and CMKRNL privileges.</p>
<p><b>Step 2:</b></p> <pre>\$ SET TERMINAL - _ \$ /SYSPASSWORD /PERMANENT - _ \$ TXA2</pre>	<p>Set the specified terminal to require the system password in order to be used. To log in to this terminal a user must press the RETURN key, enter the system password (no prompt is given). If successful, the user continues the normal login procedure when the "Username:" prompt appears. This command requires LOG_IO privilege.</p>

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Users and managers should be aware of password requirements for accounts and terminals.

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**Table 8-4: Using Passwords**

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Situation	Example	Comments
Normal account: requires one password	RETURN Username: SMITH Password:	The system does not echo the password. Note that you can define the password to be null. If you do that, you do not receive any password prompt.
Accounting requiring primary and secondary passwords	RETURN Username: SMITH Password: Password:	Passwords are not echoed. Typically, one person knows the primary password, but another knows the secondary one. Therefore, both must be present whenever this account is used.
Terminal requiring a system password	Systempassword RETURN Username: SMITH Password:	You do not receive a prompt for the system password. To avoid excessive reports of broken terminals, make users aware of the ones requiring a system password, because unless they enter it successfully, the system will not display the "Username:" prompt.

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## Protecting Terminals and Other Nonshareable Devices

- Terminals (nonshareable devices) have owner UIC and protection code that determine access

- To control device ownership and protection

- \$ SET PROTECTION/DEVICE

- To place access control list (ACL) protection on terminals and tape drives

- \$ SET DEVICE/ACL

**Table 8-5: Establishing Ownership and Protection of Terminals and Other Nonshareable Devices**

Operation	Format of SET PROTECTION/DEVICE Command and Examples (Requires OPER privilege)	Comments
Establishing protection ownership	\$ SET PROTECTION=code/DEVICE- _\$/OWNER_UIC=[uic] device	By default, all terminals have the owner specified by the system parameter TTY_OWNER and the protection specified by the system parameter TTY_PROT.
Allowing all users access to a device	\$ SET PROTECTION/DEVICE device \$ SET PROTECTION/DEVICE TTA3:	The default value for TTY_PROT allows all users access to the device. If you do not specify a protection code with this command, you are assigning the default protection to the device.
Establishing system users as the owner	\$ SET PROTECTION = (S:R, 0:R, G, W) - _\$/DEVICE/OWNER=[1, 4] TTA3:	Only system users may allocate this terminal from a program. By specifying that Group and World users have no access, you protect the terminal against password collection programs run by users.

- Set secure server characteristic on terminals to protect them from password-collecting programs

```
$ SET TERMINAL/PERMANENT/SECURE_SERVER/DISCONNECT TTC1:
```

- Ensures that only VMS login program receives user name and password
- Press BREAK key (instead of RETURN key) to receive "Username:" prompt
- The SECURE\_SERVER characteristic has no effect on terminals with AUTOBAUD characteristic set.

## Break-In Detection at Login

- System records information about login failures in suspect lists
  - User name suspect list
  - Terminal name suspect list
  - Node name suspect list
- Several SYSGEN parameters provide break-in control
  - LGI category parameters

**Table 8-6: SYSGEN Parameters for Break-In Detection**

Parameter	Comments
LGI_BRK_DISUSER	Once an intruder has been detected, the VMS system sets the DISUSER flag in the account's UAF record (if the parameter is set to 1). Manual intervention by the system manager is necessary to reactivate the account. Use this feature with caution.
LGI_BRK_LIM	Break-in limit defining the total number of consecutive login failures allowed within a reasonable time limit before a SUSPECT becomes an INTRUDER.
LGI_BRK_TERM	Controls the association of terminals and user names for counting failures. By default, the VMS system sets this parameter to 1 so that terminals and user names are tracked together. If you use terminal servers, then you might want to set this parameter to 0 (only track user names), since a LAT port (on the VAX side) is generally not a useful indication of the actual terminal being used.
LGI_BRK_TMO	Timeout factor expressed in seconds (a delta time). Used in conjunction with LGI_BRK_LIM to decide if a SUSPECT is an INTRUDER. The larger this value, the more secure your system.
LGI_HID_TIM	Time factor expressed in seconds. System uses this value in an equation to determine the time interval during which an INTRUDER is subject to evasive action. The time interval calculated using LGI_HID_TIM is different for each instance, so you never know exactly how long an INTRUDER will be evaded.
LGI_RETRY_LIM	Limits the number of times a user can retry the login procedure when coming in through dial-up lines. The default value is 3.
LGI_RETRY_TMO	The number of seconds allowed between login attempts on dial-up lines. The default value is 20 seconds. This means the user must properly log in within 20 seconds of a failed attempt, or the system will hang up the line.

Suspects can gain access to the system by entering the correct user name and password.

### Example 8-1: Suspect Logs in Successfully

```
Username: JONES  
Password:  
User authorization failure  
Username: JONES  
Password:  
User authorization failure  
Username: JONES  
Password:
```

```
        Welcome to node TIDE running V5.0  
Last interactive login on Saturday, 11-JUN-1988 08:59  
,      2 failures since last successful login  
$
```

\$ Show Intrusion

- System creates intruder lists when login failures exceed break-in limit set by system manager
  - Separate intruder lists for user name, terminal name, and node name
  - Intruders subject to evasive action
- Intruders CANNOT gain access to system even if they enter correct user name and password

### Example 8-2: Suspect Becomes an Intruder

<RETURN>

THIS IS NODE TIDE

Username: WEBSTER  
Password:  
User authorization failure  
Username: WEBSTER  
Password:  
User authorization failure  
Username: WEBSTER  
Password:  
User authorization failure

<RETURN>

This is node TIDE

Username: WEBSTER  
Password:  
User authorization failure  
Username: WEBSTER  
Password:  
User authorization failure  
Username: WEBSTER  
Password:  
User authorization failure

## **UIC and ACL Protection**

### **VMS Protection Using UICs**

- In assigning UICs to users, determine the extent to which user processes need to:
  - Share access to files, volumes, and devices
  - Communicate interactively with one other
  - Affect or control one other
- For greater interaction, place users in the same UIC group
- For greater protection, place users in different groups

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**Table 8-7: Dividing Users into Groups**

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User Situation	Course of Action	Result
Users must allow some users access to their files and structures, but deny access to others on the system.	Divide users into groups along project or departmental lines. Assign a different group UIC number to each group. Leave room between each assigned number for additions later.	Users within a group can access each other's files with the access set for GROUP in the protection code of the accessed file. Users outside a group will be able to get access to files belonging to a group member with the access defined for WORLD only.
Users do not need to protect files against access by each other, but you must protect files from their access. (System files usually have a group number from 0-10.)	Assign all users a UIC of [200,200] or some other UIC.†	All users own all user files and have OWNER access to all user files. Users cannot access system files.
Users need not protect files, but should divide them into groups for accounting and observation purposes.	Divide users into groups.† Either:  <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Modify the system parameter RMSFILEPROT to set the default protection assigned to all new files so WORLD has complete access.</li><li>2. You can collect accounting information on separate users (according to their UICs) but since all files created allow all users complete access, the files are not really protected. In this case, newly created system files are not protected either.</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Create a LOGIN.COM file for each user and include the <b>SET PROTECTION/DEFAULT=(W:RWED)</b> command in it. Do not include this command in your LOGIN.COM file.</li><li>2. You can collect accounting information on separate users (according to their UICs). Users can access all files on the system except your files and system files.</li></ol>

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† Do not assign a group number reserved for system users (typically 0-10). Modify the MAXSYSGROUP parameter to set the upper limit of the group number for system users as needed.

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**Table 8-8: Interaction Between Processes In Same Group**

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Interaction Available	Comment
Can share files, volumes, and devices, yet deny access to processes in other groups Can communicate with each other by means of structures that processes in other groups cannot access	Accomplished by setting the protection codes of the files, volumes, and devices properly For example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Group logical names</li><li>• Group mailbox logical names</li><li>• Group global section names</li><li>• Common event flag clusters</li></ul>
Can affect and control other processes in group	Requires GROUP privilege

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## VMS Protection Using ACLs

- Optional layer of protection for files
- Use to grant access to files for specific users rather than groups of users
- Based on **identifiers**
  - Users can hold one or more identifiers
  - Files can specify access rights for holders of various identifiers
- Record access information for files in access control list (ACL)
- Define identifiers and who holds them in **rights database**
- When user logs in, the VMS system creates an **access rights list** for user, consisting of identifiers held
- When user attempts to access files, the VMS system compares access rights list of user with access control list of file
  - If no ACL on file, the VMS system determines access rights according to UIC of user and VMS protection code on file
  - If ACL does not allow access, SYSTEM and OWNER users can still gain the type of access allowed them in the VMS protection code
  - If user does not hold any identifiers listed in file's ACL, the VMS system determines access rights according to UIC of user and VMS protection code on file

Use the **SET RIGHTS\_LIST** command to enable/disable identifiers within rights lists.

- Used for modifying process and system rights lists
- Controls access to objects:
  - Per-process
  - System-wide
- Must use either **/ENABLE** or **/DISABLE**
- Must have CMKRNL and SYSNAM privileges to modify system rights list

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**Table 8–9: Some Qualifiers for the SET RIGHTS\_LIST Command**

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Qualifier	Description
<code>/ENABLE</code>	Adds the specified identifier to the process or system rights list
<code>/DISABLE</code>	Removes the specified identifier from the process or system rights list
<code>/SYSTEM</code>	Specifies that the system rights list is to be modified. Requires SYSNAM and CMKRNL privileges
<code>/PROCESS=process-name</code>	Specifies the name of the process whose rights list is to be modified. Requires CMKRNL privilege
<code>/IDENTIFICATION=pid</code>	Specifies the process identification value (PID) of the process whose rights list is to be modified. Requires CMKRNL privilege

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**Table 8–10: Terminology Used to Discuss VMS Access Control**

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Term	Definition
Object	Anything that exists in the system to which protection can be applied, such as files and devices.
Agent	Anything that generates a request for access to an object. The system checks such requests to determine whether to grant access. Examples include a process or a device.
Identifier	Unique name used to identify a group to which one or more users belong. An identifier is internally represented as a unique, 32-bit number. It is externally represented as an alphanumeric name. Both the system and the AUTHORIZE utility define identifiers and store them in SYS\$SYSTEM:RIGHTSLIST.DAT.
Access Rights List	List of identifiers belonging to a particular user. When you log in, the identifiers you hold in the rights database (including your UIC) are copied into a rights list that is part of your process. The rights list is the structure the VMS system uses to perform all protection checks.
Access Control List	Collection of Access Control Entries (ACEs) that determine what access is to be allowed to an agent for an object. Some aspects of ACLs are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• An ACL can contain one or more ACEs</li><li>• An object may have only one ACL</li><li>• For files, ACLs may or may not be propagated from a previous version of the file, or from the parent directory</li></ul>
Access Control Entry	Entry in an Access Control List. Each entry has three parts: the identifier name, the options, and the access allowed.
Holders	If an identifier is in the access rights list for a user, the user is a “holder” of that identifier. If a user holding several identifiers attempts to gain access to a file protected by an ACL, the system compares the user’s identifiers to the ACEs in the ACL, and determines access according to the first match found.
Access Allowed	Recorded after the ACCESS keyword in an ACE. Defines the type of access allowed to an agent holding the identifier specified in the ACE. Types of access include: Read, Write, Execute, Delete, and None.
Options	Recorded after the OPTIONS keyword in an ACE. Specifies the characteristics of an ACL.

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**Table 8-11: ACL- and UIC-Based Protection**

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File Name and Owner UIC	Type of Protection	Access Allowed
FILE.DAT [200,011]	UIC-based protection: (S:RWED,O:RWED,G:RWE,W)	System and Owner have RWED access. Group users have RWE access. World users have no access.
PROGRAM.FOR [200,011]	UIC-based protection: (S:RWED,O:RWED,G:RWE,W)  ACL allows users holding the identifier name SMITH to read the file.	System and Owner have RWED access. Group users have RWE access. Users holding the identifier name SMITH have READ access only (even if they are in the Group category). Other users have no access.
JUNK.DAT [200,011]	UIC-based protection: (S:RWED,O:RWED,G:RWE,W)  ACL does not allow users holding the identifier name SMITH to have any access to the file.	System and Owner users have RWED access (even those holding the identifier name SMITH). Group users have RWE access except those holding the identifier name SMITH. World users have no access.

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## System-Defined and User-Defined Identifiers

- System creates default identifiers in rights database
  - LOCAL
  - DIAL-UP
  - REMOTE
  - INTERACTIVE
  - NETWORK
  - BATCH
- Use default identifiers in ACL to define access rights for users  
(IDENTIFIER=MATH+LOCAL, OPTIONS=NONE, ACCESS=READ+WRITE)
- System creates one identifier for each UIC
- Stores identifier in rights database

### Example 8-3: AUTHORIZE Utility Creates Identifiers Automatically

```
$ SET DEFAULT SYS$SYSTEM
$ SET PROCESS/PRIVILEGE=SYSPRV
$ RUN AUTHORIZE
UAF>
UAF>SHO/ID/VALUE=UIC:[11,204]
unable to complete show command
%SYSTEM-F-NOSUCHID, unknown rights identifier
UAF>
UAF>ADD TOM/UIC=[11,204]/ACCOUNT=VMS/DEVICE=WORK1/DIRECTORY=[TOM]
user record successfully added
identifier TOM value: [000011,000204] added to RIGHTSLLIST.DAT
UAF>
UAF>ADD DICK/UIC=[11,204]/ACCOUNT=VMS/DEVICE=WORK1/DIRECTORY=[DICK]
user record successfully added
unable to add DICK value: [000011,000204] to RIGHTSLLIST.DAT
%SYSTEM-F-DUPIDENT, duplicate identifier
UAF>
UAF>ADD HARRY/UIC=[11,204]/ACCOUNT=VMS/DEVICE=WORK1/DIRECTORY=[HARRY]
user record successfully added
unable to add HARRY value: [000011,000204] to RIGHTSLLIST.DAT
%SYSTEM-F-DUPIDENT, duplicate identifier
UAF>
UAF>SHOW/BRIEF [11,204]
      Owner Username UIC          Account Privs      Pri Default Directory
      TOM      [11,204]   VMS      Normal    4   WORK1:[TOM]
      DICK     [11,204]   VMS      Normal    4   WORK2:[DICK]
      HARRY    [11,204]   VMS      Normal    4   WORK1:[HARRY]

UAF>
UAF>SHOW/IDENTIFIER/VALUE=UIC:[11,204]
      Name          Value          Attributes
      TOM           [000011,000204] NORESOURCE
UAF>
UAF>SHOW/IDENTIFIER/USER=TOM
      Name          Value          Attributes
      TOM           [000011,000204] NORESOURCE
UAF>SHOW/IDENTIFIER/USER=HARRY
      Name          Value          Attributes
      TOM           [000011,000204] NORESOURCE
UAF>SHOW/IDENTIFIER/USER=DICK
      Name          Value          Attributes
      TOM           [000011,000204] NORESOURCE
UAF>
UAF>EXIT
system authorization file modified
no modifications made to network authorization file
rights data base modified
$
$
```

- **System creates group identifiers**
  - When you add a UAF record with a UIC group number that is different from any previously recorded
  - Name of group identifier taken from ACCOUNT field in the new UAF record you are adding
  - Value of group identifier: [group-number,177777]
  - Sample group identifier value: [000011,177777]
  - Subsequent additions of UAF records with this group UIC do not affect name or value of existing group identifier
  
- **You create general identifiers**
  - You assign value or system assigns hexadecimal value
  - Value must be unique

### Example 8-4: Displaying Identifiers and Values in the Rights Database

```
$ SET DEFAULT SYS$SYSTEM
$ SET PROCESS/PRIVILEGE=SYSPRV
$ RUN AUTHORIZE
```

```
UAF>SHOW/IDENTIFIER *
```

Name	Value	Attributes
BATCH	%X80000001	NORESOURCE
BEYER	[000011,000005]	NORESOURCE
BIERLY	[000011,000340]	NORESOURCE
CHAPUT	[000031,000030]	NORESOURCE
CHERPAS	[000071,000040]	NORESOURCE
DECNET	[000240,000240]	NORESOURCE
DIALUP	%X80000002	NORESOURCE
FIELD	[000001,000010]	NORESOURCE
FIELDTEST2	%X80080011	RESOURCE
GROUP11	%X80080021	RESOURCE
HARBO	[000031,000007]	NORESOURCE
HYLNKA	[000011,000120]	NORESOURCE
HOUSSELL	[000011,000130]	NORESOURCE
INVENTORY	[000011,000343]	NORESOURCE
INTERACTIVE	%X80000003	NORESOURCE
J65	[000370,177777]	NORESOURCE
JULIAN	[000021,000150]	NORESOURCE
LOCAL	%X80000004	NORESOURCE
MARSH	[000011,000220]	NORESOURCE
MATH	%X8001000A	NORESOURCE
MAYWALT	[000131,000120]	NORESOURCE
NETMGR	[000013,000002]	NORESOURCE
NETPRINT	[000020,000002]	NORESOURCE
NETWORK	%X80000005	NORESOURCE
OPERATOR	[000011,000001]	NORESOURCE
PROJECT	%X8001000B	NORESOURCE
PROJMGMT	%X80010007	NORESOURCE
REMOTE	%X80010006	NORESOURCE
SASSMAN	[000131,000350]	NORESOURCE
SMITH	[000011,000200]	NORESOURCE
SUPERVISOR	%X80080022	NORESOURCE
SYSTEM	[000001,000004]	NORESOURCE
SYSTEST	[000001,000007]	NORESOURCE

```
UAF>SHOW/RIGHTS/USER=[*,*]
```

Name	Value	Attributes
Identifiers held by BEYER :		
FIELDTEST2	%X80080011	NORESOURCE
Identifiers held by MARSH :		
FIELDTEST2	%X80080011	NORESOURCE
GROUP11	%X80080021	NORESOURCE
Identifiers held by BIERLY :		
PROJMGMT	%X80010007	NORESOURCE
FIELDTEST2	%X80080011	NORESOURCE

```
UAF>SHOW/IDENTIFIER/FULL FIELDTEST2
```

Name	Value	Attributes
FIELDTEST2	%X80080011	RESOURCE
Holder	Attributes	
MARSH	NORESOURCE	
BIERLY	NORESOURCE	
BEYER	NORESOURCE	

```
UAF>
```

### Example 8-5: Managing the Rights Database

```

$ SET DEFAULT SYSS$SYSTEM
$ SET PROCESS/PRIVILEGE=SYSPRV
$ RUN AUTHORIZE
UAF>ADD/IDENTIFIER MATH
identifier MATH value: %X8001000C added to RIGHTS.LIST.DAT
UAF>GRANT/IDENTIFIER MATH BIERLY
identifier MATH granted to BIERLY
UAF>
UAF>GRANT/IDENTIFIER MATH TOM
identifier MATH granted to TOM
UAF>
UAF>SHO/RIGHTS/USER=TOM

```

Name	Value	Attributes
Identifiers held by TOM :		
PROJECT	%X8001000B	NORESOURCE
MATH	%X8001000C	NORESOURCE

```

UAF>
UAF>SHOW/RIGHTS/USER=BIERLY

```

Name	Value	Attributes
Identifiers held by BIERLY :		
PROJMGMT	%X80010007	NORESOURCE
FIELDTEST2	%X80080011	NORESOURCE
MATH	%X8001000C	NORESOURCE

```

UAF>
UAF>SHOW TOM

```

```

Username: TOM                               Owner:
Account:  VMS                               UIC:   [11,204]  ([VMS,TOM])
CLI:      DCL                               Tables:
Default:  WORK1:[TOM]
LGICMD:   SYS$MANAGER:SYLOGIN
Login Flags:
Primary days: Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun
Secondary days:
No access restrictions
Expiration: (none)          Pwdminimum: 6          Login Fails: 0
Pwdlifetime: 180 00:00      Pwdchange: 23-MAY-1984 22:42
Last Login: (none) (interactive), (none) (non-interactive)
Maxjobs: 0      Fillm: 20      Byt1m: 12288
Maxacctjobs: 0  Shrfillm: 0      Pbyt1m: 0
Maxdetach: 0    BI01m: 6      JTquota: 1024
Prclm: 2        DI01m: 6      WSdef: 150
Prio: 4         AST1m: 20     WSquo: 200
Queprio: 0      TQE1m: 10     WSextent: 500
CPU: (none)    Enqlm: 40      Psflquo: 10000
Authorized Privileges:
  TMPMBX NETMBX
Default Privileges:
  TMPMBX NETMBX

```

Name	Value	Attributes
Identifiers held by TOM :		
PROJECT	%X8001000B	NORESOURCE
MATH	%X8001000C	NORESOURCE

```

UAF>

```

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**Table 8-12: AUTHORIZE Commands Used to Manage the Rights Database**

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Command/Example	Function
UAF>ADD/IDENTIFIER id-name UAF>ADD/IDENTIFIER PAYROLL	Creates a general identifier. AUTHORIZE gives it a numerical value unless you assign it a different value.
UAF>SHOW/IDENTIFIER/FULL id-name UAF>SHOW/IDENTIFIER/FULL PAYROLL	Displays the name of the identifier, its value and attributes, and the names of the users that hold it.
UAF>GRANT/IDENTIFIER id-name user-name UAF>GRANT/IDENTIFIER PAYROLL SMITH	Allows a user to hold an identifier. A user automatically holds the system-defined identifier with the value of his/her UIC. You may create an unlimited number of general identifiers.
UAF>SHOW/RIGHTS/USER=user-name UAF>SHOW/RIGHTS/USER=TOM	Displays a list of the general identifiers held by TOM, as well as their values and attributes.
UAF>SHOW/IDENTIFIER/USER=user-name UAF>SHOW/IDENTIFIER/USER=SMITH	Displays the system-defined identifier and its UIC value for the user name specified, such as SMITH.
UAF>RENAME/IDENTIFIER old-name new-name UAF>RENAME/IDENTIFIER PAYROLL NEWPAY	When you rename an identifier in the rights database, the change is reflected in every ACE that contains the old identifier.
UAF>REMOVE/IDENTIFIER id-name UAF>REMOVE/IDENTIFIER NEWPAY	Removing an identifier does not remove it from any ACE. You must remove the identifier from any ACE that references it.
UAF>REVOKE/IDENTIFIER id-name user-name UAF>REVOKE/IDENTIFIER PAYROLL TOM	This is the converse of GRANT/IDENTIFIER.

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## Restricting User Access to Files

- VMS protection using UICs
- VMS protection using ACLs
  - Define ACL for a file with ACL editor
  - The VMS system uses ACLs to determine user access rights to file

### Example 8-6: Defining an ACL for a File

```
$ EDIT/ACL CALCULUS.DAT
```

The screen clears.

```
(IDENTIFIER=MATH,OPTIONS=NONE, ACCESS=NONE)  
(IDENTIFIER=PROJECT,OPTIONS=NONE,ACCESS=READ+WRITE)
```

The user exits the ACL editor.

```
$ DIRECTORY/FULL CALCULUS.DAT
```

```
Directory WORK1:[BIERLY.MGR.MGRUSERS]
```

```
CALCULUS.DAT;1          File ID: (17807,8,0)  
Size:                  1/1      Owner:  [VMS,BIERLY]  
Created: 11-JUN-1984 10:36  Revised: 11-JUN-1984 10:37 (3)  
Expires: <None specified>  Backup:  <No backup done>  
File organization: Sequential  
File attributes: Allocation: 1, Extend: 0, Global buffer  
count: 0, No version limit  
Record format: Variable length, maximum 52 bytes  
Record attributes: Carriage return carriage control  
File protection: System:RWED, Owner:RWED, Group: RE, World:  
Access Cntrl List: (IDENTIFIER=MATH,ACCESS=NONE)  
                   (IDENTIFIER=PROJECT,ACCESS=READ+WRITE)
```

```
Total of 1 file, 1/1 block.
```

```
$  
$
```

## Security Auditing

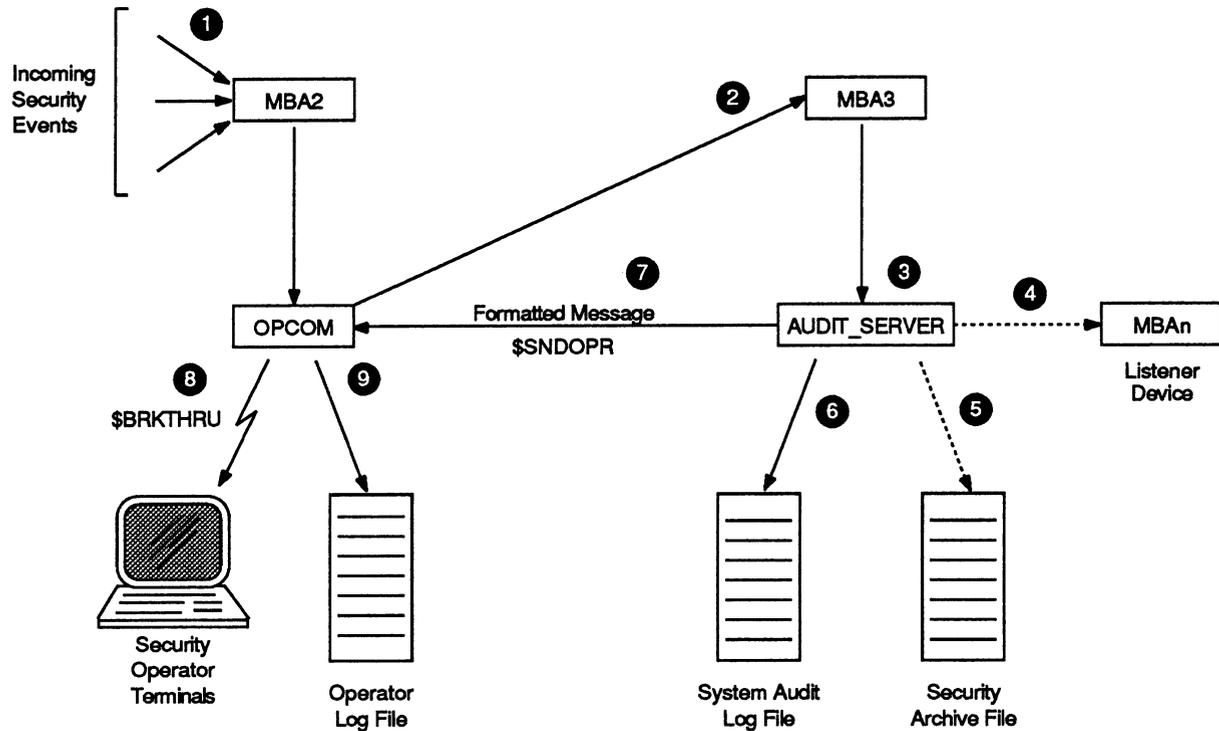
Security auditing allows the system manager to capture information about users whose actions might have significance for system security. The types of security-related events that occur on the system can be divided into a number of **event classes**.

**Table 8-13: Event Classes You Can Audit**

Type of Event	Comments
ALL	All possible events are audited (at some cost to performance).
ACL-requested	If a file has an ACL, and AUDIT is requested in that ACL, then access to the file is audited.
Authorization file access	All modifications to authorization files (SYSUAF.DAT, NETPROXY.DAT, RIGHTSLIST.DAT) are audited.
Break-in attempts	You can specify all or any combination of the types of break-in attempts listed.
Detached	
Dialup	
Local	
Network	
Remote	
File Access	You can track all file access attempts, whether or not they were successful. You can also determine if a process used one of the listed privileges to access a file.
Success	
Failure	
BYPASS	
SYSPRV	
GRPPRV	
READALL	
Login/Login Failure/Logout	You can audit logins, login failures, and logouts from any type of process in this list.
All	
Batch	
Detached	
Dialup	
Local	
Network	
Remote	
Subprocess	
Audit	You can record uses of the SET AUDIT command.
Install	You can record INSTALL operations.
Mount/Dismount	You can audit each time a mount or dismount request is made.

Figure 8-1 illustrates the relationship among the VMS security auditing subsystem components and shows the flow of security events as they are formatted into alarm messages and entries in the system security audit log file.

**Figure 8-1: Security Auditing on a VMS System**



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The callouts in Figure 8-1 label the path that security events take through the VMS operating system:

- ① A security event is generated (based on the event classes enabled on the system) and written to the operator communication manager (OPCOM) mailbox (MBA2) as a binary message.
- ② OPCOM reads and reformats the message and writes the message to the audit server process (AUDIT\_SERVER) mailbox (MBA3).
- ③ AUDIT\_SERVER reads the message.
- ④ AUDIT\_SERVER writes a copy of the binary message to the listener device, if enabled.
- ⑤ AUDIT\_SERVER writes a copy of the binary message to the security archive file, if enabled. The security archive file may be located on a remote system.
- ⑥ AUDIT\_SERVER writes a copy of the binary message to the system security audit log file. This is called a **system audit**.
- ⑦ AUDIT\_SERVER formats the binary message into ASCII text and sends the message to OPCOM (using the \$SNDOPR system service).
- ⑧ Using the \$BRKTHRU system service, OPCOM displays the message at all terminals enabled as security operators. This is called a **system alarm**.

In addition to sending alarm messages to OPCOM (as shown in callout ⑦), AUDIT\_SERVER also sends error and informational messages to OPCOM. OPCOM copies these messages to the operator log file (OPERATOR.LOG), as shown in callout ⑨.

- When an audited activity occurs:
  - A security event is generated
  - OPCOM is informed
  - OPCOM sends a message to the AUDIT\_SERVER process
  - The AUDIT\_SERVER records the message, most importantly in its log file
  - The AUDIT\_SERVER reformats the message and sends it back to OPCOM
  - OPCOM sends an alarm message to the operator terminals enabled to receive security messages
  - The AUDIT\_SERVER writes security auditing error and informational messages to OPCOM. OPCOM places these messages in the operator log file (OPERATOR.LOG)

### Example 8-7: Security Alarm Message on Console Terminal

```

***** OPCOM 11-APR-1989 09:32::53.39 *****
Message from user AUDIT$SERVER on TIDE
Security alarm (SECURITY) and security audit (SECURITY) on TIDE,
system id: 167772163 / System UAF record modification
Event time:          11-APR-1989 09:32:53.38
PID:                 20800513
Username:            JONES
Image name:          $11$DUA53:[SYS0.SYSCOMMON.][SYSEXE]AUTHORIZE.EXE
Object name:         SYS$COMMON:[SYSEXE]SYSUAF.DAT;1
Object type:         file
User record modified: SMITH
Fields modified:     PRIVILEGES
  
```

- To enable or disable types of security auditing:  
(requires SECURITY privilege)

```
$ SET AUDIT
```

- To list classes and types of audit currently enabled:

```
$ SHOW AUDIT
```

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**Table 8–14: Defining and Listing Audit Classes**

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Command/Example	Comments
\$ SET AUDIT/ALARM - _ \$ /ENABLE=(class [=keyword])	You must include the <b>/ALARM</b> qualifier when enabling audits. The <b>/ALARM</b> qualifier displays audit messages on operator terminals that are enabled to receive security messages.
\$ SET AUDIT/ALARM - _ \$ /ENABLE=AUTHORIZATION	
\$ SET AUDIT/ALARM - _ \$ /ENABLE=(BREAKIN=DIALUP)	
\$ SET AUDIT/ALARM - _ \$ /ENABLE=(ACL, MOUNT)	You can specify more than one class in a single command.
\$ SET AUDIT/ALARM - _ \$ /ENABLE=(BREAKIN=(DIALUP, NETWORK))	You can specify more than one keyword for a class.
\$ SHOW AUDIT	You can display a list of the classes and types of events within classes that are currently set for audit.

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## Audit Analysis

The data collected by the AUDIT\_SERVER can be analyzed with the **ANALYZE/AUDIT** command. The *VMS Audit Analysis Utility Manual* provides complete descriptions for all selection qualifiers. Unless otherwise directed, the analysis examines the default security audit log file, SYSS\$MANAGER:SECURITY\_AUDIT.AUDIT\$JOURNAL.

- The following command extracts all security audit records, in a brief, one-line format (default), and writes the output to SECURITY.LIS:

```
$ ANALYZE/AUDIT/OUTPUT=SECURITY.LIS
```

- This command extracts all security audit records generated by the user MACARTHUR since January 1, 1989, and displays them at the terminal:

```
$ ANALYZE/AUDIT/SELECT=USERNAME=MACARTHUR/SINCE=1-JAN-1989
```

- The next command selects records generated by break-in attempts and file access which succeeds by using SYSPRV or BYPASS privilege.

```
$ ANALYZE/AUDIT -  
_ $ /EVENT_TYPE=(BREAKIN, FILE_ACCESS=(SYSPRV, BYPASS))
```

- At any time during an audit analysis listing, you can interrupt the report being displayed and enter interactive command mode by typing CTRL/C. At the **COMMAND>** prompt, you may EXIT, CONTINUE, or enter commands to generate a new report.
- The Audit Analysis Utility provides a HELP facility that contains information about all interactive mode commands.

# SYSTEM PROBLEMS

- Two categories of problems
  - Software
    - Operator error (incorrect input)
    - Programming error (infinite loops, wrong logic)
  - Hardware
    - Head crash (on disk)
    - Memory failure
    - Misalignment of disk or tape drives
  
- Problems can result in
  - Corruption of data
  - Loss of data
  - Loss of system resources
  - Loss of computation

## Software Problems

- When software problems occur, system manager must
  - Retrain users in proper use of software
  - Correct errors in programs causing problems
- When problems reoccur despite proper attempts at correction, system manager should
  - Document problem
  - Submit Software Performance Report (SPR)
  - Include the following information in the SPR:
    - Listings that reveal state of entire system
    - Explanations of how to reproduce the problem
    - Information in machine-readable form
    - Aspects of system environment not apparent from listings
    - Personal clues and analyses

## Hardware Problems

- Problems can be
  - Obvious (head crash)
  - Intermittent (memory errors)
- Detect obvious problems by checking system periodically
- Tools for detecting intermittent problems
  - Error logging facility
  - System failure dump facility
  - Hardware diagnostics
  - User and operator comments
  - Operator's log file
  - User Environment Test Package (UETP)

## Error Logging Facility

- ERRFMT process records certain activities in system error log file
  - Name of file is SYS\$ERRORLOG:ERRLOG.SYS
  - Records activities such as
    - Device errors
    - Memory errors
    - Volume mounts and dismounts
    - System startups
  - Logs errors for all disk and tape devices
- Can specify which devices will have error logging
  - \$ SET DEVICE/ERRORLOGGING
- To determine if error logging is enabled:
  - \$ SHOW DEVICE/FULL

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**Table 8-15: Enabling and Disabling Error Logging**

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Operation	Command Format/Examples (Requires OPER Privilege)
Enabling error logging on a device	\$ SET DEVICE/ERROR_LOGGING device-name \$ SET DEVICE/ERROR_LOGGING DBB2:
Disabling error logging on a device	\$ SET DEVICE/NOERROR_LOGGING device-name \$ SET DEVICE/NOERROR_LOGGING DBB2:

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- Use Errorlog Report Formatter (ERF) to examine contents of error log file

```
$ ANALYZE/ERROR_LOG [/qualifiers...]
```

- Can generate different types of reports by selecting various entries

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**Table 8-16: Selecting Entries for an Error Log Report**

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Qualifier	Comment
/BEFORE	Specifies a range of entries to examine when creating a report. <b>/BEFORE</b> and <b>/SINCE</b> specify a range within a time interval. <b>/ENTRY</b> specifies a range using entry numbers.
/SINCE	
/ENTRY	
/INCLUDE	Includes or excludes entries on the basis of device name (MTA0:, DBA1:, etc.), device class (DISKS, TAPES, etc.), and entry types (BUGCHECKS, DEVICE_ERRORS, MEMORY, VOLUME_CHANGES, etc.).
/EXCLUDE	

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### Example 8-8: Portion of Device Error and Volume Changes Report Generated by ANALYZE/ERROR

```
V A X / V M S          SYSTEM ERROR REPORT          COMPILED 11-JUN-1988 10:03
                                           PAGE 25.
***** ENTRY          699. *****
ERROR SEQUENCE 313.          LOGGED ON SID 0138700D
DEVICE ERROR, 11-JUN-1988 05:05:48.64 KA780 REV 7 , SERIAL 13,
MASSBUS SUB-SYSTEM, UNIT _SUPER$DRA3:
      CS  DS  ER1  MR1  AS  DA  DT  LA  SN  OF  DC  HR
      0830 51C0 0180 0008 0000 0101 2014 0040 8609 1000 0002 0002
***** ENTRY          700. *****
ERROR SEQUENCE 314.          LOGGED ON SID 0138700D
DEVICE ERROR, 11-JUN-1988 05:06:39.66 KA780 REV 7, SERIAL 13,
MASSBUS SUB-SYSTEM, UNIT _SUPER$DRA3:
      CS  DS  ER1  MR1  AS  DA  DT  LA  SN  OF  DC  HR
      0830 51C0 0090 000C 0000 011F 2014 07C0 8609 1000 0001 0001
***** ENTRY          701. *****
ERROR SEQUENCE 315.          LOGGED ON SID 0138700D
DEVICE ERROR, 11-JUN-1988 05:08:23.81 KA780 REV 7, SERIAL 13,
MASSBUS SUB-SYSTEM, UNIT _SUPER$DRA3:
      CS  DS  ER1  MR1  AS  DA  DT  LA  SN  OF  DC  HR
      0830 51C0 0180 0008 0000 0200 2014 0000 8609 1000 00BC 00BC
***** ENTRY          703. *****
ERROR SEQUENCE 318.          LOGGED ON SID 0138700D
DEVICE ERROR, 11-JUN-1988 05:24:24.06 KA780 REV 7, SERIAL 13,
MASSBUS SUB-SYSTEM, UNIT _SUPER$DRA3:
      CS  DS  ER1  MR1  AS  DA  DT  LA  SN  OF  DC  HR
      0830 51C0 0180 0008 0000 0101 2014 0040 8609 1000 0002 0002
***** ENTRY          705. *****
ERROR SEQUENCE 332.          LOGGED ON SID 0138700D
DEVICE ERROR, 11-JUN-1988 07:35:28.76 KA780 REV 7, SERIAL 13,
MASSBUS SUB-SYSTEM, UNIT _SUPER$DRA1:
      CS  DS  ER1  MR1  AS  DA  DT  LA  SN  OF  DC  HR
      0838 51C0 0190 0008 0000 0211 2017 0440 5417 1000 0325 0325

ANAL/ERR/OUTPUT=DEV_VOL.DAT/SINCE=9-JUN-1988 00:00:00.00
/INCLUDE=(DEVICE,VOLUME)/BRIEF
```

- ERRFMT distinguishes between two types of errors
  - Soft errors (recoverable errors)
  - Hard errors (unrecoverable errors)
- Not all error log entries represent device or volume failure
- Keep logs (in hard-copy form) for reference during preventive maintenance (PM)

## System Failure Dump Facility

- System shutdown occurs for two reasons
  - Operator or manager requests shutdown
  - System detects unrecoverable error
- System saves copy of memory in dump file called SYS\$SYSTEM:SYSDUMP.DMP
- Use System Dump Analyzer (SDA) to examine contents of dump file

```
$ ANALYZE/CRASH
```

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**Table 8–17: Analyzing a System Dump**

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### Steps in Running SDA

Utility	Comments
<pre>\$ ANALYZE/CRASH_DMP - _ \$ SYS\$SYSTEM:SYSDUMP</pre>	<p>Requires:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Read access to dump file</li><li>• Read access to system symbol table</li><li>• Value of system parameter VIRTUALPAGECNT at least 4000 pages larger than size of dump file</li><li>• If executed in site-specific startup file, value of system parameter PQL_DPGFLQUOTA at least 1000 pages larger than size of dump file</li><li>• If executed elsewhere, value of PGFLQUOTA field in UAF record at least 1000 pages larger than size of dump file</li></ul>
<pre>SDA&gt; command</pre>	Table 8–18 shows typical SDA commands that produce reports about the system dump.
<pre>SDA&gt; EXIT</pre>	Return to DCL (or parent process)

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**Table 8-18: Types of Reports Generated by the System Dump Analyzer**

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Subject of Report	Command Format
Reason system failed, processor registers	SHOW CRASH
Active processes	SHOW SUMMARY
Image each process was running at the time of the failure	SHOW SUMMARY/IMAGE
Current process	SHOW PROCESS/ALL
Process in balance set	SHOW PROCESS/ALL[/INDEX=nn] [process-name]
System device	SHOW DEVICE device-name

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- System overwrites dump file whenever failure occurs
- Save old dump files and create reports as part of startup procedure

### Example 8-9: Copying the Dump File at Startup and Creating Reports

```

$ !
$ ! Copy Dump file and create listing if system just failed
$ !
$ ANALYZE/CRASH_DUMP SYS$SYSTEM:SYSDUMP.DMP
  COPY LIB$DISK:[SYSMGR.CRASH]SAVEDUMP.DMP      ! Save dump file
  SET OUTPUT LIB$DISK:[SYSMGR.CRASH]SYSDUMP.LIS  ! Create listing file
                                                    ! containing the
                                                    ! following information:
                                                    !
  SHOW CRASH                                     ! Display crash information
  SHOW STACK                                    ! Show current stack
  SHOW SUMMARY                                  ! List all active processes
  SHOW PROCESS/PCB/PHD/REG                     ! Display all current processes
  SHOW SYMBOL/ALL                               ! Display systemm symbol table
  EXIT
$ !
$ ! Get rid of old system dump files.
$ PURGE/KEEP=3 LIB$DISK:[SYSMGR.CRASH]*.*
$ PRINT LIB$DISK:[SYSMGR.CRASH]SYSDUMP.LIS

```

**Example 8-10: First Page of Report Produced by SDA Command SHOW CRASH**

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System crash information	....	2
CPU 00 Processor crash information	....	3
Current process summary	....	4

## Example 8-11: Second Page of Report Produced by SDA Command SHOW CRASH

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System crash information

Time of system crash: 23-JUN-1988 20:48:56.10

Version of system: VAX/VMS VERSION V5.0-1

System Version Major ID/Minor ID: 1/0

VAXcluster node: ROW, a VAXstation II/GPX

Crash CPU ID/Primary CPU ID: 00/00

Bitmask of CPUs active/available: 00000001/00000001

CPU bugcheck codes:

CPU 00 -- INVEXCEPTN, Exception while above ASTDEL or on interrupt stack

## Example 8-12: Third Page of Report Produced by SDA Command SHOW CRASH

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CPU 00 Processor crash information

CPU 00 reason for Bugcheck: INVEXCEPTN, Exception while above ASTDEL or on interrupt stack.

Process currently executing on this CPU: SWAPPER

Current IPL: 8 (decimal)

CPU database address: 808BC000

### General registers:

R0 = 00000008	R1 = 00080000	R2 = 00000002	R3 = 8045A060
R4 = B4001FDC	R5 = 8088CA20	R6 = 00000000	R7 = 00000005
R8 = 0000018B	R9 = 0000003E	R10 = 80ABA06C	R11 = 00000169
AP = 80ABA070	FP = 00000000	SP = 801C5520	PC = 8019B1FE
PSL = 00080009			

### Processor registers:

POBR = 8061EE00	SBR = 006E9800	ASTLVL = 00000004
POLR = 00000E10	SLR = 00005700	SISR = 00000000
P1BR = 7F979400	PCBB = 005C5A20	ICCS = 00000040
P1LR = 001FFF7F	SCBB = 006E1600	SID = 08000000
TODR = 6A0DCC69	SYSTYPE= 01010000	
ISP = 808BD200		
KSP = 801C5520		
ESP = 00000000		
SSP = 00000000		
USP = 00000000		

No spinlocks currently owned by CPU 00

- Use the following SDA command to:
  - Display a list of users working on the system when it failed
  - List images that were running at the time of failure

SHOW SUMMARY/IMAGE

**Example 8-13: Fourth Page of Report Produced by SDA Command  
SHOW SUMMARY/IMAGE**

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Current process summary

Extended -- PID --	Indx	Process name	Username	State	Pri	PCB	PHD	Wkset
25400041	0001	SWAPPER		CUR	16	801C5198	801C5000	0
25400046	0006	ERRFMT	SYSTEM	HIB	10	8065B470	808BEA00	108
		\$11\$DUA13:[SYS2.SYSCOMMON.] [SYSEXE]ERRFMT.EXE;1						
25400047	0007	CACHE_SERVER	SYSTEM	HIB	16	806545F0	808EDA00	101
		\$11\$DUA13:[SYS2.SYSCOMMON.] [SYSEXE]FILESERV.EXE;1						
25400048	0008	CLUSTER_SERVER	SYSTEM	HIB	14	80654B70	80905200	216
		\$11\$DUA13:[SYS2.SYSCOMMON.] [SYSEXE]CSP.EXE;1						
25400049	0009	OPCOM	SYSTEM	HIB	7	8065F3C0	8091CA00	142
		\$11\$DUA13:[SYS2.SYSCOMMON.] [SYSEXE]OPCOM.EXE;2						
2540004A	000A	JOB_CONTROL	SYSTEM	HIB	8	8065F540	80934200	201
		\$11\$DUA13:[SYS2.SYSCOMMON.] [SYSEXE]JOBCTL.EXE;3						
2540004B	000B	CONFIGURE	SYSTEM	HIB	8	8067EF80	8094BA00	147
		\$11\$DUA13:[SYS2.SYSCOMMON.] [SYSEXE]CONFIGURE.EXE;3						
2540004D	000D	SMISERVER	SYSTEM	HIB	13	8067F100	80963200	534
		\$11\$DUA13:[SYS2.SYSCOMMON.] [SYSEXE]SMISERVER.EXE;3						
25400050	0010	NETACP	DECNET	HIB	14	806892B0	809A9A00	861
		\$11\$DUA13:[SYS2.SYSCOMMON.] [SYSEXE]NETACP.EXE;1						
25400051	0011	VWS\$DISPLAYMGR	SYSTEM	LEF	7	8068A920	809C1200	260
		\$11\$DUA13:[SYS2.SYSCOMMON.] [SYSEXE]UISBG.EXE;4						
25400052	0012	VWS\$EMULATORS	SYSTEM	HIB	5	8068B200	809D8A00	30
		\$11\$DUA13:[SYS2.SYSCOMMON.] [SYSEXE]VWS\$EMULATORS.EXE;4						
25400053	0013	REMACP	SYSTEM	HIB	8	8068F900	80992200	34
		\$11\$DUA13:[SYS2.SYSCOMMON.] [SYSEXE]REMACP.EXE;1						
25400054	0014	AUDIT_SERVER	SYSTEM	HIB	8	806D6240	8097AA00	261
		\$11\$DUA13:[SYS2.SYSCOMMON.] [SYSEXE]AUDIT_SERVER.EXE;88						
25400055	0015	SYSTARTUP	SYSTEM	COM	9	806D64D0	809F0200	296
25400056	0016	UIS\$SYS_FONT_LD	SYSTEM	COM	9	8065D190	808D6200	221

## **Hardware Diagnostics**

- Isolate and diagnose problem
- Two types of diagnostics
  - On-line
  - Standalone
- Field Service engineer runs diagnostics on site, or from remote location

## **On-Line Diagnostics**

- Run on hardware; not essential for the execution of VMS software
- Digital Field Service engineer brings diagnostics
- FIELD account must be available to run diagnostics

## **Standalone Diagnostics**

- Use when Field Service must diagnose components essential for the execution of VMS software
- Prepare for standalone diagnostics
  - Shut down system
  - Remove system disk and other sensitive volumes
  - Provide access to console terminal and console device

## **Remote Diagnosis**

- Run from a remote Digital Diagnosis Center (DDC)
  - System must have remote diagnosis port
  - Set keyswitch on front panel to REMOTE (processor-dependent)

## User and Operator Comments

- Create log book containing:
  - User comments
  - Backups done
  - Shift change information
  - Cleaning done
  - Unusual events
  - Warnings and notes for other operators
  - Work left from previous shift
  - Specific hardware or software problems

## Operator Log File

- Operator log file (SYS\$MANAGER:OPERATOR.LOG) contains:
  - **REQUEST** and **REPLY** communication
  - Communication between operating system and operator
  - Messages regarding enabled or disabled operator terminals
  - Time of day (every hour)
  - Off-line messages indicating device taken off-line
- To close a log file and open a new one:
  - \$ REPLY/LOG
- Operator log is text file (examine using **PRINT** or **TYPE** commands)

## User Environment Test Package (UETP)

- Run User Environment Test Package (UETP) to test how hardware and software work together
- UETP is not a replacement for diagnostics or system exercisers
- UETP does not identify the cause of a problem

## SUMMARY

- System manager must provide proper care for devices, media, and computer room
  - Customer performs some maintenance activities
  - Digital Field Service performs sensitive activities
- System manager is responsible for software maintenance
  - Installs updates and upgrades
  - Ensures integrity of critical system files
  - Backs up system and user volumes regularly
- System manager is also responsible for security
  - Computer room
  - Dial-up lines
  - System files
  - Media storage
  - Encourages use of protection codes and ACLs
  - Audits critical security situations
- Capabilities for ensuring security on disk volumes
  - Erase-on-Delete
  - Erase-on-Allocate (highwater marking)
- Password security affected by proper use of AUTHORIZE
  - System password
  - Secondary user passwords
  - Password expiration
  - Minimum length passwords
  - Forced use of system-generated passwords

- Terminal (device) security
  - **SET PROTECTION/DEVICE**
  - **SET TERMINAL/SECURE\_SERVER**
- Use UIC and ACL protection to enhance security and sharing among users
- Security auditing: the AUDIT\_SERVER and Audit Analysis Utility
  - **SET AUDIT** to select events for audit
  - **SHOW AUDIT** to see which events are being audited
  - **ANALYZE/AUDIT** to produce audit reports
  - Beware of auditing everything (performance penalty)
- Types of system problems
  - Hardware
  - Software
- Error Logging Facility
  - ERRFMT process logs errors to SYS\$ERRORLOG:ERRLOG.SYS
    - Process initiated at system startup
  - Can selectively set devices for error logging (**SET DEVICE/[NO]ERROR\_LOGGING**)
  - Use ERF to examine contents of error log file (**ANALYZE/ERROR\_LOG**)
    - Can select particular device errors
- Use SDA to examine system failure information (**ANALYZE/CRASH\_DUMP**)
- Hardware diagnostic facilities
  - Performed by Digital Field Service personnel
  - Can be performed locally or remotely
- UETP
  - Tests how hardware and software work together
  - Not a replacement for diagnostics
  - Cannot identify cause of problem

**MODULE 9**  
**MONITORING THE SYSTEM**



# INTRODUCTION

The VMS operating system provides many tools for monitoring system behavior. Using these tools, you can examine the activity of VMS processes and the utilization of system resources. If user demands on system resources become too great, system performance will become unsatisfactory.

The primary factor limiting VMS performance is hardware resources - especially physical memory and disk storage. Hardware resources that are inadequate for the workload generally provide poor performance, regardless of any other efforts to improve performance.

When the system is installed and started up for the first time, it determines the amount of physical memory and disk storage available. It then uses this information to compute appropriate sizes for its data structures and work files. If additional physical resources are added to the system to improve its performance, you can have the VMS system recompute these sizes to take advantage of the new resources.

You are not expected to configure or tune a system to match an application or workload using the information presented in this module. Another course, *VMS System Performance Management*, treats the topic of system performance in greater detail. You are simply expected to use the commands and utilities discussed in this module to monitor the performance of your system. Eventually, as you become familiar with your system and performance management in general, you can use these same tools to help you improve the system performance.

## OBJECTIVES

- Monitor the system
- Modify system parameters to reflect a change in system resources

## RESOURCES

To complete this module, you must have access to the following documents:

1. *Guide to Setting Up a VMS System*
2. *VMS System Generation Utility Manual*
3. *Guide to Maintaining a VMS System*
4. *Guide to VMS Performance Management*
5. *VMS Monitor Utility Manual*
6. *VMS Accounting Utility Manual*
7. *VMS DCL Dictionary*

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# MONITORING SYSTEM ACTIVITY

**Table 9-1: System, Process, and Device Monitoring**

Information Displayed	Command or Utility
<b>General System Information</b>	
Overview of the processes on the system	\$ SHOW SYSTEM
Overview of print queues	\$ SHOW QUEUE /DEVICES /ALL
Overview of batch queues	\$ SHOW QUEUE /BATCH /ALL
Overview of mounted disk and tape volumes	\$ SHOW DEVICES/MOUNTED
Overview of system memory resources	\$ SHOW MEMORY
Demands on system resources	\$ MONITOR
Error counts for CPU, memory, and physical devices	\$ SHOW ERROR
Cluster activity and performance	\$ SHOW CLUSTER
<b>Specific Information (Process or Device)</b>	
Interactive users, terminal names, and process IDs	\$ SHOW USERS
Information about current activities of a certain process	\$ SHOW PROCESS /CONTINUOUS /ID=pid \$ SHOW PROCESS /ALL /ID=pid
Information about user limits and privileges	\$ RUN SYS\$SYSTEM:AUTHORIZE
Information about disk space allowances	\$ SHOW QUOTA /USER=[uic] \$ RUN SYS\$SYSTEM:SYSMAN
Consumption of resources by processes	\$ ACCOUNTING
Information about devices and volumes	\$ SHOW DEVICE device

## Monitoring Active Processes

- List all processes on the system
  - \$ SHOW SYSTEM
- List information about a single process
  - In same UIC group (requires GROUP privilege)
    - \$ SHOW PROCESS process-name
  - In any UIC group (requires WORLD privilege)
    - \$ SHOW PROCESS /ID=pid
- Process scheduling based on software process priority
- Process scheduling states
  - Current process
  - Wait states
    - COM (computable) process
    - Outswapped process

### Example 9-1: Output from the SHOW SYSTEM/FULL Command

```

VAX/VMS V5.0 on node SPIDER 30-APR-1988 16:10:15.13 Uptime 3 00:21:30
  Pid  Process Name      State Pri   I/O      CPU      Page flts Ph.Mem
21200081 SWAPPER             HIB   16      0      0 00:01:03.47      0      0
  [GROUP1,SYSTEM]
21200086 ERRFMT             HIB    9     3221    0 00:00:38.08      70     111
  [1,6]
21200089 OPCOM              LEF    8     1393    0 00:00:19.59     4844     81
  [GROUP1,SYSTEM]
2120008A JOB_CONTROL    HIB    8    81129    0 00:24:52.39      200    342
  [GROUP1,SYSTEM]
2120008C NETACP             HIB   10    35622    0 00:38:08.93     5965   5640
  [GROUP1,SYSTEM]
2120008E REMACP             HIB    9      467    0 00:00:02.05      78     65
  [GROUP1,OPERATOR]
2120008F SYMBIONT_0001      HIB    6     7223    0 00:05:23.34    29327     69
  [GROUP1,SYSTEM]
21200090 SYMBIONT_0002      HIB    4       16    0 00:00:13.32      193     70
  [GROUP1,SYSTEM]
21200092 SYMBIONT_0004      HIB    4    46137    0 00:29:22.24    66427     77
  [GROUP1,SYSTEM]
2120009B VAXsim_Monitor     HIB    8      642    0 00:00:11.49      361    255
  [1,6]
2120009E VPA_DC             HIB   15     2870    0 00:10:15.45      234    323
  [GROUP1,SYSTEM]
21200524 BATCH_1036        COM    2   7137740    1 00:01:43.25      381    346 B
  [GROUP1,OPERATOR]
212006AC MATTHEWS         LEF    7     7973    0 00:01:07.32     4387   1500
  [GROUP11,MATTHEWS]
21200731 MATTHEWS_1         CUR    4      177    0 00:00:02.28      433    269 S
  [GROUP11,MATTHEWS]
21200635 SERVER_0635        LEF    5      369    0 00:00:09.17     1732    267 N
  [DECNET]
212007CC MARSH          LEF    4    28383    0 00:09:42.82    53227    300
  [GROUP11,MARSH]
212004D3 NOTES$0007_0*    HIB    6     1537    0 00:00:19.87     7787     67 N
  [GROUP111,NOTES$SERVER]

```

**Table 9-2: System States**

Name of State and Abbreviation	OK	Probably OK	Possible Problem	Definition of State
Computable COM/COMO		X		Available to use the processor
Common Event Flag Wait CEF/CEFO		X		Waiting for something to happen in another process
Collided Page Wait COLP			X	Waiting for the system
Current CUR	X			Using the processor
Free Page Wait FPG			X	Waiting for physical memory
Hibernating HIB/HIBO		X		Intentionally doing no work
Local Event Flag Wait LEF/LEFO		X		Waiting for something to happen in the image (typically I/O completion)
Mutex / Misc Resource MWAIT or RWxxx			X	Waiting for a system resource
Page Fault Wait PFW			X	Waiting for the system
Suspended SUSP/SUSPO		X		Deliberately prevented from executing

## Monitoring System Processes

- System processes
  - Created by the VMS system at system startup
  - Perform certain operating system functions

**Table 9-3: System Processes**

Process Name	Purpose
SWAPPER	Maintains adequate free memory; transfers processes between physical memory and disk
ERRFMT	Records device errors in file on disk
JOB_CONTROL	Manages print jobs, batch jobs, interactive processes, and process accounting
OPCOM	Transmits and records user requests and operator replies
SYMBIONT_nnnn	Prints files on line printers
xxxACP	Manages transmission of data to and from tapes, interconnected computers, and some disks

**Table 9-4: Results of System Process Deletion**

Process Name	Effect of Deletion
SWAPPER	(Cannot be deleted)
ERRFMT	No device errors recorded
JOB_CONTROL	Users cannot log in and queues do not function
OPCOM	No user/operator communication
SYMBIONT_nnnn	Printers may not print
xxxACP	System slows down, possibly stops entirely

- To restart ERRFMT, OPCOM, or JOB\_CONTROL:
  1. Log in as SYSTEM
  2. Run STARTUP.COM
  3. Enter process-image name as P1 parameter, for example:

```
$ @SYS$SYSTEM:STARTUP OPCOM
```

## Obtaining Information About a Device

- To display information about devices on your system:

```
$ SHOW DEVICES
```

**Table 9-5: SHOW DEVICES Command**

Function	Command
Lists all devices on the system	\$ SHOW DEVICES
Shows amount of unused space on a mounted disk volume	\$ SHOW DEVICES /MOUNTED
Shows characteristics or error count on a specific device	\$ SHOW DEVICES device-name
Shows owner of an allocated device	\$ SHOW DEVICES /FULL device-name
Names all open files on a volume (You need SYSPRV and WORLD privileges to display complete information)	\$ SHOW DEVICES /FILES device-name

### Example 9-2: SHOW DEVICES /MOUNTED Output

```
$ SHOW DEVICES /MOUNTED
```

Device Name	Device Status	Error Count	Volume Label	Free Blocks	Trans Count	Mnt Cnt
DJA1:	Mounted	1	GONZO	44418	1	3
DJA2:	Mounted	0	ANIMAL	162004	1	3
DJA3:	Mounted	0	OSCAR	2568	1	3

### Example 9-3: SHOW DEVICES /FULL Output

\$ SHOW DEVICE/FULL DJA0:

Disk DJA0:, device type RA60, is online, mounted, file-oriented device,  
shareable, error logging is enabled.

Error count	69	Operations completed	75804
Owner process	""	Owner UIC	[1,1]
Owner process ID	00000000	Dev Prot	S:RWED,O:RWED,G:RWED,W:RWED
Reference count	63	Default buffer size	512
Total blocks	400176	Sectors per track	42
Total cylinders	2382	Tracks per cylinder	4
Volume label	"BUNNY_SYS"	Relative volume number	0
Cluster size	2	Transaction count	140
Free blocks	27618	Maximum files allowed	66696
Extend quantity	5	Mount count	1
Mount status	System	Cache name	"BUNNY\$DJA0:XQPCACHE"
Extent cache size	64	Maximum blocks in extent cache	2761
File ID cache size	64	Blocks currently in extent cache	1246
Quota cache size	0	Maximum buffers in FCP cache	129

Volume status: subject to mount verification, write-through caching enabled.

## Monitoring Memory Resources

- System performance is strongly dependent on amount of physical memory.
- SHOW MEMORY command displays information about system's physical memory.

### Example 9-4: SHOW MEMORY Output

\$ SHOW MEMORY

```
System Memory Resources on 30-APR-1988 16:39:33.81
Physical Memory Usage (pages):  Total      Free      In Use    Modified
Main Memory (16.00Mb)         32768     23954     8516     298

Slot Usage (slots):           Total      Free      Resident  Swapped
Process Entry Slots           30         11        19        0
Balance Set Slots             27         10        17        0

Fixed-Size Pool Areas (packets): Total      Free      In Use    Size
Small Packet (SRP) List       640        102       538       96
I/O Request Packet (IRP) List 328         96        232       176
Large Packet (LRP) List       39         19         20      1648

Dynamic Memory Usage (bytes):  Total      Free      In Use    Largest
Nonpaged Dynamic Memory       643584     36512     607072   30272
Paged Dynamic Memory          205312     75600     129712   74480

Paging File Usage (pages):    Free      Reservable  Total
DISK$COCOA_SYS:[SYS0.SYSEXE]SWAPFILE.SYS
                               15000     15000     15000
DISK$COCOA_SYS:[SYS0.SYSEXE]PAGEFILE.SYS
                               23636     -6941     30000
```

Of the physical pages in use, 3976 pages are permanently allocated to VMS.

**Table 9-6: Effect of Memory Sizes on Performance**

Item	Description	Problem
Free Physical Memory	Size of the free page list (the number of pages available for processes that need memory)	If less than a few hundred blocks, swapping occurs.
Free Process Entry Slots	The number of additional processes the VMS system can create	If zero, no users can log in and no new processes can be created.
Free Balance Set Slots	The maximum number of additional processes the VMS system can swap in	If zero, then swapping occurs even if there are enough free pages available.
Fixed-Size Pool Areas (Packets)	Nonpaged memory in system space, used primarily for I/O	If any item is zero, the system tries to increase it. Enter the SHOW MEMORY/FULL command for more information.
Free Paged Dynamic Memory, Free Nonpaged Dynamic Memory	The amount of dynamic memory left for the system to use	If too small, system response deteriorates.
Free Swap File Pages	The number of pages available on disk for swapping	If too small, then the VMS system uses page file instead (can significantly reduce performance).
Free Page File Pages	The number of pages available on disk for paging	If too small, processes wait in MWAIT state. System prints a message on the console terminal when the page file reaches 60% and 90% full.

### **Monitoring Print and Batch Queues**

- To examine queues on the system:
  - \$ SHOW QUEUE/DEVICES/ALL
  - \$ SHOW QUEUE/BATCH/ALL

## MONITOR Utility

- Display information about system resource usage
  - \$ MONITOR class-name(s) [/qualifiers]
- MONITOR commands can:
  - Display a class of information
  - Set default classes
  - List defaults
  - Execute command procedures
  - Obtain help
  - Exit from the utility
- Unlike most utilities that display system information, MONITOR can:
  - Display several classes of information alternately
  - Summarize statistics over a long period of time
  - Record information in a disk file
  - Play back information that it has recorded

### Example 9–5: Invoking the MONITOR Utility

```
$ MONITOR  
MONITOR>
```

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**Table 9-7: MONITOR Class Names**

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<b>Class Description</b>	<b>Class Name</b>
All classes	ALL_CLASSES
Brief display of system status in a cluster	CLUSTER
DECnet-VAX statistics	DECNET
Disk I/O statistics	DISK
Distributed lock management statistics	DLOCK
File system statistics	FCP
File system cache statistics	FILE_SYSTEM_CACHE
System I/O statistics	IO
Lock management statistics	LOCK
Time spent in each processor mode	MODES
Disk server statistics in cluster	MSCP
Page management statistics	PAGE
Space allocation in nonpaged dynamic memory	POOL
Statistics on all processes	PROCESSES
RMS file I/O statistics	RMS
System communication services statistics	SCS
Number of processes in each scheduler state	STATES
Brief display of general system status (includes information displayed in other classes)	SYSTEM

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## Example 9-6: MONITOR Screen Display of the PAGE Class

\$ MONITOR PAGE

VAX/VMS Monitor Utility  
PAGE MANAGEMENT STATISTICS  
on node SPIDER  
30-APR-1988 17:04:35

	CUR	AVE	MIN	MAX
Page Fault Rate	2.33	2.33	2.33	2.33
Page Read Rate	6.33	6.33	6.33	6.33
Page Read I/O Rate	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Page Write Rate	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Page Write I/O Rate	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Free List Fault Rate	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Modified List Fault Rate	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Demand Zero Fault Rate	0.33	0.33	0.33	0.33
Global Valid Fault Rate	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Wrt In Progress Fault Rate	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
System Fault Rate	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Free List Size	78757.00	78757.00	78757.00	78757.00
Modified List Size	775.00	775.00	775.00	775.00

### NOTE

Each value is updated every few seconds.

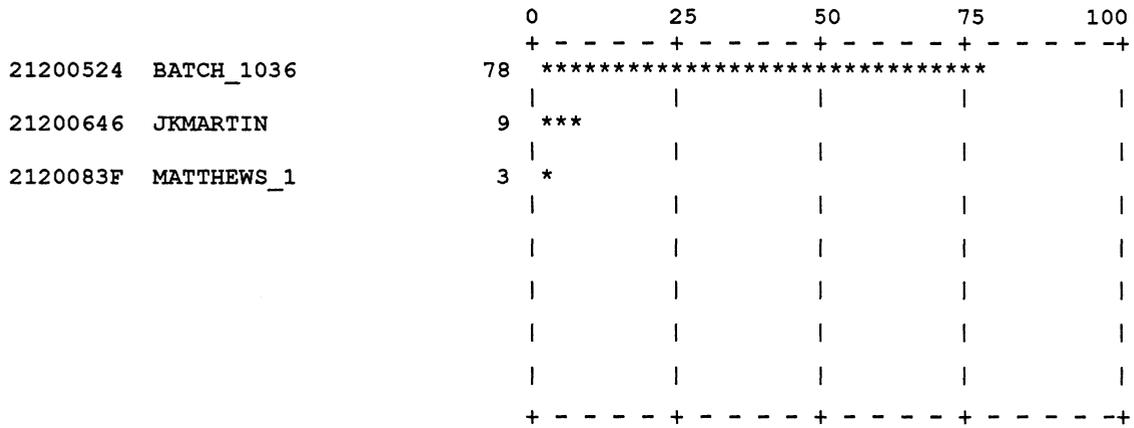
**Table 9-8: MONITOR PROCESSES Class Qualifiers**

Description	Qualifier
Top buffered I/O users	/TOPBIO
Top direct I/O users	/TOPDIO
Top CPU users	/TOPCPU
Top page fault users	/TOPFAULT

**Example 9-7: MONITOR PROCESSES /TOPCPU Screen Display**

\$ MONITOR PROCESSES /TOPCPU

VAX/VMS Monitor Utility  
 TOP CPU TIME PROCESSES  
 on node SUPER  
 30-APR-1988 17:13:54



**NOTE**

**Bar graph is updated every few seconds.**



## Information on a Specific Process

- Display information about a particular process

\$ SHOW PROCESS/CONTINUOUS [/ID=proc-id] [proc-name]

\$ SHOW PROCESS/CONTINUOUS/ID=process\_id

— Requires WORLD privilege to show information about a process in a different UIC group

— To exit, type E

### NOTE

System updates information every few seconds.

### Example 9-9: Output from SHOW PROCESS /CONTINUOUS

\$ SHOW PROCESS /CONTINUOUS /ID=7CC

```
Process MARSH 17:27:29

State          LEF          Working set      861
Cur/base priority 9/4          Virtual pages    3895
Current PC     7FFEE44C     CPU time         00:10:43.48
Current PSL    03C00004     Direct I/O       3691
Current user SP 7FEF9EBC     Buffered I/O     26600
PID           000007CC     Page faults      58835
UIC           [GROUP11,MARSH] Event flags      E0000043
                                           D4000002
```

\$1\$DUA0: [SYS1.SYSCOMMON.] [SYSEXE]MAIL.EXE

## Interactive Users

- To list interactive processes and their terminal device codes:

```
$ SHOW USERS
```

### Example 9-10: Output from SHOW USERS

```
$ SHOW USERS
```

```
VAX/VMS Interactive Users
1-MAY-1988 12:27:52.92
Total number of interactive users = 6
```

Username	Process Name	PID	Terminal
CASALS	CASALS	21000152	VTA22:
HEIFETZ	HEIFETZ	210001A6	VTA181:
KREUTZER	KREUTZER	210006A8	VTA178:
PAGANINI	PAGANINI	2100033D	RTA1:
PIATIGORSKY	PIATIGORSKY	21000544	VTA176:
ROSE	ROSE	21000A6C	VTA26:

## Collecting Process Information with the Accounting Utility

- System Accounting File: SYS\$MANAGER:ACCOUNTNG.DAT
- Contents are used to:
  - Record system activity
  - Charge for system resources used
  - Analyze relationship between system activity and performance
  - Monitor system activity for security reasons
- Can be read by VMS Accounting utility to produce formatted reports
- Can be read by user-written processing utility
- Input/output control by system manager with DCL commands:
  - SET ACCOUNTING
  - ACCOUNTING
- JOB\_CONTROL writes records to ACCOUNTNG.DAT when the following events occur:
  - Process deletion/logout
  - Print job completion
  - Login failure
  - Batch job completion
- Contents of accounting record
  - System resource usage
  - Identity of resource user

## Example 9-11: Accounting Record, Full Format

### INTERACTIVE Process Termination

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Username:	VAL	UIC:	[PERSONNEL, VAL]
Account:	PERSONNEL	Finish time:	30-APR-1988 17:46:43.23
Process ID:	212007CC	Start time:	30-APR-1988 10:15:36.40
Owner ID:		Elapsed time:	0 07:31:06.83
Terminal name:	VTA85:	Processor time:	0 00:11:37.22
Remote node addr:		Priority:	4
Remote node name:		Privilege <31-00>:	1014C000
Remote ID:		Privilege <63-32>:	00000000
Queue entry:		Final status code:	00000001
Queue name:			
Job name:			
Final status text:	%SYSTEM-S-NORMAL, normal successful completion		
Page faults:	65489	Direct IO:	4091
Page fault reads:	2383	Buffered IO:	28753
Peak working set:	1500	Volumes mounted:	0
Peak page file:	7226	Images executed:	379

- Recording is enabled by default (except image activity).
- SET ACCOUNTING command controls which types of records are written to ACCOUNTNG.DAT by JOB\_CONTROL.
  - BATCH
  - INTERACTIVE
  - MESSAGE
  - LOGIN\_FAILURE
  - PRINT
  - PROCESS
  - IMAGE

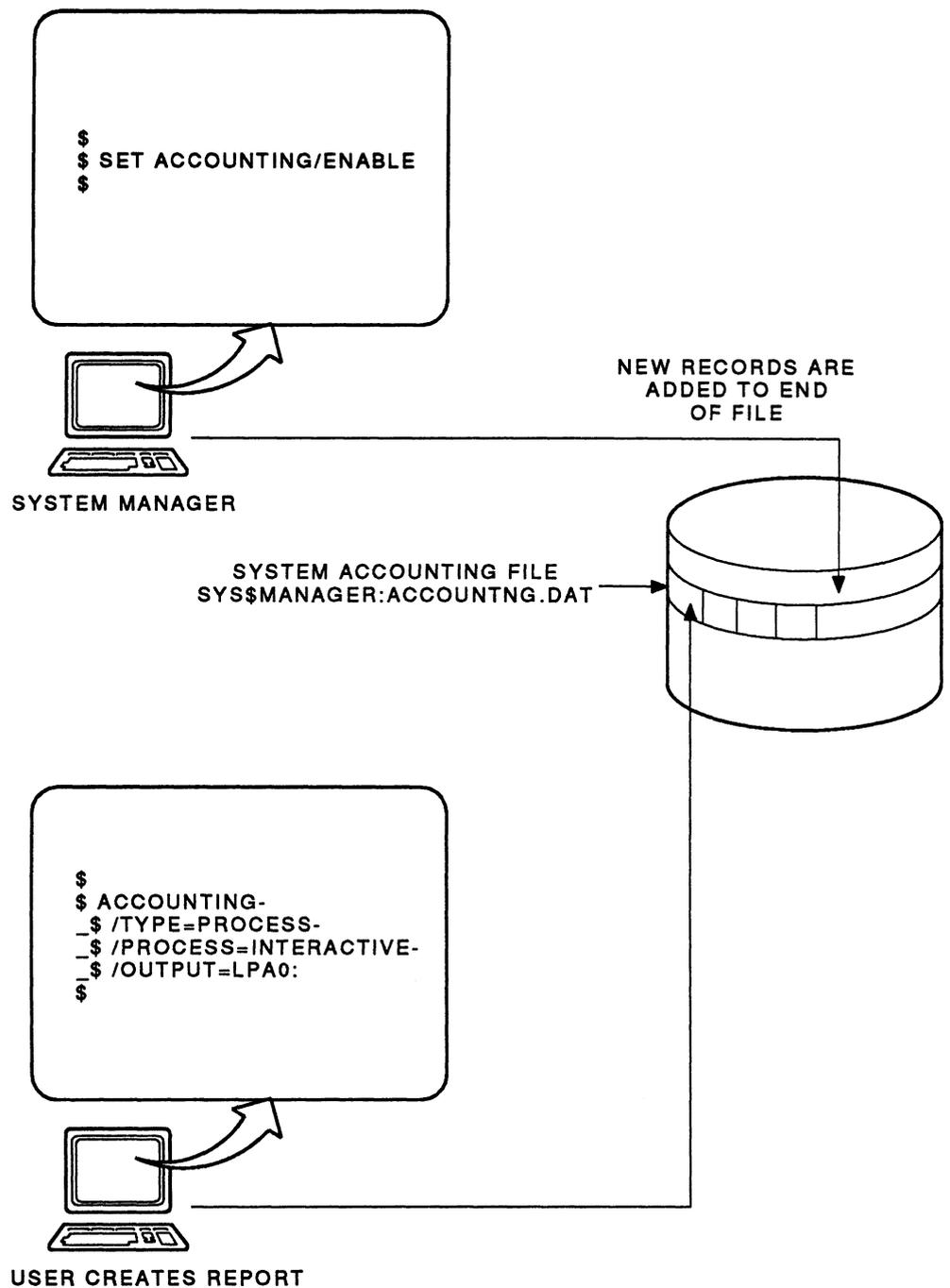
**Table 9-9: Recording Accounting Information**

Operation	Command Format and Examples
Enable the recording of all accounting information except image accounting	\$ SET ACCOUNTING /ENABLE
Disable the recording of all accounting information	\$ SET ACCOUNTING /DISABLE
Enable the recording of accounting information selectively	\$ SET ACCOUNTING /ENABLE=(record-type[,...]) \$ SET ACCOUNTING /ENABLE=(PRINT,LOGIN_FAILURE)
Disable the recording of accounting information selectively	\$ SET ACCOUNTING /DISABLE=(record-type[,...]) \$ SET ACCOUNTING /DISABLE=(LOGIN_FAILURE)
Close the current accounting file and open a new one	\$ SET ACCOUNTING /NEW_FILE

## Using the Accounting Utility to Produce Reports

- Accounting utility
  - Reads system accounting file
  - Produces reports

**Figure 9-1: System Accounting File**



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- Qualifiers to DCL command ACCOUNTING control

- Which accounting records to analyze
- Which details to disclose

Full  
Brief  
Summary

- Which order to display records

- Full format accounting report (Example 9–11) generated by:

```
$ ACCOUNTING /FULL /TYPE=PROCESS /PROCESS=INTERACTIVE
```

- Brief format accounting report (Example 9–12) generated by:

```
$ ACCOUNTING /SINCE=27-APR-1988:07:30 /BEFORE=27-APR-1988:08:00
```

### Example 9–12: Accounting Records, Brief Format

Date / Time	Type	Subtype	Username	ID	Source	Status
27-APR-1988 07:32:00	PROCESS	NETWORK	DECNET	20801B24	HARDY	10000004
27-APR-1988 07:42:47	PROCESS	NETWORK	DECNET	20801AA5	SCDGAT	10000004
27-APR-1988 07:56:07	PRINT		BECKER	2080009B		00040001
27-APR-1988 08:01:57	PROCESS	NETWORK	DECNET	20801A28	ZEKE	10000004
27-APR-1988 08:02:00	PROCESS	NETWORK	DECNET	20801A29	HARDY	10000004
27-APR-1988 08:02:42	PROCESS	NETWORK	DECNET	20801B2A	HARDY	10000004
27-APR-1988 08:06:53	PROCESS	INTERACTIVE	KENT	2080182B	VTA270:	10000001
27-APR-1988 08:09:37	PROCESS	NETWORK	DECNET	20801AAC	SCDGAT	10000004
27-APR-1988 08:12:23	PRINT		JOHNSTON	20201448		0000002C
27-APR-1988 08:13:48	PROCESS	INTERACTIVE	PIANTEDOSI	208017AF	PARROT	10000001
27-APR-1988 08:15:03	PRINT		JOHNSTON	20201448		00040001
27-APR-1988 08:20:51	PROCESS	NETWORK	DECNET	20801BAD	SCDGAT	10000004
27-APR-1988 08:26:50	PROCESS	NETWORK	DECNET	208015B0	UCOUNT	10000004
27-APR-1988 08:28:10	PRINT		BECKER	2080009B		00040001

- To generate the summary format accounting report (Example 9-13)

```
$ ACCOUNTING /SINCE=27-APR-1988:05:00 /BEFORE=27-APR-1988:10:00 -  
_$_ /TYPE=PROCESS /SUMMARY=(HOUR,USER) /REPORT=BUFFERED_IO
```

### Example 9-13: Accounting Report, Summary Format

HH Username	Buffered I/O
05 DECNET	2206
06 DECNET	2052
06 NOTES\$SERVER	166
07 DECNET	1384
08 CLEARY	507
08 DECNET	2984
08 HENDRICKS	18525
08 JONES	3044
08 KENT	860
08 LMARSH	745
08 PIANTEDOSI	217
09 BAKER	285
09 BECKER	113
09 DECNET	9657
09 FRIEDMAN	407
09 JOHNSTON	239
09 KELMANSON	963
09 MATTHEWS	1025
09 NAGLE	1125
09 SYSTEM	6084
09 YWOSKUS	135

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**Table 9–10: Some Qualifiers Used to Specify Content of Accounting Report**

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Qualifier	Comments
/BEFORE=time	Selects records dated before specified time
/SINCE=time	Selects records dated after specified time
/QUEUE=queue-name	Name of print or batch queue
/JOB=job-name	Name of job sent to queue
/ENTRY=entry-number	Number generated when job was entered on queue
/PRIORITY=priority	Base priority of user—helps to create report on all interactive users or all real-time users
/ACCOUNT=account-name	Specified in UAF record
/UIC=uic	Specified in UAF record
/USER=user-name	Specified in UAF record
/TERMINAL=terminal-name	Device name of terminal
/PROCESS=process-type	BATCH, INTERACTIVE, DETACHED, and others
/TYPE=record-type	PRINT, LOGFAIL, PROCESS, and others

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**Table 9–11: Qualifiers Affecting Output Format of Accounting Report**

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Qualifier	Comments
/TITLE=title	Specifies text to be printed at the top of report
/REPORT=item	Includes specified items in a summary report (default is REPORT=RECORDS)
/SORT=item	Sorts records in ascending or descending order by one or more items
/SUMMARY=item	To produce summary report, grouped by the items you specify in ascending order (default is USER)
/FULL	To display all data in selected records. Do not use with /BINARY or /SUMMARY
/OUTPUT=file-spec	Sends the output to a specified file (default is SYS\$OUTPUT)
/LOG	Displays log messages about progress of utility
/REJECTED=file-spec	Saves records not selected in a file in binary format
/BINARY	Produces output in binary rather than ASCII format – useful for making a smaller accounting file from which to produce multiple reports

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- Default accounting file can become quite large
- Rename default file periodically or create historical accounting files with partial accounting information only

#### Example 9-14: Selecting Accounting Files

```
$ ACCOUNTING /TYPE=PRINT  
$  
$ ACCOUNTING /TYPE=PRINT SYS$MANAGER:ACCO_88_JUN_12.DAT  
$  
$ ACCOUNTING /TYPE=PRINT SYS$MANAGER:ACCO_88_JUN*.DAT
```

# set Accounting / New File

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**Table 9-12: Creating an Accounting Report**

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<b>Operation</b>	<b>Command Element</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Step 1: Select an accounting file.	Parameter	Default is SYS\$MANAGER:ACCOUNTNG.DAT
Step 2: Select the type of record to analyze.	Qualifier /TYPE	Default is all types
Step 3: Select records to analyze, based on the contents of specific fields in the records.	Many qualifiers	Individual fields may be present in some record types and not in others
Step 4: Sort the selected records.	Qualifier /SORT	Affects display order of records in full and brief formats
Step 5: Choose the format of the report.	Qualifiers /FULL, /SUMMARY, /REPORT	Brief display is the default if no qualifiers are specified
Step 6: Enter the appropriate command to produce the report.	ACCOUNTING command	Requires read access to the accounting file

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- Use command procedures containing qualifiers to creat accounting reports

- Full command string:

```
$ ACCOUNTING -  
_ $ /SINCE=02-APR-1989:05:00 -  
_ $ /BEFORE=02-APR-1989:10:00 -  
_ $ /TYPE=PROCESS -  
_ $ /SUMMARY=(HOUR,USER) -  
_ $ /REPORT=BUFFERED_IO
```

- Contents of the DCL command procedure BUFFSUM.COM:

```
/TYPE=PROCESS /SUMMARY=(HOUR,USER) /REPORT=BUFFERED_IO
```

- Abbreviated command string incorporating the DCL command procedure BUFFSUM.COM

```
$ ACCOUNTING -  
_ $ /SINCE=02-APR-1989:05:00 -  
_ $ /BEFORE=02-APR-1989:10:00@BUFFSUM
```

# MAINTAINING SYSTEM PERFORMANCE

- Optimum system performance requires match of system resources with:
  - Size of VMS data structures
  - Number of installed image files
  - Size of system files
- System files automatically customized at system installation to improve system performance
  - SYS\$SYSTEM:VAXVMSSYS.PAR (system parameters)
  - SYS\$MANAGER:VMSIMAGES.DAT (list of images to install)
- System files, sizes customized at system installation
  - Paging file
  - Swapping file
  - Dump file

**Table 9-13: System Files**

File	Default File Specification	Function
Paging file	SYS\$SYSTEM:PAGEFILE.SYS	Used to create and manage virtual memory
Swapping file	SYS\$SYSTEM:SWAPFILE.SYS	Used to manage physical memory use
Dump file	SYS\$SYSTEM:SYSDUMP.DMP	Used to save a copy of physical memory when the system fails

- Change in physical resources should be accompanied by change in:
  - System parameter values
  - System file sizes
- Tools to use
  - SYS\$UPDATE:AUTOGEN.COM - Command procedure (recommended method)
    - Determines hardware resources
    - Computes system parameters
    - Creates list of image files to install
    - Calculates size of page, swap, and dump files
  - SYS\$SYSTEM:SYSGEN.EXE - utility
    - Changes system parameters
    - Changes size of page, swap, and dump files
  - SYSBOOT - Conversational startup utility
    - Changes system parameters

## Reconfiguring the System with AUTOGEN

- AUTOGEN runs automatically at system installation
  - Determines system hardware resources
  - Records appropriate system configuration (to be established at startup)
  - Sets system parameter values using SYSGEN utility
  - Creates list of images to install
  - Creates system files using SYSGEN utility
  - Optionally reboots the system to allow new parameters to take effect
- You should run AUTOGEN:
  - During a new installation or upgrade
  - When system physical resources change
  - When system workload changes significantly
  - When you add a layered (optional) software product
    - Product installation guide tells you what parameters you need to adjust
  - When you install a shared image
  - To specify a system parameter value or file size manually
- To run AUTOGEN:  
`@SYS$UPDATE:AUTOGEN [start-phase] [end-phase] [execution-mode]`

**Table 9-14: AUTOGEN Phases**

Phase	Function	Input files	Output files
SAVPARAMS	Records feedback data	None	AGEN\$FEEDBACK.DAT
GETDATA	Collects data required for calculations	MODPARAMS.DAT VMSPARAMS.DAT AGEN\$FEEDBACK.DAT	PARAMS.DAT
GENPARAMS	Calculates parameter values and file sizes, and generates list of images to install	PARAMS.DAT	SETPARAMS.DAT VMSIMAGES.DAT AGEN\$FEEDBACK.REPORT
TESTFILES	Displays calculated file sizes	PARAMS.DAT	SYS\$OUTPUT
GENFILES	Generates new files	PARAMS.DAT	PAGEFILE.SYS SWAPFILE.SYS (and secondary paging and swapping files) SYSDUMP.DMP AGEN\$FEEDBACK.REPORT
SETPARAMS	Saves calculated parameters	SETPARAMS.DAT	VAXVMSSYS.PAR AUTOGEN.PAR VAXVMSSYS.OLD
SHUTDOWN	Shuts down the system	None	None
REBOOT	Reboots to allow new files and parameters to take effect	None	None
HELP	Provides information about AUTOGEN and its phases	None	None

**NOTE**

**All data files are in the directory SYS\$SYSTEM.**

## Running AUTOGEN

### Modifying System Parameters Without Changing File Sizes

1. @SYS\$UPDATE:AUTOGEN SAVPARAMS GENPARAMS
2. Review these files:
  - PARAMS.DAT (input to calculations)
  - SETPARAMS.DAT (calculated parameters)
  - AGEN\$FEEDBACK.REPORT (report on feedback data)
3. If you want to change any parameters, edit MODPARAMS.DAT and rerun AUTOGEN as in step 1.
4. @SYS\$UPDATE:AUTOGEN SETPARAMS REBOOT

### Changing System File Sizes

1. @SYS\$UPDATE:AUTOGEN SAVPARAMS TESTFILES
2. Examine file sizes.
3. If you want to change file sizes, edit MODPARAMS.DAT and rerun AUTOGEN as in step 1.
4. @SYS\$UPDATE:AUTOGEN GENPARAMS REBOOT

### Example 9-15: MODPARAMS.DAT File

```
!  
! MODPARAMS.DAT for node DITTO  
!  
SCSSYSTEMID = 2197  
SCSNODE = "DITTO "  
PAGEFILE = 60000      !  
ADD_GBLPAGES = 425+507+157 ! CMS, BLISS32 and ADA (FJM 9/13/87)  
ADD_GBLSECTIONS = 4+5+2    ! CMS, BLISS32 and ADA (FJM 9/13/87)  
LOCKIDTBL = 2048          ! FOR RDB (A. B. 9/25/87)  
RESHASHTBL = 16384       ! raised for CDD 40+ (D. E. 2/22/88)  
MIN_VIRTUALPAGECNT = 136100! for VTX (vhm 5/25/88)
```

## Reconfiguring the System with SYSGEN

- Use SYSGEN to:
  - Make temporary changes in system parameters
  - Perform functions not available from AUTOGEN
    - Display parameter settings
    - Load device drivers
  - Install or deinstall paging and swapping files
  - Save system parameters in alternate parameter files
- System parameters
  - Current
  - Active
  - Dynamic
- To invoke SYSGEN utility:  

```
$ RUN SYS$SYSTEM:SYSGEN
```

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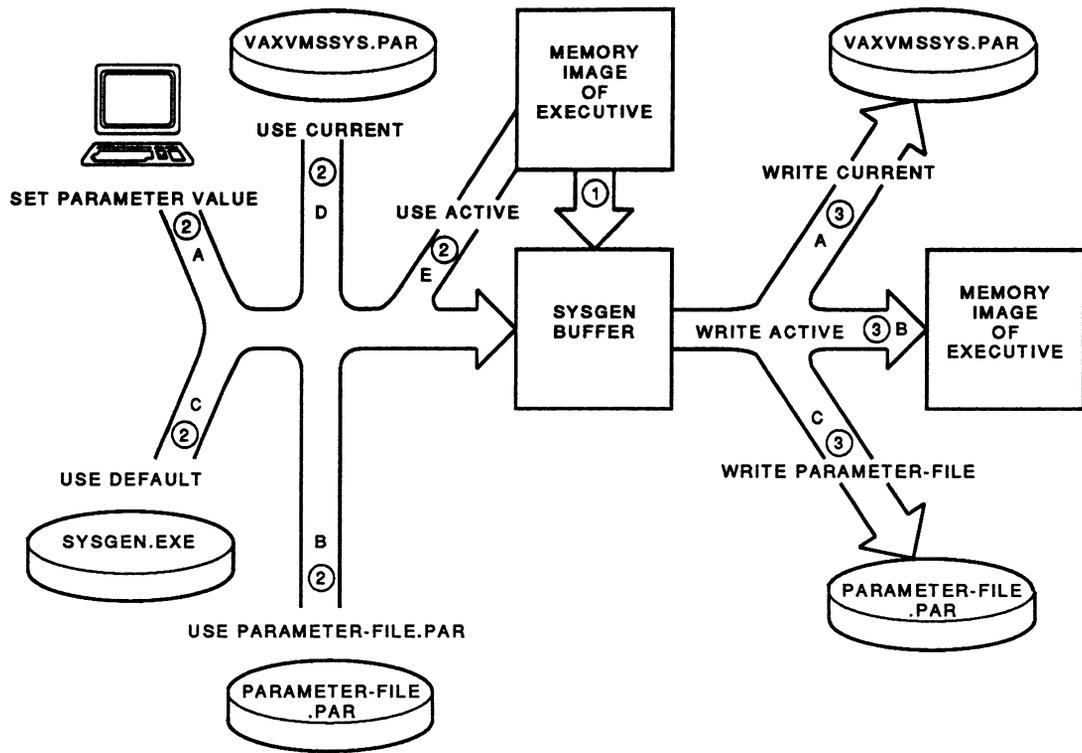
**Table 9-15: Using the SYSGEN Utility**

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Function	Command Format and Examples
Examines a system parameter or group of parameters	<pre>SYSGEN&gt; SHOW parameter SYSGEN&gt; SHOW MAXPROCESSCNT SYSGEN&gt; SHOW /parameter-group SYSGEN&gt; SHOW /ALL</pre>
Modifies a system parameter in the SYSGEN buffer	<pre>SYSGEN&gt; SET parameter value SYSGEN&gt; SET UAFALTERNATE 1</pre>
Reads a set of system parameters into the SYSGEN buffer	<pre>SYSGEN&gt; USE source SYSGEN&gt; USE ACTIVE SYSGEN&gt; USE DEFAULT SYSGEN&gt; USE CURRENT SYSGEN&gt; USE SYS\$MANAGER:ALTPARM.PAR</pre>
Copies the parameters in the SYSGEN buffer to memory or disk	<pre>SYSGEN&gt; WRITE destination SYSGEN&gt; WRITE ACTIVE SYSGEN&gt; WRITE CURRENT SYSGEN&gt; WRITE SYS\$MANAGER:ALTPARM.PAR</pre>
Creates or extends a paging, swapping, or dump file	<pre>SYSGEN&gt; CREATE system-file /SIZE=blocks SYSGEN&gt; CREATE DISKALT:[SYSEXE]NEWPAGEFILE.SYS /SIZE=85000</pre>
Activates a secondary paging or swapping file	<pre>SYSGEN&gt; INSTALL system-file /type SYSGEN&gt; INSTALL DISKALT:[SYSEXE]NEWPAGEFILE.SYS /PAGEFILE SYSGEN&gt; INSTALL DISKALT:[SYSEXE]NEWSWAPFILE.SYS /SWAPFILE</pre>
Deactivates a paging or swapping file	<pre>SYSGEN&gt; DEINSTALL system-file /type SYSGEN&gt; DEINSTALL DISKALT:[SYSEXE]NEWPAGEFILE.SYS /PAGEFILE</pre>
Uses an alternate DCL startup file	<pre>SYSGEN&gt; SET /STARTUP startup-fil SYSGEN&gt; SET /STARTUP SYS\$SYSTEM:ALTSTART.COM</pre>
Displays HELP information	<pre>SYSGEN&gt; HELP [command [/qualifier]]</pre>
Exits from SYSGEN	<pre>SYSGEN&gt; EXIT</pre>

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**Figure 9-2: Using the SYSGEN Utility to Modify System Parameters**



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## Performance Tuning

- Use AUTOGEN to match system configuration to hardware resources and workload on your system.
- Do not use SYSGEN to modify system parameters arbitrarily.

## SUMMARY

- The VMS operating system provides many commands and utilities for monitoring:
  - System performance
  - Process activity
  - Device status
- The SHOW SYSTEM command shows the status of each process, including its state.
  - Make sure all the necessary system processes are present
- The ACCOUNTING utility shows resource consumption by process.
- The SHOW DEVICES command displays information about devices on the system.
- The SHOW MEMORY command displays information about physical memory usage and system file usage.
- The SHOW QUEUE command displays the status of print and batch queues.
- The MONITOR utility displays information about system resource usage.
- The SHOW PROCESS/CONTINUOUS command displays information about a particular process.
- The SHOW USERS command lists the interactive users on the system.
- The AUTOGEN utility:
  - Generates information used to maintain optimum performance
    - System parameters
    - System file sizes
    - Images to be installed
  - Uses system information as input
    - Hardware resources
    - System workload
    - Values specified by system manager
- The SYSGEN utility can also be used to set system parameters, and performs several functions not available with AUTOGEN.

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**MODULE 10**  
**EXERCISES**

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# UNDERSTANDING THE USER ENVIRONMENT

## Written Exercises

1. In the exercise below, match each description with the appropriate component of the hardware environment. Components of the hardware environment can be used once, more than once, or not at all.

Components of Hardware Environment:

- a. CPU
- b. Console Subsystem
- c. Main Memory
- d. I/O Subsystem

Descriptions:

- \_\_\_\_\_ MicroVAX II processor is an example
- \_\_\_\_\_ Stores instructions and data
- \_\_\_\_\_ Used to monitor and control the system
- \_\_\_\_\_ Consists of peripherals
- \_\_\_\_\_ Executes instructions
- \_\_\_\_\_ Control panel is part of this subsystem
- \_\_\_\_\_ Used for starting up and shutting down the system

2. \_\_\_\_\_ are used to connect the various subsystems of the computer.
- a. Peripheral devices
  - b. Network communication devices
  - c. Interconnect devices
  - d. Storage devices
3. \_\_\_\_\_ have a television-like screen for displaying information.
- a. Hard-copy terminals
  - b. Video terminals
  - c. Laser printers
  - d. Mass storage devices

4. \_\_\_\_\_ is **not** a peripheral device.
- a. Terminal
  - b. Printer
  - c. CPU
  - d. Disk drive
5. \_\_\_\_\_ are high-speed machines usually used for large quantities of output.
- a. Hard-copy terminals
  - b. Disk drives
  - c. Laser printers
  - d. Line printers
6. A \_\_\_\_\_ is **not** a type of disk.
- a. Reel
  - b. Cartridge
  - c. Diskette
  - d. Disk pack
7. \_\_\_\_\_ record data on magnetic tape.
- a. Disk drives
  - b. Tape drives
  - c. Terminal servers
  - d. VAXcluster systems

8. In the exercise below, match each device name with the appropriate description.

Device Names:

- a. MTA0
- b. DUA2
- c. TTB4
- d. LPA0

Descriptions:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Fifth terminal connected to controller B
- \_\_\_\_\_ First TU77 tape drive connected to controller A
- \_\_\_\_\_ Third RA81 disk connected to controller A

9. In the exercise below, match each description with the appropriate system configuration.

System Configurations:

- a. Single processor configuration
- b. Tightly coupled system
- c. Loosely coupled system
- d. VAXcluster configuration

Descriptions:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Nodes have separate file systems
- \_\_\_\_\_ Processors cannot operate independently
- \_\_\_\_\_ A VAX processor and its peripheral devices
- \_\_\_\_\_ An example of this type of configuration is a network
- \_\_\_\_\_ Configured mid-way between tightly coupled and loosely coupled systems
- \_\_\_\_\_ This type of configuration is also called a multiprocessor
- \_\_\_\_\_ All nodes reside in close proximity to each other

10. The \_\_\_\_\_ system is an example of a tightly coupled system.

- a. MicroVAX II
- b. VAX 8820
- c. VAX 8600
- d. VAX-11/780

11. In the exercise below, match each network component with the most appropriate description.

Network Components:

- a. Hardware communication devices
- b. Data transmission media
- c. Terminal servers
- d. DECnet software

Descriptions:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Enables communication between networked systems
- \_\_\_\_\_ An example is Ethernet cable
- \_\_\_\_\_ Provides connections between user terminals and systems in a network
- \_\_\_\_\_ Necessary to achieve physical communication between computers
- \_\_\_\_\_ An optional component that enhances flexibility
- \_\_\_\_\_ Transmits data between communications devices

12. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a network established within a limited geographical area.

- a. Loosely coupled system
- b. Wide area network
- c. Local area network
- d. Multiprocessor

13. In addition to providing the functions of a network, \_\_\_\_\_ also provide higher availability of system resources, as well as faster and easier sharing of information and resources.

- a. VAXcluster configurations
- b. Wide area networks
- c. Tightly coupled systems
- d. Terminal servers

14. The major difference between a cluster and a network is \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. VMS DECnet software
- b. VMS cluster software
- c. Communication devices
- d. Processors

## Solutions

1. In the exercise below, match each description with the appropriate component of the hardware environment. Components of the hardware environment can be used once, more than once, or not at all.

### Components of Hardware Environment:

- a. CPU
- b. Console Subsystem
- c. Main Memory
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### Descriptions:

- a   MicroVAX II processor is an example
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- d   Consists of peripherals
- a   Executes instructions
- b   Control panel is part of this subsystem
- b   Used for starting up and shutting down the system

2.   c   are used to connect the various subsystems of the computer.

- a. Peripheral devices
- b. Network communication devices
- c. Interconnect devices
- d. Storage devices

3.   b   have a television-like screen for displaying information.

- a. Hard-copy terminals
- b. Video terminals
- c. Laser printers
- d. Mass storage devices

4.   c   is **not** a peripheral device.
- a. Terminal
  - b. Printer
  - c. CPU
  - d. Disk drive
5.   d   are high-speed machines usually used for large quantities of output.
- a. Hard-copy terminals
  - b. Disk drives
  - c. Laser printers
  - d. Line printers
6. A   a   is **not** a type of disk.
- a. Reel
  - b. Cartridge
  - c. Diskette
  - d. Disk pack
7.   b   record data on magnetic tape.
- a. Disk drives
  - b. Tape drives
  - c. Terminal servers
  - d. VAXcluster systems

8. In the exercise below, match each device name with the appropriate description.

Device Names:

- a. MTA0
- b. DUA2
- c. TTB4
- d. LPA0

Descriptions:

- c   Fifth terminal connected to controller B
- a   First TU77 tape drive connected to controller A
- b   Third RA81 disk connected to controller A

9. In the exercise below, match each description with the appropriate system configuration.

System Configurations:

- a. Single processor configuration
- b. Tightly coupled system
- c. Loosely coupled system
- d. VAXcluster configuration

Descriptions:

- c   Nodes have separate file systems
- b   Processors cannot operate independently
- a   A VAX processor and its peripheral devices
- c   An example of this type of configuration is a network
- d   Configured mid-way between tightly coupled and loosely coupled systems
- b   This type of configuration is also called a multiprocessor
- d   All nodes reside in close proximity to each other

10. The   b   system is an example of a tightly coupled system.

- a. MicroVAX II
- b. VAX 8820
- c. VAX 8600
- d. VAX-11/780

11. In the exercise below, match each network component with the most appropriate description.

Network Components:

- a. Hardware communication devices
- b. Data transmission media
- c. Terminal servers
- d. DECnet software

Descriptions:

- d   Enables communication between networked systems
- b   An example is Ethernet cable
- c   Provides connections between user terminals and systems in a network
- a   Necessary to achieve physical communication between computers
- c   An optional component that enhances flexibility
- b   Transmits data between communications devices

12. A   c   is a network established within a limited geographical area.

- a. Loosely coupled system
- b. Wide area network
- c. Local area network
- d. Multiprocessor

13. In addition to providing the functions of a network,   a   also provide higher availability of system resources, as well as faster and easier sharing of information and resources.

- a. VAXcluster configurations
- b. Wide area networks
- c. Tightly coupled systems
- d. Terminal servers

14. The major difference between a cluster and a network is   b  .

- a. VMS DECnet software
- b. VMS cluster software
- c. Communication devices
- d. Processors

# MANAGING SYSTEM USERS

## Written Exercises

### Part I

Example 10-1 displays the characteristics of a process that has several privileges on your system. Using the information displayed in the example, determine the value of each of the following parameters:

Answers	Parameters
_____	Account Name
_____	Default Device and Directory Specification
_____	Interactive Terminal Specification
_____	Process Identification Number
_____	Process Name
_____	User Identification Code
_____	User Name
_____	Priority
_____	CPU Limit
_____	Open File Quota
_____	Working Set Limit
_____	Working Set Quota
_____	Privileges (list them)

## Example 10-1: Process Parameters of a Sample Interactive Process

```
$
$ SHOW PROCESS/ALL
19-APR-1989 17:05:08.99  User: GABRIEL  Process ID: 20200242
                          Node: TRMPET  Process name: Bugler

Terminal:      LTA28: (ZK1123/LC-4-2)
User Identifier: [ULTIMATE,GABRIEL]
Base priority: 4
Default file spec: COMPACT$DISK:[GABRIEL]

Devices allocated: BROWNY$LTA28:

Process Quotas:
Account name: MUSIC
CPU limit:                Infinite  Direct I/O limit:      100
Buffered I/O byte count quota: 50000  Buffered I/O limit:    100
Timer queue entry quota:   80      Open file quota:       50
Paging file quota:        49978  Subprocess quota:      8
Default page fault cluster: 64     AST quota:             100
Enqueue quota:            600     Shared file limit:     0
Max detached processes:   0       Max active jobs:       0

Accounting information:
Buffered I/O count:      8241  Peak working set size: 10268
Direct I/O count:       763   Peak virtual size:     24376
Page faults:            37681  Mounted volumes:       1
Images activated:       35
Elapsed CPU time:       0 00:13:37.81
Connect time:           0 01:25:13.34

Process privileges:
CMKRNL      may change mode to kernel
TMPMBX      may create temporary mailbox
OPER        operator privilege
NETMBX      may create network device

Process rights identifiers:
INTERACTIVE
LOCAL
SYS$NODE_BROWNY

Process Dynamic Memory Area
Current Size (bytes)      25600  Current Total Size (pages)  50
Free Space (bytes)       21744  Space in Use (bytes)       3856
Size of Largest Block    21712  Size of Smallest Block     8
Number of Free Blocks     4       Free Blocks LEQU 32 Bytes   1

Processes in this tree:

Satchmo
Bugler (*)
$
$
$ SHOW WORKING_SET
Working Set      /Limit= 1024  /Quota= 4096  /Extent= 8192
Adjustment enabled  Authorized Quota= 4096  Authorized Extent= 8192
$
$
```

## Solutions

Compare your answers with those shown below. For additional information, speak with your instructor.

<u>Answers</u>	<u>Parameters</u>
<u>MUSIC</u>	Account Name
<u>DISK\$COMPACT: [GABRIEL]</u>	Default Device and Directory Specification
<u>LTA28</u>	Interactive Terminal Specification
<u>20200242</u>	Process Identification Code
<u>Bugler</u>	Process Name
<u>[ULTIMATE, GABRIEL]</u>	User Identification Code
<u>GABRIEL</u>	User Name
<u>4</u>	Priority
<u>Infinite</u>	CPU Limit
<u>50</u>	Open File Quota
<u>1024</u>	Working Set Limit
<u>4096</u>	Working Set Quota
	Privileges (list them)
<u>CMKRNL</u>	
<u>TMPMBX</u>	
<u>OPER</u>	
<u>NETMBX</u>	



# MANAGING SYSTEM USERS

## Written Exercises

### Part II

You have been told that Susan Jackson, who recently joined the finance group in your company, needs an account on your system. The account should have the same basic privileges as other accounts in the group. Members of the finance group have the group number 400 for their UIC. Each member has a default directory on the disk pointed to by the logical name FINANCE\_DISK.

The password for Jackson should be her first name, and she should be required to change her password immediately upon logging in.

What steps should you follow?

## Solutions

To allow a new user to access your system, you should create an account for the user. To allow the user to create and maintain files in his or her own area, you must also create a directory for the user. Finally, be sure the new user knows how to log in to the account and the procedures for using the system.

### 1. Creating an account

To create an account for Susan Jackson, use the AUTHORIZE utility, as follows:

```
$ SET DEFAULT SYSS$SYSTEM
$ RUN AUTHORIZE
UAF> SHOW /BRIEF [400,*]
.
.
.
UAF> ADD JACKSON /PASSWORD=SUSAN /PWDEXPIRED /UIC=[400,116] -
_UAF> /DIRECTORY=[JACKSON]/DEVICE=FINANCE_DISK:
_UAF> EXIT
```

The output of the SHOW /BRIEF [400,\*] command listed all the accounts and their user numbers with a group number of 400. You need that information because the JACKSON account must have a unique user number. The user number chosen, 116, did not belong to anyone else having a group number of 400.

The /PWDEXPIRED qualifier assures that user Jackson must change her password immediately upon logging in to her account.

### 2. Creating a directory

Use the following commands to create a directory for user Jackson:

```
$ SET DEFAULT FINANCE_DISK:[000000]
$ CREATE/DIRECTORY/OWNER=JACKSON [JACKSON]
```

### 3. Instructing the user about system procedures

New users should receive information about logging in to, and appropriate use of, your system. This can be done by you, or by another appropriate person in your organization.

In this example, Susan Jackson should be told that her user name is JACKSON, her password is SUSAN, and she must use a new password when she logs in. In addition, she should be made aware of any procedures that are specific to your site.

You can use a command procedure to partially automate the process of adding new user accounts and creating directories. SYS\$EXAMPLES:ADDUSER.COM is an example of such a procedure. To see how it works, type the following command:

```
$ @SYS$EXAMPLES:ADDUSER.COM
```

This procedure is included on your system and you can customize it to meet the requirements of your site.

# MANAGING SYSTEM USERS

## Laboratory Exercises

### Part I

To practice controlling user processes, log in at two terminals or do the following with a partner:

1. Designate one terminal as the Manager terminal, and the other as the User terminal. Log in at both terminals. The process on the Manager terminal must have WORLD or GROUP privileges to affect the other processes.
2. The User should begin entering DCL commands that produce output, such as SHOW PROCESS and SHOW SYSTEM. (You can also create a command procedure to do this repeatedly.)
3. Find out the process ID number of the User process from the Manager terminal.
4. Suspend the User process from the Manager terminal (preferably while output is appearing on the User terminal).
5. Observe the User terminal. Notice the lack of response from the keyboard (if you press any key or combination of keys, the state of the User process does not change).
6. Allow the User process to continue.
7. Lower the priority of the User process to three from the Manager terminal. The User should continue to enter DCL commands and observe the response for several minutes.
8. Raise the priority of the User process to four from the Manager terminal. Continue to observe the response to various DCL commands.
9. Stop the User process from the Manager terminal. Can the Manager allow the process to continue?

## Solutions

1. No solution needed.
2. A command procedure you might use is:

```
$ LOOP:  
$ SHOW PROCESS  
$ SHOW SYSTEM  
$ GOTO LOOP
```

This command procedure produces an endless loop.

3. The commands `SHOW SYSTEM` and `SHOW USERS` display the PIDs of the users currently on the system. The PID is a hexadecimal number.
4. `$ SET PROCESS /SUSPEND /ID=21400FA1`

Substitute the appropriate PID for 21400FA1.

5. No solution needed.
6. `$ SET PROCESS /RESUME /ID=21400FA1`

Substitute the appropriate PID for 21400FA1.

7. `$ SET PROCESS /PRIORITY=3 /ID=21400FA1`

If the process is in your UIC group, you need only specify the process name as a parameter instead of using the `/ID` qualifier. For example, if the process name is `SMITH`, and the UIC of the process has the same group number as yours, you could enter:

```
$ SET PROCESS/PRIORITY=3 SMITH
```

Because the priority of the process is now lower than most of the priorities of the other processes on the system, you should observe a delay in the execution of the commands entered from the User terminal.

8. `$ SET PROCESS/PRIORITY=4/ID=21400FA1`

The response to the DCL commands entered from the User terminal should be quicker.

9. `$ STOP/ID=21400FA1`

If the process is in your UIC group, you can omit the `/ID` qualifier and supply the process name as a parameter.

The process cannot be continued, since the `STOP` command deleted the process.

# MANAGING SYSTEM USERS

## Laboratory Exercises

### Part II

NOTE: You cannot perform these exercises unless you have write access to the quota file on your class volume. Check with your instructor before you attempt the exercises.

1. Log in using your own account.
2. Run the SYSMAN utility (requires OPER privilege).
3. Enter the DISKQUOTA SHOW/DEVICE command, specifying your class volume name, and display all the quota records in the quota file for the class volume.
4. To observe the effects of disk quotas, perform the following:
  - a. Display your current disk quota settings. Write them down.
  - b. Delete your record from the quota file.
  - c. Exit from the SYSMAN utility.
  - d. Try to create a small text file by using either the CREATE command or a text editor.
  - e. Reenter the SYSMAN utility and add a diskquota record for yourself. Specify the values you previously wrote down for permanent quota and overdraft. **Do not forget to specify your class volume name with the /DEVICE qualifier.**
  - f. Exit from the SYSMAN utility.
  - g. Enter the SHOW QUOTA command (from DCL level). Record the usage count. Create a small text file.
  - h. Enter the SHOW QUOTA command again. Notice that your usage count has increased.
  - i. Reenter the SYSMAN utility and display your diskquota record in the quota file for the class volume. Notice that your usage count has been increased here as well.
5. Modify your record to increase your permanent quota by 1000 blocks and your overdraft by 200 blocks.
6. Exit from the SYSMAN utility.
7. Set your default to SYS\$SYSTEM.
8. Run the SYSMAN utility again. Enter the appropriate commands to display your record in the quota file for the class volume.

## Solutions

1. No solution needed.

2. `$ RUN SYS$SYSTEM:SYSMAN`

3. `SYSMAN> DISKQUOTA SHOW /DEVICE=CLASS_DISK [*,*]`

Substitute the name of your class volume for CLASS\_DISK.

4. Enter the following commands to observe the effects of disk quotas.

a. `SYSMAN> DISKQUOTA SHOW [320,10]`

Substitute your UIC for [320,10]. If the utility displays the alphanumeric form of your UIC, substitute it for [320,10]. For example, if the string form of your UIC is [GRP320,SMITH], you should enter the following command:

```
SYSMAN> DISKQUOTA SHOW [GRP320,SMITH]
```

b. `SYSMAN> DISKQUOTA DELETE [320,10]`

c. `SYSMAN>EXIT`

d. Note that you are unable to create files on the volume because you do not have a disk quota.

e. `$ RUN SYS$SYSTEM:SYSMAN`

```
SYSMAN> DISKQUOTA ADD /DEVICE=CLASS_DISK [320,10]
```

Substitute the name of your class volume for CLASS\_DISK and your UIC for [320,10].

f. `SYSMAN>EXIT`

g. `$ SHOW QUOTA`

The usage count should be 0. The following is a short text file you might create.

```
$ CREATE FILE.TXT
```

```
This is a short text file.
```

```
It should take up at least one block of space.
```

```
CTRL/Z
```

h. `$ SHOW QUOTA`

- I. \$ RUN SYS\$SYSTEM:SYSMAN  
SYSMAN> SHOW /DEVICE=CLASS\_DISK [320,10]

Substitute the name of your class volume for CLASS\_DISK, and your own UIC for [320,10]. The utility modifies the quota file dynamically, so it recorded the blocks you used for the file when you created it.

5. SYSMAN> DISKQUOTA MODIFY [320,10] /PERMQUOTA=2000 /OVERDRAFT=300

Substitute the appropriate values that correspond to your record.

6. SYSMAN>EXIT

7. \$ SET DEFAULT SYS\$SYSTEM:

8. \$ RUN SYSMAN  
SYSMAN> SHOW /DEVICE=CLASS\_DISK [320,10]

Substitute the name of your class volume for CLASS\_DISK and your own UIC for [320,10]. If you do not enter the USE command, the utility uses the quota file for the current default disk (the system disk), if it exists. That file does not contain your quota record.



# MANAGING SYSTEM USERS

## Laboratory Exercises

### Part III

You need write access to the MFD of the class disk and to the system authorization files to do this lab.

1. Create an account called PAYROLLn, where n is a number assigned by your instructor. The group number assigned to workers in Payroll is 322. Choose any member number from 60-377 (octal) that is not in use. Also create a directory and a disk quota entry for the account.

Log in to the new account and create a small file in its directory to verify your work.

2. This account is only allowed to run a data entry program ENTRY.EXE. The name of the command procedure used to run the program is DATA.COM. Your instructor can tell you what directory these files are in.

Modify the UAF record so that DATA.COM runs automatically when you log in to the PAYROLLn account, and so that you cannot reach the DCL prompt.

3. Log in as PAYROLLn. The DATA.COM procedure should execute automatically. The password for the procedure is GO. The procedure executes ENTRY.EXE. When ENTRY.EXE requests input, type in three numbers separated by commas.

To test your work, log out and log in as SMITH several times. Each time, try to cause the DCL prompt to appear. (Suggestions: enter CTRL/Y, enter incorrect data at various points, enter the wrong password, etc.)

4. Do whatever is necessary to remove the account PAYROLLn from the system.

## Solutions

1. To add an account, run the AUTHORIZE and DISKQUOTA utilities and create a UFD as shown below:

```
$ SET DEFAULT SYS$SYSTEM
$ RUN AUTHORIZE
UAF>SHOW/BR [322,*]
```

(Output shows 63 has not been used as a member number yet)

```
UAF>ADD PAYROLL3 /PASSWORD=JOE-
_UAF>/UIC=[322,063]-
_UAF>/DEVICE=CLASS_DISK-
_UAF>/DIRECTORY=[PAYROLL3]
UAF>EXIT
$
$ SET DEFAULT CLASS_DISK:[000000]
$
$ RUN SYS$SYSTEM:SYSMAN
SYSMAN> DISKQUOTA ADD PAYROLL3 /DEVICE=CLASS_DISK
SYSMAN> EXIT
$
$ CREATE/DIRECTORY/OWNER=PAYROLL3 [PAYROLL3]
$
```

You should have been able to create a test file successfully. If not, look at these solutions carefully, set up the account properly, and try again.

Check the owner UIC of the directory if you receive protection errors. Check the contents of the QUOTA.SYS file on CLASS\_DISK if you receive quota errors.

2. To modify the account so it can only run the DATA.COM procedure, use the AUTHORIZE utility to make the account captive.

```
UAF>MODIFY PAYROLL3 /LGICMD=CLASS_DISK:[PAYROLL]DATA.COM-
_UAF>/FLAGS=(CAPTIVE,LOCKPWD,DISCTLY)
```

3. If you enter incorrect answers to the DATA.COM procedure or the ENTRY program, you are logged out. If you enter letters as data to ENTRY, instead of numbers, you are logged out. If you enter a CTRL/Y key sequence, you are logged out.
4. To remove the account completely, you must delete all subdirectories and files in [PAYROLL3], remove PAYROLL3.DIR, remove the PAYROLL3 entry from the quota file, and remove the UAF record from the SYSUAF.DAT file.

# MANAGING SYSTEM USERS

## Laboratory Exercises

### Part IV

You need two terminals to perform the following exercises, or, you can pair up with another student. Designate one terminal as an Operator terminal, and the other terminal as a User terminal. The process running on the Operator terminal must have OPER privilege.

1. Enable the Operator terminal so that it will receive messages sent to **one** of the operator classes OPER1 through OPER12. (Ask your instructor which operator class you should use.) Use the /TEMPORARY qualifier.
2. From the Operator terminal, use the REPLY command to send a message to all logged-in users, telling them that you are now on duty as an operator.
3. From the User terminal, use the REQUEST command to send a message that will be displayed on the Operator terminal. Observe the output on the Operator terminal.
4. Send another REQUEST message to OPER1 requiring a response. Observe the output on the Operator terminal.
5. Respond to the message from the Operator terminal, telling the User that you are working on the request but you do not have an answer yet.
6. Issue a REPLY command to display the status of outstanding requests made to your operator class.
7. After awhile, issue an appropriate message from the Operator terminal and abort the User request.
8. Log out from the Operator terminal.
9. Send a message to OPER1 from the User terminal that does not require a response.
10. Does the message appear on the Operator terminal? Why?
11. Log back in to the Operator terminal. Find out whether it is still enabled to receive operator messages.

## Solutions

Substitute your assigned operator class for OPER1 in the following solutions.

1. \$ REPLY /ENABLE=OPER1 /TEMPORARY
2. \$ REPLY /USERS /BELL "Janet S. is now on duty as OPER1."
3. \$ REQUEST REPLY/TO=OPER1 "Please check LPA0."

You should see a message on the Operator terminal that includes this request.

4. \$ REQUEST /REPLY /TO=OPER1 "Is it OK to print from LPA0?"

You should see another message, but this one also contains a request identification number.

5. \$ REPLY /PENDING=123 "Still working on the problem."

(Substitute the appropriate request ID number for 123.)

6. \$ REPLY /STATUS
7. \$ REPLY /ABORT=123 "LPA0 is disabled indefinitely. Use LPB0."
8. No solution needed.
9. \$ REQUEST /TO=OPER1 "Please back up CLASS\_DISK tonight."
10. The message should not appear on the Operator terminal screen.
11. \$ REPLY /STATUS

You should see a message stating that an illegal operator request was made.

# MANAGING QUEUES

## Laboratory Exercises

### Part I

1. Find out what batch queues are already on the system.
2. Create and start a batch queue with a job limit of two and a priority of one. Make sure the queue name is different from any existing queue names.

## Solutions

1. \$ SHOW QUEUE /BATCH
2. \$ INITIALIZE /QUEUE /BATCH /START /JOB\_LIMIT=2 -  
\_ \$ /BASE\_PRIORITY=1 SMITH\_BATCH

# MANAGING QUEUES

## Laboratory Exercises

### Part II

Team up with another student in the class or use two terminals to do the following exercises. Use one of the terminals as an output device (printer). This can be a video or a hard-copy terminal. You will enter queue manipulation commands from the other terminal.

1. Set up one terminal as an output device.
  - a. Log in to the terminal.
  - b. Use the `SHOW TERMINAL` command to list the current characteristics of the terminal.
  - c. Write down the device name of the terminal for future reference.
  - d. Modify the characteristics of the terminal with the `SET TERMINAL/PERMANENT` command so that it can be used as an output device. (You will need `LOG_IO` and `OPER` privileges to do this.)
  - e. Log out from the terminal.
2. Enter the following commands from the other terminal:
  - a. Spool the output device.
  - b. Create and start a queue for the output terminal. Using the `/ON` qualifier, give the queue a name (For example, `MYQUEUE_n`, where *n* is assigned in class).
  - c. Print a file at the output terminal, using the queue you just created. Observe the output terminal to see if your job is displayed.
  - d. Send a print job to your terminal execution queue, including the `/HOLD` qualifier in the command.
  - e. Display the contents and characteristics of your terminal execution queue.
  - f. Delete your job that is being held on the terminal execution queue.

## Solutions

1. To set up a terminal as an output device, do the following:

- a. No solution needed.
- b. `$ SHOW TERMINAL`
- c. These solutions use the terminal name `TTC5`:
- d. `$ SET TERMINAL /PERMANENT /NOTYPE_AHEAD -  
_ $ /NOBROADCAST /SPEED=2400`

The `/NOTYPE_AHEAD` qualifier disables logins on this terminal. If you need to modify the terminal further after logging out, you can enter the `SET TERMINAL/PERMANENT` command at another terminal. For example, the following command modifies a characteristic of the `TTC5` terminal:

```
$ SET TERMINAL /PERMANENT /NOBROADCAST TTC5:
```

- e. `$ LOGOUT`

2. The following commands should eventually allow you to see your file displayed on the output terminal:

- a. `$ SET DEVICE/SPOOLED TTC5:`
- b. `$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/START/ON=TTC5: MYQUEUE_n`

Substitute the name of your output terminal for `TTC5`;, and substitute your own queue name for `MYQUEUE_n`.

- c. `$ PRINT/QUEUE=MYQUEUE_n FILE.TXT`

If you followed the instructions in this lab carefully, you should see your file displayed on the output terminal. If your file does not appear, consult your instructor.

- d. `$ PRINT/QUEUE=MYQUEUE_n/HOLD FILE.TXT`
- e. `$ SHOW QUEUE/FULL/ALL MYQUEUE_n`
- f. `$ DELETE/ENTRY=369`

Substitute the entry number of your job for 369.

# MANAGING QUEUES

## Laboratory Exercises

### Part III

1. Modify the default characteristics of the terminal execution queue you created in the last laboratory exercise so that all jobs sent to the queue are printed with flag and trailer pages.
2. Send a short text file to the output terminal and observe the display.
3. Initialize and start a batch queue on the system with a job limit of two. Name it MULTIBAT\_*n* (where *n* is assigned in class).
4. Change the job limit on MULTIBAT\_*n* to four.
5. Display the characteristics of the queue after changing the job limit to check that the command was executed properly.

## Solutions

1. `$ SET QUEUE/SEPARATE=(FLAG, TRAILER) MYQUEUE`

Substitute the name of your queue for MYQUEUE\_n.

2. `$ PRINT/QUEUE=MYQUEUE_n FILE.TXT`

Substitute the name of your file for FILE.TXT.

3. `$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/BATCH/START/JOB_LIMIT=2 MULTIBAT_n`

4. `$ SET QUEUE/JOB_LIMIT=4 MULTIBAT_n`

5. `$ SHOW QUEUE/FULL MULTIBAT_n`

# MANAGING QUEUES

## Laboratory Exercises

### Part IV

1. Send two separate print jobs to your terminal execution queue, holding them until you release them.
2. Release the first job, then abort it.
3. Display the contents of the queue immediately after aborting your job.
4. Stop the queue using the /RESET qualifier. You now have complete control over the queue.
5. Release the next job being held on the queue.
6. Display the contents of the queue and note the status of the jobs.
7. Start the queue and observe the output on your terminal.
8. Stop and delete your terminal output queue and your batch queue, MULTIBAT\_n, that you created in the previous laboratory exercise.
9. Set the output terminal back to its original characteristics. (You will need OPER and LOG\_IO privileges to do this.)

## Solutions

Substitute your file names, entry numbers, and queue names in the commands listed below.

1. \$ PRINT/QUEUE=MYQUEUE\_n/HOLD FILE1.TXT  
\$ PRINT/QUEUE=MYQUEUE\_n/HOLD FILE2.TXT

2. \$ SET ENTRY 369/RELEASE  
\$ STOP/ABORT MYQUEUE\_n

3. \$ SHOW QUEUE MYQUEUE\_n

Note the status of the jobs on the queue. Also note that trailer pages, if specified, will be printed for a job that was aborted.

4. \$ STOP/QUEUE/RESET MYQUEUE\_n

5. \$ SET ENTRY 369/RELEASE

Notice that the job did not print, as the queue is stopped.

6. \$ SHOW QUEUE MYQUEUE\_n

7. \$ START/QUEUE MYQUEUE\_n

8. \$ STOP/QUEUE/NEXT MYQUEUE\_n  
\$ DELETE/QUEUE MYQUEUE\_n  
\$ STOP/QUEUE/NEXT MULTIBAT\_n  
\$ DELETE/QUEUE MULTIBAT\_n

9. \$ SET DEVICE/NOSPOOL TTC5:  
\$ SET TERMINAL/PERMANENT/TYPE\_AHEAD/BROADCAST TTC5:

Substitute the device name of your output terminal for TTC5.

# MANAGING DISK AND TAPE VOLUMES

## Written Exercises

User PERDUTO has inadvertently deleted all of the files in his directory and subdirectories. Perduto's files were in directory [PERDUTO] and its subdirectories, located on device DRA1. Your system uses a command procedure that runs each night and backs up files from DRA1 to magnetic tape, using the following command:

```
$ BACKUP/VERIFY/IMAGE/JOURNAL=SYS$MANAGER:BACKUP.JOURNAL -  
DRA1: MFA0:WORK_DISK.BACKUP/SAVE_SET/REWIND/INITIALIZE
```

- a. What command would you use to recover the information that has seemingly been lost?
- b. (OPTIONAL) What other method could you have used to recover the lost information?

## Solutions

- a. This command creates the subdirectory tree structure and restores all of the files in [PERDUTO] and its subdirectories.

```
$ BACKUP MFA0:WORK_DISK.BACKUP/SAVE_SET/SELECT=[PERDUTO...]*.*;* -  
DRA1:[PERDUTO...]*.*;*
```

- b. The most common way to recover (or partially recover) files that have been lost through inadvertent deletion is by restoring files that have previously been backed up. Using this process, you can restore those files that existed at the time of the most recent system backup. However, if your system has VAX RMS Journaling and if after-image journaling had been used for any data files that were deleted, you can use the RMS RECOVERY utility to restore the files and include all modifications that were made up to the point where the file was deleted.

# MANAGING DISK AND TAPE VOLUMES

## Laboratory Exercises

### Part I

You will need a disk drive and a disk volume or a tape drive and a tape volume to complete these exercises.

1. Do the following to initialize and mount a disk volume or a tape volume for public use.
  - a. Allocate the device specified by your instructor to your process.
  - b. Load your volume on the device. If you are not sure how to load the volume, ask your instructor.
  - c. FOR DISK VOLUMES ONLY:  
Mount the disk volume using the /FOREIGN qualifier.
  - d. FOR DISK VOLUMES ONLY:  
If your disk is one for which the BAD utility is valid (in other words, not an RA-series disk), invoke the BAD utility to search for bad blocks on the disk volume.
  - e. FOR DISK VOLUMES ONLY:  
Dismount, but do not unload, the disk volume.
  - f. Initialize the disk or tape volume so that all users will have access to it.
  - g. Mount the disk or tape volume so that all users on the system will have access to it without having to mount it themselves.
2. Display the characteristics of the device on which you have just mounted the volume.
3. Dismount the volume and deallocate the device so that it is available for other users.

## Solutions

Substitute the name of the device you are using for DRA1:, your own logical name for DRIVE, and your own label for MYVOL.

1. Enter the following commands to prepare a volume for public use:

- a. \$ ALLOCATE DRA1: DRIVE
- b. No solution needed.
- c. \$ MOUNT/FOREIGN DRIVE  
(For disk volumes only)
- d. \$ ANALYZE/MEDIA/EXERCISE DRIVE  
(For disk volumes only)
- e. \$ DISMOUNT/NOUNLOAD DRIVE  
(For disk volumes only)
- f. \$ INITIALIZE/SYSTEM DRIVE MYVOL
- g. \$ MOUNT/SYSTEM DRIVE MYVOL

2. \$ SHOW DEVICE/FULL DRIVE

3. \$ DISMOUNT DRIVE  
\$ DEALLOCATE DRA1:

# MANAGING DISK AND TAPE VOLUMES

## Laboratory Exercises

### Part II

You will need two disk drives and two disk volumes to complete these exercises. If you do not have the necessary materials to complete the lab, write out the answers on paper and compare them to the solutions.

1. Do the following to create a public volume set using two disk volumes:
  - a. Allocate the devices you will be using.
  - b. Load the volumes onto their respective drives. If you are not sure how to do this, ask your instructor.
  - c. Initialize the volumes.
  - d. Mount the volumes using the /SYSTEM and /BIND qualifiers.
2. Create a user directory on the volume set.
3. Copy a file from your default directory to your directory on the volume set.
4. Display the contents of your directory on the volume set.
5. Dismount the volume set.

## Solutions

Substitute the names of your devices, and your own logical names and labels for the names and labels shown in these solutions.

1. Enter the following commands to create a volume set for public use:

- a. `$ ALLOCATE DRA1: DEV1`  
`$ ALLOCATE DRA2: DEV2`
- b. No solution needed.
- c. `$ INITIALIZE/SYSTEM DEV1 USER1`  
`$ INITIALIZE/SYSTEM DEV2 USER2`
- d. `$ MOUNT/SYSTEM/BIND=USER_SET -`  
`_$ DEV1,DEV2 USER1,USER2 -`  
`_$ USER_DISK`

2. `$ CREATE/DIRECTORY USER_DISK: [BROWN]`

3. `$ SET DEFAULT SYSS$LOGIN`  
`$ COPY TESTFILE.LIS`  
`_To: USER_DISK: [BROWN]*.*`

4. `$ DIRECTORY USER_DISK: [BROWN]`

5. `$ DISMOUNT DEV1`

# MANAGING DISK AND TAPE VOLUMES

## Laboratory Exercises

### Part III

You will need a tape drive and tape volume to complete these exercises.

1. Create three subdirectories of your default login directory. Call them [.A], [.B], and [.A.A2].
2. Copy at least two files into each of the above three subdirectories.
3. Allocate a tape drive. (If all drives are already allocated by other users, return to this exercise later.)

Load your scratch tape into the drive. If you do not know how to load this drive, consult your instructor.

4. Initialize the scratch tape, then mount the tape as a foreign volume. Back up all the files in your directory and its subdirectories to a single save set on the tape.
5. List the contents of your new save set.
6. Delete one file in [.B] and selectively restore that file from your save set on tape.
7. Delete all files in [.A] and [.A.A2] and the subdirectory files themselves. Issue the following DCL commands:

```
$ DELETE [username.A]*.*;*, [username.A.A2]*.*;*
$ BACKUP tape:save_set_name disk:[username...]
```

Note the results.

What command would you use to correctly restore your subdirectories?

8. Dismount the tape drive. Issue a REPLY command to inform other students that the tape drive is now available.

## Solutions

Substitute your own directory and device names for the ones shown in these solutions. You can also choose your own tape label and your own file name for the save set.

1. 

```
$ CREATE/DIRECTORY [MYNAME.A]
$ CREATE/DIRECTORY [MYNAME.B]
$ CREATE/DIRECTORY [MYNAME.A.A2]
```
2. 

```
$ COPY SYS$LOGIN:*. * [.A]
$ COPY SYS$LOGIN:*. * [.B]
$ COPY SYS$LOGIN:*. * [.A.A2]
```
3. 

```
$ ALLOCATE WHOOSH$MUA0:
```
4. 

```
$ INITIALIZE WHOOSH$MUA0: MYTAPE
$ MOUNT/FOREIGN WHOOSH$MUA0:
$ BACKUP [...]*. *; * WHOOSH$MUA0:MYFILES.BCK /LABEL=MYTAPE
```
5. 

```
$ BACKUP /REWIND /LIST WHOOSH$MUA0:MYFILES.BCK
```
6. 

```
$ DELETE [MYNAME.B]LOGIN.COM; *
$ BACKUP/LOG WHOOSH$MUA0:MYFILES.BCK/SELECT=[MYNAME.B]LOGIN.COM [MYNAME.B]
```
7. The commands shown cause BACKUP to create an extra level of subdirectories. The correct way to restore all your files is to use a command like the following:  

```
$ BACKUP WHOOSH$MUA0:MYFILES.BCK STUDENT$DISK:[*...]
```
8. 

```
$ DISMOUNT WHOOSH$MUA0:
$ DEALLOCATE WHOOSH$MUA0:
$ REPLY/USERS "Tape drive WHOOSH$MUA0 is now available"
```

# CUSTOMIZING THE SYSTEM

## Laboratory Exercises

1. Type (or print) `SYSDMANAGER:SYSTARTUP_V5.COM` file and examine it.
2. Create `TERMINALS.COM` in your own directory. This procedure should set the permanent characteristics of the terminals on your system according to the following information.
  - a. Assume that you have eight terminals.
  - b. Set up some fast terminals and some slow terminals.
  - c. Protect at least three terminals from allocation by processes other than those with a [001,004] UIC.
  - d. Four of the terminals are VT200-series terminals.
  - e. Three are VT300-series terminals.
  - f. One is a hard-copy terminal (LA120).
  - g. The LA120 is attached through a modem.
  - h. The other terminals are attached through direct lines.
  - i. Include the name of the owner and office number where the terminal is located in a comment for each terminal.
3. Run the `INSTALL` utility:
  - a. List the currently installed images.
  - b. Choose one of the image names listed.
  - c. Find out how many times the image has been invoked since it was installed.
  - d. Send a message to all users indicating that you intend to remove that image from the installed list.
  - e. Remove the image.
  - f. List the installed images and see if it was removed.
  - g. Reinstall the image as it was originally installed. (Display the contents of the `SYSDMANAGER:VMSIMAGES.DAT` file to see how it was originally installed.)
  - h. Send a message to all users to inform them that the image has been reinstalled.

4. (ADVANCED EXERCISE) Create an alternate SYSTARTUP\_V5.COM in your own directory. Do not execute this procedure to verify your work. Instead, look at the answers provided in this booklet. The procedure should include commands to do the following:
- a. Mount the class disk (label = CLASS) on the device DRA1: Be sure it will be accessible to all users. Assign the disk the logical name CLASS\_DISK.
  - b. Assume that a directory named PROGRAMS.DIR has been created on the system disk to contain site-specific programs. Define a system logical name for this directory.
  - c. Restrict the number of interactive users to 35.
  - d. Create and start the following queues (if possible). Be sure to start the queue manager first.
    - SYS\$PRINT (generic queue)
    - LPA0 (print execution queue)
      - Make sure the printer supports lowercase characters and includes a flag page on each job printed.
    - FORM3 (logical queue)
    - SYS\$BATCH (batch execution queue)
      - Set the job limit at two and the priority at three.
    - BIGJOB (batch execution queue)
      - Set the job limit at one and the priority at two.
      - Do not start this queue.
  - e. Invoke SYS\$MANAGER:TERMINALS.COM
  - f. Define the logical names SYS\$ANNOUNCE and SYS\$WELCOME.
  - g. Install the BACKUP.EXE program. Cause the directory information about the location of the program to remain permanently in memory. Cause the header of the BACKUP.EXE file to remain in memory.
  - h. Rename the second highest version of the operator log to OPERATOR.OLD. Print OPERATOR.OLD, and have the system delete the file for you after it has been printed.
  - i. Send a message to all terminals telling users that the system is now up and ready for use, and log out.

## Solutions

1. \$ TYPE SYSS\$MANAGER:SYSTARTUP\_V5.COM

The purpose of looking at the SYSTARTUP\_V5.COM file is to familiarize yourself with the contents of this file as a whole.

2. A sample TERMINALS.COM file is shown below. This procedure meets the specifications of the problem, but it is not the only answer. If your procedure contains most of the same kinds of statements, it is probably also correct.

```
$!TERMINALS.COM
$!
$! This file sets up the permanent characteristics of the
$! terminals on this system. This procedure is typically
$! invoked from SYSTARTUP_V5.COM.
$!
$!-----
$!
$ SET NOON
$!
$ SET TERM/PERM/NODEM-
/VT200/SPEED=300 TTA0:      !J.Smith   E15
$ SET TERM/PERM/NODEM-
/VT200/SPEED=2400 TTA1:    !N.Hae    E16
$ SET TERM/PERM/NODEM-
/VT200/SPEED=9600 TTA2:    !F.Chi    E17
$ SET TERM/PERM/NODEM-
/VT200/SPEED=9600 TTA3:    !P.Jones  E18
$ SET TERM/PERM/NODEM-
/VT300/SPEED=2400 TTA4:    !A.Steel  E19
$ SET TERM/PERM/NODEM-
/VT300/SPEED=9600 TTA5:    !J.Howland F01
$ SET TERM/PERM/NODEM-
/VT300/SPEED=9600 TTA6:    !M.Carter F02
$ SET TERM/PERM/MODEM-
/AUTOBAUD/LA120 TTA7:      !D.Trevor Dial-up
$!
$! NOTE: For the LA120 terminal, the speed is
$! set automatically by /AUTOBAUD to 9600.
$!
$!Give [001,004] ownership of three terminals:
$!
$ SET PROT=(S,O:R,G,W)/DEVICE/OWNER_UIC=[001,004] TTA0:
$ SET PROT=(S,O:R,G,W)/DEVICE/OWNER_UIC=[001,004] TTA5:
$ SET PROT=(S,O:R,G,W)/DEVICE/OWNER_UIC=[001,004] TTA7:
$!
$! NOTE: All users can log in on these terminals, but users
$! with a UIC of [001,004] can also allocate them.
```

**3. \$ INSTALL**

**a. INSTALL>LIST**

**b. Assume the DIRECTORY image is chosen.**

**c. INSTALL>LIST/FULL DIRECTORY**

**NOTE: The access count is initialized to 0 each time the image is installed. (Images are installed each time the system is started by the startup procedures.)**

**d. INSTALL>EXIT**

**\$ REPLY/BELL/ALL "I am about to de-install the DIRECTORY image"**

**e. \$ INSTALL**

**INSTALL>DELETE DIRECTORY**

**f. INSTALL>LIST**

**(You should not see the DIRECTORY image listed.)**

**g. INSTALL>CREATE/OPEN/HEADER/SHARED DIRECTORY**

**INSTALL>LIST**

**(You should see the DIRECTORY image listed again.)**

**INSTALL>EXIT**

**h. \$REPLY/BELL/ALL "The DIRECTORY image has been re-installed"**

4. A sample SYSTARTUP\_V5.COM procedure is shown below. This procedure meets the specifications of the problem, but it is not the only answer. If your procedure contains most of the same kinds of statements, it is probably also correct.

```
$! SAMPLE_SYSTARTUP_V5.COM
$!
$! This procedure sets up the system environment according
$! to the resources available and functions performed on
$! this system.
$!
$!-----
$!
$ MOUNT /SYSTEM DRA1: CLASS CLASS_DISK
$!
$ ASSIGN/SYSTEM SYS$SYSDEVICE:PROGRAMS.DIR PROGRAMS
$!
$ SET LOGIN/INTERACTIVE=35
$!
$! NOTE: The SET LOGIN/INT command should be placed at the end
$!       of the procedure, so users cannot log in while the
$!       procedure is executing.
$!
$ START/QUEUE/MANAGER
$!
$! Start up PRINT and BATCH queues
$!
$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/GENERIC/START SYS$PRINT
$!
$ SET PRINTER LPA0:/LOWER
$ SET DEVICE LPA0:/SPOOLED
$!
$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/FLAG/START LPA0
$!
$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/NOENABLE_GENERIC FORM3 !You cannot start a
$!                                         logical queue until
$!                                         it has been assigned
$!                                         to a physical queue.
$!
$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/BATCH/JOB=2/PRIORITY=3/START SYS$BATCH
$!
$ INITIALIZE/QUEUE/BATCH/JOB=1/PRIORITY=2 BIGJOB
$!
$ @SYS$MANAGER:TERMINALS.COM
$!
$ ASSIGN/SYSTEM "System number 239 - VAX/VMS " SYS$ANNOUNCE
$ ASSIGN/SYSTEM "Welcome to system 239" SYS$WELCOME
$!
$INSTALL
CREATE SYS$SYSTEM:BACKUP /OPEN/HEADER
EXIT
$!
$ RENAME OPERATOR.LOG;-1 OPERATOR.OLD
$ PRINT/DELETE OPERATOR.OLD
$!
$ REPLY/BELL/ALL "System 239 is ready for use"
$!
$LOGOUT/BRIEF
```



# STARTING UP AND SHUTTING DOWN THE SYSTEM

## Laboratory Exercises

### Part I

1. Under the supervision of your instructor, look at the front panels of as many VAX processors as are available to you. Become familiar with the items on them.
2. Your instructor will shut the system down for you and will turn the power off. (If he or she cannot shut the power off, go to problem 3. It is really not a good practice to shut the power off and on very often, as it can lead to hardware problems. However, if this is only done occasionally, it should not harm the system.)
3. Start the system from power on, following the instructions in the *VMS Installation and Operation Guide* for this type of processor.
4. If your instructor allows you to, and if your system has battery backup, set up your system for an automatic restart and turn the power off. Start the system from power off. (The system should have been running before you began this problem and you should have been logged in.)
5. Your instructor will shut the system down for you. Start the system, specifying the system device explicitly.

## Solutions

1. No solution needed.
2. No solution needed.
3. No solution needed.
4. No solution needed. If you set up your system properly, it should start and you should be able to log in.
5. No solution needed.

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## Laboratory Exercises

### Part II

Do each problem in this lab under the **direct** supervision of your instructor.

1. Your instructor will shut the system down for you. The console terminal is now in program mode. Log in at the console terminal.
2. While you are logged in at the console terminal, change to console mode. Do not enter any console commands.
3. Return to program mode and enter the DIRECTORY command.
4. Disable the use of console mode. Try to enter console mode at the console terminal.
5. If this system boots by means of boot files, copy the default boot file from the console volume to your directory and look at it. Notice that it boots the default system device on your system (or it should).

## Solutions

1. No solution needed.
2. When you see the >>> prompt, you know you have been successful.
3. When you see the \$ prompt and can enter the DIRECTORY command, you know you are in program mode.
4. You should not be able to enter console mode if you set the switch correctly.

Enable console mode again when you are done with this problem.

5. You must be in program mode to copy a file from the console volume. Use the SYS\$UPDATE:DXCOPY command procedure. If your default boot file, DEFBOO.COM, does not boot your default system device, inform your instructor.

# STARTING UP AND SHUTTING DOWN THE SYSTEM

## Laboratory Exercises

### Part III

1. Your instructor will create an alternate copy of the SYS\$SYSTEM:SYSUAF.DAT file and will modify your account in the new file. The alternate copy is SYS\$SYSTEM:SYSUAFALT.DAT. Start the system conversationally, specifying the alternate UAF file. Log in and enter the SHOW PROCESS command to verify that the alternate file was used. The display should contain the new values entered by your instructor. Check with your instructor to verify this.
2. Your instructor will shut the system down for you. Start it conversationally, specifying the normal SYS\$SYSTEM:SYSUAF.DAT file as the UAF file. Log in and enter the SHOW PROCESS command. The display should look normal.

## Solutions

1. Boot the system conversationally. Enter the commands SET UAFALTERNATE 1 and CONTINUE at the SYSBOOT> prompt.
2. Boot the system conversationally. Enter the commands SET UAFALTERNATE 0 and CONTINUE at the SYSBOOT> prompt.

# STARTING UP AND SHUTTING DOWN THE SYSTEM

## Laboratory Exercises

### Part IV

You must perform the following exercises on a standalone system under the supervision of your instructor. You must start the system up after each exercise.

1. Use the orderly shutdown method to shut down your system.
2. Use the emergency DCL shutdown method to shut down your system.
3. Force a shutdown using the CCL method.

## Solutions

1. Enter the command:

```
@SYS$SYSTEM:SHUTDOWN
```

and respond to the prompts.

2. Follow these steps:

- a. Log in as SYSTEM on the console terminal.

- b. Issue the DCL command:

```
$ RUN SYS$SYSTEM:OPCCRASH
```

- c. When the SYSTEM SHUTDOWN COMPLETE message is displayed, type:

```


|        |
|--------|
| CTRL/P |
|--------|

  
>>>H
```

3. See the *VMS Installation and Operation Guide* for this type of system.

# STARTING UP AND SHUTTING DOWN THE SYSTEM

## Laboratory Exercises

### Part V

Complete the following exercises only under the supervision of your instructor.

The purpose of this optional lab is to show you that different errors can occur at different points during the startup process. Some errors indicate a problem with the console volume. It could be corrupted, missing, or it could have been replaced by a scratch or data volume. Other errors indicate a problem with the system disk. It could be corrupted, off-line, write-locked, or certain files necessary for the startup process could be missing or corrupted. Finally, errors could indicate problems with data disks, buses, memory, or other parts of the system.

You can usually identify the problem by looking at the listing on the console terminal. Certain errors occur at certain points in the startup process. For example, if the console volume is missing, you will not even get to the part of the listing where the system volume is read. Or, if you cannot get to the part where the console volume is read, perhaps the problem lies in memory or some part of the CPU.

If you are having problems starting up your system, first check to be sure you are preparing your system properly for startup. If you still cannot start it, show the console terminal listings to a more experienced person or to a Digital Field Service representative.

1. Shut the system down using the normal method.
2. Remove the console volume. (If this is not possible on your system, go to question 9. If you are working on a VAX-11/750 system, also set the BOOT DEVICE switch to A.)

#### NOTE

**If your console volume is a diskette, do not remove it if you hear a clicking noise from the drive. The noise indicates that the system is using the volume. If you remove the volume while the system is using it, you can damage the volume.**

3. Attempt to boot the system by using the boot switch on the front panel or by entering a command at the console terminal.
4. What are the results?
5. Place a scratch volume in the console drive.
6. Attempt to boot the system by using the boot switch on the front panel or by entering a command at the console terminal.
7. What are the results?
8. Replace the console volume in the console drive.

9. Spin down the system disk.
10. Attempt to boot the system by using the boot switch on the front panel or by entering a command at the console terminal.
11. What are the results?
12. Spin up the system disk and write-protect it.
13. Attempt to boot the system by using the boot switch on the front panel or by entering a command at the console terminal.
14. What are the results?
15. Write-protect a data disk that your site-specific command procedure normally loads.
16. Attempt to boot the system by using the boot switch on the front panel or by entering a command at the console terminal.
17. What are the results?

## **Solutions**

1. Use the SHUTDOWN.COM procedure.
2. No solution needed.
3. No solution needed.
4. You should receive an error message at the console terminal. The content of this message differs between processors, but its meaning is the same. The meaning is that the system cannot boot without the console volume.
5. No solution needed.
6. No solution needed.
7. You should receive a different error message at the console terminal than the one you received when no volume was loaded. The meaning of this second message is that the system cannot boot without a proper system console volume.
8. No solution needed.

9. No solution needed.
10. No solution needed.
11. You should see more messages on the console terminal this time before you see an error message. The meaning of this third error message is that the system cannot read the system volume when it is not spun up. It must be able to read the system volume to complete the startup process.
12. No solution needed.
13. No solution needed.
14. You should see an error message on the console terminal. The meaning of this message is that the startup process cannot complete unless it can both read from and write to the system disk.
15. No solution needed.
16. No solution needed.
17. The startup process will complete if a data disk is not loaded, but you will receive error messages at the console terminal. You should always enter the SHOW DEVICES command after the system is up to check on the status of all disk drives, or you should read the console listing to be sure all were successfully mounted.

# INSTALLING AND UPDATING SYSTEM SOFTWARE

## Laboratory Exercises

1. Print the `SYS$MANAGER:SYSTARTUP_V5.COM` file on your system and look for the command that is used to start the network.
2. Obtain a copy of the set of instructions for installing Version 5.0 on your system. Under the supervision of your instructor, follow these instructions.
3. Under the supervision of your instructor, follow the instructions in the *VMS Release Notes* for Version 5.0 to upgrade your system (running Version 4.6 or later) to a Version 5.0 system.
4. Under the supervision of your instructor, install a maintenance update on your system volume by following the instructions in the release notes for the update. Be sure the update you are installing is the **next sequential** update for the volume, as you must apply them in sequential order.
5. After you have installed, upgraded, or updated your system, run the User Environment Test Package by following the instructions in the installation guide for your processor.
6. Under the supervision of your instructor, install one optional product on your system by following the instructions in the product's installation guide.
7. Under the supervision of your instructor, use the `SYS$UPDATE:CONSCOPY.COM` command procedure to create a spare copy of the console volume.
8. Perform a standalone BACKUP from disk to disk. (If your system has only one disk, perform a disk-to-tape BACKUP.) This exercise requires your exclusive use of the computer for 30 to 60 minutes. Inform the instructor that you want to perform this exercise. If time and circumstances are not favorable, you may have to perform it at a different time. If you are forced to delay this exercise until later, continue with the rest of the module, but return to this exercise as soon as possible.
  - a. Obtain a standalone BACKUP kit on console media from your instructor. If no kit is available, create one. (If your instructor prefers, create a standalone BACKUP kit on the system disk instead. If you use a kit on the system disk, leave the normal console volume containing the boot software in the console drive and ignore the statements about the console volume in this exercise.)
  - b. Ask your instructor for a scratch disk (or set of scratch tapes) and a sample data disk (or sample system disk) to back up. You will be copying up the entire data (or system) disk to the scratch disk (or set of tapes).
  - c. At the time designated by the instructor, shut down the computer using the `SYS$SYSTEM:SHUTDOWN.COM` procedure. (The **Starting Up and Shutting Down the System** module discusses this command procedure.)

- d. Once the system is fully shut down, boot the standalone BACKUP program.
- e. Issue the command to perform the BACKUP. Be sure to include the /VERIFY qualifier.

**NOTE**

**Before issuing any commands to the BACKUP utility, be sure you know which disk is to be copied (the input disk) and which is the output disk. It is a good idea to write-lock the input disk. Also, have the instructor check both volumes and your BACKUP command before you press the RETURN key to enter the command.**

- f. Once the BACKUP operation is finished, unload the two scratch and sample packs used for the exercise and reload (if necessary) the normal system and data packs.
- g. Press the CTRL/P key sequence at the console terminal to prepare to boot the system. Halt the computer if necessary.
- h. Replace the BACKUP kit console media with the console media containing the boot software.
- i. Boot the VMS system from power on. (If you had copied the system disk to an output disk, you might want to load the output disk and try to boot from it. The **Starting Up and Shutting Down the System** module discusses how to boot the system from the default device or from a device you specify.)

## Solutions

1. The command is @STARTNET.
2. If you followed the instructions carefully, you should be able to boot your system and log in. If you cannot do this, consult your instructor.
3. After you have completed the procedure, you should be able to boot the system and log in. If not, consult your instructor.
4. If you have followed the instructions carefully, you should be able to boot, log in to, and use your updated system. If you cannot do this, consult your instructor.
5. If you have followed the instructions carefully when installing, upgrading, or updating your system, the tests should be successful. If the tests are not successful, consult your instructor.
6. If you have followed the instructions carefully, the Installation Verification Procedure (IVP) done by the product's installation procedure should be successful. If the procedure does not include an IVP, test the product yourself. If the tests are not successful, consult your instructor.
7. Run the SYSS\$UPDATE:CONSCOPY.COM command procedure to save the contents of the console volume. Then load a scratch volume in the console device and use the same procedure to restore the contents from the system disk to the scratch volume.

If you followed the instructions carefully, you should be able to boot the system using your copy of the console volume.

8. If you performed a disk-to-disk backup of a data disk, and you can mount the output copy and reference files and directories, you were successful.

If you did a disk-to-disk backup of a system disk, and you can boot the new disk, you were successful.

If you did a disk-to-tape backup, you should be able to restore the tapes to a scratch disk and reference files on it or boot it (depending on the contents of the original disk). The **Managing Disk and Tape Volumes** module discusses how to restore tapes to a scratch disk.



# MAINTAINING SYSTEM INTEGRITY

## Laboratory Exercises

### Part I

1. Set your default to your login directory.
2. Copy the file SYS\$SYSTEM:SYSUAF.DAT to your own directory.
3. Run the AUTHORIZE utility. Using AUTHORIZE, perform the following exercises:
  - a. Display in brief format all the records in the UAF that have user names beginning with the letter S.
  - b. Display in brief format all the records in the UAF that have UIC group number 20.
  - c. Display the contents of your own UAF record.
  - d. Display the contents of the DEFAULT record.
  - e. Modify the DEFAULT record so that the GROUP and GRPNAM privileges are automatically given to all new accounts.
  - f. Modify the DEFAULT record to increase the ENQLM limit to 30.
  - g. Modify the DEFAULT record so that the value of the disk device in the default field is the same as the name of your default disk device. This can be either a real device name or a logical name equating to the real device name. (You can display the name of your default device by entering the SHOW DEFAULT command at the DCL prompt.)
  - h. Display the contents of the DEFAULT record to verify your changes.
  - i. Create a new UAF record with the user name SMITH and a group number of 322. Remember to specify a password for SMITH, but do not specify any other values.

#### NOTE

**Ignore any informational or error messages you receive about the rights database.**

- j. Display the contents of the new record.
- k. Compare the values of the fields in the new record with the values of the fields in the DEFAULT record. What are your conclusions?
- l. Create a new UAF record in group 322 for user JONES. Use the COPY command to create a record for user DOE. Assign each user a unique member number, password, owner, and default directory.

- m. Display all the UAF records in JONES' group using the brief format. Use a wildcard in the command.
- n. Modify account JONES to limit the login time for the primary days MON, TUE, WED, THU from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and secondary days FRI, SAT, SUN from 4 pm to 11 pm. Examine the record.
- o. Modify account JONES to limit dial-in capability from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. for secondary days. Establish default privileges of TMPMBX, NETMBX, SYSPRV and an additional authorized privilege of VOLPRO. Examine the record.
- p. Disable user SMITH from logging in.
- q. Delete the UAF record for user SMITH.
- r. Generate a brief listing and a full listing of all user records. Print the listing file on a printing device.

## Solutions

1. \$ SET DEFAULT SYS\$LOGIN
2. \$ COPY SYS\$SYSTEM:SYSUAF.DAT \*

This will prevent other users from accessing the file during the copy operation. A more congenial solution would be the following:

```
$ CONVERT/SHARE SYS$SYSTEM:SYSUAF.DAT *
```

3. \$ RUN SYS\$SYSTEM:AUTHORIZE

a. UAF> SHOW /BRIEF S\*

b. UAF> SHOW /BRIEF [20, \*]

c. UAF> SHOW username

d. UAF> SHOW DEFAULT

- e. Enter the following commands at the UAF> prompt:

```
UAF>MODIFY DEFAULT/PRIVILEGE=(GROUP, GRPNAM) -  
_UAF>/DEFPRIVILEGE=(GROUP, GRPNAM)
```

You can record two sets of privileges in each UAF record. One set contains the authorized privileges (PRIVILEGE); the other set contains the default privileges (DEFPRIVILEGE). Users receive the default privileges when they log in. Users can give themselves any of their authorized privileges by using the SET PROCESS/PRIVILEGE command.

f. UAF>MODIFY DEFAULT /ENQLM=30

g. UAF>MODIFY DEFAULT /DEVICE=CLASS\_DISK

Substitute the name of the device you are using for CLASS\_DISK.

h. UAF> SHOW DEFAULT

i. UAF>ADD SMITH /PASSWORD=ENIGMA /UIC=[322, 1]

You can change your password and UIC if you choose.

j. UAF>SHOW SMITH

- k. The values of the fields in SMITH should be identical to the values of the same fields in DEFAULT, with the exception of the user name and UIC fields. Notice, also, that SMITH has the GROUP and GRPNAM privileges.

l. UAF>ADD JONES /UIC=[322,2] /OWNER="Jane Jones" -  
\_UAF>/DIRECTORY=[JONES]  
UAF>COPY JONES DOE /UIC=[322,3] /OWNER="Ken Doe" -  
\_UAF>/DIRECTORY=[DOE]

The password for these accounts is USER, since no password was indicated when the records were created. Note that each user has a unique member number, but that all are members of the same group.

m. UAF>SHOW/BRIEF [322,\*]

n. UAF>MODIFY JONES /PRIMEDAYS=(NOFRI,NOSAT,NOSUN) -  
\_UAF>/ACCESS=(PRIMARY,8-15,SECONDARY,16-22)  
UAF>SHOW JONES

o. UAF>MODIFY JONES /DIALIN=(SECONDARY,18-21) /DEFPRIVILEGES= -  
\_UAF>(TMPMBX,NETMBX,SYSPRV) -  
\_UAF>/PRIV=(TMPMBX,NETMBX,SYSPRV,VOLPRO)  
UAF>SHOW JONES

p. UAF>MODIFY SMITH /FLAG=DISUSER

q. UAF>REMOVE SMITH

r. UAF>LIST/BRIEF\*  
UAF>LIST/FULL\*  
UAF>EXIT  
\$ PRINT SYSUAF.LIS;\*

# MAINTAINING SYSTEM INTEGRITY

## Laboratory Exercises

### Part II

Pair up with another student to do this exercise. You must have write access to the user authorization file to do this exercise. You may also need the SYSPRV privilege.

1. Log in using your own account. Set your default to SYS\$SYSTEM and run the AUTHORIZE utility. Display a list of all identifiers in the system rights list.
2. Create an identifier called READER\_n, where *n* is a number assigned to you by your instructor.
3. Exit from the utility. Set your default back to your login directory.
4. Create a file called TEXT.TXT. With the ACL editor, create an ACE for the identifier READER\_n in the ACL of your file. In the ACE, specify that holders of the READER\_n identifier will be allowed to read the file. Also set the UIC protection code on the file to allow Group and World users no access.
5. Type the file TEXT.TXT on your terminal screen. Note that you have access to the file even though you do not hold the identifier READER\_n.
6. Ask your partner to try to type the file.
7. Run the AUTHORIZE utility. Grant the READER\_n identifier to your partner's account. Show the UAF record for your partner's account and note the identifiers that have been assigned to it.
8. Ask your partner to log out and then log back in, and to try typing the file again. Now have your partner try to edit the file.
9. Display a list of all the identifiers held by your account.
10. Create a file containing a list of all the identifiers in the system rights list.

## Solutions

Substitute your assigned identifier for `READER_1` in the following solutions.

1. 

```
$ SET DEFAULT SYSS$SYSTEM
$ RUN AUTHORIZE
UAF>SHOW /IDENTIFIER *
```

```
BATCH
LOCAL
INTERACTIVE
```

```
.
.
.
```

2. 

```
UAF>ADD /IDENTIFIER READER_1
```

3. 

```
UAF>EXIT
$ SET DEFAULT SYSS$LOGIN
```

4. You may create the text file in the following manner:

```
$ CREATE TEXT.TXT
This is a test file.
CTRL/Z
```

To invoke the ACL editor, type the following:

```
$ EDIT/ACL TEXT.TXT
```

You should receive a prompt of the form `(IDENTIFIER= .` Enter the following after this prompt:

```
READER_1,OPTIONS=NONE,ACCESS=READ)
```

Then, type `CTRL/Z` to exit from the editor. (Pressing `RETURN` will prompt you for another identifier.)

Finally, to set the protection on the file so that Group and World users have no access, enter the command:

```
$ SET PROTECTION=(G,W) TEXT.TXT
```

5. You have access to the file because you are the owner, and System and Owner UIC-based protection overrides ACL-based protection.

6. Your partner will get an error message when trying to type the file, since your partner's account does not hold the READER\_n identifier, and Group and World users have no access to the file according to the UIC-based protection code that you defined.

7. \$ SET DEFAULT SYSS\$SYSTEM  
\$ RUN AUTHORIZE  
UAF>GRANT/IDENTIFIER READER\_1 STUDENT\_5  
UAF>SHOW STUDENT\_5

The utility lists the identifiers held at the bottom of the display.

(Substitute your partner's user name for STUDENT\_5 in this example.)

8. Your partner should be able to read the file but should not be able to edit the file because neither the identifier nor UIC-based protection allow he or she to have write access to the file.

9. UAF> SHOW /RIGHTS /USER=username

10. UAF> LIST /IDENTIFIER \*

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# MAINTAINING SYSTEM INTEGRITY

## Laboratory Exercises

### Part III

#### NOTE

**You must have write access to the system authorization file and SECURITY privilege to do this lab.**

1. Create a secondary password for your UAF record. Log out and log in. What has changed?
2. Create a system password and set the appropriate characteristics of your terminal so it is a system-password-required terminal. Log out and log in. What has changed?
3. Make your terminal more secure by setting the SECURE\_SERVER characteristic on it. Log out and log in. What has changed?
4. Create another UAF record. Set the expiration date on the new UAF record to be five minutes after the current time. Wait at least five minutes. Attempt to log in to the new account. What happens? Log in to your own account and delete the extra UAF record.
5. Change the minimum length of the password to 16 on your own account, set a flag to require password generation, exit from the utility, log out and log in.
6. Change your password with a DCL command that uses one of the choices listed by the generator (or generate a new list).
7. Use the SET AUDIT and SHOW AUDIT commands to define and display various types of audit.
8. Log out and attempt to log in several times, specifying an incorrect password each time. Observe the output on the console terminal.

## Solutions

1. 

```
$ SET DEFAULT SYSS$SYSTEM
$ RUN AUTHORIZE
UAF> MODIFY JONES/PASSWORD=( " ", SECRET)
```

The system displays a second password prompt when you log in.

2. Use the SET PASSWORD/SYSTEM command to create a system password. Use the SET TERMINAL command to modify your terminal characteristics as shown in the module. When you log in to your account after setting these up, you must enter the system password before you see the prompt for your user name.
3. Use the SET TERMINAL/SECURE\_SERVER command as shown in this module to make your terminal more secure. This time, you must press the BREAK key and enter a system password before you see the prompt for your user name.
4. You will not be able to log in to the new account because it has expired.
5. Use the /FLAGS=GENPWD qualifier to the MODIFY command in the AUTHORIZE utility to do this.
6. When you enter the SET PASSWORD command, it automatically generates a list of passwords for you to choose from.
7. No answer needed.
8. No answer needed.

# MAINTAINING SYSTEM INTEGRITY

## Laboratory Exercises

### Part IV

1. Use the SDA utility to generate a report at your terminal about the last system failure.

Find out and record the following:

- a. The name of the process whose state was CUR
  - b. How many processes were active
  - c. The reason for the failure (or recorded reason).
  - d. The contents of general register 6
  - e. The user names of processes that were in the COM state
  - f. The name of the image file that was executing
2. Look in the correct system directory (use a logical name) to see if ERRLOG.OLD exists.  
If it does not exist, rename the current error log file to ERRLOG.OLD.
  3. Use the ERF utility to examine the contents of ERRLOG.OLD. If the file is very large, use the /SINCE qualifier to examine only the section for the last few days. If no entries are listed for the requested event, enter a less recent date or examine the entire file.
    - a. List all memory error entries in brief format at your terminal.
    - b. List all CPU-related entries in full format at your terminal.
    - c. List all errors recorded for the device where your class disk is loaded in summary format.
    - d. List all entries recorded because of device mounts and dismounts. Send the listing to the system line printer.
  4. If you have never seen an SPR form, and the instructor has made one available, take the time to look at it during this lab period. Take note of the types of information requested, so if a problem occurs, you will be more likely to remember to obtain the needed information.
  5. Is it necessary to complete the entire form for all problems?
  6. What information should be sent with the form to Digital? And why?
  7. List the test files used by the UETP. Use a system logical name in the command.

## Solutions

1. \$ SET PROCESS /PRIVILEGE=SYSPRV  
\$ ANALYZE /CRASH\_DUMP SYS\$SYSTEM:SYSDUMP
  - a. SDA> SHOW PROCESS/ALL
  - b. SDA> SHOW SUMMARY
  - c. SDA> SHOW CRASH
  - d. SDA> SHOW CRASH
  - e. SDA> SHOW SUMMARY
  - f. SDA> SHOW CRASH

The stated reason for the system failure is not always the real reason. Another event may have actually caused the failure. Also, the system manager cannot routinely conclude that the current process at the time of the failure caused the failure.

A system programmer can use the information gathered from the SDA utility to discover the cause of the problem. The information for a particular failure may not be very helpful, but when combined with other information collected over a period of time, the problem may be found.

The job of the system manager is not to interpret the output to the SDA utility, but to collect the information. If the system fails repeatedly with the same stated reason, this may indicate either a software or hardware problem. The software problem may be caused by site-specific software or by system software. In either case, the output to the SDA utility should always be saved and stored in a central location. If the failures continue, and the Digital representative has access to these output records, the cause for the failure will be easier to isolate and solve.

2. If ERRLOG.OLD did not exist in SYS\$ERRORLOG, then \$ RENAME ERRLOG.SYS ERRLOG.OLD

NOTE: After this command has been entered, ERRLOG.SYS does not exist. If an event occurs that needs to be recorded, the ERRFMT process will create a new ERRLOG.SYS file.

3. Use the ANALYZE/ERROR\_LOG command with the following qualifiers to generate the reports:

a. /INCLUDE=MEMORY/BRIEF

b. /INCLUDE=CPU\_ENTRIES

Full format is the default format.

c. /INCLUDE=CLASS\_DISK/SUMMARY

Substitute the name of your class disk for CLASS\_DISK.

d. /INCLUDE=VOLUME\_CHANGES/OUTPUT=LPA0:

4. No answer needed.

5. Most of the information requested on the form should be supplied for problems and errors.

6. Information such as listings, programs, related files, data files, number of users, version of software, etc. should be provided. Problems should be presented in a concise and complete manner. This will help the Digital software engineer solve the problem.

7. \$ DIRECTORY SYS\$TEST



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## Laboratory Exercises

### Part V

These exercises are optional.

1. Modify your SYSTARTUP\_V5.COM file to run the SDA utility and analyze the system failure. Send the output from the utility to a file. Include a command to print the file.
2. Create a command procedure to rename the error file every day at midnight. The procedure should save old versions. Old versions should have names that correspond to the day they were created, such as FEB23. The procedure should run the ERF utility to generate a summary report of all errors on a daily basis and print the report.

## Solutions

1. See the SDA VMS V5 dump file in the **Maintaining System Integrity** module.
2. A suggested command procedure follows. Log in as SYSTEM or be sure you have SYSPRV before executing this. To be sure this is run daily, modify the SYSTARTUP\_V5.COM file and include the line:

```
$ SUBMIT TRACKERR /AFTER="23:59:59.99"
```

If an error occurs during the execution of this procedure, a mail message is automatically sent to the SYSTEM account.

```
$!  
$!TRACKERR.COM  
$!  
$!-----  
$ON ERROR THEN GOTO ERROR_HANDLER  
$!  
$TIME = "'F$TIME()'"  
$!  
$SET DEFAULT SYS$ERRORLOG  
$!  
$RENAME ERRLOG.SYS ERRLOG.OLD  
$!  
$ ANALYZE/ERROR_LOG/SUMMARY/OUTPUT=REPORT.DAT  
$!  
$DAY = F$EXTRACT (0,2,TIME)  
$!  
$MONTH = F$EXTRACT (3,3,TIME)  
$!  
$FILE = "'MONTH''DAY'.DAT"  
$!  
$RENAME ERRLOG.OLD 'FILE'  
$!  
$REPORT = "'MONTH''DAY'.RPT"  
$!  
$RENAME REPORT.DAT 'REPORT'  
$!  
$PRINT 'REPORT'  
$!  
$GOTO RESUBMIT_AND_EXIT  
$!  
$ERROR_HANDLER:  
$!  
$MAIL/SUBJECT="TRACKERR.COM has failed" NL: SYSTEM  
$!  
$RESUBMIT_AND_EXIT:  
$!  
$SUBMIT/AFTER="23:59:59.99" TRACKERR.COM  
$!  
$EXIT
```

# MONITORING THE SYSTEM

## Laboratory Exercises

### Part I

1. Using a video terminal, run the MONITOR utility to display the MONITOR> prompt. At the prompt, enter a command to the utility to display the PAGE class with an update interval of ten seconds. Allow the utility to run for five to ten minutes. Watch the display and notice how (if you are on an active system) the display changes with time.
2. Return to the MONITOR> prompt and display the SYSTEM class.
3. Return to the MONITOR> prompt and display the IO class.
4. Use MONITOR to create a file called SUMMARY.DAT that contains summary information about the PROCESSES class. Allow the utility to write several screens of information to the file before you enter the CTRL/Z key sequence to return to the DCL prompt. (Each time the values in the display change, the utility writes a copy of the display to the file.) Display the file on your terminal screen after you exit from the utility.
5. Return to the MONITOR> prompt and display any other classes that you want. Use the HELP facility in the MONITOR utility to list the names of the classes and possible qualifiers.
6. Use the SHOW USERS command to obtain a list of the interactive users on the system. Use the SHOW SYSTEM command to obtain a list of the processes on the system. Compare the names of the interactive users with the list of process names. Note which processes appear in one but not the other.
7. Use the SHOW PROCESS/CONTINUOUS command to examine your own process. What image does the program indicate you are running?

## Solutions

1.

```
$ MONITOR  
MONITOR> MONITOR PAGE
```

2.

```
CTRL C  
MONITOR> MONITOR SYSTEM
```

3.

```
CTRL C  
MONITOR> MONITOR IO
```

4.

```
CTRL C  
MONITOR> MONITOR PROCESS/SUMMARY=SUMMARY.DAT  
CTRL/Z  
$ TYPE SUMMARY.DAT
```

5. Enter the CTRL/C key sequence to cancel any display and return to the MONITOR> prompt.

```
$ MONITOR  
MONITOR> HELP MONITOR
```

6. There should be more processes listed by SHOW SYSTEM than by SHOW USERS. SHOW SYSTEM lists the system processes, interactive processes, processes from batch queues, and subprocesses. SHOW USERS lists interactive users attached to terminals.

7. SHOW PROCESS/CONTINUOUS shows that you are executing the image SYS\$SYSROOT:[SYSEXE]SHOW.EXE.

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## Laboratory Exercises

### Part II

In these exercises, you use a command procedure called HARMLESS\_AUTOGEN.COM. Your instructor should tell you in what directory to find this procedure.

HARMLESS\_AUTOGEN mimics the actions of SYS\$UPDATE:AUTOGEN.COM, except that it does not create or modify any system files or shut down the system. Instead, it creates files in your default login directory (SYS\$LOGIN:).

1. Create a file MODPARAMS.DAT in your default directory SYS\$LOGIN: (not in SYS\$MANAGER:). Have it contain values for the following:
  - Preserve the values of parameters SCSNODE and SCSSYSTEMID for this system (use the values that appear in SYS\$SYSTEM:MODPARAMS.DAT).
  - Set LRPSIZE so that each large request packet (LRP) of nonpaged pool is 512 bytes.
  - Set VIRTUALPAGECNT to allow a program to use 20 megabytes (40960 pages) of virtual memory.
  - Set MAXSYSGROUP to decrease the maximum UIC group number for a system user to four.
  - Set RJOBLIM to allow only four remote terminals to log in concurrently.
  - Increase the number of global sections by six, and the number of global pages by 300.
2. Run HARMLESS\_AUTOGEN so that it starts at the earliest possible phase and ends with the phase that reports on system file sizes.
3. Examine SYS\$LOGIN:AGEN\$FEEDBACK.REPORT and SYS\$LOGIN:SETPARAMS.DAT. (You may want to print them.) Verify that AUTOGEN generated correct settings for the parameters that you specified in MODPARAMS.DAT. If settings are incorrect, edit MODPARAMS.DAT and perform the previous step again.
4. Run HARMLESS\_AUTOGEN so that it starts by generating system parameter values and ends by rebooting the system. (It will not cause the system to reboot, but will display a message at the point where AUTOGEN would have rebooted the system.)
5. Use the SYSGEN utility to examine SYS\$LOGIN:AUTOGEN.PAR. For the parameters that you specified in MODPARAMS.DAT, verify that AUTOGEN set them correctly in AUTOGEN.PAR.
6. Still using this AUTOGEN.PAR file, generate a listing file showing the values of the MAJOR parameters. Call the file MAJOR.LIS. Print the file.

## Solutions

1. Your file should be similar to the following:

```
! This is a sample MODPARAMS.DAT
!  
SCSNODE = "PANAMA"  
SCSSYSTEMID = 2278  
LRPSIZE = 512  
MIN_VIRTUALPAGECNT = 40960 ! Use MIN in case AUTOGEN calculates a higher value  
MAXSYSGROUP = 4  
RJOBLIM = 4  
ADD_GBLSECTIONS = 6  
ADD_GBLPAGES = 300
```

2. \$ @dir:HARMLESS\_AUTOGEN SAVPARAMS TESTFILES

3. No solution needed.

4. \$ @dir:HARMLESS\_AUTOGEN GENPARAMS REBOOT

5. \$ RUN SYSSSYSTEM:SYSGEN  
SYSGEN> USE AUTOGEN.PAR  
SYSGEN> SHOW SCSNODE  
SYSGEN> SHOW SCSSYSTEMID  
SYSGEN> SHOW LRPSIZE

```
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:  
.
```

6. SYSGEN> SET /OUTPUT=MAJOR.LIS  
SYSGEN> SHOW /MAJOR  
SYSGEN> EXIT  
\$ PRINT MAJOR.LIS

# MONITORING THE SYSTEM

## Laboratory Exercises

### Part III

1. To observe how the ACCOUNTING utility works, perform the following:
  - a. Find out what classes of accounting have been enabled.
  - b. Disable the recording of accounting data on print jobs.
  - c. Send a file to the printer.
  - d. Enable the recording of accounting on print jobs.
  - e. Send a file to the printer.
  - f. Generate an ACCOUNTING report in brief format that shows all print jobs completed within the last hour. Observe the contents of the report.
2. Create an accounting report in full format that shows all print jobs completed within the last hour. Send the report directly to the printer. Collect the output and observe the format and contents of the report.
3. Use the ACCOUNTING utility to examine the following record types:
  - a. Login failures (in brief format)
  - b. Interactive job terminations (in brief format)
  - c. Process terminations (in brief format)
  - d. System initializations (in full format)
4. Use the ACCOUNTING utility to display a summary report of the accounting records that have your user name.
5. Create a report in summary format containing the data collected on direct I/O from interactive processes today. List the data in order by UIC, and send the report directly to the printer. (This can all be done in the same command.)
6. Create a summary report that shows how many batch jobs have completed in each hour.
7. Find out whether anyone has tried and failed to log in to the SYSTEM account.

## Solutions

1. Enter the following commands to observe how the ACCOUNTING utility works:

- a. `$ SHOW ACCOUNTING`
- b. `$ SET ACCOUNTING/DISABLE=(PRINT)`
- c. `$ PRINT FILE.TXT`

Substitute the name of your file for FILE.TXT.

- d. `$ SET ACCOUNTING/ENABLE=(PRINT)`
- e. `$ PRINT FILE.TXT`
- f. `$ ACCOUNTING/TYPE=PRINT/SINCE=14:00`

Substitute an appropriate time for 14:00. Note that the report contains a brief description of your print jobs (if they have already completed) as well as descriptions of other jobs.

2. `$ ACCOUNTING/FULL/TYPE=PRINT/SINCE=14:00/OUTPUT=LPA0:`

Substitute an appropriate time for 14:00 and the device name of your line printer for LPA0:. The colon (:) indicates that LPA0: is a device and not a file specification. If the colon is omitted, the output from the report is stored in a file named LPA0.LIS.

3. Enter the following commands to use the ACCOUNTING utility:

- a. `$ ACCOUNTING/TYPE=LOGFAIL`
- b. `$ ACCOUNTING/PROCESS=INTERACTIVE`
- c. `$ ACCOUNTING/TYPE=PROCESS`
- d. `$ ACCOUNTING/FULL/TYPE=SYSINIT`

4. `$ ACCOUNTING /SUMMARY=USER /REPORT=RECORDS /USER=SMITH`

Substitute your user name for SMITH.

5. `$ ACCOUNTING /SUMMARY=UIC -`  
`_ $ /REPORT=DIRECT_IO /SINCE=00:00 /OUTPUT=LPA0:`

Substitute the device name of your line printer for LPA0: The information in the report is organized in order by UIC.

6. `$ ACCOUNTING /TYPE=BATCH /SUMMARY=HOURL`

7. `$ ACCOUNTING /USER=SYSTEM /TYPE=LOGFAIL`

**MODULE 11**  
**POST-TEST**

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# QUESTIONS

Write the letter of the best answer in the blank next to each question.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ If you have installed the VMS operating system, what do you have to do to install a new version containing minor changes and corrections to the system code?
  - a. Upgrade the VMS operating system
  - b. Install the VMS operating system from scratch
  - c. Update the VMS operating system
  - d. Reboot the system
  
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Which of the following is stored in the User Authorization File?
  - a. Process disk quotas
  - b. Process device drivers
  - c. Process privileges
  - d. Process library names
  
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Which utility is used to locate defective blocks on a disk pack?
  - a. ANALYZE/DISK\_STRUCTURE
  - b. BAD
  - c. SYSMAN
  - d. EXCHANGE
  
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Which of the following can you create using the AUTHORIZE utility?
  - a. ACL
  - b. File protection code
  - c. Identifier
  - d. ACE

5. \_\_\_\_\_ Which of the following would you use to cause the VMS system to record events such as process deletion, print job completion, login failure, and batch job completion?
- a. SET ACCOUNTING
  - b. SET ACCOUNTING/RECORD
  - c. ACCOUNTING
  - d. ACCOUNTING/RECORD
6. \_\_\_\_\_ Which of the following should be used to upgrade or update system software?
- a. SYS\$UPDATE
  - b. VMSINSTAL
  - c. SYSGEN
  - d. INSTALL
7. \_\_\_\_\_ Which of the following should be used to examine a system failure dump file?
- a. ERF
  - b. SYSGEN
  - c. SDA
  - d. UETP
8. \_\_\_\_\_ Which of the following commands displays (on one screen) several of the most important classes of information a system manager can monitor?
- a. \$ MONITOR SCS
  - b. \$ MONITOR SYSTEM
  - c. \$ MONITOR STATES
  - d. \$ MONITOR ALL\_CLASSES

9. \_\_\_\_ Which of the following control break-in detection?
- a. Symbols
  - b. Identifiers
  - c. Logical names
  - d. System parameters
10. \_\_\_\_ Which of the following commands creates a user record and an identifier?
- a. UAF> ADD/IDENTIFIER
  - b. UAF> ADD
  - c. \$ EDIT/ACL
  - d. \$ CREATE/DIR/IDENTIFIER
11. \_\_\_\_ Which of the following commands is recommended to stop a running system?
- a. \$ RUN OPCCRASH
  - b. >>>@CRASH
  - c. \$ @SHUTDOWN
  - d. \$ RUN SYSGEN
12. \_\_\_\_ What file do you edit to make parameter changes permanently known to AUTOGEN?
- a. SYS\$MANAGER:VMSIMAGES.DAT
  - b. SYS\$UPDATE:AUTOGEN.DAT
  - c. SYS\$SYSTEM:SETPARAMS.DAT
  - d. SYS\$SYSTEM:MODPARAMS.DAT

13. \_\_\_\_ If you receive a Files-11 tape from a user who requests you to print one of the files on it, which of the following DCL commands must you issue first?
- a. MOUNT
  - b. INITIALIZE
  - c. ASSIGN
  - d. COPY
14. \_\_\_\_ Which utility is used to make shareable files available to all users?
- a. SYSGEN
  - b. SDA
  - c. ERF
  - d. INSTALL
15. \_\_\_\_ Which DCL command is used to create a queue?
- a. CREATE/QUEUE
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# ANSWERS

1.   c   If you have installed the VMS operating system, what do you have to do to install a new version containing minor changes and corrections to the system code?
  - a. Upgrade the VMS operating system
  - b. Install the VMS operating system from scratch
  - c. Update the VMS operating system
  - d. Reboot the system
  
2.   c   Which of the following are stored in the User Authorization File?
  - a. Process disk quotas
  - b. Process device drivers
  - c. Process privileges
  - d. Process library names
  
3.   b   Which utility is used to locate defective blocks on a disk pack?
  - a. ANALYZE/DISK\_STRUCTURE
  - b. BAD
  - c. SYSMAN
  - d. EXCHANGE
  
4.   c   Which of the following can you create using the AUTHORIZE utility?
  - a. ACL
  - b. File protection code
  - c. Identifier
  - d. ACE

5.   a   Which of the following would you use to cause the VMS system to record events such as process deletion, print job completion, login failure, and batch job completion?
- a. SET ACCOUNTING
  - b. SET ACCOUNTING/RECORD
  - c. ACCOUNTING
  - d. ACCOUNTING/RECORD
6.   b   Which of the following should be used to upgrade or update system software?
- a. SYS\$UPDATE
  - b. VMSINSTAL
  - c. SYSGEN
  - d. INSTALL
7.   c   Which of the following should be used to examine a system failure dump file?
- a. ERF
  - b. SYSGEN
  - c. SDA
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8.   b   Which of the following commands displays (on one screen) several of the most important classes of information a system manager can monitor?
- a. \$ MONITOR SCS
  - b. \$ MONITOR SYSTEM
  - c. \$ MONITOR STATES
  - d. \$ MONITOR ALL\_CLASSES

9.   c   Which of the following control break-in detection?
- a. Symbols
  - b. Identifiers
  - c. Logical names
  - d. System parameters
10.   b   Which of the following commands creates a user record and an identifier?
- a. UAF> ADD/IDENTIFIER
  - b. UAF> ADD
  - c. \$ EDIT/ACL
  - d. \$ CREATE/DIR/IDENTIFIER
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- a. \$ RUN OPCCRASH
  - b. >>>@CRASH
  - c. \$ @SHUTDOWN
  - d. \$ RUN SYSGEN
12.   d   What file do you edit to make parameter changes permanently known to AUTOGEN?
- a. SYS\$MANAGER:VMSIMAGES.DAT
  - b. SYS\$UPDATE:AUTOGEN.DAT
  - c. SYS\$SYSTEM:SETPARAMS.DAT
  - d. SYS\$SYSTEM:MODPARAMS.DAT

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