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- Use assistive technologies such as screen readers and screen magnifier software
- Operate specific or equivalent features using only the keyboard
- Customize display attributes such as color, contrast, and font size

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## Using Assistive Technologies

Assistive technology products, such as screen readers, function with the user interfaces found in z/VSE. Consult the assistive technology documentation for specific information when using such products to access z/VSE interfaces.

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## z/VSE Information

z/VSE information is accessible using screen readers with the BookServer/Library Server versions of z/VSE books in the Internet library at:

<http://www.ibm.com/systems/z/os/zos/bkserv/vse.html>

One exception is command syntax that is published in railroad track format. If required, screen-readable copies of z/VSE books with that syntax information are separately available in HTML zipped file form upon request to [s390id@de.ibm.com](mailto:s390id@de.ibm.com).

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## About This Book

This manual provides details of the enhancements and changes implemented with IBM® z/VSE Version 5 Release 1 (z/VSE 5.1).

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## Who Should Use This Book

This manual is intended for those z/VSE users who need to be aware of important information provided with z/VSE 5.1.

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## How to Use This Book

The book contains one chapter:

- “What Is New With z/VSE 5.1?” on page 1

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## Where to Find More Information

Whenever appropriate, the book refers to other z/VSE manuals that provide further details on a specific topic.

The z/VSE home page provides additional z/VSE information:

### **z/VSE Home Page**

z/VSE has a home page on the World Wide Web, which offers up-to-date information about VSE-related products and services, new z/VSE functions, and other items of interest to VSE users.

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## What Is New With z/VSE 5.1?

z/VSE 5.1 aims to continue the strategy that was defined for previous releases. This means:

- **Protect** customers' investments in the z/VSE platform,
- **Integrate** z/VSE into the overall IT environment, and
- **Extend** existing z/VSE application solutions by exploiting and leveraging *Linux on System z* (or any other application platform).

Linux on System z is central to z/VSE's strategy of enabling open standard e-business technologies to support new, more rapidly growing workloads.

Using the *z/VSE connectors*, you can integrate z/VSE resources with any Java-capable platform of your choice (that is, not only System z).

In particular, z/VSE 5.1 now supports 64-bit virtual addressing. Your programs can create 64-bit virtual memory objects ("chunks" of virtual storage), which should help to manage growing workloads.

This chapter provides a brief description of the new items and changes introduced with z/VSE 5.1.

It contains these main topics:

- "Support for IBM System z Servers"
- "Support for (64-bit) Memory Objects in 64-bit Address Spaces" on page 2
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## Support for IBM System z Servers

z/VSE 5.1 introduces an architectural level set (ALS) that requires IBM System z9<sup>®</sup> or later. It offers the value of innovative IBM zEnterprise<sup>™</sup> technology.

z/VSE 5.1 supports these IBM System z servers:

- IBM zEnterprise 196 (z196).
- IBM zEnterprise 114 (z114).
- IBM System z10<sup>™</sup> Enterprise Class (z10 EC).
- IBM System z10 Business Class (z10 BC).
- IBM System z9 Enterprise Class (z9 EC).
- IBM System z9 Business Class (z9 BC).

For further details, see “Hardware Support” in the *z/VSE Planning*, SC34-2635.

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## Support for (64-bit) Memory Objects in 64-bit Address Spaces

With z/VSE 5.1, programs can define *memory objects* in *64-bit address spaces*:

- The 64-bit address space provides you with a vastly increased amount of virtual storage than was previously available with only the first 2 GB of virtual storage.
- A program can now obtain up to 90 GB of additional virtual storage, which should help to meet the demands of growing applications and workloads.
- A memory object is a multiple of 1 MB “chunks” of virtual storage, where each memory objects starts on a megabyte boundary.
- Memory objects can be allocated for *data* only. Programs cannot run in the virtual storage area above the bar (the 2 GB line).
- Only *allocated* memory objects are used in the calculation of the current VSIZE usage.
- The IARV64 macro has been ported from IBM z/OS. Programs that use the IARV64 macro with the functionality supported by z/VSE are expected to be compatible with z/OS.

For further details, see “Using Memory Objects in the 64-Bit Address Space” in the *z/VSE Planning*, SC34-2635.

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## Exploitation of IBM System Storage Tape Technology

These are the main System Storage<sup>®</sup> tape enhancements provided with z/VSE 5.1:

- *Copy Export Feature*  
z/VSE now supports the *Copy Export* feature, which is provided by the Model TS7740 of the TS7700 Virtualization Engine.
  - The Copy Export feature allows you to 'copy export' selected logical volumes to an offsite TS7740 for disaster recovery.
  - For details, see “Implementing Tape Library Support” in the *z/VSE Administration*, SC34-2627.
- *Multi-Cluster Grids*  
z/VSE now supports *multi-cluster grid* configurations for the TS7700 Virtualization Engine.
  - Logical volume attributes and data can be replicated across the clusters in a Grid.
  - Any data replicated between the clusters is accessible through any other cluster in a Grid configuration.
  - For details of how to implement multi-cluster grid support, refer to the IBM Redbook which you can find at this URL:  
<http://www.redbooks.ibm.com/redbooks/pdfs/sg247712.pdf>

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## Exploitation of IBM System Storage Disk Technology

FCP-attached SCSI disks can additionally be used with:

- *IBM Storwize® V7000*
  - Storwize V7000 is a midrange disk offering built on IBM System SAN Volume Controller (SVC) technology.
  - It can be attached through Fibre Channel (FC) switches to z/VSE® using Fibre Channel Protocol (FCP) sub-channels.
  - z/VSE supports Storwize V7000 (SCSI) devices for *system use* (z/VSE system devices that can be IPL'd) and as *data devices* in both an LPAR and a z/VM® guest environment.
- *IBM XIV® Storage System*
  - The XIV Storage System is a high-end open disk system which can be attached through FC switches to z/VSE using FCP sub-channels.
  - z/VSE supports XIV (SCSI) devices for *system use* (z/VSE system devices that can be IPL'd) and as *data devices* in both an LPAR and a z/VM guest environment.

**Note:** Both the above SCSI disk systems are available from z/VSE 4.2 onwards.

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## Security/Encryption Enhancements

These are the main security/encryption enhancements provided with z/VSE 5.1:

- *Improved Crypto Commands*

The `status=cr` and `status=cpacf` commands for displaying hardware crypto information have changed. For details, see “Displaying Hardware Crypto Status Information Under z/VSE” in the *z/VSE Administration, SC34-2627*.
- *New AP Crypto Command*

A new command has been included for displaying details about an Adjunct Processor. For details, see “Using Hardware Crypto Commands” in the *z/VSE Administration, SC34-2627*.
- *4096-Bit Key Lengths*

In addition to 2048-bit RSA keys, z/VSE 5.1 now supports *4096-bit RSA keys*, that are exploited by:

  - *TCP/IP for VSE/ESA* and the *e-business Connectors* for improved SSL security.
  - The *Encryption Facility for z/VSE OpenPGP* for public-key encryption (described in “Implementing the Encryption Facility for z/VSE OpenPGP” in the *z/VSE Administration, SC34-2627*).

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## e-business Connectors Enhancements

These are the main e-business Connectors enhancements provided with z/VSE 5.1:

- *Additional Tools and Functions for VSE Script Connector*

The VSE Script connector now supports additional codepage tools, VSE/POWER functions, and Librarian functions. For details, see “Writing VSE Scripts Using the VSE Script Language” in the *z/VSE e-business Connectors User’s Guide, SC34-2629*.
- *Support for Latest Product Versions*

The current versions of these products are supported:

  - Windows (for example, Windows Vista) together with the related security concepts.
  - Java, together with the related SSL functionality.
  - TCP/IP.
  - WebSphere®.

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## System Management Enhancements

These are the main system management enhancements provided with z/VSE 5.1:

- *SNMP Symbolic Parameters*  
You can now use *symbolic parameters* when running the SNMP Trap Client in batch. For details, see “Using the SNMP Trap Client in Batch Jobs” in the *z/VSE e-business Connectors User’s Guide*, SC34-2629.
- *Dynamic Linking of SNMP Trap Client API*  
The VSE Monitoring Agent has been enhanced to allow your COBOL, PL/I, and C/VSE programs, and CICS® transactions to *dynamically* link the SNMP Trap Client API to enable them to send SNMP “traps”. For details, see “Collecting Data Using the VSE Monitoring Agent” in the *z/VSE e-business Connectors User’s Guide*, SC34-2629.
- *GDPS®*  
The support for GDPS (*Geographically Dispersed Parallel Sysplex®*) allows a GDPS Client to collect availability data from your z/VSE systems and send it to a central GDPS K-System running under z/OS. For details, see “Using GDPS Support for High Availability” in the *z/VSE e-business Connectors User’s Guide*, SC34-2629.

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## VSE/POWER Enhancements

Being part of z/VSE 5.1, the main enhancement provided with VSE/POWER 9.1 is the *support for the TKN Attribute*:

- VSE/POWER now provides a new TKN attribute. Using this attribute, VSE/POWER operator commands can now address all spooled outputs of one job as *one entity*.
- The *CTKN operand* has been added to PALTER, PDELETE, PDISPLAY, PHOLD, POFFLOAD SELECT and PRELEASE commands to select the output produced by a specific job. For example, the command `PRELEASE LST,CTKN=001234AF` will release all LST output spooled by the VSE/POWER job with TKN value 001234AF.

For further details, refer to the *VSE/POWER Application Programming*, SC34-2601.

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## VSE/VSAM Enhancements

This topic describes the main enhancement provided with *VSE/VSAM 9.1*, which is part of z/VSE 5.1.

Beginning with *z/VSE 3.1*, the ability to define catalogs as *recoverable* was removed.

- Although *existing* recoverable catalogs were supported, *new* catalogs could no longer be defined as recoverable.
- The catalog-recovery functionality was no longer state-of-the-art and made support of newer devices increasingly difficult.

Beginning with *z/VSE 4.3*, the ability to *extend files* in a recoverable catalog or *add additional space* to a recoverable catalog was removed. The removal of the necessity to check for access to a recoverable catalog from all VSAM operations allows for more streamlined and better-performing code.

If you still use recoverable catalogs, you should plan to migrate these recoverable catalogs to *standard catalogs*. This should be done before you migrate to z/VSE 4.3.



**Note!**

If you have already migrated to z/VSE 4.3 or z/VSE 5.1 with *existing* recoverable catalogs, please contact IBM Support for assistance.

The migration steps are fairly straightforward and consist of:

1. IDCAMS BACKUP (\*) a backup of all clusters from the catalog.
2. Depending on the volume layouts, you might have to identify which extents on a volume belong to this catalog by using extent information from an IDCAMS LISTCAT SPACE.
  - If the volume only contains VSAM space belonging to this catalog, you can use IKQVDU to scratch the volume that contains the catalog and all volumes containing its space.
  - Otherwise, refer to the topic “Re-Build a Catalog” in the *z/VSE Hints and Tips* manual for further guidance.
3. IDCAMS EXPORT DISCONNECT to remove the user catalog entry from the master catalog.
4. IDCAMS DEFINE USERCATALOG.
5. IDCAMS DEFINE SPACE on all available volumes.
6. IDCAMS RESTORE OBJECTS(\*) to restore all clusters to the catalog.

The final removal of the support for recoverable catalogs will *improve VSAM performance and ease the support of newer devices.*

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## Language Environment Enhancements

These are the main enhancements provided with *LE/VSE Version 1 Release 4 Modification Level 8*, which is part of z/VSE 5.1:

- You can now use the `fopen()` function to create VSE librarian members with the `DATA=YES` parameter. For details, see “Library Functions” in the *LE/VSE C Run-Time Library Reference*, SC33-6689.
- A new overview table now shows which TCP/IP callable functions can be used in various environments (LE/VSE, TCP/IP for VSE/ESA, IPv6/VSE, and/or Linux Fast Path). For details, see “TCP/IP Callable Functions” in the *LE/VSE C Run-Time Library Reference*, SC33-6689.
- Details have been provided on how to configure the TCP/IP multiplexer for the *IPv6/VSE socket interface*. For details, see “TCP/IP Callable Functions” in the *LE/VSE C Run-Time Library Reference*, SC33-6689.
- The functional descriptions of the TCP/IP callable functions that were previously described in the *LE/VSE C Run-Time Library Reference* have been integrated into the *z/VSE TCP/IP Support*. For details, see “TCP/IP Support for the LE/VSE C Socket Interface” in the *z/VSE TCP/IP Support*, SC34-2640.
- Important information concerning the use of VSAM ESDS and KSDS shareoptions 3 and 4 files has been included in the chapter “Performing VSAM I/O Operations” of the *LE/VSE C Run-Time Programming Guide*, SC33-6688.
- A major update has been made of the information describing the SPC (System Programming C) environment, including new and replacement samples. For details, see “Using the System Programming C Facilities” in the *LE/VSE C Run-Time Programming Guide*, SC33-6688.

- Additional information has been provided concerning the use of *fetchable PL/I programs* that are executed in a *multitasking* environment. For details, see “PL/I Multitasking Under LE/VSE” in the *LE/VSE Programming Guide*, SC33-6684.
- When running a PL/I multitasking application, the new callable service *CEEPUSR* allows you to retrieve the address of a pre-allocated storage area that can be used for inter-task communication. For details, see “LE/VSE Callable Services” in the *LE/VSE Programming Reference*, SC33-6685.
- With the latest CEETRACE V1.2, you can now use the:
  - *Mini dump feature* to obtain within a *statement execution history report*, a formatted dump of the condition information block and (if applicable) the machine state information at the time of an application's failure.
  - *Auto reporting feature* to produce an *execution statement history report* based upon simple entrypointname, statement number, or statement-execution count criteria.
  - *HLL statement exit* to provide a user exit point at each HLL statement executed within a CEETRACE enabled application.

For details, refer to the *CEETRACE Feature, Installation and User's Guide* which you can obtain from: <http://www.ibm.com/systems/z/os/zvse/>

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## TCP/IP and Networking Enhancements

These are the main TCP/IP and networking enhancements provided with z/VSE 5.1:

- *Layer 2 of OSI Model*  
In addition to supporting the Layer 3 (IP Layer) mode, z/VSE now supports the *Layer 2* (the Data Link Layer) of the OSI (*Open Systems Interconnection*) TCP/IP model. Layer 2 support is provided by IPv6/VSE V1.1.
- *Virtual LANs*  
z/VSE 5.1 provides VLAN support for OSA Express (CHPID types OSD and OSX) and HiperSockets (CHPID type IQD) devices. In a Layer 3 configuration, VLANs can be transparently used by IPv6/VSE V1.1 and TCP/IP for VSE/ESA V1.5F.
  - IPv6/VSE V1.1 is required if you want to configure VLANs for OSA-Express (CHPID type OSD and OSX) devices in a Layer 2 configuration that carries IPv6 traffic.
- *IEDNs*  
z/VSE can now participate in an *Intra-Ensemble Data Network (IEDN)* using OSA Express for zBX. Within a z/VM V6.1 guest environment, z/VSE can transparently access an IEDN through a z/VM VSWITCH. This support is also available with z/VSE V4.2 and later.
- *z/VSE z/VM IP Assist (z/VSE VIA)*  
z/VSE now exploits the *z/VSE VIA function*. In a z/VM guest environment, this function allows z/VSE to access an external network or an IEDN without requiring a TCP/IP stack on z/VSE.
- *IPv6/VSE*  
IPv6/VSE provides large TCP window support, 64-bit virtual exploitation, Layer 2, and Virtual LAN support.
- *Linux Fast Path and IPv6*  
The Linux Fast Path now supports *IPv6* that allows 128-bit (16-byte) IP addresses.

For details of the above enhancements, refer to “TCP/IP and Networking Support” in the *z/VSE Planning*, SC34-2635

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## Dump Handling Enhancements

These are the main dump handling enhancements provided with z/VSE 5.1:

- *Support for Memory Objects*  
Information has been provided that describes the use of dump files for *memory objects*. For details, see “Partition, Data Space, and Memory Object Dump Files” in the *z/VSE Diagnosis Tools*, SC34-2628.
- *Support for 64-Bit Address Space*  
A trace example has been provided that uses the *64-bit address space*. For details, see “Trace Output Example of General-Purpose Registers When Caller in AMODE 64” in the *z/VSE Diagnosis Tools*, SC34-2628.

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## Items No Longer Supported With z/VSE 5.1

From z/VSE 5.1 onwards:

- There is no support for these servers:
  - zSeries® 990 (z990)
  - zSeries 890 (z890)
  - zSeries 900 (z900)
  - zSeries 800 (z800)
- IBM Servers supported by z/VSE 5.1 do not offer basic mode of operation. The relevant information has therefore been removed from the z/VSE manuals.
- There is no support for *preferred paths* for SCSI disks.



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