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# Preface

This IBM® Redbooks® publication introduces the IBM System z® Personal Development Tool (zPDT), which runs on an underlying Linux® system based on an Intel® processor. zPDT provides a System z system on a PC capable of running current System z operating systems, including emulation of selected System z I/O devices and control units. It is intended as a development, demonstration, and learning platform and is not designed as a production system.

This book, providing an introduction, is the first of three volumes. The second volume describes the installation of zPDT (including the underlying Linux, and a particular z/OS® distribution) and basic usage patterns. The third volume discusses more advanced topics that may not interest all zPDT users. The IBM order numbers for the three volumes are SG24-7721, SG24-7722, and SG24-7723.

The systems discussed in these volumes are complex, with elements of Linux (for the underlying PC machine), z/Architecture® (for the core zPDT elements), System z I/O functions (for emulated I/O devices), and z/OS (providing the System z application interface), and possibly with other System z operating systems. We assume the reader is familiar with general concepts and terminology of System z hardware and software elements and with basic PC Linux characteristics.

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# Introduction

The IBM System z Personal Development Tool provides one or more System z processors (with several emulated I/O device types), based on a personal computer Linux environment. As the name implies, it is intended for development and related purposes, such as education and demonstrations. It lacks the RAS<sup>1</sup> and flexibility of a larger System z machine and is not intended for production use.

The IBM machine type identified with the System z Personal Development Tool is 1090.<sup>2</sup> System z operating systems detect machine type 1090, which is used for various ordering purposes. The IBM System z Personal Development Tool is often referenced as *zPDT* or a *1090 system*. We use *zPDT* and *1090* as synonyms throughout this documentation.

**Attention:** This document discusses both 32-bit and 64-bit versions of zPDT. The 32-bit versions, the product of early zPDT development, are intended only for IBM internal use. All other users are directed to the 64-bit versions. IBM intends to phase out the 32-bit version.

IBM has encouraged the use of several very small S/390<sup>3</sup> environments for use by the IBM development community<sup>4</sup>, and these have proven extremely useful. The 1090 offering provides a number of functions that extend the usefulness of very small System z development machines; these include the following:

- ▶ More than two gigabytes of System z memory
- ▶ Full 64-bit System z operation
- ▶ QDIO channel operation
- ▶ OSA-Express2 functions
- ▶ The more recent instructions that have been added to System z processors
- ▶ SCSI-attached tape drives, plus conversion utilities
- ▶ zAAP, zIIP, and IFL processors
- ▶ Simple installation and operation
- ▶ Coupling Facility operation (not available in the 32-bit version)

<sup>1</sup> Reliability, Availability, Support

<sup>2</sup> A specialized version may indicate machine type 1091. This difference is ignored throughout these documents.

<sup>3</sup> The reference to S/390 is for the historical context of this paragraph.

<sup>4</sup> In this context we primarily refer to the IBM PartnerWorld® for Developers organization (previously known as Partners in Development) and IBM internal users.

- ▶ Cryptographic adapter functions
- ▶ Channel-to-channel (CTC) operations

Providing these functions does not produce an environment equal to a larger System z, of course. Some aspects of a larger system are unlikely to be met in any very small environment; these include the ability to verify and enhance the scalability of a program under development, run application programs that require hundreds of MIPS, or exploit cross-LPAR functions. A larger System z is needed for these areas of development. Likewise, a 1090 system is not recommended for very fine-level performance tuning that is sensitive to memory location, cache functions, and pipeline optimization; larger System z machines have different characteristics than a 1090 at this level. For these and other reasons, the 1090 is not intended as a *production* system.

The basic 1090 offering consists of the 1090 software (processor functions, device emulators, utilities) and a hardware key device that is installed in a USB port of the host processor. The hardware key determines the 1090 model that is used. The hardware key must be present (in the USB port) when the 1090 is being used, but may be removed at other times.

Three 1090 models are available: L01, L02, and L03. The model number indicates the number of System z CPs that may be defined and used by the 1090.<sup>5</sup> In most cases, the underlying Linux PC (that is used to install and run the 1090 system) must have at least as many PC processors as the 1090 model number.

Several 1090 versions are available in two different packages, one package for 32-bit environments (available only for IBM internal use) and one for 64-bit environments. Within each package are two zPDT versions: one for Red Hat® Linux and one for Novell (SUSE) Linux. The SUSE version can be used with current releases of either SLES or openSUSE. The Red Hat version can be used with current releases of either RHEL or Fedora.

The different versions for openSUSE and SLES or RHEL and Fedora are due to slightly different libraries on the two distribution bases. The 64-bit versions of the 1090 must run on the corresponding 64-bit Linux version, of course. The 32-bit versions of the 1090 can run on either 32-bit or 64-bit Linux distributions. The 32-bit and 64-bit versions refer to the Linux base operating system. All 1090 versions can run 64-bit System z code.

For distribution, the two 64-bit versions are packaged in the same distribution file. The zPDT installer program detects which version should be installed. Likewise, the two 32-bit versions are distributed in the same file.

The base Linux machine used for the 1090 must have sufficient memory. No specific size is required, but 3 GB should be regarded as an absolute minimum. Disk space is needed for emulated 3390 (or 3380 or FBA) volumes and a typical 1090 base machine will have at least 100 GB of disk space.

The 64-bit versions of the 1090 are recommended for new users. These versions offer better performance and larger System z memory options.

## 1.1 Terminology

Terminology can be confusing in the computer business and especially when dealing with systems such as the 1090. In this book, we use the following terminology:

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<sup>5</sup> For this purpose, zAAPs, zIIPs, and IFLs are considered to be CPs. A 1090-L03, for example, can provide a maximum of three CPs+zIIPs+zAAPs+IFLs.

- ▶ *System z Personal Development Tool* (usually known as a *1090 system* or *zPDT*) is the name for the offering that includes the System z CP functionality and the USB hardware key. This does not include any System z software, such as operating systems.
- ▶ The *base machine* or *underlying host*, or *underlying Linux* is the Intel-compatible PC running Linux.
- ▶ *Machine type 1090* is the IBM processor type assigned. It is also the specific identifier for the USB hardware key needed to use the 1090. *z1090* is used as a directory level for various libraries used by the 1090.
- ▶ *z/OS* is used to refer to any recent release of the z/OS operating system. Likewise for *z/VM®*, and so forth.
- ▶ A device map, or *devmap*, is used to specify operational characteristics of a 1090. It is a simple Linux flat file.
- ▶ *CPU* or *processor* normally refers to the Intel or AMD™ processors (cores) in the base machine. A two-core machine has two processors in this terminology, although both are in one hardware “processor” module.
- ▶ *CP* refers to a general System z processor and is the major functional element of the 1090 tool. By default, the 1090 provides System z CPs. The user may optionally convert a CP to a zIIP, zAAP, or IFL processor.<sup>6</sup>
- ▶ *Open Systems Adapter (OSA)* refers to an adapter on older S/390 machines but is sometimes used as shorthand for *OSA-Express* and *OSA-Express2*. The operation of the original OSA adapters was often referenced as *LCS* mode. The 1090 provides *OSA-Express2* emulation (which can provide *LCS* mode and *QDIO* mode operation).
- ▶ Many Linux commands are shown throughout this book. If the command is preceded with # (a hash or pound symbol) the command is entered in *root* mode; if the command is preceded with \$ (dollar sign), it is not entered in *root* mode.
- ▶ The USB hardware key needed to enable 1090 operation is also referenced as a 1090 hardware key, a zPDT token, a 1090 hardware token, and so forth.

The primary operational characteristic of the 1090, in which the instruction set of one computer platform (System z) is implemented through another platform (Intel or AMD) has a long history in the computer business. This design has been described with many terms, including microcode, millicode, simulation, emulation, translation, interception, assisted instructions, machine interface (MI) architecture, machine level code, and so forth. For this offering we simply use “1090” or “1090 CP” to describe the primary functional result of the System z Personal Development Tool.

## 1.2 1090 hardware key

The 1090 offering is not functional without a 1090 hardware key that connects to a USB port in your system. The USB hardware key is shown in Figure 1-1.

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<sup>6</sup> Using more general System z terminology, the 1090 provides up to three PUs. By default, the PUs are characterized as CPs, but may be characterized as zIIPs, zAAPs, or IFLs instead. Throughout this document we generally refer only to CPs and this reference should be understood to include zIIPs, zAAPs, and IFLs when these are used.



Figure 1-1 The 1090 hardware key

In an IBM product sense, the hardware key *is* the IBM 1090 offering. Keep this in mind when reading 1090 documentation. If the hardware key is removed while the 1090 is operational, the operation will pause with a series of messages, ending with these:

```
AWSEMI318I zPDTA Heartbeat Missing for CPU 0
AWSEMI315I zPDTA License Unavailable for CPU 0
```

Provided that the intervening time interval does not disrupt the operating system or application programs, 1090 operation may be resumed by connecting the hardware key again.

A USB hardware key is normally valid for one year after it has been initialized or *activated*. It may be re-initialized at any time, which normally extends the validity for a year beyond the date of the most recent re-initialization. The procedure for initializing the key (or re-initializing it) depends on the channel you used to obtain your 1090 system. This may be through an IBM Business Partner or some other supplier.

## 1.2.1 Concurrent PC workloads

A System z processor, especially when running z/OS, must provide sufficient processing power to meet basic requirements. z/OS has various timers running to detect error situations. Sufficient processing power (for *each* CP, if multiple System z CPs are used) must be available to prevent these timers from expiring. Insufficient processing power can result in SPINLOOP, MIH<sup>7</sup> actions, or apparent I/O device error problems.

A dedicated PC system (that is, not running any other significant workload) should not experience problems. A “significant” workload is anything that consumes substantial processor cycles or ties up the disk drives over long time periods. This might be a Linux utility or a virtual environment (involving VMWare or Xen, for example). A situation that creates unusually heavy PC disk I/O can create similar problems; this might be seen in virtual environments where PC memory is overcommitted via paging and swapping.

These processing requirements are especially critical if the number of System z CPs being used equals the number of PC processors available, that is, if one System z CP is defined on

<sup>7</sup> Missing Interrupt Handler

a single-core PC, or two CPs defined on a dual-core PC, and so forth. If more PC processors are installed than there are System z CPs<sup>8</sup> in use, then the effects of auxiliary workloads are not as critical. For example, using one System z CP on a ThinkPad with dual cores does not have the exposures that using two CPs would have on the same system.

Reasonable care must be exercised even when extra base processors are available. For example, performing large Linux disk copies while the System z function is operational can effectively lock out normal System z work.

## 1.3 1090 functions

1090 functions include System z processor (CP) operation and the emulation of a variety of I/O devices. As a general statement, all the functions (instructions and I/O) needed to run current System z operating systems are provided. The CP instruction set is at Architectural Level Set 3 (ALS 3), plus additional instructions and facilities (generally, up through the z10 level).

System z character data is typically in EBCDIC, just as for any System z processor. Emulated disks and tapes typically contain EBCDIC data, although they logically contain whatever mix of EBCDIC, binary, ASCII, Unicode, or other formats that are produced by the System z operating system and applications. The key point is that there is no routine translation to the ASCII of the underlying host Linux system. The same binary data representation that is used on System z is also used on 1090 systems. This extends to fixed point, packed decimal, and all floating point formats. All 1090 data is in System z representation.

There are exceptions for emulated card readers and printers, where the character set involved is relevant and conversions between ASCII and EBCDIC are needed and are automatically provided.

Not all System z instructions and functions are available with the z1090. Instructions related to specific hardware facilities or optionally used by specialized programs might not be present. This excluded list includes list-directed IPL, the accelerator function of cryptographic coprocessors, ETR, TOD steering, asynchronous data movers, MIDAWs, logical channel subsystems, Hipersockets, LPARs, and multiple I/O paths. Not all CHSC functions are available. At the time of writing, the 256-bit AES functions were not present for the integrated cryptographic instructions; these may be added by subsequent maintenance releases for the 1090. Parallel access to volumes (PAV) is not supported.

### 1.3.1 Emulated I/O

The 1090 offering includes a number of *device managers*, each of which provides emulation for a related group of devices. A device manager can emulate multiple instances of its devices. The device managers are:

- ▶ `awsckd` - Provides emulation of selected CKD disk devices. Each emulated device, such as a 3390-3, is contained in a single Linux file.
- ▶ `awstape` - Provides emulation of selected tape devices. Each tape volume is a single Linux file.
- ▶ `aws3274` - Provides emulation of local, channel-attached 3270 terminals. Each terminal appears (to the System z operating system) as operating through a channel-attached non-SNA DFT IBM 3274 control unit.
- ▶ `awsfba` - Provides emulation for FBA disk devices (as used by z/VM and VSE).

<sup>8</sup> More precisely, the critical area is the number of CPs per 1090 *instance*.

- ▶ aws3215 - Provides emulation of a 3215 console.
- ▶ awsrdr - Provides emulation of a 2540 card reader, with functions to process both EBCDIC and ASCII data.
- ▶ awsprt - Provides emulation of a 1403-N1 or 3211 printer, including FCB emulation for 3211 functions. Automatic ASCII translation is provided.
- ▶ awsscsi - Emulates a mainframe tape drive using a SCSI tape drive. The only tested and supported drives are Fujitsu M2488E units (compatible with IBM 3490 and 3490E cartridges), IBM LTO3 and LTO units, and IBM 3592 (Fibre Channel interface) units.
- ▶ awsosa - Emulates an OSA-Express2 adapter, in either QDIO or non-QDIO mode. The hardware involved is an Ethernet adapter on the underlying PC.<sup>9</sup> This device manager can support TCP/IP operation. SNA operation is not supported at this time.<sup>10</sup> It can also support OSA/SF usage.
- ▶ awsoma - Is used to read CDs written in a special format known as OMA. In earlier days, VM was available in this format.
- ▶ awscmd - Provides a method to pass commands to the underlying Linux system and receive the command responses.
- ▶ awsctc - Provides emulated channel-to-channel operation via TCP/IP. The connection may be the same zPDT instance, another instance in the same PC, or an instance in a LAN-connected machine.

The emulated I/O support is summarized in Table 1-1.

Table 1-1 Emulated I/O summary

Manager	Control unit	Emulated device	Model
aws3274	3274	3270	
awsrdr	2821	2540 card reader	
awsprt	2821, 3811	1403, 3211 printers	
awsckd	3990	3380, 3390	1, 2, 3, 9 <sup>a</sup>
awstape	3803, 3480, 3490	3420, 3422, 3480, 3490, 3490E, 3590	
awsfba	3990	9336	1, 2 <sup>b</sup>
awsoma	3803	3422	OMA
awsscsi	3480, 3490	3490 (also 3480)	
awsosa	OSA	OSA	
aws3215	3215	3215	
awsctc	3088	3088	

a. Model 9 refers to 3390s. Actually, a 3390 with any valid number of cylinders may be defined and used, including EAV units.

b. The model emulated depends on the number of blocks defined, although z/VSE™ can force a model selection.

The design of the 1090 allows for a large number of emulated I/O devices. The number is restricted, in practice, to better manage the memory and processing needed for emulated I/O.

<sup>9</sup> Wireless can be considered an Ethernet adapter.

<sup>10</sup> It may be possible to initiate SNA operations (in non-QDIO mode) but this usage has not been tested and is not supported by IBM at this time.

The 1090 currently allows a maximum of 1024 emulated I/O devices. This is often described as 1024 *subchannels*.

## 1.4 Operational overview

This section provides a brief introduction to the 1090 definition and operational structure.

### 1.4.1 Linux userids

In principle, any Linux userid may be used to install<sup>11</sup> or operate the 1090. All our examples assume userid *ibmsys1* is used. The 1090 uses several default path names that are related to the current userid. Control commands for the 1090, such as the `ip1` command, must be issued from the same userid that started the 1090 instance.

In principle, a different userid could be used to create a completely different 1090 operational environment, with different control files, and so forth. Also, multiple Linux userids *must* be used when running multiple 1090 instances concurrently. We use *ibmsys2* and *ibmsys3* as examples of these additional userids.

Our Linux operating systems automatically create home directories for userids in the format `/home/<userid>`. For example, the home directory for userid *ibmsys1* is `/home/ibmsys1`. It is possible to specify a different home directory for a userid. Throughout this document we use `/home/<userid>` or `/home/ibmsys1` to indicate the home directory for the userid.

### 1.4.2 zPDT instances

Logging into Linux and starting a zPDT operation creates an *instance* of zPDT usage. This instance might have one, two, or three System z CPs associated with it, depending on the 1090 model expressed in the 1090 token and the parameters in the devmap. If you then log into Linux with a second Linux userid, and start another zPDT operation, this creates a second *instance*. *Multiple instances* means that multiple, independent zPDT environments are run in parallel. The total number of CPs in all concurrent instances cannot exceed the number allowed by the 1090 token model number.

A 1090 model L03 can have up to three System z CPs (or mixtures of CPs, zIIPs, zAAPs, and IFLs). These could be used for three 1090 instances, each with a single CP, separate System z memory<sup>12</sup>, and a separate System z operating system. Alternatively, a single 1090 instance could be used with one, two, or three CPs; this is the more likely usage for most 1090 users. The use of multiple CPs is subject to the following restrictions and considerations:

- ▶ The number of defined CPs (including zIIPs, zAAPs, or IFLs) in one 1090 instance cannot exceed the number of processors (cores) on the base Linux system. For example, a W500 mobile computer with a dual core cannot have more than two CPs defined in an instance.
- ▶ Full 1090 operation can use more processors in the base system than there are System z CPs defined in any one instance. The additional processors are used for I/O, to help prepare System z instructions for use, and for non-1090 Linux processes.
- ▶ If the number of base processors (cores) is equal to the number of CPs in the largest instance (for example, two CPs on a dual-core mobile computer running one 1090 instance) the system may be subject to rare problems such as spinloops. The probability

<sup>11</sup> Part of the installation process must be done as *root*, but the initial login should be with the userid that will be used to operate zPDT.

<sup>12</sup> The combined System z memory is subject to the later discussion about memory.

of this happening can be reduced by reducing the number of additional Linux processes running concurrently with the 1090.

It is important to understand that the zPDT license controls are on the number of System z CPs (or zIIPs, zAAPs, or IFLs) that are in concurrent use, and not on the number of base system processors (cores) that are being used. With a 1090-L03, there is an absolute maximum of three instances (each with a single CP) and each running, for example, a different release of z/OS.

Table 1-2 may help make this clearer. It indicates the number of zPDT instances (in concurrent operation) and the possible CP arrangement for each 1090 model type. A CP can be converted to a zIIP, zAAP or IFL, but this does not change the maximum. For example, a 1090-L03 could have a single instance with one CP plus one zIIP plus one zAAP; this would exhaust the number of CPs available with a 1090-L03 and additional concurrent instances would not be possible.

*Table 1-2 Possible CP configurations*

Model	One instance	Two instances	Three instances
1090-L01	1 CP	not possible	not possible
1090-L02	1 or 2 CPs	1 CP each	not possible
1090-L03	1, 2, or 3 CPs	1 CP each, or 1 CP in one and 2 CPs in the other	1 CP each

It is possible to use more than one z1090 token. For example, a machine with two model L03 tokens would have a maximum of six CPs. However, IBM has not extensively tested the usage of multiple tokens and does not formally support such configurations. There is a clear “multiprocessor effect” present and the advantages of more than six CPs is very marginal. Also, the I/O limitations of the underlying PC become very relevant when using more than three CPs.

In basic usage, emulated I/O devices are unique to an instance. However, there are advanced zPDT options that permit sharing emulated I/O devices among multiple instances. The minimum number of base processors (cores) is described above (that is, at least equal to the maximum number of CPs in any instance); other than this, there is no association of particular base processors to CPs.

The remainder of this document, and all the discussions in Volume 2 of this series, focus on single instance operation. A chapter in Volume 3 of this series provides setup and usage instructions for multiple zPDT instances.

### 1.4.3 Small system example

The environment for a 1090 instance is defined by a device map, commonly known as a devmap. The following devmap describes a simple 1090 System z:

```
[system]
memory 1600m                # emulated System z to have 1600 MB memory
3270port 3270                # tn3270e connections will specify this port
processors 1

[manager]
name awsckd 0001            # define two 3390 units
device 0a80 3390 3990 /z/SARES1
```

```

device 0a81 3390 3990 /z/WORK02

[manager]
name awstape 0020
device 0580 3480 3480 /z/SAINIT #tape drive with premounted tape volume
device 0581 3480 3480          #tape drive with no premounted volume

[manager]
name aws3274 0300          # define two local 3270s
device 0700 3279 3274 L700
device 0701 3279 3274 L701

```

Device managers (such as `awsckd`, `awstape`, and `aws3274` in the example) are the 1090 programs that emulate various device types. The number after the device manager name is an arbitrary hexadecimal number (up to four digits) that must be different for each *name* statement.

Device statements in the devmap specify details such as a device number (“address”), device type, the Linux file used for volume emulation, and various other parameters. The volume mounted at an address can be specified or changed with the `awsmount` command while the 1090 is running. In this example, the emulated tape volume in Linux file `/z/SAINIT` is already mounted when the 1090 is started. We could change the volume (while the 1090 is running) with an `awsmount` command that specifies a different Linux file. (The files must be in the proper emulated format, of course.) This corresponds to changing a tape volume on a tape drive.

#### 1.4.4 1090 console

The 1090 is operated from Linux command lines. This operation could be done remotely through telnet or ssh connections. A graphics connection is not needed.

There is no dedicated console program for sending commands to an operational 1090 environment.<sup>13</sup> 1090 commands are Linux executable files that are entered from a Linux shell prompt. The commands *require* that the 1090 instance be started by the same Linux userid that issues the subsequent 1090 commands for that 1090 instance. For example, if userid `ibmsys1` starts the 1090 then only userid `ibmsys1` can issue an `ip1` command. The `ip1` command is a Linux executable file, supplied with the other executables that constitute the 1090 offering.

#### 1.4.5 Performance

Discussing performance for the 1090 is difficult for several reasons, including the following:

- ▶ The performance depends on the power of the underlying hardware and this changes frequently. Performance is not only related to the clock speed of the underlying processor (such as 2.4 GHz for an Intel processor) but is related to the memory design and the pipelining, caching, and translation design of the underlying processor. For example, substantial performance changes may be observed by simply reordering program instructions for the underlying processor.
- ▶ Every new release or update of the 1090 can change performance.
- ▶ The System z instruction mix and memory reference pattern has a profound impact on performance, a much greater impact than is observed on a larger System z.
- ▶ MIPS (million instructions per second) is a rather discredited metric, although it is still informally used with very small System z machines. Any MIPS number is *very* dependent

<sup>13</sup> Do not confuse 1090 commands with z/OS operator commands.

on the nature of the workload. MSU numbers are less variable, but again depend on the nature of the workload.

- ▶ I/O performance must be considered. For example, all emulated disk and tape operations for a 1090 on a mobile computer are from the single (relatively slow) mobile computer disk drive. Workloads with modest I/O loads (when run on a larger System z machine) might be completely I/O-bound on a mobile computer-based 1090 system.

A 1090 on a W500 mobile computer (or on earlier T60p or T61p Thinkpads) provides reasonable performance for IPLing and running z/OS, with typical TSO and batch usage, small DB2® usage, and so forth. Using emulated local 3270 connections, reasonable performance might be maintained for several such users. The general look-and-feel for such usage generally provides subsecond response typical of smaller System z installations.

Some applications, especially tightly-coded older S/390 code, might experience better performance. Code with extensive 64-bit operations (such as Linux for System z) might be slower (especially on a 32-bit Linux base, where all 64-bit System z operations must be performed using a 32-bit PC processor).

The 1090 design goals are based on the assumption that it is the only significant application running on the host machine. The impact of additional applications (even trivial functions, such as a game) is most significant for Linux memory management. This can be considerably more important than the extra CPU cycles taken by another application.

z/VM may be used with the 1090. The performance of guest operating systems under z/VM (such as z/OS running under z/VM) is greatly influenced by the use of the SIE instruction. On a larger System z machine, this instruction provides a “microcode assist”<sup>14</sup> for many of the virtualization functions performed by z/VM. Most SIE functions are provided by the 1090, but there is no direct equivalent of a “microcode assist” level and the virtualization performance boost provided by SIE is modest. Informal measurements indicate that traditional z/OS workloads, with z/OS running under z/VM on the 1090, perform at about .65-.75 of their performance when run natively (without z/VM) on the 1090. As usual, the exact performance ratio depends on the nature of the workload.

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<sup>14</sup> This is the common terminology for SIE operations, although the actual implementation may be much more complex than implied by this statement.



## Base configurations

There is a range of personal computer systems and Linux distributions that might be used for zPDT. These configurations change over time, due to frequent personal computer hardware advances and new Linux releases. As a general statement, zPDT should work with any modern Intel-compatible processor that is fully supported by the recommended Linux distributions.

The combination of the base Linux, zPDT operation, and z/OS operation (for example), with associated LAN usage and emulated I/O devices, produces a very complex environment. IBM has tested zPDT functions extensively, but with a limited number of PC hardware configurations.

## 2.1 zPDT base configurations

The formal IBM statement regarding base systems is as follows:

The Program may be used on the following systems which are running versions of Linux as specified in the Program's read-me file: IBM System x® 3500 M1, 3500 M2, 3500 M3, 3650 M1, 3650 MM2, or 3650 M3; Lenovo Thinkpad W Series; or systems otherwise approved by IBM.

The customer must agree to keep IBM informed of the type, model, and serial number of each system on which the Program is executing.

If you are using IBM Resource Link to activate or renew your 1090 lease, you can enter your system information (14-digit machine type, mode, and serial number) at that time. Otherwise, your zPDT supplier should update this information for IBM. Not all zPDT users renew their licenses through Resource Link.

At the time of writing, the following systems have been used for IBM testing of zPDT:

- ▶ Lenovo W500 and W510<sup>1</sup> mobile computers with two processors (dual core), with *at least* 3 GB of memory, and with a 100 GB disk drive or larger.
- ▶ Lenovo W700 mobile computers with at least two processors, with at least 4 GB of memory, and with a 100 GB disk drive or larger. (The RAID options available with this model were configured in various ways.)
- ▶ IBM 3500 M1/M2/M3 System x servers and IBM 3650 M1/M2/M3 servers.
  - Various SCSI-attached tape drives are sometimes used with these servers.
- ▶ For IBM internal use, the following base machines have also been used extensively:
  - T60p ThinkPads (dual 32-bit processors), with 3 GB of memory, a Multiburner CD/DVD drive, and a 100 GB hard disk. openSUSE 10.3 (32-bit version) or a 32-bit RHEL 5.3 base (such as the current IBM internal Open Client) were used.
  - T61p ThinkPads (dual 64-bit processors), with 4 GB of memory, a Multiburner CD/DVD drive, and a 100-GB hard disk. openSUSE 10.3 (64-bit version) and a RHEL 5 base (such as the 64-bit version of the current IBM internal Open Client) were used.
  - xSeries® x3850 (IBM machine type 8864-AC1) and x3755 (IBM machine type 8877-AC1) machines with 4-8 processors and up to 32 GB of memory. RAID adapters were used. (RAID adapters appear as SCSI interfaces to Linux.) These servers were used with openSUSE 10.3 (64-bit version).
- ▶ A CD/DVD drive was present on all test systems, and a USB port used for the zPDT token. (Unpowered USB port extenders should not be used for the zPDT token.)
- ▶ Various USB devices, such as disks and flash drives were used to the extent supported by Linux.
- ▶ At the time of writing (September, 2010) most of the Linux releases we were using did not support USB3 ports. In particular, the 1090 token could not be used in a USB3 port. We assume Linux support for USB3 will appear in later Linux releases.

These are the only *tested* machines for the 1090. Other machines *may* work correctly with the 1090 offering, but they have not been tested. In rare cases, IBM might address 1090 problems only when reported on one of the tested machines.<sup>2</sup> The 1090 has no specific coded requirements for these particular base machines and operating systems, but the

<sup>1</sup> At the time of writing, it was necessary to install additional Linux device drivers for the W510 when using some Linux distributions. We expect this will not be required for future Linux releases.

<sup>2</sup> As of the time of writing, this situation had not been encountered.

almost infinite number of possible combinations of other hardware and other Linux versions have not been tested.

To date, formal IBM testing of zPDT has been only under Red Hat RHEL 5.3 and 5.4, and under Novell's openSUSE 10.3 and 11.1.<sup>3</sup> Informal IBM usage has been under the current<sup>4</sup> 64-bit versions of Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL), Fedora, SUSE Linux Enterprise Server (SLES), and openSUSE.<sup>5</sup>

Starting with the E41.18 release of zPDT (spring 2010) the 1090 installation process checks for specific Red Hat and openSUSE indicators and is not installable if one of these distributions is not detected.<sup>6</sup>

Running under a hipervisor, such as VMware or Xen, is not supported at this time. Also, the use of hipertreading in the base machine is not possible; hipertreading (if available on the machine) should be disabled at the BIOS level. Also, at the time of writing, the use of "bonded Ethernet interfaces" is not supported.

A suitable 3270 emulator is needed. Many current Linux distributions may not include the x3270 package,<sup>7</sup> but it can be downloaded from various sites. Other 3270 emulators might be used, but their operation with zPDT must be verified by the user. (IBM developers have also used recent releases of the IBM PCOM package (on Microsoft® Windows® systems), and the PowerTerm emulator (on Linux systems.) Other 3270 emulators have not been tried.

## 2.1.1 Functional requirements for a base system

The base machine requirements for the Linux version of the 1090 are discussed throughout this book. A summary of the hardware requirements is as follows:

- ▶ Memory of *at least* 500 MB larger than the intended size of the emulated System z memory. The largest System z memory that may be used in a 32-bit system is about 2 GB. For a 32-bit system, a 3 GB PC is ample (ignoring other memory use). There is no particular upper limit for System z memory in a 64-bit PC environment.
- ▶ Disk space of *at least* 8 GB for Linux (and work space) plus about 2.8 GB for every 3390-3 volume to be emulated. A rather basic z/OS, with few additional products, could be used on a 30-GB disk drive. The tested mobile computers typically had 100-GB disk drives or larger.
- ▶ A suitable USB port must be available for the 1090 hardware key. Do *not* use an unpowered USB port expander when using zPDT. In particular, do not install the zPDT token in an unpowered USB port expander. At the time of writing, USB3 ports could not be used with the current Linux releases.
- ▶ A CD/DVD reader must be available for loading software.
- ▶ Multiple LAN interfaces may be needed in larger configurations, although this is rare and has some drawbacks.
- ▶ Hipertreading (if available) must be disabled at the BIOS level.
- ▶ The IBM 1090 hardware key is required for z1090 operation.

<sup>3</sup> There was no technical reason for limiting formal testing to these versions; the limitation was mostly a matter of manpower and resources available for testing. The particular choices of RHEL and openSUSE (instead of SLES and Fedora, for example) were coincidental.

<sup>4</sup> At the time of writing, "current" means the generally available releases as of October 2010.

<sup>5</sup> We expect subsequent versions of the Linux distributions mentioned here to be acceptable, but this cannot be definitely stated until the subsequent releases are available.

<sup>6</sup> Some other Linux distributions may have internal signatures for Red Hat or openSUSE that are accepted by the 1090 installation process.

<sup>7</sup> We were pleased to note that SLES 11 does include x3270.

- ▶ The Linux distribution must operate correctly on the base PC. New adapters, various power management options, new USB chips, unusual display parameters, new disk technology, and other technology-related items may not work correctly with all Linux distributions or may require additional Linux device drivers or Linux updates.
- ▶ The Linux distribution *must* support installation via the `rpm` command. Other software installation management designs do not work with the 1090.
- ▶ The 1090 offering does not include any System z software. Although System z software may be part of an offering that includes the 1090, the 1090 offering itself does not include any System z software. System z software must be obtained in a media format suitable for a 1090 machine.

## 2.2 SCSI adapters

The newest IBM xSeries servers (at the time of writing) do not list any parallel SCSI adapters for their standard configurations. We understand this to mean the following:

- ▶ IBM did not formally test any of the existing SCSI adapters with the newest servers.
- ▶ There is no known reason why they should not work.
- ▶ We have informally used the UltraSCSI 320 series of adapters with xServer 3650 M2 and 3500 M2 machines without problems with our older SCSI tape drives.

For some of our systems, we needed to use openSUSE 11.2 or later for this operation. Other and earlier distributions, with Linux kernels below the level used in openSUSE 11.2, did not work with these SCSI adapters on some of our systems. This condition is likely to change with future Linux distributions. If parallel SCSI operation is important to you, we *strongly suggest* that you discuss your 1090 configuration with your 1090 provider.

- ▶ However, there is no *defined* IBM support for these configurations.
- ▶ Parallel SCSI adapters, cables, and devices can be a bit complex. There are different data path widths, single-ended and differential circuits, low-voltage and high-voltage versions, and a variety of terminators. If you are not familiar with this area, we strongly suggest you obtain expert help in configuring your system.
- ▶ The newest SCSI devices use fiber connections instead of parallel (wire) connections.

### SCSI tape drives

Some SCSI tape drives may be used with the 1090. They can be used via Linux utility functions or used directly by the System z operating system (where they appear to be IBM 3490 drives). Not all SCSI tape drives are usable by the 1090. The usability depends on the exact model, the exact firmware level, the exact SCSI adapter used, and the firmware options that are set in the drive. IBM has used a variety of different SCSI drives for testing, but IBM cannot predict whether *your* SCSI drive will work with the 1090. If this is important to you, we *strongly suggest* that you discuss your requirements with your 1090 provider.

### Fibre SCSI adapters

IBM used the following two adapter cards for IBM TS1120 operation:

- ▶ Fibre Channel: Emulex Corporation Zephyr-X LightPulse Fibre Channel Host Adapter (rev 02)
- ▶ Fibre Channel: QLogic Corp. ISP2432-based 4-Gb Fibre Channel to PCI Express HBA (rev 03)

In both cases the Linux drivers defaulted to a maximum block size of 32 K. This may be changed as described in the third book in this series.



## zPDT components

At the highest level, zPDT has or needs the following components:

- ▶ A base Linux system.

This is not provided with zPDT. The user must acquire this directly.

- ▶ A suitable 3270 emulator (which is usually run on the same personal computer that is hosting zPDT, although this is not required).

At least one 3270 emulator (x3270) is provided with some Linux distributions, but not with others. Other modern 3270 emulators might be used, but verification of their operation with zPDT is up to the user. The zPDT package does not provide a 3270 emulator.

- ▶ The 1090 hardware USB token, which is required for zPDT operation.
- ▶ Two prerequisite rpm packages (sntl-sud and shk-server) needed to access the 1090 token.

These two packages are provided with zPDT and only these provided versions may be used; later versions available from the Web should not be used.

- ▶ The 1090 program file. There are two versions of this file, one for 32-bit operation and one for 64-bit operation. Both files include the following:
  - Two prerequisite programs for communicating with the 1090 token.
  - The Red Hat (RHEL, Fedora) version of zPDT.
  - The Novell (SLES, openSUSE) version of zPDT.
  - An installer program that displays a license, installs the prerequisite programs (if not already present), and then selects and installs the correct zPDT version.
- ▶ System z software, such as z/OS, is not part of zPDT. It must be licensed and acquired separately.

The remainder of this chapter discusses the components in the z1090 RPM (after it is installed). The discussion is the same whether the Red Hat or Novell versions are used, and whether the 64-bit or 32-bit versions are used.

## 3.1 zPDT elements

The executable elements of the zPDT package (normally placed in `/usr/z1090/bin` on the underlying Linux system) are in three general categories:

- ▶ System z operation, which is provided by a primary zPDT program module and a number of associated DLL modules.
- ▶ Several device emulation modules, known as *device managers*.
- ▶ Multiple command modules to configure, start, stop, and manage zPDT operation. These are executed as simple Linux commands, working from a Linux terminal window.

The installation and use of the z1090 rpm, in addition to loading executable modules in `/usr/z1090/bin`, creates a number of subdirectories in the user's home directory.<sup>1</sup> Briefly, these subdirectories are:

- ▶ *cards, lists* - May be used to provide input files to an emulated card reader or output from an emulated printer. If not used, they are empty.
- ▶ *disks, tapes* - May be used to hold emulated disk or tape volumes, but these subdirectories are typically not used for anything. The emulated volumes are usually placed elsewhere, in other Linux file systems.
- ▶ *logs* - Used by zPDT to hold various dumps, logs, and traces. zPDT partly manages the contents of this subdirectory. The contents of this directory are important if it becomes necessary to investigate a zPDT failure.
- ▶ *configs, pipes, srdis* - Used for zPDT internal processing; do not erase or alter the contents of these small subdirectories.

Finally, a device map (devmap) is needed for zPDT operation. This element is not provided by zPDT, but must be created by the user.

The System z operational modules are not further described. They are not directly used or referenced by the zPDT user. The device managers are briefly described in 4.3, "Manager stanzas" on page 26. The syntax of the zPDT commands is described in 4.4, "zPDT commands" on page 37. Practical uses of zPDT commands, device managers, and devmaps are explained, at length, in Volume 2: *Installation and Basic Use*, and Volume 3: *Additional Topics* of this documentation series.

### 3.1.1 Memory

Memory considerations differ between 32-bit and 64-bit hardware base systems.

#### 32-bit hardware

The 32-bit PC Linux implementation<sup>2</sup> is based on a 32-bit architecture, and the addressing range is limited to 4 GB. Linux processes operate in 4-GB address spaces, and each process address space includes common areas for the Linux kernel and shared memory areas.<sup>3</sup> 1090 System z memory is placed in a shared area of Linux address spaces. (This is necessary because multiple 1090 processes must access the System z memory.) For a variety of reasons the maximum address range available for shared memory is typically about 2.4 GB, although it can be less.

<sup>1</sup> When zPDT is started, a z1090 subdirectory is created in the home directory of the user (if it does not already exist). The subdirectories discussed here are under the z1090 subdirectory.

<sup>2</sup> This is a T60p ThinkPad in our discussions.

<sup>3</sup> In z/OS terms, this might be compared to nucleus code and CSA, both of which are in common areas that appear in every normal address space.

The largest System z main storage that can be *defined* for a 1090 (in a 32-bit environment) is 2047 MB. A variety of other 1090 work areas are also defined in shared storage. In principle, System z expanded storage may also be defined, although expanded storage is no longer used by z/OS. This would further use the address space available for shared storage.

Linux shared storage used for 1090 System z memory must be in a contiguous range, and fragmentation of Linux memory allocation can limit the available size for emulated memory. By definition, the maximum 1090 System z memory size for the current Linux 1090 is 2047 MB. The practical limit could be as low as 1.5 GB, depending on the size of other 1090 shared storage requirements and on any fragmentation that has occurred.<sup>4</sup>

### 64-bit hardware

The 64-bit 1090 versions, using 64-bit hardware<sup>5</sup> and 64-bit Linux, have few memory restrictions. The standard installation instructions provided for the 1090 set a maximum shared memory size of about 17 GB and your defined System z memory could be almost this large. The 17 GB setting is arbitrary; IBM has tested System z memory larger than this and you may work with larger memory sizes. Remember that, for practical use, the defined System z memory should be smaller than the real memory on the base hardware.

### General

The complete 1090 environment exists in Linux virtual memory. Linux is aggressive in allocating real memory to virtual memory pages using its own (Linux) judgment about what is the best use of real memory. Starting another application (especially a graphics application) can consume much virtual memory in the new process.<sup>6</sup> This can cause page stealing from other processes to supply real memory frames.

The 1090 performance goals assume that 1090 System z memory resides mostly in real PC memory. If a Linux page fault occurs while executing the 1090 functions, then all System z operation stops while the Linux page fault is resolved. The situation is more complex when Linux caching of disk I/O is considered.

A system should be dedicated solely to the 1090 when the 1090 is being used. For best performance, the base machine should have sufficient real memory to cover the full System z memory size (defined in the active devmap) plus at least 500 MB for Linux functions and I/O caches.

## 3.1.2 Disk space

The disk space for the 1090 executable programs and control files is relatively small.<sup>7</sup> The disk space for emulated System z volumes is not small and therefore some planning is needed. The space for emulated disk volumes may be calculated accurately, while the space for emulated tape volumes depends completely on the amount of data on the emulated tape volumes.

For practical purposes, we consider only 3390 emulated disk volumes. For the standard 3390 models the approximate required space is as follows:

3390 model	Approximate space required	Exact space required
3390-1	.95 GB	948,810,752 bytes
3390-2	1.9 GB	1,897,620,992 bytes

<sup>4</sup> Fragmentation can be addressed by rebooting Linux and immediately starting 1090 operation, without first running any other application that might allocate shared Linux storage.

<sup>5</sup> This could be a T61p ThinkPad, w550, w700, or any of the xServers in our discussion.

<sup>6</sup> This might not be in shared storage and may not affect the maximum size of emulated z/OS memory.

<sup>7</sup> It is typically less than 30 MB.

3390-3	2.8 GB	2,846,431,232 bytes
3390-9	8.5 GB	8,539,292,672 bytes
1 3390 cylinder		852,480 <sup>8</sup>

The *per cylinder* space may be used to calculate the disk space needed for nonstandard 3390 sizes.

Tape sizes reflect the size of the data written on the tape with a very small additional space (less than 1%) needed for awstape control blocks.<sup>9</sup> (Optionally, the awstape device manager can compress these files, often greatly reducing the amount of space used.)

### 3.1.3 LAN adapters

We consider only Ethernet adapters in this discussion.<sup>10</sup> A Linux-based 1090 system can use more than one LAN adapter, although this is unusual. We must consider several “users” of LAN adapters in the base machine:

- ▶ Linux itself is normally a LAN user. Remember that the emulated local 3270 connections (via the aws3274 device manager) are connected through Linux TCP/IP.<sup>11</sup>
- ▶ z/OS (or z/VM, or z/VSE) TCP/IP, if used, needs a LAN adapter. This usage may be in one of two different modes:
  - Non-QDIO mode, in which an older IBM 3172 control unit (or LAN Channel Station, LCS) is emulated.
  - In QDIO mode, which is recommended.
- ▶ z/OS (or another operating system) might use a LAN for SNA connections, although this is not tested or supported by IBM at this time. This requires non-QDIO mode.

A LAN adapter may be shared between OSA and the base Linux system with the following rules and restrictions:

- ▶ A given LAN adapter may be used for OSA Express emulation in either QDIO or non-QDIO mode, but not both. The selection of QDIO or non-QDIO is made in the devmap definitions; the awsosa device manager is used in both cases.
- ▶ Adapter sharing between OSA and the base Linux system is independent of whether QDIO or non-QDIO mode is used for OSA.
- ▶ A given adapter may be used by both OSA (either mode) and base Linux connections. For example you can use Linux telnet, ftp, Web browser (or server), the aws3270 device manager, and so forth at the same time that OSA is using the same Ethernet adapter.
- ▶ A logical connection between Linux TCP/IP and OSA TCP/IP can be made only by using an intermediate virtual interface (which we describe as a *tunnel*).
- ▶ Remember that the aws3274 device manager (which accepts TN3270e clients and emulates local, channel-attached 3270 devices) does not use OSA.

#### Wireless LAN

Wireless LAN connections may be used with the 1090, but are not generally recommended for typical 1090 operation. Among other considerations, these usually require the use of DHCP by the client and this may not be appropriate for System z operations. Temporarily dropping a link is common with wireless connections and usually has minor effects for typical

<sup>8</sup> Each volume has an additional 512 bytes overhead.

<sup>9</sup> The actual overhead is 6 bytes for each block written (including a tape mark, which counts as a block).

<sup>10</sup> Wireless adapters are also Ethernet adapters.

<sup>11</sup> If local x3270 windows are the only TCP/IP functions used under the base Linux, then the *localhost* connection (127.0.0.1) can be used and this does not tie up a hardware LAN adapter.

mobile computer users. Dropping a link that runs the MVS console, for example, produces more than a minor effect.

Some Linux wireless environments allow considerable time (many seconds) for a dropped wireless connection to reconnect. This can create unexpected timeouts for z/OS functions, depending on the exact state of the system when the connection drop happened.

Wireless connections may be suitable when only base (Linux) connectivity is needed. Note that it would be possible to make aws3274 connections (client TN3270E connections to TSO, for example) using only a wireless DHCP connection to a LAN. The clients would need to be advised of the current Linux IP address in order to initiate the connection.

## 3.2 Device managers

zPDT provides 12 device managers:

- ▶ aws3215 - Emulates a 3215 console device (seldom used today), using a Linux terminal window for the interface.
- ▶ aws3274 - Emulates a local, channel-attached 3274 control unit. This device manager is almost always used to provide the MVS console, for example, and 3270 application sessions. TN3270 sessions are used, via the base Linux TCP/IP interface.
- ▶ awsckd - Emulates 3390 (and 3380) disk units, using a Linux file for each 3390/3380 device.
- ▶ awscmd - Emulates a 3480 tape drive, but routes output records to the base Linux system where they are executed as commands, and returns Linux output to the emulated tape drive.
- ▶ awsfba - Emulates FBA devices, which are supported by z/VSE and z/VM. A Linux file is used for each emulated device.
- ▶ awsoma - Emulates the Optical Media Attach interface, working with Linux files in this format. (This is mostly of historical interest, and is seldom used today.)
- ▶ awsosa - Emulates most functions of an OSA-Express2 Ethernet interface, and is used by TCP/IP (in either OSE or OSD modes) and by SNA<sup>12</sup> (in OSE mode).
- ▶ awsprt - Emulates a 1403 or 3211 printer, using a Linux file for output.
- ▶ awsrdr - Emulates a 2540 card reader, using Linux files as input. (The 2540 card punch functions are not emulated.)
- ▶ awsscscsi - Uses a SCSI-attached tape drive to emulate a 3490 tape drive, providing a way to read/write “real” mainframe tape volumes.
- ▶ awstape - Emulates a 3420/3480/3490/3590 tape drive, using a Linux file as the tape media.
- ▶ awstc - Emulates an IBM 3088channel-to-channel adapter using TCP/IP as the communication mechanism.

A typical zPDT user, running z/OS, would normally use aws3274, awsckd, awsosa (if connectivity other than local 3270s is needed), and perhaps awstape. The other device managers are less often used.

## 3.3 Device maps

A device map, commonly known as a devmap, is a simple Linux text file. You may have many devmaps, each a separate Linux file. One devmap is specified when zPDT is started; you can use a different devmap each time a zPDT instance is started. A devmap specifies the System

<sup>12</sup> SNA usage is not supported by IBM at this time.

z characteristics to be used and the device managers (with their parameters) to be used for an instance of zPDT operation.

### 3.4 Directory structure

The 1090 has the following *default* directory<sup>13</sup> structure in Linux:

Directory path	Purpose
/home/<userid>/z1090/logs/	various traces are placed here
/home/<userid>/z1090/configs/	(internal 1090 functions)
/home/<userid>/z1090/disks/	emulated disk volumes
/home/<userid>/z1090/tapes/	emulated tape volumes
/home/<userid>/z1090/cards/	input to the emulated card reader
/home/<userid>/z1090/lists/	emulated printer output
/home/<userid>/z1090/pipes/	(internal 1090 functions)
/home/<userid>/z1090/srdis/	(internal 1090 functions)
/usr/z1090/bin	executable 1090 code, scripts
/usr/z1090/man	minor documentation

Notice that different userids would have different default 1090 directories and files. 1090 operation is sensitive to the userid being used. The use of the default logs, lists, and configs directories is mandatory for some operations, but is optional for other files such as emulated disk and tape volumes. Emulated devices have default *file* names, based on the assigned device number, but may use specified file names instead of the default file names. (We always use specified file names in our examples. None of our examples use the default *disk* and *tape* directories and these are typically empty.)

These subdirectories are created in the current home directory (if they do not already exist) when zPDT operation is first started.

Using the default directory paths and file names (for emulated volumes) provides a simplified startup process because less information needs to be provided in the control files and the starting command. It also makes the emulated volumes potentially private to a particular userid.

However, using the default directory paths and file names for emulated disk and tape volumes has several disadvantages:

- ▶ The /home directory is typically part of one of the base Linux file systems. If Linux is reinstalled, for example, the /home file system might be lost. Accidental loss is minimized if a separate file system is maintained for emulated volumes. An installation may have much effort invested in System z work on their emulated disk volumes and want to protect these as much as possible.
- ▶ The default 1090 naming convention ties emulated volume file names to emulated addresses. This can produce conflicting names if multiple versions of an operating system are installed, especially when the operating system uses *well-known* addresses for various functions.
- ▶ We may not want access to emulated disk and tape volumes to be sensitive to a particular Linux userid.

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<sup>13</sup> These names are subject to the discussion about the home directory. You should substitute the appropriate home directory name for the /home/<userid> portions of these names. A home directory could be almost anywhere in the root file system or in another file system. Our examples are based on the default form used by current Linux distributions.

- ▶ Sharing devices (“shared DASD”) between multiple 1090 instances does not work when using default directory and file names for emulated volumes.

The remainder of this document ignores the use of default file names for emulated I/O devices. We recommend using a separate (and large) file system for emulated volumes. This insulates them from Linux reinstallations and also insulates both the emulated volume file system and the base Linux file system(s) from unplanned growth in each other.

For these reasons most of the examples in this book assume that all emulated I/O files are placed in the /z directory.<sup>14</sup> In our case, when we installed Linux, we created a separate partition (with a large amount of disk space) that is mounted at /z. We use this to hold all the emulated volumes. The cards and lists directories, in the default directory path, are seldom used in typical operation and we elected to use the default paths to these files.

### 3.5 1090 control structure

The general structure of 1090 control files is shown in Figure 3-1.

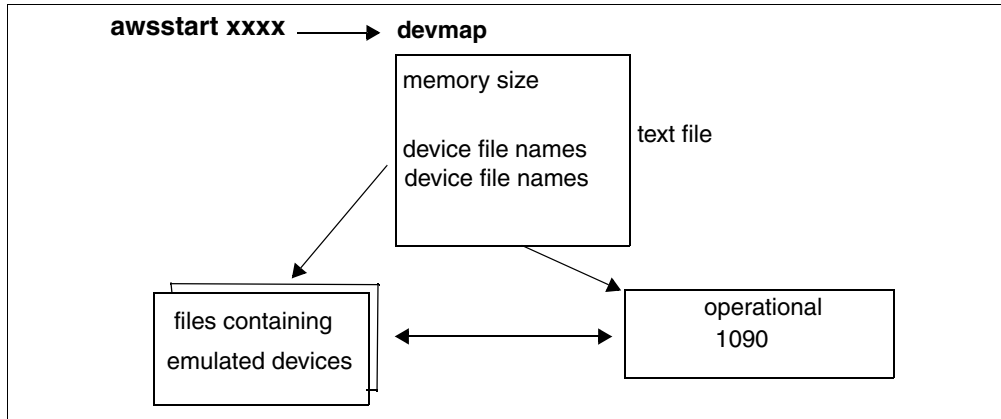


Figure 3-1 Control files - general structure

A 1090 System z machine is started with the **awsstart** command, issued from a Linux terminal window. A parameter of this command points to a device map or *devmap*. This is a simple Linux text file containing specifications for the System z machine.

<sup>14</sup> The mount point name, /z in our examples, is completely arbitrary.





## Reference

This chapter provides reference information for zPDT device map entries (for device managers) and for zPDT commands. Information and guidance for using these device managers and commands is found throughout the zPDT set of IBM Redbooks publications.

## 4.1 Device maps

A device map (devmap) consists of a system stanza and a variable number of manager stanzas. The descriptions in this chapter are intended to provide syntax and format information, but are not intended to represent typical usage. Usage information is provided in other volumes of this series of books.

A device map (devmap) is a simple Linux text file with an arbitrary file name. Many devmaps may exist, but only one can be in use for an instance of zPDT. It is possible to have up to three separate zPDT instances running, each under a different Linux userid. Each instance has its own devmap. The use of multiple zPDT instances is discussed in Volume 3 of this series of books. The remainder of this chapter assumes a single instance of zPDT is being used.

Devmap files should be entered in lower case<sup>1</sup>, except for parameters that specify Linux file names. Devmap statements begin in the first column of each statement. Stanzas are separated by blank lines. A hash or pound sign (#) signals the beginning of comments. The square brackets shown in the descriptions below are part of the syntax and must be entered as shown.

zPDT reads the specified device map when various components of zPDT are started. It does not process updates to the devmap while zPDT is running but, in general, the active devmap should not be altered while zPDT is running. To alter the operational device map, zPDT must be stopped and then started again with the new or revised devmap. However, the Linux file associated with some devices (such as emulated tape drives or emulated disk drives) can be dynamically changed while zPDT is operational by using the **awsmount** command.

## 4.2 System stanza

A full [system] stanza might look like this:

```
[system]
memory 1500m           # define 1.5 GB memory for System z
processors 1           # this defaults to 1; maximum is 3 for an L03 model
3270port 3270          # specify unique IP port number for aws3274
expand 0m              # specify expanded storage (optional)
ipl 0A80 "0A8200"      # automatic ipl controls (optional)
cpuopt vsi=on alr=on   # optional functions (both default to on)
```

The memory statement specifies the size of the System z memory to be used for 1090 operation. For performance reasons the real memory size of the PC should be at least 500 MB greater than the memory parameter. The number specified must be smaller than the maximum shared memory value specified for Linux; this is set by the kernel.shmmax parameter in Linux.<sup>2</sup>

- ▶ The maximum *memory* value for 32-bit Linux is 2047 MB. The 1090 program must obtain this amount of contiguous virtual memory as a shared segment in Linux. Linux memory fragmentation may limit the value to less than 2047 MB for 32-bit systems.
- ▶ There is no particular maximum value for 64-bit Linux (assuming a 64-bit version of zPDT is also used).

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<sup>1</sup> This is not required by some elements of a devmap, which ignore upper/lower case differences. Not all devmap elements do this. To avoid problems, we recommend using lower case for everything (except for Linux file names, which are case sensitive).

<sup>2</sup> This kernel variable is specified by the instructions in Volume 2 of this series of books.

The *processors* statement specifies the number of System z CPs to be used in this instance. The default is one. This number must not be more than the 1090 model allows or more than the number of real processors in the base computer. The *processors* statement is also used to indicate the use of speciality PUs, as in the following examples (where “cp” indicates a normal, general-purpose CP):

```
processors 3                # three CPs. Assumed “cp” type
processors 3 cp cp ziip    # two CPs and one zIIP
processors 2 cp cp zaap    # invalid. Two processors, but three definitions
processors 1 ziip          # invalid. Must have at least one cp
processors 3 cp zaap ifl   # one of each
```

The operands for the *processors* statement are the number of processors (1, 2, or 3), which cannot exceed the number allowed by the 1090 model number. The *processors* default to CPs; if speciality processors are wanted, these should be listed after the number as shown in the examples. The processor types are cp, ziip, zaap, and ifl.

Note that z/VM can simulate zIIP and zAAP processors, using normal CPs for the simulation. Using z/VM for this function can reduce the number of 1090 CPs needed by the total system.

The *expand* statement specifies the size of expanded storage for the System z machine. This is optional. z/OS no longer uses expanded storage, however z/VM still uses it. Expanded storage usually reduces the amount of *memory* that can be specified. In general, (*memory*) + (*expand*) cannot exceed approximately 2 GB in a 32-bit base system. This is limited by the amount of virtual memory Linux has available for shared spaces. In the best case, this appears to be about 2.4 GB, meaning that (*memory*) + (*expand*) must be less than 2.4 GB. However, the precise number varies and we suggest never exceeding 2 GB for the total of *memory* and *expand* when working under 32-bit Linux systems. There is no particular upper limit when working under 64-bit Linux systems, although the size should usually be less than the physical memory size of the base machine.

The *3270port* statement specifies a port number to be used by Linux TCP/IP for the aws3274 device manager. This must be an unused port and is typically a number greater than 1024. We arbitrarily use 3270 because it is easy to remember. A TN3270e connection to this Linux port appears as a local, channel-attached 3270 to the System z.

The *ipl* statement is optional and indicates that the *ipl* command is to be executed automatically when 1090 operation is started. However, using this option might prevent you from connecting 3270 emulator sessions at an appropriate time. We suggest not using this option until you have a chance to experiment with it.

The *cpuopt* statement specifies optional parameters for the CPs. The only valid parameters at this time are these:

```
cpuopt virtualization_system_interface=off    (no blanks in operand)
cpuopt virtualization_system_interface=on     (no blanks in operand)
cpuopt vsi=off                                (no blanks in operand)
cpuopt vsi=on                                 (no blanks in operand)
cpuopt asn_lx_reuse=on                        (no blanks in operand)
cpuopt asn_lx_reuse=off                      (no blanks in operand)
cpuopt alr=on                                 (no blanks in operand)
cpuopt alr=off                                (no blanks in operand)
```

The *vsi=on* parameter causes z/VM to use a “real” wait instead of an active wait when it is idle.<sup>3</sup> This parameter also signals z/OS to optimize the handling of SPINLOOP situations. *vsi=on* is the default setting. Setting *vsi=off* may be needed in unusual cases where an

<sup>3</sup> The active wait function causes a CP to appear to always be 100% busy. This may not be desirable for zPDT.

application or subsystem attempts to access functions that are normally provided through LPAR operations on a larger System z.<sup>4</sup>

The `asn_lx_reuse` parameter (which may be abbreviated as `alr`) defaults to “on” and this is the normal mode of operation for the 1090. This mode matches the relevant architecture of IBM z10 machines. When this parameter is set to “off” the 1090 indicates that the LX and ASN REUSE facility is not present. This mode *may* be useful for running early z/OS releases. The use of “`alr=off`” produces an environment that is not supported or tested by IBM. While it may be useful for working with earlier z/OS releases, the user must assume all responsibility for correctness of operation and the correctness of results.

Note that there are no blanks in these operands; there must not be a blank before or after the equal sign.

There are no statements in the devmap that affect Coupling Facility usage. It *<< who is the It? CF usage?>>* is available only through z/VM and is activated by the appropriate z/VM controls. Note that Coupling Facility operation is not available with all zPDT systems. Coupling Facility usage with zPDT is described in *IBM System z Personal Development Tool Volume 4: Coupling and Parallel Sysplex*, SG24-7859.

### 4.2.1 Adjunct-processor stanza

The 1090 provides emulation of the System z cryptographic adapter. The basic devmap format is as follows:

```
[adjunct-processors]
crypto 0
crypto 1
```

This defines two cryptographic processors, numbered 0 and 1. If multiple 1090 instances and shared cryptographic processors are used, the sharing instances may have a definition such as the following:

```
[adjunct-processors]
domain 0 2
domain 1 2
```

This indicates that the instance is using domain 2 in cryptographic coprocessors 0 and 1. See the third document in this series (SG24-7723) for more details.

## 4.3 Manager stanzas

A device manager stanza has the following general format:

```
[manager]
name awsckd C700
device 0a80 3390 3990 /z/SBRES1
device 0a81 3390 3990 /z/SBRES2
etc
```

The stanza begins with `[manager]`, including the square brackets. In this example the device manager name is `awsckd`, but this could be any of the supported device managers. The device manager name is followed by an arbitrary hex number (up to four digits, different for

<sup>4</sup> The operands may be upper case. The “on” and “off” may also be stated as “enable”, “disable”, “yes”, “no”, “1”, or “0”.

each name statement)<sup>5</sup>. The *name* statement is followed by as many *device* statements as needed. The general format is:

- ▶ For name statements:
  - The constant “name” starting in the first column.
  - The device manager name, such as `awsckd`.
  - A hex control unit number; each name statement must have a different number.
  - Additional optional parameters, such as:
    - `--path=xx` to specify an emulated CHPID number.
    - `--pathtype=xxx` to specify an emulated CHPID type (usually EIO).
    - `--compress` to specify compressed awstape generation.
    - various optional *tunnel* parameters for OSA operation.
- ▶ For device statements:
  - The constant “device” starting in the first column.
  - The device number (“address”) to be used, expressed in hexadecimal. This may be three or four digits.
  - The device type, such as 3390. This must specify a correct device type for the device manager.
  - The control unit type associated with the device. (This parameter is not used for anything at this time, but it would be unwise to not use an appropriate control unit number.)
  - Parameter(s) unique to the device:
    - A fully qualified file name.
    - `--unitadd=x`, to specify a unit address (as it would appear in an IOCDS) for some device types (such as OSA). If this parameter is not used, the two low-order digits of the device number are used as the default unit address for OSA devices. The default is appropriate in almost all cases.
    - Additional parameters for OSA operation.

The `--path`, `--pathtype`, and `--unitadd` parameters are typically used only for OSA definitions.

Except for OSA devices, the path for emulated devices defaults to 01 and the pathtype defaults to EIO.<sup>6</sup> In very rare cases it may be desirable to change these values. This can be done with the `--path` and `--pathtype` operands on a name statement:

```
[manager]
name awsckd 20 --path=30 --pathtype=eio
device A90 3390 3990 /z/specialvolume
```

The path value is expressed as a hex number. Multiple stanzas for the same device manager may be used. A maximum of 255 devices may be listed in a stanza, where multiple devices are not limited by the nature of the emulated control unit. The device numbers (addresses) assigned to each device need not be sequential or in any particular order.

### 4.3.1 The `awsckd` device manager

The `awsckd` device manager emulates 3380 or 3390 disk drives. The definitions for `awsckd` are simple, as this example illustrates:

```
[manager]
name awsckd 4321
device a80 3390 3990 /z/SYSRES
```

<sup>5</sup> This parameter originally matched a number in a separate IOCDS file. This separate IOCDS is no longer used, but the positional parameter in the *name* statement remains.

<sup>6</sup> EIO is a special CHPID type for Emulated I/O. zPDT users do not normally need to specify this anywhere.

```
device a85 3390 3990 /tmp/my3390vol
device aa7 3390 3990 /z/SARES1
etc
```

The device type can be 3390 or 3380; in either case, the Linux file named by the fourth parameter of device statements must be in the appropriate format for that device type. The Linux file containing the emulated volume must have been created with the **a1cckd** command, or copied from media that originated on a system where the file was initially created with **a1cckd**. Each emulated volume is a single, separate Linux file.

The most common CKD devices are 3390 units. Standard 3390s (models -1, -2, -3, and -9) can be used, or a variable number of cylinders can be used. The maximum size for a normal 3390 is 64K-1 cylinders; however, the 1090 can provide *Extended Address Volume (EAV)* 3390s, as well.<sup>7</sup>

The “extra” cylinders of a 3390 are not emulated; these are the cylinders reserved as spares or for diagnostic use. For example, a 3390-3 contains 3339 usable cylinders, and this is what is emulated. Parallel access to volumes (PAV) is not supported.

### 4.3.2 The awsfba device manager

The awsfba device manager provides emulation for FBA disk devices (as used by z/VM and VSE).

```
[manager]
name awsfba 6543
device 100 9336 9336 /z/DOSRES
device 101 9336 9336 /z/DOSWRK
```

awsfba devices (volumes) must be created before they can be used. This is done with the **a1cfba** utility.

### 4.3.3 The aws3274 device manager

The aws3274 device manager emulates local, channel-attached, non-SNA 3270 sessions. These are used for MVS consoles, simple VTAM® sessions (TSO, CICS®, and so forth), z/VM terminals, and similar purposes. The actual 3270 emulators (x3270, PCOM, or other 3270 emulators) might be local (on the underlying Linux system running the 1090) or remotely connected via a TCP/IP connection to the underlying Linux. In either case they use the Linux TCP/IP port number that is assigned in the [system] section of the devmap and they appear to be local, channel-attached 3270s to the System z software. The same Ethernet interface can be used for Linux functions, such as telnet, aws3274, ftp, and so forth and also for OSA connections.

There is a maximum of 32 emulated local 3270 device sessions, regardless of the number of aws3274 stanzas.

The devmap parameters for emulated local 3270s offer a number of options. These are best explained by an example.

```
[manager]
name aws3274 C700 # C700 is an arbitrary CUNUMBR
device 0701 3279 3274 L701
device 0702 3279 3274 L702
device 0703 3279 3274 TSO
```

<sup>7</sup> A “large volume” 3390 has more than 64 K cylinders. Usage is being introduced with z/OS 1.11.

```

device 0704 3279 3274 TSO
device 0705 3279 3274 TSO
device 0706 3279 3274
device 0707 3279 3274
device 0708 3279 3274 IMS
device 0709 3279 3274 IMS
device 070A 3279 3274 IMS
device 070B 3279 3274 IMS
device 070C 3279 3274 L70C
device 070D 3279 3274
device 070E 3279 3274

```

The three operands after the *device* keyword are the address (device number), the device type, and the control unit type. The remaining operand controls potential TN3270e client connections to the device. This operand is known as an LUname, although it is not used as a real SNA LU name. (TN3270e clients can pass an LUname, intended for SNA protocols, during startup. We use this LU name passing facility here, without actually passing it to VTAM.)

In this example, LUnames L701, L702, TSO, IMS, and L70C are used. The connection rules are:

- ▶ The LUname is not case sensitive.
- ▶ If an LUname is specified by the TN3270e client, then a free device with the matching LUname will be used.
- ▶ If no LUname is specified by the TN3270E client, the next free device in the list is used.
- ▶ If there is no free device to match the specified LUname, the connection is rejected.
- ▶ A device is freed when a previous TN3270E client connection is terminated.
- ▶ If no LUname is specified in the devmap, the default LUname Dev-*nnn* is generated, where *nnnn* is the device address.
- ▶ Up to 32 TN3270e clients may be connected to this device manager.

The aws3274 device manager listens on a port in the base Linux TCP/IP system. Assume the Linux TCP/IP address is 192.168.0.40 in the following examples. Also assume that our devmap specifies 3270 as the aws3270 port number. A user could enter one of the following commands to establish an x3270 session:

```

$ x3270 -port 3270 192.168.0.40           case one
$ x3270 -port 3270 TSO@192.168.0.40     case two
$ x3270 -port 3270 L702@192.168.0.40   case three
$ x3270 -port 3270 IMS@localhost        use local system

```

Assume our x3270 client is on a remote machine connected to a private LAN that includes the 1090. In case one, the user is connected to the next available 3270 session (in the devmap list). In case two, the client is connected to the next free device with LUname TSO. In case three, the client is connected to the single device with LUname L702, provided that device is free at this time. The fourth example illustrates that the same LUname rules apply to connections from the Linux desktop.

In this example both TSO and L702 are LUnames. TSO happens to be used multiple times but L702 is used only once. There is no requirement to have this arrangement and no requirement to have the LUname reflect the device address (device number).

The AD system might be defined like this:

```

[manager]
name aws3274 C700
device 0700 3279 3174 mstcon

```

```
device 0701 3279 3174
device 0702 3279 3174
device 0703 3279 3174
.....
device 070A 3279 3174
```

Connections usually take the next free terminal in the devmap list (if no LU conditions are specified). This can be useful if the first terminal in the devmap is the MVS console and the next terminal is a suitable TSO address. In this case, without specifying any LU names, the first x3270 session will be the MVS console and the second will be a TSO session (or CICS or some other VTAM application).

From the user's perspective, each 3270 terminal is a TN3270e session. The IBM Personal Communications product and the x3270 emulator provided with many Linux distributions have been tested for this usage.<sup>8</sup> The TN3270e client might operate on the machine running the 1090 processes (on the local Linux graphic screen, for example), or it might operate through a remote TCP/IP connection. In either case, the TN3270E terminal appears as a local, non-SNA, channel-attached 3270 to the System z operating system.

The use of TN3270e (instead of TN3270) is required because the LU name (which is supported by TN3270e, but not TN3270) is needed. Most modern, supported 3270 emulators provide TN3270e functions.

#### 4.3.4 The awstape device manager

Definitions for awstape appear as follows:

```
[manager]
name awstape AB00 --maxlength=1000m
device 560 3490 3490
device 561 3490 3490 /local/my.tape.vol.111111
```

The emulated device type may be 3420, 3480, 3490, or 3590. (The fourth operand, the control unit type, is not meaningful.) A file name may be specified as the last operand; if a file name is specified, the file should be in awstape format (if it is for input). This situation is similar to a premounted tape on a larger System z. Typically, no file is specified for emulated tape devices. Instead, the **awsmount** command is used to emulate the mounting of a tape volume.

The `maxlength` parameter is optional. If a `maxlength` value is specified, the device manager signals end-of-tape after the specified amount has been written. (z/OS would then probably write trailer labels and call for another tape mount.) If `maxlength` is not specified, then the maximum tape length is limited by one or more of the following conditions:

- ▶ The amount of free disk space in the Linux file system.
- ▶ An architectural limit of 2,000,000 tape blocks for 3480 and 3490 device types. The device signals end-of-tape just before this limit is reached. This limit exists for both reading and writing tapes.
- ▶ Device types 3420 and 3590 do not have specific limits.

Emulated tape volumes created through this device manager are in *awstape* format and may be exchanged with other systems that can process this format. Note that all awstape files are

<sup>8</sup> The `aws3274` device manager sends an attention signal to the host when a session is first connected. In some cases, such as when connected to the VTAM unformatted system services function, this may prompt a full buffer read by the host software. If the TN3270e session buffer is not formatted for this buffer read, the host may display an "Unsupported Function" message. Simply clearing the TN3270 screen should resolve the situation. Some TN3270e emulators encounter this situation and others do not.

compatible with all 1090 emulated tape devices. An awstape file written by an emulated 3590 can be read by an emulated 3420, for example.

The proper responses for hardware compaction (IDRC) are emulated, although tape data is not actually compacted by this method. The awstape data may be optionally compacted by the awstape device manager. This is controlled through a devmap or an awsmount parameter. The compaction format is unique to 1090 awstape. The default uncompact form should be used for data interchange with other systems that use awstape data.

The awstape volumes are created when they are written to; that is, it is not necessary to create or initialize the volume before writing to it.

### 4.3.5 The awsosa device manager

The awsosa device manager emulates various OSA-Express<sup>9</sup> functions, as used by System z TCP/IP or SNA.<sup>10</sup> Two manager formats are used:

```
[manager]
name awsosa 8888 --path=F0 --pathtype=OSD
device 400 osa osa --unitadd=0
device 401 osa osa --unitadd=1
device 402 osa osa --unitadd=2
```

```
[manager]
name awsosa 2345 --path=A0 --pathtype=OSD --tunnel_intf=y --tunnel_ip=10.1.1.1
  --tunnel_mask=255.0.0.0
device 404 osa osa --unitadd=0
device 405 osa osa --unitadd=1
device 406 osa osa --unitadd=2
```

The first example would be used with a typical PC Ethernet adapter. The second format is used for a tunnel interface between the emulated OSA adapter and the underlying Linux TCP/IP system. The awsosa device manager can concurrently use the same Ethernet adapter that is used by Linux for normal Linux TCP/IP functions, but the OSA user and Linux cannot communicate through it. That is, both OSA and Linux can share the adapter for connection to external TCP/IP systems, but they cannot communicate with each other. A tunnel interface (which is similar to another Ethernet adapter) is needed for direct communication between the underlying Linux system and the System z OSA operation.

The --path operand specifies a CHPID number. The correct number is determined by using the **find\_io** command. For these examples we assume the CHPID for Ethernet is F0 and the CHPID for a tunnel interface is A0. The --pathtype is OSD (for QDIO) or OSE (for LCS or non-QDIO).

The --unitadd operands specify the internal OSA interface number; these are typically not needed for QDIO operation. They may be needed for non-QDIO operation if more than one TCP/IP interface is used. z/OS TCP/IP requires three OSA addresses for QDIO operation.

SNA usage would require CHPID type OSE, although SNA usage with the 1090 is not supported. The z/OS device type should be OSA, as seen in the z/OS IODF (and when

<sup>9</sup> Larger systems have OSA-Express, OSA-Express2, and OSA-Express3 channels. The awsosa device manager provides a subset of these channel functions.

<sup>10</sup> SNA usage has not been tested by IBM and is not supported at this time.

displaying devices on the MVS console).<sup>11</sup> When used in OSE mode, the OSA interfaces are associated with OAT<sup>12</sup> definitions that specify how each interface is to be used.

Examples of OSA setup are in Volumes 2 and 3 of this documentation series. The limits in Table 4-1 apply to OSA-Express emulation.

Table 4-1 OSA-Express limits, per port

Maximum OSAs (and maximum OSA CHPIDs)	4
Maximum home addresses (IPv4 + IPv6 + DVIPA) per OSA port	64
Maximum IPV6 addresses	32
Maximum multicast addresses (IPv4 + IPv6)	64
ARP table size	256
IP stacks per port (OSD or OSE)	16
SNA PUs per OSA-Express port (SNA is not supported on the 1090)	512
OSE subchannels per stack	2
OSE or OSD maximum devices	48
OSE IP stacks per OSA port/CHPID	16
OSD subchannels per stack	3
OSD subchannels per OSA/CHPID	48

### 4.3.6 The awsrdr device manager

The awsrdr device manager emulates a 2540 card reader. Only one awsrdr device may be configured for an instance of 1090 operation. Typically, the emulated card reader is used to submit jobs to the operating system.<sup>13</sup> If we assume this to be z/OS, then JES2 or JES3 must be configured with a “hot” reader.<sup>14</sup> The traditional address for a 2540 is 00C, and we use this in our examples.

The awsrdr device manager monitors the directory specified in the devmap. When a file is found in the directory it is read (assuming a System z program has a *read* outstanding for the card reader, as would be the case with a JES hot reader). After the file (“card deck”) is read it is moved to the *old* subdirectory. In this way there is never a file in the directory assigned to the reader, other than a file someone has just moved there to be read. As soon as it is read, it is moved out of the reader directory. If awsrdr is not active, or if there is no System z program trying to read cards, then files sit in the reader directory indefinitely.

The devmap entry for the card reader could appear like this:

```
[manager]
name awsrdr 010C
device 00C 2540 2821 /home/ibmsys1/cards/*
```

<sup>11</sup> Older z/OS systems may use CTC device definitions for these interfaces, especially when they are used for TCP/IP. These definitions should be replaced with device type OSA.

<sup>12</sup> An OAT is an OSA Address Table.

<sup>13</sup> In principle, we could directly allocate the card reader to a job using the appropriate DD statement. We did not try this.

<sup>14</sup> The term “hot reader” means there is always a read outstanding for the card reader. As soon as an operator places cards in the reader, JES begins reading them.

When a file is moved into the `/home/ibmsys1/cards/` directory (using a Linux utility to move the file) it is then ready to be read by the emulated card reader. After the file is read by the card reader, it is moved to the `/home/ibmsys1/cards/old/` directory. The `/home/ibmsys1/cards/` directory we mention is just an example, of course. We can specify any path name (but the path must exist). The default path is `/home/<userid>/z1090/cards/` and this is used if no path is specified in the devmap.

## ASCII and EBCDIC

Linux text files are normally in ASCII. z/OS cards are normally in EBCDIC, but may contain binary information. A card reader uses fixed-length records (80 bytes) but a Linux text file has variable length records terminated with an NL character.

The conversion rules are as follows:

- ▶ If the input file (in the directory used by `awsrdr`) contains the suffix `.ebc` or `.bin`, then the file is assumed to already be in EBCDIC and no translation is done.
- ▶ If the input file contains the suffix `.txt` or `.asc`, then the file is assumed to be in ASCII and is converted to EBCDIC.
- ▶ If the input file contains the ASCII characters `//` or `ID` or `$$` or `USERID` in the first bytes, the file is assumed to be in ASCII and is converted to EBCDIC.
- ▶ If none of these conditions are true (suffix `.ebc`, or `.asc`, or `.txt`, or recognizable first characters in ASCII), then the file is assumed to be EBCDIC (or binary as used for System z) and is not converted.
- ▶ If a file is converted from ASCII, the record length is padded with blanks to 80 bytes and the terminating NL bytes are removed.
- ▶ If the file is not converted from ASCII, for one of the reasons listed here, then `awsrdr` reads it in 80-byte chunks and passes the data (unchanged) to the emulated card reader.

Another way to translate ASCII text files to EBCDIC card files is with the `txt2card` command.

The ASCII/EBCDIC translation table is fixed in all cases.

### 4.3.7 The `awsprt` device manager

The `awsprt` device manager emulates a 1403 or 3211 printer. FCB functions are supported (for 3211 emulation), but UCS functions (for a 1403) are not supported. A fixed translation table is used to convert EBCDIC to ASCII. The device manager automatically inserts NL characters between output records. Unprintable characters are translated to blanks and no *unit check* is generated for these.

`awsprt` cannot recognize divisions between System z jobs. It simply concatenates all output (potentially from multiple jobs) into the output file. The devmap specifies the output file to be used:

```
[manager]
name awsprt 0003 [--windows]
device 00E 1403 2821 /home/ibmsys1/print
```

If a file name is not provided with the device statement, then the default file name (`/home/<userid>/z1090/listings/dev-nnnn.lst`) is used. The `--windows` option causes the output lines to be terminated with CR/LF characters instead of NL characters.

The `awsmount` command may be used to close the existing output file and open a new output file. The previous output file is closed properly, and is then available for display or printing under Linux.

### 4.3.8 The `awscmd` device manager

This device manager provides a “device” that appears to System z software as a tape drive. Its function is to send commands (and data) to the underlying Linux and then receive the output from the Linux command. Any Linux command may be sent, including those that could destroy the Linux system.<sup>15</sup> Obviously, this device manager should be used with care and may not be appropriate for a zPDT environment that can be accessed by untrusted users.

Configuration is similar to other device managers:

```
[manager]
name awscmd 20
device 580 3480 3480
device 581 3480 3480
```

The device type can be 3420, 3422, 3480, 3490, or 3590; these are the tape device types emulated by zPDT. The device number (580, 581) should match a corresponding device type in your z/OS IODF. (Any device number may be used with z/VM.)

The intended operation is as follows:

1. A rewind is issued to the device.
2. The desired Linux command (expressed in EBCDIC) is written to the device.
3. Any stdin data to be used by the Linux command is written to the device.
4. EBCDIC to ASCII translation is done automatically, with a fixed translation table.
5. A tape mark is written to the device.
6. At this point, the `awscmd` device manager submits the command (and data) to Linux through a shell that does not appear on the Linux screen. The current Linux directory for the command is the directory that was used to start zPDT.
7. When the `awscmd` function completes there are four files on the pseudo-tape device:
  - The command file that was submitted to Linux (with redirection operands that were automatically added by `awscmd`)
  - The stdout data from the Linux command
  - The stderr data from the Linux command
  - The return code (converted to characters) from the Linux command
8. The output (on the pseudo-tape) has been converted to EBCDIC.
9. Two tape marks are at the end of the pseudo-tape.

#### Restrictions

The command you send to Linux cannot include any redirection (< or > characters), asynchronous indicator (& character), or pipe (“|” or vertical bar character). The pseudo-tape device will appear to be busy while Linux is executing the command. Any Linux command that creates substantial delays (of many seconds) may cause I/O timeout errors to be generated in z/OS.

At the time of writing, some characters did not survive the EBCDIC to ASCII conversion when included in SYSIN data. These were the tilde (~), caret (^), colon (:), double quote (“),

<sup>15</sup> The Linux commands are executed with the authority of the userid that started zPDT operation.

less-than (<), greater-than (>), and question mark (?). This restriction may change in later versions of awscmd.

### 4.3.9 The awsscsi device manager

The awsscsi device manager emulates a mainframe tape drive using a SCSI tape drive. The only tested and supported drives are Fujitsu M2488E units (compatible with IBM 3490 and 3490E cartridges), IBM LTO3 and LTO units, IBM TS1120<sup>16</sup>, and IBM 3592 (Fibre Channel interface) units.

```
[manager]
name awsscsi 700
device 581 3490 3490 /dev/sg5
```

The last operand of the device statement denotes the SCSI device to be used. This must be given as a /dev/sgx name, and not as a /dev/stx name. The differences are complex; Volume 3 describes methods for determining the correct /dev/sgx name. The SCSI tape drive appears as an IBM 3490 to the System z software.

The **awsmount** command may be used with SCSI tape devices.

### 4.3.10 The aws3215 device manager

The aws3215 device manager provides emulation of a 3215 console.

```
[manager]
name aws3215 AC00
device 009 3215 3215
```

It is possible, but very unusual, to have multiple 3215 devices. Input to the 3215 console is via the **awsin** command, entered in a Linux command window. Output appears in the Linux window used to for the **awsstart** command.

### 4.3.11 The awsomea device manager

The awsomea device manager is used to read CDs<sup>17</sup> written in a special format known as OMA. This is for input only; it is not possible to write to an awsomea device. In earlier days, VM and VSE were available in OMA format; some Linux distributions for System z may use this format.

```
[manager]
name awsomea D000
device F00 oma oma /media/ROM/;xyz.tdf
```

With the initial 1090 releases, the variable portion of the device statement (after the second *oma*) must be in a specific format, with two names separated by a comma or semicolon. There must be no blanks between the operands. The first name is a path name and the second name is a particular file name. That is, the second name is *relative* to the path specified by the first name.<sup>18</sup>

<sup>16</sup> The IBM TS1120 might not handle blocks larger than 32K. This is a restriction of some adapter cards, and not of the TS1120 drive itself. The user must determine if these limitations exist for his adapter.

<sup>17</sup> It is possible to have OMA files on other media, but a CD or DVD is usually where they are found.

<sup>18</sup> This operand convention was evolved for early OS2-based machines, where it helped deal with drive letters that might be needed before a file name.

In a Linux-based 1090 system, the net effect is that the two names are concatenated; in the example, the effective file name used for input to `awsoma` would be `/media/ROM/xyz.tdf`. The slash (/) after ROM could be omitted and a slash inserted before `xyz.tdf`; this would result in the same effective file name.

Releases of the 1090 code later than 39.14 have expanded the possible formats to include the following:

```
device 123 oma oma /tmp;/my.tdf      results in /tmp/my.tdf
device 123 oma oma /tmp/my.tdf      single fully qualified name
device 123 oma oma my.tdf           results in /home/ibmsys1/my.tdf
                                   (assuming zPDT was started from /home/ibmsys1)
device 123 oma oma /media/myCD/TAPES/my.tdf
                                   (data is assumed to be in /media/myCD/xxxxx)
```

The first example here follows the original requirements. The second example uses a single fully-qualified name. The third example causes the specified file name (`my.tdf`) to be relative to the directory used to start 1090 operation. The last example depends on the keyword `TAPES` to indicate that data files are relative to the directory above `TAPES`.<sup>19</sup>

The variable portion of the device statement may be omitted. In this case, `awsmount` commands are used to associate the TDF file with the `awsoma` device. The two-operand format, as used in the initial description above, is not valid for `awsmount`.

### 4.3.12 The `awsctc` device manager

The `awsctc` device manager emulates a 3088 channel-to-channel control unit. A typical definition is as follows:

```
[manager]
name awsckd 5432
device E40 3088 3088 ctc://192.168.0.81:3088/E42
                                   |         |         |
                                   |         |         + remote device number
                                   |         + remote port number
                                   + remote IP address
```

Multiple devices may be defined for this device manager. A separate chapter in the third book in this series (SG24-7723) describes the setup and usage of this device manager.

### 4.3.13 Additional devmap features

A devmap has several optional features. These are:

- ▶ The use of Linux environmental variables.
- ▶ The `include` function.
- ▶ The `message` function.

An example of each of these functions is included in the following devmap:

```
[system]
memory $(SIZE)
3270port 3270

[manager]
name aws3274 1234
```

<sup>19</sup> This convention was used in the original OMA support and is documented in IBM publication SC53-1200.

```

device 0700 3279 3274
device 0701 3279 3274

include dasd.def

[manager]
name awsosa 4567
device 0400 osa osa
...
message Remember to start or connect the x3270 sessions before you IPL
message
message For normal startup ip1 A80 parm 0a8200

```

This devmap references a second file, `dasd.def` (in the same directory), which might contain:

```

[manager]
name awsckd ABCD
device A80 3390 3990 /z/SBRES1
etc

```

The `SIZE` parameter in this example is a Linux environmental variable. The variable name must be enclosed in parenthesis, as shown. The value of the variable must be set before the devmap is used. It can be set by the Linux shell command, for example:

```
$ export SIZE=1500m
```

This command can be issued prior to an `awsstart` command (in the same Linux terminal window), but then it will not be effective in other Linux terminal windows. zPDT commands that reference the active devmap (such as `awsstat`) could not be used in other terminal windows. Alternatively, the `export` command can be added to the `.bashrc` file, where it will be effective for any terminal window subsequently opened. For practical purposes, we suggest adding any devmap environmental variables to the `.bashrc` file.<sup>20</sup> If the specified environmental variable is not set, a null string is placed in the devmap.

The `include` function in the example operates as might be expected. The file specified is logically inserted into the devmap at the point shown. The operand of the `include` function can specify a full Linux path name; if a simple name is specified, it is assumed to be in the current directory. The file name specified cannot contain blanks. The name could be an environmental variable instead of a file name, for example `include $(fileVAR)`. If the specified environmental variable is not defined, the `include` function is skipped.

The `message` function simply displays its text when the devmap is processed by the `awsstart` command. The `message` function name can be abbreviated to `msg`.

## 4.4 zPDT commands

zPDT commands are entered as normal Linux line commands in a Linux terminal window. If zPDT is running (that is, the System z function is operating) then zPDT commands directed to the System z must be entered in a Linux window that is owned by the Linux userid that started the System z function.<sup>21</sup> This is not normally an issue unless multiple zPDT instances are running, each under a separate Linux userid.

<sup>20</sup> Other required changes to the `.bashrc` file are described in the second volume in this series, SG24-7722.

<sup>21</sup> This means the same Linux user who issued the `awsstart` command must enter any additional zPDT commands that affect that instance of System z operation.

The term *devmap* is used throughout these documents to indicate a zPDT device map, which is a simple Linux text file that specifies System z characteristics and emulated I/O devices for an instance of System z operation.

The return values listed for many of the commands are normally not relevant, but might be used if the commands are embedded in a shell script, for example.

Please note that all the commands have a *help* option, usually invoked by an **-h** operand.<sup>22</sup> This operand is not shown in the following descriptions because it is the same for all commands and would add needless bulk to the command descriptions. The same help information may be obtained with a Linux **man** command using the zPDT command name as the operand. For example:

```
$ man awsstart          (request MAN pages for awsstart command)
$ awsstart -h          (displays the same MAN pages)
```

The \$ in this example (and in many examples throughout these documents) represents the Linux prompt.

## 4.4.1 adstop

The **adstop** command sets an address stop point for the default processor. When the instruction address in the PSW equals the specified address, the CP enters a stopped state. The PSW check is effective for both virtual or real addresses. Only one stop address may be in effect for each CP. To be most effective, only one CP should be in use or the same address stop should be set for all active CPs. (The default CP is changed with the **cpu** command.) zPDT must be operational when using this command.

```
adstop hex-address [on | off]
                    [q]
```

Where:

q - query the current settings for the command.

The return values are:

```
0      The address stop was set.
16     Unable to initialize the manual operations interface.
69     Unusable hex address.
101    The address stop was not set.
```

Command examples are:

```
$ adstop 4FCC
$ adstop off
```

## 4.4.2 The alcckd command

The **alcckd** command creates (and formats) a Linux file that may be used as an emulated 3380 or 3390 DASD unit. The file is formatted to correspond to 3380/3390 tracks and cylinders in CKD format, but is otherwise not initialized. A utility program (such as ICKDSF) must later be used to create a volume label, VTOC, and so forth. A standard model (3380-1, 3380-2, 3380-3 or 3390-1, 3390-2, 3390-3, 3390-9) may be specified to establish the size of the emulated device, or a specific number of cylinders may be specified to create a

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<sup>22</sup> In some cases, a ? operand (question mark) can be used in addition to the -h operand.

nonstandard size. zPDT need not be operational when using this command. (zPDT would need to be restarted, with an updated devmap, to use the newly created CKD device.)

```
alckkd file-name { -ddevice-type [-snumber-of-cylinders] [-q][-z] }
                  { -r
                  { -rs
                  { -rf
                  { -ve | -vr | -vc | -vi | -vd }
```

Where:

file-name is a Linux file name.

-ddevice-type is a device type, optionally with a model number.

- d3380 - device type 3380 (size specified by the -s parameter)
- d3380-1 - device type 3380 with 885 cylinders
- d3380-2 - device type 3380 with 1770 cylinders
- d3380-3 - device type 3380 with 2655 cylinders
- d3390 - device type 3390 (size specified by the -s parameter)
- d3390-1 - device type 3390 with 1113 cylinders
- d3390-2 - device type 3390 with 2226 cylinders
- d3390-3 - device type 3390 with 3339 cylinders
- d3390-9 - device type 3390 with 10017 cylinders

-snumber-of-cylinders (used when a standard model is not specified) determines the number of cylinders to be created. The maximum size is 65520 cylinders for a “normal” 3390, or 268,435,456 cylinders for a “large” 3390.

-r displays the CKD device attributes for an existing emulated CKD file.

-rs displays the CKD device attributes for an existing emulated CKD file and scans the file to verify that the emulated CKD formatting is correct.

-rf performs the -rs function and reinitializes any emulated tracks with incorrect formats; the contents of that track are lost.

-q invokes quiet mode, with no output messages to the Linux terminal.

-ve, -vr, -vc, -vi, and -vd are related to versioning and are described in Volume 3 of this documentation series.

-z causes all data tracks to be set to zeros.

Earlier releases of zPDT did not allow a space between the -d or -s flag and the associated parameter. This restriction no longer exists, but examples are still in the *no space* format.

If more than 65520 cylinders are specified an extended address volume (EAV) is produced. The number of cylinders in an EAV should be an even multiple of 1113.

The return values are:

0	Successful operation.
11	Insufficient Linux disk space to create the file.
12	Linux path not found.
13	Linux write protection (permissions) error.
14	General error.
15	Specified file already exists.
16	File not found or file name is invalid.
17	Drive not ready.
19	Disk not valid.
20	Not an emulated CKD volume.
21	Emulated CKD format is not valid

Examples of command usage:

```
$ alcckd /z/WORK01 -d3390-3          (create new emulated 3390 volume)
$ alcckd /tmp/222222 -d3390 -s100    (create small 3390 volume, 100 cylinders)
$ alcckd /z/WORK01 -rs              (verify format of CKD volume)
```

### 4.4.3 The `alcfba` command

The `alcfba` command creates (and formats) a Linux file that may be used as an emulated 9336 DASD unit. The file is formatted to correspond to the fixed blocks of a 9336 device and a volume name may be assigned. A standard model (9336-1, 9336-2) may be specified to establish the size of the emulated device, or a specific number of blocks may be specified to create a nonstandard size. (Fixed-block devices compatible with 9336 drives may also use these emulated volumes.) zPDT need not be operational when using this command. (zPDT would need to be restarted, with an updated devmap, to use the newly created FBA device.)

```
alcfba file-name {-ddevice-type [-ssize{B|K|M}][-vvolser] [-q] }
                  {-c -vvolser                               [-q] }
                  {-r                                       }
```

Where:

`file-name` is the Linux file name for the emulated volume.

`-ddevice-type`:

- d9336 - device type, size is set by the `-s` parameter.
- d9336-1 - device type, size is 920,115 blocks.
- d9336-2 - device type, size is 1,672,881 blocks.

`-ssize` is the size (in decimal) of the emulated volume.

- snnnB specifies the number of 512K blocks for the device.
- snnnK specifies the total volume size in kilobytes.
- snnnM specifies the total volume size in megabytes.

`-vvolser` sets the volume serial to the indicated name (6 characters). The `volser` is six characters and automatically converted to upper case.

`-c` change the `volser` of an existing FBA volume.

`-q` sets quiet mode with no output messages sent to the Linux terminal.

`-r` display the attributes of an existing FBA volume.

Earlier releases of zPDT did not allow a space between the `-d`, `-s`, or `-v` flag and the associated parameter. This restriction no longer exists, but examples are still in the *no space* format.

Return values are:

- 0 Command completed successfully.
- 1 Help information was displayed.
- 11 Insufficient Linux disk space to create the FBA volume.
- 12 Path not found.
- 13 Write protection (permissions) error.
- 14 General error.
- 15 Specified file already exists.
- 16 File not found or the file name is not valid.
- 17 Drive not ready.
- 19, 20 Disk not valid.

Command examples are:

```
$ a1cfba /z/TEMP01 -d9336-1 -vSCRTCH
$ a1cfba /tmp/444444 -d9336 -s2000B -vMYVOL1
$ a1cckd /z/TEMP01 -c -vWORK99
```

#### 4.4.4 The `ap_create` command

The `ap_create` command dynamically creates an emulated cryptographic processor. zPDT must have been started when this command is used.

```
ap_create -a n
```

Where:

`n` is the number of the coprocessor and is in the range 0 - 15.

Emulated cryptographic coprocessors are normally specified in the devmap, in the [adjunct-processors] stanza and are created automatically when zPDT is started. This command would be used only in unusual situations.

#### The `ap_destroy` command

The `ap_destroy` command removes an emulated cryptographic coprocessor if it is not connected to a CP process. zPDT must have been started when this command is used.

```
ap_destroy -a n
```

Where:

`n` is the number of a defined cryptographic coprocessor.

Emulated cryptographic coprocessors are automatically removed when zPDT is stopped. This command would be used only in unusual circumstances.

#### 4.4.5 The `ap_query` command

The `ap_query` command displays the status of emulated cryptographic coprocessors. zPDT must have been started when this command is used.

```
ap_query
ap_query -a n
```

Where:

`n` is the number of a defined cryptographic coprocessor.

This command queries basic status and domain information. With no operand, it lists the coprocessors available to System z. With an operand, it lists which domains are used by the indicated coprocessor.

#### 4.4.6 The `ap_von` and `ap_voff` commands

The `ap_von` and `ap_voff` commands vary emulated cryptographic coprocessors (or domains) online or offline. zPDT must have been started when this command is used.

```
ap_von -a n
ap_von -a n -d y
```

```
ap_voff -a n
ap_voff -a n -d y
```

Where:

n is the number of a cryptographic coprocessor.

y is the number of a domain within the specified coprocessor.

Emulated cryptographic coprocessors defined in the devmap are automatically made online when zPDT is started. The **ap\_von** and **ap\_voff** commands are not normally used, although they become relevant when **ap\_create** or **ap\_destroy** commands are used.

#### 4.4.7 The **ap\_vpd** command

The **ap\_vpd** command displays Vital Product Data (VPD) data for an emulated cryptographic coprocessor. zPDT must have been started when this command is used.

```
ap_vpd -a n
```

Where:

n is the number of a defined cryptographic coprocessor.

This command might be useful to verify that the specified coprocessor is, indeed, active. The data displayed is not relevant to normal zPDT operation.

#### 4.4.8 The **ap\_zeroize** command

The **ap\_zeroize** command erases (zeros) the content of a specified emulated cryptographic coprocessor, or a subset of a coprocessor. zPDT must have been started when this command is used.

```
ap_zeroize -a n -d y
ap_zeroize -a n -i
```

Where:

n is the number (0-15) of an emulated cryptographic coprocessor.

y is a domain (0-15) in the specified coprocessor.

This command reinitializes (zeros) all the data, such as keys, that is retained by the coprocessor. The first version of the command (with the **-d** operand) affects only the specified domain in the specified coprocessor. The second version (with the **-i** operand) zeros the whole adapter. Either **-i** or **-d** must be specified (with an appropriate domain number for y).

When a new cryptographic coprocessor is used (or when one is zeroized) it must be reinitialized. This is normally done with the ICSF utility, as explained in the third book in this documentation series.

#### 4.4.9 The **attn** command

The **attn** command creates a simulated unsolicited device end interrupt from a device.

```
attn device-number
```

Where:

device-number is the address (device number) of a device in the current devmap.

An unsolicited device end is also known as an asynchronous attention interrupt. The meaning of an attention interrupt varies depending on the device type. In typical zPDT operation this command is probably not used.

A command example is:

```
$ attn 590
```

#### 4.4.10 The **awsckmap** command

The **awsckmap** command validates the content and format of a device map, reporting any errors found. zPDT need not be operational when using this command.

```
awsckmap devmap-name [--list]
                    [--sys ]
                    [--sum ]
                    [--mgr ]
                    [--dev ]
```

Where:

devmap-name is a Linux file name (fully qualified, if necessary).

--list causes the command to output a listing of the complete configuration.

--sys provides information about the systems section of the devmap.

--sum provides information about the subchannel/devices in the devmap.

--mgr lists the device managers required by this devmap.

--dev lists detailed device information from the devmap.

The return code is always zero. Examples of the command are:

```
$ awsckmap aprof1
$ awsckmap /z2/VM/devmap2.txt --list
```

#### 4.4.11 The **awsin** command

The **awsin** command provides input to an emulated 3215 console. The address (device number) of the 3215 must be provided if more than one 3215 is defined. (Note that 3215 device usage is rare today, and this command is seldom used.) zPDT must be operational when using this command.

```
awsin { [dev-address] 'text' }
      { [dev-address] -a      }
```

Where:

dev-address is the address (device number) from the devmap.

'text' is the message to be sent to the 3215.

-a indicates that an attention interrupt should be sent, but no text.

The text operand is normally included in single quotes to prevent the Linux shell from altering it. Return values are:

0 Input text queued for input or attention interrupt sent.

- 1 Errors. (Devmap problem; -a and text both included; text too long)
- 2 No 3215 device found in the devmap.
- 3 No dev-address specified and multiple 3215s exist in devmap.

A typical example of command usage is:

```
$ awsln 'sta,id=ifdasd'
```

#### 4.4.12 The awsmount command

The **awsmount** command associates a Linux file with an emulated I/O device. It can also be used to perform various operations on emulated tapes, query device status, and make a device read-only or read-write. zPDT must be operational when using this command.

```
awsmount dev-address {-b | --bsf [n] }
                    {-c | --compress }
                    {-f | --fsf [n] }
                    {-s | --rew }
                    {-t | --wtm [n] }
                    {-x | --run }
                    {-u | --unmount }
                    {-r | --ro | --readonly }
                    {-w | --rw | --readwrite }
                    {-q | --query }
                    {{-o | --replace} file-name [-r|--ro|-w|--rw] }
                    {{-m | --mount } file-name [-r|--ro|-w|--rw] }
                    {-d | --disc | --disconnect }
```

Where:

dev-address is the device address from the devmap.

-b or --bsf backspaces over one tape mark on an emulate tape drive.

-c or --compress causes output to an emulated tape drive to be compressed.

-f or --fsf forward spaces over one tape mark on an emulated tape drive.

-s or --rew rewinds an emulated tape drive.

-t or --wtm writes a tape mark on an emulated tape drive.

-x or --run produces a rewind and unload on an emulated tape drive.

-u or --unmount produces an unmount operation on the device. This removes any previous Linux file association with the device.

-r or --ro or --readonly makes the emulated device read-only.

-w or --rw or --readwrite makes the emulated device read-write.

-o or --replace replaces the existing file association with a new file association (similar to replacing a tape on a tape drive) and the new file has the indicated read-only or read-write characteristics.

-m or --mount associates a new file with the emulated device, when no file was associated with it at the time of the command.

n is the number of operations to perform. (This option is not available yet.)

-d or --disc or --disconnect is used to force disconnection of a 3270 session.

Tape operations (bsf, fsf, rew, wtm, and run) for emulated tape drives also may be used with SCSI-attached tape drives. Appropriate **awsmount** functions may be used for the awsskd,

awsfba, awstape, awsscsi, awsprt, and awsome device managers. The **awsmount** command should never be directed at an awsome device.

Examples of extended use of **awsmount** (using 580 as a typical device number) are:

```

For tape drives (emulated or SCSI)
  awsmount 580 -q                query currently mounted file
  awsmount 580 -m /tmp/tapevol/123456  mount emulated volume
  awsmount 580 -o /z/654321          replace mounted volume
  awsmount 580 -u                unmount current volume
  awsmount 580 -x (or --run)       unmount current volume
  awsmount 580 -b                backspace over tape mark
  awsmount 580 -f                forward space over tape mark
  awsmount 580 -s                rewind tape volume
  awsmount 580 -t                write tape mark

For OMA tapes (using device number 180 as an example)
  awsmount 180 -q                query currently mounted file
  awsmount 180 -m /tmp/oma/11111      mount emulated volume
  awsmount 180 -o /z/oma/dosvol       replace mounted volume
  awsmount 180 -u                unmount current volume
  awsmount 180 -x (or --run)       unmount current volume
  awsmount 180 -b                backspace over tape mark
  awsmount 180 -f                forward space over tape mark
  awsmount 180 -s                rewind tape volume

Disks and printers (using 300 and 00E device numbers)
  awsmount 300 -q                query mounted file name
  awsmount 300 -m /z/LOCAL1          mount emulated volume
  awsmount 00E -m /tmp/print1        printer output file
  awsmount 300 -o /z/LOCAL2          replace mounted volume
  awsmount 300 -u                unmount current volume

aws3270 (local 3270 sessions; device number 702 for example)
  awsmount 702 -q                query tn3270 client
  awsmount 702 -d                force a disconnect

awsscsi (connect SCSI tape drives, using device number 580 for example)
  awsmount 580 -m /dev/sg3          connect SCSI tape drive

```

### 4.4.13 The **awsstart** command

The **awsstart** command starts zPDT operation by creating a System z environment.

```
awsstart [--noosa][--map] file-name [--clean]
```

Where:

- noosa creates a zPDT environment without any OSA components.
- map is optional before the file name.
- file-name is the name of a device map file.
- clean causes all previous logs and traces to be deleted.

Use of the **--noosa** parameter would be unusual and should be done only at IBM direction. zPDT maintains a variety of logs and traces in the `~/z1090/logs` directory. Note that this is a subdirectory of the userid that installed and now starts zPDT. The contents of the logs directory can grow over time. If no zPDT problems are under investigation, using the **--clean** parameter will ensure that only currently relevant logs and traces (from the zPDT instance just being started) will appear in the directory.

The only defined return value is zero. An example of the command is:

```
$ awsstart devmap3 --clean
```

#### 4.4.14 The **awsstat** command

The **awsstat** command queries the status of emulated I/O devices.

```
awsstat [-i [n-seconds]] [device-list]
```

Where:

-i n-seconds indicates the list should be repeated every n-seconds. If the n-seconds parameter is not provided, the default is 400 seconds.

device-list is list of device numbers. If no device-list is provided, all defined emulated devices are listed. A range of device numbers may be specified, or the name of a device manager.

The device-list may use three- or four-digit hexadecimal operands. These are the device numbers (“addresses”) defined in the current devmap. The output display for emulated disk devices includes the current head position (cylinder, track) on the device.

If the interval option (-i) is used, there is a help panel (accessed by entering h or ?) that allows the output to be sorted. Entering q during an interval will terminate the command.

The defined return values are:

```
0      Command complete.
-2     Unable to locate or open devmap.
-3     Unable to access shared device status memory.
-4     Insufficient memory to initialize the command.
-5     Unable to collect device status.
```

An example of the command and resulting output is:

```
$ awsstat 700,a80
Config file: /home/ibmsys1/aprof9  IOCDS:none, 3270port:3270
DvNbr S/Ch --Mgr--- Actv Busy --PID-- -----Device information-----
0700   0 AWS3274  Yes  No   4315 IP-127.0.0.1      Term-mstcon, Avail-No
0a80   5 AWSCKD   Yes  No   4449 Cyl-2036, Head-3  /z/Z9RES1
```

The S/Ch column lists the subchannel number (internal to zPDT). Each device is represented by a Linux process and the process IDs are listed. The IOCDS note in the header should be ignored.

```
$ awsstat a80-a85          (a range of device numbers)
$ awsstat awsckd          (all devices owned by this device manager)
```

#### 4.4.15 The **awsstop** command

The **awsstop** command ends zPDT operation. This operation ends abruptly, with no warning to the System z operating system.

```
awsstop
```

There is no return value. An example of the command is:

```
$ awsstop
```

#### 4.4.16 The `card2tape` command

The `card2tape` command copies a Linux text file to an emulated tape volume, in card image format. zPDT need not be running to use this command.

```
card2tape [-c          ] [-a      ] inputfile outputfile
          [--compress] [--ascii]
```

Where:

- c or --compress causes the output awstape file to be compressed.
- a or --ascii indicates the input file is ascii and causes the output to be translated to EBCDIC.

The compression option saves space in the emulated output file, but is not compatible with other platforms that may use awstape files. It does not indicate the use of hardware tape compression, such as IDRC. The output is in 80-byte records, blanks appended to input records if necessary. There is no automatic EBCDIC/ASCII translation. The -a or --ascii parameters must be used to force translation.

The conditions for ASCII to EBCDIC translation are the same as used for the awsrdr device manager, and are described in 4.3.6, “The awsrdr device manager” on page 32. The EBCDIC/ASCII translation table used cannot be changed.

No return values are defined. An example of the command is:

```
$ card2tape --ascii myfile.txt myfile.awstape
```

#### 4.4.17 The `card2txt` command

The `card2txt` command creates an ASCII text file from an EBCDIC input file in card format. zPDT need not be running when this command is used.

```
card2txt input-file output-file
```

Where:

- input-file is an EBCDIC file that must be an exact multiple of 80 bytes long.
- output-file is the name of the Linux text file.

The input file is read in 80-byte blocks and each block is assumed to be a card record. Trailing blanks are then removed from each 80-byte block and a NL (NewLine) character added, as used for a Linux text file. The EBCDIC/ASCII translation table used cannot be changed.

No return values are defined. An example of the command is:

```
$ card2txt carddeck.ebc file23.txt
```

#### 4.4.18 The `ckdPrint` command

The `ckdPrint` command dumps (prints) the contents of an emulated disk drive (such as a 3390) to Linux stdout. zPDT need not be running when this command is used.

```
ckdPrint emulation-file-name
```

Where:

- emulation-file-name is the name of the Linux file that contains the emulated disk.

The program prompts for the range of tracks to dump. These are entered as four decimal numbers separated by blanks. The numbers are:

- ▶ The starting cylinder number
- ▶ The starting head number
- ▶ The ending cylinder number
- ▶ The ending head number

After dumping the specified tracks, the prompt is repeated. Entering a null line ends the program. Cntl-C may be used to terminate the program. Count, key, and data fields are shown for each block on the track(s) that are dumped.

No return values are defined for this command. An example that dumps the contents of the first two tracks (track 0 and track 1) of the first cylinder (cylinder 0) is:

```
$ ckdPrint /z/Z9DIS1
DeviceType-3390, Cylinders-3339, Tracks/Cyl-15, TrkSize-56832
Input extent in decimal -- CC-low HH-low CC-high HH-high
0 0 0 1
```

#### 4.4.19 The **cpu** command

The **cpu** command selects the default CP that is the target for subsequent commands. zIIPs, zAAPs, and IFLs are considered CPs for this function. zPDT must be operational to use this command.

```
cpu cp-address
```

Where:

cp-address is the number of the CP that becomes the default target.

CPs are numbered starting with 0 and increasing by one for every CP (or zIIP or zAAP or IFL) that is defined in the processors statement of the devmap. The default target CP is CP number zero. Each CP has its own registers, active address space, and so forth. This command would be used in order to examine registers and memory in a particular CP.

The defined return codes are:

```
0      The default CP was changed.
12     The specified CP address is not valid.
16     Unable to initialize the manual operations interface.
```

An example of using the command is:

```
$ cpu 1      (select second CP, which is CP number 1)
stop        (place default CP in stopped state)
d psw       (display PSW of the default CP)
start       (start the default CP again)
```

#### 4.4.20 The **d** command

The **d** (display) command displays CP information, including registers, memory, and architecture mode. This information is displayed from the default CP, as set by the **cpu** command. CP 0 is the initial default CP. zPDT must be operational to use this command.

```
d {r                                     }
  {p | psw                               }
  {pfx                                    }
```

```

{g | gn }
{y | yn }
{x | xn }
{z | zn }
{vphex-addr [t] [.hex-len | decimal-len] }
{vshex-addr [t] [.hex-len | decimal-len] }
{vhhex-addr [t] [.hex-len | decimal-len] }
{vahex-addr [t] [.hex-len | decimal-len] access-reg }
{hex-addr [t] [.hex-len | decimal-len] }

```

Where:

r displays the current architecture mode.

p or psw displays the current PSW.

px displays the prefix register.

g or gn displays the contents of the general purpose registers. If a particular register is not specified (by the n parameter) then all are displayed.

y or yn displays floating point registers.

x or xn displays control registers.

z or zn displays access registers.

hex-addr is an address in memory.

.hex-len is the amount of memory to be displayed (in hexadecimal).

decimal-len is the amount of memory to be displayed (in decimal).

vp displays primary virtual memory.

vs displays secondary virtual memory.

vh displays the home address space virtual memory

va displays virtual memory via an access register, which must be specified

access-reg is the number of an access register

t (just after an address) indicates both hex and character displays are wanted.

A memory address not prefixed with vp, vs, vh, or va displays data at the real memory address. Memory is displayed on 32-byte boundaries. If the specified address is not on a 32-byte boundary, the next lowest 32-byte boundary is used. Each memory line displayed ends with the protect key for that memory. As a general statement, the CP should be in a stopped state before any of these display functions are used.

The vp prefix can be shortened to v. Note that a hexadecimal length is separated from the address with a period; a decimal length is separated with a blank.

A virtual address is meaningful only if an address space is active at the instant of the display. When z/OS is in a wait state there may be no active address space. As a general statement, these commands are not useful for application programming debugging unless there is a way to stop the CP while the application is actively being executed.

The **d psw** command is most useful for examining disabled-wait-state codes.

The return values are:

```

0      Command complete.
30     No arguments specified.

```

Examples of use are:

```
$ d psw                (display PSW)
$ d g2                (display contents of general purpose register 2)
$ d 461244 32        (display 32 bytes at real address x'461244')
$ d 461244.C0        (display x'c0' bytes at indicated address)
$ d v458332 100      (display 100 bytes at indicated virtual address)
```

#### 4.4.21 The fbaPrint command

The **fbaPrint** command dumps (prints) the contents of one or more sectors on an FBA emulated disk drive. zPDT need not be active to use this command.

```
fbaPrint emulation-file-name
```

Where:

emulation-file-name is the name of the Linux file containing the FBA volume.

The command will prompt for the range of block numbers to be dumped. These are entered as two decimal numbers, separated by spaces. When the dump is complete, the prompt is issued again. A null input line will terminate the command.

No return values are provided. An example of the command is:

```
$ fbaPrint /z/VSE123
0 1
```

#### 4.4.22 The find\_io command

The **find\_io** command is used to identify potential OSA ports. zPDT needs to be running to obtain all the information available from this command, although you may want to try the command without zPDT running to obtain basic LAN adapter information.

```
find_io
```

There are no operands. The return code is zero. Typical output is as follows:

```
Interface Name tap0 -> MAC addr 0:0:0:0:0:0 Flags = 0
Interface Name eth1 -> MAC addr 0:12:56:c2:12:34 Flags = 0
===== Start of Registry Information =====
Total Interfaces Found = 2
Total Interfaces Available = 2
Ethernet Interfaces Found = 2
```

Chpid Num	Type	State	Slot Num	Port Num	Card Num	Interface Name
a0	0	808	ff	0	33333333	tap0
f0	0	808	ff	1	ffffffff	eth0

```
====End of Chpid Registry Information =====
====io_slot.dat file created with registry information =====
```

The key information in this display is the CHPID number for each LAN interface. This is the number that must be used in the --path parameter in the devmap. Starting with 1090 release E41.18 (spring 2010), there may be up to four tap devices (or *tunnel* devices). These will normally have CHPID numbers A0, A1, A2, and A3.

The type value is 0 for OSD devices, and 1 for OSE devices. The state values (which may be ORed together) are:

0x0000	CHPID state is undefined.
0x0001	CHPID state is defined.
0x0002	PCI card found.
0x0004	State definition error.
0x0008	Interface found.
0x0020	OSA card found.
0x0100	Recovery process started.
0x0800	Interface available.
0x8000	CHPID ready.

Not all of these status indications may apply to zPDT systems.

### 4.4.23 The `hckd2ckd`, `hfba2fba`, and `htape2tape` commands

These are three client commands used with the migration utilities.

**`hckd2ckd`** - Used with both z/OS and z/VM to migrate a CKD DASD volume.

**`hfba2fba`** - Used only with z/VM to migrate an FBA DASD volume.

**`htape2tape`** - Used only with z/VM to migrate a tape volume to a zPDT awstape volume.

The general syntax of the client commands (entered on the Linux client machine, using a normal Linux command window) is:

```
hxxx2xxx host[:port] outfile [-n          ][-v          xxxxxx][-u          aaaa]
                                [--norestart][--volser xxxxxx][--unit aaaa]
                                [-e eof-count] [-n]
                                [--eof eof-count]
```

Where:

`host` - is the TCP/IP name of the system with the matching server program. This may be a dotted-decimal address or a name that can be resolved by Linux TCP/IP.

`:port` - is a TCP/IP port number to be used by both the client and server program. It defaults to 3990.

`outfile` - is a file name (on the current Linux) system where the migrated volume is placed (in `awsckd`, `awsfba`, or `awstape` format).

`-n` or `--norestart` indicates that a previous incomplete volume transmission is not to be restarted where it ended; the complete indicated volume is to be sent again. This parameter applies only to `hckd2ckd`.

`-n` (when used with `htape2tape`) indicates the output awstape file is not to be compressed. (Compression is the default.)

`-v` or `--volser` indicates the 3380/3390 volume (on the remote z/OS system) that is to be copied (migrated).

`-u` or `--unit` indicates the address (device number) of the volume that is to be copied (migrated).

`-e` or `--eof` indicates the number of consecutive tape marks that will indicate the end of the input tape. This is used only with z/VM tapes. The default is two tape marks.

Either the `-u` or `-v` parameter must be supplied for DASD, but not both; the `-u` parameter would normally be used for tapes. These commands are described in more detail in the chapter about the migration utility in the third book in this series (SG24-7723).

Examples of commands that could be used to run the client are:

```
$ hckd2ckd 192.168.0.99 /z/VOL123 -v VOL123
$ hckd2ckd BIG.ZOS.ADDR:4990 /z/VOL678 -u A8F
$ hckd2ckd 192.168.0.99:4990 /z/host.WORK23 -v WORK23 --norestart
```

## 4.4.24 The interrupt command

The **interrupt** command creates an external interruption for a CP.

```
interrupt [cp-number]
```

Where:

`cp-number` is the number of the CP (or zIIP or zAAP or IFL). If not specified, the CP number set by the **cpu** command is used.

The effect of an external interrupt depends on the System z operating system being used. The return values are:

```
0      External interrupt was generated.
12     CP address was not valid.
16     Unable to initialize the manual operations interface.
```

Examples of use are:

```
$ interrupt          (interrupt the default CP)
$ interrupt 1        (interrupt CP number 1)
```

## 4.4.25 The ipl command

The **ipl** command starts the process of loading an operating system (or a stand-alone utility program).

```
ipl device-number [parm parm-value] [clear]
```

Where:

`device-number` refers to a device number (“address”) in the devmap that contains the initial load program for the operating system.

`parm-value` is a string of up to eight characters that provides additional information for the operating system being loaded.

`clear` causes System z memory to be zeroed before loading the operating system.

The **ipl** function is started on the default CP, which may be set by the **cpu** command. The use of a `parm-value` completely depends on the operating system being used, and how that operating system has been configured. As a general statement, it is not necessary to **clear** memory before loading an operating system.

The device indicated by the `device-number` must have *IPL text* as the first record(s). This is normally provided by an operating system utility function. There is a fixed 20 second timeout period for the IPL function to complete, after which a device error message is issued; however, the IPL function continues after the message is issued.

Command return values are:

```
0    IPL function started.
16   Unable to initialize the manual operations interface.
99   The device number is not valid.
```

Examples of command usage are:

```
$ ipl 580
$ ipl 0a80 parm 0a82cs clear
```

#### 4.4.26 The `ipl_dvd` command

The `ipl_dvd` command emulates IPLing a DVD from the Hardware Management Console (HMC) on a larger System z. The DVD contain files in a unique format for this function to be used. At the time of writing, the only known uses are with an optional form of IBM z/VM system distribution, some Linux for System z distributions, and an older form of z/VSE distribution. zPDT must be operational for this command to be used.

```
ipl_dvd file-name [-q] [-c aaaa ]
                               [--console aaaa]
```

Where:

`file-name` is the fully qualified name of the `.ins` file on the DVD.

`-q` causes the command to run in quiet mode.

`-c` (or `--console`) specifies the address (device number) of a local 3270 (in the active devmap). This 3270 is then used as an HMC 3270 session.

If `-q` is not specified, the first line of the `.ins` file is displayed and the user is prompted for a continuation signal. The HMC 3270 session has a unique interface that can be used when installing a z/VM system from the standard z/VM distribution DVD.

The return values are:

```
0    Command completed.
8    The .ins file is invalid.
12   The .ins file was not specified.
16   Initialization for manual operation failed, or unable to open .ins file.
```

An example of use is:

```
$ ipl_dvd /media/530_GA_3390_DASD_DVD/cpdvd/530vm.ins -c 701
```

#### 4.4.27 The `loadparm` command

The `loadparm` command sets an eight-character IPL parameter value that can be read by a System z instruction. This is also known as a *load* parameter; *IPL* and *load* are used as synonyms in this context.

```
loadparm {value }
          {-d | display} (note: there are no minus signs before 'display')
```

Where:

`value` is the character string to be set (up to eight characters).

`-d` or `display` displays the current value.

This value set by this command is available to the operating system during the next IPL. If an IPL parameter is provided as part of an `ipl` command, it overrides any existing `loadparm` value and is stored as the current `value`. A parameter set this way is maintained only during zPDT operation; it is not retained across multiple zPDT startups.

Return values are:

```
0    The IPL parameter was set or displayed.
16   Unable to initialize the manual operations interface.
```

Examples of command usage are:

```
$ loadparm OA8200P
$ loadparm -d
```

## 4.4.28 The `managelogs` command

The `managelogs` command assists in maintaining summary, trace, and log files in the zPDT logs directory. As a general rule, zPDT maintains these files without assistance, and the `--clean` option of the `awsstart` command can be used to erase all these files. The `managelogs` command is most useful when working with IBM (or a business partner) while investigating a potential zPDT problem. zPDT must not be operational when this command is used.

```
managelogs {file-name      }
           {-s snap-id     }
           {-t date        }
```

Where:

`file-name` removes the summary record and associated file.

`snap-id` removes all summary records and files associated with the specified snap ID.

`date` removes all summary records and files older than the indicated date. The date format is `yyy/mm/dd`.

The `rassummary` command may be used to determine existing snap ID numbers. There are no return values for this command.

## 4.4.29 The `memld` command

The `memld` command is used to write the contents of a Linux file into System z memory, starting at a specified address.

```
memld file-name [address]
```

Where:

`file-name` is a fully qualified Linux file name.

`address` is a System z hexadecimal address. The default is address zero.

Some Linux for System z distributions can be installed by loading various files into System z memory and then executing a System z `restart` command.

Return values are:

```
0    Command complete.
12   File name was not specified.
16   Manual operations initialization failed.
69   The file was not found.
```

An example of the command is:

```
$ memld /tmp/initrd.bin 100000          (meaning address x'100000)
```

### 4.4.30 The mount\_dvd command

The `mount_dvd` command identifies the Linux mount point for a DVD (or CD) that is to be processed as if it were mounted in the DVD drive of a mainframe HMC.

```
mount_dvd complete-path
```

Where:

`complete-path` is the path name to the DVD, but without specifying a particular file name.

This command has a very limited purpose. It is normally used when installing an RSU volume (DVD) associated with z/VM.

An example of the command is:

```
$ mount_dvd /media/zVM_RSU_name/
```

### 4.4.31 The msgInfo command

The `msgInfo` command provides more information about zPDT messages.

```
msgInfo message-number
```

Where:

`message-number` is the number of a zPDT message.

No return codes are defined for this command. An example of usage is:

```
$ msgInfo AWSCHK208I
AWSINF010I Format:
AWSINF013I     AWSCHK208I Check complete, %d error%s, %d warnings detected.
AWSINF013I
AWSINF011I Description:
AWSINF013I     The DEVMAP check is complete.
AWSINF013I
AWSINF012I Action:
AWSINF013I     Informational message only. No corrective action needed but
AWSINF013I     if errors are present the DEVMAP cannot be used to start system.
```

All message number are in the form of AWScccnns where:

```
ccc is the component code issuing the message.
nnn is the message number within the component.
s is the message severity (Debug, Information, Warning, Error, Severe,
Terminal)
```

The message code specified on the `msgInfo` command can omit the AWS prefix and the severity code. For example, `msgInfo chk082` is sufficient. There is also an environment variable named `Z1090_MSG` to control message formatting.<sup>23</sup> It may be set to FULL (the default), CODE (which will only print the message number and no text), TEXT (which prints the message text and no code) and SHORT (which drops the AWS prefix on the message number).

<sup>23</sup> This environmental variable could be set with an `export` statement in the Linux shell.

### 4.4.32 The oprmsg command

The **oprmsg** command provides input to the System z via the SCLP operator message interface. (This interface is also known as the *HMC console* or the *hardware console*.)

```
oprmsg {text}
```

Where:

text is the message to be sent to the System z operating system. If it contains any special characters (such as parentheses), the message should be inclosed in single quotes.

The *hardware console* is used by z/OS if all other consoles fail. It can be used by z/VM, and may be used by Linux for System z. In some cases, the operating system may automatically direct output to the hardware console. In this case, the output will appear in the Linux window where the **awsstart** command was issued. Using an **oprmsg** command from another Linux window may produce confusing results because the response to the command may appear in the original **awsstart** Linux window.

The return values are:

```
0      The message was sent to the SCLP operator interface.
12     No input text was found.
16     Unable to initialize the manual operation interface.
32     Unable to initialize the SCLP message interface.
```

Examples of use are:

```
$ oprmsg 'V CN(*),ACTIVATE'
$ oprmsg 'V 700,CONSOLE'
$ oprmsg 'D A,L'
```

### 4.4.33 The query command

The **query** command displays the state of the CPs.

```
query {cp-number  }
      {all         }
```

Where:

cp-number is the number of the target CP. The default is the CP number that was set with the **cpu** command.

all indicates that the state of all CPs should be displayed.

The return values are:

```
0      Query complete.
12     CP address is not valid.
16     Unable to initialize the manual operation interface.
```

An example of usage is:

```
$ query all
Status for CPU 0 (GP      ,Primary,      Operational): Running
```

The GP in the response indicates a normal CP, as opposed to a zIIP, zAAP, or IFL.

### 4.4.34 The rassummary command

The **rassummary** command displays information about log and trace files in the `~/z1090/logs` directory of the Linux user that started this instance of zPDT. As a general statement, this command is used when working with IBM (or a business partner) while investigating a potential zPDT problem. zPDT need not be running when this command is used.

```
rassummary [-s] [-t] [-d directory-name] [-c comp-name] [-u subcomp-name]
              [-b begin-time] [-e end-time] [-r rec-type]
```

Where:

-s indicates only snap records are to be displayed.

-t indicates records are to be displayed in chronological order.

-d directory-name overrides the normal logs directory name.

-c comp-name indicates only records about the indicated component are to be displayed. Component names include the device manager names (in upper case), such as AWSRDR, AWSTAPE, and so forth.

-u subcomp-name indicates only records about the indicated subcomponent are to be displayed.

-b begin-time indicates only records after the indicated date/time are to be displayed. The format is "yyyy-mm-dd" or "yyyy-mm-dd hh:mm:ss"; these parameters must be enclosed in quotation marks.

-e end-time indicates only records before the indicated date/time are to be displayed. The format is the same as for begin-time.

-r rec-type indicates that only the specified record type is to be displayed. Valid types are TRACE, LOG, LOG\_REGBUF, QD\_DUMP, LOG\_EVENT, LOG\_APPEND, and QUICK\_DUMP. Multiple operands may be separated with a comma.

Several options may be used to limit the amount of output. IBM service (or a business partner providing zPDT service) will supply component and subcomponent names needed to investigate a problem.

The only documented return value is zero. Examples of command usage are:

```
$ rassummary                (This provides the most general summary)
$ rassummary -r LOG
$ rassummary -r LOG -b"2009-03-03 12:00:00" -e"2009-03-04 23:59:59"
```

### 4.4.35 The ready command

The **ready** command creates an unsolicited device end interrupt<sup>24</sup> for the indicated device. It is most commonly used with an emulated tape drive to indicate that a new tape volume (which is actually a Linux file) has been mounted or made ready. In some cases **ready** may be useful with an emulated card reader or emulated local 3270 terminal. zPDT must be running in order to use this command.

```
ready device-number
```

Where:

device-number is the "address" assigned to the emulated device in the devmap.

The return value is always zero. An example of the command is:

<sup>24</sup> Sometimes incorrectly referenced as an *attention* interrupt.

```
$ ready 580          (Device 580 might be an emulated tape drive)
```

### 4.4.36 The restart command

The **restart** command causes a PSW restart operation on the specified CP.

```
restart [CP-number]
```

Where:

CP-number specifies the CP. If this operand is not specified, then the CP number set with the **cpu** command is used.

This command is seldom used. In some cases it may be used to assist an operating system that is stuck in an unusual situation. It is also used to dump a z/VM system and to communicate with some stand-alone utilities.

The return values are:

```
0      The operation is complete.
12     The CP number is not valid.
16     Unable to initialize the manual operation interface
```

Examples of usage are:

```
$ restart          (restart default CP, as set by the cpu command)
$ restart 2
```

### 4.4.37 The scsi2tape command

The **scsi2tape** command copies a tape volume (mounted on a SCSI tape drive) to a Linux file in awstape format. Linux files in awstape format may be managed and read (by the awstape device manager) as though they were tape volumes on a real tape drive. zPDT does not need to be running to use this command.

```
scsi2tape [-c          ] [-i          ] [-e nn  ] [-s    ] input-dev out-file
          [--compress ] [--info    ] [--eof nn ] [--scan]
                      [-n          ]
                      [--noinfo]
```

Where:

-c or --compress causes the output awstape file to be written in a compressed format. This is not equivalent to hardware tape compression, such as IDRC.

-i or --info displays information about each tape file as it is processed. This is the default operation.

-n or --noinfo suppresses tape file information.

-e nn or --eof nn specifies the number of consecutive tape marks that indicate the logical end of the tape. The default is two.

-s or --scan causes the input tape to be scanned, with information displayed (unless -n or --noinfo is specified). No output file is written.

input-dev is the Linux name for the tape drive, such as /dev/st0.

out-file is a Linux file name where the awstapeawstape<< two is better than one?>> formatted file will be written.

In principle, a System z application requiring tape input does not know whether a “real” tape volume (on a SCSI tape drive) or an emulated tape volume (awstape file on an emulated tape

drive) is being used. In practice, where repeated mounting and access to the tape may be needed, it may be more convenient to convert the “real” tape volume to an emulated tape volume. Mounting on an emulated tape drive is often much faster than mounting a real tape on a SCSI tape drive.

The optional compression format is unique to zPDT operation. It is not compatible with awstape formats on other platforms and is not related to any type of hardware tape compression. The Linux name of the SCSI tape drive for this command is usually in the `/dev/stn` group and not in the `/dev/sgn` group.

Return values are:

- 0 Function completed without errors.
- 1 Unable to allocate I/O buffers.
- 2 Input device not specified, or unable to open input device.
- 3 Output file not specified, or unable to open output file, or output file is write protected.
- 4 Operation terminated due to an I/O error.

Examples of command usage are:

```
$ scsi2tape -n /dev/st0 tape01.awstape
$ scsi2tape -e 4 -s /dev/st0
```

#### 4.4.38 The SecureUpdateUtility command

The **SecureUpdateUtility** command is used to manage lease dates in the 1090 token. zPDT should not be running when this command is used.

```
SecureUpdateUtility -r
SecureUpdateUtility -u filename
```

The first version (`-r`) prompts you for a Linux file name (an arbitrary name) and then writes a request file for the token currently connected to the computer. This request file is unique to the token currently connected.

The second version (`-u`) applies the update file named in the command to the currently connected token. This update file typically extends the *lease date* in the token. The token should be unplugged for at least 10 seconds after an update is applied.

The request file must be sent to a processing facility that can use it to create the update file. The update file is then sent to the user who applies it with the **SecureUpdateUtility** command. An update file is unique to a token number and may be used only once.

#### 4.4.39 The senderrdata command

The **senderrdata** command packages zPDT diagnostic information and, optionally, sends the package to IBM. zPDT need not be running when this command is used.

```
senderrdata
```

There are no operands. The command produces menus and prompts; the initial menu is:

```
z1090 Error Data Processing Script
Options:
 1 rassummary           execute the rassummary command
 2 rassummary -s        execute rassummary -s
 3 FTP/dump snapdata data
```

- 4 FTP/dump PE directed data
- 5 Create configuration information file
- 6 Logs directory maintenance
- 7 FTP/dump rassummary created files
- 8 FTP/dump all files in log directory
- 9 snapdump

The FTP/dump function provided in several of the options means that information can be sent (via FTP) to the IBM *test case* site or it can be retained in a local Linux *dump* file (which is a zipped tar file). Data should not be sent to IBM unless a problem record has been opened by the business partner who provided the zPDT system. The business partner can provide assistance in using the various **senderrdata** options and parameters.

There are no defined return values for this command.

#### 4.4.40 The **settod** command

The **settod** command sets the specified time/date in the System z Time Of Day (TOD) clock during the next ipl of an active 1090 system. The TOD change is not carried across restarts of the 1090. When used, this command would normally be issued after the **awsstart** command and before an **ipl** command. zPDT normally sets the emulated System z TOD clock to match the underlying PC TOD clock; this command alters that normal action. A **settod** command issued while a System z operating system is active has no immediate effect; it takes effect only during a subsequent **ipl** command.

The full syntax is:

```
settod YYYY/MM/DD-HH:MM:SS
settod YYYY/MM/DD
settod HH:MM:SS                (the :SS portion may be omitted)
```

If both date and time are present, they must be separated with a dash without blanks between the elements. A time value is expressed in 24-hour notation. The output of the command shows the adjustment that is made to the default TOD value. The minimum YYYY value is 1900.

This command does not change the Linux hardware clock value in any way and does not affect the time stamps that are stored in the 1090 token. This command provides a way to test System z software operation at future times (or past times). After the subsequent **ipl**, the System z TOD clock is incremented in the normal way, starting at the time/date specified in the **settod** command.

Assume the current date and time (in the PC hardware clock) is July 20, 2010 at 1 PM:

```
$ settod 16:40                (July 20, 2010, 4:40 PM)
$ settod 2012/7/20            (July 20, 2012, 1 PM)
$ settod 2005/1/1-00:00       (January 1, 2005, midnight)
```

In principle, any portion of the parameter that is omitted is assumed to be the same as the TOD value in the base Linux system of the 1090. The date field is processed right to left and the time field is processed left to right. If a single number with no delimiters is used as the parameter it is assumed to be a day number. However, we suggest you always enter a full date or time or both.

#### 4.4.41 The `snapdump` command

The `snapdump` command causes various diagnostic data and logs to be collected and written in the `~/z1090/logs` directory. zPDT must be running when this command is used. This command may be used when a zPDT problem situation exists while zPDT is running.

```
snapdump [-c comp-name[subcomp-name]] [-d "desc-text"]
```

Where:

`comp-name` is a component name; only information related to this component is obtained. Component names include device manager names (in upper case).

`subcomp-name` is a subcomponent name; only information related to this subcomponent is obtained. The component name must also be specified.

`desc-text` is descriptive text (in quotes).

If no options are specified, then information about all active components and subcomponents is collected.

zPDT automatically collects diagnostic information when a zPDT failure occurs. The `snapdump` command is intended only for situations where the user observes a zPDT failure or problem that is not detected by zPDT itself. This command is not useful for System z operating system problems or problems with the underlying Linux system.

No return values are defined. An example of the command is:

```
$ snapdump -d "This is a test"
```

#### 4.4.42 The `st` command

The `st` (store) command is used to alter registers or memory in a CP (or zIIP or zAAP or IFL). The syntax is similar to that for the `d` command.

```
st {p xxx xxx xxx xxx (expressed as 4 words)      }
   {pfx xxx                                          }
   {gn xxx      (32 bit register usage)            }
   {gxn xxx     (64 bit register usage)            }
   {yn xxx      }
   {xn xxx      (32-bit usage)                     }
   {xxn xxx     (64-bit usage)                     }
   {zn xxx      }
   {hex-addr xxx }
```

Where:

`xxx` is a hexadecimal value to be stored.

`p` alters the current PSW.

`pfx` alters the prefix register.

`gn` alters the contents of a general purpose register. A maximum of a 32-bit operand can be specified.

`gxn` alters the contents of a general purpose register. Up to 64 bits may be specified.

`yn` alters the contents of a floating point register.

`xn` or `xxn` alters a control register. The first format uses a 32-bit operand and the second format uses a 64-bit operand.

`zn` alters an access register.

hex-addr is an absolute address in memory.

Only real memory (as opposed to virtual memory) can be addressed by this command. Memory is altered byte-by-byte, to match the operand. It is possible to display a virtual address (with the **d** command), note the real address of the page that is displayed, and then use the **st** command to modify memory in the real page. The CP should be in a stopped state before any of these alter functions are used.

The return values are:

0 Command complete.  
-2 No arguments specified.

Examples of use are:

```
$ st p FF007AB0 0 0 123456 (set 64-bit PSW)
$ st g2 123 (change low-order 32 bits of GPR2 to x'00000123')
$ st gx2 123 (change 64 bits of GPR2 to x'0000000000000123')
$ st 461244 32 (change byte at real address x'461244' to x'32')
```

#### 4.4.43 The start command

The **start** command starts a CP that was in the stopped state (due to a prior **stop** command).

```
start [CP-number]
```

Where:

CP-number is the target CP number. If this operand is not specified, the CP number set by the **cpu** command is used.

The return values are:

0 Operation complete.  
12 CP number is invalid.  
16 Unable to initialize the manual operation interface.

Command examples are:

```
$ start
$ start 1
```

#### 4.4.44 The stop command

The **stop** command places a CP in the stopped state. It may be restarted with a **start** command or a reset function.

```
stop [CP-number]
```

Where:

CP-number is the target CP number. If this operand is not specified, the CP number set by the **cpu** command is used.

Generally, a CP is stopped in order to display register or memory contents. In rare cases, it might be stopped to halt the process of an application or operating system function.

The return values are:

0 Operation complete.  
12 CP number is invalid.

16 Unable to initialize the manual operation interface.

Command examples are:

```
$ stop
$ stop 1
```

#### 4.4.45 The **storestatus** command

The **storestatus** command causes certain CP registers to be stored in fixed memory locations, as defined in z/Architecture. This command is typically used before taking a stand-alone dump.

```
storestatus [CP-number]
```

Where:

CP-number specifies the target CP. If this operand is not specified, then the CP indicated by the **cpu** command is used.

The CP must be in the stopped state (via a **stop** command) when **storestatus** is issued.

There is no defined return code for this command. An example of the command is:

```
$ stop
$ storestatus
```

#### 4.4.46 The **storestop** command

The **storestop** command places the CP in a stopped state if memory at the indicated address is altered. A **start** command may be used to resume execution; the storage operation will be completed

```
storestop hex-address [off | OFF]
```

Where:

hex-address is a memory address.

off or OFF removes an existing storestop function.

The target address is the effective address, which is typically a virtual address but could be a real address when in DAT-off mode. Only one storestop address can be in use. A subsequent storestop changes the address being monitored. The memory alteration is completed before stop state is entered. A **start** command may be used to resume program execution.

The target address could be in any address space. This command is not intended for routine application debugging. Note that if multiple CPs are in use, the **storestop** may need to be set for each CP.

Return values are:

```
0      The address stop was set.
16     Unable to initialize the manual command interface.
69     The hex address is not valid.
101    No storestop address is set.
```

An example of usage is:

```
$ storestop 4FCC
```

#### 4.4.47 The `sys_reset` command

The `sys_reset` command performs a system reset (or system reset clear) function as defined by z/Architecture.

```
sys_reset [normal | clear]
```

Where:

`normal` is the default operation.

`clear` performs the additional architected clear function.

No return values are defined for this command. An example of usage is:

```
$ sys_reset
```

#### 4.4.48 The `tape2file` command

The `tape2file` command reads a file from an emulated tape volume (awstape format) and writes a simple Linux file. The various awstape control bytes (in the input file) are removed before writing the output file. The result is a simple string of bytes in the output file, with no indication of the separation of blocks that existed on the input tape. zPDT need not be operational to use this command.

```
tape2file [-f file-num] input-file output-file
```

Where:

`-f file-num` specifies the logical file number in the input file. The default is file 0 (the first file). A logical tape mark separates files.

`input-file` is the name of a Linux file that is in awstape format.

`output-file` is the name of a Linux file for output.

The output file is a binary file; it is possible that the System z application included NL separators that would indicate a Linux text file, but this is up to the System z application. System z tape labels (in the input file) are not recognized and are treated simply as data files.

No return values are defined. An example of the command is:

```
$ tape2file -f 2 /z/111111.awstape /tmp/mine/testfile
```

#### 4.4.49 The `tape2scsi` command

The `tape2scsi` command copies a logical tape volume (in awstape format) to a SCSI tape drive. The output tape is blocked as indicated by the control bytes within the awstape format. zPDT does not need to be running to use this command.

```
tape2scsi [-i      ] [-e nn  ] [-s    ] input-file out-dev  
          [--info ] [--eof nn] [--scan]  
          [-n      ]  
          [--noinfo]
```

Where:

`-i` or `--info` displays information about each tape file as it is processed. This is the default operation.

`-n` or `--noinfo` suppresses tape file information.

`-e nn` or `--eof nn` specifies the number of consecutive tape marks that indicate the logical end of the input tape. The default is two.

`-s` or `--scan` causes the input file to be scanned, with information displayed (unless `-n` or `--noinfo` is specified). No output tape is written.

`input-file` is a Linux file name with data in awstape format.

`out-dev` is the Linux name for the tape drive, such as `/dev/st0`.

This command converts a logical tape volume to a real tape volume. The optional compression format used by zPDT awstape functions is recognized and processed, if present. The Linux name of the SCSI tape drive for this command is usually in the `/dev/stn` group and not in the `/dev/sgn` group.

Return values are:

- 0 Function completed without errors.
- 1 Unable to allocate I/O buffers.
- 2 Input file not specified, or unable to open input file.
- 3 Output device not specified, or unable to open output file, or output device is write protected.
- 4 Operation terminated due to an I/O error.

An example of command usage is:

```
$ tape2scsi -n tape01.awstape /dev/st0
```

#### 4.4.50 The `tape2tape` command

The `tape2tape` command copies a logical tape volume (in awstape format) to another logical tape volume (also in awstape format). Several optional operations may take place during the copy, including compressing or uncompressing the data. The primary purpose of the command is to compress and uncompressed awstape file (or vice versa), or to summarize a file. zPDT does not need to be running to use this command.

```
tape2tape [-c          ][-d          ][-e nn    ][-i          ]
           [--compress][--dynainfo][--eof nn][--info  ]
                                           [-n          ]
                                           [--noinfo]

           [-s          ] in-file out-file
           [--scan]
```

Where:

`-c` or `--compress` causes the output tape to be compressed.

`-d` or `--dynainfo` displays tape content when each record is read. Otherwise, information is displayed only when a tape mark is encountered.

`-e nn` or `--eof nn` specifies the number of consecutive tape marks that indicate the logical end of the input file. The default is two tape marks.

`-i` or `--info` provides a summary of the tape volume. This is the default.

`-n` or `--noinfo` indicates no summary is to be displayed.

`-s` or `--scan` scans the tape, but no output is produced.

`in-file` is the name of a Linux file in awstape format.

`out-file` is the name of a Linux file that will be in awstape format.

The input file may be in the zPDT compressed format; this is handled automatically. The output file is compressed only if that option is selected. Both input and output files are in awstape format. This command cannot convert other Linux files to awstape format.

No return values are defined for this command. An example of the command is:

```
$ tape2tape -e 1 /tmp/111111 /z/222222.awstape
```

#### 4.4.51 The **tapeCheck** command

The **tapeCheck** command verifies the internal format of a logical tape volume in awstape format. That is, it verifies that the awstape control bytes within the file are logically correct. zPDT does not need to be running to use this command.

```
tapeCheck file-name
```

Where:

file-name is a Linux file in awstape format.

This command is used to inspect awstape files that may have been corrupted. It could be used to check awstape files generated on another platform, to ensure they are compatible with zPDT. Please note that some older platforms do not create correct awstape bytes at the end of a logical tape volume.

The return value is equal to the number of errors found in the awstape format. An example of the command is:

```
$ tapeCheck /tmp/222222.awstape
```

#### 4.4.52 The **tapePrint** command

The **tapePrint** command writes the content of an emulated tape volume (awstape format) to Linux stdout. zPDT does not need to be running to use this command.

```
tapePrint [-a ] [-e ] in-file  
          [--ascii] [--ebcdic]
```

Where:

-a or --ascii specifies that the emulated tape volume has ASCII characters.

-e or --ebcdic specifies that the emulated tape volume has EBCDIC characters. This is the default format.

in-file specifies a Linux file that is in awstape format.

Output is displayed block by block, in both hexadecimal and character format.

No return values are defined for this command. An example of the command is:

```
$ tapePrint /z/222222.awstape
```

#### 4.4.53 The **token** command

The **token** command displays the characteristics of the zPDT token currently in use. This command should be used when zPDT is running.

```
token
```

There are no operands. Only the number of token licenses currently in use are displayed. That is, if the token allows three CPs (a 1090-L03 token), but only one CP is currently in use, then information for only one CP is displayed. The only return value defined is zero. An example of command use is:

```
$ token
CPU 0, zPDTA available and working. Serial - 1587a 12/21/2009
```

The serial number should match the tag affixed to the token and is the System z serial number. The date displayed is the expiration date of the current token lease.

#### 4.4.54 The `txt2card` command

The `txt2card` command reads a Linux text file and creates a card image file (in EBCDIC).

```
txt2card in-file out-file
```

Where:

`in-file` is the name of a Linux text file (in ASCII). Each record must be 80 bytes or shorter.

`out-file` is the name of a Linux binary file that is written by this command.

Input records are extended (with blanks) to 80 bytes and then converted to EBCDIC. The ASCII/EBCDIC conversion table is fixed and cannot be customized.

There are no defined return values for this command. A command example is:

```
$ txt2card /tmp/work2/config.txt /z/cards/deck1
```

#### 4.4.55 The `z1090instcheck` command

The `z1090instcheck` command checks a number of installation criteria. It may be used whether or not zPDT is running.

```
z1090instcheck
```

There are no operands. This command is sensitive to the Linux distribution being used and to the level of that distribution. The output may vary with new release of zPDT.

Return values are:

```
0    Command completed.
8    An unrecognized Linux system is being used.
9    Only root can use this command.
```

An example of usage is:

```
$ su                (change to root)
$ z1090instcheck
1. SUSE at version 10.3 which is           OK
2. SUSE kernel.shmmx is 2415919104 which is OK
3. SUSE kernel.msgmni is 512 which is      OK
4. SUSE kernel.core_uses_pid is 1 which is OK
5. SUSE kernel.core_pattern is Core-%e-%p-%t which is OK
6. SUSE unlimited ic is set to unlimited which is OK
and so forth
```

Remember that the specific report changes with new zPDT releases and with the underlying Linux distribution.

#### 4.4.56 The z1090ver command

The **z1090ver** command displays the current zPDT version, with the date it was build. This information may be necessary when investigating a zPDT problem.

```
z1090ver
```

There are no operands. The return value is zero. An example of the command is:

```
$ z1090ver
z1090, version z1090_v1r0_E39, build date - 10/17/08 SUSE 32 bit
```

The exact output messages vary with the zPDT release.

#### 4.4.57 Command summary

Some zPDT commands must be used when zPDT is active, some cannot be used when zPDT is active, and some do not care whether zPDT is active. In Table 4-2, the following are shown:

- ▶ Y indicates that zPDT must be operational to use the command.
- ▶ N indicates that zPDT cannot be operational when the command is used.
- ▶ E indicates that zPDT can be either operational or not operational when the command is used.

Table 4-2 Command environments

Command	Use	Command	Use	Command	Use
adstop	Y	ipl	Y	stop	Y
alcckd	E	ipl_dvd	Y	storestatus	Y
alcfba	E	loadparm	Y	storestop	Y
awsckmap	E	managelogs	N	sys_reset	Y
awsin	Y	memld	Y	tape2file	E
awsmount	Y	msgInfo	E	tape2scsi	E
awsstart	N	oprmsg	Y	tape2tape	E
awsstop	Y	query	Y	tapeCheck	E
card2tape	E	rassummary	E	tapePrint	E
card2txt	E	ready	Y	token	E
ckdPrint	E	restart	Y	txt2card	E
cpu	Y	scsi2tape	E	z1090instcheck	E
d	Y	senderrdata	E	hckd2ckd	E
fbaPrint	E	snapdump	Y	SecureUpdateUtility	N
find_io	E <sup>a</sup>	st	Y	ap_ (several commands)	Y
interrupt	Y	start	Y	settod	Y

Command	Use	Command	Use	Command	Use
mount_dvd	Y	hfba2fba	E	htape2tape	E

- a. In the case of tunnel OSA connections, the `find_io` command might indicate different results before zPDT is first started.





## Frequently asked questions

The following FAQs are typically asked when first studying zPDT. Volume 2 of this book series contains additional FAQs that are more specific to installation and detailed usage.

**Q:** Is this a multi-user system?

**A:** Yes. Multiple TSO users can connect, in several ways, and use the system in the normal manner. The same applies to z/VM users, CICS users, and so forth.

**Q:** How many users can the system support?

**A:** There is no definitive answer to this. The aws3274 device manager supports 32 connections (which emulate local 3270 devices). There is no specific maximum for TCP/IP (awsosa) connections to z/OS or for SNA connections<sup>1</sup>. Practical performance is the primary limitation, not the theoretical connectivity for terminal connections. A given system might do well for one heavy DB2 user, or 10-30 typical TSO users, or 100 web users each having a low transaction rate to HTTPD. The answer to the question depends completely on the nature of the workloads involved.

**Q:** Most of the documentation is about large ThinkPads. I have a typical desktop PC. Can I use the 1090 offering?

**A:** Probably, assuming Linux works properly with the display, CD drive, power, and LAN interfaces on your desktop. You should have *at least* 3 GB of memory (more is better). However, the only formal support is for the machines described in this document. IBM simply cannot undertake the extensive testing that would be needed to qualify the vast variety of PCs that exist. Hiperthreading must be disabled.

**Q:** Can I move a zPDT token between two PCs?

**A:** Yes, but there is an important issue involved. The latest time-of-day value seen by the underlying PC hardware is stored in the token. If the token then encounters an earlier time, it will fail the operation with a *time cheat* message. If your two PCs have a significant time spread between their hardware time-of-day clocks, you may have problems.

**Q:** The ThinkPads that you recommend have two CPUs. Are both used for 1090 operation?

**A:** Partly. For a 1090 L01 model, only one PC CPU is used for System z instruction execution, which is a single Linux *process*. However, the other processor may be used to help prepare instructions for the primary 1090 processor. The other processor may also be used for other

<sup>1</sup> SNA usage is not supported on the 1090 at this time.

processes, including I/O activity by the 1090. Exactly which processor is used for which purpose at any instant depends on normal Linux dispatching. When using an L02 model (with two CPs active) both ThinkPad processors are used.

**Q:** Are two CPUs needed? Can I use a PC with a single CPU?

**A:** Two CPUs are not required. Working with a single CPU simply results in a slower system because the single CPU must handle all System z CP operations plus all the other processes for I/O and other Linux details. We recommend using a system with at least two PC processors (“cores”).

**Q:** Can I use a USB disk drive for emulated System z data?

**A:** Yes, assuming the base Linux recognizes and supports the drive in the normal manner. It may offer slightly less performance than the internal PC disk drives, but this may be acceptable in many cases. However, IBM has not tested such configurations and there is no formal support for them.

**Q:** Can I use another hard disk in the Ultrabay slot?

**A:** Yes, assuming the base Linux recognizes and supports it. However, remember that you may need a CD/DVD drive to install System z software and you probably have only one Ultrabay slot. You might consider using a docking station to obtain another Ultrabay slot. Another option is to use a USB-attached CD/DVD drive.

**Q:** Can I use a USB-attached CD/DVD drive?

**A:** Yes, assuming Linux recognizes it correctly. In some cases we noticed that these were *much* slower than the internal CD/DVD drive and this is relevant when loading a complete z/OS system.

**Q:** Should I use AHCI or compatibility mode for the ThinkPad disk?

**A:** Linux seems to install correctly either way. However, we have reports that setting AHCI (in BIOS) instead of Compatibility mode greatly improves performance of Ultrabay disks, but we do not have more exact information about specific configurations.

**Q:** Does more PC memory improve performance?

**A:** Yes. Linux can effectively use memory as a disk cache and this enhances performance.

**Q:** Is there an adapter for parallel channels?

**A:** There are no hardware channel adapters for Linux-based 1090 systems.

**Q:** I already have existing ESCON® adapters for my Intel base PC. Can I use these?

**A:** No.

**Q:** Can I use VMWare or Xen to place Windows and Linux on the same machine?

**A:** IBM did not test this environment. Assuming the USB interface works correctly for the 1090 token, the limitations are likely to be performance and this could be a *severe* limitation. The environment you mention involves very complex real memory management, and this affects the practicality of 1090 usage. Also, there are questions about Ethernet adapter usage in this environment.

**Q:** Can I use a dual boot method to place Windows and Linux on the same machine?

**A:** Yes, provided you have sufficient disk space. The primary challenge may be to prevent Linux or Windows updates from overwriting the dual boot functions.

**Q:** I want to evaluate a System z configuration with both a zIIP and a zAAP, using my T60p ThinkPad. How do I configure this?

**A:** Sorry, but it cannot be done. You need a 1090 L03 model to obtain three CPs, and this requires a base machine with at least three processors. A zIIP and a zAAP are equivalent to

CPs in the sense used by the 1090, and you also require a normal CP.<sup>2</sup> You could accomplish your goal by using z/VM to provide simulated zIIPs and zAAPs.

**Q:** I am short on USB ports. Can I use a USB extender for the token connection?

**A:** Do not use an *unpowered* USB port extender; it may render your zPDT token unusable. A powered USB port extender should work correctly.

**Q:** I have several USB tokens. Can I interchange these while the 1090 is operational? Between 1090 operations?

**A:** We do not recommend this while the 1090 is operational, but it can be done. Note that z/VSE startup is sensitive to the System z serial number (which is also the USB token serial number) used to initialize the z/VSE installation. Startup with a different token produces an error message about the DOS PAGEFILE. Replying 0 DELETE can bypass this problem.

**Q:** Are the new System z instructions (as provided with recent new System z machines) present?

**A:** Yes, up to the z10 level. A few instructions dealing with functions not present in the 1090 environment are not available. (At the time of writing, the 256-bit AES cryptographic options are not available for the cryptographic instructions; this may change with later 1090 maintenance releases.)

**Q:** Can awstape files from P/390 or R/390 systems be used with the 1090 offering?

**A:** In general, yes. There is a restriction that the P/390 or R/390 awstape file cannot be read beyond the last valid logical data record. The older awstape files do not contain the proper indicators after the last logical data record. (awstape files created on the 1090 work correctly in this situation.) This situation is typically encountered when using “tape map” programs that attempt to read everything on a tape, without obeying the normal EOVS/EOF records or double tape marks normally used to indicate the logical end of data on a tape.

**Q:** Can awstape files from Multiprise 3000 systems and FLEX-ES systems be processed? Can awstape from a 1090 be sent to these systems?

**A:** Yes, and yes.

**Q:** Can emulated CKD files (for 3390s, for example) be copied from P/390, R/390, Multiprise 3000, or FLEX-ES systems?

**A:** In general, no; the internal formats are slightly different. These are typically transferred by dumping the drive (with ADRDSSU, DDR, or something similar) to an awstape file, moving the awstape file, and restoring it on the target system. The awstape files provide the mechanism that is compatible among these systems.

**Q:** Can I use my brand X TN3270e client?

**A:** Maybe, but do not base any error reports to IBM on it. Not all TN3270e clients are the same and there can be significant differences in the handling of error and recovery situations. (This is especially relevant to the z/OS console, which uses unusual CCW sequences to provide something like full duplex operation.)

**Q:** Is Flashcube supported for emulated disks?

**A:** No.

**Q:** Why do you support only limited Linux releases?

**A:** IBM performs very extensive testing for zPDT. We use Linux releases that are current at the time this testing starts. There are many practical reasons for not changing the Linux level midway in the testing cycles.

<sup>2</sup> The standard System z terminology would be that a 1090 model L03 can have up to three PUs, and we need these characterized as a CP, a zIIP, and a zAAP for this configuration. However, we usually skip the PU terminology when discussing the 1090.

**Q:** Will using a zIIP or zAAP increase the performance of my 1090?

**A:** No, assuming you are replacing a CP with the zIIP or zAAP. These speciality processors operate at the same speed as a “normal” 1090 CP. They are provided to allow developers to verify that their applications use a zIIP/zAAP in the intended manor. Of course, the use of a zIIP or zAAP might allow more parallel operation in your workload and this could increase the performance under zPDT.

**Q:** Is the 64-bit version faster than the 32-bit version?

**A:** Yes, all other things being equal. However, the other performance factors are rarely equal and it is difficult to differentiate the performance improvement due solely to operation with 64-bit hardware. In practice, 64-bit systems usually have more memory and larger processor caches and both these factors also provide performance boosts.

**Q:** My ThinkPad has 32-bit processors. Does the 1090 support 64-bit System z operation?

**A:** Yes, through code in the 1090 programs—just as for all other System z instructions. Processing System z 64-bit operations is slower than processing System z 32-bit operations because more PC instructions are needed.

**Q:** Does the 1090 use 64-bit PC instructions if I run on a 64-bit PC?

**A:** Yes, if you are using a 64-bit 1090 version, 64-bit Linux, and 64-bit hardware.

**Q:** Is the OSA function for ICC provided?

**A:** No. However, the AWS3274 device manager provides approximately the same service.

**Q:** I sometimes want to change Linux TCP/IP between DHCP and a static IP address. Can I do this while the 1090 is running? I am changing only Linux parameters, not OSA parameters.

**A:** This is not supported, not tested, and probably will not work correctly. We suggest you do not change Linux LAN definitions while the 1090 is running if you are using OSA functions.

**Q:** Is Token Ring supported for emulated OSA usage?

**A:** No.

**Q:** Can I use the emulated OSA QDIO with IPv6?

**A:** Yes. You can also use it for aws3274 clients if you find a client (and Linux host) that supports IPV6.

**Q:** Do I need to change any z/OS parameters to operate on a 1090?

**A:** In principle, no. In practice, you may need to adjust a few parameters. These are primarily related to performance. For example, the CICS transaction timeout value might need to be increased for very “heavy” transactions.

**Q:** I have the 1090 offering and a hardware key. Where can I download z/OS?

**A:** z/OS (or any other IBM System z software) is not part of the 1090 offering. You need to discuss this question with your 1090 source.

**Q:** Can I use MVS 3.8?

**A:** No. The 1090 does not support architectures prior to XA and 3380/3390s.

**Q:** All your examples have three-digit emulated device addresses. Is this required?

**A:** No, you may use three- or four-digit addresses.

**Q:** Do I need the hardware key to *install* the 1090?

**A:** No, you need it only to *run* the 1090.

**Q:** Can the 1090 support older CKD drives, such as 3350s?

**A:** The code for this is present in awscckd, but has not been tested. Corresponding code does not exist in the `a1cckd` command, and there is no practical way to create a 3350 volume.

**Q:** Can I use ICKDSF with the ANALYZE function for emulated CKD volumes?

**A:** No, in most cases. Emulated CKD devices (such as 3390s) do not contain spare cylinders and diagnostic cylinders that may be required for ANALYZE operation.

**Q:** How many emulated devices can I have?

**A:** The architected maximum for the 1090 is about 64 K, but lower limits are set in each 1090 release. Each device is seen as a *subchannel*. Allocated subchannels take memory space in 1090 control blocks; an excessively large number of these control blocks can impact performance through memory usage and list search times. The initial 1090 release for Linux has a limit of 1024 subchannels.

**Q:** Is there an IBM program number associated with the core zPDT software?

**A:** Yes, it is 5799-ADE, which is a PRPQ. In the normal course of events, zPDT users do not need to deal with this number.

**Q:** How accurate are the System z TOD and timer functions?

**A:** To a large extent, these are approximately as accurate as the timer in the underlying PC. Some interval measurements may have a granularity of about 500 microseconds (plus the System z operating system time needed to manage time-related activities).

**Q:** I need to have multiple levels (often more than 3) of z/OS available for testing, although each z/OS is usually idle at any given time. A 1090-L03 seems to be overkill for my modest processing needs and, in any case, is limited to three instances. How can I address this problem?

**A:** The easiest solution is to use z/VM with multiple z/OS guests. This requires some z/VM skills, but these are relatively modest. It probably requires more System z memory than other potential solutions, to avoid excessive z/VM and z/OS paging. Be aware that older z/OS releases are not operational at the z10 hardware level (matching the 1090); see the note in “System stanza” on page 24 about older z/OS releases.

**Q:** Are the zIIP, zAAP, or IFL processors faster than the default CP? Why would these be used?

**A:** They are not faster. They can be used to verify that your code is using the speciality processors. Also, a zIIP and zAAP runs in parallel with the CP function that dispatched it and may offer improved performance in this way. An IFL might be used simply to verify that code (such as Linux for System z, or a basic z/VM) does run correctly in an IFL.



# Related publications

The publications listed in this section are considered particularly suitable for a more detailed discussion of the topics covered in this book.

## IBM Redbooks

For information about ordering these publications, see “How to get Redbooks” on page 77. Note that some of the documents referenced here may be available in softcopy only.

- ▶ *IBM System z Personal Development Tool Volume 2 Installation and Use*, SG24-7722
- ▶ *IBM System z Personal Development Tool Volume 3 Additional Topics*, SG24-7723
- ▶ *IBM System z Personal Development Tool Volume 4 Coupling and Parallel Sysplex*, SG24-7859

## Other publications

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- ▶ *z/Architecture Principles of Operation*, SA22-7832
- ▶ *System z Personal Development Tool User's Guide and Reference*, G229-1101

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