



### Starting Debugging Sessions

- Compile the program files with symbols and at optimization level 1 (or 0).
- If in a PC-based development environment, transfer the files to a TNS/E host.
- Launch Native Inspect and gain debugging control.
- To customize your sessions, modify the `EINSCSTM` custom file in your logon default `volume.subvolume`.

### Manual Startup Options

If you start Native Inspect manually, you can enter the following command options:

- `nocstm` - Ignore the custom file.
- `version` - Display the debugger version.
- `help` - Display the online help.

Starting processes under debugger control in TACL or OSS:

- TACL> `rund filename`
- OSS> `run -debug filename`

Starting the debugger on a running process:

- TACL> `debug [processname], term [term_name]`
- OSS> `debug [cpu_id] [process_id]`

Invoking the debugger from a running TNS/E native process:

- A call to `PROCESS_DEBUG` or `DEBUG`.
- Encountering a previously-set breakpoint.
- User switches debuggers to Native Inspect.

Use the `attach [pin] | [process-name]` command from within Native Inspect. (The process must run in the same CPU.)

Traps and signals can cause the debugger to start automatically.

### Stopping Native Inspect

- To manually stop Native Inspect, enter: `exit` or `quit`.
- Native Inspect automatically stops when its target process stops.

### Snapshot Files

Snapshot files save a process state for later analysis

- `save filename [compression] [!]` - Provides control over the compression that is applied to the file.  
`compression` can be one of `bzip2`, `gzip`, or `none`, and this applies when debugging a 64-bit process.
- Set the compiler option `SAVEABEND` to `ON` - Creates snapshot files automatically when a process abends.

- `snapshot [pathname]` - Examine a snapshot

### Switching Debuggers

- `switch` - Switch to Inspect or Visual Inspect.
- Switch to System Debugger - Switch to Native Inspect from Visual Inspect.
- `SELECT DEBUGGER DEBUG` - Switch to Native Inspect from Inspect.

### Utility Commands

- `amap [address]` - Displays attributes associated with an address.
- `base {input | output} {HEX | OCT | DEC}` - Sets the base for numeric input and output.
- `cd [pathname]` - Changes the current working directory.
- `{comment | #} [text]` - Precedes a comment line.
- `eq [expression]` - Evaluates an expression and displays the result in several bases.
- `fc [command-number | command-string]` - Redispays a command for editing and execution.
- `{files | ls} [pattern]` - Displays the files in the current working directory.
- `fopen [file-num] [-d]` - Displays information about the files opened by the current program.
- `info attribute` - Displays information about the debugging target.
- `log [pathname | -d]` - Turns session logging on or off.
- `pwd` - Prints the current working directory.
- `{quit | exit}` - Ends a session.
- `set attribute value (Environment)` - Establishes environment settings.
- `show [attribute | {history | print | check} [sub-attr]]` - Displays environment settings.
- `source [pathname]` - Reads debugger commands from a file.
- `which symbol` - Prints file, function, and line information of the specified (text or data) symbol.

### Source File Commands

- `dir [directory]` - Specifies the search path used to locate source files when they can not be found at their compile-time location.
- `list [start-linespec][,end-linespec] [+|-]` - Lists source code.
- `{map-source-name | map} [[source-name]=alias-name] | [source-prefix=alias-prefix]` - Defines mapping rules between the compile-time name and location of a file and its current name and location. (Useful when a file is renamed).

### Controlling Sessions

- `attach [pin] | [process-name]` - Associates Native Inspect with a process that is executing in the same CPU.
- `detach [pin] | [process-name]` - Disassociates Native Inspect from the current process.
- `{next | nexti} [count]` - Advances program execution by one or more statements, stepping over function calls.
- `priv {on | off}` - Controls the privilege level of the working session (super user only).
- `switch` - Transfers the current process to another debugger.
- `vector [pin] | [process-name]` - Changes the current process.
- `wait` - Suspends prompting pending the next debug or Break key event.

### Controlling Processes

- `continue [ignore-count]` - Resumes execution of the current process.
- `finish` - Executes the current process until execution returns from the currently selected frame.
- `hold` - Suspends the current process so that you can perform debugging operations.
- `jump linespec` - Resumes execution at the specified location.
- `kill` - Terminates the current process.
- `{step | stepi} [count]` - Advances program execution by one source statement or a specified number of statements, stepping into any called functions.
- `until [linespec]` - Continues execution of the current process until a specified location is reached or until the current stack frame returns.

### Controlling Execution

- `mh signal-name {SIG_IGN | SIG_ABORT | SIG_DFL | SIG_DBG | native-address}` - Modify signal handlers for a specified signal (modify handler).
- `ih [signal-name]` - Display information about signal handlers (info handler).

### Controlling Breakpoints

- `{break | tbreak} [linespec] [flags] [-e l1ce | if cond-exp]` - Sets an instruction breakpoint (temporary, for `tbreak`).
- `catch event` - Sets a logical breakpoint on a specified event.
- `commands breakpoint-number` - Specifies commands that execute at a specified breakpoint.

## Controlling Breakpoints (Cont.)

- **condition** *breakpoint-number* [*conditional-expression*] - Specifies a conditional expression for evaluation at a specific breakpoint.
- **delete** [*breakpoints*] [*breakpoint-number ...*] - Deletes instruction breakpoints
- **disable** [*breakpoints*] [*breakpoint-number ...*] - Disables specified breakpoints
- **dmab** [-*g*] - Deletes a memory access breakpoint (MAB).
- **enable** [*once* | *delete*] [*breakpoint-number ...*] - Enables breakpoints that have been disabled.
- **ignore** *breakpoint-number ignore-count* - Sets the number of breakpoint hits to ignore.
- **info** *breakpoints* - Lists information about all user-defined breakpoints (including per-process breakpoints, global breakpoints, and catch events.).
- **mab** [{*\*native address* | *variable*} [*size*][*flags*] [-*e linespec*]] - Sets a memory access breakpoint (MAB).

## Displaying and Modifying Process Information

- **a** *native-address* [*count*] - Displays memory in ASCII format.
- **d** *native-address* [*count*] [*:format*] - Displays memory in a specified format.
- **delete display** [*num*] - Removes an expression from the automatic display list.
- **disable display** [*num*] - Disables automatic display items.
- **{disassemble | da}** [*start-address*][*end-address*] | *function-name*] - Displays a range of memory as instructions.
- **display** [*[/format]* *expression*] - Adds an expression to the list that is automatically displayed when the process is suspended.
- **enable display** [*num*] - Enables automatic display items.
- **env** - Displays process environment information.
- **fn** *value* [*start-addr*] [*end-addr*] [*type*] - Searches for a value (finds a number) in the virtual address space of the current process.
- **i** [{*native-address* [*count*]} | *function-name*] - Displays memory as instructions.
- **output** [*[/format]* *expressions*] - Displays the value of a specified expression (does not save the result in *value history*).

## Displaying and Modifying Process Information (Cont.)

- **modify** *native-address* *value* {*8* | *16* | *32* | *64*} (or **info** with **registers**) - Changes the content of memory.
- **print** - [*[/format]* *expressions*] - Evaluates and display the value of a specified expression (saves the result in *value history*).
- **reg** - Displays registers.
- **set** [*variable*] *var-name* {*expression* | *value*} (Variable) - Evaluates an expression and assigns its value to a variable.
- **x** [*[/format]* *address*] - Examines memory at a specified address.

## Displaying and Selecting Stack Information

- **{bt | tn}** [*count*] - Prints a backtrace of all the stack frames.
- **{down | down-silently}** *count* - Selects the stack frame that is called by the selected stack frame.
- **{frame | select-frame}** [*number*] - Selects a specified stack frame.
- **info** *attribute* (with the **frame** option) - Displays information about frames and registers.
- **tj** *native-address* - Traces the stack from a TNS/E native jump buffer contained at the specified address.
- **tu** *native-address* - Traces the stack from a ucontext buffer contained at the specified address.
- **{up | up-silently}** *count* - Selects the stack frame that called the currently selected stack frame.

## Using Object and Symbol Files

- **{add-symbol-file | symbol-file}** *filename* - Adds symbol file information.
- **ptype** [*data-type* | *variable-name*] - Prints information about a specified data type.
- **{symbol | symbol-file}** [-*g*] [-*readnow*] *pathname* - Opens a native code file and builds internal symbol tables.
- **unload-symbol-file** [-*g*] *symbol-file-name* - Discards symbol data associated with a specified filename.
- **whatis** *expression* - Displays the data type of a specified expression.

## Managing Memory

- **set** *heap-check attribute value* - Displays settings for commands that debug memory problems.
- **vq** [*segid*] - Displays information about the extended segments allocated by the current process. Specify *segid* to change the current selectable segment.

## Command Syntax Elements

- **Linespec** - Specifies a single source line with the **list** or **breakpoint** commands, using:
  - **number** - A line number in the current file.
  - **filename:number** - A line number in the source.
  - **function** - A line at which the body of the function begins.
  - **filename:function** - The line at which the body of the specified function begins.
  - **\*address** - The line containing the program address.
- **native-address** - Specifies a 32-bit or 64-bit address, using the following:
  - Hexadecimal (for example, 0x120001DC0).
  - Decimal (for example, 48331845824).
  - Octal (for example, 044000016700).
- **llce** - Specifies a low-level conditional expression to set conditional breakpoints with the **break**, **tbreak**, or **mab** commands as follows:
  - e** *native-address* [**&** *mask*] *operator value*
    - **mask** is a 64-bit mask.
    - **operator** is one of !=, ==, < or >.
    - **value** is an integer.
- **expression** - Specifies a list of operands and operators for evaluation. Other valid expressions are:
  - **\$**, **\$\$** - Refers to the last two values printed.
  - **\$number** - References previous print commands.
  - **\$register-name** - Displays register contents.
- **/format** - Specifies a repeat count with the **x**, **print**, and **output** commands as follows: **/[count][format][size]**
  - **count** - An integer specifying the number of units of size to display or print.
  - **format** - Specifies the display format as follows:

<b>a</b> address	<b>i</b> instruction (ICODE)	<b>u</b> unsigned decimal
<b>c</b> char	<b>o</b> octal	<b>x</b> hexadecimal
<b>d</b> decimal	<b>s</b> null terminated string	
<b>f</b> float	<b>t</b> binary	

- **size** - Specifies the unit size as follows:

<b>b</b> byte	<b>h</b> half word (16 bits)
<b>w</b> word (32 bits)	<b>g</b> giant (64 bits)

pTAL and COBOL Considerations:

- For pTAL programs use: **procedure**[**subprocedure**]
- For COBOL programs use one of the following:
  - Program-unit** [**program-unit**]
  - [section.]paragraph**
  - paragraph** [**of section**]